

Secretary of Veterans Affairs to include an appeals form in any notice of decision issued for the denial of a benefit sought; with amendments (Rept. 113-130). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. BISHOP of Utah: Committee on Rules. House Resolution 274. Resolution providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 1613) to amend the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act to provide for the proper Federal management and oversight of transboundary hydrocarbon reservoirs, and for other purposes; providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 2231) to amend the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act to increase energy exploration and production on the Outer Continental Shelf, provide for equitable revenue sharing for all coastal States, implement the reorganization of the functions of the former Minerals Management Service into distinct and separate agencies, and for other purposes; providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 2410) making appropriations for Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2014, and for other purposes; providing for proceedings during the period from June 29, 2013, through July 5, 2013; and for other purposes. (Rept. 113-131). Referred to the House Calendar.

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 Mrs. CAPPS (for herself and Mr. BOUSTANY):

H.R. 2477. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for coverage of cancer care planning and coordination under the Medicare program; 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. CONAWAY (for himself, Mr. CUELLAR, Mr. FLORES, Mr. HENSARLING, Mr. GENE GREEN of Texas, Mr. GINGREY of Georgia, Mrs. LUMMIS, Mr. MATHESON, and Mr. RAHALL):

H.R. 2478. A bill to repeal a limitation on Federal procurement of certain fuels; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

By Mr. NADLER (for himself, Mr. CONYERS, Mr. POLIS, Mr. ISRAEL, Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia, Ms. CHU, Mr. GRIJALVA, Mr. JEFFRIES, Mr. BLUMENAUER, Mr. POCAN, Mr. CICILLINE, Ms. DELBENE, and Mr. TAKANO):

H.R. 2479. A bill to amend the Fair Housing Act, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committee on Financial Services, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. CONYERS (for himself and Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California):

H.R. 2480. A bill to direct the Secretary of Labor to issue an occupational safety and health standard to reduce injuries to patients, nurses, and all other health care workers by establishing a safe patient handling, mobility, and injury prevention standard, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce, and in addition to the Committees on Energy and Commerce, and Ways and Means, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speak-

er, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. FLORES:

H.R. 2481. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to codify and improve the election requirements for the receipt of educational assistance under the Post 9/11 Educational Assistance program of the Department of Veterans Affairs; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. LEWIS (for himself, Mr. NADLER, Mr. GRIJALVA, Mr. DOGGETT, Mr. MCGOVERN, Ms. MOORE, Mr. BRADY of Pennsylvania, and Mr. YARMUTH):

H.R. 2482. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide that a deduction equal to fair market value shall be allowed for charitable contributions of literary, musical, artistic, or scholarly compositions created by the donor; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. LEWIS (for himself, Ms. LEE of California, Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia, Mr. HOLT, Mr. CLAY, and Mr. CONYERS):

H.R. 2483. A bill to affirm the religious freedom of taxpayers who are conscientiously opposed to participation in war, to provide that the income, estate, or gift tax payments of such taxpayers be used for non-military purposes, to create the Religious Freedom Peace Tax Fund to receive such tax payments, to improve revenue collection, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. BERA (for himself and Mr. MEADOWS):

H.R. 2484. A bill to provide incentives to physicians to practice in rural and medically underserved communities, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Ms. BROWNLEY of California:

H.R. 2485. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to extend programs assisting homeless veterans and other veterans with special needs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mrs. CAPPS (for herself, Mr. FARR, Mr. LOWENTHAL, and Mr. HUFFMAN):

H.R. 2486. A bill to permanently prohibit oil and gas leasing off the coast of the State of California, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

By Mrs. DAVIS of California (for herself and Ms. SCHAKOWSKY):

H.R. 2487. A bill to direct the Federal Trade Commission to promulgate rules requiring an Internet merchant to disclose the use of personal information in establishing or changing a price, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. DEFAZIO (for himself, Mr. BLUMENAUER, Mr. SCHRADER, and Ms. BONAMICI):

H.R. 2488. A bill to expand the Wild Rogue Wilderness Area in the State of Oregon, to make additional wild and scenic river designations in the Rogue River area, to provide additional protections for Rogue River tributaries, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

By Mr. DEFAZIO (for himself, Mr. BLUMENAUER, Mr. SCHRADER, and Ms. BONAMICI):

H.R. 2489. A bill to modify the boundary of the Oregon Caves National Monument, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

By Ms. JACKSON LEE (for herself, Ms. CLARKE, Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi, Mr. VEASEY, and Mr. PAYNE):

H.R. 2490. A bill to prohibit States from carrying out more than one Congressional redistricting after a decennial census and apportionment; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. DEFAZIO (for himself, Mr. BLUMENAUER, Mr. SCHRADER, and Ms. BONAMICI):

H.R. 2491. A bill to provide for the designation of the Devil's Staircase Wilderness Area in the State of Oregon, to designate segments of Wasson and Franklin Creeks in the State of Oregon as wild or recreation rivers, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

By Mr. DESJARLAIS:

H.R. 2492. A bill to restrict funds related to escalating United States military involvement in Syria; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, and in addition to the Committees on Armed Services, and Intelligence (Permanent Select), 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. ENGEL (for himself, Ms. ROSELEHTINEN, Mr. ISRAEL, Mr. COLE, Mr. BORDALLO, Ms. SCHWARTZ, and Mr. PETERSON):

H.R. 2493. A bill to amend chapter 329 of title 49, United States Code, to ensure that new vehicles enable fuel competition so as to reduce the strategic importance of oil to the United States; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. GIBSON (for himself, Mr. WELCH, Mrs. BACHMANN, Mr. NOLAN, Mr. DUNCAN of South Carolina, Mr. DESJARLAIS, and Mr. JONES):

H.R. 2494. A bill to restrict funds related to escalating United States military involvement in Syria; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, and in addition to the Committees on Armed Services, and Intelligence (Permanent Select), 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. HULTGREN (for himself, Mr. SWALWELL of California, Ms. MCCOLLUM, Mr. LANGEVIN, Mr. LIPINSKI, Mr. FATTAH, Ms. LOFGREN, Mr. FLEISCHMANN, Mr. ADERHOLT, and Mr. KINZINGER of Illinois):

H.R. 2495. A bill to amend the Department of Energy High-End Computing Revitalization Act of 2004 to improve the high-end computing research and development program of the Department of Energy, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology.

By Mr. JONES:

H.R. 2496. A bill to prohibit the deployment of United States Armed Forces in support of a United Nations or mutual security treaty military operation absent express prior statutory authorization from Congress for such deployment, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, and in addition to the Committee on Armed Services, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mrs. KIRKPATRICK:

H.R. 2497. A bill to modify the boundary of the Casa Grande Ruins National Monument, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

By Mr. LOEBACK (for himself, Mr. BRALEY of Iowa, and Mrs. BUSTOS):

H.R. 2498. A bill to reauthorize agricultural programs through 2018; to the Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. McDERMOTT (for himself, Ms. ROSELEHTINEN, Mr. BLUMENAUER, and Mr. HANNA):

H.R. 2499. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend the exclusion from gross income for employer-provided health coverage for employees' spouses and

dependent children to coverage provided to other eligible designated beneficiaries of employees; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. NUNES (for himself, Mr. LARSON of Connecticut, Mr. BUCHANAN, Mr. BUCSHON, Mr. BURGESS, Mr. COLE, Mr. GRIFFIN of Arkansas, Mr. HALL, Mr. LARSEN of Washington, Mr. MARCHANT, Mr. MICHAUD, Mr. NUGENT, Mr. PASCRELL, Mr. ROE of Tennessee, Ms. LINDA T. SANCHEZ of California, Mr. SCHWEIKERT, Mr. DAVID SCOTT of Georgia, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. SMITH of Washington, Mr. VEASEY, Mr. WHITFIELD, and Mr. STIVERS):

H.R. 2500. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to modernize payments for ambulatory surgical centers under the Medicare program, 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. ROONEY (for himself and Mr. MCCAUL):

H.R. 2501. A bill to authorize assistance to conduct military or paramilitary operations in Syria, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Mr. THOMPSON of California:

H.R. 2502. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend the energy credit for certain property under construction; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. YOHO:

H.R. 2503. A bill to prohibit the obligation or expenditure of funds to provide military assistance to opposition forces in Syria; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, and in addition to the Committee on Armed Services, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. RANGEL:

H. Con. Res. 41. Concurrent resolution encouraging peace and reunification on the Korean Peninsula; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, and in addition to the Committee on Armed Services, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

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

H. Res. 273. A resolution expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that the President should nominate a qualified and independent individual for the position of Inspector General of the Department of State and Broadcasting Board of Governors to be confirmed by the Senate without delay; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Mr. FORBES:

H. Res. 275. A resolution expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that the funds made available for the cost of the President's trip to Africa instead be used to compensate those who have been placed on an administrative furlough as a result of sequestration; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

By Mr. HULTGREN (for himself and Mr. KENNEDY):

H. Res. 276. A resolution supporting the goals and ideals of National Science Week and the biennial USA Science & Engineering Festival in Washington, D.C., and inviting State and local governments to recognize the last week in April as a National Science Week; to the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology.

MEMORIALS

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

61. The SPEAKER presented a memorial of the Senate of the State of California, relative to Senate Joint Resolution No. 4 memorializing the President and the Congress to enact appropriate legislation that would reauthorize the federal Older Americans Act of 1965; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

62. Also, a memorial of the House of Representatives of the State of Tennessee, relative to House Joint Resolution No. 69 urging the Congress to classify emergency medical services providers as its other first responders; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

63. Also, a memorial of the House of Representatives of the State of Idaho, relative to House Joint Resolution No. 1 urging the Secretary of Agriculture to declare the Frank Church-River of No Return Wilderness and adjacent national forest lands to be a Natural Resources Disaster Area; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

64. Also, a memorial of the Legislature of the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, relative to Resolution No. 62 expressing the rejection of the application of the death penalty by the United States District Court for the District of Puerto Rico; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

65. Also, a memorial of the Senate of the State of West Virginia, relative to Senate Resolution No. 24 supporting an amendment to the constitution to provide that corporations are not entitled to the entirety of protections or rights of natural persons; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

66. Also, a memorial of the House of Representatives of the State of Tennessee, relative to House Joint Resolution No. 124 applauding Tennessee's judges for creating the existing veteran's treatment courts and veterans' court documents; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

CONSTITUTIONAL AUTHORITY STATEMENT

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

By Mrs. CAPPS:

H.R. 2477.

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

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

By Mr. CONAWAY:

H.R. 2478.

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

The constitutional authority on which this bill rests is Article 1, Section 8, Clause 8 of the United States Constitution which provides Congress with the power to "provide for...the general Welfare of the United States" and in Article I, Section 8, Clause 18 of the United States Constitution, which provides Congress the power to "... make all Laws which shall be necessary and proper for carrying into Execution...all other Powers vested by this Constitution in the Government of the United States or, on in any Department or Officer thereof."

By Mr. NADLER:

H.R. 2479.

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

Article 1, sec. 8, cl. 3 (commerce clause), & cl. 18 (necessary and proper clause); Section 1 of the 14th Amendment (due process and equal protection clauses), and section 5 of the 14th Amendment (enforcement).

By Mr. CONYERS:

H.R. 2480.

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

U.S. Const., Art. I, Sec. 8

By Mr. FLORES:

H.R. 2481.

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

Article 1, section 8 of the Constitution of the United States.

By Mr. LEWIS:

H.R. 2482.

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.

By Mr. LEWIS:

H.R. 2483.

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.

By Mr. BERA:

H.R. 2484.

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

Article 1, Section 8 of the Constitution

By Ms. BROWNLEY of California:

H.R. 2485.

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

Article 1, Section 8 of the United States Constitution.

By Mrs. CAPPS:

H.R. 2486.

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

Article IV, Section 3, Clause 2: "The Congress shall have Power to dispose of and make all needful Rules and Regulations respecting the Territory or other Property belonging to the United States; and nothing in this Constitution shall be so construed as to Prejudice any Claims of the United States, or of any particular State."

By Mrs. DAVIS of California:

H.R. 2487.

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

Article I, Section 8

By Mr. DEFazio:

H.R. 2488.

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

Article I, Section 8, Clause 18 (relating to the power to make all laws necessary and proper for carrying out the powers vested in Congress), and

Article IV, Section 3, Clause 2 (relating to the power of Congress to dispose of and make all needful rules and regulations respecting the territory or other property belonging to the United States).

By Mr. DEFazio:

H.R. 2489.

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

Article I, Section 8, Clause 18 (relating to the power to make all laws necessary and proper for carrying out the powers vested in Congress), and

Article IV, Section 3, Clause 2 (relating to the power of Congress to dispose of and make all needful rules and regulations respecting