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Senate

The Senate was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Monday, February 3, 2014, at 2 p.m.

House of Representatives

FRIDAY, JANUARY 31, 2014

The House met at 3 p.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. WENSTRUP).

DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

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

WASHINGTON, DC,
January 31, 2014.

I hereby appoint the Honorable BRAD R. WENSTRUP 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:

Eternal God, we give You thanks for giving us another day.

Send Your spirit of peace, honesty, and fairness during this time of constituent visits. May their ears and hearts be open to listen to the hopes and needs of those whom the Members of this House represent.

Bless the people of this great Nation with wisdom, knowledge, and understanding, that they might responsibly participate in our American democracy.

Please keep all who work for the people's House in good health, that they might faithfully fulfill the great responsibility given them in their service to the work of the Capitol.

Bless us this day and every day. May all that is done here this day 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, January 30, 2014.

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 January 30, 2014 at 10:30 a.m.:

That the Senate passed S. 1417.

That the Senate passed H.R. 2860.

That the Senate agreed to S.J. Res. 28.

That the Senate agreed to S.J. Res. 29.

That the Senate agreed to S. Con. Res. 31.

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, January 30, 2014.

Hon. JOHN 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 January 30, 2014 at 4:06 p.m.:

That the Senate passed S. 1926.

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:

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OFFICE OF THE CLERK,
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, DC, January 31, 2014.

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

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: Pursuant to section 4(d) of House Resolution 5, One Hundred Thirteenth Congress, and section 1(k)(2) of House Resolution 895, One Hundred Tenth Congress, I transmit to you notification that JUDY BIGGERT and Belinda Pinckney each have signed an agreement not to be a candidate for the office of Senator or Representative in, or Delegate or Resident Commissioner to, the Congress for the purpose of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 until at least three years after he or she is no longer a member of the board or staff of the Office of Congressional Ethics.

Copies of the signed agreements shall be retained by the Office of the Clerk as part of the records of the House.

With best wishes, I am
Sincerely,

KAREN L. HAAS,
Clerk of the House.

SENATE BILL AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS REFERRED

A bill and joint resolutions of the Senate of the following titles were taken from the Speaker's table and, under the rule, referred as follows:

S. 1417. An act to amend the Public Health Service Act to reauthorize programs under part A of title XI of such Act; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

S.J. Res. 28. Joint resolution providing for the appointment of John Fahey as a citizen regent of the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution; to the Committee on House Administration.

S.J. Res. 29. Joint resolution providing for the appointment of Risa Lavizzo-Mourey as a citizen regent of the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution; to the Committee on House Administration.

ADJOURNMENT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Without objection, the House stands adjourned until noon on Monday next for morning-hour debate.

There was no objection.

Thereupon (at 3 o'clock and 5 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until Monday, February 3, 2014, at noon for morning-hour debate.

RULES AND REPORTS SUBMITTED PURSUANT TO THE CONGRESSIONAL REVIEW ACT

Pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(d), executive communications [final rules] submitted to the House pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1) during the period of August 1, 2013, through January 3, 2014, shall be treated as though received on January 31, 2014. Original dates of transmittal, numberings, and referrals to committee of those executive communications remain as indicated in the Executive Communication section of the relevant CONGRESSIONAL RECORD.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

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

4617. A letter from the Acting Senior Procurement Executive, GSA, General Services Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Federal Acquisition Regulation; Trade Agreements Thresholds [FAC 2005-72; FAR Case 2013-021; Item IV; Docket 2013-0021, Sequence 1] (RIN: 9000-AM67) received January 14, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Armed Services.

4618. A letter from the Acting Senior Procurement Executive, GSA, General Services Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Federal Acquisition Regulation; Federal Acquisition Circular 2005-72; Small Entity Compliance Guide [Docket No.: FAR 2013-0078; Sequence No. 8] received January 14, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Armed Services.

4619. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Department of State, transmitting Transmittal No. DDTC 13-155, pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

4620. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting Transmittal No. DDTC 13-183, pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

4621. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting Transmittal No. DDTC 13-182, pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(c) and 36(d) of the Arms Export Control Act; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

4622. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting a letter regarding commitments in the Joint Plan of Action; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

4623. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting a letter regarding commitments in the Joint Plan of Action; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

4624. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting Transmittal of D.C. ACT 20-271, ''Procurement Practices Reform Exemption Amendment Act of 2014''; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

4625. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting Transmittal of D.C. ACT 20-271, ''Procurement Practices Reform Exemption Amendment Act of 2014''; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

4626. A letter from the Director, Regulation Policy and Management, Office of the General Counsel, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting the Department's final rule — Community Residential Care (RIN: 2900-AO62) received January 10, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

4627. A letter from the Director, Regulation Policy and Management, Office of the General Counsel, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting the Department's final rule — Removal of Penalty for Breaking Appointments (RIN: 2900-AO51) received January 10, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

4628. A letter from the Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Permitted disparity in employer-provided contributions or benefits (Rev. Rul. 2014-3) received January 14, 2014, 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:

Mr. HASTINGS of Washington: Committee on Natural Resources. H.R. 1825. A bill to direct Federal public land management officials to exercise their authority under existing law to facilitate use of and access to Federal public lands for fishing, sport hunting, and recreational shooting, and for other purposes (Rept. 113–337 Pt. 1). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. UPTON: Committee on Energy and Commerce. H.R. 3675. A bill to amend the Communications Act of 1934 to provide for greater transparency and efficiency in the procedures followed by the Federal Communications Commission; with amendments (Rept. 113–338). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

DISCHARGE OF COMMITTEE

Pursuant to clause 2 of rule XIII, Committee on Agriculture discharged from further consideration. H.R. 1825 referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

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. BARLETTA (for himself, Mr. BACHUS, Mr. BARR, Mr. COLLINS of New York, Mr. COTTON, Mr. RODNEY DAVIS of Illinois, Mr. FINCHER, Mr. FITZPATRICK, Mr. GARDNER, Mr. GERLACH, Mr. GRIMM, Mr. HANNA, Mr. HUIZENGA of Michigan, Mr. JONES, Mr. JOYCE, Mr. LANCE, Mr. LOBIONDO, Mr. MARINO, Mr. MCKINLEY, Mr. MEADOWS, Mr. MEEHAN, Mrs. MILLER of Michigan, Mr. PERRY, Mr. PITTS, Mr. RENACCI, Mr. RUNYAN, Mr. SHUSTER, Mr. SIMPSON, Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania, Mr. GRIFFIN of Arkansas, Ms. JENKINS, Mr. REED, Mr. REICHERT, Mr. KELLY of Pennsylvania, Mr. TIBERI, Mr. YOUNG of Indiana, and Mr. SAM JOHNSON of Texas):

H.R. 3979. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to ensure that emergency services volunteers are not taken into account as employees under the shared responsibility requirements contained in the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. MCCLINTOCK (for himself and Mrs. LUMMIS):

H.R. 3980. A bill to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to coordinate Federal and State permitting processes related to the construction of new surface water storage projects on lands under the jurisdiction of the Secretary the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture and to designate the Bureau of Reclamation as the lead agency for permit processing, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

By Mr. HASTINGS of Washington:

H.R. 3981. A bill to direct the Secretary of the Interior to allow for prepayment of repayment contracts between the United

States and water users, to provide surface water storage enhancement, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

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. BARLETTA:

H.R. 3979.

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

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

By Mr. MCCLINTOCK:

H.R. 3980.

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

Article IV Section 3 clause 2 United States Constitution.

By Mr. HASTINGS of Washington:

H.R. 3981.

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

Article IV Section 3 clause 2 United States Constitution.

ADDITIONAL SPONSORS

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

H.R. 15: Mr. ENYART.
H.R. 401: Mr. KING of New York.
H.R. 411: Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania and Mr. O'ROURKE.
H.R. 477: Mr. CHAFFETZ.
H.R. 494: Ms. BROWN of Florida.
H.R. 508: Ms. ESTY.
H.R. 515: Mr. TIERNEY.
H.R. 596: Mr. LOEBSACK.
H.R. 946: Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania and Mr. HASTINGS of Washington.
H.R. 1020: Mr. FOSTER.
H.R. 1091: Ms. HERRERA BEUTLER.
H.R. 1229: Mr. RUSH, Ms. LORETTA SANCHEZ of California, Ms. HAHN, Ms. SHEA-PORTER, and Ms. BORDALLO.
H.R. 1289: Mr. HOLT.
H.R. 1507: Mr. FORBES and Mr. LANGEVIN.
H.R. 1563: Mr. LEVIN.
H.R. 1603: Mr. STIVERS.
H.R. 1666: Ms. KUSTER and Mr. LARSON of Connecticut.
H.R. 1690: Ms. ESHOO.
H.R. 1726: Ms. KUSTER.
H.R. 1728: Mr. GRIJALVA and Mr. TAKANO.
H.R. 1750: Mr. LUCAS, Mr. YOUNG of Indiana, Mr. POE of Texas, and Mr. SESSIONS.
H.R. 1761: Mr. MCNERNEY.
H.R. 1763: Ms. DUCKWORTH.
H.R. 1796: Mr. SCHNEIDER.
H.R. 1814: Mr. NOLAN.
H.R. 2084: Mr. LYNCH and Ms. DUCKWORTH.
H.R. 2139: Ms. DUCKWORTH.
H.R. 2305: Mrs. KIRKPATRICK.
H.R. 2612: Mr. WILLIAMS.
H.R. 2643: Mrs. BLACK, Mr. LATTA, Mr. WOODALL, and Mr. MCINTYRE.
H.R. 2757: Mr. MCDERMOTT.
H.R. 2959: Mr. KING of Iowa, Mr. LATHAM, Mr. WILSON of South Carolina, Mr. PALAZZO, Mr. HASTINGS of Washington, and Mr. GRIFFITH of Virginia.
H.R. 3086: Mr. POMPEO, Mr. DESANTIS, and Mr. HONDA.
H.R. 3180: Mr. LATTA.
H.R. 3327: Mr. SEAN PATRICK MALONEY of New York.
H.R. 3370: Mrs. CAPITO.
H.R. 3407: Mr. LEWIS.
H.R. 3485: Mr. BARR.
H.R. 3541: Mr. STEWART and Mr. POE of Texas.
H.R. 3579: Mr. POE of Texas.
H.R. 3600: Mrs. MILLER of Michigan, Mr. SERRANO, Mr. TAKANO, Mr. MCNERNEY, Ms. BROWN of Florida, and Ms. SINEMA.
H.R. 3604: Mr. FRANKS of Arizona.
H.R. 3658: Mr. YARMUTH, Mr. SENSENBRENNER, Mrs. LUMMIS, Mr. MORAN, Mr. PETRI, and Mr. GARY G. MILLER of California.
H.R. 3663: Mrs. MILLER of Michigan.
H.R. 3698: Mr. DAVID SCOTT of Georgia, Mr. NEAL, Mr. HULTGREN, Ms. FUDGE, Mr. LARSEN of Washington, Mr. MARINO, Mr. RUPPERSBERGER, Mr. KEATING, Mrs. BUSTOS, Mr. WELCH, Mr. FORTENBERRY, Mrs. WALORSKI, Mr. MATHESON, Mr. MICHAUD, Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia, Mrs. BLACK, Mr. ADERHOLT, Mr. YOUNG of Alaska, Mr. QUIGLEY, Mr. CUMMINGS, Mr. WITTMAN, Mrs. BACHMANN, Mr. GOODLATTE, Mr. JONES, Mr. RENACCI, Mrs. CAPITO, Mr. RAHALL, Mr. CUELLAR, Mr. BRALEY of Iowa, Mr. GUTHRIE, Mr. BISHOP of New York, Mr. VARGAS, and Mr. SIRES.
H.R. 3712: Mr. SCHIFF and Mr. COHEN.
H.R. 3717: Mr. MICHAUD.
H.R. 3747: Mr. RAHALL.
H.R. 3778: Mr. TONKO.
H.R. 3781: Mr. MCNERNEY.
H.R. 3788: Mr. BROUN of Georgia.
H.R. 3856: Ms. KAPTUR and Ms. TSONGAS.
H.R. 3857: Mr. HASTINGS of Washington and Mr. PETRI.
H.R. 3877: Mr. DEFAZIO.
H.R. 3914: Mr. SERRANO and Mr. TAKANO.
H.R. 3921: Mr. HONDA.
H.R. 3967: Mrs. CHRISTENSEN.
H.J. Res. 68: Mr. VAN HOLLEN.
H. Con. Res. 16: Mr. HARRIS.
H. Con. Res. 79: Mr. YODER.
H. Res. 227: Mr. LOWENTHAL.
H. Res. 428: Mr. ROHRABACHER and Mr. GRIMM.
H. Res. 430: Ms. LEE of California, Mr. MCGOVERN, Mr. COBLE, and Mr. O'ROURKE.
H. Res. 440: Mr. GALLEGO.
H. Res. 447: Mr. SHIMKUS.
H. Res. 456: Mr. RIBBLE, Mr. POCAN, Mr. BACHUS, Mr. PAYNE, Mr. MARCHANT, and Mr. MESSER.
H. Res. 468: Mr. HONDA, Mrs. NAPOLITANO, Ms. LEE of California, Mr. CICILLINE, and Ms. JACKSON LEE.

CONGRESSIONAL EARMARKS, LIMITED TAX BENEFITS, OR LIMITED TARIFF BENEFITS

Under clause 9 of rule XXI, lists or statements on congressional earmarks, limited tax benefits, or limited tariff benefits were submitted as follows:

OFFERED BY MR. LUCAS

The provisions that warranted a referral to the Committee on Agriculture in H.R. 3590 do not contain any congressional earmarks, limited tax benefits, or limited tariff benefits as defined in clause 9 of rule XXI of the Rules of the House of Representatives.

OFFERED BY MR. UPTON

The provisions that warranted a referral to the Committee on Energy and Commerce in H.R. 3590 do not contain any congressional earmarks, limited tax benefits, or limited tariff benefits as defined in clause 9 of rule XXI.

OFFERED BY MR. HASTINGS OF WASHINGTON

H.R. 3964, the Sacramento-San Joaquin Valley Emergency Water Delivery Act, does not contain any congressional earmarks, limited tax benefits, or limited tariff benefits as defined in clause 9 of House rule XXI.