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House of Representatives

The House met at 2 p.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. UPTON).

DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

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

WASHINGTON, DC,
February 14, 2014.

I hereby appoint the Honorable FRED UPTON to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

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

PRAYER

Reverend William Gurnee, John Paul II Seminary, Washington, D.C., offered the following prayer:

All powerful Lord, as our Nation struggles through the difficulty of winter, we realize that there are forces greater than ourselves. In all things, we are more successful when we humble ourselves before You and each other.

Bless those who have been adversely affected by ice, snow, and cold. May the kindness of strangers and goodness of all Americans quickly restore our Nation to wholeness and holiness.

Bless the Members of this Chamber. May those who serve in this body continue to do so with honor, patience, and genuine care for all Members. Give them wisdom, give them joy in their office, and give them the lasting memory that they have served their country well.

We ask all this in Your Holy Name.

Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 2(a) of House Resolution 475, 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.

RESIGNATION FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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

CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES,
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, DC, February 12, 2014.

Hon. JOHN BOEHNER,
Speaker of the House,
Washington, DC.

SPEAKER BOEHNER: Nearly twenty four years ago, the people of New Jersey's First Congressional District afforded me the opportunity, responsibility and honor of serving as their Representative in the United States House of Representatives. I am profoundly thankful and forever humbled by the trust they have placed in me.

I am writing to inform you that, effective February 18, 2014, I will be resigning as a Member of the United States Congress.

The House has always been a place of high energy and healthy division, and it remains so today. But we have always shared the common belief that it is the spirit of the American people and Constitution we live by that makes our country great.

I am proud to have served with members of both parties, Democratic and Republican, liberal and conservative in what has been one of the greatest honors of my lifetime.

Sincerely,

ROBERT E. ANDREWS,
Member of Congress.

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, February 12, 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 Bryson Morgan has 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 is no longer a member of the board or staff of the Office of Congressional Ethics.

A copy of the signed agreement 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.

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, February 12, 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 February 12, 2014 at 4:03 p.m.:

That the Senate agreed to House amendment to the text of the bill S. 540

That the Senate agreed to House amendment to the text of the bill S. 25

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely,

KAREN L. HAAS.

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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, February 14, 2014.

Hon. JOHN A. BOEHNER,
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 February 14, 2014 at 9:56 a.m.:

That the Senate agreed to without amendment H. Con. Res. 81

That the Senate agreed to without amendment H. Con. Res. 82

Appointments:

National Commission on Hunger.

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, February 12, 2014.

Hon. JOHN A. BOEHNER,
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 February 12, 2014 at 11:37 a.m.:

That the Senate passed S. 1068

Appointments:

Board of Visitors of the United States Air Force Academy.

Board of Visitors of the United States Merchant Marine Academy.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely,

KAREN L. HAAS.

SENATE ENROLLED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS SIGNED

The Speaker announced his signature to enrolled bills and joint resolutions of the Senate of the following titles:

S. 25. An act to ensure that the reduced annual cost-of-living adjustment to the retired pay of members and former members of the Armed Forces under the age of 62 required by the Bipartisan Budget Act of 2013 will not apply to members or former members who first became members prior to January 1, 2014, and for other purposes.

S. 540. An act to temporarily extend the public debt limit, and for other purposes.

S.J. Res. 28. Providing for the appointment of John Fahey as a citizen regent of the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution.

S.J. Res. 29. Providing for the appointment of Risa Lavizzo-Mourey as a citizen regent of the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution.

ADJOURNMENT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 2(b) of House Resolution 475, the House stands adjourned until 2 p.m. on Tuesday, February 18, 2014.

Accordingly (at 2 o'clock and 7 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until Tuesday, February 18, 2014, 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:

4774. A letter from the Assistant General Counsel for Regulatory Services, Department of Education, transmitting the Department's ''Major'' final rule — William D. Ford Federal Direct Loan Program [Docket ID: ED-2013-OPE-0066] (RIN: 1840-AD13) received February 10, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

4775. A letter from the General Counsel, Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation, transmitting the Corporation's final rule — Benefits Payable in Terminated Single-Employer Plans; Interest Assumptions for Paying Benefits received January 30, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

4776. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting the Department's final rule — Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Changes to Authorized Officials and the UK Defense Trade Treaty Exemption; Correction of Errors in Lebanon Policy and Violations; and Publishing Recent Changes to Parts 120, 127, and 128 in Final Form (RIN: 1400-AD49, 1400-AC37, and 1400-AC81) received January 29, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

4777. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting the Department's final rule — Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Changes to Authorized Officials and the UK Defense Trade Treaty Exemption; Correction of Errors in Lebanon Policy and Violations; and Publishing Recent Changes to Parts 120, 127, and 128 in Final Form (RIN: 1400-AD49, 1400-AC37, and 1400-AC81) received January 31, 2014, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

4778. A letter from the Secretary, Department of the Treasury, transmitting as required by section 401(c) of the National Emergencies Act, 50 U.S.C. 1641(c), and section 204(c) of the International Emergency Economic Powers Act, 50 U.S.C. 1703(c), a six-month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to the persons undermining democratic processes or institutions in Zimbabwe that was declared in Executive Order 13288 of March 6, 2003; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

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. ISSA: Committee on Oversight and Government Reform. H.R. 899. A bill to provide for additional safeguards with respect to imposing Federal mandates, and for other purposes (Rept. 113–352, Pt. 1). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

DISCHARGE OF COMMITTEE

Pursuant to clause 2 of rule XIII, The Committees on the Budget, Rules, and the Judiciary discharged from further consideration. H.R. 899 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. REICHERT (for himself, Mr. DOGGETT, Mr. PAULSEN, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. ROSKAM, Mr. MCDERMOTT, Mr. BUCHANAN, Mr. LEWIS, Mr. YOUNG of Indiana, Mr. CROWLEY, Mr. GRIFFIN of Arkansas, Mr. DANNY K. DAVIS of Illinois, Mr. RENACCI, Ms. SLAUGHTER, Mrs. WAGNER, Ms. BASS, and Mr. LANGEVIN):

H.R. 4058. A bill to prevent and address sex trafficking of youth in foster care; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. SCHNEIDER:

H.R. 4059. A bill to amend the Small Business Act to create a grant program for governmental and other nonprofit organizations that support startup businesses in formation and early growth stages by providing entrepreneurs with resources and services to produce viable businesses, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Small Business.

By Mr. LUETKEMEYER (for himself, Mr. BACHUS, Mr. STIVERS, Mr. DAVID SCOTT of Georgia, Mr. MURPHY of Florida, and Ms. SEWELL of Alabama):

H.R. 4060. A bill to amend the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act to specify when bank holding companies may be subject to certain enhanced supervision, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Financial Services.

By Mr. MCDERMOTT:

H.R. 4061. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to reform the estate and gift tax; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. MCDERMOTT:

H.R. 4062. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend the income exclusion for discharge of qualified principal residence indebtedness, to provide exclusions from income for certain payments under the National Mortgage Settlement, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. PAYNE (for himself and Mr. RODNEY DAVIS of Illinois):

H.R. 4063. A bill to amend the Workforce Investment Act of 1998 to direct the Secretary of Labor to develop performance measures for individuals who receive entrepreneurial training as a part of any workforce investment activity, to create requirements for providers of workforce investment activities that offer entrepreneurial training, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

By Mr. SCALISE (for himself and Mrs. BROOKS of Indiana):

H.R. 4064. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide that the individual health insurance mandate not apply until the employer health insurance mandate is enforced without exceptions; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. SERRANO:

H.R. 4065. A bill to require mobile service providers and mobile device manufacturers to give consumers the ability to remotely delete data from mobile devices and render such devices inoperable; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. RUPPERSBERGER (for himself and Mr. SARBANES):

H. Res. 485. A resolution expressing support for ''National One Love Day''; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

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. REICHERT:

H.R. 4058.

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. SCHNEIDER:

H.R. 4059.

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

Article I, Section 8, Clause 1: The Congress shall have Power to . . . provide for the . . . general Welfare of the United States.

Article I, Section 8, Clause 18: To make all Laws which shall be necessary and proper for carrying into Execution the foregoing Powers, and all other Powers vested by this Constitution in the Government of the United States, or in any Department or Officer thereof.

By Mr. LUETKEMEYER:

H.R. 4060.

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

The constitutional authority on which this bill rests lies in Article 1, Section 7, Clause 2 of the Constitution, which allows for every bill passed by the House of Representatives and the Senate and signed by the President to be codified into law; and therefore implicitly allows Congress to repeal any bill that has been passed by both chambers and signed into law by the President.

Additionally, the Constitution grants to Congress the explicit power to regulate commerce in and among the states, as enumerate in Article 1, Section 8, Clause 3, the Commerce Clause.

By Mr. MCDERMOTT:

H.R. 4061.

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

Clause 1 of Section 8 of Article 1 of the United States Constitution

By Mr. MCDERMOTT:

H.R. 4062.

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

Clause 1 of Section 8 of Article 1 of the United States Constitution

By Mr. PAYNE:

H.R. 4063.

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

Article I, Section 8, Clause 3 of the Constitution

The Congress shall have Power . . . To regulate Commerce with foreign Nations, and among the several States, and with the Indian Tribes.

By Mr. SCALISE:

H.R. 4064.

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

Article 1, section 8, clause 13

By Mr. SERRANO:

H.R. 4065.

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

This legislation is introduced pursuant to Article I, Section 8, Clause 3 of the Constitution, which states that that ''The Congress shall have power . . . To regulate commerce with foreign nations, and among the several states, and with the Indian tribes.'' In addition, this legislation is introduced pursuant to Article I, Section 8, Clause 18 of the Constitution, which states that Congress shall have the power ''to make all laws which shall be necessary and proper for carrying into execution the foregoing powers, and all other powers vested by this Constitution in the government of the United States, or in any department or officer thereof.''

ADDITIONAL SPONSORS

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

H.R. 164: Mr. BARBER and Ms. CHU.
H.R. 207: Mr. YOUNG of Indiana.
H.R. 310: Mr. GIBSON.
H.R. 515: Mr. CICILLINE.
H.R. 543: Mr. BERA of California.
H.R. 685: Mr. CICILLINE.
H.R. 946: Mr. LUCAS.
H.R. 1173: Mr. WELCH.
H.R. 1176: Mr. LUETKEMEYER.
H.R. 1201: Mr. RIGELL.
H.R. 1286: Mr. MAFFEI.
H.R. 1343: Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia and Mr. LOWENTHAL.
H.R. 1386: Mr. LUCAS.
H.R. 1508: Mr. ISRAEL, Ms. TSONGAS, Mrs. MCCARTHY of New York, Mr. COFFMAN, Mr. LIPINSKI, and Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California.
H.R. 1563: Mr. FOSTER.
H.R. 1708: Ms. BORDALLO.
H.R. 1709: Mr. GRIJALVA.
H.R. 1710: Mr. GRIJALVA.
H.R. 1750: Mr. GOHMERT.
H.R. 1761: Mr. GARAMENDI.
H.R. 1953: Mr. RIGELL.
H.R. 1978: Mr. CICILLINE.
H.R. 2000: Mr. VEASEY.
H.R. 2028: Mr. GARCIA, Mr. ISRAEL, and Mr. RUIZ.
H.R. 2109: Mr. MEEKS.
H.R. 2415: Mr. SCHNEIDER.
H.R. 2509: Ms. SCHWARTZ.
H.R. 2535: Mr. TERRY.
H.R. 2575: Mr. AMASH.
H.R. 2591: Mr. GRAYSON.
H.R. 2737: Mr. RUSH.
H.R. 2743: Mr. JONES.
H.R. 2797: Ms. SEWELL of Alabama.
H.R. 2866: Mr. CHABOT, Mr. SANFORD, Mr. ROE of Tennessee, Mr. ROTHFUS, Mr. BYRNE, Mr. CUELLAR, Mr. SCHOCK, Mrs. NOEM, Mr. DESJARLAIS, Mr. MCHENRY, Mr. FINCHER, Mr. BARR, Mr. BROUN of Georgia, Mr. PASTOR of Arizona, and Mr. MCINTYRE.
H.R. 2869: Mrs. ELLMERS.
H.R. 3335: Mr. BENISHEK and Mr. PETERSON.
H.R. 3370: Mr. LOWENTHAL, Mr. TAKANO, Mr. NOLAN, Mr. KILDEE, Mr. GRIJALVA, Ms. FUDGE, Mr. CLYBURN, Mr. DINGELL, Mr. SCHIFF, Mr. LARSON of Connecticut, Ms. MICHELLE LUJAN GRISHAM of New Mexico, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, Ms. ESTY, Mr. RANGEL, Ms. HAHN, Ms. TITUS, Mr. HOYER, Mr. LIPINSKI, Mr. LEVIN, Ms. LINDA T. SÁNCHEZ of California, Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia, Mr. CASTRO of Texas, Mr. MCDERMOTT, Mrs. LOWEY, Mr. BISHOP of Georgia, Mr. BEN RAY LUJÁN of New Mexico, Mr. SMITH of Washington, Ms. ESHOO, Mr. MATHESON, Mr. CONYERS, Ms. SCHWARTZ, Mr. CUELLAR, Mr. O'ROURKE, and Mr. BRADY of Pennsylvania.
H.R. 3461: Mrs. KIRKPATRICK, Ms. KELLY of Illinois, and Ms. MATSUI.
H.R. 3462: Mr. GINGREY of Georgia.
H.R. 3471: Ms. MATSUI and Mr. FOSTER.
H.R. 3494: Mr. GARAMENDI.
H.R. 3513: Mr. CONNOLLY.
H.R. 3658: Ms. MCCOLLUM.
H.R. 3662: Mr. HUFFMAN and Ms. LOFGREN.
H.R. 3673: Mr. CALVERT.
H.R. 3690: Ms. JACKSON LEE, Mr. RANGEL, and Mr. POLIS.
H.R. 3708: Mr. BRIDENSTINE, Mr. DUNCAN of South Carolina, Mr. FLEISCHMANN, and Mr. GRIFFITH of Virginia.
H.R. 3712: Ms. VELÁZQUEZ, Ms. CHU, Mr. GARAMENDI, Mr. MAFFEI, and Mr. FOSTER.
H.R. 3793: Ms. MENG and Mr. BEN RAY LUJÁN of New Mexico.
H.R. 3826: Mr. GOODLATTE.
H.R. 3840: Mr. CONAWAY.
H.R. 3865: Mr. SMITH of Texas, Mr. GRIFFITH of Virginia, and Mr. YODER.
H.R. 3979: Mr. POE of Texas.
H.R. 3997: Mr. FARR.
H.R. 4008: Mr. JONES.
H.R. 4019: Ms. SINEMA, Mr. PETERS of California, and Mr. FOSTER.
H.J. Res. 110: Mr. BISHOP of Utah, Mr. DUNCAN of South Carolina, and Mr. WESTMORELAND.
H. Res. 442: Mr. PERRY and Mr. HALL.
H. Res. 468: Ms. EDWARDS and Mr. SCHIFF.
H. Res. 476: Mr. CHAFFETZ, Ms. JENKINS, Mr. BROUN of Georgia, and Mr. GINGREY of Georgia.
H. Res. 479: Mr. HUFFMAN.

DISCHARGE PETITIONS— ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS

The following Members added their names to the following discharge petition:

Petition 6 by Mr. HONDA on House Resolution 459: YVETTE D. CLARKE, MIKE QUIGLEY, and WM. LACY CLAY.