

First Lady Hillary Clinton in the Clinton years in the Clinton White House. How could that happen?

Of course, over the years, she has become ingratiated to Hillary Clinton. She has been her closest confidante. Not much of anything happens, as we found from the emails, without Huma Abedin Weiner being in the middle of it. Wow.

I just want to point out something else that has come out in recent years. I will just read this. I don't espouse that Wikipedia is all that reliable, but here is what they say about Abdul Rahman al-Amoudi: He is an American former Muslim activist known for founding the American Muslim Council. He was born in Eritrea, raised in Yemen, emigrated to the U.S. He formed the Council, whose aim was to inform and influence both Republicans and Democrats.

In 1998, al-Amoudi was involved with the selection of Muslim chaplains for the U.S. military, and acted as a consultant to the Pentagon for over a decade.

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During this time, al-Amoudi served as an Islamic adviser to President Bill Clinton and a fundraiser for both the Republican and Democratic parties.

More recently, al-Amoudi worked with leading conservatives such as Grover Norquist, president of Americans for Tax Reform.

Al-Amoudi became a U.S. citizen in 1996. Al-Amoudi and other Muslim leaders met with the then-presidential candidate George W. Bush in Austin in July 2000, offering to support his bid for the White House in exchange for Bush's commitment to repeal antiterrorist laws. He even spoke at a service for the victims of 9/11.

He is now doing 23 years in prison for supporting terrorism. He was helping the Clinton administration find people for different jobs. I am trying to find out, Mr. Speaker, could he have had anything to do, before he went to prison, with placing Huma Abedin as an intern with Hillary Clinton. Mr. Speaker, I can't get an answer.

I yield back the balance of my time.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CHAIRMAN OF THE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

Mr. BRADY of Texas. Mr. Speaker, I would like to submit the following Tax Complexity Analysis statement on the conference report to H.R. 644:

Section 4022(b) of the Internal Revenue Service Restructuring and Reform Act of 1998 (the 'IRS Reform Act') requires the staff of the Joint Committee on Taxation (in consultation with the Internal Revenue Service and the Treasury Department) to provide a tax complexity analysis. The complexity analysis is required for all legislation reported by the Senate Committee on Finance, the House Committee on Ways and Means, or any committee of conference if the legislation includes a provision that directly or indirectly amends the Internal Revenue Code

and has widespread applicability to individuals or small businesses.

Pursuant to clause 11 of rule XXII of the Rules of the House of Representatives, the staff of the Joint Committee on Taxation has determined that a complexity analysis is not required under section 4022(b) of the IRS Reform Act because the bill contains no provisions that amend the Code and that have 'widespread applicability' to individuals or small businesses, within the meaning of the rule.

SENATE BILL REFERRED

A bill of the Senate of the following title was taken from the Speaker's table and, under the rule, referred as follows:

S. 1719. An act to provide for the establishment and maintenance of a National Family Caregiving Strategy, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

SENATE ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED

The Speaker announced his signature to enrolled bills of the Senate of the following titles:

S. 614. An act to provide access to and use of information by Federal agencies in order to reduce improper payments, and for other purposes.

S. 1177. An act to reauthorize the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 to ensure that every child achieves.

S. 1461. An act to provide for the extension of the enforcement instruction on supervision requirements for outpatient therapeutic services in critical access and small rural hospitals through 2015.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. GOHMERT. Mr. Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 8 o'clock and 31 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until tomorrow, Thursday, December 10, 2015, at 10 a.m. for morning-hour debate.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

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

3732. A letter from the Director, Issuance Staff, Office of Policy and Program Development, Food Safety and Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's Major final rule — Mandatory Inspection of Fish of the Order Siluriformes and Products Derived From Such Fish [Docket No.: FSIS-2008-0031] (RIN: 0583-AD36) received December 8, 2015, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Added by Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Agriculture.

3733. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Commerce, transmitting a report prepared by the Department of Commerce's Bureau of Industry and Security on the national emergency declared by Executive Order 13222 of August 17, 2001 and continued through August 7, 2015, to deal with the threat the national security, foreign policy, and economy of the United States caused by the lapse of the Export Administration Act

of 1979, pursuant to 50 U.S.C. 1641(c); Public Law 94-412, Sec. 401(c); (90 Stat. 1257) and 50 U.S.C. 1703(c); Public Law 95-223, Sec. 204(c); (91 Stat. 1627); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

3734. A letter from the Director, Defense Security Cooperation Agency, transmitting a notice of Proposed Issuance of Letter of Offer and Acceptance to the Government of Japan, Transmittal No. 15-62, pursuant to Sec. 36(b)(1) of the Arms Export Control Act, as amended; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

3735. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Export Administration, Bureau of Industry and Security, Department of Commerce, transmitting the Department's interim final rule — Amendment to the Export Administration Regulations to Add XBS Epoxy System to the List of 0Y521 Series; Technical Amendment to Update Other 0Y521 Items [Docket No.: 150825777-5777-01] (RIN: 0694-AG70) received December 7, 2015, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Added by Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

3736. A letter from the Director, Congressional Affairs, Federal Election Commission, transmitting the Commission's Semiannual Report to Congress for the period from April 1, 2015, through September 30, 2015, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. app. (Insp. Gen. Act) Sec. 5(b); Public Law 95-452, Sec. 5(b); (92 Stat. 1103); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

3737. A letter from the Chairman, National Mediation Board, transmitting the Board's Annual Performance and Accountability Report 2015, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 3515(a); Public Law 101-576, Sec. 303(a); (104 Stat. 2849); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

3738. A letter from the Chief, Regulations and Standards Branch, Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement, Department of the Interior, transmitting the Department's final rule — Oil and Gas and Sulphur Operations in the Outer Continental Shelf — Decommissioning Costs [Docket ID: BSEE-2015-0012; 15XE1700DX EEEE500000 EX1SF0000.DAQ000] (RIN: 1014-AA24) received December 4, 2015, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Added by Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

3739. A letter from the United States Trade Representative, Executive Office of the President, transmitting a letter regarding the pending accession to the World Trade Organization of the Republic of Liberia and the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan, pursuant to Sec. 122 of the Uruguay Round Agreements Act; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES ON PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XIII, reports of committees were delivered to the Clerk for printing and reference to the proper calendar, as follows:

Mr. BRADY of Texas: Committee of Conference. Conference report on H.R. 644. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to permanently extend and expand the charitable deduction for contributions of food inventory (Rept. 114-376). Ordered to be printed.

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 Mr. CUMMINGS:

H.R. 4194. A bill to require the Attorney General to make competitive grants to State, tribal, and local governments to establish and maintain witness protection and assistance programs; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. JONES (for himself, Mr. MASSIE, and Mr. YOHIO):

H.R. 4195. A bill to repeal the authorizations for office space, office expenses, franking and printing privileges, and staff for former Speakers of the House of Representatives; to the Committee on House Administration.

By Mr. NOLAN:

H.R. 4196. A bill to amend the Tariff Act of 1930 to improve enforcement of the trade laws of the United States, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. POE of Texas (for himself, Mr. FARENTHOLD, Mr. BABIN, Mr. WEBER

of Texas, Mr. BARTON, Mr. OLSON, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. ROGERS of Alabama, Mr. SALMON, Mr. LOUDERMILK, Mr. ZINKE, Mr. ABRAHAM, Mr. SMITH of Texas, Mr. BRIDENSTINE, Mr. NEUGEBAUER, Mr. PITTENGER, Mr. JONES, Mr. GOWDY, Mr. KING of Iowa, Mr. BLUM, Mr. BURGESS, Mr. COLLINS of Georgia, Mr. DUNCAN of South Carolina, Mr. CULBERSON, Mr. JODY B. HICE of Georgia, Mr. POSEY, Mr. HARRIS, Mr. CONAWAY, Mr. PALMER, Mr. CARTER of Texas, and Mr. FLORES):

H.R. 4197. A bill to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to permit the Governor of a State to reject the resettlement of a refugee in that State unless there is adequate assurance that the alien does not present a security risk and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. BRAT:

H.R. 4198. A bill to amend the Small Business Act to clarify the responsibilities of Commercial Market Representatives, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Small Business.

By Mr. DUFFY:

H.R. 4199. A bill to provide the government of Puerto Rico the choice to restructure its municipal debt in conjunction with enhanced financial oversight, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Natural Resources, and in addition to the Committee on 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. GIBSON (for himself, Mr. NUGENT, Mr. WALZ, and Mr. O'ROURKE):

H.R. 4200. A bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to provide a period for the relocation of spouses and dependents of certain members of the Armed Forces undergoing a permanent change of station in order to ease and facilitate the relocation of military families, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. HASTINGS (for himself, Ms. LEE, Mr. GRIJALVA, Mr. FATTAH, Mr. BLUMENAUER, Mr. DEUTCH, Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia, and Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas):

H.R. 4201. A bill to amend titles XVI, XVIII, XIX, and XXI of the Social Security Act to remove limitations on Medicaid, Medicare, SSI, and CHIP benefits for persons in custody pending disposition of charges; 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. KATKO (for himself and Mr. HANNA):

H.R. 4202. A bill to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a special resource study of Fort Ontario in the State of New York; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

By Mr. LIPINSKI:

H.R. 4203. A bill to amend title 49, United States Code, to prohibit certain fees related to aircraft lavatories, to require refunding baggage fees if baggage is delayed, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Mr. MACARTHUR (for himself, Miss

RICE of New York, Mr. LANCE, Mr. PALLONE, Mr. FRELINGHUYSEN, Ms. DELAURO, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. PAYNE, Ms. MCCOLLUM, and Mr. PASCRELL):

H.R. 4204. A bill to posthumously award a Congressional gold medal to Alice Paul, in recognition of her role in the women's suffrage movement and in advancing equal rights for women; to the Committee on Financial Services.

By Mr. MCCAUL:

H.R. 4205. A bill to permit producers of "Choose and Cut" Christmas trees to opt out of the Christmas tree promotion, research, and information order; to the Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. SARBANES (for himself, Mrs. ELLMERS of North Carolina, and Mr. MCNERNEY):

H.R. 4206. A bill to provide for a technology demonstration program related to the modernization of the electric grid; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, 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. SCHAKOWSKY (for herself, Mr. DOGGETT, Ms. LEE, Mr. POCAN, Ms. DELAURO, Mr. MCDERMOTT, Mr. WELCH, and Mr. CUMMINGS):

H.R. 4207. A bill to amend part D of title XVIII of the Social Security Act to require the Secretary of Health and Human Services to determine, on behalf of Medicare beneficiaries, covered part D drug prices for certain covered part D drugs, 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. ROGERS of Kentucky:

H.J. Res. 75. A joint resolution making further continuing appropriations for fiscal year 2016, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. TROTT:

H. Res. 559. A resolution disapproving of Executive Order 13688, (regarding Federal support for local law enforcement equipment acquisition) issued by President Obama on January 16, 2015; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

MEMORIALS

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

158. The SPEAKER presented a memorial of the House of Representatives of the State of Michigan, relative to House Resolution No. 144, urging the President and the Congress to support the National Breast Cancer Coalition's goal of knowing how to end breast cancer by 2020; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

159. Also, a memorial of the General Assembly of the State of New Jersey, relative to Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 132, re-

questing the Congress of the United States call a convention of the States to propose amendments to the Constitution of the United States; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

160. Also, a memorial of the Legislature of the State of Alabama, relative to House Joint Resolution No. 112, requesting the Congress of the United States call a convention of the States to propose amendments to the Constitution of the United States; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

161. Also, a memorial of the Legislature of the State of Michigan, relative to Senate Resolution No. 105, encouraging the President, the Congress, and the Office of Management and Budget to support plans to upgrade the Soo Locks at Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan, and approve the Army Corps of Engineers' reprogramming request to fund an Economic Reevaluation Report for replacing the Davis and Sabin locks; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

162. Also, a memorial of the House of Representatives of the State of Michigan, relative to House Resolution No. 154, encouraging the President, the Congress, and the Office of Management and Budget to support plans to upgrade the Soo Locks at Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan, and approve the Army Corps of Engineers' reprogramming request to fund an Economic Reevaluation Report for replacing the Davis and Sabin locks; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

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. CUMMINGS:

H.R. 4194.

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

Article 1, Section 8, Clause 1

By Mr. JONES:

H.R. 4195.

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

Article I, Section 5, and Article I, Section 8

By Mr. NOLAN:

H.R. 4196.

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

Article I, Section 8, Clause 3

By Mr. POE of Texas:

H.R. 4197.

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

Article 1, Section 8 Clause 18

By Mr. BRAT:

H.R. 4198.

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

Article 1, Section 8, Clause 1 gives Congress power to raise revenue for spending on the general welfare. Pursuant to Article 1, Section 8, Clause 18, it is necessary and proper that Congress provides guidelines for the manner in which public funds are spent.

By Mr. DUFFY:

H.R. 4199.

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

Article IV, section 3, clause 2 and Article I, section 8, clause 4.

By Mr. GIBSON:

H.R. 4200.

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