

626. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Transportation, transmitting the 29th Annual Report of Accomplishments under the Airport Improvement Program for Fiscal Years 2012 and 2013, pursuant to 49 U.S.C. 47131(a); Public Law 103-272, Sec. 1(e) (as amended by Public Law 112-95, Sec. 152(c)); (126 Stat. 34); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

627. A letter from the Regulations Coordinator, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's final rule — Medicare Program; Advancing Care Coordination Through Episode Payment Models (EPMs); Cardiac Rehabilitation Incentive Payment Model; and Changes to the Comprehensive Care for Joint Replacement Model; Delay of Effective Date [CMS-5519-F2] (RIN: 0938-AS90) received February 17, 2017, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); jointly to the Committees on Energy and Commerce and 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. GOODLATTE: Committee on the Judiciary. H.R. 720. A bill to amend rule 11 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure to improve attorney accountability, and for other purposes (Rept. 115-16). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. GOODLATTE: Committee on the Judiciary. H.R. 725. A bill to amend title 28, United States Code, to prevent fraudulent joinder (Rept. 115-17). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. GOODLATTE: Committee on the Judiciary. H.R. 906. A bill to amend title 11 of the United States Code to require the public disclosure by trusts established under section 524(g) of such title, of quarterly reports that contain detailed information regarding the receipt and disposition of claims for injuries based on exposure to asbestos, and for other purposes (Rept. 115-18). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

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. BARLETTA:

H.R. 1214. A bill to require the Administrator of the Federal Emergency Management Agency to conduct a program to use simplified procedures to issue public assistance for certain projects under the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Mr. KING of Iowa:

H.R. 1215. A bill to improve patient access to health care services and provide improved medical care by reducing the excessive burden the liability system places on the health care delivery system; to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, 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. MESSER (for himself, Mr. BANKS of Indiana, Mrs. WALORSKI, Mr. BUCSHON, Mrs. BROOKS of Indiana, Mr. RODNEY DAVIS of Illinois, Mr. BARLETTA, Mr. DESANTIS, and Mr. LAMALFA):

H.R. 1216. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide veterans affected by school closures certain relief and restoration of educational benefits, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Ms. NORTON:

H.R. 1217. A bill to direct the Librarian of Congress to obtain a stained glass panel depicting the seal of the District of Columbia and install the panel among the stained glass panels depicting the seals of States which overlook the Main Reading Room of the Library of Congress Thomas Jefferson Building; to the Committee on House Administration, and in addition to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, 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. WALBERG:

H.R. 1218. A bill to amend titles II and XVIII of the Social Security Act to establish a Social Security Surplus Protection Account in the Federal Old-Age and Survivors Insurance Trust Fund to hold the Social Security surplus and a Medicare Surplus Protection Account in the Federal Hospital Insurance Trust Fund to hold the Medicare surplus, to provide for suspension of investment of amounts held in such Accounts until enactment of legislation providing for investment of the Trust Funds in investment vehicles other than obligations of the United States, and to establish a Social Security and Medicare Part A Investment Commission to make recommendations for alternative forms of investment of the Social Security and Medicare surpluses; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

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. BARLETTA:

H.R. 1214.

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

Article I, Section 8 of the United States Constitution, specifically Clause 1 (relating to providing for the common defense and general welfare of the United States) and Clause 18 (relating to the power to make all laws necessary and proper for carrying out the powers vested in Congress) and Article I, Section 10, Clause 3 (relating to interstate compacts).

By Mr. KING of Iowa:

H.R. 1215.

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

Article I, Section 8, Clause 1 of the Constitution (the Spending Clause); Article I, Section 8, Clause 3, of the Constitution, which grants Congress the power to provide for uniform laws that remove barriers to trade and facilitate commerce nationwide; and Article I, Section 8, Clause 9; Article III, Section 1, Clause 1; and Article III, Section 2, Clause 2 of the Constitution, which grant Congress authority over federal courts.

By Mr. MESSER:

H.R. 1216.

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. NORTON:

H.R. 1217.

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

clause 18 of section 8 of article I of the Constitution.

By Mr. WALBERG:

H.R. 1218.

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

Article 1, 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;

ADDITIONAL SPONSORS

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

H.R. 38: Mr. MARINO and Mr. MACARTHUR.

H.R. 82: Mr. LAHOOD.

H.R. 92: Ms. PINGREE.

H.R. 115: Mr. POSEY, Mr. BABIN, Mr. REED, Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania, and Mr. MCKINLEY.

H.R. 140: Ms. FOXX.

H.R. 332: Ms. LOFGREN.

H.R. 367: Mr. MARINO.

H.R. 449: Mr. THORNBERY.

H.R. 489: Mr. HASTINGS and Ms. VELÁZQUEZ.

H.R. 496: Mr. CARBAJAL and Mr. FITZPATRICK.

H.R. 520: Mr. GRAVES of Georgia and Mr. JODY B. HICE of Georgia.

H.R. 564: Mr. RODNEY DAVIS of Illinois, Mr. FRANCIS ROONEY of Florida, and Mr. GARRETT.

H.R. 585: Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia.

H.R. 662: Ms. JACKSON LEE, Mr. RODNEY DAVIS of Illinois, and Mr. RENACCI.

H.R. 721: Mr. KIND, Mr. POCAN, Mr. BOST, and Mr. CICCLINE.

H.R. 771: Mr. KILMER.

H.R. 781: Mr. HUDSON, Mr. BARR, Mr. LAMALFA, Mr. DESJARLAIS, Mr. YOHO, and Mr. WILSON of South Carolina.

H.R. 785: Mr. FARENTHOLD, Mr. MULLIN, and Mr. HUIZENGA.

H.R. 919: Ms. SHEA-PORTER and Mr. LANDEVIN.

H.R. 931: Mr. CURBELO of Florida, Mr. FRELINGHUYSEN, and Mr. LANGEVIN.

H.R. 947: Mr. YARMUTH.

H.R. 997: Ms. FOXX.

H.R. 1002: Mr. KILDEE and Mr. BRENDAN F. BOYLE of Pennsylvania.

H.R. 1017: Mr. LIPINSKI.

H.R. 1059: Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN, Mr. McEACHIN, and Mrs. COMSTOCK.

H.R. 1103: Mr. HIGGINS of New York.

H.R. 1121: Mr. COFFMAN, Mr. JOHNSON of Ohio, Mr. OLSON, and Mr. FITZPATRICK.

H.R. 1155: Mr. MEEHAN.

H.R. 1170: Mr. DESANTIS and Mr. POSEY.

H.R. 1178: Mr. GRAVES of Georgia.

H.R. 1200: Ms. FUDGE and Mr. COHEN.

H.J. Res. 31: Mr. O'HALLERAN.

H.J. Res. 59: Mr. WEBER of Texas.

H. Con. Res. 9: Ms. BROWNLEY of California, Ms. DELAURO, Mr. GUTIERREZ, and Mr. WELCH.

H. Res. 15: Mr. PRICE of North Carolina.

H. Res. 104: Ms. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ.

H. Res. 111: Mr. CONYERS, Mr. PRICE of North Carolina, Mr. AGUILAR, Mr. RASKIN, Mrs. DAVIS of California, Mr. JEFFRIES, and Mr. SWALWELL of California.

PETITIONS, ETC.

Under clause 3 of rule XII, petitions and papers were laid on the clerk's desk and referred as follows:

17. The SPEAKER presented a petition of The Trust for Public Land, San Francisco,

CA, relative to seven petitions from private citizens in opposition to Congress's attempts to sell off public lands and turn them over to states to manage; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

18. Also, a petition of New Orleans City Council, relative to Resolution No. R-17-79,

condemning the Executive Order entitled "Protection of the Nation From Foreign Terrorist Entry Into The United States", issued January 27, 2017; jointly to the Committees on the Judiciary, Foreign Affairs, Homeland Security, and Intelligence (Permanent Select).