

to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

1677. A letter from the Deputy Bureau Chief, Wireline Competition Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule — Local Number Portability Porting Interval and Validation Requirements, Telephone Number Portability, Numbering Resource Optimization [WC Docket No.: 07-244] [CC Docket No.: 95-116] [CC Docket No.: 99-200] received June 1, 2015, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

1678. A letter from the Director, Defense Security Cooperation Agency, Department of Defense, transmitting notice of Proposed Issuance of Letter of Offer and Acceptance to the Government of Japan, pursuant to Sec. 36(b)(1) of the Arms Export Control Act, as amended, Pub. L. 94-329, Transmittal No.: 15-35; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

1679. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Export Administration, Bureau of Industry and Security, Department of Commerce, transmitting the Department's final rule — Updated Statements of Legal Authority for the Export Administration Regulations [Docket No.: 150511438-5438-01] (RIN: 0694-AG62) received June 1, 2015, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

1680. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, for Export Administration, Bureau of Industry and Security, Department of Commerce, transmitting the Department's final rule — Russian Sanctions: Revisions and Clarifications for Licensing Policy for the Crimea Region of Ukraine [Docket No.: 150302205-5205-01] (RIN: 0694-AG54) received June 1, 2015, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

1681. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting a certification, pursuant to Sec. 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act, Transmittal No.: DDTC 15-014; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

1682. A letter from the Acting Administrator, Agency for International Development, transmitting the Office of Inspector General's Semiannual Report to the Congress for the period ending March 31, 2015, pursuant to Sec. 5 of the Inspector General Act of 1978, as amended, Pub. L. 95-452; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

1683. A letter from the Assistant Director, Senior Executive Management Office, Air Force, transmitting a report pursuant to the Federal Vacancies Reform Act of 1998, Pub. L. 105-277; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

1684. A letter from the Director, Office of Government Relations, Corporation For National and Community Service, transmitting the Inspector General's Semiannual Report to Congress along with the Corporation for National and Community Service's Report on Final Action, pursuant to Sec. 5 of the Inspector General Act of 1978, as amended, Pub. L. 95-452; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

1685. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Inspector General's Semiannual Report to Congress covering the 6-month period that ended March 31, 2015, pursuant to Sec. 5 of the Inspector General Act of 1978, as amended, Pub. L. 95-452; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

1686. A letter from the Inspector General, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's final report, entitled "U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Met Many Requirements of the Improper Payments Information Act of 2002 but Did Not Fully Comply for Fiscal Year 2014", pursuant to the Improper Pay-

ments Information Act of 2002 (Public Law 107-300), as amended; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

1687. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting the semiannual report of the Inspector General for the period October 1, 2014, through March 31, 2015, pursuant to Section 5(a) of the Inspector General Act of 1978, as amended (Pub. L. 95-452); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

1688. A letter from the Director, Congressional Affairs, Federal Election Commission, transmitting the Federal Election Commission Inspector General's Semiannual Report to Congress during the reporting period of October 1, 2014, through March 31, 2015; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

1689. A letter from the Chairman, Federal Maritime Commission, transmitting the Inspector General's Semiannual Report to Congress for the period October 1, 2014, through March 31, 2015, pursuant to Sec. 5(b) of the Inspector General Act of 1978, as amended (Pub. L. 95-452); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

1690. A letter from the Acting Administrator, General Services Administration, transmitting the "Administrator's Semiannual Management Report to the Congress" for the period of October 1, 2014, through March 31, 2015, pursuant to Sec. 5 of the Inspector General Act of 1978, as amended, Pub. L. 95-452; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

1691. A letter from the Chairman, National Credit Union Administration, transmitting the Inspector General's semiannual report for October 1, 2014, through March 31, 2015, pursuant to Sec. 5(b) of the Inspector General Act of 1978, as amended (Pub. L. 95-452); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

1692. A letter from the Auditor, Office of the District of Columbia Auditor, transmitting a report entitled, "ANC 7F Did Not Fully Comply with the ANC Act"; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

1693. A letter from the Chairman, Railroad Retirement Board, transmitting the Office of Inspector General's Semiannual Report to the appropriate committees of the Congress, for the period October 1, 2014, through March 30, 2015, pursuant to Sec. 5 of the Inspector General Act of 1978, as amended, Pub. L. 95-452; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

1694. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's determination on a petition filed on behalf of workers who were employed at Grand Junction Facilities site in Grand Junction, Colorado, to be added to the Special Exposure Cohort, pursuant to the Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Program Act of 2000 and 42 C.F.R. pt. 83; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

1695. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's determination on a petition filed on behalf of workers who were employed at the Hanford site in Richland, Washington, to be added to the Special Exposure Cohort, pursuant to the Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Program Act of 2000 and 42 C.F.R. pt. 83; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

1696. A letter from the Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of Justice, transmitting a report on the activities of the Department regarding pre-1970 racially motivated homicides, pursuant to the Emmett Till Unsolved Civil Rights Crimes Act of 2007; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

1697. A letter from the Director, Mitigation Division, FEMA Region V, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting a letter regarding the Troy Local Flood Protection Project (Section R1); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

1698. A letter from the Program Manager, Regulation Policy and Management, Office of the General Counsel (02REG), Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting the Department's final rule — Grants for Adaptive Sports Programs for Disabled Veterans and Disabled Members of the Armed Forces (RIN: 2900-AP07) received June 1, 2015, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Veterans' 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. NEWHOUSE: Committee on Rules. House Resolution 288. Resolution providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 2289) to reauthorize the Commodity Futures Trading Commission, to better protect futures customers, to provide end-users with market certainty, to make basic reforms to ensure transparency and accountability at the Commission, to help farmers, ranchers, and end-users manage risks, to help keep consumer costs low, and for other purposes (Rept. 114-136). Referred to the House Calendar.

#### 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 Ms. CLARK of Massachusetts:

H.R. 2602. A bill to enhance enforcement of laws related to cybercrimes against persons, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. BARR (for himself and Mr. ROE of Tennessee):

H.R. 2603. A bill to provide for the creation of a safe harbor for defendants in medical malpractice actions who demonstrate adherence to clinical practice guidelines; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on the Judiciary, 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.

By Mr. SMITH of Texas (for himself and Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia):

H.R. 2604. A bill to improve and reauthorize provisions relating to the application of the antitrust laws to the award of need-based educational aid; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. JOHNSON of Ohio:

H.R. 2605. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the supervision of fiduciaries of veterans under the laws administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mrs. HARTZLER (for herself, Mr. SAM JOHNSON of Texas, Mr. ISSA, Mr. HENSARLING, and Mr. ROKITA):

H.R. 2606. A bill to amend title 23, United States Code, to discontinue funding for landscaping and scenic enhancement; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Mr. CROWLEY (for himself, Ms. CLARKE of New York, Mr. ENGEL, Mr. HIGGINS, Mr. ISRAEL, Mr. SEAN PATRICK MALONEY of New York, Mr.

MEEKS, Ms. MENG, Mr. NADLER, Mr. RANGEL, Mr. SERRANO, Ms. SLAUGHTER, Mr. TONKO, Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY of New York, and Ms. VELÁZQUEZ):

H.R. 2607. A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 7802 37th Avenue in Jackson Heights, New York, as the “Jeanne and Jules Manford Post Office Building”; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

By Ms. DELAURO (for herself, Mr. COLE, Mr. WELCH, Ms. DUCKWORTH, Ms. LEE, Mr. LIPINSKI, Mr. RYAN of Ohio, Ms. ESTY, and Ms. KUSTER):

H.R. 2608. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow manufacturing businesses to establish tax-free manufacturing reinvestment accounts to assist them in providing for new equipment and facilities and workforce training; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. SAM JOHNSON of Texas (for himself and Mrs. HARTZLER):

H.R. 2609. A bill to amend title 23, United States Code, to repeal the transportation alternatives program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Mr. KATKO (for himself, Mr. CUMMINGS, Mr. GIBSON, Mr. HURD of Texas, Miss RICE of New York, Mr. BUCK, Ms. GRAHAM, Mrs. BROOKS of Indiana, and Ms. MCSALLY):

H.R. 2610. A bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to redesign Federal reserve notes so as to include a likeness of Harriet Tubman, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Financial Services.

By Mrs. LUMMIS:

H.R. 2611. A bill to amend the Arms Export Control Act to provide that certain firearms listed as curios or relics may be imported into the United States by a licensed importer without obtaining authorization from the Department of State or the Department of Defense, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, and in addition to the Committee on Ways and Means, 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.

By Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY of New York (for herself, Mr. McDERMOTT, Mr. GRIJALVA, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, Ms. NORTON, Ms. CLARK of Massachusetts, Mr. LYNCH, Ms. TSONGAS, Mr. CICILLINE, Ms. KELLY of Illinois, Ms. ESTY, Mr. BLUMENAUER, Mr. RANGEL, Mr. NADLER, and Mr. CUMMINGS):

H.R. 2612. A bill to authorize the appropriation of funds to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention for conducting or supporting research on firearms safety or gun violence prevention; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY of New York (for herself, Ms. CLARK of Massachusetts, and Mr. DESAULNIER):

H.R. 2613. A bill to provide for the development and use of technology for personalized handguns, to require that all handguns manufactured or sold in, or imported into, the United States incorporate such technology, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, 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.

By Mr. McDERMOTT:

H.R. 2614. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for an expert advisory panel regarding relative value scale process used under the Medicare physician

fee schedule, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Ways and Means, 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.

By Ms. PLASKETT:

H.R. 2615. A bill to establish the Virgin Islands of the United States Centennial Commission; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

By Mr. QUIGLEY (for himself, Ms. NORTON, Mr. GUTIÉRREZ, Mr. HUFFMAN, Mr. POLIS, and Mr. PAYNE):

H.R. 2616. A bill to direct the Administrator of the Federal Emergency Management Agency to enter into an agreement with the National Academy of Sciences to conduct a study on urban flooding, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, and 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.

By Mrs. RADEWAGEN:

H.R. 2617. A bill to amend the Fair Minimum Wage Act of 2007 to postpone a scheduled increase in the minimum wage applicable to American Samoa; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

By Mr. ROSS:

H.R. 2618. A bill to amend the Employee Polygraph Protection Act of 1988 to provide an exemption from the protections of that Act with regard to certain prospective employees whose job would include caring for or interacting with children; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

By Ms. SCHAKOWSKY (for herself, Mr. ELLISON, Mr. GRIJALVA, and Mr. RUSH):

H.R. 2619. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide a tax credit to Patriot employers, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. DAVID SCOTT of Georgia (for himself, Mr. AUSTIN SCOTT of Georgia, Mr. WESTMORELAND, and Mr. BISHOP of Georgia):

H.R. 2620. A bill to amend the United States Cotton Futures Act to exclude certain cotton futures contracts from coverage under such Act; to the Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. SMITH of New Jersey (for himself and Mr. LIPINSKI):

H.R. 2621. A bill to impose sanctions against individuals who are nationals of the People's Republic of China who are responsible for gross violations of internationally recognized human rights committed against other individuals in the People's Republic of China, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, and in addition to the Committee on the Judiciary, 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.

By Mr. TONKO:

H.R. 2622. A bill to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to establish a registry of certain veterans who were stationed at Fort McClellan, Alabama, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. LOWENTHAL (for himself, Mr. THOMPSON of California, Ms. ESTY, and Mrs. CAPPS):

H. Res. 289. A resolution expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that gun violence is a public health issue and Congress should enact by the end of the 114th Congress comprehensive Federal legislation that protects the Second Amendment and keeps communities safe and healthy, includ-

ing expanding enforceable background checks for all commercial gun sales, improving the mental health system in the United States, and making gun trafficking and straw purchasing a Federal crime; to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, 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.

By Mr. PITTS (for himself and Ms. JACKSON LEE):

H. Res. 290. A resolution calling for the global repeal of blasphemy laws; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Ms. PLASKETT:

H. Res. 291. A resolution expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that the United States Postal Service should issue a commemorative stamp commemorating the 100th Anniversary of the purchase of the territories known as the Virgin Islands of the United States; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

## MEMORIALS

Under clause 3 of Rule XII, memorials were presented and referred as follows:

36. The SPEAKER presented a memorial of the Legislature of the State of Arizona, relative to Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 1019, commending Israel for its cordial and mutually beneficial relationship with the United States; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

37. Also, a memorial of the Legislature of the State of Arizona, relative to House Concurrent Memorial No. 2005, urging the United States Government to immediately and not later than December 31, 2019 dispose of the public lands within Arizona's borders directly to the State of Arizona; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

38. Also, a memorial of the Legislature of the State of Arizona, relative to Senate Concurrent Memorial 1001, urging the Congress to oppose the designation of the Grand Canyon Watershed National Monument in Northern Arizona; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

39. Also, a memorial of the House of Representatives of the State of Michigan, relative to House Resolution No. 9, urging the President to allow an additional 25,000 refugee visas for displaced Iraqis, with preference for placement in Michigan; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

40. Also, a memorial of the Legislature of the State of Arizona, relative to Senate Concurrent Memorial 1002, urging the Congress to enact legislation that confirms that state law determines the entire scope of R.S. 2477 Right-of-Way; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

## 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 Ms. CLARK of Massachusetts:

H.R. 2602.

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

Article 1, Section 8

By Mr. BARR:

H.R. 2603.