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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. LATOURETTE).

DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

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

WASHINGTON, DC,
May 25, 2012.

I hereby appoint the Honorable STEVEN C. LATOURETTE 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:

Almighty God of the universe, we give You thanks for giving us another day.

As our Nation enters this long Memorial Day weekend, may we all be mindful of the sacrifices made by so many of our citizen ancestors who gave their lives in the service of these United States. May they rest in peace.

May our gratitude be equally transparent to the men and women who currently serve in our Armed Forces. We thank You for their generous gift of self so that we might spend our days in peace and security. May peace prevail in our world so that all our soldiers might return to their families in good health.

On this day, I give You thanks for the distinct honor of serving as the Chaplain of the House of Representatives for this past year.

Bless us this day and every day, and may all that is done within these hallowed Halls be for Your greater honor and glory.

Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair has examined the Journal of the last day's proceedings and announces to the House his approval thereof.

Pursuant to clause 1, rule I, the Journal stands 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, May 23, 2012.

Hon. JOHN A. BOEHNER,
The Speaker, U.S. Capitol, 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 May 23, 2012 at 9:38 a.m.:

Appointments: Congressional Award Board.

With best wishes, I am
Sincerely,

KAREN L. HAAS.

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, May 24, 2012.

Hon. JOHN A. BOEHNER,
The Speaker, U.S. Capitol, 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 May 24, 2012 at 10:06 a.m.:

That the Senate passed without amendment H.R. 4097.

That the Senate passed S. 2367.

Appointments: United States Commission on International Religious Freedom.

With best wishes, I am
Sincerely,

KAREN L. HAAS.

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, May 24, 2012.

Hon. JOHN A. BOEHNER,
The Speaker, U.S. Capitol, 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 May 24, 2012 at 5:01 p.m.:

That the Senate passed with an amendment H.R. 1905.

That the Senate passed with an amendment H.R. 5740.

That the Senate passed S. 3187.

With best wishes, I am
Sincerely,

KAREN L. HAAS.

SENATE BILL REFERRED

A bill of the Senate of the following title was taken from the Speaker's table and, under the rule, referred as follows:

S. 2367. An act to strike the word ''lunatic'' from Federal law, and for other purposes; the

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Committee on the Judiciary. In addition, to the Committee on Financial Services for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

ADJOURNMENT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Without objection, the House stands adjourned until 2 p.m., May 29, 2012.

There was no objection.

Accordingly (at 10 o'clock and 4 minutes a.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until Tuesday, May 29, 2012, at 2 p.m.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

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

6103. A letter from the Acting Director — National Institute of Food and Agriculture, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule — Hispanic-Serving Agricultural Colleges and Universities (HSACU) Certification Process (RIN: 0524-AA39) received April 26, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

6104. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Export Administration, Department of Commerce, transmitting the Department's final rule — Revisions to the Export Administration Regulations (EAR): Export Control Classification Number 0Y521 Series, Items Not Elsewhere Listed on the Commerce Control List (CCL) [Docket No: 110310188-2058-03] (RIN: 0694-AF17) received April 13, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

6105. A letter from the Attorney Advisor, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Regulated Navigation Area; Memorial Bridge Construction Piscataqua River, Portsmouth, NH [Docket No.: USCG-2011-1097] (RIN: 1625-AA11) received April 26, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

6106. A letter from the Attorney Advisor, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Security Zones; Cruise Ships, San Pedro Bay, California [Docket No.: USCG-2011-0101] (RIN: 1625-AA87) received April 26, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

6107. A letter from the Attorney — Advisor, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Safety Zone; City of Beaufort's Tricentennial New Year's Eve Fireworks Display, Beaufort River, Beaufort, SC [Docket No.: USCG-2011-1112] (RIN: 1625-AA00) received April 26, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

6108. A letter from the Attorney — Advisor, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Special Local Regulations and Safety Zones; Recurring Events in Captain of the Port Boston Zone [Docket No.: USCG-2011-0109] (RIN: 1625-AA08; AA00) received April 26, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

6109. A letter from the Attorney-Advisor, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Special Local Regulations; Boca Raton Holiday Boat Parade, Intracoastal Waterway, Boca Raton, FL [Docket No.: USCG-2011-1078] (RIN: 1625-AA8) received April 26, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

6110. A letter from the Attorney, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Safety Zone; Submarine Cable Installation Project; Chicago River South Branch, Chicago, IL [Docket No.: USCG-2011-1122] (RIN: 1625-AA00) received April 26, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

6111. A letter from the Attorney-Advisor, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Drawbridge Operation Regulation; New Jersey Intracoastal Waterway (NJICW), Atlantic City, NJ [Docket No.: USCG-2011-0689] (RIN: 1625-AA09) received April 26, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

6112. A letter from the Attorney Advisor, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Regulated Navigation Area; Arthur Kill, NY and NJ [Docket No.: USCG-2011-0727] [RIN: 1625-AA11] received April 26, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

6113. A letter from the Attorney-Advisor, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Special Local Regulations and Safety Zones; Recurring Events in Captain of the Port New York Zone [Docket No.: USCG-2010-1011] (RIN: 1625-AA00; 1625-AA08) received April 26, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

6114. A letter from the Attorney, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Safety Zone; Eisenhower Expressway Bridge Rehabilitation Project; Chicago River South Branch, Chicago, IL [Docket No.: USCG-2011-1123] (RIN: 1625-AA00) received April 26, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

6115. A letter from the Attorney, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Safety Zone; Upper Missisippi River, Mile 389.4 to 403.1 [Docket No.: USCG-2011-1087] (RIN: 1625-AA00) received April 26, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

6116. A letter from the Attorney, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Safety Zone; Power Line Replacement, West Bay, Panama City, FL [Docket No.: USCG-2011-0983] (RIN: 1625-AA00) received April 26, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

6117. A letter from the Attorney Advisor, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Alternate Tonnage Threshold for Oil Spill Response Vessels [Docket No.: USCG-2011-0966] (RIN: 1625-AB82) received April 26, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

6118. A letter from the Attorney Advisor, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Safety Zones; New Year's Eve Fireworks Displays within the Captain of the Port Miami Zone, FL [Docket No.: USCG-2011-1091] (RIN: 1625-AA00) received April 26, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

6119. A letter from the Attorney Advisor, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Security Zone; On the Waters in Kailua Bay, Oahu, HI [Docket No.: USCG-2011-1142] (RIN: 1625-AA87) received April 26, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

6120. A letter from the Attorney Advisor, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Security Zone; Passenger Vessel SAFARI EXPLORER Arrival/Depature, Kaunakakai Harbor, Molokai, Hawaii [Docket No.: USCG-2011-1159] (RIN: 1625-AA87) received April 26, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

6121. A letter from the Program Analyst, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Airworthiness Directives; Bombardier, Inc. Airplanes [Docket No.: FAA-2011-0565; Directorate Identifier 2010-NM-280-AD; Amendment 39-16977; AD 2012-05-05] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received April 18, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

6122. A letter from the Program Analyst, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Airworthiness Directives; Empresa Brasileira de Aeronautica S.A. (EMBRAER) Airplanes [Docket No.: FAA-2012-0191; Directorate Identifier 2012-NM-035-AD; Amendment 39-16980; AD 2012-05-08] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received April 18, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

6123. A letter from the Program Analyst, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Airworthiness Directives; Burl A. Rogers (Type Certificate Previously Held by William Brad Mitchell and Aeronca, Inc.) Airplanes [Docket No.: FAA-2011-0318; Directorate Identifier 2010-CE-033-AD; Amendment 39-16966; AD 2012-04-10] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received April 18, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

6124. A letter from the Program Analyst, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Airworthiness Directives; Airbus Airplanes; [Docket No.: FAA-2011-1087; Directorate Identifier 2011-NM-032-AD; Amendment 39-16967; AD 2012-04-11] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received April 18, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

6125. A letter from the Program Analyst, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Airworthiness Directives; Bombardier, Inc. Airplanes [Docket No.: FAA-2011-0992; Directorate Identifier 2011-NM-126-AD; Amendment 39-16968; AD 2012-04-12] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received April 18, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

6126. A letter from the Program Analyst, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Airworthiness Directives; Robinson Helicopter Company Helicopters [Docket No.: FAA-2011-0588; Directorate Identifier 2010-SW-074-AD; Amendment 39-16717; AD 2011-12-10] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received April 18, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

6127. A letter from the Program Analyst, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Airworthiness Directives; General Electric Company (GE) Turbofan Engines [Docket No.: FAA-2011-0928; Directorate Identifier 2011-NE-09-AD; Amendment 39-16954; AD 2012-03-12] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received April 18, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

6128. A letter from the Program Analyst, Department of Transportation, transmitting

the Department's final rule — Airworthiness Directives; The Boeing Company Airplanes [Docket No.: FAA-2010-0030; Directorate Identifier 2009-NM-135-AD; Amendment 39-16940; AD 2012-02-17] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received April 18, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

6129. A letter from the Program Analyst, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Airworthiness Directives; The Boeing Company Airplanes [Docket No.: FAA-2010-1311; Directorate Identifier 2009-NM-229-AD; Amendment 39-16938; AD 2012-02-15] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received April 18, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

6130. A letter from the Senior Counsel for Regulatory Affairs, Department of the Treasury, transmitting the Department's final rule — Application, Review, and Reporting Process for Waivers for State Innovation [CMS-9987-F] (RIN: 0938-AQ75) received April 24, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

6131. A letter from the Chief, Publications and Regulations, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Guidance on Reporting Interest Paid to Nonresident Aliens [TD 9584] (RIN: 1545-BJ01) received April 23, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

6132. A letter from the Chief, Publications and Regulations, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Application of the Normal Retirement Age Requirements to Governmental Plans [Notice 2012-29] received April 23, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

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:

[Pursuant to the order of the House of May 16, 2012, the following report was filed on May 23, 2012]

Mr. CULBERSON: Committee on Appropriations. H.R. 5854. A bill making appropriations for military construction, the Department of Veterans Affairs, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2013, and for other purposes. (Rept. 112–491). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. ADERHOLT: Committee on Appropriations. H.R. 5855. A bill making appropriations for the Department of Homeland Security for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2013, and for other purposes. (Rept. 112–492). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

[Pursuant to the order of the House on May 16, 2012, the following reports were filed on May 25, 2012]

Mr. YOUNG of Florida: Committee on Appropriations. H.R. 5856. A bill making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2013, and for other purposes (Rept. 112–493). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Ms. GRANGER: Committee on Appropriations. H.R. 5857. A bill making appropriations for the Department of State, foreign operations, and related programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2013, and for other purposes (Rept. 112–494). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

[Filed May 25, 2012]

Mr. UPTON: Committee on Energy and Commerce. H.R. 5651. A bill to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to revise and extend the user-fee programs for prescription drugs and for medical devices, to establish user-fee programs for generic drugs and biosimilars, and for other purposes (Rept. 112–495). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XII,

Mr. SCHWEIKERT introduced a concurrent resolution (H. Con. Res. 126) expressing the sense of Congress that a commemorative postage stamp should be issued honoring Bil Keane; which was referred to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

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. CULBERSON:

H.R. 5854.

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

The principal constitutional authority for this legislation is clause 7 of section 9 of article I of the Constitution of the United States (the appropriation power), which states: ''No Money shall be drawn from the Treasury, but in Consequence of Appropriations made by Law . . . .'' In addition, clause 1 of section 8 of article I of the Constitution (the spending power) provides: ''The Congress shall have the Power . . . to pay the Debts and provide for the common Defence and general Welfare of the United States . . . .'' Together, these specific constitutional provisions establish the congressional power of the purse, granting Congress the authority to appropriate funds, to determine their purpose, amount, and period of availability, and to set forth terms and conditions governing their use.

By Mr. ADERHOLT:

H.R. 5855.

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

The principal constitutional authority for this legislation is clause 7 of section 9 of article I of the Constitution of the United States (the appropriation power), which states: ''No Money shall be drawn from the Treasury, but in Consequence of Appropriations made by Law . . . .'' In addition, clause 1 of section 8 of article I of the Constitution (the spending power) provides: ''The Congress shall have the Power . . . to pay the Debts and provide for the common Defence and general Welfare of the United States . . . .'' Together, these specific constitutional provisions establish the congressional power of the purse, granting Congress the authority to appropriate funds, to determine their purpose, amount, and period of availability, and to set forth terms and conditions governing their use.

By Mr. YOUNG of Florida:

H.R. 5856.

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

The principal constitutional authority for this legislation is clause 7 of section 9 of article I of the Constitution of the United States (the appropriation power), which states: ''No Money shall be drawn from the Treasury, but in Consequence of Appropriations made by Law . . . .'' In addition, clause 1 of section 8 of article I of the Constitution (the spending power) provides: ''The Congress shall have the Power . . . to pay the Debts and provide for the common Defence and general Welfare of the United States . . . .'' Together, these specific constitutional provisions establish the congressional power of the purse, granting Congress the authority to appropriate funds, to determine their purpose, amount, and period of availability, and to set forth terms and conditions governing their use.

By Ms. GRANGER:

H.R. 5857.

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

The principal constitutional authority for this legislation is clause 7 of section 9 of article I of the Constitution of the United States (the appropriation power), which states: ''No Money shall be drawn from the Treasury, but in Consequence of Appropriations made by Law . . . .'' In addition, clause 1 of section 8 of article I of the Constitution (the spending power) provides: ''The Congress shall have the Power . . . to pay the Debts and provide for the common Defence and general Welfare of the United States . . . .'' Together, these specific constitutional provisions establish the congressional power of the purse, granting Congress the authority to appropriate funds, to determine their purpose, amount, and period of availability, and to set forth terms and conditions governing their use.

ADDITIONAL SPONSORS

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

H.R. 312: Mr. JONES.

H.R. 529: Mr. HINCHEY.

H.R. 1063: Ms. BUERKLE.

H.R. 1146: Mr. DUNCAN of Tennessee.

H.R. 1386: Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas, Mr. SCHIFF, Mr. POLIS, Ms. HOCHUL, Mr. HONDA, and Ms. DEGETTE.

H.R. 1418: Mr. WAXMAN.

H.R. 1489: Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas.

H.R. 1639: Mr. WALDEN and Mr. MCKEON.

H.R. 2245: Mr. CRENSHAW and Mr. MCDERMOTT.

H.R. 2514: Mr. CHABOT.

H.R. 2741: Mr. BONNER.

H.R. 2866: Mr. VAN HOLLEN.

H.R. 3066: Mr. WALDEN.

H.R. 3364: Mr. SCHRADER, Ms. BONAMICI, Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia, and Mr. KIND.

H.R. 3444: Mr. KING of Iowa.

H.R. 3831: Ms. PINGREE of Maine.

H.R. 3839: Mr. LARSEN of Washington.

H.R. 4091: Ms. CASTOR of Florida, Mr. LEWIS of Georgia, and Mr. BOREN.

H.R. 4228: Mr. POE of Texas.

H.R. 4480: Mr. REHBERG.

H.R. 4965: Mr. PRICE of Georgia, Mr. COSTELLO, Mr. GRAVES of Georgia, Mr. AUSTIN SCOTT of Georgia, Mr. BOREN, Mr. TERRY, and Mr. CHANDLER.

H.R. 5684: Mr. GONZALEZ and Mrs. DAVIS of California.

H.R. 5707: Mr. OLVER, Mr. FATTAH, and Mr. WELCH.

H. Con. Res. 122: Mr. TOWNS.

H. Res. 351: Mr. CICILLINE, Mr. DUNCAN of Tennessee, and Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California.

H. Res. 663: Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN, Mr. BERMAN, Mr. ISRAEL, and Mr. HANNA.