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Committee on Homeland Security
Washington, DC 20515

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COMMITTEE ACTION

The Committee on Homeland Security met, pursuant to notice, in open markup session, a quorum being present, on Wednesday, June 6, 2012, in 311 Cannon House Office Building to consider: H.R. 4251, To authorize, enhance, and reform certain port security programs through increased efficiency and risk-based coordination within the Department of Homeland Security, and for other purposes. The "Securing Maritime Activities through Risk-based Targeting for Port Security Act" or the "SMART Port Security Act"; and a Report on the Oversight and Legislative Activities of the Committee on Homeland Security for the third quarter of the 112th Congress.

The Committee took the following actions:

The Committee adopted the Report of the Oversight and Legislative Activities of the Committee on Homeland Security for the third quarter of the 112th Congress by voice vote.

Without objection, the Chair authorized staff to make technical and conforming corrections to the Report.

Without objection, the Chair authorized the Clerk to update the report to reflect the proceedings of today.

H.R. 4251, to authorize, enhance, and reform certain port security programs through increased efficiency and risk-based coordination within the Department of Homeland Security, and for other purposes; was ordered to be reported to the House with a favorable recommendation, amended, by voice vote.

The Committee adopted H.R. 4251, as amended, by voice vote.

The following amendments were offered:

An Amendment in the Nature of a Substitute offered by Mrs. Miller (#1); was AGREED TO by voice vote, as amended.

An amendment to the Amendment in the Nature of a Substitute offered by Ms. Richardson (#1A); At the end of title I, add a new section entitled "Sec. 1_. Use of Port Security Grant Funds for Replacement of Security Equipment or Facilities."; was AGREED TO, by unanimous consent.

An amendment to the Amendment in the Nature of a Substitute offered by Mr. Cravaack (#1B); At the end of title II, add a new section entitled “Sec. 2. Report on Federal Transportation Security Credentialing Programs.”; was AGREED TO, by unanimous consent.

Without objection the Chair authorized staff to make technical and conforming corrections to H.R. 4251.

A motion by Mr. Lungren that, pursuant to Rule XXII, clause 1, the Committee authorize the Chair to offer such motions as may be necessary in the House to go to conference with the Senate on H.R. 4251, or on any similar Senate bill, was agreed to.

A motion by Mr. Thompson that, pursuant to Rule XI clause 2(1), Members may have two days in which to file supplemental, minority, and additional views on the measures considered today, was agreed to.

