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We cannot. Once you get by that with your constituents this week, sit down, put your partisanship aside, and for the liberal segment here, for the liberal people, put that aside, just for a few moments and ask the people, person-to-person, all politics aside, person-to-person, do you think it would be a good idea for this Nation to defend itself against an intentional or accidental launch against our citizens?

Guess what? You will get a resounding yes and probably followed by a comment, why have we not done it already? What are you guys doing? I thought we had a defensive system in place.

That is what the American people are saying to us. We are their leaders. We are not kings. We have been elected by these people in a representative government to come up here. We have fiduciary duties. That is the highest responsibility of duty to our Nation and to its people, to do what will protect the public interest and will protect our country and allow our country to remain strong in the future.

Right now, the number one issue at the very front is a missile defense system.

In conclusion, I ask every one of my colleagues, regardless of what State you are from, whether you are from Massachusetts or Florida or Oregon or Colorado, that you step forward and start giving political support so that we can then advance the technological support to implement, as President George W. Bush has asked, a missile defensive system to protect the citizens and future generations of this country. It is our responsibility. It is not our neighbor's responsibility. It is our responsibility. I hope each and every one of us carries it out to the fullest extent.

REPORT ON RESOLUTION WAIVING
A REQUIREMENT OF CLAUSE 6(a) OF RULE XIII WITH RESPECT TO THE SAME DAY CONSIDERATION OF CERTAIN RESOLUTIONS REPORTED BY THE RULES COMMITTEE

Ms. PRYCE of Ohio, from the Committee on Rules, submitted a privileged report (Rept. No. 107–163) on the resolution (H. Res. 209) waiving a requirement of clause 6(a) of rule XIII with respect to consideration of certain resolutions reported from the Committee on Rules, which was referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

By unanimous consent, leave of absence was granted to:

Mr. BLUMENTHAUER (at the request of Mr. GEPHARDT) for after 4 p.m. today and the balance of the week on account of emergency family business.

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

Mr. DEFAZIO for 5 minutes, today.
Mrs. MALONEY of New York, for 5 minutes, today.
Ms. DAVIS of Illinois, for 5 minutes, today.
Mr. SCHIFF, for 5 minutes, today.
Ms. BROWN of Ohio, for 5 minutes, today.
Ms. LAMPSON, for 5 minutes, today.
Ms. BROWN of Florida, for 5 minutes, today.

ADJOURNMENT

Ms. PRYCE of Ohio. Mr. Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn. The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 10 o'clock and 20 minutes p.m.), the House adjourned until tomorrow, Thursday, July 26, 2001, 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:

3053. A letter from the Acting Administrator, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule—Blueberry Promotion, Research, and Information Order; Amendment No. 1 (FY–00–706–FR) received July 18, 2001, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.


3055. A letter from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Department's final rule—Exemption From the Requirement of a Tolerance Under the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act for Residues of Nucleic Acids that are Part of Plant Incorporated Protectants (Formerly Plant-Pesticides) (OPP–300371B; FRL–6057–5) (RIN 2070–AC32) received July 18, 2001, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.


3091. A letter from the Director, Office of Regulations Management, Department of Veterans’ Affairs, transmitting the Depart- ment’s final rule—Extension of Reifel, Relating to Application of Nondiscrimina- tion Rules for Certain Church Plans and Governmental Plans [Notice 2001–46] received July 17, 2001, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

3092. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting certification that shrimp har- vested with technology that may adversely affect certain sea turtles may not be im- ported into the United States unless the President makes specific certifications to the Congress by May 1, pursuant to Public Law 101–162, section 609(b)(2) (105 Stat. 1039); jointly to the Committees on Resources and Appropriations.

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. WALSCH: Committee on Appropriations, Department of State, transmitting certification that shrimp harvested with technology that may adversely affect certain sea turtles may not be imported into the United States unless the President makes specific certifications to the Congress by May 1, pursuant to Public Law 101–162, section 609(b)(2) (105 Stat. 1039); jointly to the Committees on Resources and Appropriations.

TIME LIMITATION OF REFERRED BILL

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


H.R. 2567. Referred to the Committees on Ways and Means, Science, Transportation and Infrastructure, the Budget, and Education and the Workforce for a period ending not later than July 25, 2001.

PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

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

By Ms. HART (for herself and Ms. BALDWIN):

H.R. 2621. A bill to amend title 18, United States Code, with respect to consumer product protection; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. REYNOLDS:

H.R. 2622. A bill to prohibit the interstate transport of horses for the purpose of slaughter or horse flesh intended for human consumption, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. MEEHAN (for himself, Mr. SMITH, and Mr. FRANK):

H.R. 2623. A bill to extend the deadline for granting posthumous citizenship to individuals who die while on active-duty service in the Armed Forces; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. SCHIFF (for himself, Mr. TOM DAVIS of Virginia, Mr. STUPAK, Mr. SOUDER, Mr. FROST, Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas, Mr. LANTOS, Ms. MCKINNEY, and Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD):

H.R. 2624. A bill to authorize the Attorney General to make grants to honor, through permanent tributes, men and women of the United States who were killed or disabled while serving as law enforcement or public safety officers; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. HORN (for himself, Mr. FISHER, and Mr. ROYBAL-ALLARD):

H.R. 2625. A bill to amend the Higher Edu- cation Act of 1965 to eliminate consideration of the amount of a student’s tuition in determining the amount of a basic grant; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

By Mr. BOEHLERT:

H.R. 2626. A bill to authorize research, development, demonstration, and commercial application activities relating to clean coal technologies, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Science.

By Mr. CONYERS (for himself, Ms. CHRISTENSEN, Mr. BONIOR, Mrs. JONES of Ohio, Mr. SOLIS, Mr. DAVIS of Illinois, Ms. LEE, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi, and Mr. RUSH):

H.R. 2627. A bill to amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to permit uninsured families and individuals to obtain coverage under the Medicare program; to the Secretary of Health and Human Services, an additional $100 for the cost of doctor’s visits, prescription drugs, mental health services, long-term care services, alcohol and drug abuse treatment services, and all other necessary services, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. CRAMER:

H.R. 2628. A bill to direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a study of the suitability and feasibility of establishing the