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H.R. 612. A bill to preserve and protect the free choice of individual employees to form, join, or assist labor organizations, or to refrain from such activities; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

By Mr. MEEHAN (for himself, Mr. CARNEY, Mr. BUCSHON, Mrs. NAPOLITANO, Mrs. COMSTOCK, Mr. FATTAH, Mr. FITZPATRICK, Mr. TONKO, and Mr. COSTELLO of Pennsylvania):

H.R. 613. A bill to amend the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 to authorize veterans' treatment courts and encourage services for veterans; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. MURPHY of Florida (for himself, Mr. JOLLY, Mr. ASHFORD, Mr. CURBELO of Florida, Ms. SINEMA, Mr. MULVANEY, Ms. KUSTER, Mr. FITZPATRICK, Mr. SWALWELL of California, and Mr. BARR):

H.R. 614. A bill to provide for savings, accountability, value, and efficiency, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, and in addition to the Committees on Veterans' Affairs, Appropriations, Agriculture, Energy and Commerce, Ways and Means, Armed Services, Foreign Affairs, the Judiciary, Financial Services, House Administration, and 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. PAYNE (for himself, Mrs. BROOKS of Indiana, Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi, and Mr. MCCAUL):

H.R. 615. A bill to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to require the Under Secretary for Management of the Department of Homeland Security to take administrative action to achieve and maintain interoperable communications capabilities among the components of the Department of Homeland Security, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security.

By Mr. POLIS (for himself and Mr. AMODEI):

H.R. 616. A bill to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to provide for reforms to the EB-5 immigrant investor program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. REED (for himself and Ms. SLAUGHTER):

H.R. 617. A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to enhance the clinical trial registry data bank reporting requirements and enforcement measures; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. ROKITA (for himself, Mr. MESSER, Mr. DESANTIS, and Mr. GOWDY):

H.R. 618. A bill to expand opportunity through greater choice in education, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce, and in addition to the Committees on Oversight and Government Reform, and 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. SIREs:

H.R. 619. A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide for the expansion, intensification, and coordination of the programs and activities of the National Institutes of Health with respect to Tourette syndrome; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. VAN HOLLEN (for himself, Mr. CLYBURN, Ms. DELAURO, Ms. SLAUGHTER, Mr. MCDERMOTT, Ms. NORTON, Mr. BRADY of Pennsylvania, Mr. BEYER, Mr. WELCH, Mr. POCAN, Mr. LOWENTHAL, Mr. CICILLINE, Ms. CASTOR of Florida, Mr. HONDA, Mr. HASTINGS, Mrs. WATSON COLEMAN, and Mr. GRAYSON):

H.R. 620. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to expand the denial of deduction for certain excessive employee remuneration; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. VARGAS:

H.R. 621. A bill to authorize the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to make grants with minority serving institutions for the purpose of establishing verified delivery systems to address social and academic problems facing veterans enrolled at such institutions, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. QUIGLEY (for himself, Ms. LEE, and Mr. HECK of Nevada):

H. Con. Res. 11. Concurrent resolution expressing support for designation of January 2015 as "National Blood Donor Month"; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. LATTA:

H. Res. 59. A resolution recognizing the National Construction Equipment Museum established, operated and maintained by the Historical Construction Equipment Association located in Bowling Green, Ohio, as the National Construction Equipment Museum; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

By Mr. CHABOT:

H. Res. 60. A resolution providing amounts for the expenses of the Committee on Small Business in the One Hundred Fourteenth Congress; to the Committee on House Administration.

By Mr. COSTA (for himself and Mr. POE of Texas):

H. Res. 61. A resolution supporting the goals and ideals of a National Stalking Awareness Month; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Ms. DELAURO (for herself, Ms. ROSELEHTINEN, Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY of New York, Ms. BASS, Mr. VARGAS, Ms. MCCOLLUM, Mr. WEBER of Texas, Mr. LOWENTHAL, Ms. SPEIER, Mr. COHEN, Ms. FRANKEL of Florida, Mr. LARSON of Connecticut, Ms. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ, Ms. SLAUGHTER, Mr. TONKO, Mr. CÁRDENAS, Ms. BORDALLO, Mr. NOLAN, Ms. ESTY, Mrs. WAGNER, Mr. DOGGETT, Mr. CICILLINE, Mr. POE of Texas, Mr. JOHNSON of Ohio, Ms. JACKSON LEE, Mr. RANGEL, Mr. DIAZ-BALART, Mr. HONDA, Mr. MCDERMOTT, Mr. GRIJALVA, Ms. KAPTUR, Ms. WILSON of Florida, Mr. PETERSON, Ms. JENKINS of Kansas, and Mr. COURTNEY):

H. Res. 62. A resolution expressing the sense of the House of Representatives regarding sexually exploited and trafficked girls in

the United States; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mrs. MILLER of Michigan:

H. Res. 63. A resolution providing amounts for the expenses of the Committee on House Administration in the One Hundred Fourteenth Congress; to the Committee on House Administration.

By Ms. WILSON of Florida (for herself, Ms. BASS, Ms. BROWN of Florida, Mr. CÁRDENAS, Mr. CARSON of Indiana, Ms. CASTOR of Florida, Mr. CONYERS, Mrs. DAVIS of California, Mr. DANNY K. DAVIS of Illinois, Mr. FATTAH, Ms. FUDGE, Mr. AL GREEN of Texas, Mr. LANGEVIN, Mr. LOEBACK, Ms. MCCOLLUM, Ms. NORTON, Mr. PERLMUTTER, Mr. POCAN, Mr. SCHIFF, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania, and Ms. TSONGAS):

H. Res. 64. A resolution recognizing January 2015 as "National Mentoring Month"; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

## 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. GIBBS:

H.R. 578.

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

Article I, Section 8 of the United States Constitution and the Second Amendment, which states: A well regulated Militia, being necessary to the security of a free State, the right of the people to keep and bear Arms, shall not be infringed.

By Mr. WEBSTER of Florida:

H.R. 579.

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

Article I, Section 9, Clause 7 which provides that "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."

By Mr. RUSH:

H.R. 580.

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

Article I, Section 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. DENT:

H.R. 581.

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

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

By Mr. PASCRELL:

H.R. 582.

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

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

By Mr. POE of Texas:

H.R. 583.

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

Article 1, Section 8, Clause 4

By Mr. DESANTIS:

H.R. 584.

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

Article I, Section 6, Clause 1, of the U.S. Constitution: The Senators and Representatives shall receive a Compensation for their

Services, to be ascertained by Law, and paid out of the Treasury of the United States.

By Mr. FLORES:

H.R. 585.

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.

By Mrs. BUSTOS:

H.R. 586.

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

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

By Mr. POCAN:

H.R. 587.

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

Article I, Section 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. ROTHFUS:

H.R. 588.

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

Article I, Section 8, Clause 3

By Mr. MASSIE:

H.R. 589.

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

The constitutional authority for the Senior Citizens Tax Elimination Act is found in Article I, Section 8, which gives Congress the power to lay and collect taxes.

By Mr. LOWENTHAL:

H.R. 590.

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

Article 1, Section 8.

By Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas:

H.R. 591.

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

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

By Mr. GUTHRIE:

H.R. 592.

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

Article I, 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 Defense and general Welfare of the United States; but all Duties, Imposts and Excises shall be uniform throughout the United States;

By Mr. COFFMAN:

H.R. 593.

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 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 for carrying into execution the foregoing powers.

The purpose of the bill is to provide assistance to the VA for their construction activities so that the veteran population has access to healthcare facilities. In order for the U.S. Government to support and regulate our land and naval forces for future engagements, it is necessary and proper for the Congress to legislate the construction of facilities so the current and future veteran population is provided adequate healthcare.

By Mr. GOSAR:

H.R. 594.

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

The power to regulate inter-state commerce is set forth Article I, Section 8, Clause

3, the Power to "regulate commerce among the several states!" If the matter in question is not a purely local matter (intra-state) or if it has an impact on inter-state commerce, it falls within the Congressional power to regulate interstate commerce. *National Federation of Independent Business v. Sebelius* (2012).

Also Article 4, Section 3, Clause 2; Article 6, Clause 2; and the 10th Amendment, which grants states all authority not explicitly given to the federal government, pursuant to which this bill seeks to return to the states authority previously and erroneously claimed by the federal government.

Finally, Article I, section 8, clause 18, that grants Congress the power to make all laws necessary and proper for carrying out the powers vested by Congress in the Constitution of the United States or in any department or officer thereof.

By Mr. CARTWRIGHT:

H.R. 595.

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

(1) to regulate commerce with foreign nations, and among the several states, and with the Indian tribes, as enumerated in Article 1, Section 8, Clause 3 of the U.S. Constitution; (2) to make all laws necessary and proper for executing powers vested by the Constitution in the Government of the United States, as enumerated in Article I, Section 8, Clause 18 of the United States Constitution.

By Mr. BYRNE:

H.R. 596.

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

This Act repeals the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act and title I and subtitle B of title II of the Health Care and Education Affordability Reconciliation Act of 2010, which included several specific provisions that extend beyond the enumerated powers granted to Congress by the Constitution, including, in particular, the Commerce, Taxing, and the Spending Clauses of Article I, Section 8, as well as the Necessary and Proper Clauses contained therein, and that otherwise improperly extend authority to Federal agencies in a manner inconsistent with the Vesting Clause of Article I, Section 1.

The general repeal of this legislation is consistent with the powers that are reserved to the States and to the people as expressed in Amendment X to the United States Constitution.

By Mr. FINCHER:

H.R. 597.

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

Article I, Section VIII

By Mr. WALBERG:

H.R. 598.

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

Article 1, Section 9, Clause 7—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.

By Mr. RYAN of Wisconsin:

H.R. 599.

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

Article I, Section 8, clauses 1 and 18 of the Constitution of the United States.

By Mr. BLUMENAUER:

H.R. 600.

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

The Constitution of the United States provides clear authority for Congress to pass tax legislation. Article I of the Constitution, in detailing Congressional authority, provides that "Congress shall have Power to lay

and collect Taxes, Duties, Imposts and Excises . . ." (Section 8, Clause 1). This legislation is introduced pursuant to that grant of authority.

By Mr. LUETKEMEYER:

H.R. 601.

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

The constitutional authority on which this bill rests is the explicit power of Congress to regulate commerce in and among the states, as enumerate in Article 1, Section 8, Clause 3, the Commerce Clause, of the United States Constitution.

Additionally, Article 1, Section 7, Clause 2 of the Constitution allows for every bill passed by the House of Representatives and the Senate and signed by the President to be codified into law; and therefore implicitly allows Congress to repeal any bill that has been passed by both chambers and signed into law by the President.

By Mr. RENACCI:

H.R. 602.

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

Article I, Section 8, Clause 5 states, "The Congress shall have Power . . . To coin Money, regulate the Value thereof, and of foreign Coin, and fix the Standard of Weights and Measures."

By Mrs. BLACKBURN:

H.R. 603.

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

Article 1, Section 8, Clause 3.

By Mr. JODY B. HICE of Georgia:

H.R. 604.

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

Article I, Section 8, Clause 4, which states that Congress has the power "to establish a uniform Rule of Naturalization and uniform Laws on the subject of Bankruptcies throughout the United States."

Article I, Section 8, Clause 18, which states that Congress has the 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 Mr. ENGEL:

H.R. 605.

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

Article I, Section 1

By Mr. PAULSEN:

H.R. 606.

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

Article 1, Section 8

By Ms. BROWNLEY of California:

H.R. 607.

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

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

By Mr. CARSON of Indiana:

H.R. 608.

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

Clause 1 of section 8 of Article I of the Constitution.

By Ms. DELAURO:

H.R. 609.

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

Article I, Section 8, Clause 3 and Article I, Section 8, Clause 18 of the United States Constitution.

By Mr. DUFFY:

H.R. 610.

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

Article I, Section 8, Clause 1 states The Congress shall have Power To lay and collect