

These borders are porous. We refuse to protect them and we send people like Kris Eggle down there and we do it at their peril. This is a shame, Mr. Speaker; a shame that we do not defend these borders and defend the people we send into harm's way there. It is a war zone also.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

By unanimous consent, leave of absence was granted to:

Mr. MCINNIS (at the request of Mr. DELAY) for today on account of surgery.

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. SCHIFF) to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material:)

Mr. DEFAZIO, for 5 minutes, today.
 Mr. SKELTON, for 5 minutes, today.
 Ms. NORTON, for 5 minutes, today.
 Mr. FILNER, for 5 minutes, today.
 Mr. MEEK of Florida, for 5 minutes, today.
 Mr. SCHIFF, for 5 minutes, today.
 Mr. CROWLEY, for 5 minutes, today.
 Mr. CONYERS, for 5 minutes, today.
 Mr. DAVIS of Illinois, for 5 minutes, today.

(The following Members (at the request of Ms. GINNY BROWN-WAITE of Florida) to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material:)

Mr. HENSARLING, for 5 minutes, today.
 Mr. NORWOOD, for 5 minutes, today.
 Mr. SMITH of Michigan, for 5 minutes, today.
 Mr. PETERSON of Pennsylvania, for 5 minutes, today.

(The following Members (at their own request) to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material:)

Mr. ABERCROMBIE, for 5 minutes, today.
 Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas, for 5 minutes, today.
 Ms. WATERS, for 5 minutes, today.

SENATE BILLS REFERRED

Bills of the Senate of the following titles were taken from the Speaker's table and, under the rule, referred as follows:

S. 704. An act to amend title 10, United States Code, to increase the amount of the death gratuity payable with respect to deceased members of the Armed Forces; to the Committee on Armed Services.

S. 711. An act to amend title 37, United States Code, to alleviate delay in the payment of the Selected Reserve reenlistment bonus to members of Selected Reserve who are mobilized; to the Committee on Armed Services.

S. 712. An act to amend title 10, United States Code, to provide Survivor Benefit

Plan annuities for surviving spouses of Reserves not eligible for retirement who die from a cause incurred or aggravated while on inactive-duty training; to the Committee on Armed Services.

S. 718. An act to provide a monthly allotment of free telephone calling time to members of the United States armed forces stationed outside the United States who are directly supporting military operations in Iraq or Afghanistan; to the Committee on Armed Services.

ADJOURNMENT

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

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 10 o'clock and 22 minutes p.m.), the House adjourned until tomorrow, Thursday, April 3, 2003, 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:

1638. A letter from the Under Secretary, Comptroller, Department of Defense, transmitting certification that the current Future Years Defense Program fully funds the support costs associated with the CC-130J/KC-130J multiyear program, pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 2306b(i)(1)(A); to the Committee on Armed Services.

1639. 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.

1640. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting the Third Annual Report on the Inter-American Convention Against Corruption; to the Committee on International Relations.

1641. A letter from the Comptroller General, General Accounting Office, transmitting the Month in Review: January 2003 Reports, Testimony, Correspondence, and Other Publications, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 719(h); to the Committee on Government Reform.

1642. A letter from the Chairman, Federal Maritime Commission, transmitting a copy of the annual report in compliance with the Government in the Sunshine Act during the calendar year 2002, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552b(j); to the Committee on Government Reform.

1643. A letter from the Chairman, Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board, transmitting the Board's Performance Report for FY 2002; to the Committee on Government Reform.

1644. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting a plan for ensuring the elimination, to the maximum extent practicable, of unwarranted disparities in the pay and benefits of employees being transferred to the Department of Homeland Security, pursuant to Public Law 107-296; to the Committee on Government Reform.

1645. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Secretary's Management Report on Management Decisions and Final Actions on Office of Inspector General Audit Recommendations for the period ending September 30, 2002; to the Committee on Government Reform.

1646. A letter from the Chair, Federal Election Commission, transmitting a copy of the

annual report in compliance with the Government in the Sunshine Act during the calendar year 2002, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552b(j); to the Committee on Government Reform.

1647. A letter from the Vice President for Legal Affairs, General Counsel and Corporate Secretary, Legal Services Corporation, transmitting a copy of the annual report in compliance with the Government in the Sunshine Act during the calendar year 2002, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552b(j); to the Committee on Government Reform.

1648. A letter from the Chairman, Occupational Safety And Health Review Commission, transmitting the FY 2002 Annual Program Performance Report, required by the Government Performance and Results Act; to the Committee on Government Reform.

1649. A letter from the Board Members, Railroad Retirement Board, transmitting a copy of the annual report in compliance with the Government in the Sunshine Act during the Calendar Year 2002, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552b(j); to the Committee on Government Reform.

1650. A letter from the Chairman, Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting a copy of the annual report in compliance with the Government in the Sunshine Act during the calendar year 2002, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552b(j); to the Committee on Government Reform.

1651. A letter from the Chairman, Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting the Commission's Government Performance and Results Act Annual Performance Report for FY 2002 and the Annual Performance Plan for FY 2004; to the Committee on Government Reform.

1652. A letter from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, NMFS, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Pollock in Statistical Area 630 of the Gulf of Alaska [Docket No. 021122286-02; I.D. 030703B] received March 31, 2003, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

1653. A letter from the Senior Staff Attorney, United States Court of Appeals, transmitting an opinion of the court; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

1654. A letter from the Chief, Regulations and Administrative Law, USCG, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Drawbridge Operation Regulations; Palm Beach County Bridges, Atlantic Intracoastal Waterway, Palm Beach County, FL [CGD07-03-031] received March 24, 2003, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

1655. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Transportation, transmitting notification regarding the Coast Guard's report on the Feasibility of Accelerating the Integrated Deepwater System; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

1656. A letter from the Executive Vice President, Communications and Government Relations, Tennessee Valley Authority, transmitting a copy of the Authority's statistical summary for Fiscal Year 2002, pursuant to 16 U.S.C. 831h(a); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

1657. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Tax-Exempt Bond Look Through (Rev. Proc. 2003-32, 2003-16 I.R.B.) received April 2, 2003, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

1658. A letter from the Under Secretaries of Defense, Department of Defense, transmitting the Department's report entitled, "Plan for Improving the Personnel Management Policies and Procedures Applicable to the

Department of Defense Civilian Acquisition Workforce"; jointly to the Committees on Armed Services and Government Reform.

1659. A letter from the Vice Chairman, Federal Election Commission, transmitting the Commission's FY 2004 budget request, pursuant to 2 U.S.C. 437d(d)(1); jointly to the Committees on House Administration and Appropriations.

1660. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Defense, transmitting the Department's legislative initiatives as a part of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2004; jointly to the Committees on Armed Services, Science, Small Business, Government Reform, Education and the Workforce, International Relations, and Transportation and Infrastructure.

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. YOUNG of Florida: Committee on Appropriations. H.R. 1559. A bill making emergency wartime supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2003, and for other purposes (Rept. 108-55). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

Mr. OXLEY: Committee on Financial Services. H.R. 1280. A bill to reauthorize the Defense Production Act of 1950, and for other purposes (Rept. 108-56). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

Mrs. MYRICK: Committee on Rules. House Resolution 172. Resolution providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 1559) making emergency wartime supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2003, and for other purposes (Rept. 108-57). Referred to the House Calendar.

PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. ENGLISH (for himself, Mr. OBERSTAR, Mr. NEY, Mr. HOYER, Ms. DUNN, Ms. HART, Mr. LIPINSKI, Mr. DEFAZIO, Mr. MENENDEZ, and Mr. WEINER):

H.R. 1553. A bill to provide for additional temporary extended unemployment compensation for certain displaced workers; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. FILNER:

H.R. 1554. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to make certain improvements to the National Service Life Insurance and United States Government Life Insurance programs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. DOGGETT (for himself, Mr. ALLEN, Ms. BALDWIN, Mr. BECERRA, Mr. CROWLEY, Mr. DEFAZIO, Ms. DELAURO, Mr. FROST, Mr. JEFFERSON, Mrs. JONES of Ohio, Mr. KLECZKA, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. LEWIS of Georgia, Mr. MCDERMOTT, Mr. MCGOVERN, Mr. MCNULTY, Mr. MARKEY, Mr. MATSUI, Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California, Mr. NEAL of Massachusetts, Ms. LORETTA SANCHEZ of California, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. SHERMAN, Ms. SLAUGHTER, Ms. SOLIS, Mr. STARK, Mr. TIERNEY, and Mr. WAXMAN):

H.R. 1555. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to curb tax abuses by disallowing tax benefits claimed to arise from

transactions without substantial economic substance, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. DOGGETT (for himself, Mr. ALLEN, Ms. BALDWIN, Ms. BERKLEY, Ms. BORDALLO, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Ms. CARSON of Indiana, Ms. DELAURO, Mr. EMANUEL, Mr. FILNER, Mr. GRIJALVA, Mrs. JONES of Ohio, Ms. LEE, Mr. LEWIS of Georgia, Mrs. MALONEY, Mr. MATSUI, Mr. MCDERMOTT, Ms. NORTON, Mr. OWENS, Mr. SANDERS, Ms. SLAUGHTER, Ms. SOLIS, Mr. STARK, Mr. TIERNEY, Mr. WAXMAN, and Ms. WOOLSEY):

H.R. 1556. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to require greater transparency of corporate tax accounting measures, to facilitate analysis of financial statements, to permit inspection of true corporate tax liability and understand the tax strategies undertaken by corporations, to discourage abusive tax sheltering activities, and to restore investor confidence in publicly traded corporations; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. DOGGETT (for himself, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Ms. DELAURO, Mr. GONZALEZ, Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas, Mrs. JONES of Ohio, Mr. LEWIS of Georgia, Mrs. MALONEY, Mr. MATSUI, Mr. MCDERMOTT, Mr. NEAL of Massachusetts, Mr. POMEROY, Mr. RANGEL, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. SANDLIN, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, Mr. SHERMAN, Ms. SLAUGHTER, and Mr. STARK):

H.R. 1557. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow the Secretary of the Treasury to disclose taxpayer identity information through mass communications to notify persons entitled to tax refunds; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. DOGGETT (for himself, Ms. DELAURO, Mr. LEWIS of Georgia, Mr. NEAL of Massachusetts, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. SANDLIN, and Mr. STARK):

H.R. 1558. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow a married couple conducting an unincorporated trade or business to elect out of partnership status; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. YOUNG of Florida:

H.R. 1559. A bill making emergency wartime supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2003, and for other purposes.

By Mr. DUNCAN (for himself and Mr. YOUNG of Alaska):

H.R. 1560. A bill to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to authorize appropriations for State water pollution control revolving funds, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Mr. SMITH of Texas (for himself and Mr. BERMAN) (both by request):

H.R. 1561. A bill to amend title 35, United States Code, with respect to patent fees, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. BEAUPREZ (for himself, Mr. SMITH of New Jersey, Mr. EVANS, Mr. SIMMONS, and Mr. RODRIGUEZ):

H.R. 1562. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to enhance the authority of the Department of Veterans Affairs to recover costs of medical care furnished to veterans and other persons by the Department from third parties that provide health insurance coverage to such veterans and other persons; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. ACKERMAN (for himself, Mr. ROHRBACHER, Ms. LEE, Mr. KILDEE, Ms. LOFGREN, Mr. SCHIFF, Mr. MCNULTY, Mr. LEWIS of California, Mr. WU, Mr. ISRAEL, Ms. BERKLEY, and Mr. BARTLETT of Maryland):

H.R. 1563. A bill to require engine coolant and antifreeze to contain a bittering agent

so as to render it unpalatable; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. ALLEN (for himself and Mr. MICHAUD):

H.R. 1564. A bill to provide for the full funding of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act and the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Appropriations, and in addition to the Committee on Ways and Means, 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 Ms. BALDWIN (for herself, Ms. LEE, Mr. FROST, Mr. SANDERS, Mrs. JONES of Ohio, Mr. MCDERMOTT, and Mr. CONYERS):

H.R. 1565. A bill to establish a National Center for Military Deployment Health Research in the Department of Health and Human Services to provide an independent means for the conduct and coordination of research into issues relating to the deployment of members of the Armed Forces overseas, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committees on Veterans' Affairs, the Budget, 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. COBLE:

H.R. 1566. A bill to replace the existing Federal price support and quota programs for flue-cured and burley tobacco with a licensing program designed to assist the actual producers of flue-cured and burley tobacco, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. DEAL of Georgia:

H.R. 1567. A bill to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to deny citizenship at birth to children born in the United States of parents who are not citizens or permanent resident aliens; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. DOOLEY of California (for himself, Mrs. TAUSCHER, Mr. KIND, Mr. DAVIS of Florida, Mr. SMITH of Washington, Mr. STENHOLM, Mr. EMANUEL, Mr. COOPER, Mr. HILL, Mr. FORD, Mr. PETERSON of Minnesota, Mr. CARDOZA, Mr. CASE, Mr. CRAMER, Mr. MOORE, Ms. HARMAN, Mr. MILLER of North Carolina, Mr. DAVIS of Alabama, Mrs. MCCARTHY of New York, Mr. ISRAEL, Mr. WU, Mr. MARSHALL, Mr. LUCAS of Kentucky, Mr. MATHEWSON, and Mr. LARSEN of Washington):

H.R. 1568. A bill to amend part B of title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for a prescription drug benefit with a high deductible at no additional premium and access to discount prices on drugs and to provide for the operation of such benefit without a deductible for certain low-income Medicare beneficiaries; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Ways and Means, 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. GARRETT of New Jersey:

H.R. 1569. A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located on Kinderkamack Road in Emerson, New Jersey, as the "Gary Albero Post Office Building"; to the Committee on Government Reform.

By Mr. JOHN:

H.R. 1570. A bill to accelerate natural gas exploration, development, and production from oil and gas wells drilled to deep depths on existing lease tracts on the Outer Continental Shelf, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Resources.