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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. ROONEY).

DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

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

WASHINGTON, DC,

March 13, 2012. I hereby appoint the Honorable THOMAS J. ROONEY 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:

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

In this Chamber, where the people's House gathers, we pause to offer You gratitude for the gift of this good land on which we live and for this great Nation which You have inspired in developing over so many years. Continue to inspire the American people: that through the difficulties of these days we might keep liberty and justice alive in our Nation and in the world.

Give to us and to all people a vivid sense of Your presence: that we may learn to understand each other, to respect each other, to work with each other, to live with each other, and to do good to each other. So shall we make our Nation great in goodness and good in its greatness.

May all that is done this day be for Your greater honor and glory. Amen.

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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, March 12, 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 March 12, 2012 at 10:11 a.m.:

That the Senate agreed to Res. 390.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely,

KAREN L. HAAS, Clerk.

ADJOURNMENT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Without objection, the House stands adjourned until 10 a.m. on Friday, March 16, 2012. There was no objection.

Accordingly (at 10 o'clock and 2 minutes a.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until Friday, March 16, 2012, 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:

5252. 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-AA39) received February 13, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

5253. A letter from the Manager, BioPreferred Program, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule — BioPreferred Program (RIN: 0503-AA41) received February 13, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

5254. A letter from the Acting Administrator, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule — Kiwifruit Grown in California; Change in Reporting Requirements and New Information Collection [Doc. No.: AMS-FV-11-0041; FV11-920-1 FR] received March 2, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

5255. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Bacillus thuringiensis Cry2Ae Protein in Cotton; Exemption from the Requirement of a Tolerance [EPA-HQ-OPP-2007-0573; FRL-9333-7] received February 2, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

5256. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Georgia; 110(a)(1) and (2) Infrastructure Requirements for the 1997 8-Hour Ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standards [EPA-R04-OAR-2011-0351-201203; FRL-9627-7] received February 2, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

5257. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; New Hampshire; Prevention of Significant Deterioration; Greenhouse Gas Permitting Authority and

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Tailoring Rule [EPA-R01-OAR-2011-0346, FRL-9627-8] received February 2, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

5258. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; North Carolina; 110(a)(1) and (2) Infrastructure Requirements for the 1997 8-Hour Ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standards [EPA-R04-OAR-2011-0352-201204; FRL-9627-6] received February 2, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

5259. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; State of Tennessee; Prevention of Significant Deterioration and Nonattainment New Source Review Rules: Nitrogen Oxides as a Precursor to Ozone [EPA-R04-OAR-2010-0483-201201; FRL-9627-5] received February 2, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

5260. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Revisions to the California State Implementation Plan, San Joaquin Valley Unified Air Pollution Control District [EPA-R09-OAR-2011-0733; FRL-9501-5] received February 2, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

5261. A letter from the Chief of Staff, Media Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule — Amendment of Section 73.622(i), Post-Transition Table of DTV Allotments, Television Broadcast Stations. (Lincoln, Nebraska) [MB Docket No.: 11-192] (RM-11646) received February 17, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

5262. A letter from the Director, Office of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule — Thermal Overload Protection for Electric Motor on Motor-Operated Valves, Regulatory Guide 1.106 received February 17, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

5263. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting notification that the national emergency with respect to Iran originally declared on March 15, 1995, is to continue in effect beyond March 15, 2012, pursuant to 50 U.S.C. 1622(d); (H. Doc. No. 112-93); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs and ordered to be printed.

5264. A letter from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, NMFS, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Pacific Cod Allocations in the Gulf of Alaska; Amendment 83; Correction (RIN: 0648-AY53) received February 11, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

5265. A letter from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, NMFS, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Magnuson-Stevens Act Provisions; Fisheries Off West Coast States; Pacific Coast Groundfish Fishery; Pacific Whiting and Non-Whiting Allocations; Pacific Whiting Seasons [Docket No.: 100804324-1265-02] (RIN: 0648-XA927) received February 11, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Natural Besources.

5266. A letter from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, NMFS, Na-

tional Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Reallocation of Pollock in the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands [Docket No.: 101126521-0640-02] (RIN: 0648-XA940) received February 17, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

5267. A letter from the Program Analyst, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Airworthiness Directives; Continental Motors, Inc. (CMI) Reciprocating Engines [Docket No.: FAA-2011-1341; Directorate Identifier 2011-NE-41-AD; Amendment 39-16891; AD 2011-25-51] received February 16, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

5268. A letter from the Program Analyst, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Airworthiness Directives; Agusta S.p.A. Helicopters [Docket No.: FAA-2011-1454; Directorate Identifier 2011-SW-054-AD; Amendments 39-16910; AD 2011-27-08] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received February 16, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

5269. A letter from the Program Analyst, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Airworthiness Directives; Eclipse Aerospace, Inc. Airplanes Equipped With Pratt & Whitney Canada, Corp. PW610F-A Engines [Docket No.: FAA-2011-0199; Directorate Identifier 2011-CE-005-AD; Amendment 39-16890; AD 2011-06-06 R1] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received February 16, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

5270. A letter from the Program Analyst, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Airworthiness Directives; Bombardier, Inc. Airplanes [Docket No.: FAA-2011-0916; Directorate Identifier 2011-NM-127-AD; Amendment 39-16895; AD 2011-26-05] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received February 16, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

5271. A letter from the Program Analyst, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Airworthiness Directives; The Boeing Company Airplanes [Docket No.: FAA-2011-0382; Directorate Identifier 2010-NM-063-AD; Amendment 39-16887; AD 2011-25-11] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received February 13, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

5272. A letter from the Program Analyst, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Airworthiness Directives; Airbus Airplanes [Docket No.: FAA-2011-0918; Directorate Identifier 2011-NM-090-AD; Amendment 39-16896; AD 2011-26-06] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received February 16, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

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. CAMP: Committee on Ways and Means. H.R. 452. A bill to repeal the provisions of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act providing for the Independent Payment Advisory Board; with an amendment (Rept. 112-412 Pt. 1). Ordered to be printed.

TIME LIMITATION OF REFERRED BILL

Pursuant to clause 2 of rule XII the following action was taken by the Speaker:

H.R. 452. Referral to the Committees on Rules and Energy and Commerce extended for a period ending not later than March 16, 2012.

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. TIBERI (for himself, Mr. LAR-SON of Connecticut, Mr. PAULSEN, Mr. NEAL, Mr. MARCHANT, and Mr. PAS-CRELL):

H.R. 4196. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend the allowance for bonus depreciation for certain business assets; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. MCGOVERN (for himself and Mr. ROYCE):

H. Res. 583. A resolution expressing support for robust efforts by the United States to see Joseph Kony, the leader of the Lord's Resistance Army, and his top commanders brought to justice and the group's atrocities permanently ended; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, and in addition to the Committee on Armed 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 Mr. ISRAEL:

H. Res. 584. A resolution reaffirming the commitment of the House of Representatives to finding and capturing Joseph Kony, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Mr. LANCE:

H. Res. 585. A resolution celebrating the centennial of the birth of First Lady Patricia Nixon; 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. TIBERI:

H.R. 4196.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following: This bill makes changes to existing law relating to Article 1, Section 8 which provides that "The Congress shall have Power To lay and collect Taxes, Duties, Imposts and Excises, to pay the Debts and provide for the common Defense and general Welfare of the United States; but all Duties, Imposts and Excises shall be uniform throughout the United States;" and Article 1, Section 7 which provides that "All bills for raising Revenue shall originate in the House of Representatives."

ADDITIONAL SPONSORS

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

- H.R. 104: Mr. WALZ of Minnesota.
- H.R. 1085: Ms. VELÁZQUEZ. H.R. 1116: Mr. CLARKE of Michigan.
- H.R. 1166: Mr. PALLONE.

H.R. 1171: Ms. ZOE LOFGREN of California, Mr. BERMAN, Mr. SCHIFF, Mr. BECERRA, Mrs. NAPOLITANO, and Mr. THOMPSON of California.

- H.R. 1370: Mr. REICHERT.
- H.R. 1639: Mr. COSTA. H.R. 1681: Mr. LANGEVIN.
- H.R. 1744: Mr. LUCAS.
- H.R. 2227: Mr. GINGREY of Georgia and Mr. GUTHRIE. H.R. 2529: Mr. COFFMAN of Colorado.
 - H.R. 2866: Mr. KILDEE.
- H.R. 2954: Mr. DOGGETT and Mr. HINOJOSA. H.R. 3030: Mr. HIMES.
- H.R. 3053: Ms. VELÁZQUEZ.
- H.R. 3059: Mr. DANIEL E. LUNGREN of Cali-
- fornia, Mr. GUTHRIE, and Mr. ISRAEL.
- H.R. 3307: Mr. HONDA. H.R. 3368: Ms. DEGETTE.
- H.R. 3381: Mr. GUTHRIE.
- H.R. 3612: Mr. GUTHRIE and Mr. LOEBSACK. H.R. 3670: Ms. JACKSON LEE of Texas, Ms.

LINDA T. SÁNCHEZ OF California, Mr. RANGEL,

H.R. 3860: Ms. HIRONO.

JONES.

H.R. 3842: Mr. CALVERT. H.R. 3911: Mr. PLATTS. H.R. 3987: Mr. MULVANEY and Mr. HINO-

and Mr. McDermott. H.R. 3769: Ms. Hayworth. H.R. 3839: Mr. Loebsack.

JOSA. H.R. 4077: Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN, Mr.

Mr. WALSH of Illinois, Ms. CHU, and Mr.

H.R. 3767: Mr. CARNAHAN, Ms. HANABUSA,

- MCDERMOTT, and Mr. RIVERA.
 - H.R. 4085: Mr. TONKO.

H.R. 4095: Mrs. BLACKBURN, Mr. MCKINLEY, Mr. RANGEL, and Mr. GUTHRIE. H.R. 4133: Ms. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ, Ms.

WILSON of Florida, Mr. BRADY of Texas, Mr. PAULSEN, Mr. FLORES, Mr. GERLACH, Mr. MCKINLEY, Mr. SCALISE, Mr. DENT, Mr. BAR-TON of Texas, Mr. MILLER of Florida, Mr. YOUNG of Florida, Mr. SMITH of Texas, Mr. CHAFFETZ, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. HURT, Mrs. BLACKBURN, Mr. SHUSTER, Mr. GARY G. MIL-LER of California, Ms. JENKINS, Mr. BARROW, Mr. BISHOP of Georgia, Mr. BOSWELL, Mr.

CARDOZA, Mr. CARNAHAN, Ms. CHU, Mr. CLAY, Mr. CONNOLLY of Virginia, Mr. ENGEL, Mr. FALEOMAVAEGA, Mr. FATTAH, Mr. FILNER, Mr. AL GREEN of Texas, Mr. HASTINGS of Florida, Mr. KIND, Mr. LANGEVIN, Mr. LUJÁN, Mrs. MCCARTHY of New York, Mr. MEEKS, Mr. MICHAUD, Mr. CARNEY, Mr. NADLER, Mr. PAL-LONE, Mr. PERLMUTTER, Mr. PETERS, Mr. RICHMOND, Ms. SCHWARTZ, Mr. SIRES, and Mr. DENHAM.

H.R. 4154: Mr. THOMPSON of California.

H.R. 4169: Mr. Conyers.

H.J. Res. 103: Mr. PETRI.

H. Res. 460: Mr. FITZPATRICK, Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia, Mr. SABLAN, Mr. DOYLE, Mr. GON-ZALEZ, Mr. MICHAUD, Mr. THOMPSON of California, Mr. HIGGINS, and Mr. DAVIS of Illinois.

H. Res. 560: Mr. GONZALEZ, Mr. COHEN, Mr. STIVERS, Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts, Mr. MCGOVERN, Mr. BRALEY of Iowa, and Ms. SCHAKOWSKY.