and Infrastructure, 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. OXLEY (for himself, Mr. PICKERING, Mr. STEARNS, Mr. LARGENT, Mr. COBURN, Mr. BLUNT, Mr. ARMEY, Mr. SOUDER, Mr. BOEHNER, Mr. BAKER, Mr. BACHUS, Mr. HALL of Texas, Mr. SHIMKUS, Mr. SCARBOROUGH, Mr. BURR of North Carolina, Mr. TAYLOR of North Carolina, Mr. THORNBERRY, Mr. SKEEN, Mr. GILLMOR, Mr. DEMINT, Mr. MANZULLO, Mr. SHOWS, Mr. WICKER, Mr. COMBEST, Mr. RILEY, Mr. ENGLISH, Mr. METCALF, Mr. WATTS of Oklahoma, Mr. WHITFIELD, Mr. BONILLA, Mr. BRYANT, Mr. SENSENBRENNER, Mr. SMITH of Texas, Mr. DELAY, Mr. GOODLATTE, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. LEWIS of Kentucky, Mr. GOODE, Mr. HOBSON, Mr. FOSSELLA, Mr. GUTKNECHT, Mr. NETHERCUTT, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mr. TIAHRT, Mr. DEAL of Georgia, Mr. RYUN of Kansas, Mrs. CUBIN, Mr. LINDER, Mr. HYDE, Mr. MORAN of Kansas, Mr. SAM JOHNSON of Texas, Mr. BALLENGER, Mr. TALENT, Mr. COLLINS, Mr. GORDON, Mr. HULSHOF, Mr. ADERHOLT, Mr. WOLF, Mr. DICKEY, Mr. HILL of Montana, and Mr. RAMSTAD):

H.R. 3525. A bill to require the Federal Communications Commission to follow normal rulemaking procedures in establishing additional requirements for noncommercial educational television broadcasters; to the Committee on Commerce.

By Mr. PALLONE:

H.R. 3526. A bill to amend the Egg Products Inspection Act to improve the safety of shell eggs; to the Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. PALLONE:

H.R. 3527. A bill to amend title XXVII of the Public Health Service Act to limit the amount of any increase in the payments required by health insurance issuers for health insurance coverage provided to individuals who are guaranteed an offer of enrollment under individual health insurance coverage relative to other individuals who purchase health insurance coverage; to the Committee on Commerce.

By Mr. PALLONE:

H.R. 3528. A bill to provide health benefits for workers and their families; referred to the Committee on Education and the Workforce, and in addition to the Committees on Commerce, Ways and Means, Government Reform, and Armed Services, 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. PALLONE:

H.R. 3529. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act and the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 to improve access to health insurance and Medicare benefits for individuals ages 55 to 65 to be fully funded through premiums and antifraud provisions, to amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to provide financial assistance for those individuals who are too poor to afford the premiums, and for other purposes; referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committees on Commerce, and Education and the Workforce, 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. SHAW (for himself, Mrs. JOHNSON of Connecticut, Mr. BACHUS, Mr. PORTMAN, Mr. MILLER of Florida, Mr. CUNNINGHAM, Mr. FRANKS of New Jersey, Mr. HILL of Montana, Mr. WAMP, Mr. KUYKENDALL, Mr. COBURN, Mr. THORNBERRY, Ms. PRYCE of Ohio, Mr. BURTON of Indiana, Mr. GOSS, Mr. DAVIS of Virginia, Mr. EWING, Mr. GIBBONS, and Mr. GOODLATTE):

H.R. 3530. A bill to amend the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970 to provide that the Act will not apply to employment performed in a workplace located in the employee's residence; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

By Mr. RANGEL (for himself, Mr. LAHOOD, Mr. SERRANO, Mr. MCDERMOTT, Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California, Mr. MCGOVERN, Ms. LEE, Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts, Mr. HINCHEY, Mr. MEEKS of New York, and Mr. MOAKLEY):

H. Con. Res. 240. A concurrent resolution expressing the sense of Congress that Elian Gonzalez should be reunited with his father, Juan Gonzalez of Cuba; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

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MEMORIALS

Under clause 3 of rule XII,

295. The SPEAKER presented a memorial of the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, relative to House Resolution memorializing the Congress and the President of the United States to direct the health care financing administration to adjust medicare managed care reimbursement rates in Massachusetts in order to provide equal access to medicare services; jointly to the Committees on Ways and Means and Commerce.

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PRIVATE BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 3 of rule XII, private bills and resolutions of the following titles were introduced and severally referred, as follows:

By Mr. MCCOLLUM:

H.R. 3531. A bill for the relief of Elian Gonzalez-Brotons; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

H.R. 3532. A bill for the relief of Elian Gonzalez; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

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ADDITIONAL SPONSORS TO PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 7 of rule XII, sponsors were added to public bills and resolutions as follows:

H.R. 488: Mr. PRICE of North Carolina, Mr. HOLT, and Mr. ANDREWS.

H.R. 670: Mrs. CHRISTENSEN.

H.R. 730: Mr. ALLEN.

H.R. 742: Mr. HALL of Texas.

H.R. 914: Mr. MASCARA, Mr. ABERCROMBIE, and Mr. MORAN of Virginia.

H.R. 960: Mr. OWENS, Mr. LARSON, and Mr. NEAL of Massachusetts.

H.R. 1422: Mr. WU.

H.R. 1612: Mr. MCGOVERN and Ms. RIVERS.

H.R. 1816: Mr. OBERSTAR and Mr. TOWNS.

H.R. 1871: Mr. GREEN of Texas and Mr. GONZALEZ.

H.R. 1895: Mr. EVANS.

H.R. 1967: Mr. SANDERS and Ms. BROWN of Florida.

H.R. 2222: Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts.

H.R. 2457: Mrs. MORELLA.

H.R. 2544: Mr. HUTCHINSON.

H.R. 2662: Mr. GILMAN.

H.R. 2776: Mr. ENGEL.

H.R. 2966: Mr. BACA, Ms. BALDWIN, Mr. BOEHLERT, Mr. BONILLA, Mr. BURR of North Carolina, Mr. CALVERT, Mrs. CHRISTENSEN, Mr. CLYBURN, Mr. DAVIS of Illinois, Ms. DEGETTE, Mr. DOYLE, Mr. DUNCAN, Ms. DUNN, Mr. EVANS, Mr. FALEOMAVAEGA, Mr. FORBES, Mr. FORD, Mr. FRANKS of New Jersey, Mr. HAYWORTH, Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas, Mr. KIND, Mr. LIPINSKI, Mr. LOBIONDO, Mr. MANZULLO, Mr. GARY MILLER of California, Mr. NEAL of Massachusetts, Mr. NETHERCUTT, Mr. PALLONE, Mr. PASCRELL, Mr. QUINN, Mr. REYES, Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD, Mr. SAXTON, Mr. SISISKY, Mr. SMITH of Texas, Mr. SPENCE, Mr. STRICKLAND, Mr. TALENT, Mr. VITTER, Mr. WAMP, Mr. WELDON of Florida, Mr. WEYGAND, Ms. WOOLSEY, and Mr. YOUNG of Alaska.

H.R. 3087: Mr. REYES.

H.R. 3115: Mr. SANDERS.

H.R. 3142: Mr. CLEMENT and Mr. CUMMINGS.

H.R. 3144: Mr. DEFAZIO and Mr. SHOWS.

H.R. 3256: Mr. PETERSON of Minnesota.

H.R. 3439: Mr. CALLAHAN, Mr. GOODE, Mr. STUMP, Mr. MANZULLO, Mr. SUNUNU, Mr. BURR of North Carolina, Mr. SALMON, Mr. PICKETT, Mr. NORWOOD, Mr. BASS, Mr. TURNER, Mr. SMITH of Texas, Mr. SANDLIN, Mrs. EMERSON, Mr. PETRI, Mr. GEKAS, Mr. NETHERCUTT, Mr. TALENT, Mr. RAMSTAD, Mr. STRICKLAND, Mr. SKEEN, Mr. WHITFIELD, Mr. SHIMKUS, Mr. GUTKNECHT, Mr. BRYANT, Mr. COMBEST, Mrs. WILSON, Mr. CANADY of Florida, Mr. NEY, Mr. PETERSON of Minnesota, Mr. COLLINS, Mr. EDWARDS, and Mr. EVERETT.

H.R. 3494: Mr. GILCHREST, Mr. JEFFERSON, Mr. COSTELLO, and Ms. LEE.

H.J. Res. 48: Mr. HORN and Mr. PRICE of North Carolina.

H.J. Res. 53: Mr. NETHERCUTT.

H. Res. 377: Mr. MCINTOSH.

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PETITIONS, ETC.

Under clause 3 of rule XII,

78. The SPEAKER presented a petition of Mr. Gregory D. Watson of Austin, TX, relative to urging the Congress of the United States to vote and approve legislation to make employment discrimination against an applicant based upon the applicant's actual, or perceived, sexual orientation unlawful; which was referred jointly to the Committees on Education and the Workforce, House Administration, Government Reform, and the Judiciary.

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PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. ACKERMAN (for himself, Mrs. LOWEY, Mr. CROWLEY, Mr. FORBES, and Mr. LAZIO):

H.R. 3533. A bill to provide the Secretary of Energy with authority to draw down the Strategic Petroleum Reserve when oil and gas prices in the United States rise sharply because of anticompetitive activity, and to require the President, through the Secretary of Energy, to consult with Congress regarding the sale of oil from the Strategic Petroleum Reserve; to the Committee on Commerce.

By Mr. CAMPBELL:

H.R. 3534. A bill to direct the Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration to treat certain aircraft as amateur-built aircraft for the purposes of issuing experimental certificates for the operation of such aircraft; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Mr. CUNNINGHAM (for himself, Mr. SAXTON, Mr. BEREUTER, Mr.

KUYKENDALL, Mr. BILBRAY, Mr. CHABOT, Mr. PICKERING, Mr. GREENWOOD, Mr. DEFAZIO, Mrs. TAUSCHER, Mr. GILCHREST, and Mrs. MORELLA):

H.R. 3535. A bill to amend the Magnuson Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act to eliminate the wasteful and unsportsmanlike practice of shark finning; to the Committee on Resources.

By Mr. FRANKS of New Jersey:

H.R. 3536. A bill to provide for a study regarding the potential health effects of ingesting and inhaling MTBE, to provide for research regarding methods for the removal of MTBE from water supplies, and to require public water systems to monitor for the presence of MTBE in public water systems; to the Committee on Commerce.

By Mr. FRANKS of New Jersey:

H.R. 3537. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow a deduction for State and local real property taxes paid by certain taxpayers aged 65 or older who do not itemize their deductions and to provide for the establishment of senior citizen real property tax accounts; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. GUTIERREZ (for himself, Mr. MCGOVERN, Mr. LIPINSKI, and Mr. MEEKS of New York):

H.R. 3538. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to encourage the use of public transportation systems by allowing individuals a credit against income tax for expenses paid to commute to and from work or school using public transportation, and to reduce corporate welfare; referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committee on Armed Services, 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. HAYWORTH (for himself and Mr. PAUL):

H.R. 3539. A bill to amend the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970 to provide that the Act will not apply to employment performed in a workplace located in the employee's residence; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

By Mr. ISAKSON:

H.R. 3540. A bill to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 to prohibit the issuance of a certificate for subminimum wages for individuals with impaired vision or blindness; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

By Mr. ISAKSON:

H.R. 3541. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on 1,5-dichloroanthraquinone; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mrs. JONES of Ohio (for herself, Ms. KILPATRICK, Mr. DAVIS of Illinois, Mr. DIXON, Mr. CUMMINGS, Mr. PAYNE, Mr. RUSH, Mr. MEEKS of New York, Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi, Ms. LEE, Mr. TOWNS, Ms. CARSON, Mr. CONYERS, Mr. BISHOP, Mrs. CHRISTENSEN, Ms. BROWN of Florida, Mrs. MEEK of Florida, Ms. MILLENDER-MCDONALD, Ms. NORTON, Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas, Mr. HILLIARD, Mr. WYNN, Mr. RANGEL, Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas, Ms. DELAURO, Mrs. TAUSCHER, and Mr. BOYD):

H.R. 3542. A bill to provide greater access to high quality distance education programs; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

By Mr. LARSON (for himself, Ms. DELAURO, Mrs. JOHNSON of Connecticut, Mr. GEJDENSON, Mr. SHAYS, Mrs. MCCARTHY of New York, Mr. ALLEN, Mr. MEEKS of New York, Mr. WEINER, Mr. MALONEY of Connecticut, Mr. MCGOVERN, Mr. HOLDEN, Mr. DELAHUNT, Mr. BORSKI, Mr. MASCARA, Mr. BRADY of Pennsylvania, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. LOBIONDO, Mr. KANJORSKI, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. NADLER, Mr. CAPUANO, Mr. BOEHLERT, and Mr. HOLT):

H.R. 3543. A bill to provide the Secretary of Energy with authority to draw down the Strategic Petroleum Reserve when oil and gas prices in the United States rise sharply because of anticompetitive activity, and to require the President, through the Secretary of Energy, to consult with Congress regarding the sale of oil from the Strategic Petroleum Reserve; to the Committee on Commerce.

By Mr. LEACH:

H.R. 3544. A bill to authorize a gold medal to be awarded on behalf of the Congress to Pope John Paul II in recognition of his many and enduring contributions to peace and religious understanding, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services.

By Mr. MARTINEZ (for himself and Mr. KILDEE):

H.R. 3545. A bill to authorize appropriations for the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act to achieve full funding by 2010, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

By Mr. MCGOVERN (for himself, Mr. SHAYS, Mr. FRANKS of New Jersey, Mr. CAPUANO, Ms. DELAURO, Ms. PELOSI, Mr. FORBES, Mrs. TAUSCHER, Mr. COOK, Mr. OLVER, Mr. GEJDENSON, Mr. BOEHLERT, Mr. PALLONE, and Mr. BORSKI):

H.R. 3546. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide a uniform dollar limitation for all types of transportation fringe benefits excludable from gross income; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mrs. MEEK of Florida:

H.R. 3547. A bill to amend title 18 of the United States Code to clarify the provisions respecting forfeiture for alien smuggling; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. SAXTON (for himself, Mr. SMITH of New Jersey, and Mr. LOBIONDO):

H.R. 3548. A bill to redesignate the mud dump site located approximately 6 miles east of Sandy Hook, New Jersey, and known as the ''Historic Area Remediation Site'', as the ''Albert Gore, Jr., Mud Dump Site''; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Mr. SAXTON (for himself, Mr. SMITH of New Jersey, Mr. PALLONE, and Mr. LOBIONDO):

H.R. 3549. A bill to amend the Marine Protection, Research, and Sanctuaries Act of 1972 relating to the dumping of dredged material in the Historic Area Remediation Site, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Mr. SMITH of Michigan:

H.R. 3550. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow a deduction in determining adjusted gross income for travel expenses of State legislators away from home; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. ARMEY:

H. Con. Res. 241. A concurrent resolution providing for a joint session of Congress to receive a message from the President on the State of the Union; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. GEJDENSON (for himself, Mr. ALLEN, Mr. BENTSEN, Mr. CAPUANO, Ms. CARSON, Mr. CONYERS, Mr. CROWLEY, Ms. DANNER, Mr. DAVIS of Florida, Mr. DOYLE, Mr. ENGEL, Ms. ESHOO, Mr. FROST, Mr. GILMAN, Mr. GUTIERREZ, Mr. HINCHEY, Mr. KING, Mr. LARSON, Mr. LATOURETTE, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. LUCAS of Kentucky, Mr. MARKEY, Mr. MCGOVERN, Mr. MCNULTY, Mr. MEEHAN, Mr. PALLONE, Mr. PAYNE, Ms. PELOSI, Mr. POMEROY, Mr. RAHALL, Mr. SAWYER, Mr. SKELTON, Mr. STUPAK, Mr. TIERNEY, Mrs. JONES of Ohio, Mr. VENTO, Mr. WALSH, Mr. WAXMAN, Mr. WEINER, and Mr. ABERCROMBIE):

H. Con. Res. 242. A concurrent resolution to urge the Nobel Commission to award the year 2000 Nobel Prize for Peace to former United States Senator George J. Mitchell for his dedication to fostering peace in Northern Ireland; to the Committee on International Relations.

By Mrs. JONES of Ohio (for herself, Mr. FRANKS of New Jersey, Mr. OWENS, and Mr. MEEKS of New York):

H. Con. Res. 243. A concurrent resolution expressing the sense of Congress regarding the importance of mental health awareness, mental disorders, and early detection of mental illnesses to facilitate entry into treatment; to the Committee on Commerce.

By Mr. THOMAS (for himself, Mr. HOYER, Mr. BOEHNER, Mr. NEY, Mr. EHLERS, Mr. MICA, Mr. EWING, Mr. GILMAN, Mr. LANTOS, Mr. FROST, Mr. CANNON, and Mr. LATOURETTE):

H. Con. Res. 244. A concurrent resolution permitting the use of the rotunda of the Capitol for a ceremony as part of the commemoration of the days of remembrance of victims of the Holocaust; to the Committee on House Administration.

By Mr. ARMEY:

H. Res. 401. A resolution providing for a committee to notify the President of the assembly of the Congress; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. ARMEY:

H. Res. 402. A resolution to inform the Senate that a quorum of the House has assembled; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. ARMEY:

H. Res. 403. A resolution providing for the hour of meeting of the House; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. GALLEGLY:

H. Res. 404. A resolution congratulating the people and Governments of Argentina, Chile, Guatemala, and Uruguay for completing their recent and successful democratic national elections; to the Committee on International Relations.

By Mr. GALLEGLY (for himself, Mr. BALLENGER, Mr. BRADY of Texas, Mr. SOUDER, Mr. DAVIS of Florida, Mr. GILLMOR, and Mr. GEJDENSON):

H. Res. 405. A resolution recognizing the recent natural disaster in Venezuela, commending the people and Government of Venezuela for its disaster recovery efforts, and calling on the United States Government and the international community to consider providing additional disaster assistance; to the Committee on International Relations.

By Mr. PALLONE (for himself and Mr. MCCOLLUM):

H. Res. 406. A resolution expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that Pakistan should be designated as a state sponsor of terrorism; to the Committee on International Relations.

By Mr. THOMAS:

H. Res. 407. A resolution permitting official photographs of the House of Representatives to be taken while the House is in actual session; to the Committee on House Administration.

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PRIVATE BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 3 of rule XII,

Mr. MARTINEZ introduced A bill (H.R. 3551) for the relief of Gui Di Chen; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.