

H.R. 1314. An act to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for a right to an administrative appeal relating to adverse determinations of tax-exempt status of certain organizations.

Under the authority of the order of the Senate of January 6, 2015, the enrolled bills were signed on November 2, 2015, during the adjournment of the Senate, by the Acting President pro tempore (Mr. COCHRAN).

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

At 2:15 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Novotny, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 1853. An act to direct the President to develop a strategy to obtain observer status for Taiwan in the International Criminal Police Organization, and for other purposes.

H.R. 2494. An act to support global anti-poaching efforts, strengthen the capacity of partner countries to counter wildlife trafficking, designate major wildlife trafficking countries, and for other purposes.

H.R. 3361. An act to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to establish the Insider Threat Program, and for other purposes.

H.R. 3503. An act to require an assessment of fusion center personnel needs, and for other purposes.

H.R. 3505. An act to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to improve the management and administration of the security clearance processes throughout the Department of Homeland Security, and for other purposes.

H.R. 3598. An act to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to enhance the partnership between the Department of Homeland Security and the National Network of Fusion Centers, and for other purposes.

MEASURES REFERRED

The following bills were read the first and the second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

H.R. 1853. An act to direct the President to develop a strategy to obtain observer status for Taiwan in the International Criminal Police Organization, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

H.R. 2494. An act to support global anti-poaching efforts, strengthen the capacity of partner countries to counter wildlife trafficking, designate major wildlife trafficking countries, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

H.R. 3361. An act to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to establish the Insider Threat Program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

H.R. 3503. An act to require an assessment of fusion center personnel needs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

H.R. 3505. An act to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to improve the management and administration of the security clearance processes throughout the Department of Homeland Security, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

H.R. 3598. An act to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to enhance the partnership between the Department of Homeland Security and the National Network of Fusion Centers, and for other purposes; to the

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

MEASURES READ THE FIRST TIME

The following bill was read the first time:

S. 2232. A bill to require a full audit of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System and the Federal reserve banks by the Comptroller General of the United States, and for other purposes.

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with accompanying papers, reports, and documents, and were referred as indicated:

EC-3403. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Teflubenzuron; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 9933-25) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 27, 2015; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-3404. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Methoxyfenozide; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 9934-14) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 27, 2015; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-3405. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Review Group, Farm Service Agency, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Agriculture Priorities and Allocations System" (RIN0560-AH68) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 28, 2015; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-3406. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition, Technology and Logistics), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Long Range Strike Bomber (LRS-B) system or program (OSS-2015-1699); to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-3407. A communication from the Director of Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement: New Designated Countries—Montenegro and New Zealand" ((RIN0750-A171) (DFARS Case 2015-0049)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 27, 2015; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-3408. A communication from the Director of Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement: Removal of Cuba from the List of State Sponsors of Terrorism" ((RIN0750-A167) (DFARS 2015-D032)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 27, 2015; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-3409. A communication from the Director of Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Requirements Relating to Supply Chain Risk" ((RIN0750-AH96) (DFARS Case 2012-D050)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 27, 2015; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-3410. A communication from the Chief Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Final Flood Elevation Determinations" ((44 CFR Part 67) (Docket No. FEMA-2015-0001)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 28, 2015; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-3411. A communication from the General Counsel, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Protection System, Automatic Reclosing, and Sudden Pressure Relaying Maintenance Reliability Standard" (Docket No. RM15-9-000) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 27, 2015; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-3412. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revisions to Air Plan; Arizona; Stationary Sources; New Source Review" (FRL No. 9930-43-Region 9) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 27, 2015; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3413. A communication from the Associate Administrator, Office of Congressional and Intergovernmental Relations, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "2015 Report to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Administrator"; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3414. A communication from the General Counsel, National Science Foundation, transmitting draft legislation entitled "Antarctic Environmental Liability Act of 2015"; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3415. A communication from the Deputy Director, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Medicaid Programs; Methods for Assuring Access to Covered Medicaid Services" (RIN0938-AQ54) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 29, 2015; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-3416. A communication from the Deputy Director, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Medicaid Programs; Final Waivers in Connection With the Shared Savings Program" (RIN0938-AR30) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 29, 2015; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-3417. A communication from the Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Report of the Attorney General to the Congress of the United States on the Administration of the Foreign Agents Registration Act of 1938, as amended, for the six months ending December 31, 2014"; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-3418. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (DDTC 15-098); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-3419. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report prepared by the Department of State on progress toward a negotiated solution of the Cyprus question covering the period June 1, 2015 through July 31, 2015; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-3420. A communication from the Assistant Legal Adviser for Treaty Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to the Case-Zablocki Act, 1 U.S.C. 112b, as amended, the report of the texts and background statements of international agreements, other than treaties (List 2015-0117—2015-0133); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-3421. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Legislation, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Performance Report of the Food and Drug Administration's Office of Combination Products for fiscal year 2014; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-3422. A communication from the Principal Deputy Chief Financial Officer, Office of the Chief Financial Officer, Department of Labor, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Administrative Wage Garnishment Procedures" (RIN1290-AA27) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 19, 2015; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-3423. A communication from the Acting Director, Merit System Accountability and Compliance, Office of Personnel Management, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Solicitation of Federal Civilian and Uniformed Service Personnel for Contributions to Private Voluntary Organizations" (RIN3206-AM68) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 28, 2015; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-3424. A communication from the Acting Director, Planning and Policy Analysis, Office of Personnel Management, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Federal Employees Health Benefits Program: Enrollment Options Following the Termination of a Plan or Plan Option" (RIN3206-AN07) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 28, 2015; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-3425. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator, Drug Enforcement Agency, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Schedules of Controlled Substances: Table of Excluded Nonnarcotic Products: Nasal Decongestant Inhaler/Vapor Inhaler" ((RIN1117-ZA30) (Docket No. DEA-409)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 27, 2015; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-3426. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator, Drug Enforcement Agency, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Schedules of Controlled Substances: Table of Excluded Nonnarcotic Products: Vicks VapoInhaler" ((RIN1117-AB39) (Docket No. DEA-367)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 27, 2015; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-3427. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants: Final Rule to List the Dusky Sea Snake and Three Foreign Corals Under the Endangered Species Act" (RIN0648-XD370) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 27, 2015; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3428. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation

and Management Act Provisions; Fishery Management Council Freedom of Information Act Requests Regulations; Technical Amendments to Regulations" (RIN0648-BE73) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 27, 2015; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3429. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "International Fisheries; Western and Central Pacific Fisheries for Highly Migratory Species; Fishing Effort and Catch Limits and Other Restrictions and Requirements" (RIN0648-BE84) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 27, 2015; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3430. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Magnuson-Stevens Act Provisions; Fisheries Off West Coast States; Pacific Coast Groundfish Fishery; 2015-2016 Biennial Specifications and Management Measures; Amendment 24; Correction" (RIN0648-BE27) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 27, 2015; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3431. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "International Fisheries; Pacific Tuna Fisheries; Establishment of Tuna Vessel Monitoring System in the Eastern Pacific Ocean" (RIN0648-BD54) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 27, 2015; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3432. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Atlantic Sea Scallop Fishery; State Waters Exemption" (RIN0648-BF20) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 27, 2015; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3433. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Atlantic Highly Migratory Species; Atlantic Bluefin Tuna Quotas" (RIN0648-BE81) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 27, 2015; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3434. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Caribbean, Gulf of Mexico, and South Atlantic; Snapper-Grouper Fishery Off the Southern Atlantic States; Regulatory Amendment 22" (RIN0648-BE76) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 27, 2015; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3435. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Exchange of Flatfish in the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Management Area" (RIN0648-XE223) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 27,

2015; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3436. A communication from the Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Reef Fish Fishery of the Gulf of Mexico; 2015 Recreational Accountability Measures and Closure for Gulf of Mexico Greater Amberjack" (RIN0648-XE182) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 27, 2015; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3437. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Pacific Ocean Perch in the Western Regulatory Area of the Gulf of Mexico" (RIN0648-XE168) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 27, 2015; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS

The following petitions and memorials were laid before the Senate and were referred or ordered to lie on the table as indicated:

POM-102. A resolution adopted by the House of Representatives of the State of Michigan urging the President of the United States and the United States Congress to take action to halt the illegal dumping of foreign steel into the U.S. market; to the Committee on Finance.

HOUSE RESOLUTION No. 87

Whereas, Steel is the backbone of the modern economy, and it contributes to every level of daily life. It supports our bridges, takes our buildings to new heights, and can be found in the everyday appliances in our homes. Michigan's strong manufacturing sector, particularly our automotive industry, relies extensively on the metal, as does the energy sector's domestic oil and gas extraction efforts. In fact, in 2014, Michigan and Minnesota shipped 93 percent of usable iron ore products in the United States; and

Whereas, Iron ore mining and manufacturing has been significantly undermined by low-price steel imports from foreign nations. Companies in places like China, South Korea, India, the Philippines, Vietnam, Thailand, Taiwan, and Saudi Arabia are selling their products in the United States at predatory prices. Some estimates state that certain Chinese steel firms retail their products in the United States at 75 percent of the domestic cost of production. A South Korean firm recently retailed its products even lower at 48 percent of the domestic cost of production. This unfair trade puts American mills, and the mines that feed them, at risk; and

Whereas, The economic consequences of steel dumping have begun and will have a lasting detrimental impact on the Michigan economy and the entire nation. Across the Midwest, thousands of steelworkers have already been laid off in recent years, and as mills continue to operate well below their operational capacity, more steelworkers and miners are at risk. As the percentage of foreign steel used in the United States increases, the impacts on American manufacturing will only increase. This could lead to the erosion of enterprises that are critical to our economy and national defense; and

Whereas, The dumping of foreign steel into the United States is a violation of international trade agreements and must be halted, Article VI of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade 1994 states that products