

Justice Scalia and any other judge to recuse themselves in any decisions on this question of the energy task force and who should be exposed or announced and who should not. I believe in executive privilege, but I believe that there should be an ultimate review of the courts so that we in government can do our jobs. And if we do our jobs, that is all the American people can ask of us.

We have had some bad judgments. I hope that we can get back on track. I hope the American people will not perceive this to be a question of partisanship. My heart was very heavy in that hearing room today. It was heavy because I was looking for some sense that the truth would be determined and I was hoping for those families that we would step aside from who had a book or who did not have a book or who was working for President Bush and who was not working for President Bush and find out the truth for the American people and those families that lost their life and find out the truth about weapons of mass destruction and why we went into Iraq.

#### SPECIAL ORDERS GRANTED

By unanimous consent, permission to address the House, following the legislative program and any special orders heretofore entered, was granted to:

(The following Members (at the request of Mr. PALLONE) to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material):

Mr. CONYERS, for 5 minutes, today.  
 Mrs. MALONEY, for 5 minutes, today.  
 Mr. EMANUEL, for 5 minutes, today.  
 Mr. BROWN of Ohio, for 5 minutes, today.  
 Mr. MCGOVERN, for 5 minutes, today.  
 Mr. CASE, for 5 minutes, today.  
 Mr. HINCHEY, for 5 minutes, today.  
 Ms. CORRINE BROWN of Florida, for 5 minutes, today.  
 Mr. DAVIS of Illinois, for 5 minutes, today.  
 Mr. WYNN, for 5 minutes, today.  
 Ms. NORTON, for 5 minutes, today.  
 Mr. DEFAZIO, for 5 minutes, today.  
 Mr. MEEKS of New York, for 5 minutes, today.

(The following Members (at the request of Mr. HOEKSTRA) to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material):

Ms. GINNY BROWN-WAITE of Florida, for 5 minutes, today.  
 Mrs. BLACKBURN, for 5 minutes, today.  
 Mr. BISHOP of Utah, for 5 minutes, today.  
 Mr. BONNER, for 5 minutes, today.  
 Mr. FEENEY, for 5 minutes, today.  
 Mr. CANTOR, for 5 minutes, March 30.  
 Mr. MCCOTTER, for 5 minutes, today.  
 Mr. PEARCE, for 5 minutes, today.

#### BILL PRESENTED TO THE PRESIDENT

Jeff Trandahl, Clerk of the House reports that on March 23, 2004 he pre-

sented to the President of the United States, for his approval, the following bill.

H.R. 3724. To amend section 220 of the National Housing Act to make a technical correction to restore allowable increases in the maximum mortgage limits for FHA-insured mortgages for multifamily housing projects to cover increased costs of installing a solar energy system or residential energy conservation measures.

#### ADJOURNMENT

Mr. PALLONE. Mr. Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at midnight), the House adjourned until tomorrow, Thursday, March 25, 2004, at 10 a.m.

#### EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

Under clause 8 of rule XII, executive communications were taken from the Speaker's table and referred as follows:

7237. A letter from the Acting General Counsel/FEMA, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Changes in Flood Elevation Determinations [Docket No. FEMA-P-7632] received March 19, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Financial Services.

7238. A letter from the Acting General Counsel/FEMA, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Changes in Flood Elevation Determinations [Docket No. FEMA-D-7551] received March 19, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Financial Services.

7239. A letter from the Acting General Counsel/FEMA, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Changes in Flood Elevation Determinations — received March 19, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Financial Services.

7240. A letter from the Acting General Counsel/FEMA, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Final Flood Elevation Determinations — received March 19, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Financial Services.

7241. A letter from the Acting General Counsel/FEMA, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Final Flood Elevation Determinations — received March 19, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Financial Services.

7242. A letter from the Acting General Counsel/FEMA, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Suspension of Community Eligibility [Docket No. FEMA-7825] received March 19, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Financial Services.

7243. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the first annual financial report to Congress required by the Medical Device User Fee and Modernization Act of 2002 (MDUFMA), covering FY 2003; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

7244. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Transportation, transmitting The Department's Fiscal Year 2003 annual report as required by the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act (SARA) of 1986, as amended, pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 9620; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

7245. A letter from the Assistant Legal Adviser for Treaty Affairs, Department of State, transmitting copies of international agreements, other than treaties, entered into by the United States, pursuant to 1 U.S.C. 112b(a); to the Committee on International Relations.

7246. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting a report on the activities of the United States Government departments and agencies relating to the prevention of nuclear proliferation from January 1 to December 31, 2003, pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 3281; to the Committee on International Relations.

7247. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting pursuant to Section 620C(c) of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, as amended, and in accordance with section 1(a)(6) of Executive Order 13313, a report prepared by the Department of State and the National Security Council on the progress toward a negotiated solution of the Cyprus question covering the period December 1, 2003 through January 30, 2004; to the Committee on International Relations.

7248. A letter from the Auditor, District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of a report entitled, "Certification of the Fiscal Year 2004 Revenue Estimate in Support of the District's \$173,995,000 General Obligation Bonds (Series 2003B) and \$140,325,000 Multimodal General Obligation Bonds (Series 2003C and 2003D)," pursuant to D.C. Code section 47—117(d); to the Committee on Government Reform.

7249. A letter from the President, African Development Foundation, transmitting the Foundation's annual fiscal year management report for fiscal years ending September 30, 2003 and 2002, pursuant to the Chief Financial Officers Act of 1990, Pub. L. 101-576, and the Federal Managers Financial Integrity Act (FMFIA); to the Committee on Government Reform.

7250. A letter from the Chairman, Federal Maritime Commission, transmitting in accordance with OMB Circular No. A-11, Part 2, the Final Annual Performance Plan for FY 2005; to the Committee on Government Reform.

7251. A letter from the Secretary, Department of the Interior, transmitting a draft bill "To direct the Secretary of the Interior to establish a rural water supply program in the Reclamation States for the purpose of providing a clean, safe, affordable and reliable water supply to rural residents and for other purposes"; to the Committee on Resources.

7252. A letter from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, NMFS, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Groundfish Observer Program [Docket No. 030818203-3328-02; I.D. 071503D] (RIN: 0648-AR32) received March 19, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

7253. A letter from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, NMFS, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Fisheries of the Exclusive Zone (EEZ) Off Alaska; Provisions of the American Fisheries Act (AFA) [Docket No. 030808196-4036-03; I.D. 062403C] (RIN: 0648-AR13) received March 19, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

7254. A letter from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, NMFS, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Fisheries Off West Coast States and in the Western Pacific; Pacific Coast Groundfish Fishery; Amendment

16-1 [Docket No. 030821210-4052-02; I.D. 081103A] (RIN: 0648-AR36) received March 17, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

7255. A letter from the Assistant Administrator for Fisheries, NMFS, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Fisheries of the Caribbean, Gulf of Mexico, and South Atlantic; Reef Fish Fishery of the Gulf of Mexico; Referendum Procedures for a Potential Gulf of Mexico Red Snapper Individual Fishing Quota Program [Docket No. 0310107264-4034-03; I.D. 100103C] (RIN: 0648-AR48) received March 19, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

7256. A letter from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, NMFS, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Magnuson-Stevens Act Provisions; Fisheries off West Coast States and in the Western Pacific; Pacific Coast Groundfish Fishery; Annual Specifications and Management Measures [Docket No. 031216314-4068-02; I.D. 112803A] (RIN: 0648-AR54) received March 17, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

7257. A letter from the Program Analyst, FAA, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Modification of Class E Airspace; Mount Pleasant, IA. [Docket No. FAA-2003-16498; Airspace Docket No. 03-ACE-82] received February 4, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

7258. A letter from the Paralegal Specialist, FAA, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Airworthiness Directives; McDonnell Douglas Model DC-10-10, DC-10-10F, DC-10-15, DC-10-30, DC-10-30F (KC-10A and KDC-10), DC-10-40, DC-10-40F, MD-10-10F, and MD-10-30F Airplanes; and Model MD-11 and MD-11F Airplanes [Docket No. 2003-NM-07-AD; Amendment 39-13500; AD 2004-05-06] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received March 18, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

7259. A letter from the Paralegal Specialist, FAA, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Airworthiness Directives; McDonnell Douglas Model DC-9-31 and DC-9-32 Airplanes [Docket No. 2003-NM-32-AD; Amendment 39-13502; AD 2004-05-08] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received March 18, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

7260. A letter from the Paralegal Specialist, FAA, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Airworthiness Directives; Boeing Model 767 Series Airplanes [Docket No. 2001-NM-259-AD; Amendment 39-13501; AD 2004-05-07] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received March 18, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

7261. A letter from the Secretaries, Departments of Energy and the Interior, transmitting in compliance with the requirements of Subtitle F, section 3182 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2002 (Pub. L. 107-107), a joint report on the costs to the Department of Energy and the Department of the Interior for implementation of the Rocky Flats National Wildlife Refuge Act of 2001; jointly to the Committees on Resources and Energy and Commerce.

#### REPORTS OF COMMITTEES ON PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XIII, reports of committees were delivered to the Clerk

for printing and reference to the proper calendar, as follows:

Mr. HASTINGS of Washington: Committee on Rules. House Resolution 574. Resolution providing for further consideration of the concurrent resolution (H. Con. Res. 393) establishing the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2005 and setting forth appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2004 and 2006 through 2009 (Rept. 108-446). Referred to the House Calendar.

#### DISCHARGE OF COMMITTEE

*[Omitted from the Record of March 23, 2004]*

Pursuant to clause 2 of rule XII the Committee on Armed Services discharged from further consideration. H.R. 3966 referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

#### TIME LIMITATION OF REFERRED BILL

*[Omitted from the Record of March 23, 2004]*

Pursuant to clause 2 of rule XII the following action was taken by the Speaker:

H.R. 3966. Referral to the Committee on Education and the Workforce extended for a period ending not later than March 23, 2004.

#### PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XII, public bills and resolutions were introduced and severally referred, as follows:

By Mr. CHABOT (for himself, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Mr. WEXLER, and Mr. ROHRBACHER):

H.R. 4019. A bill to address the participation of Taiwan in the World Health Organization; to the Committee on International Relations.

By Mr. SMITH of New Jersey (for himself and Mr. EVANS):

H.R. 4020. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to establish within the Department of Veterans Affairs a program to assist the States in hiring and retaining nurses at State veterans homes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. ACKERMAN:

H.R. 4021. A bill to amend the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 to require that only countries that have a democratic form of government and that support United States nonproliferation objectives may be designated as major non-NATO allies for purposes of that Act and the Arms Export Control Act; to the Committee on International Relations.

By Mr. ANDREWS (for himself and Mr. SAXTON):

H.R. 4022. A bill to strengthen the Nation's ability to protect its key assets and the life, health, and property of its populace by granting providers of private security services access to the criminal history records available through the National Crime Information Center in connection with their employees and prospective employees, requiring such providers to employ only those employees who pass criminal history records checks, to protect against unauthorized use of such records, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce, and in addition to the Committee on the Judiciary, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as

fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. ORTIZ (for himself, Mr. TAYLOR of Mississippi, Ms. CORRINE BROWN of Florida, Mr. EVANS, Mr. JONES of North Carolina, Mr. CARDOZA, Mr. RODRIGUEZ, Mr. SANDLIN, Mr. GREEN of Texas, Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas, Mr. MILLER of Florida, Mrs. JO ANN DAVIS of Virginia, Mr. KANJORSKI, Mr. HOLT, and Mr. ALLEN):

H.R. 4023. A bill to amend the Defense Base Closure and Realignment Act of 1990 to postpone the 2005 round of base closures and realignments until 2007; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. PAUL:

H.R. 4024. A bill to amend the Communications Act of 1934 with respect to retransmission consent and must-carry for cable operators and satellite carriers; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. PAUL:

H.R. 4025. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow individuals a credit against income tax for medical expenses for dependents; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. PICKERING (for himself and Mr. GREEN of Texas):

H.R. 4026. A bill to preserve local radio broadcast emergency and other services and to require the Federal Communications Commission to conduct a rulemaking for that purpose; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN (for herself, Mr. LINCOLN DIAZ-BALART of Florida, Mr. MEEK of Florida, and Mr. MARIO DIAZ-BALART of Florida):

H.R. 4027. A bill to authorize the Secretary of Commerce to make available to the University of Miami property under the administrative jurisdiction of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration on Virginia Key, Florida, for use by the University for a Marine Life Science Center; to the Committee on Resources.

By Mr. WYNN:

H.R. 4028. A bill to prohibit the award of a Federal contract unless the contractor agrees to offer their employees certain health insurance benefits; to the Committee on Government Reform.

By Mr. WYNN:

H.R. 4029. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to establish a 15-year recovery period for depreciation of designated low-income buildings and to allow passive losses and credits attributable to qualified low-income buildings; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Ms. KILPATRICK:

H. Res. 573. A resolution honoring the life of Mildred McWilliams "Millie" Jeffrey (1910-2004) and her contributions to her community and to the nation; to the Committee on Government Reform.

By Mr. HASTINGS of Washington:

H. Res. 574. A resolution providing for further consideration of the concurrent resolution (H. Con. Res. 393) establishing the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2005 and setting forth appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2004 and 2006 through 2009.

By Mr. OSBORNE (for himself, Mr. WOLF, and Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD):

H. Res. 575. A resolution expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) should affirm its commitment to a policy of discouraging alcohol use among underage students by ending all alcohol advertising during radio and television broadcasts of collegiate sporting events; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

By Ms. WATSON (for herself, Mr. LANTOS, and Mr. HYDE):