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Senate

The Senate was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Monday, June 19, 2017, at 4 p.m.

House of Representatives

FRIDAY, JUNE 16, 2017

The House met at 9:30 a.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. SIMPSON).

DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Speaker:

WASHINGTON, DC,
June 16, 2017.

I hereby appoint the Honorable MICHAEL K. SIMPSON to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

PAUL D. RYAN,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

PRAYER

The Chaplain, the Reverend Patrick J. Conroy, offered the following prayer: Gracious and merciful God, we give You thanks for giving us another day.

In this Chamber where the people's House gathers, we pause to offer You gratitude for the gift of this good land on which we live, and for this great Nation which You have inspired in developing over so many years. Continue to inspire the American people, that through the difficulties of these days we might keep liberty and justice alive in our Nation and in our world.

We thank You for a great evening of recreation and celebration of what we

have in common as Americans last night at the annual Congressional Baseball Game. Bless all those who contributed to making the event such a success, and continue to send Your healing spirit upon our brother STEVE SCALISE, and all who were injured at last Wednesday's practice.

May all that is done this day be for Your greater honor and glory.
Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair has examined the Journal of the last day's proceedings and announces to the House his approval thereof.

Pursuant to clause 1, rule I, the Journal stands approved.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair will lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The SPEAKER pro tempore led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Clerk of the House of Representatives:

OFFICE OF THE CLERK,
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, DC, June 15, 2017.

Hon. PAUL D. RYAN,
Speaker, House of Representatives,
Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: Pursuant to the permission granted in Clause 2(h) of Rule II of the Rules of the U.S. House of Representatives, the Clerk received the following message from the Secretary of the Senate on June 15, 2017, at 3:10 p.m.:

That the Senate passed S. 722.

With best wishes, I am,
Sincerely,

KAREN L. HAAS.

ADJOURNMENT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Without objection, the House stands adjourned until noon, Tuesday, June 20, 2017, for morning-hour debate.

There was no objection.

Thereupon (at 9 o'clock and 32 minutes a.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until Tuesday, June 20, 2017, at noon for morning-hour debate.

EXPENDITURE REPORTS CONCERNING OFFICIAL FOREIGN TRAVEL

Reports concerning the foreign currencies and U.S. dollars utilized for Official Foreign Travel during the first quarter of 2017, pursuant to Public Law 95-384, are as follows:

☐ This symbol represents the time of day during the House proceedings, e.g., ☐ 1407 is 2:07 p.m.

Matter set in this typeface indicates words inserted or appended, rather than spoken, by a Member of the House on the floor.



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REPORT OF EXPENDITURES FOR OFFICIAL FOREIGN TRAVEL, COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, EXPENDED BETWEEN JAN. 1 AND MAR. 31, 2017

| Name of Member or employee | Date | | Country | Per diem ¹ | | Transportation | | Other purposes | | Total | |
|----------------------------|---------|-----------|----------------------|-----------------------|--|------------------|--|------------------|--|------------------|--|
| | Arrival | Departure | | Foreign currency | U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency ² | Foreign currency | U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency ² | Foreign currency | U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency ² | Foreign currency | U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency ² |
| Kelly Ann Shaw | 3/13 | 3/15 | Chile | | 417.80 | | 10,758.16 | | | | 11,175.96 |
| Angela Ellard | 3/13 | 3/15 | Chile | | 417.80 | | 10,758.16 | | 340.54 | | 11,516.50 |
| Katherine Tai | 3/13 | 3/15 | Chile | | 417.80 | | 10,758.16 | | | | 11,175.96 |
| Jason Smith | 2/18 | 2/19 | United Kingdom | | 455.50 | | (³) | | | | 455.50 |
| | 2/20 | 2/23 | India | | 1,136.37 | | (³) | | | | 1,136.67 |
| | 2/23 | 2/25 | Sri Lanka | | 662.53 | | (³) | | | | 662.53 |
| | 2/25 | 2/26 | Austria | | (³) | | (³) | | | | (³) |
| George Holding | 2/18 | 2/19 | United Kingdom | | 455.50 | | (³) | | | | 455.50 |
| | 2/20 | 2/23 | India | | 1,136.37 | | (³) | | | | 1,136.37 |
| | 2/23 | 2/25 | Sri Lanka | | 662.53 | | (³) | | | | 662.53 |
| | 2/25 | 2/26 | Austria | | (³) | | (³) | | | | (³) |
| | 1/15 | 1/19 | Switzerland | | 2,268.56 | | 1,061.86 | | | | 3,330.42 |
| Lloyd Doggett | 2/19 | 2/20 | Jordan | | 255.05 | | (³) | | | | 255.05 |
| | 2/22 | 2/25 | Austria | | 1,470.44 | | (³) | | | | 1,470.44 |
| | 2/18 | 2/19 | Italy | | 825.64 | | (³) | | | | 825.64 |
| | 2/21 | 2/22 | Israel | | 935.63 | | (³) | | | | 935.63 |
| Vern Buchanan | 2/18 | 2/19 | Czech Republic | | 357.73 | | (³) | | | | 357.73 |
| | 2/19 | 2/19 | Ukraine | | (³) | | (³) | | | | (³) |
| | 2/19 | 2/20 | Israel | | 568.00 | | (³) | | | | 568.00 |
| | 2/20 | 2/21 | UAE | | 415.81 | | (³) | | | | 415.81 |
| | 2/19 | 2/19 | Ethiopia | | 707.49 | | (³) | | | | 707.49 |
| | 2/19 | 2/19 | Uganda | | 340.00 | | (³) | | | | 340.00 |
| | 2/19 | 2/19 | Benin | | 189.87 | | (³) | | | | 189.87 |
| | 2/19 | 2/19 | Ghana | | 361.00 | | (³) | | | | 361.00 |
| | 2/19 | 2/19 | Algeria | | (³) | | (³) | | | | (³) |
| | 2/19 | 2/19 | Spain | | 287.85 | | (³) | | | | 287.85 |
| Committee total | | | | | 14,745.27 | | 33,336.34 | | 340.54 | | 48,422.15 |

¹ Per diem constitutes lodging and meals.² If foreign currency is used, enter U.S. dollar equivalent; if U.S. currency is used, enter amount expended.³ Military air transportation.

HON. KEVIN BRADY, Chairman, May 31, 2017.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

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

1698. A letter from the Acting Under Secretary, Acquisition, Technology, and Logistics, Department of Defense, transmitting the Department's FY 2017 Operational Energy Budget Certification Report, pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 2926(c)(4); Public Law 113-291, div. A, title IX, Sec. 901(g)(1); (128 Stat. 3465); to the Committee on Armed Services.

1699. A letter from the Chief Counsel, Economic Development Administration, Department of Commerce, transmitting the Department's final rule — Economic Development Administration Regulatory Revision [Docket No.: 110726429-4508-02] (RIN: 0610-AA66) received June 14, 2017, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Financial Services.

1700. A letter from the Acting Under Secretary, Bureau of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting the Department's report on progress toward a negotiated solution of the Cyprus question covering the period of February 1, 2017 — March 31, 2017, pursuant to Sec. 620C(c) of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, as amended, and in accordance with Sec. 1(a)(6) of Executive Order 13313; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

1701. A letter from the Executive Director, Consumer Product Safety Commission, transmitting the Commission's 2016 Annual Report to the President and Congress, pursuant to 15 U.S.C. 2076(j); Public Law 92-573, Sec. 27(j) (as amended by Public Law 110-314, Sec. 209(a)); (122 Stat. 3046); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

1702. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Education, transmitting the Department's FY 2016 No FEAR Act report, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 2301 note; Public Law 107-174, 203(a) (as amended by Public Law 109-435, Sec. 604(f)); (120 Stat. 3242); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

1703. A letter from the Acting Chair, Equal Employment Opportunity Commission,

transmitting the Commission's Semiannual Report from the Office of Inspector General for the period ending March 31, 2017, pursuant to Sec. 5(b) of the Inspector General Act of 1978, as amended; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

1704. A letter from the President and Chief Executive Officer, Federal Home Loan Bank of Pittsburgh, transmitting the Federal Home Loan Bank of Pittsburgh's 2016 Statement on the System of Internal Controls and 2016 audited financial statements, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 9106(a)(1); Public Law 97-258 (as amended by Public Law 101-576, Sec. 306(a)) (104 Stat. 2854); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

1705. A letter from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, NMFS, Office of Constituent Services, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Fishing Capacity Reduction Program for the Crab Species Covered by the Fishery Management Plan for the Bering Sea/Aleutian Islands King and Tanner Crabs [Docket No.: 020424095-3252-02; I.D. 032801B] (RIN: 0648-AP25) received June 14, 2017, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

1706. A letter from the Acting Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of Justice, transmitting a report providing an FY 2018 Estimate for the Free Clinic Program, pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 233(o)(6)(C); July 1, 1944, ch. 373, title II, Sec. 224(o)(6)(C) (as added by Public Law 104-191, Sec. 194); (110 Stat. 1988); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

1707. A letter from the Acting Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of Justice, transmitting the Department's Report of Lobbying Disclosure Act Enforcement for January 1, 2016, through June 30, 2016, pursuant to Public Law 104-65, as amended by Public Law 110-81, codified at 2 U.S.C. Sec. 1605(b)(1); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

1708. A letter from the Deputy Chief Counsel, National Institute of Standards and Technology, Department of Commerce, transmitting the Department's final rule — Technology Innovation — Personnel Ex-

changes [Docket No.: 160311228-6788-02] (RIN: 0693-AB62) received June 14, 2017, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology.

1709. A letter from the Deputy Chief Counsel, National Institute of Standards and Technology, Department of Commerce, transmitting the Department's final rule — Certification Program for Access to the Death Master File [Docket No.: 160511004-4999-04] (RIN: 0692-AA21) received June 14, 2017, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

1710. A letter from the Executive Secretary, Foreign-Trade Zones Board, Department of Commerce, transmitting the Department's final rule — Foreign-Trade Zones in the United States [Docket No.: 090210156-1664-02; Order No.: 1815] (RIN: 0625-AA81) received June 14, 2017, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

1711. A letter from the Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's IRB only rule — Extension of Time for Returns Filed Solely to Elect Portability (Rev. Proc. 2017-34) received June 14, 2017, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

1712. A letter from the Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's IRB only rule — Reissuance of Announcement 2016-34; Announcement of the Results of the Phase III Allocation Round of the Qualifying Gasification Project Program [Announcement 2017-06] received June 14, 2017, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

1713. A letter from the Executive Director, World War I Centennial Commission, transmitting the Commission's periodic report for the period ended March 31, 2017, pursuant to Public Law 112-272, Sec. 5(b)(1); (126 Stat. 2450); jointly to the Committees on Financial Services, Natural Resources, and Oversight and Government Reform.