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Senate

The Senate was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Monday, April 16, 2012, at 2 p.m.

House of Representatives

FRIDAY, MARCH 30, 2012

The House met at 11 a.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. DENHAM).

DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

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

WASHINGTON, DC,
March 30, 2012.

I hereby appoint the Honorable JEFF DENHAM to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

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

PRAYER

Reverend Dr. Barry Black, Chaplain, United States Senate, offered the following prayer:

Eternal Lord God, who alone spreads out the heavens and rules the raging of the sea, continue to challenge us when we are too well pleased with ourselves, when our dreams come true because we have dreamed too little, when we arrive safely simply because we have sailed too close to the shore.

Challenge us, O God, when, with the abundance of the things we possess, we lose our thirst for the waters of life.

Challenge us when we forget that righteousness exalts a nation, but that sin is an equal opportunity destroyer.

Challenge us when we fail to join You in Your quest to bring deliverance to captives, the recovery of sight to the blind, and to set at liberty those who are bruised.

O God, this day, challenge us to dare more boldly, to venture on wider seas where storms will show Your mastery, where losing sight of land we will find Your stars.

We pray in Your sovereign name. 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. Will the gentleman from California (Mr. DREIER) come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. DREIER 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.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

A message from the Senate by Ms. Curtis, one of its clerks, announced that the Senate has passed with an amendment in which the concurrence of the House is requested, a bill of the House of the following title:

H.R. 2297. An act to promote the development of the Southwest waterfront in the District of Columbia, and for other purposes.

The message also announced that the Senate has agreed to a concurrent reso-

lution of the following title in which the concurrence of the House is requested:

S. Con. Res. 38. Concurrent resolution providing for a conditional adjournment or recess of the Senate and an adjournment of the House of Representatives.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 4 of rule I, the following enrolled bill was signed by Speaker pro tempore THORNBERRY on Thursday, March 29, 2012:

H.R. 4281, to provide an extension of Federal-aid highway, highway safety, motor carrier safety, transit, and other programs funded out of the Highway Trust Fund pending enactment of a multiyear law reauthorizing such programs.

PROVIDING FOR A CONDITIONAL ADJOURNMENT OR RECESS OF THE SENATE AND AN ADJOURNMENT OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following privileged concurrent resolution:

S. CON. RES. 38

Resolved by the Senate (the House of Representatives concurring), That when the Senate recesses or adjourns on any day from Thursday, March 29, 2012, through Sunday, April 1, 2012, on a motion offered pursuant to this concurrent resolution by its Majority Leader or his designee, it stand recessed or adjourned until 12:00 noon on Monday, April

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16, 2012, or such other time on that day as may be specified by its Majority Leader or his designee in the motion to recess or adjourn, or until the time of any reassembly pursuant to section 2 of this concurrent resolution, whichever occurs first; and that when the House adjourns on any legislative day through Friday, April 13, 2012, on a motion offered pursuant to this concurrent resolution by its majority leader or his designee, it stand adjourned until 2 p.m. on Monday, April 16, 2012, or until the time of any reassembly pursuant to section 2 of this concurrent resolution, whichever occurs first.

SEC. 2. The Majority Leader of the Senate and the Speaker of the House, or their respective designees, acting jointly after consultation with the Minority Leader of the Senate and the Minority Leader of the House, shall notify the Members of the Senate and House, respectively, to reassemble at such place and time as they may designate if, in their opinion, the public interest shall warrant it.

The concurrent resolution was concurred in.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

PERMISSION FOR COMMITTEES TO FILE REPORTS

Mr. DREIER. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all committees have until 5 p.m. on Friday, April 13, 2012, to file reports to accompany measures.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from California?

There was no objection.

ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

Karen L. Haas, Clerk of the House, reported and found truly enrolled a bill of the House of the following title, which was thereupon signed by the Speaker:

H.R. 4281. An act to provide an extension of Federal-aid highway, highway safety, motor carrier safety, transit, and other programs funded out of the Highway Trust Fund pending enactment of a multiyear law reauthorizing such programs.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. DREIER. Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Senate Concurrent Resolution 38, 112th Congress, I move that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 11 o'clock and 8 minutes a.m.), the House adjourned until Monday, April 16, 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:

5502. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's report entitled, "2011 Packers and Stockyards Program Annual Report"; to the Committee on Agriculture.

5503. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agen-

cy's final rule — Penthiopyrad; Pesticide Tolerances [EPA-HQ-OPP-2010-0349; FRL-9335-7] received March 7, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

5504. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — *Aspergillus flavus* AF36; Amendment to an Exemption from the Requirement of a Tolerance [EPA-HQ-OPP-2007-0158; FRL-9341-5] received March 9, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

5505. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Pyriofenone; Pesticide Tolerances [EPA-HQ-OPP-2010-0659; FRL-9336-6] received March 9, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

5506. A letter from the Acting Under Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting a report of the Strategic Materials Protection Board meeting on October 25, 2011, pursuant to Public Law 109-364, section 843; to the Committee on Armed Services.

5507. A letter from the Acting Under Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting notification that the Department of Defense intends to award multiyear contracts for nine ARLEIGH BURKE Class Guided Missile Destroyers; to the Committee on Armed Services.

5508. A letter from the Chairman, National Council on the Arts and the Humanities, transmitting the Federal Council on the Arts and the Humanities' thirty-sixth annual report on the Arts and Artifacts Indemnity Program for fiscal year 2011, pursuant to 20 U.S.C. 959(c); to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

5509. A letter from the President and CEO, Corporation for Public Broadcasting, transmitting the Corporation's 2010 annual report regarding the activities and expenditures of the independent production service, pursuant to 47 U.S.C. 396(k)(3)(B)(iii)(V); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

5510. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; New York State Ozone Implementation Plan Revision [EPA-R02-OAR-2011-0796; FRL-9645-4] received March 7, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

5511. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Modification of Significant New Uses of Tris Carbamoyl Triazine; Technical Correction [EPA-HQ-OPPT-2011-0108; FRL-9339-8] (RIN: 2070-AB27) received March 7, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

5512. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Quality Assurance Requirements for Continuous Opacity Monitoring Systems at Stationary Sources [EPA-HQ-OAR-2010-0873; FRL-9643-9] (RIN: 2060-AH23) received March 7, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

5513. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Delaware, New Jersey, and Pennsylvania; Determinations of Attainment of the 1997 Annual Fine Particulate Standard for the Philadelphia-Wilmington Nonattainment Area; With-

drawal of Direct Final Rule [EPA-R03-OAR-2011-0714; FRL-9645-6] received March 9, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

5514. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Rhode Island; Reasonably Available Control Technology (RACT) for the 1997 8-Hour Ozone Standard [EPA-R01-OAR-2011-0118; A-1-FRL-9644-6] received March 9, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

5515. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Tennessee; 110(a)(1) and (2) Infrastructure Requirements for the 1997 8-Hour Ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standards [EPA-R04-OAR-2011-0353; FRL-9644-3] received March 9, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

5516. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting pursuant to section 102(g) of the Foreign Relations Authorization Act for FY 1994 and 1995 (Pub. L. 103-236 as amended by 103-415), certification for FY 2012 that no United Nations affiliated agency grants any official status, accreditation, or recognition to any organization which promotes and condones or seeks the legalization of pedophilia; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

5517. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting the Department's determination and certification under Section 490(b)(1)(A) of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 relating to the top five exporting and importing countries of pseudoephedrine and ephedrine; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

5518. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting consistent with the Authorization for Use of Military Force Against Iraq Resolution of 2002 (Pub. L. 107-243), and the Authorization for the Use of Military Force Against Iraq Resolution (Pub. L. 102-1), and in order to keep the Congress fully informed, reports prepared by the Department of State for the October 21 — December 25, 2011 reporting period including matters relating to post-liberation Iraq under Section 7 of the Iraq Liberation Act; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

5519. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Effective Date for the Water Quality Standards for the State of Florida's Lakes and Flowing Waters [EPA-HQ-OW-2009-0596; FRL-9637-1] (RIN: 2040-AF36) received March 7, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

5520. A letter from the Fiscal Assistant Secretary, Department of the Treasury, transmitting a report concerning the operations and status of the Government Securities Investment fund (G-Fund) of the Federal Employees Retirement System during the debt issuance suspension period, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 83481(1); jointly to the Committees on Ways and Means and Oversight and Government Reform.

5521. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting a report entitled, "Plan to Implement a Home Health Agency Value-Based Purchasing Program"; jointly to the Committees on Ways and Means and Energy and Commerce.

TIME LIMITATION OF REFERRED BILL

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

H.R. 940. Referral to the Committee on Ways and Means extended for a period ending not later than May 18, 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. SMITH of New Jersey (for himself, Mr. TURNER of Ohio, Mr. MCINTYRE, and Mr. MORAN):

H.R. 4344. A bill to authorize the Secretary of State to assist the International Commission on Missing Persons to establish a permanent and international legal status with the immunities required for operations globally, to continue the financial support of the United States of the ICMP in their work to assist governments and other authorities in locating and identifying persons missing as a result of conflicts or natural or man-made disasters, to support the investigation of genocide and mass atrocities, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Mr. SHIMKUS (for himself, Mr. ROSS of Arkansas, Mr. SULLIVAN, and Mr. PETERSON):

H.R. 4345. A bill to provide liability protection for claims based on the design, manufacture, sale, offer for sale, introduction into commerce, or use of certain fuels and fuel additives, and for other purposes; 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 Ms. PINGREE of Maine (for herself, Ms. MCCOLLUM, Mr. KUCINICH, Ms. LEE of California, Ms. NORTON, Mr. HOLT, Mr. RYAN of Ohio, Mr. SCHIFF, Mr. LEWIS of Georgia, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, and Mr. VAN HOLLEN):

H.R. 4346. A bill to amend the Federal Meat Inspection Act so that labels on packages of meat include a statement on whether the meat contains lean finely textured beef; to the Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. YOUNG of Alaska:

H.R. 4347. A bill to designate the United States courthouse located at 709 West 9th Street in Juneau, Alaska, as the "Robert Boochever United States Courthouse"; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Mr. CLEAVER (for himself, Ms. BROWN of Florida, Mr. HASTINGS of Florida, and Ms. WILSON of Florida):

H. Res. 612. A resolution honoring the life of 17-year-old, Trayvon Martin, urging the State of Florida and others to repeal the Stand Your Ground law, and admonishing involved parties to pursue full investigations into all homicides, regardless of defenses asserted by the offender; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

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. SMITH of New Jersey:

H.R. 4344.

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

Article 1, Section 8, Clauses 1, 3 and 18 of the Constitution

The Congress shall have Power To lay and collect Taxes, Duties, Imposts and Excises, to pay the Debts and provide for the common Defence and general Welfare of the United States; but all Duties, Imposts, and Excises shall be uniform throughout the United States.

To regulate Commerce with foreign Nations, and among the several States, and with the Indian Tribes.

To make all Laws which shall be necessary and proper for carrying into Execution the foregoing Powers, and all other Powers vest-

ed by this Constitution in the Government of the United States or in any Department or Officer thereof.

By Mr. SHIMKUS:

H.R. 4345.

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

Article 1, Section 8, Clause 3: To regulate Commerce with foreign Nations, and among the several States, and with the Indian Tribes.

By Ms. PINGREE of Maine:

H.R. 4346.

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

Article 1, Section 8, Clause III of the Constitution

By Mr. YOUNG of Alaska:

H.R. 4347.

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

Article IV, Section 3, Clause 2 and Article 1, Section 8, Clause 17 of the Constitution.

ADDITIONAL SPONSORS

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

H.R. 9: Mr. CHABOT, Mr. WESTMORELAND, and Mr. MCCARTHY of California.

H.R. 640: Mr. CRITZ, Mrs. LOWEY, and Mr. RUPPERSBERGER.

H.R. 885: Mr. DEFazio.

H.R. 2412: Ms. BONAMICI.

H.R. 3001: Mr. HEINRICH and Ms. BONAMICI.

H.R. 3364: Mr. JACKSON of Illinois.

H.R. 3591: Ms. RICHARDSON, Ms. FUDGE, Ms. MCCOLLUM, and Ms. SCHAKOWSKY.

H.R. 3910: Mr. MCNERNEY.

H.R. 4110: Mr. BILIRAKIS.

H.R. 4133: Mr. KELLY.

H.R. 4134: Mr. MCINTYRE.

H.R. 4169: Mr. MICHAUD and Ms. SCHAKOWSKY.

H.R. 4232: Mrs. MILLER of Michigan, Mr. LATOURETTE, and Mr. SIREN.

H.R. 4234: Mr. BERG.

H.R. 4295: Ms. GRANGER, Mr. SAM JOHNSON of Texas, and Mr. CHABOT.

H.R. 4301: Mr. HUELSKAMP.

H. Con. Res. 87: Mr. RYAN of Ohio and Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas.