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By Mr. PETERS of Michigan (for himself, Mr. ROSS, and Mr. ELLISON):

H.R. 1754. A bill to establish pilot programs to encourage the use of shared appreciation mortgage modifications, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Financial Services.

By Mr. POLIS (for himself, Mr. ANDREWS, Mr. COHEN, Ms. BASS, Mr. CONNOLLY, Mrs. BEATTY, Mr. CONYERS, Mr. BECERRA, Mr. COOPER, Mr. BISHOP of New York, Mr. COURTNEY, Mr. BLUMENAUER, Mr. CROWLEY, Ms. BONAMICI, Mr. CUMMINGS, Mr. BRADY of Pennsylvania, Mrs. DAVIS of California, Mr. BRALEY of Iowa, Mr. DEFAZIO, Mrs. CAPPS, Ms. DEGETTE, Mr. CÁRDENAS, Mr. DELANEY, Mr. CARNEY, Ms. DELAUNO, Mr. CARSON of Indiana, Ms. DELBENE, Mr. CARTWRIGHT, Mr. DEUTCH, Ms. CASTOR of Florida, Mr. DINGELL, Mr. CASTRO of Texas, Mr. DOGGETT, Ms. CHU, Mr. DOYLE, Mr. CICILLINE, Ms. DUCKWORTH, Ms. CLARKE, Ms. EDWARDS, Mr. CLAY, Mr. ELLISON, Mr. ENGEL, Mr. FARR, Mr. FATTAH, Ms. FRANKEL of Florida, Ms. FUDGE, Mr. GARCIA, Mr. AL GREEN of Texas, Mr. GRIJALVA, Mr. GUTIERREZ, Ms. HAHN, Ms. HANABUSA, Mr. HANNA, Mr. HASTINGS of Florida, Mr. HECK of Washington, Mr. HIGGINS, Mr. HIMES, Mr. HINOJOSA, Mr. HOLT, Mr. HONDA, Mr. HORSFORD, Mr. HUFFMAN, Mr. ISRAEL, Ms. JACKSON LEE, Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas, Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia, Ms. KAPTUR, Mr. KEATING, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. KILDEE, Mr. KILMER, Mr. KIND, Mrs. KIRKPATRICK, Ms. KUSTER, Mr. LANGEVIN, Mr. LARSEN of Washington, Mr. LARSON of Connecticut, Ms. LEE of California, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. LEWIS, Mr. LOEBACK, Ms. LOFGREN, Mr. LOWENTHAL, Mrs. LOWEY, Ms. MICHELLE LUJAN GRISHAM of New Mexico, Mr. BEN RAY LUJÁN of New Mexico, Mr. LYNCH, Ms. MATSUI, Mr. MAFFEI, Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY of New York, Mr. SEAN PATRICK MALONEY of New York, Mr. MARKEY, Mr. MATHESON, Mrs. MCCARTHY of New York, Ms. MCCOLLUM, Mr. MCDERMOTT, Mr. MCGOVERN, Ms. MENG, Mr. MICHAUD, Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California, Ms. MOORE, Mr. MORAN, Mr. MURPHY of Florida, Mr. NADLER, Mrs. NAPOLITANO, Ms. NORTON, Mr. PALLONE, Mr. PASCRELL, Mr. PAYNE, Ms. PELOSI, Mr. PETERS of Michigan, Mr. PETERS of California, Ms. PINGREE of Maine, Mr. POCAN, Mr. PRICE of North Carolina, Mr. QUIGLEY, Mr. RANGEL, Ms. ROSELEHTINEN, Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD, Mr. RUSH, Mr. RYAN of Ohio, Ms. LINDA T. SÁNCHEZ of California, Ms. LORETTA SÁNCHEZ of California, Mr. SARBANES, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, Mr. SCHIFF, Mr. SCHNEIDER, Mr. SCHRADER, Ms. SCHWARTZ, Mr. SCOTT of Virginia, Mr. SERRANO, Ms. SHEA-PORTER, Mr. SHERMAN, Ms. SINEMA, Mrs. SLAUGHTER, Mr. SMITH of Washington, Ms. SPEIER, Mr. SWALWELL of California, Mr. TAKANO, Mr. TIERNEY, Ms. TITUS, Mr. TONKO, Ms. TSONGAS, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, Mr. VEASEY, Mr. WALZ, Ms. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ, Ms. WATERS, Mr. WAXMAN, Mr. WELCH, Ms. WILSON of Florida, Mr. YARMUTH, Mr. CAPUANO, Mr. DENT, Mr. GRAYSON, Mr. O'ROURKE, Mr. HOYER, Mr. MCNERNEY, Mr. SIREN, and Ms. BROWNLEY of California):

H.R. 1755. A bill to prohibit employment discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation or gender identity; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce, and in addition to the Committees on House Administration, Oversight and Government Reform, and 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. POSEY:

H.R. 1756. A bill to authorize the Secretary of Defense to transport to any country, without charge, supplies that have been furnished by a nonprofit organization and that are intended for distribution to members of the Armed Forces, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. POSEY (for himself and Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY of New York):

H.R. 1757. A bill to direct the Secretary of Health and Human Services to conduct or support a comprehensive study comparing total health outcomes, including risk of autism, in vaccinated populations in the United States with such outcomes in unvaccinated populations in the United States, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN (for herself, Mr. DIAZ-BALART, Ms. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ, Ms. WILSON of Florida, and Mr. GARCIA):

H.R. 1758. A bill to increase the portion of community development block grants that may be used to provide public services, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Financial Services.

By Mr. RUIZ (for himself, Mr. CÁRDENAS, Mrs. KIRKPATRICK, Mr. BARBER, Mrs. NEGRETE MCLEOD, Mr. TAKANO, and Mr. COOK):

H.R. 1759. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to submit to Congress quarterly reports on the timeliness in which the Department of Veterans Affairs receives certain information from other departments or agencies of the United States; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. SCHIFF:

H.R. 1760. A bill to establish an entrepreneur-based immigrant category for alien entrepreneurs who have completed or are in the process of completing a degree in Science, Engineering, Math or a technology-related field; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. TERRY:

H.R. 1761. A bill to amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to cover physician services delivered by podiatric physicians to ensure access by Medicaid beneficiaries to appropriate quality foot and ankle care, to amend title XVIII of such Act to modify the requirements for diabetic shoes to be included under Medicare, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Ways and Means, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. THORNBERRY:

H.R. 1762. A bill to provide a biennial budget for the United States Government; to the Committee on the Budget, and in addition to the Committees on Rules, and Oversight and Government Reform, 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. TITUS (for herself, Mrs. DAVIS of California, Ms. WILSON of Florida, Mr. PRICE of North Carolina, Mrs.

CAPPS, Ms. WATERS, Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD, Mr. LOWENTHAL, Mr. HONDA, Mr. HECK of Washington, Ms. DELBENE, Mr. PETRI, and Mr. GARAMENDI):

H.R. 1763. A bill to direct the Secretary of Education to establish and administer an awards program recognizing excellence exhibited by public school system employees providing services to students in pre-kindergarten through higher education; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

By Ms. SLAUGHTER (for herself, Mr. BURGESS, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, and Ms. SPEIER):

H. Res. 180. A resolution recognizing the sequencing of the human genome as one of the most significant scientific accomplishments of the past 100 years and expressing support for the designation of April 25, 2013, as "DNA Day"; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. BRALEY of Iowa (for himself and Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas):

H. Res. 181. A resolution supporting the goals and ideals of Workers' Memorial Day in order to honor and remember the workers who have been killed or injured in the workplace; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

By Ms. DELBENE (for herself, Mr. VARGAS, Mr. DEFAZIO, Mr. BENISHEK, Mr. HASTINGS of Washington, Mr. SEAN PATRICK MALONEY of New York, Ms. KUSTER, Mr. SCHRADER, Mr. MCGOVERN, Mr. GARAMENDI, and Mr. REICHERT):

H. Res. 182. A resolution expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that specialty crops are a vital part of agriculture in the United States, that the Committee on Agriculture should propose funding for programs that support specialty crops priorities, and that legislation should be passed that includes funding reflecting specialty crops as a growing and important part of United States agriculture; to the Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. ROHRABACHER:

H. Res. 183. A resolution expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that the Broadcasting Board of Governors should broadcast and direct Azeri language content into the Islamic Republic of Iran and Baloch language content into the Islamic Republic of Iran and the Islamic Republic of Pakistan; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Mr. ROHRABACHER:

H. Res. 184. A resolution expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that the United States should immediately remove all members of the United States Armed Forces from Afghanistan and pursue alternative strategies, which do not require large deployments of ground combat forces of the Armed Forces, in order to create a stable Afghanistan that is not a base for international terrorism; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

MEMORIALS

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

6. The SPEAKER presented a memorial of the Senate of the State of Tennessee, relative to Senate Joint Resolution No. 38 urging the Congress to adopt a balanced federal budget; to the Committee on the Budget.

7. Also, a memorial of the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, relative to House Concurrent Resolution No. 109 urging the Congress to persuade

the EPA to withdraw its proposed Greenhouse Gas New Source Performance Standard for Electric Generating Units; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

8. Also, a memorial of the Senate of the State of Kansas, relative to Senate Resolution No. 1737 recognizing the many contributions made by the citizens of the Republic of Azerbaijan; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

9. Also, a memorial of the Senate of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, relative to Senate Resolution reaffirming the friendship between the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and Taiwan; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

10. Also, a memorial of the House of Representatives of the State of Kansas, relative to House Resolution No. 6022 recognizing the many contributions made by the citizens of the Republic of Azerbaijan; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

11. Also, a memorial of the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, relative to Senate Resolution No. 53 supporting those peaceful political actions that will result in the final reunification of Ireland; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

12. Also, a memorial of the House of Representatives of the State of New Mexico, relative to House Joint Memorial No. 22 requesting the Congress to provide full funding to cover the costs associated with the benefits received by Indian tribes and the United States; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

13. Also, a memorial of the Senate of the State of Tennessee, relative to Senate Resolution No. 4 memorializing the Congress to amend the Constitution relative to authorizing states to rescind certain federal laws; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

14. Also, a memorial of the House of Representatives of the State of New Mexico, relative to House Memorial 7 calling for the New Mexico delegation to vote in favor of legislation that would remove the deadline for ratification of the equal rights amendment; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

15. Also, a memorial of the House of Representatives of the State of New Mexico, relative to House Joint Memorial No. 34 urging the New Mexico delegation to vote in favor of the reauthorization of the Violence Against Women Act; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

16. Also, a memorial of the Senate of the State of Hawaii, relative to Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 32 requesting Congress to recognize the legacy of the Late Senator Daniel K. Inouye by designation of the Kilauea Point Lighthouse on the Island Kauai, Hawaii, as the Daniel K. Inouye Kilauea Point Lighthouse; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

17. Also, a memorial of the House of Representatives of the State of New Mexico, relative to House Joint Memorial 7 requesting that the Congress reauthorize Section 5056 of the Water Resource Development Act of 2007; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

18. Also, a memorial of the Senate of the State of Tennessee, relative to Senate Resolution No. 3 asking that the Department of Health and Human Services resolve the longstanding Medicare Liability owed to Tennessee related to Special Disability Workload cases; jointly to the Committees on Energy and Commerce and Ways and Means.

19. Also, a memorial of the Legislature of the Territory of Guam, relative to Resolution No. 10-32 requesting that the President send the World Health Organization Framework Convention on Tobacco Control to the Senate for ratification; jointly to the Committees on Foreign Affairs and Energy and Commerce.

CONSTITUTIONAL AUTHORITY STATEMENT

Pursuant to clause 7 of rule XII of the Rules of the House of Representatives, the following statements are submitted regarding the specific powers granted to Congress in the Constitution to enact the accompanying bill or joint resolution.

By Mr. LOBIONDO:

H.R. 1721.

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

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

By Mr. MCKINLEY:

H.R. 1722.

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

According to Article I, Section 8, Clause 18 of the Constitution: The Congress shall have Power 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.

By Ms. SCHAKOWSKY:

H.R. 1723.

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

Article I, Section VIII.

By Mr. HARPER:

H.R. 1724.

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

clause 3 of section 8 of article I of the Constitution.

By Mr. CARTWRIGHT:

H.R. 1725.

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

Article I, Section 8 of the Constitution states "The Congress shall have Power To lay and collect Taxes, Duties, Imposts and Excises, to pay the Debts and provide for the common Defence and general Welfare of the United States; but all Duties, Imposts and Excises shall be uniform throughout the United States;"

The power to spend for the general welfare is one of the broadest grants of authority to Congress in the United States Constitution. The scope of the national spending power was brought before the United States Supreme Court in a landmark case in 1937 dealing with the newly enacted Social Security Act. In *Steward Machine Co. v. Davis* the Court sustained a tax imposed on employers to provide unemployment benefits to individual workers.

Subsequent Supreme Court decisions have not questioned Congress's policy decisions as to what kinds of spending programs are in pursuit of the "general welfare," and so numerous programs have been funded in such diverse areas as education, housing, veterans' benefits, the environment, welfare, health care, scientific research, the arts, community development, and public financing of election campaigns.

By Mr. POSEY:

H.R. 1726.

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

Article I, Section 8, Clause 5 of the Constitution of the United States: To coin Money, regulate the Value thereof, and of foreign Coin, and fix the Standard of Weights and Measures;

Article I, Section 8, Clause 12 of the Constitution of the United States: To raise and support Armies, but no Appropriation of Money to that Use shall be for a longer Term than two Years;

Article I, Section 8, Clause 16 of the Constitution of the United States: To provide for

calling forth the Militia to execute the Laws of the Union, suppress Insurrections and repel Invasions;

Article I, Section 8, Clause 18 of the Constitution of the United States: The Congress shall have Power to make all Laws which shall be necessary and proper for carrying into Execution the foregoing Powers, and all other vested by this Constitution in the Government of the United St Department or Officer thereof

By Mr. WALZ:

H.R. 1727.

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, Section 8 of the United States Constitution.

By Mr. RANGEL:

H.R. 1728.

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

Article I, Section 8

By Mrs. KIRKPATRICK:

H.R. 1729.

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

By Mr. ENGEL:

H.R. 1730.

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

Article 1, Section 1 of the Constitution. Congress has the power to enact this legislation, as well, under Article 1, Section 8, Clauses 1, 3 and 18.

By Mr. SCHRADER:

H.R. 1731.

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

Congress has the authority to act under Article I, §8, clause 3—the Commerce Clause.

By Ms. BASS:

H.R. 1732.

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 1, Section 1.

Article. I.

Section 1.

All legislative Powers herein granted shall be vested in a Congress of the United States, which shall consist of a Senate and House of Representatives.

By Mrs. BLACKBURN:

H.R. 1733.

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

Article I, Section 8, Clause 1

By Mr. CAPUANO:

H.R. 1734.

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

Article I Sec. 8, Clause 3: "The Congress shall have Power . . . To regulate Commerce with foreign Nations, and among the several States, and with the Indian Tribes."

By Mr. CASSIDY:

H.R. 1735.

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

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

By Mrs. DAVIS of California:

H.R. 1736.

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

Article I, Section 8, Clause 1

By Ms. DELAURO:

H.R. 1737.

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

Article I, Section 8., Clause 1.

By Mr. DOGGETT:

H.R. 1738.