

Government; to the Committee on the Budget.

By Mr. RYAN of Ohio:

H.R. 1592. A bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to require that the Director of the Bureau of Prisons ensure that each chief executive officer of a Federal penal or correctional institution provides a secure storage area located outside of the secure perimeter of the Federal penal or correctional institution for firearms carried by certain employees of the Bureau of Prisons, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. SENSENBRENNER (for himself, Mr. LARSEN of Washington, Mr. YOUNG of Alaska, and Mr. SALMON):

H.R. 1593. A bill to amend the State Department Basic Authorities Act of 1956 to establish a United States Ambassador at Large for Arctic Affairs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Mr. WILSON of South Carolina (for himself, Mr. AMODEI, Mr. BARLETTA, Mr. BEYER, Mr. BISHOP of Georgia, Ms. BORDALLO, Ms. BROWNLEY of California, Mr. BURGESS, Mrs. BUSTOS, Mr. CARTER of Texas, Mr. CARTWRIGHT, Mr. COFFMAN, Mr. COLE, Mr. CONNOLLY, Mr. CRAMER, Ms. DELBENE, Mr. DESJARLAIS, Mr. DEUTCH, Mr. ELLISON, Ms. ESTY, Mr. FARENTHOLD, Mr. FARR, Mr. FORBES, Ms. GABBARD, Mr. GIBSON, Ms. GRANGER, Mr. GRIFFITH, Mr. GRIJALVA, Mr. HANNA, Mr. HURT of Virginia, Mr. ISRAEL, Mr. JOLLY, Mr. KING of New York, Mr. LOEBSACK, Ms. LOFGREN, Mrs. LOWEY, Mr. LUTKEMEYER, Mr. SEAN PATRICK MALONEY of New York, Mr. PEARCE, Mr. PETERS, Mr. PIERLUISI, Ms. PINGREE, Mr. POLIS, Mr. RIGELL, Mr. ROSS, Mr. RUSH, Mr. RYAN of Ohio, Mr. SALMON, Mr. SCHOCK, Mr. AUSTIN SCOTT of Georgia, Mr. SCOTT of Virginia, Mr. SMITH of New Jersey, Mr. TAKANO, Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania, Ms. TSONGAS, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, Mrs. WAGNER, Mr. WITTMAN, and Mr. YARMUTH):

H.R. 1594. A bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to repeal the requirement for reduction of survivor annuities under the Survivor Benefit Plan for military surviving spouses to offset the receipt of veterans dependency and indemnity compensation; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. YOHO (for himself and Ms. FRANKEL of Florida):

H.R. 1595. A bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to implement security measures in the electronic tax return filing process to prevent tax refund fraud from being perpetrated with electronic identity theft; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Ms. FOX:

H. Res. 165. A resolution electing Members to certain standing committees of the House of Representatives; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. ASHFORD:

H. Res. 166. A resolution amending the Rules of the House of Representatives to preclude the Committee on Rules from reporting a rule or order that would provide for the consideration of a bill or joint resolution with less than 10 hours of debate; to the Committee on Rules.

By Mr. JENKINS of West Virginia (for himself, Mr. MCKINLEY, Mr. MOONEY of West Virginia, Mr. GRIFFITH, and Mr. ROGERS of Kentucky):

H. Res. 167. A resolution expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that the committees of jurisdiction in the House of Representatives should craft replacement language for the Patient Protection and Af-

fordable Care Act that includes the amendments made to the Black Lung Benefits Act; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

By Ms. LINDA T. SANCHEZ of California (for herself and Mr. COOK):

H. Res. 168. A resolution expressing support for designation of a "Welcome Home Vietnam Veterans Day"; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. TAKAI (for himself and Ms. GABBARD):

H. Res. 169. A resolution acknowledging and honoring brave young men from Hawaii who enabled the United States to establish and maintain jurisdiction in remote equatorial islands as prolonged conflict in the Pacific lead to World War II; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

By Mr. TIBERI (for himself, Mrs. BEATTY, Mr. CHABOT, Ms. KAPTUR, Mr. JOYCE, and Mr. RYAN of Ohio):

H. Res. 170. A resolution recognizing the National Association of Letter Carriers' One Day Food Drive; to the Committee on Agriculture.

## PRIVATE BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 3 of rule XII,

Ms. LORETTA SANCHEZ of California introduced a bill (H.R. 1596) to authorize the President to award the Medal of Honor to Special Forces Command Sergeant Major Ramon Rodriguez of the United States Army for acts of valor during the Vietnam War; which was referred to the Committee on Armed Services.

## CONSTITUTIONAL AUTHORITY STATEMENT

Pursuant to clause 7 of rule XII of the Rules of the House of Representatives, the following statements are submitted regarding the specific powers granted to Congress in the Constitution to enact the accompanying bill or joint resolution.

By Mr. BURGESS:

H.R. 2.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8, Clause 1 of the United States Constitution.

By Mr. CUMMINGS:

H.R. 1557.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article 1, Section 8: The Congress shall have Power To . . . provide for the common Defence and general Welfare of the United States

By Mr. OLSON:

H.R. 1558.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article 1, Section 8, Clause 18—The Congress shall have power to . . . make all laws which shall be necessary and proper for carrying into Execution the foregoing Powers, and all other Powers vested by this Constitution in the Government of the United States, or in any Department or Officer Thereof.

By Mr. SMITH of New Jersey:

H.R. 1559.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8, Clause 1 of the Constitution.

By Mr. NUNES:

H.R. 1560.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

The intelligence and intelligence-related activities of the United States government support the national security interests of the United States, support and assist the armed forces of the United States, and support the President in the execution of the foreign policy of the United States. Article I, section 8 gives Congress the power "to . . . provide for the common defense and general welfare of the United States." The Necessary and Proper Clause of that section also grants Congress the power "[t]o make all laws which shall be necessary and proper for carrying into Execution the foregoing Powers and all other Powers vested in this Constitution in the Government of the United States, or in any Department or Officer thereof."

By Mr. LUCAS:

H.R. 1561.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8, Clause 3:

The Congress shall have power to regulate commerce with foreign nations, and among the several states, and with Indian tribes.

and

Article I, Section 8, Clause 18:

The Congress shall have power to make all Laws which shall be necessary and proper for carrying into Execution the foregoing Powers, and all other Powers vested by this Constitution in the Government of the United States, or in any Department or Officer thereof.

By Mr. CHAFFETZ:

H.R. 1562.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8, Clause 1 of the United States Constitution

By Mr. CHAFFETZ:

H.R. 1563.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8, Clause 1 of the United States Constitution

By Mr. CHAFFETZ:

H.R. 1564.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8, Clause 1 and Article 1, Section 8, Clause 18 of the United States Constitution

By Mr. CARTWRIGHT:

H.R. 1565.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I; Section 8; Clause 3 of the Constitution states The Congress shall have Power To regulate Commerce with foreign Nations, and among the several States, and with the Indian Tribes.

By Mr. POE of Texas:

H.R. 1566.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article 1, Section 8, Clause 3

By Mr. SMITH of New Jersey:

H.R. 1567.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, section 8 of the Constitution.

By Mr. VARGAS:

H.R. 1568.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

(1) To establish a uniform Rule of Naturalization, as enumerated in Article I, Section 8, Clause 4 of the U.S. Constitution.

By Mr. ZELDIN:

H.R. 1569.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article 1, Section 8 of the United States Constitution.

By Mr. BILIRAKIS:

H.R. 1570.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following: