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The House met at 10 a.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. LATOURETTE).

DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

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

WASHINGTON, DC,
November 6, 2012.

I hereby appoint the Honorable STEVEN C. LATOURETTE to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

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

PRAYER

Reverend Dr. Kurt Gerhard, St. Patrick's Episcopal Church, Washington, D.C., offered the following prayer:

God who exists within each one of us and binds us together as one people, be with us on this election day as we exercise our responsibility to choose our leaders and set a trajectory into the future.

Let us be mindful and respectful of the views of those who vote for someone else.

Open our minds to realize that although we are a Nation filled with diverse philosophies, our common motive is to make this country a fruitful and peace-filled Nation, allowing all people the opportunity to pursue dreams.

Help us to see our victories and defeats in the voting booths as a blessing of freedom and not a judgment on ideals.

Help us to be mindful of our unity and bless this country and all nations and peoples, now and forever. We ask this in Your holy name.
Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 3(a) of House Resolution 788, the Journal of the last day's proceedings is approved.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair will lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The SPEAKER pro tempore led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

ADJOURNMENT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 3(b) of House Resolution 788, the House stands adjourned until 1 p.m. on Friday, November 9, 2012.

Accordingly (at 10 o'clock and 3 minutes a.m.), the House adjourned until Friday, November 9, 2012, at 1 p.m.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

Under clause 2 of rule XIV, executive communications were taken from the Speaker's table and referred as follows:

8219. A letter from the Under Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting the Department's final report on Foreign Language Skill Proficiency Bonus; to the Committee on Armed Services.

8220. A letter from the Chairman and President, Export-Import Bank, transmitting a report on transactions involving U.S. exports to India pursuant to Section 2(b)(3) of the Export-Import Bank Act of 1945, as amended; to the Committee on Financial Services.

8221. A letter from the General Counsel, Corporation For National And Community Service, transmitting the Corporation's final rule — Criminal History Check Requirements for AmeriCorps State/National, Senior Companions, Foster Grandparents, the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program, and Other National Service Programs; Final Rule (RIN: 3045-AA56) received October 17, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

8222. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, Department of Energy, transmitting a status report under section 133 of the Energy Independence and Security Act of 2007; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

8223. A letter from the Program Manager, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's final rule — Possession, Use, and Transfer of Select Agents and Toxins; Biennial Review (RIN: 0920-AA34) received October 2, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

8224. A letter from the Program Analyst, Financial Operations, Office of Managing Director, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule — Assessment and Collection of Regulatory Fees for Fiscal Year 2012 [MD Docket No.: 12-116] received October 11, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

8225. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting consistent with the Authorization for Use of Military Force Against Iraq Resolution of 2002 (Pub. L. 107-243), the Authorization for the Use of Military Force Against Iraq Resolution of 1991 (Pub. L. 102-1), and in order to keep the Congress fully informed, a report prepared by the Department of State for the June 25, 2012 – August 23, 2012 reporting period including matters relating to post-liberation Iraq, pursuant to Public Law 107-243, section 4(a) (116 Stat. 1501); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

8226. A letter from the Deputy Assistant Director for Legislative Affairs, Consumer Financial Protection Bureau, transmitting the Bureau's Annual Report to Congress on College Credit Cards; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

8227. A letter from the Acting Secretary of Commerce, Department of Commerce, transmitting a certification of export to China; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

8228. A letter from the Executive Secretary, Agency for International Development, transmitting a report pursuant to the Federal Vacancies Reform Act of 1998; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

8229. A letter from the Chief, Government Affairs Division, National Transportation Safety Board, transmitting the annual report under the Federal Managers' Financial Integrity Act, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 3512(c)(3); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

□ This symbol represents the time of day during the House proceedings, e.g., □ 1407 is 2:07 p.m.

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8230. A letter from the Acting Assistant Attorney General, Department of Justice, transmitting the 2011 Annual Report of the Office of Privacy and Civil Liberties; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

8231. A letter from the Acting Chief Privacy and Civil Liberties Officer, Department of Justice, transmitting the Department's final rule — Privacy Act of 1974: Implementation (CPCLD Order No.: 014-2012) received October 11, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

8232. A letter from the Assistant Secretary of the Army, Civil Works, Department of Defense, transmitting the 2012 list of U.S. Army Corps of Engineers projects that have been identified as candidates for de-authorization; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

8233. A letter from the Attorney Advisor, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Drawbridge Operation Regulation; Elizabeth River, Eastern Branch, Norfolk, VA [USCG-2012-0357] (RIN: 1525-AA09) received October 1, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

8234. A letter from the Attorney Advisor, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Safety Zone; Jet Express Triathlon, Sandusky Bay, Lake Erie, Lakeside, OH [Docket No.: USCG-2012-0072] (RIN: 1625-AA00) received October 1, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

8235. A letter from the Attorney Advisor, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Safety Zone; Antique Boat Show, Niagara River, Grand Island, NY [Docket No.: USCG-2012-0043] (RIN: 1625-AA00) received October 1, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

8236. A letter from the General Counsel, National Transportation Safety Board, transmitting the Board's final rule — Rules of Practice in Air Safety Proceedings; Rules Implementing the Equal Access to Justice Act of 1980 [Docket No.: NTSB-GC-2011-0001] received October 17, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

8237. A letter from the General Counsel, National Transportation Safety Board, transmitting the Board's final rule — Rules of Practice in Air Safety Proceedings [Docket No.: NTSB-GC-2011-0001] received October 17, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

8238. A letter from the Director of Regulation Policy and Management, Office of the General Counsel, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting the Department's final rule — Extension of Statutory Period for Compensation for Certain Disabilities Due to Undiagnosed Illnesses and Medically Unexplained Chronic Multi-Symptom Illnesses (RIN: 2900-AO09) received October 11, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XII,

Mrs. CHRISTENSEN introduced A bill (H.R. 6585) to amend subtitle B of title I of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act to extend the temporary high-risk insurance pool program to the territories; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

CONSTITUTIONAL AUTHORITY STATEMENT

Pursuant to clause 7 of rule XII of the Rules of the House of Representa-

tives, the following statements are submitted regarding the specific powers granted to Congress in the Constitution to enact the accompanying bill or joint resolution.

Mrs. CHRISTENSEN:

H.R. 6585.

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

The constitutional authority on which this bill rests is the power of Congress to enact bills pursuant to clause 1 of section 8 of article I of the Constitution. Pursuant to this clause, Congress has the authority to "provide for the . . . general welfare of the United States." Included in the concept of 'general welfare' is Congress's authority to spend money to provide for the health of the citizenry.

ADDITIONAL SPONSORS

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

H.R. 4373: Mr. HONDA and Mr. RAHALL.

H.R. 6291: Mr. ROE of Tennessee and Mr. KINGSTON.

H.R. 6549: Mr. CLARKE of Michigan and Mr. CUMMINGS.

H.R. 6575: Mr. OWENS, Ms. SLAUGHTER, Mrs. EMERSON, Mr. BOREN, and Mr. POMPEO.

H.R. 6579: Mr. BACHUS, Mr. ADERHOLT, Mr. ROGERS of Alabama, Ms. SEWELL, Mrs. ROBY and Mr. MILLER of Florida.