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House of Representatives

The House met at 10 a.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. WOLF).

DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Speaker:

WASHINGTON, DC,
August 2, 2011.

I hereby appoint the Honorable FRANK R. WOLF to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

JOHN A. BOEHNER,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

PRAYER

The Chaplain, the Reverend Patrick J. Conroy, offered the following prayer:

Dear Lord, we give You thanks for giving us another day.

In the wake of a long and difficult day, we ask Your blessing on the Members of this people's House as they return to their homes for a much needed rest. Their burden has been heavy. Give them rest and recovery that they might return with renewed energy and purpose to take on the responsibility of leading our great Nation.

We pray as well for their constituencies. May the American people be grateful and hopeful that together we might move toward a brighter future. Whatever emerges, increase our faith in the constitutional processes that have carried our Nation to the greatness it has experienced and which, we hope, continues to be a lantern shining on a hill.

May all that is done today be for Your greater honor and glory.

Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 5 of House Resolution 375, the Journal of the last day's proceedings is approved.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair will lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The SPEAKER pro tempore led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Clerk of the House of Representatives:

OFFICE OF THE CLERK,
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, DC, August 2, 2011.

Hon. JOHN A. BOEHNER,
The Speaker, House of Representatives, Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: Pursuant to the permission granted in Clause 2(h) of Rule II of the Rules of the U.S. House of Representatives, the Clerk received the following message from the Secretary of the Senate on August 2, 2011 at 9:35 a.m.:

That the Senate passed without amendment H.R. 2715.

That the Senate passed S. 1466.

Appointments:

United States Commission on Civil Rights.

With best wishes, I am,

Sincerely,

KAREN L. HAAS.

ADJOURNMENT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 4 of House Resolution 375, no legislative business will be conducted on this day. Pursuant to section 3 of that resolution, the House stands adjourned until 10 a.m. on Friday, August 5, 2011.

Accordingly (at 10 o'clock and 3 minutes a.m.), the House adjourned until Friday, August 5, 2011, at 10 a.m.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

Under clause 2 of rule XIV, executive communications were taken from the Speaker's table and referred as follows:

2699. A letter from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule — Movement of Hass Avocados From Areas Where Mediterranean Fruit Fly or South American Fruit Fly Exist [Docket No.: APHIS-2010-0127] (RIN: 0579-AD34) received July 25, 2011, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

2700. A letter from the Manager, BioPreferred Program, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule — Designation of Biobased Items for Federal Procurement (RIN: 0503-AA36) received July 25, 2011, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

2701. A letter from the Staff Director, Commission on Civil Rights, transmitting notification that the Commission recently appointed members to the New Hampshire Advisory Committee; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

2702. A letter from the Assistant Attorney General, Department of Justice, transmitting the Annual Report to Congress on the implementation, enforcement, and prosecution of registration requirements under Section 635 of the Adam Walsh Child Protection and Safety Act of 2006 (Pub.L. 109-248) (AWA); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

2703. A letter from the Assistant Attorney General, Department of Justice, transmitting to Congress proposals to address the epidemic of domestic violence against Native women; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. DAVIS of Kentucky (for himself and Mr. DOGGETT):

H.R. 2790. A bill to amend part B of title IV of the Social Security Act to extend the child and family services program through fiscal year 2016, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

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By Mr. BURGESS:

H.R. 2791. A bill to make clear that an agency outside of the Department of Health and Human Services may not designate, appoint, or employ special consultants, fellows, or other employees under subsection (f) or (g) of section 207 of the Public Health Service Act; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. PAYNE (for himself, Mrs. CHRISTENSEN, Ms. BASS of California, Mr. CARNAHAN, Mr. JACKSON of Illinois, Mr. RUSH, Ms. WOOLSEY, Mr. LEWIS of Georgia, Mr. TOWNS, Ms. LEE, Mr. COHEN, and Mr. FATTAH):

H.R. 2792. A bill to amend the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 to provide assistance to expand, improve, support, and promote higher education in the countries of sub-Saharan Africa, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

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. DAVIS of Kentucky:

H.R. 2790.

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

Article I, Section 8, Clause 1 of the United States Constitution, to ''provide for the common Defence and general Welfare of the United States.''

By Mr. BURGESS:

H.R. 2791.

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

Article I, Section 9, Clause 7, ''No Money shall be drawn from the Treasury, but in Consequence of Appropriations made by Law; and a regular Statement and Account of the Receipts and Expenditures of all public Money shall be published from time to time.''

By Mr. PAYNE:

H.R. 2792.

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

Article I, section 8, Clause 3: To regulate Commerce with foreign Nations, and among the several States, and with the Indian Tribes.

ADDITIONAL SPONSORS

Under clause 7 of rule XII, sponsors were added to public bills and resolutions as follows:

H.R. 538: Mr. MCCAUL and Mr. DUNCAN of Tennessee.

H.R. 1025: Ms. HIRONO.

H.R. 1735: Ms. MATSUI.

H.R. 1855: Mr. MCCOTTER.

H.R. 2077: Mr. KINGSTON.

H.R. 2447: Mr. PLATTS.

H.R. 2757: Mr. CONYERS.

H.R. 2762: Mr. MEEKS.

H. Con. Res. 21: Mr. BISHOP of Georgia.