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The House met at 9 a.m. and was called to order by the Speaker.

### PRAYER

His Holiness Aram the First, Catholicos of the Armenian Apostolic Church of the Holy See of Cilicia, offered the following prayer:

We give thanks to You, dear God, for Your gift of life.

Grant us wisdom, courage, and vision in order that we may fully dedicate ourselves to the service of the people and the United States of America.

Help us, O God, actively engage in meaningful and fruitful deliberation and discussion for the good of our people and prosperity of our country.

Help us, God of wisdom, as elected Representatives of people to reflect and act with the profound sense of responsibility and accountability.

Help us, God of compassion, to promote mutual understanding, acceptance, and tolerance as one nation of coherent diversities.

Help us, giver of peace and justice, to work ardently for peace with justice in a world torn apart by violence and polarizations.

Help us, O God of mercy, to remember in our prayers more than 100,000 Armenian refugees who recently were forced to leave Nagorno-Karabakh, their centuries-old homeland, and face huge difficulties and uncertainties.

O God, protect us from evil and strengthen and guide us in our common responsibility.

Amen.

### THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER. The Chair has examined the Journal of the last day's proceedings and announces to the House the approval thereof.

Pursuant to clause 1 of rule I, the Journal stands approved.

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### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER. Will the gentleman from Michigan (Mr. KILDEE) come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. KILDEE 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.

### WELCOMING HIS HOLINESS ARAM THE FIRST

The SPEAKER. Without objection, the gentleman from California (Mr. SCHIFF) is recognized for 1 minute.

There was no objection.

Mr. SCHIFF. Mr. Speaker, today we welcome His Holiness Aram the First, Catholicos of the Holy See of the Great House of Cilicia, who graced us with an opening prayer.

His Holiness Aram the First, a true beacon of faith, holds a special place in the hearts of countless Armenians in my community and around the world. His unwavering commitment to the values of faith, community, and compassion embodies the spirit of our vibrant Armenian community.

His support for humanitarian issues, advocacy for human rights, engagement in several educational and cultural initiatives, and promotion of interfaith understanding have left an indelible mark, making the world a better place for all.

His Holiness Aram the First's prayer has not only enriched our proceedings, but also reinforced our commitment to working together in the service of our shared values.

### ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mrs. HINSON). The Chair will entertain up to five requests for 1-minute speeches on each side of the aisle.

### RECOGNIZING OUR SERVICEMEMBERS ON VETERANS DAY

(Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania. Madam Speaker, I stand before you today to recognize the men and women who have served our country valiantly.

This Saturday, November 11, we will celebrate Veterans Day. I would take this time to honor the men and women who have served in the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marines, Coast Guard, Space Force, National Guard, as well as the Reserves.

I would also recognize the more than 800,000 veterans from my home State of Pennsylvania.

We owe a sincere debt of gratitude to all those who have served. Your sacrifice, dedication, and courage are the reasons we are able to live our lives in safety and freedom today.

Words cannot describe the level of respect and admiration we have for all of our Nation's heroes. On behalf of a grateful Nation, I thank them for their service.

God bless the military. God bless the United States of America.

### TRIBUTE TO SHIRLEY PARKER CURRY

(Ms. DEAN of Pennsylvania asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Ms. DEAN of Pennsylvania. Madam Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to Shirley Parker Curry, a passionate civic and community leader, dancer, ballet instructor, and loving friend from Jenkintown, who passed away on October 30.

It is bittersweet, yet beautifully fitting, to be honoring Shirley's life in this season of elections—especially this time of year. We miss her wisdom,

work ethic, and that determined twin-kle in her eye.

Shirley was a lifelong activist, steadfast in her ideals and committed to democracy and good governance.

In 1960, Shirley spearheaded support for John F. Kennedy's campaign, alongside my mother-in-law, Joan Cunnane. There was a group of about a dozen who called themselves the "Kennedy Girls."

Because of Shirley, the Democratic community has grown large and vibrant. I wouldn't be where I am today if it were not for Shirley asking me over and over: Run, MADELEINE, for something. Many in Montgomery County, Pennsylvania, say the same.

We are better because of Shirley. Her legacy, and the legacy of her beloved husband, Representative Larry Curry, will live on in Jenkintown and Cheltenham.

God bless her family; her children, Jennifer, Jeffery, and Jacquelyn; her grandchildren and her great-grandchildren. God bless Shirley Curry.

#### VETERANS EMPLOYMENT WEEK

(Mr. BOST asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. BOST. Madam Speaker, I rise to celebrate the impact our veteran community has made on the United States' economy. Our Nation owes our veterans a debt of gratitude.

As a Marine Corps veteran, I am proud to lead a resolution with my friend and the VA Committee Ranking Member, MARK TAKANO, to designate this week as Veterans Employment Week.

Military service provides a unique and valuable experience that equips veterans with a range of skills and qualities that can easily transfer into the workforce.

Through their service, veterans learn discipline, leadership, teamwork, problem-solving, adaptability, and resilience, among other skills.

These skills are highly sought after by employers across various industries and can be leveraged to excel in a wide range of careers.

Additionally, veterans often bring a strong work ethic and a sense of duty that can contribute to a positive and productive work environment. Hiring veterans not only benefits the individual, but also organizations as a whole.

Without veterans in the workforce, America would not be a world leader in innovation and economic growth.

I am so grateful to the men and women who have served our country and continue to serve with their participation in the economy.

#### PFAS-EXPOSED VETERANS NEED HEALTHCARE BENEFITS

(Mr. KILDEE asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. KILDEE. Madam Speaker, I rise today in support of the VET PFAS Act, legislation to ensure PFAS-exposed veterans get the healthcare benefits that they need through the Veterans Administration.

For decades, the Department of Defense has known that toxic PFAS chemicals cause serious health issues. Yet the VA continues to deny veterans, like Lieutenant Colonel Sauer, coverage for PFAS-related illnesses.

Lieutenant Sauer served in the Army for 22 years and was stationed at 10 bases with known PFAS contamination. Due to that exposure, he now has an uncertain and incurable form of cancer.

Lieutenant Colonel Sauer is sick because of his service to this country, but he has been denied access to care from the VA. When Lieutenant Sauer joined the military, we promised to take care of him when he came home. Right now, we are not making good on that sacred promise.

There are thousands of veterans like Lieutenant Colonel Sauer who have been impacted by harmful PFAS chemicals. That is why I am calling for us to immediately take up the VET PFAS Act and keep the promise we made to the people who put on the uniform of this Nation.

#### BIDEN TAX PLEDGE A LIE

(Mr. WILSON of South Carolina asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. WILSON of South Carolina. Mr. Speaker, last month, Fox Business reported that Biden repeated his false campaign pledge that he would not raise taxes on Americans making below \$400,000. Days afterwards, tax commissioner, Danny Werfel, was hiring 3,700 employees, which is insulting as higher income earners have returns carefully prepared by professional accountants, unlike Hunter Biden's evasions.

In direct conflict to Biden, the Treasury Inspector General for Tax Administration said there is no way to identify taxpayers that meet the criteria of \$400,000 or more.

According to Grover Norquist, President of Americans for Tax Reform, the findings of the inspector general blew up the narrative, and the Democrats are knowingly lying.

In conclusion, God bless our troops who successfully protected America for 20 years as the global war on terrorism continues moving from the Afghanistan safe haven to America with Biden open borders and an attack here imminent.

Mr. Speaker, I congratulate Byron Thomas, a valued member of the congressional district office for winning a seat on the Cayce City Council. We are proud of him, and we know he will serve the public well.

#### HONORING THE LIFE AND LEGACY OF BERT WINZER

(Ms. WILD asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Ms. WILD. Mr. Speaker, I rise to commemorate the life and legacy of Mr. Bert Winzer of Emmaus, Pennsylvania.

During World War II, Mr. Winzer served with distinction in the legendary Army 1st Special Service Force.

When a German artillery attack sent shrapnel within an inch of his heart, he overcame his wounds and returned to the battlefield a mere 10 days later. His grit and courageousness followed him to the Battle of the Bulge where he held off the German advance during the Siege of Bastogne.

For his heroism, Mr. Winzer was awarded a Purple Heart, a Bronze Star, and a Congressional Gold Medal, the civilian honor awarded by Congress.

After the war, Mr. Winzer spent more than 30 years working in the automobile industry, including at our own Mack Trucks.

He was an active member in his church community and volunteered his time at local schools to share his experiences of the war.

Mr. Winzer passed away last month at the age of 101 in the care of his family. Let us remember Mr. Winzer for his remarkable legacy and impact on his community and this country. Let us thank all of our veterans this Veterans Day.

□ 0915

#### ISRAELI DEFENSE FORCE

(Mr. LAMALFA asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. LAMALFA. Mr. Speaker, when Israel came back into existence in 1948, what was the first thing they were greeted by?

It was an attack. It was an attack by their Arab neighbors.

Less than 20 years later, war in 1967. Israel had to defend herself again. Six years later, in 1973, yet again, Israel had to defend herself.

What is the name of Israel's army?

It is the Israel Defense Force. Defense.

What is the Iron Dome system?

It is a defense system.

Arrow missiles are a defense system.

So what is this all about when we are seeing so much anti-Semitism and we are seeing so many pro-Palestinian protests around the country and on our college campuses coupled with anti-Semitism?

What is the core that they are defending when they are standing up for this?

They are defending the pro-Hamas movement across the world which includes their covenant. The Hamas Covenant of 1988 states in article 7: "The

day of judgment will not come about until Muslims fight Jews and kill them. Then the Jews will hide among the rocks and trees, and the rocks and trees will cry out: 'O Muslim, there is a Jew hiding behind me, come and kill him.'"

That is what they are defending.

#### HAPPY DIWALI

(Mr. COSTA asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. COSTA. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to celebrate the beginning of Diwali. Diwali is an anniversary of lights for the Sikhs, Jains, and Hindus here in our country and around the world. It represents times for new beginnings, and what a joyous occasion it is for new beginnings. We certainly reflect upon that.

Families will light dozens of candles in their homes and streets to light up the dark night.

It reminds us that light always triumphs over darkness, as Dr. Martin Luther King was reminded as a follower of Gandhi. It is about good over evil.

I am proud to join my colleagues in introducing a resolution recognizing the historical and cultural significance of Diwali for all of those who celebrate it throughout the world.

Mr. Speaker, may the festival of lights inspire us to lift up our communities, to live with hope instead of despair, and to stand up for what is right.

Happy Diwali.

#### HONORING THE LIFE OF RONALD DAVIS, SR.

(Mr. BURCHETT asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. BURCHETT. Mr. Speaker, I rise to honor a dear friend of mine, Ronald Davis, Sr., who passed away on October 17 at the age of 73.

Ron grew up in West Knoxville to a great, great family. He had six siblings who all learned a love of nature and the outdoors of east Tennessee from their father.

Ron became the first Black person to receive a bachelor of science degree in forestry from the University of Tennessee. He was very involved with his community and held several positions at the Tennessee Valley Authority. He also cofounded the Minorities in Natural Resources Conservation organization.

Ron is survived by his wife, Dr. Maxine Thompson Davis; his daughter, Renee, who is a dear friend of mine; his sons, Ron and Khary; and his brothers, Edward, Stanford, Stephen, and Teddy. Stephen and Teddy went to Bearden High School where my mama had them in class.

Ron had eight wonderful grandchildren.

Ron was a good man. He was really a great man, Mr. Speaker. He was always very kind to me, and he will be dearly missed. I miss seeing him all the time at Wright's Cafeteria with his wife. Those days will be gone forever.

#### FINANCIAL SERVICES AND GENERAL GOVERNMENT APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2024

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. BURCHETT). Pursuant to House Resolution 847 and rule XVIII, the Chair declares the House in the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union for the further consideration of the bill, H.R. 4664.

Will the gentleman from Illinois (Mr. BOST) kindly resume the chair.

□ 0919

#### IN THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Accordingly, the House resolved itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union for the further consideration of the bill (H.R. 4664) making appropriations for financial services and general government for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2024, and for other purposes, with Mr. BOST (Acting Chair) in the chair.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The Acting CHAIR. When the Committee of the Whole rose on Wednesday, November 8, 2023, amendment No. 95 printed in part B of House Report 118-269 offered by the gentlewoman from Florida (Ms. SALAZAR) had been disposed of.

#### AMENDMENT NO. 100 OFFERED BY MS. TENNEY

The Acting CHAIR. It is now in order to consider amendment No. 100 printed in part B of House Report 118-269.

Ms. TENNEY. Mr. Chair, I have an amendment at the desk.

The Acting CHAIR. The Clerk will designate the amendment.

The text of the amendment is as follows:

At the end of the bill (before the short title) insert the following:

SEC. \_\_\_\_\_. The salary of Karine Jean-Pierre, White House Press Secretary, shall be reduced to \$1.

The Acting CHAIR. Pursuant to House Resolution 847, the gentlewoman from New York (Ms. TENNEY) and a Member opposed each will control 5 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman from New York.

Ms. TENNEY. Mr. Chair, I rise today to offer an amendment to reduce the salary of Karine Jean-Pierre, the White House Press Secretary, to \$1.

Mr. Chair, during Ms. Jean-Pierre's tenure as press secretary, she has repeatedly lied to the American people and acted in a condescending manner toward reporters, and she has also violated the Hatch Act.

Just to name a few of her lies, Ms. Jean-Pierre has claimed that illegal immigration is down under the Biden administration. She also claimed that nobody is just walking in across the southern border.

She also claimed that the 2016 election was stolen. She also claimed that Governor Brian Kemp stole the 2018 Governor race from Stacey Abrams. She also claimed that the Biden stimulus bill did not impact inflation. She also claimed critical race theory or its equivalent isn't being taught in our schools. She also claimed that nobody has done more for the southern border or our border in general than Joe Biden.

Mr. Chair, how can somebody with such a history of deceit continue to serve as the liaison for the President and the American people?

The American people should not be forced to pay the salary of an individual who dispenses bold-faced lies to the American people while they foot the bill.

Ms. Jean-Pierre also has a history of anti-Semitic and anti-Zionist rhetoric.

For example, she called AIPAC racist and Islamophobic for supporting Israel. She wrote an op-ed that pro-Israel policies and values are not progressive values, which I think many of my Democratic colleagues even would contest.

Mr. Chair, I urge all my colleagues to support this commonsense amendment to use the Holman rule to reduce the White House Press Secretary Karine Jean-Pierre's salary to \$1.

Mr. Chairman, I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. HOYER. Mr. Chairman, I claim the time in opposition.

The Acting CHAIR. The gentleman from Maryland is recognized for 5 minutes.

Mr. HOYER. Mr. Chair, this is another unserious amendment. We have had over 50 of these. Every one that has been put to a roll call vote has lost, and this one will, as well, I hope.

Mr. Chair, I reserve the balance of my time.

Ms. TENNEY. Mr. Chairman, I respect the views of the gentleman in opposition. However, the American taxpayers are beleaguered now with inflation and with high energy costs, and dispensing lies from the White House—our own White House—from the press secretary knowingly is not something that the American people should tolerate or have to pay for, quite honestly.

Mr. Chairman, I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. HOYER. Mr. Chairman, this seems to be the substance of the Republican response to all the issues that the gentlewoman raises.

Mr. Chairman, I reserve the balance of my time.

Ms. TENNEY. Mr. Chairman, inflammatory language comes out of Karine Jean-Pierre. In fact, she is an election denier. She claimed that the election of 2016 was stolen. She claimed that Stacey Abrams actually beat Governor Brian Kemp in the election of 2018. An election denier is standing at the podium of the White House actually dispensing even more misinformation to the American people at their expense.

Mr. Chair, I ask my colleagues to join me in supporting this amendment, and I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. HOYER. Mr. Chair, I don't want to prolong this debate, but to hear about election denial from the other side of the aisle is extraordinary, and it is extraordinarily inconsistent with the performance of the former President who lied regularly.

Mr. Chair, I yield back the balance of my time.

The Acting CHAIR. The question is on the amendment offered by the gentlewoman from New York (Ms. TENNEY).

The question was taken; and the Acting Chair announced that the ayes appeared to have it.

Mr. HOYER. Mr. Chair, I demand a recorded vote.

The Acting CHAIR. Pursuant to clause 6 of rule XVIII, further proceedings on the amendment offered by the gentlewoman from New York will be postponed.

Mr. HOYER. Mr. Chair, I rise as the designee of the gentlewoman from Connecticut, and I move to strike the last word.

The Acting CHAIR. The gentleman from Maryland is recognized for 5 minutes.

Mr. HOYER. Mr. Chairman, I yield to the gentleman from Pennsylvania (Mr. CARTWRIGHT), who is the distinguished ranking member of the Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies Subcommittee.

Mr. CARTWRIGHT. Mr. Chairman, I thank the ranking member of the FS-GG Subcommittee.

Mr. Chair, here in Congress we have a big opportunity to fight drug trafficking in this country.

Congress originally authorized the High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area program, HIDTA, in 1988 and renewed it in 1993 and in 1998.

The program provides significant financial assistance to State and local law enforcement and facilitates strong cooperation among those agencies and with Federal law enforcement.

That cooperation has led to many successes in our efforts to disrupt the market for illegal drugs by interdicting and seizing drugs off of our shores and within our borders.

This High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area program removes the supply of illicit substances, making it harder for drug trafficking organizations to sell their products. For example, in 2021, the HIDTA program seized over 193 metric tons of cocaine products, 195 metric tons of methamphetamine, 2,900 metric tons of marijuana, 4 metric tons of heroin, and 9 metric tons of fentanyl.

We all know the toll that the drug trafficking continues to take on communities across our country. Along our southern border, the Mexican cartels are using any means necessary to import precursor chemicals from China to produce synthetic opioids such as

fentanyl. That is to meet a growing demand, a demand that has resulted in over 100,000 deaths of Americans in just 1 year.

The accessibility and the affordability of these drugs leave Federal, State, local, and Tribal partners in a continuous defensive posture to keep dangerous narcotics out of our communities and successfully to combat the drug trafficking networks that are responsible.

Nevertheless, still today we continue to see draconian cuts by the majority to law enforcement efforts not only in this bill, the FS-GG bill, but also in the bill produced by the Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies Subcommittee where I am the ranking member.

These cuts serve only to amplify the supply of illicit drugs. These cuts cause a proliferation in the violence associated with the drug trade. These cuts damage the important work of successful programs like HIDTA.

Here in Congress we have the opportunity to build on the investments we have made in the war against drugs. We can provide the HIDTA program with the resources it needs to address its existing and emerging challenges in this war. We can send a clear signal to our adversaries on the global stage that we will not allow this attack on our communities without consequence. We can bring those responsible for this drug trafficking scum to justice.

For these reasons, at the appropriate time, I will offer a motion to recommit this bill back to the committee. If the House rules permit, I would have offered the motion with an important amendment to the bill. My amendment would increase the Office of National Drug Control Policies High Intensity Drug Trafficking Areas program by \$15 million.

Mr. Chair, I include in the RECORD the text of this amendment.

Mr. Cartwright moves to recommit the bill H.R. 4664 to the Committee on Appropriations with the following amendment:

Page 41, line 23, after the dollar amount, insert "(increased by \$15,000,000)".

Mr. CARTWRIGHT. Mr. Chair, I hope my colleagues join me in voting for this motion to recommit.

Mr. HOYER. Mr. Chair, I yield back the balance of my time.

□ 0930

AMENDMENT NO. 101 OFFERED BY MS. TENNEY

The Acting CHAIR. It is now in order to consider amendment No. 101 printed in part B of House Report 118-269.

Ms. TENNEY. Mr. Chair, I have an amendment at the desk.

The Acting CHAIR. The Clerk will designate the amendment.

The text of the amendment is as follows:

At the end of the bill (before the short title), insert the following:

SEC. \_\_\_\_\_. None of the funds made available by this Act may be used to finalize, implement, or enforce the proposed rule of the Department of Defense, General Services Administration, and National Aeronautics and Space

Administration titled "Federal Acquisition Regulation: Disclosure of Greenhouse Gas Emissions and Climate-Related Financial Risk" (87 Fed. Reg. 68312; published November 14, 2022).

The Acting CHAIR. Pursuant to House Resolution 847, the gentlewoman from New York (Ms. TENNEY) and a Member opposed each will control 5 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman from New York.

Ms. TENNEY. Mr. Chair, I rise today to offer my amendment to prohibit any funding to finalize, implement, or enforce the Federal Acquisition Regulation Council's proposed "Federal Acquisition Regulation: Disclosure of Greenhouse Gas Emissions and Climate-Related Financial Risk" rule.

Mr. Chair, this disastrous rule proposed by the Federal Acquisition Regulation Council has numerous constitutional, national security, and practical concerns, none of which have been adequately addressed by the Federal Acquisition Regulation Council, otherwise known as FAR, nor has the Council on Environmental Quality done its due diligence. Both agencies have pushed for this rule in spite of a lack of due diligence.

First and foremost, this rule requires all Federal contractors that do business of more than \$50 million with the Federal Government to disclose all scope 1, 2, and 3 emissions. This includes everything from emissions produced by the contractor to the emissions produced by mere office supplies that they buy for their employees.

We debated the ridiculousness of scope 3 emissions earlier, but this is simply not practical or helpful to the American people. This rule also seeks to require major Federal contractors to comply with the Paris climate accords, a flawed deal that has never been ratified by the Senate. However, the most objectionable part concerning this rule is the requirement that companies set climate targets and then have them validated by a company called Science Based Targets initiative, or SBTi.

SBTi is a foreign—and I emphasize "foreign"—London-based company, which inherently has national security concerns. Under this rule, every major Federal contractor, including companies critical to our national security, is required to provide this foreign company with information about all of their scope 1, 2, and 3 emissions and then strategize with this foreign company about how to reduce them.

Despite the existence of numerous American-based companies that could fill this same role, the FAR Council and CEQ chose a foreign company as the named sole-source provider. Why? Because SBTi is nothing but a front for Democratic donors and Democratic advocacy groups.

SBTi is owned by the We Mean Business Coalition, which is a project of the New Venture Fund, which is managed by the famous Arabella Advisors.

Arabella Advisors, for those who do not know, is the George Soros-funded,

leftwing advocacy group that funnels dark money to leftwing causes and candidates.

To summarize, the Biden administration has named this subsidiary, one of their top donor's leftwing dark money organizations, as the sole-source provider for all climate target validating for all major Federal contractors.

During a hearing in the Science, Space, and Technology Committee on this rule, even the Democrats' witness said that the SBTi was a poor choice for this role, yet the Biden administration continues to forge ahead with this rule anyway.

I look forward to continuing to work with my colleagues on the Science, Space, and Technology Committee to get to the bottom of this rule's suspicious creation, and I continue to urge the committee to subpoena CEQ Chair Brenda Mallory to answer these concerns so the American people know why this is continuing.

Mr. Chair, I urge my colleagues to support this amendment, and I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. HOYER. Mr. Chair, I claim the time in opposition to the amendment.

The Acting CHAIR. The gentleman from Maryland is recognized for 5 minutes.

Mr. HOYER. Mr. Chair, the proposed rule promotes transparency by requiring Federal contractors to disclose their greenhouse gas emissions and climate-related financial risks. This transparency enhances accountability and helps the government and the American people make informed decisions regarding its contracts.

By addressing climate-related financial risk, the rule encourages businesses to assess and mitigate their exposure to climate-related challenges. This proactive approach is critical in addressing the financial implications of climate change and fosters sustainability.

Access to data on greenhouse gas emissions and climate risk enables the government to make more informed procurement decisions. This means selecting contractors that are actively addressing climate change and demonstrating environmental responsibility.

Mr. Chair, for all those reasons, I strongly oppose the adoption of this amendment, and I reserve the balance of my time.

Ms. TENNEY. Mr. Chair, I appreciate the concerns about making sure that we have a cleaner climate. However, the gentleman doesn't talk about this obvious issue with Arabella Advisors.

Everyone knows this is a dark money group that funds entities that actually fund donors and is part of the donor class of the Democratic Party, which is put in a unique position to actually control how we manage climate and how we deal with these issues with Federal contractors.

I cited in my initial remarks that this also includes security issues. These are companies that are now

going to have to confer with suspect foreign entities to talk about these issues and share information. This is a dangerous precedent.

Not only is it a Democratic donor issue, which is politically charged and shouldn't be allowed in our rulemaking process or in our governmental process, but it is also a threat to our security.

Mr. Chair, for those reasons, I urge all of my colleagues to support this rule. It is a commonsense rule, and it is something that they would certainly object to if the Republicans had proposed their major donor base to be in this position on the Federal level and certainly as part of the Federal bureaucracy in such a critical role.

Mr. Chair, I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. HOYER. Mr. Chair, I will not characterize it as rightwing or leftwing, but what the gentlewoman does not talk about, of course, is the donor base of the Republican Party and the interests that exist that do not want this transparency.

Mr. Chair, I yield back the balance of my time.

Ms. TENNEY. Mr. Chair, with all due respect, this is a mandatory rule that requires every Federal contractor doing business over \$50 million a year to use this company, a foreign-based company, not an American company, not a company where we can actually have oversight over it using our rules.

Mr. Chair, I yield back the balance of my time.

The Acting CHAIR. The question is on the amendment offered by the gentlewoman from New York (Ms. TENNEY).

The question was taken; and the Acting Chair announced that the ayes appeared to have it.

Ms. TENNEY. Mr. Chair, I demand a recorded vote.

The Acting CHAIR. Pursuant to clause 6 of rule XVIII, further proceedings on the amendment offered by the gentlewoman from New York will be postponed.

AMENDMENT NO. 102 OFFERED BY MRS. WAGNER

The Acting CHAIR. It is now in order to consider amendment No. 102 printed in part B of House Report 118-269.

Mrs. WAGNER. Mr. Chair, I have an amendment at the desk.

The Acting CHAIR. The Clerk will designate the amendment.

The text of the amendment is as follows:

At the end of the bill (before the short title), insert the following:

SEC. \_\_\_\_\_. None of the funds made available by this Act may be used to finalize or implement the proposed interpretive guidance of the Financial Stability Oversight Council titled "Authority To Require Supervision and Regulation of Certain Nonbank Financial Companies" (88 Fed. Reg. 26234; published April 28, 2023).

The Acting CHAIR. Pursuant to House Resolution 847, the gentlewoman from Missouri (Mrs. WAGNER) and a Member opposed each will control 5 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman from Missouri.

Mrs. WAGNER. Mr. Chair, I rise today to prevent the Financial Stability Oversight Council, FSOC, from making it easier to designate nonbank financial companies as a systemically important financial institution, or SIFI.

The 2008 financial crisis was a result of Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac's poor government housing policy that bilked taxpayers out of billions of dollars and the inability of financial regulators to properly identify systemic risk and take action until it was too late.

As a response to the crisis, Congress passed the Dodd-Frank Act of 2010. The Democrats' law has dramatically reduced competition in the banking sector, imposed barriers to entry for new banks, and saddled financial institutions with a mountain of new requirements that hit small, midsize, and regional banks particularly hard.

Under Dodd-Frank, FSOC has the power to designate companies as a SIFI and, therefore, subject to Federal Reserve supervision and enhanced prudential standards—in other words, too big to fail.

Last week, FSOC finalized guidance that would allow it to apply these same "too big to fail" burdens to nonbank financial institutions, such as asset managers or broker-dealers, insurance companies, and private funds.

It has been reported that the annual consumer cost of designating a nonbank financial institution as a SIFI could range from \$5 billion to \$8 billion, yet FSOC's new guidance fails to require any cost-benefit analysis when making such a designation. Let me repeat that one more time. These designations would cost consumers, American taxpayers, \$5 billion to \$8 billion per year.

This guidance put forth by the Biden administration rescinds the 2019 changes that rightfully moved FSOC's authority from an entities-based approach to an activities-based approach in determining whether a nonbank entity should be deemed a SIFI. To grant such unfettered discretionary power to a government agency should concern every American, particularly when the body exercising that power, FSOC, is composed almost entirely of members of a single political party.

Mr. Chair, I urge all of my colleagues to support this amendment that reins in our regulators, restores Congress' Article I powers, and saves Main Street investors billions of dollars.

Mr. Chair, I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. HOYER. Mr. Chair, I claim the time in opposition to the amendment.

The Acting CHAIR. The gentleman from Maryland is recognized for 5 minutes.

Mr. HOYER. Mr. Chair, I have great respect for my friend from Missouri, and it seems to me that this is a very serious matter that she has raised.

It is also my belief that it ought to be considered in the context of the Financial Services Committee and legislation propounded and offered to this House for careful consideration of the serious assertions that the gentlewoman makes. We ought to have the time to debate and fully understand the ramifications of the actions that the gentlewoman speaks of. However, in the context of this bill, we don't have the opportunity to really make that kind of assertion or analysis.

The authority granted to the Financial Stability Oversight Council, FSOC, to require supervision and regulation of certain nonbank financial companies helps mitigate systemic risks in the financial system. I was here in 2008, and we saw that. We saw it at great cost to the economy and to individuals. By identifying and regulating systemically important nonbank entities, FSOC can prevent potential destabilizing events that could harm the broader economy.

The 2008 financial crisis highlighted, Mr. Chairman, the need to monitor and regulate nonbank financial firms that can pose very significant risks. The FSOC's authority fosters a coordinated regulatory approach, ensuring that nonbank financial companies are subject to appropriate oversight without duplicating efforts across different regulatory agencies.

Mr. Chair, this may well be something that ought to be the subject of greater discussion by the committee of jurisdiction and expertise, but I strongly oppose the amendment and urge a "no" vote.

Mr. Chair, I reserve the balance of my time.

Mrs. WAGNER. Mr. Chair, I thank the gentleman for his consideration of the amendment. However, we have, in fact, held a hearing in the Financial Services Committee about this very issue and some of the costs that I am talking about. The \$5 billion to \$8 billion that this would cost our taxpayers to implement was a part of that discussion within the Financial Services Committee and came from testimony directly there.

Again, these designations would cost consumers, American taxpayers, \$5 billion to \$8 billion per year, and I urge my colleagues to support this amendment that reins in our regulators, restores Congress' Article I powers, and saves our Main Street investors billions and billions of dollars.

Mr. Chair, I reserve the balance of my time.

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Mr. HOYER. Mr. Chair, again, I thank the gentlewoman for her observations and concern because, obviously, the conclusion that she makes would be of concern to all of us. I simply suggest that this is not the proper place for us to give the analysis and assess the correctness of the assertion that has been made in terms of cost.

We have experienced a time where a failure to deal with nonbanks cost this

economy one of its deepest recessions since I have been in the Congress of the United States.

I have no reason to believe one way or the other whether the gentlewoman's assertion is correct because I just don't know. She is a member of the Financial Services Committee, to my understanding, and if her assertion is correct, then I think a bipartisan bill ought to be brought to the floor and considered.

However, I think at this juncture this amendment ought to be rejected.

Mr. Chairman, I urge its defeat, and I yield back the balance of my time.

Mrs. WAGNER. Mr. Chairman, I thank my friend across the aisle for his consideration and his kind words. I would just simply urge my colleagues to support this amendment that would rein in our regulators, and I yield back the balance of my time.

The Acting CHAIR. The question is on the amendment offered by the gentlewoman from Missouri (Mrs. WAGNER).

The amendment was agreed to.

The Acting CHAIR. The Chair understands that amendment No. 103 will not be offered.

AMENDMENT NO. 104 OFFERED BY MR. WILLIAMS OF TEXAS

The Acting CHAIR. It is now in order to consider amendment No. 104 printed in part B of House Report 118-269.

Mr. WILLIAMS of Texas. Mr. Chair, I have an amendment at the desk.

The Acting CHAIR. The Clerk will designate the amendment.

The text of the amendment is as follows:

At the end of the bill (before the short title), insert the following:

SEC. \_\_\_\_\_. None of the funds made available by this Act may be used to establish a new pilot program (as such term is defined in section 7(a)(25)(B) of the Small Business Act (15 U.S.C. 636(a)(25)(B))) of the Small Business Administration.

The Acting CHAIR. Pursuant to House Resolution 847, the gentleman from Texas (Mr. WILLIAMS) and a Member opposed each will control 5 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman.

Mr. WILLIAMS of Texas. Mr. Chair, I rise today in full support of my amendment to H.R. 4664.

Congress alone has the ability to authorize new programs. Unfortunately, this past year we saw the SBA get around this basic fact and effectively made a pilot program permanent through the rulemaking process. This is unacceptable, and this amendment makes it clear that the agency must respect the rule of law and not skirt congressional authority.

This amendment would prevent the SBA from creating any new lending programs. During the COVID-19 pandemic, the SBA took an outsized role in the economy. Unfortunately, the after-action reports show the SBA's track record was awful, horrible. SBA's inspector general estimates that between \$200 billion and \$600 billion of

American taxpayer dollars from pandemic lending was lost to fraud.

Think about how large that number is. The entire FSGG bill we are debating today has a top line appropriation number of \$25 billion. This agency alone had almost 10 times this amount of fraud flow through the agency.

Where did it go? Well, we know it went to people who phonied up their Social Security numbers. We know it went to people who said they were somebody when they weren't. We also know it went to foreign nationals.

Now, in the private sector, where I come from, something with such a poor track record would be shut down, not given additional responsibilities. This amendment would stop any additional attempts for the SBA to simply decide they can take on more lending activities.

In the Committee on Small Business we have worked to hold the SBA accountable for its shortcomings and to increase transparency. With many rule changes imposed by the SBA just this year, my amendment is a commonsense approach that continues to build on the committee's mission to restore and preserve the integrity of the agency.

Mr. Chair, the SBA should focus on their core mission, which is helping entrepreneurs, Main Street America, capitalism, and what this economy is all about. Let's get them back on that mission to where we can get our economy going and small business can rely on what the SBA says and does. I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. HOYER. Mr. Chair, I claim the time in opposition.

The Acting CHAIR. The gentleman from Maryland is recognized for 5 minutes.

Mr. HOYER. Mr. Chairman, the gentleman indicates that he came from the private sector. I am sure he was very successful in the private sector, as he has been in public life. In the private sector, one of the things that we admire is the ability to innovate, adjust, and to make changes when those are demanded by the marketplace.

This amendment undermines the ability of the Small Business Administration to do exactly that: to innovate and reach more small businesses by taking away the agency's pilot loan authority.

The gentleman is the chairman of the committee and knows better than I, but pilot loan authority is the flexibility to assess the market, assess the need, and take action. If they don't have that authority, then, as some have argued in numerous amendments here, the Congress ought to take that responsibility. Congress has not taken responsibility very well, Mr. Chairman. We are not doing things we ought to do.

If the private sector or the SBA were as inefficient and ineffective as the Congress of the United States, we would shut it down, but of course we can't shut down the Congress. We can just lament the fact that we can't do



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Pallone	Scanlon	Titus	Bucson	Harris	Newhouse	Kildee	Norcross	Sherrill
Panetta	Schakowsky	Tlaib	Burchett	Harshbarger	Norman	Kilmer	Norton	Slotkin
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Perez	Scott, David	Trone	Carter (GA)	Hudson	Pence	Lee (CA)	Pascarel	Stevens
Peters	Sewell	Turner	Carter (TX)	Huizenga	Perez	Lee (NV)	Payne	Strickland
Petterson	Sherman	Chavez-DeRemer	Comer	Hunt	Perry	Lee (PA)	Pelosi	Swallow
Plaskett	Sherrill	Underwood	Crane	Joyce (OH)	Lege Fernández	Peltola	Sykes	
Pocan	Simpson	Valadado	Clyde	Joyce (PA)	Posey	Peters	Takano	
Porter	Slotkin	Vargas	Collins	Kean (NJ)	Lieu	Petterson	Thanedar	
Pressley	Smith (WA)	Vasquez	Comer	Johnson (OH)	Rodgers (WA)	Lofgren	Plaskett	Thompson (CA)
Quigley	Soto	Veasey	Crane	Johnson (SD)	Rogers (AL)	Lynch	Pocan	Thompson (MS)
Ramirez	Spanberger	Wagner	Crane	Jordan	Rogers (KY)	Magaziner	Porter	Titus
Raskin	Spartz	Wasserman	Crane	Joyce (OH)	Rose	Manning	Pressley	Tlaib
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Ross	Stanton	Waters	Cuellar	Kean (NJ)	Rouzer	McBath	Ramirez	Tonko
Rouzer	Stevens	Watson Coleman	Curtis	Kelly (MS)	Roy	McClellan	Raskin	Torres (CA)
Ruiz	Strickland	Wexton	Davidson	Kelly (PA)	Rutherford	McCollum	Ross	Torres (NY)
Ruppersberger	Swalwell	Wild	De La Cruz	Kiggans (VA)	Salazar	McGarvey	Ruiz	Trahan
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			Duncan	LaLota	Self	Mfume	Sánchez	Veasey
			Dunn (FL)	LaMalfa	Sessions	Moore (WI)	Scarbans	Wasserman
			Edwards	Lamborn	Simpson	Morello	Scanlon	Schultz
			Ellzey	Langworthy	Smith (MO)	Moskowitz	Schakowsky	Waters
Ciscomani	Gottheimer	Pingree	Emmer	Latta	Smith (NE)	Moulton	Schiff	Watson Coleman
Crenshaw	Houlahan	Radewagen	Estes	LaTurner	Smith (NJ)	Mrvan	Schneider	Wexton
Dingell	Jackson Lee	Sorensen	Ezell	Lawler	Smucker	Mullin	Scholten	Wild
Foster	Larsen (WA)	Velázquez	Fallon	Lee (FL)	Spartz	Nadler	Schrier	Williams (GA)
Frankel, Lois	Pelosi	Phillips	Feenstra	Lesko	Stauber	Napolitano	Scott (VA)	Wilson (FL)

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Messrs. HUDSON, VEASEY, LUCAS, BAIRD, and MOULTON changed their vote from "aye" to "no."

Messrs. KELLY of Mississippi, POSEY, CURTIS, WESTERMAN, Mrs. RODGERS of Washington, and Mr. MOORE of Utah changed their vote from "no" to "aye."

Mr. GRIFFITH changed his vote from "aye" to "present."

So the amendment was rejected.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

## AMENDMENT NO. 101 OFFERED BY MS. TENNEY

The Acting CHAIR (Mr. YAKYM). The unfinished business is the demand for a recorded vote on amendment No. 101, printed in part B of House Report 118-269 offered by the gentlewoman from New York (Ms. TENNEY), on which further proceedings were postponed and on which the ayes prevailed by voice vote.

The Clerk will redesignate the amendment.

The Clerk redesignated the amendment.

## RECORDED VOTE

The Acting CHAIR. A recorded vote has been demanded.

A recorded vote was ordered.

The Acting CHAIR. This is a 2-minute vote.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—ayes 220, noes 202, not voting 16, as follows:

[Roll No. 642]

## AYES—220

Aderholt	Bacon	Bergman	Carson	Fitzpatrick	Adams	Castro (TX)	Fitzpatrick	Adams
Alford	Baird	Bice	Carter (LA)	Fletcher	Aguilar	Cherifilus	Fletcher	Aguilar
Allen	Balderson	Biggs	Cartwright	Foushee	Allred	McCormick	Foushee	Allred
Amodei	Banks	Bilirakis	Case	Frost	Auchincloss	Chu	Gallego	Auchincloss
Armstrong	Barr	Bishop (NC)	Casten	Garamendi	Balint	Clark (MA)	Garcia (IL)	Balint
Arrington	Bean (FL)	Boebert	Castor (FL)	Garcia (TX)	Barragán	Clarke (NY)	Garcia, Al (TX)	Barragán
Babin	Bentz	Bost	Castor	Garcia, Robert	Beatty	Cleaver	Garcia (TX)	Beatty

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Bucson	Harris	Palmer	Kildee	Norcross	Sherrill
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Burgess	Hern	Nunn (IA)	Kim (NJ)	Ocasio-Cortez	Smith (WA)
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Chavez-DeRemer	Chavez-DeRemer	Hunt	Perry	Peltola	Sykes
Underwood	Clare	Lege Fernández	Lege Fernández	Lege Fernández	
Valadado	Cloud	Pfleuger	Levin	Peters	
Vargas	Clyde	Posey	Lieu	Petterson	
Waterson	Cole	Reschenthaler	Lofgren	Plaskett	
Watson Coleman	Collins	Rodgers (WA)	Rodgers (AL)	Pocan	
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De La Cruz	Crane	Salazar	Pressley	Tlaib	
DesJarlais	Crane	Salazar	Quigley	Tokuda	
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Dial-Balart	Crane	Williams (NY)	Trahan	Trahan	
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## NOT VOTING—16

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Dingell Jackson Lee Velázquez

Foster Larsen (WA) Phillips

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So the amendment was agreed to.

The result of the vote was announced

as above recorded.

## PERSONAL EXPLANATION

Mr. GOTTHEIMER. Mr. Chair, I missed the following votes, but had I been present, I would have voted "no" on rollcall No. 641 and "no" on rollcall No. 642.

The Acting CHAIR. There being no further amendment, under the rule, the Committee rises.

Accordingly, the Committee rose; and the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. YAKYM) having assumed the chair, Mr. RUTHERFORD, Acting Chair of the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union, reported that that Committee, has had under consideration the bill (H.R. 4664) making appropriations for financial services and general government for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2024, and for other purposes, and, pursuant to House Resolution 847, he reported the bill, as amended by that resolution, back to the House with sundry further amendments adopted in the Committee of the Whole.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under the rule, the previous question is ordered.

Pursuant to clause 1(c) of rule XIX, further consideration of H.R. 4664 is postponed.

## ADJOURNMENT FROM THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2023, TO MONDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2023

Mr. LAWLER. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that when the

House adjourns today it adjourn to meet on Monday, November 13, 2023, when it shall convene at noon for morning-hour debate and 2 p.m. for legislative business.

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

There was no objection.

**PERMISSION FOR MEMBER TO BE  
CONSIDERED AS FIRST SPONSOR  
OF H.R. 822**

Ms. BONAMICI. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that I may hereafter be considered to be the first sponsor of H.R. 822, a bill originally introduced by Representative STEWART of Utah, for the purpose of adding cosponsors and requesting reprintings pursuant to clause 7 of rule XII.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentlewoman from Oregon?

There was no objection.

**NOTICE OF INTENTION TO OFFER  
RESOLUTION RAISING A QUES-  
TION OF THE PRIVILEGES OF  
THE HOUSE**

Ms. GREENE of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, pursuant to clause 2(a)(1) of rule IX, I seek recognition to give notice of my intent to raise a question of the privileges of the House.

The form of the resolution is as follows:

Impeaching Alejandro Nicholas Mayorkas, Secretary of Homeland Security, for high crimes and misdemeanors.

Resolved, that Alejandro Nicholas Mayorkas, Secretary of Homeland Security, is impeached for high crimes and misdemeanors, and that the following articles of impeachment be exhibited to the United States Senate.

Articles of impeachment exhibited by the House of Representatives of the United States of America in the name of itself and of the people of the United States of America, against Alejandro Nicholas Mayorkas, Secretary of Homeland Security, in maintenance and support of its impeachment against him for high crimes and misdemeanors.

Rather than adhering to an oath he took to defend and secure our country and uphold the Constitution when he was sworn in as Secretary of Homeland Security, Alejandro Nicholas Mayorkas has engaged in a pattern of conduct that is incompatible with the laws of the United States as follows:

Article II of the Constitution requires that the executive branch, which today includes the Secretary of Homeland Security, ensure the laws passed by Congress and signed into law by the President are faithfully executed.

The Secure Fence Act of 2006 (Public Law 109-367) requires that the Secretary of Homeland Security “maintain operational control over the entire

international land and maritime borders of the United States.”

In his willful admittance of border crossers, terrorists, human traffickers, drugs, and other contraband, Alejandro Nicholas Mayorkas has failed to maintain operational control of the border, thereby violating the Secure Fence Act of 2006.

The Guarantee Clause set forth in Article IV, Section 4 of the Constitution dictates, “The United States shall guarantee to every State in this Union a Republican form of government, and shall protect each of them against invasion; and on application of the legislature, or of the Executive (when the legislature cannot be convened) against domestic violence.”

The Guarantee Clause clearly dictates that the Federal Government has the constitutional duty and obligation to protect each of the States from invasion.

Mr. Speaker, as Secretary of the Department of Homeland Security, Alejandro Mayorkas, has violated his oath to uphold this constitutional duty by allowing the invasion of approximately 10 million illegals across our borders. The ongoing invasion at our southern border is a direct national security threat against the States and against the citizens therein. Secretary Mayorkas has willfully abandoned his duty to secure the border and protect States against invasion, thereby violating Article IV, Section 4 of the Constitution.

To wit, since Mayorkas has headed the Department of Homeland Security, there have been approximately 10 million illegal border crossers who have invaded our country at our border, this is broken down between 8 million encounters and approximately 1.8 million known got-aways who have evaded United States authorities and are roaming the interior of the United States.

At least 280 people on terrorist watch lists caught while attempting to cross the border between ports of entry.

Approximately 400,000 unaccompanied illegal children encountered at the southern border, with at least 85,000 of these children having gone missing.

At least 1,424 deaths of illegals at the southern border.

Approximately 73,000 special interest aliens arrested at our border, which are aliens from a nation that promotes terrorist activities, harbors terrorists, or poses a security threat to the United States. This is the number arrested at the border, not counting however many of the 1.8 million known got-aways are special interest aliens.

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Approximately 659 special interest aliens from Iran;

Approximately 6,386 special interest aliens from Afghanistan;

Approximately 538 special interest aliens from Syria;

Approximately 3,153 special interest aliens from Egypt;

Approximately 12,624 special interest aliens from Uzbekistan;

Approximately 30,830 special interest aliens from Turkiye;

Approximately 1,613 special interest aliens from Pakistan;

Approximately 164 special interest aliens from Lebanon;

Approximately 185 special interest aliens from Jordan;

Approximately 123 special interest aliens from Iraq; and

Approximately 15,594 special interest aliens from Mauritania.

In fiscal year 2021, Customs and Border Patrol, CBP, seized approximately 11,200 pounds of fentanyl. In fiscal year 2022, CBP seized approximately 14,700 pounds of fentanyl. In fiscal year 2023, CBP has seized a record of approximately 27,000 pounds of fentanyl. Over 70,000 Americans died from fentanyl in fiscal year 2022. Fentanyl is now the number one killer of Americans between the ages of 18 and 45. Fentanyl kills approximately 300 Americans a day. This is the amount of fentanyl that has been seized at the border, yet 300 Americans are still being killed by fentanyl poisoning every day. The amount of unseized fentanyl has not even been taken into account.

The Constitution also requires the Secretary of Homeland Security to observe the Immigration and Nationality Act, 8 U.S.C. 1101. This law requires Homeland Security to detain inadmissible aliens arriving in the United States or illegal aliens presently in the United States. Instead, the Department of Homeland Security, under Secretary Mayorkas, has practiced catch-and-release policies, whereby illegals are detained, but then released, without any mechanism to ensure they show up to court for processing.

By terminating contracts for border wall construction, ending the migrant protection protocols, remain in Mexico, unlawfully granting categorical parole, and being complicit in ending title 42, Mayorkas has made it easier for illegal people and drugs to enter the United States, endangering American citizens, and has made it harder for CBP to expel such threats.

Alejandro Nicholas Mayorkas, in his inability to enforce the law, has engaged in a pattern of conduct that is incompatible with his duties as a civil officer of the United States.

Alejandro Nicholas Mayorkas, in his failure to uphold the oath he took, has, by his actions, lost the trust of citizens of the United States to faithfully execute the laws of the United States.

Therefore, Alejandro Nicholas Mayorkas, thus warrants impeachment and trial, removal from office, and disqualification to hold and enjoy any office of honor, trust, or profit under the United States.

Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under rule IX, a resolution offered from the floor by a Member other than the majority leader or the minority leader as

a question of the privileges of the House has immediate precedence only at a time designated by the Chair within 2 legislative days after the resolution is properly noticed.

Pending that designation, the form of the resolution noticed by the gentlewoman from Georgia will appear in the RECORD at this point.

The Chair will not, at this point, determine whether the resolution constitutes a question of privilege. That determination will be made at the time designated for consideration of the resolution.

#### HONORING THE BRAVE VETERANS OF GUAM

(Mr. MOYLAN asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. MOYLAN. Mr. Speaker, in honor of Veterans Day on Friday, I rise to recognize the brave men and women who have protected and served our country courageously.

This is an especially significant day for my district, the island of Guam, as it is home to over 15,000 military veterans. We are also proud to hold the highest per capita statistics of enlistment numbers in the Nation.

I pledge to continue pushing for legislation that provides better benefits and services for all our veterans. I will continue honoring their legacy by supporting those who have served and to ensure Guam's defense is strong and resilient as tensions rise in the Indo-Pacific region.

Today and every day we honor veterans and their families for the sacrifices that have made our freedom possible. Their courage, patriotism, and dedication are an inspiration for us all.

May God bless our veterans, and may God bless America.

#### DEMOCRATS SUPPORT THE AMERICAN PUBLIC

(Mr. PAYNE asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. PAYNE. Madam Speaker, I rise today to praise the Democratic Party for putting people over politics. Every day House Democrats fight to better the lives of working Americans.

We are ready to support common-sense legislation to keep the government open and to provide vital services to the American people. We continue to bring down inflation and lower costs for food, medicine, and other necessities. We invest in American families with bills to help them with childcare and home energy costs.

We support our friends overseas with bills to provide aid to innocent Palestinian civilians, Ukraine, and Israel, and we work daily to make our country work for all Americans.

We are committed to voting rights for all Americans. We are committed

to reproductive rights for all women, and we want an America with equality for all and prejudice toward none. That is why I am proud to be a Democrat.

#### HONORING OUR NATION'S VETERANS

(Mr. CLYDE asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. CLYDE. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor our Nation's veterans.

This Veterans Day we recognize those who have selflessly served our Nation and as well we honor the sacrifices they have made so that we can live in freedom in the greatest country on Earth.

Our veterans, those living and those who have gone before us, represent our Nation's finest heroes. These men and women answered the call of duty to defend our country, preserve our peace, and protect our precious freedoms. Their valor, love of country, and unwavering commitment has ensured all Americans continue to enjoy life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness.

On Veterans Day and every day may we recognize our Nation's champions of liberty and honor their service by safeguarding our freedoms.

President Ronald Reagan once said: "Veterans know better than anyone else the price of freedom, for they have suffered the scars of war. We can offer them no better tribute than to protect what they have won for us. That is our duty. They have never let America down. We will not let them down."

Madam Speaker, this Veterans Day may God bless our veterans and their families, and may God bless the United States of America.

#### HONORING THE VIRGIN ISLANDS' BRAVE VETERANS

(Ms. PLASKETT asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Ms. PLASKETT. Madam Speaker, today I rise in recognition of Veterans Day to honor the brave souls from the Virgin Islands and throughout the Nation for their selfless and valiant service.

In the Virgin Islands, our veterans' spirit of service is a beacon of inspiration. Yet, the very liberties they fight tirelessly for are mirrored by the injustices they confront upon returning home: the inequitable access to healthcare and benefits they deserve. This disparity is more than an oversight. It is an egregious mistreatment of our Nation's heroes and has been a driving force for my relentless advocacy to rectify the wrong.

That is why last year I supported the landmark PACT Act guaranteeing veterans harmed by burn pits or other toxins to receive automatic VA healthcare and benefits. I am proud for the successful advocacy for an amendment re-

quiring the GAO to study the state of access and barriers and benefits to veterans living in the territories.

Madam Speaker, we owe our veterans more than gratitude. We owe them action. It is time to deliver on our promise.

#### WATER STORAGE PROJECTS IN CALIFORNIA

(Mr. VALADAO asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. VALADAO. Madam Speaker, for the first time in over 3 years, California is drought-free.

This year's rainfall has helped to replenish depleted groundwater and reservoirs, but we have missed an opportunity to capture and store more of this valuable resource.

Since October of 2022, over 28 million acre-feet of water has been sent to the ocean, enough surface supply to sustain our agriculture producers for an entire year. We can and must do better so our communities are prepared for both dry and wet years.

Last week, the House passed my bill, the WATER for California Act as part of the Energy and Water appropriations bill.

This bill makes additional funding available for raising Shasta Dam, extends authorization of the successful water storage project program established by the WIIN Act, and codifies the 2019 biological opinions.

These actions aim to provide a clean, reliable water supply to our communities and farmers who grow one-quarter of the country's food.

If California's water problems continue to go unaddressed, the entire Nation's food supply is at risk.

Madam Speaker, I urge the Senate to keep these provisions in the bill and get this bill across the finish line.

#### ECU PIRATE MARISSA

(Mr. DAVIS of North Carolina asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. DAVIS of North Carolina. Madam Speaker, I am thrilled to introduce to the American people Lady Pirate Marissa, Pirate Nation's latest sensation.

She is not just any pirate, mind you, Madam Speaker, she is the first female live pirate mascot at East Carolina University.

Pirate Marissa's presence has helped to enhance the game day experience by helping to pump up the crowd and keeping everyone excited. I believe Pirate Marissa will provide Pirate Steve with all our university needs to win every sword fight.

Pirate Marissa not only makes her daughters, Rachel, Raelyn, and Ryliegh proud; she makes us all proud.

A big shout-out to East Carolina University marketing department. I am

grateful they have kept the passion and excitement alive in Pirate Nation and honoring the rich legacy of our official mascot, PeeDee the Pirate.

People love pirates. No quarter. Go Pirates.  
Aargh.

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#### HONORING EXTRAORDINARY VIETNAM VETERAN LARRY SHERMAN

(Mr. LANGWORTHY asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. LANGWORTHY. Madam Speaker, I rise to honor an extraordinary Vietnam veteran from Chemung County, Larry Sherman.

After America entered the Vietnam war, Larry Sherman answered the call to serve his fellow Americans and enlisted in the United States Navy. Shortly after he completed training, he deployed to Vietnam to join the Naval Mobile Construction Battalion 10, the Seabees. He spent his deployment supporting our military in building critical infrastructure under fire, often dodging mortars and rockets.

When Larry returned home, he received the same harsh treatment that many Vietnam veterans faced, and he decided to take action. Larry has been a leader in local initiatives to support his fellow veterans.

He now serves as the president of Vietnam Veterans Association Chapter 803 and leads the Chemung County Honor Guard, which provides a ceremonial military presence at the funerals of veterans and other important events.

Madam Speaker, I thank Larry for his courage and service and for going the extra mile to support veterans across the Southern Tier.

#### HONORING THE INCREDIBLE LIFE OF VIETNAM VETERAN LLOYD SLACK

(Ms. SCHOLTEN asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Ms. SCHOLTEN. Madam Speaker, I rise ahead of Veterans Day to honor the incredible life and sacrifice of an amazing veteran from west Michigan who gave his life in service to our Nation, Specialist Four Lloyd Slack.

Earlier this year, I had the honor of hosting a ceremony in his honor at the brand-new veterans home in Grand Rapids, Michigan.

Lloyd Slack paid the ultimate sacrifice while serving in Vietnam, drawing enemy fire upon himself and thereby saving his team.

My team learned that Lloyd's mother, 96-year-old Lola Mondy, a Gold Star mother, never received the medals that he was due. We got right to work to make sure she could see those medals and receive the commemoration of her son's service before she died.

Ms. Mondy turned unimaginable loss into purpose, serving other Gold Star families while also living with her own grief.

Presenting these medals to her in the ceremony was the honor of my time in Congress. Our military families sacrifice so much, and on this Veterans Day, I give my thanks to west Michiganians who have served and their families. We are the home of the free because of the brave.

#### REMEMBERING POLICE CORPORAL DOUG "TWIN" HERRON

(Mr. CARTER of Georgia asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. CARTER of Georgia. Madam Speaker, I rise today in remembrance of Savannah Police Corporal Doug "Twin" Herron.

Corporal Herron recently passed away after experiencing an unspecified medical emergency while working an off-duty assignment.

He was hired at the Savannah Police Department in January 1988 and was promoted to corporal in 1994. In 2002, he was promoted to star corporal.

For the last 2 years of his life, he worked at the Savannah Impact Program, which focuses on at-risk youth and adults. His dedication to this program is a true testament to the man that he was.

Corporal Herron always put the community first. He dedicated his career in policing to bettering the lives of others.

Corporal Herron was a hero, and the entire Savannah community will never forget the good that he did.

Madam Speaker, I extend my deepest condolences to his family.

#### RECOGNIZING STARK COUNTY VETERAN OF THE YEAR BILL THEISS

(Mrs. SYKES asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Mrs. SYKES. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Bill Theiss from Jackson Township in Ohio's 13th Congressional District.

Bill was recently named Stark County 2023 Military Veteran of the Year by the Greater Canton Veterans Council.

As we head into Veterans Day, I am honored to celebrate Bill as one of our community's selfless, brave heroes who has served our Nation.

For Bill, service to our Nation and protecting democracy is a family tradition. Two of his brothers and his father also served our Nation.

Fifty-seven years ago, Bill received his military draft notice, going on to serve two tours overseas in the Vietnam war as an officer in the United States Army from 1966 to 1970.

Now, Bill is a leader in the Stark County veteran community, where he

volunteers to plan social events and works to assist homeless veterans.

Serving our Nation is an enormous sacrifice, but for Bill, his service didn't end with his military career.

Madam Speaker, I thank Bill for his lifetime of service to our country and for protecting our freedoms, and I congratulate him on being Stark County Military Veteran of the Year.

#### HONORING THE BRAVE MEN AND WOMEN WHO SERVED OUR COUNTRY

(Mr. MEUSER asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. MEUSER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to thank and honor the brave men and women who have served our country's military.

As we approach Veterans Day, let me especially recognize the more than 800,000 veterans who call Pennsylvania home, including the 56,000 who reside in my district, Pennsylvania's Ninth. Pennsylvania's Ninth is also home to the Army and Air Force National Guard at Fort Indiantown Gap.

Throughout our history, our forefathers, forebears, and family members have put service above self in defense of our freedoms. They have fought to preserve our Republic, to promote righteousness, and to protect our homeland. When fighting overseas, the only land we asked for was enough to bury our dead.

Our veterans fought for us. It is now our duty here in this House to work for them.

Since coming to Congress, we have enacted legislation like the PACT Act, the Blue Water Navy Vietnam Veterans Act, and more, all aimed at expanding veterans benefits and ensuring veterans receive the medical care they have earned.

Madam Speaker, this weekend, let's thank and honor those who have served as we celebrate Veterans Day.

#### HONORING VETERAN AND COMMUNITY LEADER PHILIP AYALA, SR.

(Mr. GARCIA of Illinois asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. GARCIA of Illinois. Madam Speaker, as we approach Veterans Day, I rise to honor the memory of Philip Ayala, Sr., who passed away just over a year ago.

Phil, as his family and friends called him, was a beloved neighbor in Berwyn, Illinois.

When he was just 17 years old, Phil enlisted in the U.S. Army and honorably served our country in Vietnam.

Phil kept our community safe as a Cook County deputy sheriff and fought to make the police force more diverse through his work with Congressman Ralph Metcalfe and the Concerned Citizens for Police Reform.

Phil cofounded El Centro de la Causa, an agency that worked with Mexican-American youth and the Spanish-speaking population in the 1970s.

In his three decades at El Centro, Phil provided support and built the infrastructure that led to the founding of so many other organizations in the community.

For Phil, the ultimate goal was to give back to the community. Whether it was meeting with President Carter at the White House alongside Latino leaders or serving as a member of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights or through his work in our neighborhoods, Phil fulfilled the goal with every fiber in his being.

Madam Speaker, I thank Phil for his service. May he rest in peace.

#### CONGRATULATING BREVARD HIGH SCHOOL VOLLEYBALL TEAM

(Mr. EDWARDS asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. EDWARDS. Madam Speaker, I rise today to congratulate the Brevard High School volleyball team for winning the 2A volleyball State championship for North Carolina for the first time in their school's history.

The Brevard Blue Devils dominated Saturday's championship game in a 3-0 win against Camden County High School.

As a former high school athlete myself, I recognize the sacrifices and dedication that go into making this type of victory happen.

Senior and star middle hitter Meleah Foster, with her numerous kills and blocks, was named MVP of the State finals.

The Blue Devils have outstanding individual players, but what sets them apart is their unity as a team. Each and every member contributed to this historic victory.

Madam Speaker, I congratulate the Blue Devils. I wish all of them the very best in their future endeavors and encourage them to continue to strive for excellence on and off the court. They have made western North Carolina proud.

#### CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF RUTH LAVINE

(Ms. KAMLAGER-DOVE asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Ms. KAMLAGER-DOVE. Madam Speaker, I rise today to mourn the loss of Ruth Lavine, who passed away at the age of 103.

Ruth was born in Hamburg, Germany, but emigrated to Los Angeles as the Nazi Party was rising to power in the 1930s.

Ruth became a lifelong Trojan, receiving both her undergraduate and law degrees from the University of Southern California. She was one of

only five female students in her USC Law School class.

Ruth and her husband, Dick, married in 1944, spending 50 wonderful years together.

Ruth enjoyed an active role in her children's lives and maintained involvement in the Women Lawyers Association of Los Angeles, the L.A. County Bar Association, and Jewish Family Service of Los Angeles.

Ruth established a scholarship in her husband's memory to help students at USC Law School, just one of her many philanthropic efforts for her alma mater in the heart of our district, the 37th.

She is survived by her children, Cathy and Raymond, and her three grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Madam Speaker, I hope everyone will join me in mourning the loss of Ruth Lavine and celebrating her life of full love and learning.

#### HONORING FORMER VIRGINIA BEACH SHERIFF KEN STOLLE

(Mrs. KIGGANS of Virginia asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Mrs. KIGGANS of Virginia. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Virginia Beach Sheriff Ken Stolle, who recently retired after an incredibly successful 43-year career in public service.

During his 13-year tenure as sheriff, Ken Stolle brought about numerous positive changes for our local law enforcement officers and our community, including creating a successful transition program for inmates at the end of their sentences, implementing body cameras for all Virginia Beach sheriff's deputies, and establishing successful mental health programs for those serving time in the prison system.

Stolle was often quoted as saying he ran the largest mental health facility in Hampton Roads, and his emphasis on this issue led to policies that have been a blueprint for agencies across the country.

Before serving as sheriff of Virginia Beach, Ken worked for the Virginia Beach Police Department, practiced law in Hampton Roads, represented Virginia Beach in the Virginia State Senate, and served our great Nation as a United States Navy reservist.

Mr. Speaker, I thank Sheriff Stolle for his many years of service to our community, our Commonwealth, and our country. We wish him the best of luck in retirement.

#### CELEBRATING DECADES OF LEADERSHIP BY BISHOP DARRYL S. BRISTER

(Mr. CARTER of Louisiana asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. CARTER of Louisiana. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to celebrate three

decades of faithful leadership from New Orleans minister Bishop Darryl S. Brister.

Bishop Brister's life is a story of dedication and purpose. His commitment to his faith led him to leadership in the Full Gospel Baptist Church Fellowship International, becoming its second presiding bishop in 1996 at the tender age of 29 years old.

Bishop Brister's impact extends far beyond his church's walls. He has taken the Word of God around the world, from Japan to Africa. He also founded nonprofit organizations, including DSB International Ministries, which provides spiritual guidance to those incarcerated, and the Darryl S. Brister Scholarship Fund, which supports students' educational aspirations.

Bishop Brister's commitment to his calling remains steadfast. He continues to inspire, guide, and support his community, living a life that is dedicated to serving God and those around him.

It is an honor to celebrate Bishop Brister's 30 years of spiritual leadership. May he continue to shine as a spiritual light for all those he touches.

Mr. Speaker, I thank Bishop Brister for his extraordinary friendship, service, and commitment to the community and his unwavering commitment to spreading the Word of God.

#### REST IN PEACE, AVA FORRESTER

(Mrs. BICE asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Mrs. BICE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today with a heavy heart to say good-bye to Ava Forrester, one of the last World War II Rosie the Riveters. Ava worked on the left wing of the C-47 cargo transport aircraft in Oklahoma City.

I had the tremendous honor of meeting Ava on her 105th birthday this last April. She was optimistic about life, willing to try anything, and funny, too.

It is imperative that we remember the legacies of women like Ava, who stepped up to serve her country in a time of need. Their work allowed the American war effort to be successful and powered an unprecedented age of American ingenuity.

It seems only fitting that as we approach Veterans Day, I have the blessing to recognize Mrs. Forrester. Rest in peace, Ava.

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#### REPORTING ON BORDER CROSSINGS

(Mr. GROTHMAN asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. GROTHMAN. Mr. Speaker, I request the press corps one more time that sometime, perhaps tomorrow, perhaps sometime next week, to release the new numbers of people coming

across our southern border, what we sometimes refer to as illegal aliens.

It is a story the press should never get tired of reporting, but apparently, they are. I remind them that every month lately 230,000 people cross our border, about 11 times the number of people who were crossing the border a little over 2 years ago. Of those, 70,000 are got-aways, which means they don't even go through the perfunctory checking in that you do if you ask for asylum. About 9,000 are unaccompanied minors.

It seems to me, about 5 years ago we were screaming bloody murder about families being torn apart when people were held apart from their parents who were breaking the law for just a couple weeks. Here we have 9,000 people who are permanently coming across the border without their parents, and apparently, we don't even care. Indeed, the Biden administration has stopped asking for DNA tests to sometimes see if they are related.

We are told by the Border Patrol that the people coming across are more aggressive than they have been in the past.

No issue is more important than this. If the press corps is on the ball in this country, we should be reporting every day, every week, the number of people coming across the border, as well as the countries they are coming across from.

#### ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

Kevin F. McCumber, 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. 1226. An act to amend title 38, United States Code, to allow for the electronic request of certain records, and for other purposes.

#### ADJOURNMENT

Mr. GROTHMAN. Mr. Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 11 o'clock and 32 minutes a.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until Monday next, November 13, 2023, at noon for morning-hour debate.

#### 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. McCaul: Committee on Foreign Affairs. H.R. 5961. A bill to freeze certain Iranian funds involved in the 2023 hostage deal between the United States and Iran, and for other purpose; with an amendment (Rept. 118-270, Pt. 1). Ordered to be printed.

#### DISCHARGE OF COMMITTEE

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

The Committee on Financial Services discharged from further consideration H.R. 5961 referred to the Committee of the Whole on the State of the Union.

#### REPORTED BILL SEQUENTIALLY REFERRED

Under clause 2 of rule XII, bills and reports were delivered to the Clerk for printing, and bills referred as follows:

Mr. McCaul: Committee on Foreign Affairs. H.R. 5961. A bill to freeze certain Iranian funds involved in the 2023 hostage deal between the United States and Iran, and for other purposes; with an amendment; Rept. 118-270, Pt. I; referred to the Committee on Financial Services for a period ending not later than November 9, 2023, for consideration of such provisions of the bill and amendment as fall within the jurisdiction of that committee pursuant to clause 1(h) of rule X.

#### 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. BONAMICI (for herself and Ms. SALINAS):

H.R. 6321. A bill to establish a manufactured housing community improvement grant program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Financial Services.

By Mr. STEIL (for himself and Ms. PETTERSEN):

H.R. 6322. A bill to evaluate and disrupt financing to Hamas, and to amend title 31, United States Code, to prohibit the exchange stabilization fund from being used to deal in Special Drawing Rights from state sponsors of terrorism, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Financial Services, and in addition to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, 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. KIM of California:

H.R. 6323. A bill to modify the availability of certain waiver authorities with respect to sanctions imposed with respect to the financial sector of Iran, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Financial Services, and in addition to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, 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. BOST:

H.R. 6324. A bill to authorize major medical facility projects for the Department of Veterans Affairs for fiscal year 2024, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. BRECHEEN (for himself, Mr. GOSAR, Mr. NORMAN, and Mr. WEBER of Texas):

H.R. 6325. A bill to identify Ukrainian government officials in violation of the End-Use Monitoring agreement and to prohibit their entry into the United States; 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. BUCSHON (for himself and Mr. PETERS):

H.R. 6326. A bill to amend the Nuclear Energy Innovation and Modernization Act to reduce regulatory costs for advanced nuclear

reactor application reviews, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. CARTWRIGHT (for himself, Mr. EVANS, Ms. STRICKLAND, Ms. KELLY of Illinois, Mr. BOYLE of Pennsylvania, Mr. CASE, Ms. DEAN of Pennsylvania, Ms. TITUS, Ms. CROCKETT, Mr. LYNCH, Ms. TOKUDA, Ms. NORTON, Mr. VICENTE GONZALEZ of Texas, Mr. CARTER of Louisiana, Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia, Ms. LEE of California, Mr. TRONE, Mr. LARSEN of Washington, and Mr. GRIJALVA):

H.R. 6327. A bill to improve the financial literacy of secondary school students; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

By Mr. CASTRO of Texas (for himself, Mr. LYNCH, Mr. GRIJALVA, Ms. CROCKETT, Ms. NORTON, Mr. VEASEY, Mr. ESPAILLAT, and Mr. RUIZ):

H.R. 6328. A bill to promote equity in advanced coursework and programs at elementary and secondary schools; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

By Mr. CASTRO of Texas (for himself and Mr. GALLAGHER):

H.R. 6329. A bill to increase the availability of open-source intelligence products in the Federal Government, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Intelligence (Permanent Select).

By Mr. CROW (for himself, Mr. ELLZEY, Ms. ESCOBAR, Mr. CARSON, Mr. DELUZIO, Mr. FITZPATRICK, Mr. VAN ORDEN, and Mr. MCGARVEY):

H.R. 6330. A bill to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to carry out a pilot program to collect and analyze data regarding suicides and attempted suicides by veterans on the property of the Department of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. DAVIS of North Carolina (for himself and Mrs. GONZALEZ-COLÓN):

H.R. 6331. A bill to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to establish a pilot program to furnish doula services to veterans; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Ms. DE LA CRUZ (for herself, Mr. WEBER of Texas, and Mr. GOODEN of Texas):

H.R. 6332. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to limit the participation of staff of the Internal Revenue Service in conferences being carried out by the Independent Office of Appeals for the purposes of resolving a taxpayer dispute; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mrs. DINGELL:

H.R. 6333. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to modify the limitation on reimbursement for emergency treatment of amounts owed to a third party or for which the veteran is responsible under a health-plan contract; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. EDWARDS (for himself and Mr. DAVIS of North Carolina):

H.R. 6334. A bill to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to relocate a memorial honoring the 9 Air Force crew members who lost their lives in an airplane crash in the Cherokee and Nantahala National Forests during a training mission on August 31, 1982; to the Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. EDWARDS:

H.R. 6335. A bill to require the Bureau of the Census to collect information on citizenship status through the decennial census, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Oversight and Accountability.

By Mr. ESPAILLAT:

H.R. 6336. A bill to amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to ensure that certain education and workforce development benefits administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs are treated as income by landlords evaluating the ability of a

servicemember, veteran, or a spouse or child of a servicemember or veteran, to pay rent, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. GARBARINO (for himself, Mr. TORRES of New York, Mr. LAWLER, Ms. MALLIOTAKIS, Mr. MOSKOWITZ, Ms. CRAIG, Mr. KEAN of New Jersey, Mr. DAVIS of North Carolina, Mr. FITZPATRICK, and Mr. D'ESPOSITO):

H.R. 6337. A bill to authorize the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to make grants to veterans service organizations for facility and technology improvements, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Ms. GARCIA of Texas:

H.R. 6338. A bill to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to establish a pilot program for gynecologic cancer care coordination at the Department of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. GREEN of Tennessee:

H.R. 6339. A bill to prohibit withholding or revoking Federal funds based on the definition of "sex" used by a State, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Oversight and Accountability.

By Mr. HARDER of California (for himself and Mr. DONALD):

H.R. 6340. A bill to direct the Under Secretary for Health of the Department of Veterans Affairs to provide certain information to Department of Veterans Affairs medical center staff and homelessness service providers regarding the Coordinated Entry program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Ms. JAYAPAL (for herself, Ms. NORTON, Mr. TRONE, Ms. MOORE of Wisconsin, Ms. BONAMICI, Mr. CARTER of Louisiana, Mr. JACKSON of Illinois, Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia, and Mr. GARCIA of Illinois):

H.R. 6341. A bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to divert certain parents of minor children, expectant parents, and other caregivers from incarceration and into comprehensive programs providing resources, services, and training to those individuals; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mrs. KIGGANS of Virginia (for herself and Mr. PETERS):

H.R. 6342. A bill to promote and enhance outdoor recreation opportunities for members of the Armed Forces and veterans on Federal recreational lands and waters; to the Committee on Natural Resources, and in addition to the Committees on Agriculture, and Veterans' Affairs, 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. KIM of New Jersey (for himself and Mrs. WATSON COLEMAN):

H.R. 6343. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to provide a plot allowance for spouses and children of veterans buried in State cemeteries, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. LATURNER (for himself, Ms. STEFANIK, Mr. ADERHOLT, Mr. BANKS, Mr. SMITH of New Jersey, Mrs. MILLER-MEEKS, Ms. LETLOW, Mr. MOORE of Utah, Mr. ROUZER, Mr. MANN, Mrs. MILLER of Illinois, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. ROSENDALE, Mr. BABIN, Mr. FULCHER, Mr. DUNCAN, Mr. ESTES, Mr. LAMBORN, Ms. VAN DUYNE, Mrs. BICE, Mr. VALADAO, and Mr. BOST):

H.R. 6344. A bill to amend titles XVIII and XIX of the Social Security Act to require providers of services and health maintenance organizations under the Medicare and Medicaid programs to provide for certain policies

to be in place relating to do-not-resuscitate orders or similar physician's orders for unemancipated minors receiving services; 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. LEE of Nevada (for herself and Mrs. STEEL):

H.R. 6345. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide the work opportunity tax credit with respect to hiring veterans who are receiving educational assistance under laws administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs or Defense; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mrs. LESKO:

H.R. 6346. A bill to update oversight and inspection practices of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Ms. MANNING:

H.R. 6347. A bill to limit cost-sharing for prescription drugs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Ms. MATSUI (for herself, Mr. CLEAVER, Mr. FITZPATRICK, and Mr. SARBANES):

H.R. 6348. A bill to direct the Secretary of Energy to establish a grant program to facilitate tree planting that reduces residential energy consumption, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. McCARTHY (for himself and Mr. MEEKS):

H.R. 6349. A bill to prohibit or require notification with respect to certain activities of United States persons involving countries of concern, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Mr. MCGARVEY:

H.R. 6350. A bill to establish a coordinator within the Federal Trade Commission to prevent fraud and scams targeting or adversely affecting military veterans and servicemembers, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. MOORE of Alabama (for himself and Mr. LANGWORTHY):

H.R. 6351. A bill to establish the Commission on National Agricultural Statistics Service Modernization to modernize the data collection and reporting processes of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. MOORE of Utah (for himself and Mr. GOLDEN of Maine):

H.R. 6352. A bill to transfer a portion of the firearms transfer tax imposed under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to the Federal aid to wildlife restoration fund and the Conservation of America's Wildlife Trust Fund, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committees on the Judiciary, and Natural Resources, 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. MURPHY (for himself, Mr. COURTNEY, Mr. DAVIS of North Carolina, and Mrs. KIGGANS of Virginia):

H.R. 6353. A bill to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to conduct a review on opioid overdose deaths among veterans, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Ms. NORTON:

H.R. 6354. A bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to increase the number of individuals from the District of Columbia who may be appointed to military service academies; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. RYAN:

H.R. 6355. A bill to amend the Combat Duty Pay Act of 1952 to require that former members of the uniformed services who were captured or entered a missing-in-action status during the Korean War while serving as a member of a combat unit in Korea receive combat pay for each month spent in a captured or missing-in-action status, rather than just a total of four months; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. RYAN (for himself and Mr. MOLINARO):

H.R. 6356. A bill to amend the William M. (Mac) Thornberry National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021 to prohibit anchoring in certain locations of the Hudson River, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Ms. SHERRILL (for herself, Ms. HOULAHAN, Ms. ESCOBAR, Mr. CROW, Mr. SMITH of Washington, Mr. COURTNEY, Mr. GARAMENDI, Mr. NORCROSS, Mr. GALLEGUO, Mr. MOULTON, Mr. CARBAJAL, Mr. KHANNA, Mr. KEATING, Mr. KIM of New Jersey, Ms. SLOTKIN, Mr. GOLDEN of Maine, Ms. JACOBS, Ms. STRICKLAND, Mr. RYAN, Mr. JACKSON of North Carolina, Mr. VASQUEZ, Mr. DELUZIO, Ms. TOKUDA, Ms. McCLELLAN, Ms. SEWELL, Mr. HORSFORD, and Mr. PANETTA):

H.R. 6357. A bill to establish leave policies of the Armed Forces for a member to seek an abortion; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mrs. SYKES (for herself, Mr. TRONE, and Ms. BUDZINSKI):

H.R. 6358. A bill to amend the Worker Adjustment and Retraining Notification Act to support workers who are subject to an employment loss, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

By Mr. VAN DREW (for himself and Mr. TAKANO):

H.R. 6359. A bill to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 to remove the overtime wages exemption for certain employees, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

By Mr. WALBERG (for himself, Mr. KRISHNAMOORTHI, Mr. GUTHRIE, and Mr. GOTTHEIMER):

H.R. 6360. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to assign the highest priority status for hospital care and medical services provided through the Department of Veterans Affairs to veterans who are former prisoners of war; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Ms. WATERS (for herself, Ms. LEE of California, Mr. McGOVERN, Mrs. HAYES, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, Ms. NORTON, Mr. CARSON, Mr. CARBAJAL, and Mr. BOWMAN):

H.R. 6361. A bill to amend the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 to set aside community development block grant amounts in each fiscal year for grants to local chapters of veterans service organizations for the renovation, rehabilitation, and modernization of local chapter facilities; to the Committee on Financial Services.

By Ms. WATERS (for herself, Mr. TAKANO, Mr. McGOVERN, Mr. GRIJALVA, Ms. NORTON, Ms. LEE of California, Mr. DAVIS of Illinois, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, Mr. CARSON, Mr. CARTER of Louisiana, Mr. CARBAJAL, Ms. JACKSON LEE, Mr. VARGAS, and Ms. ESCOBAR):

H.R. 6362. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to codify the authority of the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to assign a disability rating of total to a veteran by reason of unemployability, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. JAMES (for himself, Ms. FOXX, Mr. JOHNSON of Louisiana, Mr. BANKS, Mr. BEAN of Florida, Mr. CARTER of Georgia, Mr. COLE, Mr. COMER, Mr. CRAWFORD, Mr. DUNCAN, Mr. FITZGERALD, Mr. GOOD of Virginia, Mr. GOODEN of Texas, Mrs. HARSHBARGER, Mr. HIGGINS of Louisiana, Mrs. HINSON, Mrs. HOUGHIN, Mr. LATURNER, Ms. LETLOW, Mrs. MCCLAIN, Mr. MOOLENAAR, Mr. MOONEY, Mr. PENCE, Mr. ROSE, Mr. SMITH of Nebraska, Mrs. STEEL, Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania, Mr. WALBERG, Ms. STEFANIK, and Mr. VALADAO):

H.J. Res. 98. A joint resolution providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the National Labor Relations Board relating to "Standard for Determining Joint Employer Status"; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

By Mr. DONALDS (for himself, Mr. HORSFORD, Mr. CUELLAR, Ms. TITUS, Mr. GALLEGUO, Mr. PANETTA, Mr. DIAZ-BALART, and Mr. LANGWORTHY):

H.J. Res. 99. A joint resolution to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to exempt the premium cigar industry from certain regulations; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. GARBARINO (for himself, Mrs. WAGNER, Mr. NUNN of Iowa, and Mr. BARR):

H.J. Res. 100. A joint resolution providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the Securities and Exchange Commission relating to "Cybersecurity Risk Management, Strategy, Governance, and Incident Disclosure"; to the Committee on Financial Services.

By Mrs. BEATTY (for herself, Ms. ADAMS, Mr. BISHOP of Georgia, Ms. BLUNT ROCHESTER, Ms. BROWN, Ms. CASTOR of Florida, Mrs. CHERFILUS-MC CORMICK, Ms. CLARKE of New York, Mr. CLEAVER, Mr. CLYBURN, Mr. COHEN, Mrs. WATSON COLEMAN, Mr. COSTA, Ms. CROCKETT, Ms. DELBENE, Mr. ESPAILLAT, Mr. EVANS, Mrs. HAYES, Mr. HIGGINS of New York, Mr. HORSFORD, Mr. JACKSON of Illinois, Ms. JACKSON LEE, Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia, Ms. KELLY of Illinois, Mr. KILMER, Ms. LEE of California, Ms. LEE of Pennsylvania, Mr. LYNCH, Mrs. MCBATH, Ms. McCLELLAN, Mr. MEEKS, Ms. MOORE of Wisconsin, Ms. NORTON, Mr. PAYNE, Ms. PRESSLEY, Mr. SCOTT of Virginia, Ms. SEWELL, Mr. SOTO, Ms. STRICKLAND, Mrs. SYKES, Mr. TORRES of New York, Mr. VEASEY, Ms. WILLIAMS of Georgia, and Ms. WILSON of Florida):

H. Con. Res. 75. Concurrent resolution expressing the sense of Congress that a commemorative postage stamp should be issued in honor of the Buffalo Soldiers; to the Committee on Oversight and Accountability.

By Mrs. BEATTY (for herself, Ms. ADAMS, Ms. LEE of California, Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi, Ms. BLUNT ROCHESTER, Ms. CASTOR of Florida, Mrs. CHERFILUS-MC CORMICK, Ms. CLARKE of New York, Mr. CLEAVER, Mr. CLYBURN, Mr. COHEN, Mr. COSTA, Ms. CROCKETT, Mr. DAVIS of Illinois, Ms. DELBENE, Mr. ESPAILLAT, Mr. EVANS, Ms. WILSON of Florida, Mrs. HAYES, Mr. HIGGINS of New York, Ms. NORTON, Mr. HORSFORD, Ms. JACKSON LEE, Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia, Mr. JACKSON of Illinois, Ms. KELLY of Illinois, Mr. KILMER, Mr. LYNCH, Mrs. MCBATH, Ms. McCLELLAN, Mr. McGARVEY, Mr. MEEKS, Ms. MOORE of Wisconsin, Mr. PAYNE, Ms. PRESSLEY,

Ms. SEWELL, Ms. BROWN, Mr. SOTO, Ms. LEE of Pennsylvania, Mrs. SYKES, Mr. TORRES of New York, Mr. CARTER of Louisiana, Mr. VEASEY, Mrs. WATSON COLEMAN, Ms. WILLIAMS of Georgia, Mr. SCOTT of Virginia, Mr. BISHOP of Georgia, and Ms. STRICKLAND):

H. Con. Res. 76. Concurrent resolution recognizing the difficult challenges Black veterans faced when returning home after serving in the Armed Forces, their heroic military sacrifices, and their patriotism in fighting for equal rights and for the dignity of a people and a Nation; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. DONALDS (for himself and Mr. DIAZ-BALART):

H. Res. 856. A resolution expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that southwest Florida is an economic, demographic, agricultural, and environmental treasure with many inherent benefits that should be recognized, acknowledged, and appreciated; to the Committee on Oversight and Accountability.

By Mr. ESPAILLAT (for himself and Mr. MEeks):

H. Res. 857. A resolution honoring and remembering the victims of the crash of American Airlines Flight 587 in Rockaway Queens, New York, on November 12, 2001, and extending the sincerest condolences of the citizens of the United States to the families and friends of those individuals; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Ms. LOIS FRANKEL of Florida (for herself, Mr. BILIRAKIS, Mr. CONNOLLY, Mr. WALTZ, Ms. LEE of California, Mr. FITZPATRICK, Ms. WILLIAMS of Georgia, Ms. LEE of Nevada, Mr. GRIJALVA, and Mr. WITTMAN):

H. Res. 858. A resolution acknowledging the courage and sacrifice of veterans of the Korean War and Korean Defense Veterans; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. GUEST (for himself, Mr. CUELLAR, Mr. FULCHER, Mr. FITZPATRICK, Mr. DUNN of Florida, Ms. SALAZAR, Mr. KELLY of Pennsylvania, Mrs. BICE, Mr. WEBSTER of Florida, Mr. MOOLENAAR, Ms. MACE, Mr. GIMENEZ, Mr. LATTA, Mr. WESTERMAN, Mrs. CAMMACK, Ms. DE LA CRUZ, Mr. EDWARDS, Mr. WEBER of Texas, Ms. LETLOW, Mr. KUSTOFF, Mr. ADERHOLT, Mr. GOSAR, Mr. CLOUD, Mr. PENCE, Mr. POSEY, Mrs. HARSHBARGER, Mr. FLEISCHMANN, Mr. SANTOS, Mr. MILLS, Mrs. HINSON, Mr. RUTHERFORD, Mr. KEAN of New Jersey, Mr. LATURNER, Mr. MCCORMICK, Mrs. HOUGHIN, Mrs. MILLER-MEEKS, Mr. GOODEN of Texas, Mrs. LESKO, Mr. BISHOP of Georgia, Mr. MANN, Mr. NICKEL, Mr. CALVERT, Mr. CARTER of Georgia, Mrs. GONZÁLEZ-COLÓN, Mr. BAIRD, Mr. JACKSON of Texas, Mr. D'ESPOSITO, Ms. STEFANIK, Mr. MOLINARO, Mr. WITTMAN, Mr. KELLY of Mississippi, Mr. EZZELL, and Mr. COSTA):

H. Res. 859. A resolution honoring the service and sacrifice of America's veterans on Veterans Day, 2023; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. RASKIN:

H. Res. 860. A resolution expressing support for raising awareness about the growing population of young adults living with chronic health conditions in the United States; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Education and the Workforce, 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. SCHIFF (for himself, Mr. PALONE, Mr. BILIRAKIS, and Mr. VALADAO):

H. Res. 861. A resolution calling on Azerbaijan to immediately comply with international commitments regarding the release and treatment of prisoners of war, hostages, and other detained persons; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Mr. SELF:

H. Res. 862. A resolution urging members of the European Union and North Atlantic Treaty Organization to refuse airport access to Iranian airlines sanctioned by the United States, to encourage these members to apply sanctions against such airlines, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, and in addition to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, 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.

## CONSTITUTIONAL AUTHORITY AND SINGLE SUBJECT STATEMENTS

Pursuant to clause 7(c)(1) of rule XII and Section 3(c) of H. Res. 5 the following statements are submitted regarding (1) the specific powers granted to Congress in the Constitution to enact the accompanying bill or joint resolution and (2) the single subject of the bill or joint resolution.

By Ms. BONAMICI:

H.R. 6321.

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

Article 1, Section 8

The single subject of this legislation is: Housing

By Mr. STEIL:

H.R. 6322.

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

Article I, Section 8, Clause 3 of the US Constitution: "To regulate commerce with foreign nations, and among the several states, and with the Indian tribes."

The single subject of this legislation is: Efforts to disrupt terrorist financing

By Mrs. KIM of California:

H.R. 6323.

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

Article 1, Section 8, Clause 3

The single subject of this legislation is:

To limit the use of sanctions exemptions granted by the President on Iran

By Mr. BOST:

H.R. 6324.

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

Article I, Section 8 of the U.S.C.

The single subject of this legislation is:

Authorizes eleven major medical facility construction projects for the Department of Veterans Affairs for Fiscal Year 2024.

By Mr. BRECHEEN:

H.R. 6325.

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

Article I, Section 8

The single subject of this legislation is:

Requires the Secretaries of State and Defense to report to Congress any Ukrainian government officials who violated End-Use Monitoring agreements, prohibits any such individuals from entering the U.S. and obtaining visas, and revokes the visas of any such Ukrainian officials currently possessing them.

By Mr. BUCSHON:

H.R. 6326.

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

This resolution is enacted pursuant to the power granted to Congress under Article I, Section 8, Clause 3 of the United States Constitution.

The single subject of this legislation is:

To advance nuclear energy by reducing regulatory costs for advanced nuclear reactor application reviews.

By Mr. CARTWRIGHT:

H.R. 6327.

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

Article I, Section 8, Clause 3 (relating to the power of Congress to regulate Commerce with foreign Nations, and among the several States, and with the Indian Tribes.)

The single subject of this legislation is:

This bill directs the Department of Education to award competitive grants to state educational agencies and, through them, subgrants to local educational agencies to integrate financial literacy education into public elementary or secondary schools.

By Mr. CASTRO of Texas:

H.R. 6328.

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

Constitutional Authority—Necessary and Proper Clause (Art. I, Sec. 8, Clause 18) THE U.S. CONSTITUTION ARTICLE I, SECTION 8: POWERS OF CONGRESS CLAUSE 18 The Congress shall have power . . . To make all laws which shall be necessary and proper for

The single subject of this legislation is:

The purpose of the resolution is regarding education.

By Mr. CASTRO of Texas:

H.R. 6329.

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

Constitutional Authority—Necessary and Proper Clause (Art. I, Sec. 8, Clause 18) THE U.S. CONSTITUTION ARTICLE I, SECTION 8: POWERS OF CONGRESS CLAUSE 18 The Congress shall have power . . . To make all laws which shall be necessary and proper for

The single subject of this legislation is:

The purpose of the bill is regarding the US intelligence community.

By Mr. CROW:

H.R. 6330.

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

Article 1, 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 the Constitution in the Government of the United States, or in any Department or Officer thereof.

The single subject of this legislation is:

This bill requires the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) to implement a pilot program establishing a working group in the Office of Mental Health and Suicide Prevention to collect and analyze data regarding on-campus (i.e., on VA property) suicides and on-campus attempted suicides by veterans. The VA must annually brief Congress regarding the progress and findings of the working group

By Mr. DAVIS of North Carolina:

H.R. 6331.

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

Article I, Section 8, Clause 18.

The single subject of this legislation is:

To require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to establish a pilot program to furnish doula services to veterans.

By Ms. DE LA CRUZ:

H.R. 6332.

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

Article 1

The single subject of this legislation is:

Requires that a taxpayer consent before IRS Counsel and/ or Compliance personnel

are allowed to participate in an appeals conference before the IRS' Independent Office of Appeals.

By Mrs. DINGELL:

H.R. 6333.

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

The Constitutional authority of Congress to enact this legislation is provided by Article I, Section 8 of the United States Constitution.

The single subject of this legislation is:

To amend title 38, United States Code, to modify the limitation on reimbursement for emergency treatment of amounts owed to a third party or which the veteran is responsible under a health-plan contract.

By Mr. EDWARDS:

H.R. 6334.

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

Article 1 Section 8 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.

The single subject of this legislation is:

To authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to relocate a memorial honoring the 9 Air Force crew members who lost their lives in an airplane crash in the Cherokee and Nantahala National Forests during a training mission on August 31, 1982.

By Mr. EDWARDS:

H.R. 6335.

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

Article I, Section 8, Clause 3 “Regulate commerce with foreign nations, and among the several states, and with the Indian tribes.”

The single subject of this legislation is:

Requires the Census Bureau to collect information on citizenship status through the decennial census.

By Mr. ESPAILLAT:

H.R. 6336.

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

section 5 of Amendment XIV to the Constitution.

The single subject of this legislation is:

To amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to ensure that certain education and workforce development benefits administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs are treated as income by landlords evaluating the ability of a servicemember, veteran, or a spouse or child of a servicemember

By Mr. GARBARINO:

H.R. 6337.

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

Article 1, Section 8, Clause 18 of the United States Constitution

The single subject of this legislation is:

To authorize the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to make grants to veterans service organizations for facility and technology improvements, and for other purposes.

By Ms. GARCIA of Texas:

H.R. 6338.

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

Article 1, Section 8: “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.”

The single subject of this legislation is:

This piece of legislation directs the Secretary of Veterans' Affairs to establish a pilot program for gynecological cancer care coordination, create the position of cancer care coordinator in the Women's Veteran Program, and require the VA record and re-

port on the success of the program to Congress.

By Mr. GREEN of Tennessee:

H.R. 6339.

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

Article 1, Section 9, Clause 7 of the Constitution of the United States.

The single subject of this legislation is:

Prohibits the withholding or revoking of Federal funds based on the definition of “sex” used by a State, if that definition is based on the biological sex of an individual.

By Mr. HARDER of California:

H.R. 6340.

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

U.S. Constitution, Article 1, Sec. 8

The single subject of this legislation is:

The bill directs the Under Secretary for Health of the Department of Veterans Affairs to provide certain information to Department of Veterans Affairs medical center staff and homelessness service providers regarding the Coordinated Entry program, and for other purposes.

By Mr. JAYAPAL:

H.R. 6341.

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

This bill is enacted pursuant to the power granted to Congress under Article I of the United States Constitution and its subsequent amendments, and further clarified and interpreted by the Supreme Court of the United States.

The single subject of this legislation is:

Criminal Justice

By Mrs. KIGGANS of Virginia:

H.R. 6342.

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

Article 1 Section 8

The single subject of this legislation is:

Making National Parks more accessible for disabled visitors

By Mr. KIM of New Jersey:

H.R. 6343.

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

Article 1, Section 8 of the U.S. Constitution

The single subject of this legislation is:

Armed Forces and National Security

By Mr. LATURNER:

H.R. 6344.

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

Article 1, Section 8 of the U.S. Constitution, which gives Congress 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.

The single subject of this legislation is:

Requiring health care providers, as a condition of Medicare and Medicaid participation, to limit implementation of do-not-resuscitate orders for unemancipated minors without the informed consent of at least one parent.

By Ms. LEE of Nevada:

H.R. 6345.

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

Article 1, Section 8, Clause 1 provides Congress with the power to “lay and collect Taxes, Duties, Imposts and Excises” in order to “provide for the . . . general Welfare of the United States.”

The single subject of this legislation is:

Veteran Affairs

By Mrs. LESKO:

H.R. 6346.

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

The power granted to Congress under article I, section 8 of the US Constitution

The single subject of this legislation is:  
To advance nuclear energy by advancing nuclear regulatory oversight reforms by the NRC

By Ms. MANNING:

H.R. 6347.

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

Clause 18 of section 8 of article I of the Constitution.

The single subject of this legislation is:

Prescription drug costs.

By Ms. MATSUI:

H.R. 6348.

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

Article 1, Section 8

The single subject of this legislation is:

To direct the Secretary of Energy to establish a grant program to facilitate tree planting that reduces residential energy consumption.

By Mr. McCaul:

H.R. 6349.

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

Article 1, Section 8 of the U.S. Constitution.

The single subject of this legislation is:

To prohibit or require notification with respect to certain activities of United States persons involving countries of concern.

By Mr. McGARVEY:

H.R. 6350.

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

Article I Section 8

The single subject of this legislation is:

Veterans

By Mr. MOORE of Alabama:

H.R. 6351.

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

Article 1, Section 8

The single subject of this legislation is:

To establish the Commission on National Agricultural Statistics Service Modernization to modernize the data collection and reporting processes of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, and for other purposes.

By Mr. MOORE of Utah:

H.R. 6352.

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

Article 1 Section 8 and Article 4 Section 3

The single subject of this legislation is:

Conservation

By Mr. MURPHY:

H.R. 6353.

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

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

Article 1, Section 8, Clause 18 of the United States Constitution.

The single subject of this legislation is:

To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to conduct a review on opioid overdose deaths among veterans, and for other purposes.

By Ms. NORTON:

H.R. 6354.

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

Clause 18 of Section 8 of Article I of the Constitution

The single subject of this legislation is:

This bill would give the District of Columbia the same number of appointments and nominations to the U.S. service academies as states.

By Mr. RYAN:

H.R. 6355.

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

Article 1

The single subject of this legislation is:

Veterans

By Mr. RYAN:

H.R. 6356.

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

Article 1

The single subject of this legislation is:

Transportation

By Ms. SHERRILL:

H.R. 6357.

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

Clause 16 of section 8 of Article I of the U.S. Constitution.

The single subject of this legislation is:

This legislation would codify the Department of Defense's policy regarding travel and reimbursements for reproductive healthcare.

By Mrs. SYKES:

H.R. 6358.

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

Article I, Section 8, Clause 3 of the United States Constitution

The single subject of this legislation is:

This legislation strengthens the WARN Act to provide additional protections for workers.

By Mr. VAN DREW:

H.R. 6359.

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

Article 1 Section 8

The single subject of this legislation is:

To amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 to remove the overtime wages exemption for certain employees, and for other purposes.

By Mr. WALBERG:

H.R. 6360.

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

Article I, Section 8, Clauses 12, 14, and 18 of the Constitution of the United States: the authority to raise and support an army, to make rules for the government and regulation of the land and naval forces and to make all laws which shall be necessary and proper carrying into execution the foregoing powers

The single subject of this legislation is:

This bill increases the priority status of former prisoners of war in the Department of Veterans Affairs health care system to the highest priority for hospital care and medical services.

By Ms. WATERS:

H.R. 6361.

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

Article 1 of the U.S. Constitution.

The single subject of this legislation is:

Veterans

By Ms. WATERS:

H.R. 6362.

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

Article 1 of the U.S. Constitution.

The single subject of this legislation is:

Veterans.

By Mr. JAMES:

H.J. Res. 98.

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

Clause 3 of section 8 of article I of the Constitution

The single subject of this legislation is:

Labor/Workforce

By Mr. DONALDS:

H.J. Res. 99.

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

Art 1, Sec. 8 of the U.S. Constitution

The single subject of this legislation is:

Establishes the definition of a premium cigar.

By Mr. GARBARINO:

H.J. Res. 100.

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

Section 8, Article I

The single subject of this legislation is:

Resolution under the Congressional Review Act to nullify the Securities and Exchange Commission's rule "Cybersecurity Risk Management, Strategy, Governance, and Incident Disclosure".

## ADDITIONAL SPONSORS

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

H.R. 396: Ms. KAMLAGER-DOVE.

H.R. 620: Mrs. KIM of California and Ms. SPANBERGER.

H.R. 704: Mr. PANETTA, Mr. BOYLE of Pennsylvania, Mr. WILSON of South Carolina, Ms. BARRAGÁN, Ms. SHERRILL, Mrs. RADEWAGEN, Mr. SABLÁN, and Ms. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ.

H.R. 727: Mr. JACKSON of Illinois.

H.R. 873: Mr. GOSAR.

H.R. 1097: Ms. SLOTKIN, Mr. SMITH of Washington, Ms. HOULAHAN, Ms. SHERRILL, Ms. ESCOBAR, Ms. STRICKLAND, Mr. JACKSON of North Carolina, Ms. TOKUDA, Ms. McCLELLAN, and Mr. VEASEY.

H.R. 1369: Ms. PINGREE.

H.R. 1526: Mr. HIGGINS of New York.

H.R. 1624: Mr. MCCORMICK.

H.R. 2663: Ms. HOULAHAN and Mr. ALLRED.

H.R. 2673: Mr. TURNER and Mrs. SYKES.

H.R. 2788: Mr. QUIGLEY and Mr. ARRINGTON.

H.R. 2987: Mrs. HAYES.

H.R. 3016: Mr. D'ESPOSITO.

H.R. 3033: Ms. STEVENS.

H.R. 3036: Ms. BROWNLEY and Ms. TOKUDA.

H.R. 3183: Mr. CARTWRIGHT.

H.R. 3207: Ms. CLARKE of New York.

H.R. 3433: Mr. BAIRD, Mr. NEHLS, and Mr. SCHNEIDER.

H.R. 3475: Ms. KELLY of Illinois and Mr. KEATING.

H.R. 3508: Mr. TONY GONZALES of Texas.

H.R. 3520: Mr. BURGESS.

H.R. 3811: Mr. BURGESS.

H.R. 4355: Mr. MEUSER, Mr. MOOLENAAR, Mrs. MILLER of West Virginia, Mr. VALADAO, Mr. CAREY, Ms. STANSBURY, Mr. ROUZER, Ms. ROSS, Mr. VAN ORDEN, and Ms. McCOLLUM.

H.R. 4438: Mr. CARTER of Louisiana.

H.R. 4569: Ms. McCLELLAN.

H.R. 4769: Mrs. KIGGANS of Virginia.

H.R. 4942: Mr. CARTWRIGHT.

H.R. 4955: Mr. JOYCE of Pennsylvania.

H.R. 4993: Mr. BABIN.

H.R. 5041: Ms. BUDZINSKI.

H.R. 5113: Ms. DAVIDS of Kansas.

H.R. 5290: Mrs. HAYES.

H.R. 5291: Mrs. HAYES.

H.R. 5292: Mrs. HAYES.

H.R. 5293: Mrs. HAYES.

H.R. 5294: Mrs. HAYES.

H.R. 5295: Mrs. HAYES.

H.R. 5434: Mr. FITZPATRICK.

H.R. 5582: Mr. PANETTA.

H.R. 5631: Ms. SLOTKIN.

H.R. 5694: Mr. SCOTT FRANKLIN of Florida.

H.R. 5761: Ms. MALLIOTAKIS, Mr. RESCHENTHALER, Mr. VAN DREW, and Mr. BUCHANAN.

H.R. 5779: Ms. SCHOLTEN and Mr. SMUCKER.

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H.R. 5863: Mrs. BICE and Mr. KELLY of Pennsylvania.

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H.R. 6077: Mr. DESAULNIER.

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H.R. 6179: Ms. STRICKLAND and Mr. GRIJALVA.

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H.Res. 365: Mr. CARTER of Louisiana.

H.Res. 376: Mr. JOYCE of Pennsylvania.

H.Res. 793: Mr. D'ESPOSITO.

H.Res. 806: Ms. SÁNCHEZ.

H.Res. 819: Mr. FOSTER and Ms. HOYLE of Oregon.