

were suspended and the bill, as amended, was passed.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

The title of the bill was amended so as to read: "A bill to provide grants from moneys collected from violations of the corporate average fuel economy program to be used to expand infrastructure necessary to increase the availability of alternative fuels."

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

#### PERSONAL EXPLANATION

Ms. CARSON. Mr. Speaker, I was unable to record my rollcall votes Nos. 394–396. Had I been present I would have voted "yea."

#### PERSONAL EXPLANATION

Mr. BILBRAY. Mr. Speaker, on rollcall Nos. 394, 395 and 396, I was detained due to aircraft malfunction. Had I been present, I would have voted "yea" on all three rollcalls.

#### PERSONAL EXPLANATION

Mr. GREEN of Wisconsin. Mr. Speaker, I was absent from Washington on Monday, July 24, 2006. As a result, I was not recorded for rollcall votes Nos. 394, 395 and 396. Had I been present, I would have voted "yea" on rollcall Nos. 394, 395 and 396.

#### PERSONAL EXPLANATION

Mr. GUTIERREZ. Mr. Speaker, I was unavoidably absent from this Chamber today. Had I been present, I would have voted "yea" on rollcall votes Nos. 394, 395, and 396.

#### PERSONAL EXPLANATION

Ms. LINDA T. SÁNCHEZ of California. Mr. Speaker, today I was unavoidably detained because my flight was canceled. I missed rollcall vote Nos. 394 through 396. Had I been present, I would have voted:

"Yes" on rollcall No. 394, S. 1496—"Electronic Duck Stamp Act of 2005," "yes" on rollcall No. 395, S. 203—"National Heritage Areas Act of 2005," and "yes" on rollcall No. 396, H.R. 5535—"To establish a grant program whereby moneys collected from violations of the corporate average fuel economy program are used to expand infrastructure necessary to increase the availability of alternative fuels."

#### ANNOUNCEMENT OF INTENTION TO OFFER MOTION TO INSTRUCT CONFEREES ON H.R. 2830, PENSION PROTECTION ACT OF 2005

Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California. Mr. Speaker, under rule XXII, clause 7(c), I hereby announce my intention to offer a motion to instruct on H.R. 2830, the pension conference report.

The form of the motion is as follows:

I move that the managers on the part of the House at the conference on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses on the Senate amendment to the bill H.R. 2830 be instructed—

(1) to agree to the provisions contained in subsections (a) through (d) of section 601 of the Senate amendment (relating to prospective application of age discrimination, conversion, and present value assumption rules with respect to cash balance and other hybrid defined benefit plans) and not to agree with the provisions contained in title VII of the bill as passed the House (relating to benefit accrual standards);

(2) to agree to the provisions contained in section 413 of the Senate amendment (relating to computation of guaranteed benefits of airline pilots required to separate from service prior to attaining age 65), but only with respect to plan terminations occurring after September 11, 2001;

(3) to agree to the provisions contained in section 403 of the Senate amendment (relating to special funding rules for plans maintained by commercial airlines that are amended to cease future benefit accruals);

(4) to agree to the provisions contained in section 402 of the Senate amendment (relating to authority to enter alternative funding agreements to prevent plan terminations); and

(5) to recede to the provisions contained in the Senate amendment regarding restrictions on funding of nonqualified deferred compensation plans, except that—

(A) to the maximum extent possible within the scope of the conference, the managers on the part of the House shall insist that the restrictions under the bill as reported from conference regarding executive compensation, including under nonqualified plans, be the same as restrictions under the bill regarding benefits for workers and retirees under qualified pension plans,

(B) the managers on the part of the House shall insist that the definition of "covered employee" for purposes of such provisions contained in the Senate amendment include the chief executive officer of the plan sponsor, any other employee of the plan sponsor who is a "covered employee" within the meaning of such term specified in the provisions contained in the Senate amendment (applied by disregarding the chief executive officer), and any other individual who is, with respect to the plan sponsor, an officer or employee within the meaning of section 16(b) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, and

(C) in lieu of the effective date specified in such provisions contained in the Senate amendment, the managers on the part of the House shall insist on the effective date specified in the provisions of the bill as passed the House relating to treatment of nonqualified deferred compensation plans when the employer's defined benefit plan is in at-risk status.

#### REPORT ON RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 1956, BUSINESS ACTIVITY TAX SIMPLIFICATION ACT OF 2006

Mr. GINGREY, from the Committee on Rules, submitted a privileged report (Rept. No. 109–595) on the resolution (H. Res. 939) providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 1956) to regulate certain State taxation of interstate commerce; and for other purposes, which was referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed.

#### AMENDMENT PROCESS FOR CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 4157, HEALTH INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY PROMOTION ACT OF 2005

Mr. GINGREY. Mr. Speaker, the Committee on Rules may meet later this week to grant a rule which could limit the amendment process for floor consideration of H.R. 4157, the Health Information Technology Promotion Act of 2005.

The bill was ordered reported by the Committee on Energy and Commerce on June 15, 2006. Any Member wishing to offer an amendment should submit 55 copies of the amendment and one copy of a brief explanation of the amendment to the Rules Committee in room H-312 of the Capitol by 11 a.m. on Wednesday, July 26, 2006.

Members should draft their amendments to the text of the amendment in the nature of a substitute posted on the Web site of the Committee on Rules.

Members should use the Office of Legislative Counsel to ensure that their amendments are drafted in the most appropriate format and should check with the Office for the Parliamentarian to be certain their amendments comply with the Rules of the House.

#### COMMUNICATION FROM CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. KUHLMANN of New York) laid before the House the following communication from the chairman of the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure; which was read and, without objection, referred to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered to be printed:

COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION  
AND INFRASTRUCTURE,  
Washington, DC, July 20, 2006.

Hon. J. DENNIS HASTERT,  
Speaker of the House, House of Representatives,  
Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: Enclosed please find the resolutions approved by the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure on July 19, 2006, in accordance with 40 U.S.C. §3307.

Sincerely,

DON YOUNG,  
Chairman.

Enclosures.

ALTERATION—IRS ENTERPRISE COMPUTING  
CENTER, MARTINSBURG, WV

Resolved by the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the U.S. House of Representatives, that pursuant to 40 U.S.C. §3307, appropriations are authorized for the design of the alteration of the Internal Revenue Service Enterprise Computing Center located in Martinsburg, West Virginia, at a design and review cost of \$2,893,000, for which a prospectus is attached to, and included in, this resolution.

Approval of this resolution also constitutes authority to perform prospectus level interim repairs as deemed necessary, to maintain the continued operation of the building until the project is completed.

ALTERATION—INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE, WILLIAM J. GREEN FEDERAL BUILDING, PHILADELPHIA, PA

Resolved by the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the U.S. House of Representatives, that pursuant to title 40 U.S.C. § 3307, appropriations are authorized for the alteration of Internal Revenue Service space in the William J. Green Federal Building located at 601 Arch Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, at a design and review cost of \$378,000, a management and inspection cost of \$283,000, and an estimated construction cost of \$4,065,000 for an estimated total project cost of \$4,726,000, a prospectus for which is attached to, and included in, this resolution.

Approval of this prospectus constitutes authority for the General Services Administration to use funds made available by the Internal Revenue Service for space alterations in this facility.

LEASE/ALTERATION IN LEASED SPACE—DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE, UNITED STATES JOINT FORCES COMMAND, SUFFOLK, VA

Resolved by the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the U.S. House of Representatives, that pursuant to title 40 U.S.C. § 3307, appropriations are authorized to enter into a superseding lease up to 154,428 rentable square feet of space and 288 surface parking spaces for the Department of Defense, United States Joint Forces Command located in leased space at 112 Lakeview Parkway, Suffolk, Virginia, at a proposed total annual cost of \$3,689,285 for a lease term of 20 years, a prospectus for which is attached to and included in this resolution.

Approval of this prospectus constitutes authority for the General Services Administration to use funds made available by the Department of Defense and a portion of the annual rent payment authorized above for space alterations in this facility at a design and review cost of \$1,375,000, a management and inspection cost of \$1,250,000, and an estimated construction cost of \$13,333,000 for an estimated total project cost of \$15,958,000, a prospectus for which is attached to, and included in, this resolution.

Provided, That the General Services Administration shall not delegate to any other agency the authority granted by this resolution.

AMENDED PROSPECTUS—LEASE—FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION, FREDERICK COUNTY, VA

Resolved by the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the U.S. House of Representatives, that pursuant to title 40 U.S.C. § 3307, appropriations are authorized to lease up to 947,000 rentable square feet and 1,232 parking spaces for the Federal Bureau of Investigation, in Frederick County, Virginia, at a proposed total annual cost of \$33,145,000 for a lease term of 20 years, a prospectus for which is attached to and included in this resolution. This resolution amends the Committee resolution dated October 26, 2005, authorizing a lease up to 947,000 rentable square feet and 1,232 parking spaces for the Federal Bureau of Investigation, in Frederick County, Virginia, at a proposed total annual cost of \$33,145,000 for a lease term of 15 years.

Approval of this prospectus constitutes authority to execute an interim lease for all tenants, if necessary, prior to execution of the new lease.

Provided, That the General Services Administration shall not delegate to any other agency the authority granted by this resolution.

AMENDED PROSPECTUS—LEASE—DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, MIAMI/MIRAMAR, FL

Resolved by the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the U.S. House of Representatives, that pursuant to title 40 U.S.C. § 3307, appropriations are authorized to lease up to approximately 723,780 rentable square feet of space and 1,155 outside parking spaces for the Department of Justice, currently located in multiple leased locations throughout South Florida, at a proposed total annual cost of \$25,332,300 for a lease term of 20 years, a prospectus for which is attached to and included in this resolution. This resolution amends the Committee resolution dated February 16, 2006, authorizing a lease up to approximately 723,780 rentable square feet of space and 1,155 outside parking spaces for the Department of Justice, at a proposed total annual cost of \$25,332,300 for a lease term of 15 years.

Approval of this prospectus constitutes authority to execute an interim lease for all tenants, if necessary, prior to execution of the new lease.

Provided, That the General Services Administration shall not delegate to any other agency the authority granted by this resolution.

LEASE—DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, SAN FRANCISCO, CA

Resolved by the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the U.S. House of Representatives, that pursuant to title 40 U.S.C. § 3307, appropriations are authorized to extend an existing lease of 151,716 rentable square feet and 25 parking spaces for the Department of Labor, located at 71 Stevenson Street, San Francisco, California, at a proposed total annual cost of \$5,765,208 for a lease term of 2 years, a prospectus for which is attached to and included in this resolution.

Provided, That the General Services Administration shall not delegate to any other agency the authority granted by this resolution.

LEASE—DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, WASHINGTON, DC

Resolved by the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the U.S. House of Representatives, that pursuant to title 40 U.S.C. § 3307, appropriations are authorized to lease up to approximately 521,000 rentable square feet for the Department of Justice, currently located at 1301 New York Ave., NW, 1331 F St., NW, and 1400 New York Ave., NW, Washington, D.C., at a proposed total annual cost of \$24,487,000 for a lease term of 15 years, a prospectus for which is attached to and included in this resolution.

Approval of this prospectus constitutes authority to execute an interim lease for all tenants, if necessary, prior to execution of the new lease.

Provided, That the General Services Administration shall not delegate to any other agency the authority granted by this resolution.

LEASE—PRESIDENTIAL TRANSITION TEAM/PRESIDENTIAL INAUGURAL COMMITTEE, WASHINGTON, DC

Resolved by the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the U.S. House of Representatives, that pursuant to title 40 U.S.C. § 3307, appropriations are authorized to lease up to approximately 320,000 rentable square feet of space and 510 parking spaces for the Presidential Transition Team and Presidential Inaugural Committee, at a proposed total annual cost of \$15,040,000 for a lease term of 15 months, a prospectus for which is attached to and included in this resolution.

Provided, That the General Services Administration shall not delegate to any other agency the authority granted by this resolution.

LEASE—NATIONAL INSTITUTES OF HEALTH, SUBURBAN MARYLAND

Resolved by the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the U.S. House of Representatives, that pursuant to title 40 U.S.C. § 3307, appropriations are authorized to lease up to approximately 574,614 rentable square feet of space and 5 parking spaces for the National Institutes of Health, currently located in leased space at 6116, 6120, and 6130 Executive Boulevard, Rockville, Maryland, at a proposed total annual cost of \$18,387,648 for a lease term of 10 years, a prospectus for which is attached to and included in this resolution.

Approval of this prospectus constitutes authority to execute an interim lease for all tenants, if necessary, prior to execution of the new lease.

Provided, That the General Services Administration shall not delegate to any other agency the authority granted by this resolution.

LEASE—FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION, TUCSON, AZ

Resolved by the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the U.S. House of Representatives, that pursuant to title 40 U.S.C. § 3307, appropriations are authorized to lease up to approximately 84,353 rentable square feet and 120 inside and 18 surface parking spaces for the Federal Bureau of Investigation, currently located at One South Church Street, 2551 North Dragoon and 3285 South Hemisphere Loop, Tucson, Arizona, at a proposed total annual cost of \$3,036,708 for a lease term of 20 years, a prospectus for which is attached to and included in this resolution.

Approval of this prospectus constitutes authority to execute an interim lease for all tenants, if necessary, prior to execution of the new lease.

Provided, That the General Services Administration shall not delegate to any other agency the authority granted by this resolution.

LEASE—FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION, SACRAMENTO, CA

Resolved by the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the U.S. House of Representatives, that pursuant to title 40 U.S.C. § 3307, appropriations are authorized to lease up to approximately 148,184 rentable square feet and 215 inside and 15 outside parking spaces for the Federal Bureau of Investigation, currently located in multiple lease facilities in Sacramento, California, at a proposed total annual cost of \$5,927,360 for a lease term of 20 years, a prospectus for which is attached to and included in this resolution.

Approval of this prospectus constitutes authority to execute an interim lease for all tenants, if necessary, prior to execution of the new lease.

Provided, That the General Services Administration shall not delegate to any other agency the authority granted by this resolution.

LEASE—FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION, DENVER, CO

Resolved by the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the U.S. House of Representatives, that pursuant to title 40 U.S.C. § 3307, appropriations are authorized to lease up to approximately 175,155 rentable square feet and 175 inside and 45 outside parking spaces for the Federal Bureau of Investigation, currently located in three

government-owned facilities in Denver and Lakewood, Colorado, at a proposed total annual cost of \$6,130,425 for a lease term of 20 years, a prospectus for which is attached to and included in this resolution.

Approval of this prospectus constitutes authority to execute an interim lease for all tenants, if necessary, prior to execution of the new lease.

Provided, That the General Services Administration shall not delegate to any other agency the authority granted by this resolution.

LEASE—FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION,  
MINNEAPOLIS, MN

Resolved by the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the U.S. House of Representatives, that pursuant to title 40 U.S.C. §3307, appropriations are authorized to lease up to approximately 162,530 rentable square feet and 200 inside and 20 outside parking spaces for the Federal Bureau of Investigation, currently located in leased space in Minneapolis and Roseville, Minnesota, at a proposed total annual cost of \$6,176,140 for a lease term of 20 years, a prospectus for which is attached to and included in this resolution.

Approval of this prospectus constitutes authority to execute an interim lease for all tenants, if necessary, prior to execution of the new lease.

Provided, That the General Services Administration shall not delegate to any other agency the authority granted by this resolution.

LEASE—FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION,  
CINCINNATI, OH

Resolved by the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the U.S. House of Representatives, that pursuant to title 40 U.S.C. §3307, appropriations are authorized to lease up to approximately 108,874 rentable square feet of space and 145 structured and 20 surface parking spaces for the Federal Bureau of Investigation, currently located in multiple locations in Cincinnati, at a proposed total annual cost of \$3,810,590 for a lease term of 20 years, a prospectus for which is attached to and included in this resolution.

Approval of this prospectus constitutes authority to execute an interim lease for all tenants, if necessary, prior to execution of the new lease.

Provided, That the General Services Administration shall not delegate to any other agency the authority granted by this resolution.

AMENDED PROSPECTUS—CONSTRUCTION—  
UNITED STATES COURTHOUSE ANNEX, SAN  
DIEGO, CA

Resolved by the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the U.S. House of Representatives, that pursuant to 40 U.S.C. §3307, additional appropriations are authorized for additional site, additional design, management and inspection, and construction of a 466,886 gross square foot facility and 105 inside parking spaces located in San Diego, California, at an additional site and design cost of \$3,258,000 (site and design cost of \$42,369,000 were previously authorized), management and inspection cost of \$7,740,000, and an estimated construction cost of \$248,816,000, a combined estimated total project cost of \$302,183,000, a prospectus for which is attached to, and included in, this resolution.

Within one year of the date of approval of this Resolution, the Judicial Conference of the United States shall amend the U.S. Courts Design Guide to require that each U.S. Courthouse construction project provide

one courtroom for every two senior judges. Beginning on the date of approval of this Resolution, the Judicial Conference of the United States shall specifically approve each departure from the U.S. Courts Design Guide for each U.S. Courthouse construction project which result in additional estimated costs of the project (including additional rent payment obligations) and that the Judicial Conference provide a specific list of each departure and the justification and estimated cost (as supplied by the General Services Administration (GSA)) of such departure for each U.S. Courthouse construction project to the GSA. Each U.S. Courthouse construction prospectus submitted by the GSA shall include a specific list of each departure and the justification and estimated cost (including additional rent payment obligations) of such departure and GSA's recommendation on whether the Committee on Transportation of the U.S. House of Representatives and the Committee on Environment and Public Works of the U.S. Senate should approve such departure.

This resolution amends a Committee resolution dated July 21, 2004, which authorized site and design of a 614,394 gross square foot facility with 105 inside parking spaces.

There was no objection.

AMENDMENT PROCESS FOR CON-  
SIDERATION OF H.R. 5766, GOV-  
ERNMENT EFFICIENCY ACT OF  
2006

Mr. GINGREY. Mr. Speaker, the Committee on Rules may meet later this week to grant a rule which could limit the amendment process for floor consideration of H.R. 5766, the Government Efficiency Act of 2006.

The bill was ordered reported by the Committee on Government Reform on July 20, 2006. Any Member wishing to offer an amendment should submit 55 copies of the amendment and one copy of a brief explanation of the amendment to the Rules Committee in room H-312 of the Capitol by 11 a.m. on Wednesday, July 26, 2006.

Members should draft their amendments to the bill as ordered reported by the Committee on Government Reform, which is expected to be filed today. The text of the bill as ordered reported will be made available on the Web sites of both the Committee on Rules and the Committee on Government Reform.

Members should use the Office of Legislative Counsel to ensure that their amendments are drafted in the most appropriate format and should check with the Office for the Parliamentarian to be certain their amendments comply with the Rules of the House.

STRAIGHT TALK ON THE  
ECONOMY

(Mr. KELLER asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. KELLER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to give the American people some straight talk about our economy. In 1992, Bill Clinton ran for president with the slogan "It's is the economy, stupid."

Today, his wife, HILLARY, reminded us of that slogan in her speech to the Democratic Leadership Council. Well, our economy is very strong and growing. We have created 5.4 million new jobs in the last 3 years. Our unemployment rate is better than the average of the 1960s, 1970s, 1980s and 1990s. We have had 18 straight quarters of economic growth.

Homeownership is now at 69 percent, the largest in history. And our revenues are coming in so high we will be able to meet our goal of cutting the deficit in half by 2008, a year ahead of schedule. This time, let's take the Clintons at their word. If it is the economy, stupid, then let's be smart and reelect those Congressmen who gave us this strong economy by lowering the taxes in the first place.

ARABIA MOUNTAIN NATIONAL  
HERITAGE AREA

(Ms. MCKINNEY asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Ms. MCKINNEY. Mr. Speaker, I would like to take this opportunity to thank the Members of the House and the Senate for passing legislation that included language authorizing the Arabia Mountain National Heritage Area in my district.

Mr. Speaker, this is a boon to the environmental community that seeks to preserve pristine areas everywhere. But for such an area to be in the middle of a bustling African American community is especially rare.

We need green space in south DeKalb, and this will go a very long way toward realizing a community dream. Initially, our thought was to have the funding go to the country or the State, and that was reflected in one version of the bill.

However, the House Resources Committee adopted a private-public partnership approach. Good stewardship of taxpayer dollars is extremely important, and I want to work closely with the private entity to make sure that the community and its concerns always come first.

Mr. Speaker, I look forward to walking the nature trails in both DeKalb and Rockdale Counties that will be made possible by the Congressional action today.

I would also like to thank the Georgia Department of Natural Resources that also lent its support to this very important bill.

SPECIAL ORDERS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under the Speaker's announced policy of January 4, 2005, and under a previous order of the House, the following Members will be recognized for 5 minutes each.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from North Carolina (Mr. JONES) is recognized for 5 minutes.