

By Mr. FOSTER:

H.R. 3856. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide a 2-year extension of the exclusion from gross income for the discharge of qualified principal residence indebtedness, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. GERLACH (for himself, Mr. CRAMER, and Mr. TIBERI):

H.R. 3857. A bill to authorize the House of Representatives and the Senate to bring an action seeking declaratory and injunctive relief in response to the failure of the President to meet the requirement of the Constitution to faithfully execute the law, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committee on Rules, 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. KINZINGER of Illinois:

H.R. 3858. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to enter into contracts with health care providers to improve health care access and care coordination for veterans, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. LOWENTHAL (for himself, Mr. DEFAZIO, and Mr. HOLT):

H.R. 3859. A bill to amend the Mineral Leasing Act to adjust minimum bids and annual rentals for oil and gas and tar sands leases to reflect inflation, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

By Mr. REED (for himself, Mr. MICHAUD, Mr. GIBSON, and Mr. RAHALL):

H.R. 3860. A bill to revise the formula for allocating funding to States under the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Act of 1981; 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 Ms. SHEA-PORTER (for herself, Ms. KUSTER, and Mr. MCNERNEY):

H.R. 3861. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to increase the deduction for business start-up expenditures from \$5,000 to \$10,000; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. ROGERS of Kentucky:

H. Con. Res. 74. Concurrent resolution providing for a correction in the enrollment of H.R. 3547; to the Committee on Appropriations, and in addition to the Committee on House Administration, 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. MENG:

H. Res. 457. A resolution recognizing Lunar New Year as a significant cultural holiday and encouraging local education agencies to consider closing school on the Lunar New Year; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

## MEMORIALS

Under clause 3 of rule XII.

168. The SPEAKER presented a memorial of the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, relative to House Resolution No. 223 memorializing the Congress to support Congressman GLENN THOMPSON's efforts to add to the Farm Bill or his efforts to introduce new legislation known as the Forest Products Fairness Act of 2013; to the Committee on Agriculture.

## 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. FITZPATRICK:

H.R. 3854.

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

Article I—The Legislative Branch.

Section 1: The Legislature:

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.

Section 8:

Clause 1. 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.

Clause 18. 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 the Constitution in the Government of the United States, or in any Department or Officer thereof.

By Mrs. LUMMIS:

H.R. 3855.

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

Clause 1 of Section 8 of Article 1 of the Constitution: The Congress shall have Power to lay and collect Taxes, Duties, Imposts and Excises, to pay the Debts and provide for the common Defence and general Welfare of the United States; but all Duties, Imposts and Excises shall be uniform throughout the United States.

Clause 7 of Section 9 of Article 1 of the Constitution: No Money shall be drawn from the Treasury but in Consequence of Appropriations made by Law; and a regular Statement and Account of the Receipts and Expenditures of all public Money shall be published from time to time.

Clause 18 of Section 8 of Article 1 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 the Constitution in the Government of the United States, or in any Department or Officer thereof.

By Mr. FOSTER:

H.R. 3856.

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

Article I, Section 8, which states "The Congress shall have Power To lay and collect Taxes."

By Mr. GERLACH:

H.R. 3857.

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

Article I, Section 8 of the U.S. Constitution, including, but not limited to, clause 18 as this legislation exercises legislative power granted to Congress: "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"; and Article II, Section 3 of the U.S. Constitution.

By Mr. KINZINGER of Illinois:

H.R. 3858.

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

Article I, Section 8, Clause 14, To make Rules for the Government and Regulation of the land and naval Forces; and

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

By Mr. LOWENTHAL:

H.R. 3859.

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

Article IV, Section 3, Clause 2 of the Constitution:

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.

Article I, Section 8, Clause 1 of the Constitution:

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

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

By Mr. REED:

H.R. 3860.

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

Article 1, Section 8, Clause 1

By Ms. SHEA-PORTER:

H.R. 3861. Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8, Clause 1

## ADDITIONAL SPONSORS

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

H.R. 268: Ms. LOFGREN.

H.R. 351: Mr. MASSIE.

H.R. 366: Mr. VALADAO.

H.R. 556: Mr. FITZPATRICK.

H.R. 755: Mr. MURPHY of Pennsylvania.

H.R. 830: Mr. ROE of Tennessee.

H.R. 831: Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas and Mrs. DAVIS of California.

H.R. 940: Mr. MICA.

H.R. 1010: Mr. RUPPERSBERGER, Mr. VELA, and Mr. COSTA.

H.R. 1020: Mr. CÁRDENAS.

H.R. 1122: Mr. WENSTRUP.

H.R. 1144: Mr. RUIZ.

H.R. 1186: Mr. DUNCAN of South Carolina.

H.R. 1199: Mr. KILDEE.

H.R. 1250: Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD and Mr. MEADOWS.

H.R. 1252: Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD.

H.R. 1518: Mr. VALADAO, Mr. AUSTIN SCOTT of Georgia, and Mr. CAMP.

H.R. 1563: Mr. DELANEY, Mr. YARMUTH, and Mr. BARR.

H.R. 1666: Ms. SCHAKOWSKY.

H.R. 1726: Mr. BRALEY of Iowa.

H.R. 1750: Mr. HECK of Washington.

H.R. 1763: Mr. ROSKAM, Mr. DIAZ-BALART, Mr. RIGELL, Mr. GIBSON, Mr. REED, and Ms. TSONGAS.

H.R. 1771: Mr. SMITH of Washington and Mr. DUNCAN of South Carolina.

H.R. 1806: Mr. GRAVES of Missouri.  
 H.R. 1827: Mr. PASCRELL.  
 H.R. 1835: Mrs. BEATTY.  
 H.R. 1878: Ms. KUSTER.  
 H.R. 1962: Mr. DUNCAN of South Carolina.  
 H.R. 1971: Mr. DEFazio.  
 H.R. 2041: Mr. SCHNEIDER.  
 H.R. 2066: Ms. HAHN.  
 H.R. 2085: Mr. HULTGREN.  
 H.R. 2193: Mr. BLUMENAUER.  
 H.R. 2223: Mr. PETERS of Michigan.  
 H.R. 2247: Mr. WOODALL.  
 H.R. 2317: Mr. POCAN.  
 H.R. 2560: Mr. LYNCH.  
 H.R. 2607: Mrs. BEATTY and Ms. SCHA-KOWSKY.  
 H.R. 2717: Mr. DUNCAN of South Carolina.  
 H.R. 2800: Mr. GARAMENDI.  
 H.R. 2835: Mr. GUTHRIE.  
 H.R. 2868: Mr. MCGOVERN.  
 H.R. 2981: Mr. MCINTYRE, Mr. OWENS, Mr. BILIRAKIS, and Mr. REICHERT.  
 H.R. 2994: Mr. GRIMM, Mr. BILIRAKIS, and Ms. BONAMICI.  
 H.R. 3040: Mr. HIGGINS.  
 H.R. 3043: Mr. PRICE of Georgia.  
 H.R. 3077: Mr. YOUNG of Indiana.  
 H.R. 3154: Mr. WENSTRUP.  
 H.R. 3211: Mr. ROTHFUS.  
 H.R. 3404: Ms. KUSTER.  
 H.R. 3420: Ms. JENKINS.  
 H.R. 3450: Mr. LANCE.  
 H.R. 3461: Ms. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ and Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD.  
 H.R. 3485: Mrs. WAGNER.  
 H.R. 3489: Mr. LANCE.  
 H.R. 3494: Mr. SCHNEIDER and Ms. MCCOLLUM.  
 H.R. 3499: Mrs. BEATTY.  
 H.R. 3513: Mr. FARR.  
 H.R. 3530: Mr. OLSON.  
 H.R. 3537: Mr. GARAMENDI.  
 H.R. 3541: Mr. RADEL, Mr. MEADOWS, and Mr. MILLER of Florida.

H.R. 3544: Mr. JONES.  
 H.R. 3578: Mr. HUELSKAMP and Mr. MEADOWS.  
 H.R. 3590: Mr. REED, Mr. NUGENT, and Mr. OWENS.  
 H.R. 3635: Mr. BRIDENSTINE, Mr. FINCHER, Mr. HULTGREN, Mr. COLLINS of New York, Mr. FLEISCHMANN, and Mr. GIBBS.  
 H.R. 3685: Mr. FORBES, Mr. DEFazio, Mr. MICHAUD, Mr. CONNOLLY, Mr. FLEISCHMANN, Mr. KILMER, and Mrs. LUMMIS.  
 H.R. 3698: Ms. MENG, Mr. FORBES, Mrs. MCCARTHY of New York, Ms. TSONGAS, Mr. ISRAEL, Mr. ENGEL, Mr. HANNA, Mr. TIBERI, Mr. FRANKS of Arizona, and Mr. DENT.  
 H.R. 3708: Mr. YODER, Mrs. HARTZLER, and Mr. MCHENRY.  
 H.R. 3711: Mr. CAPUANO, Mr. CUMMINGS, Ms. DELBENE, Ms. LEE of California, Mr. MCGOVERN, Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California, Ms. NORTON, and Ms. SCHAKOWSKY.  
 H.R. 3717: Mr. SALMON and Mr. BENISHEK.  
 H.R. 3728: Mr. VELA, Mr. OWENS, and Mr. ROGERS of Alabama.  
 H.R. 3732: Mr. BOUSTANY, Mr. CONAWAY, and Mr. MASSIE.  
 H.R. 3740: Ms. CASTOR of Florida.  
 H.R. 3747: Mr. POCAN.  
 H.R. 3762: Mr. BARTON, Mr. BENTIVOLIO, and Mrs. BACHMANN.  
 H.R. 3763: Mr. BARTON, Mr. BENTIVOLIO, and Mrs. BACHMANN.  
 H.R. 3764: Mr. BARTON, Mr. BENTIVOLIO, and Mrs. BACHMANN.  
 H.R. 3788: Mr. HUNTER.  
 H.R. 3804: Ms. SHEA-PORTER.  
 H.R. 3812: Mr. JONES.  
 H.R. 3824: Ms. SCHWARTZ, Mr. HOLT, Ms. TSONGAS, Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California, Ms. CLARK of Massachusetts, Mr. BISHOP of New York, Ms. DELBENE, Mr. CICILLINE, Mr. TONKO, Mr. WAXMAN, Ms. SLAUGHTER, Ms. DELAURO, Ms. EDWARDS, Mr. GRAYSON, Mr. COURTNEY, Mr. ANDREWS, Mr. KILMER, Mr.

ENYART, Mr. TAKANO, Mr. MCGOVERN, Mr. OWENS, Ms. JACKSON LEE, Mr. WELCH, Ms. TITUS, Mr. RANGEL, Mr. MICHAUD, Mr. NADLER, Mr. HOYER, Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia, Mr. BERA of California, Mrs. DAVIS of California, Mr. POCAN, Mr. LOWENTHAL, Mr. GRIJALVA, Ms. VELÁZQUEZ, Ms. KELLY of Illinois, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, Mr. NOLAN, Ms. SPEIER, Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas, Mr. CÁRDENAS, Mrs. BEATTY, Mr. HONDA, Ms. BONAMICI, Ms. MENG, Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD, Ms. BASS, Mr. FOSTER, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, Mr. MORAN, Mr. CONYERS, Mr. MEEKS, Ms. KAPTUR, Ms. MATSUI, Ms. ESHOO, Ms. HAHN, Mr. PETERS of California, Ms. BROWNLEY of California, Mrs. CAPPS, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. CLYBURN, Mr. PRICE of North Carolina, Ms. MCCOLLUM, Ms. FUDGE, Mr. KEATING, Mr. DANNY K. DAVIS of Illinois, Mr. SHERMAN, Mr. SARBANES, Mrs. MCCARTHY of New York, Mr. LANGEVIN, Ms. MOORE, Mr. ELLISON, Ms. CHU, Mr. O'ROURKE, Mr. GUTIÉRREZ, Mr. CLAY, Mr. ENGEL, Mr. RICHMOND, Mr. KENNEDY, Mrs. NEGRETE MCLEOD, Mr. LARSON of Connecticut, Ms. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ, Mr. HIGGINS, Ms. PINGREE of Maine, Mr. HINOJOSA, Mr. LEWIS, Mr. PASCRELL, Ms. DEGETTE, Mr. BRADY of Pennsylvania, Mr. SCOTT of Virginia, and Mr. SERRANO.  
 H.R. 3826: Mrs. BROOKS of Indiana, Mr. KINZINGER of Illinois, and Mr. SESSIONS.  
 H.R. 3851: Mr. JONES, Mr. WESTMORELAND, Mr. TIBERI, and Mrs. ELLMERS.  
 H.J. Res. 51: Mr. MCINTYRE.  
 H. Con. Res. 26: Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN.  
 H. Res. 97: Mrs. DAVIS of California.  
 H. Res. 218: Mr. DUNCAN of South Carolina.  
 H. Res. 284: Mr. DUNCAN of South Carolina.  
 H. Res. 417: Mr. PEARCE.  
 H. Res. 422: Mr. HIGGINS.  
 H. Res. 440: Ms. BONAMICI, Ms. EDWARDS, Mr. RODNEY DAVIS of Illinois, and Mr. DINGELL.