

of Air Quality State Implementation Plans; California; Ambient Ozone Monitoring Requirements [EPA-R09-OAR-2017-0265; FRL-9969-18-Region 9] received October 5, 2017, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

2815. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; State of South Carolina; Regional Haze State Implementation Plan [EPA-R04-OAR-2013-0389; FRL-9969-23-Region 4] received October 5, 2017, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

2816. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Air Plan Approval; Alabama; Regional Haze Plan and Prong 4 (Visibility) for the 2012 PM<sub>2.5</sub>, 2010 NO<sub>2</sub>, 2010 SO<sub>2</sub>, and 2008 Ozone NAAQS [EPA-R04-OAR-2017-0104; FRL-9969-21-Region 4] received October 5, 2017, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

2817. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Air Plan Approval; KY; Miscellaneous Source Specific Revisions for Jefferson County [EPA-R04-OAR-2017-0356; FRL-9969-19-Region 4] received October 5, 2017, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

2818. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's withdrawal of direct final rule — Air Quality Implementation Plan; Iowa; Amendment to the Administrative Consent Order, Grain Processing Corporation, Muscatine, Iowa [EPA-R07-OAR-2017-0143; FRL-9969-14-Region 7] received October 5, 2017, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

2819. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Colorado; Revisions to Regulation Number 3 [EPA-R08-OAR-2017-0446; FRL-9969-46-Region 8] received October 5, 2017, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

2820. A letter from the General Counsel, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule — Balancing Authority Control, Inadvertent Interchange, and Facility Interconnection Reliability Standards [Docket No.: RM16-13-000; Order No.: 836] received October 5, 2017, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

2821. A letter from the Chief, Trade and Commercial Regulations Branch, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Extension of Important Restrictions Imposed on Archaeological and Ethnological Materials From the Republic of Mali [CBP Dec. 17-12] (RIN: 1515-AE32) received October 5, 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.

## 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. GOWDY: Committee on Oversight and Government Reform. H.R. 378. A bill to amend title 5, United States Code, to enhance the authority under which Federal agencies may pay cash awards to employees for making cost saving disclosures, and for other purposes; with an amendment (Rept. 115-341). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. GOWDY: Committee on Oversight and Government Reform. H.R. 2196. A bill to amend title 5, United States Code, to allow whistleblowers to disclose information to certain recipients (Rept. 115-342). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. GOWDY: Committee on Oversight and Government Reform. H.R. 3031. A bill to amend title 5, United States Code, to provide for flexibility in making withdrawals from a Thrift Savings Plan account, and for other purposes (Rept. 115-343). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. GOWDY: Committee on Oversight and Government Reform. H.R. 3243. A bill to amend title 40, United States Code, to eliminate the sunset of certain provisions relating to information technology, to amend the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2015 to extend the sunset relating to the Federal Data Center Consolidation Initiative, and for other purposes (Rept. 115-344). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. COLLINS of Georgia: Committee on Rules. House Resolution 562. Resolution providing for consideration of the bill (S. 585) to provide greater whistleblower protections for Federal employees, increased awareness of Federal whistleblower protections, and increased accountability and required discipline for Federal supervisors who retaliate against whistleblowers, and for other purposes; providing for proceedings during the period from October 16, 2017, through October 20, 2017; and providing for consideration of motions to suspend the rules (Rept. 115-345). Referred to the House Calendar.

## 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. MCNERNEY (for himself and Mr. KINZINGER):

H.R. 3995. A bill to require the Federal Communications Commission to submit to Congress a report on promoting broadband internet access service for veterans; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. ISSA (for himself and Mr. NADLER):

H.R. 3996. A bill to amend title 28, United States Code, to permit other courts to transfer certain cases to United States Tax Court; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. ROTHFUS (for himself and Ms. GABBARD):

H.R. 3997. A bill to waive the application fee for any special use permit for veterans demonstrations and special events at war memorials on Federal land, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

By Mr. ZELDIN:

H.R. 3998. A bill to increase public safety by permitting the Attorney General to deny

the transfer of firearms or the issuance of explosives licenses to known or suspected terrorists, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. CURBELO of Florida (for himself, Mr. MOULTON, Mr. KING of New York, Mr. POLIS, Mr. LANCE, Ms. KELLY of Illinois, Mr. MEEHAN, Ms. ROSEN, Mr. ROYCE of California, Mr. O'ROURKE, Mr. SMITH of New Jersey, Mr. CARTWRIGHT, Mr. PAULSEN, Ms. GABBARD, Mr. COSTELLO of Pennsylvania, Mr. KIHUEN, Ms. ROSLEHTINEN, Mr. DELANEY, Mr. DENT, Mr. GENE GREEN of Texas, Ms. STEFANIK, and Mr. PERLMUTTER):

H.R. 3999. A bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to prohibit the manufacture, possession, or transfer of any part or combination of parts that is designed and functions to increase the rate of fire of a semiautomatic rifle but does not convert the semiautomatic rifle into a machinegun, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mrs. COMSTOCK:

H.R. 4000. A bill to provide for the establishment of a mechanism to allow borrowers of Federal student loans to refinance their loans, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend the exclusion for employer-provided educational assistance to employer payment of interest on certain refinanced student loans, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce, 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. GARAMENDI (for himself, Mr. FITZPATRICK, Ms. BORDALLO, Mr. BRENDAN F. BOYLE of Pennsylvania, Mrs. BUSTOS, Ms. JUDY CHU of California, Mr. DOGGETT, Mr. GONZALEZ of Texas, Ms. KUSTER of New Hampshire, Mr. LOWENTHAL, Mr. MCNERNEY, Mr. MEEKS, Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD, Mr. TONKO, Mr. COSTA, Mr. NOLAN, and Ms. PINGREE):

H.R. 4001. A bill to provide for the refinancing and recalculation of certain Federal student loans, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

By Mr. POSEY:

H.R. 4002. A bill to amend chapter 7 of title 5, United States Code, to provide that in the case of an agency that appeals the ruling of a court under that chapter, and does not prevail on appeal, the court shall award the prevailing party reasonable attorney's fees and costs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. POSEY:

H.R. 4003. A bill to require that in a notice of proposed rule making for a new rule, the notice shall identify two rules which the agency intends to repeal; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. POSEY:

H.R. 4004. A bill to amend the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act to require employees of the White House to enroll in Obamacare, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, 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. TONKO:

H.R. 4005. A bill to amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to allow for medical assistance under Medicaid for inmates during the 30-day period preceding release from a public institution; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Ms. ADAMS (for herself, Mr. SCOTT of Virginia, Mr. BROWN of Maryland, Ms. PLASKETT, Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas, Ms. NORTON, Ms. KELLY of Illinois, Mr. BYRNE, Ms. LEE, Mr. BRADY of Pennsylvania, Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY of New York, Mr. EVANS, Ms. HANABUSA, Mrs. BEATTY, Ms. DEGETTE, Mr. NADLER, Mr. PRICE of North Carolina, Mr. PALLONE, Mr. HIGGINS of New York, Mr. MEEKS, Mrs. WATSON COLEMAN, Mr. DAVID SCOTT of Georgia, Mrs. MURPHY of Florida, Mr. BISHOP of Georgia, Mr. HASTINGS, Mr. DANNY K. DAVIS of Illinois, Mr. WESTERMAN, Mr. LEWIS of Georgia, Mr. TED LIEU of California, Mr. LAWSON of Florida, Ms. CLARK of Massachusetts, Mr. COSTA, Ms. SEWELL of Alabama, Ms. JACKSON LEE, Mr. CRIST, Ms. MAXINE WATERS of California, Mr. ELLISON, Ms. BONAMICI, Mr. NORCROSS, Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia, Ms. CLARKE of New York, Ms. FUDGE, Mr. AL GREEN of Texas, Ms. BASS, Mr. WALKER, Mr. RUPPERSBERGER, Mr. SEAN PATRICK MALONEY of New York, Mr. CARSON of Indiana, Mr. MCEACHIN, Mr. RICHMOND, Mr. HILL, Ms. JAYAPAL, and Mrs. DEMINGS):

H. Res. 563. A resolution honoring the accomplishments of the 9 historically Black colleges and universities that celebrated their sesquicentennial the week of September 24, 2017; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

By Mr. JONES (for himself and Mr. BUDD):

H. Res. 564. A resolution affirming the constitutional power of Congress over the Nation's debts; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mrs. LAWRENCE (for herself, Mr. CUMMINGS, Mr. CONNOLLY, Mr. JORDAN, Ms. JAYAPAL, Mr. HASTINGS, Mr. EVANS, Ms. NORTON, Mr. BLUMENAUER, Mrs. DAVIS of California, Mr. GARAMENDI, Ms. BASS, Mr. LAWSON of Florida, Mr. LOWENTHAL, Mr. LYNCH, Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia, Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY of New York, Mr. CONYERS, Mr. DANNY K. DAVIS of Illinois, Ms. KAPTUR, Ms. KELLY of Illinois, Mr. BRENDAN F. BOYLE of Pennsylvania, and Ms. MOORE):

H. Res. 565. A resolution expressing support for the recognition of October 9, 2017, as "World Post Day"; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

By Mr. POLIS (for himself, Mr. LIPINSKI, and Mrs. COMSTOCK):

H. Res. 566. A resolution expressing support for designation of the week of October 4, 2017, through October 10, 2017, as World Space Week and for the designation of the week of October 8, 2017, through October 14, 2017, as Earth Science Week; to the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, and in addition to the Committee on Education and the Workforce, 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.

## MEMORIALS

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

129. The SPEAKER presented a memorial of the Legislature of the State of California, relative to Senate Joint Resolution No. 7, urging state and federal departments and agencies responsible for stewardship of public resources, as specified, to make collabora-

tive, statewide salmon fishery restoration an urgent and high priority; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

130. Also, a memorial of the Legislature of the State of Arizona, relative to House Concurrent Resolution 2010, 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.

131. Also, a memorial of the Legislature of the State of Arizona, relative to House Concurrent Resolution 2013, 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.

132. Also, a memorial of the Legislature of the State of California, relative to Senate Joint Resolution No. 5, urging the Congress of the United States to pass a law to reschedule marijuana or cannabis and its derivatives from a Schedule I drug to an alternative schedule; jointly to the Committees on Energy and Commerce and the Judiciary.

133. Also, a memorial of the Legislature of the State of California, relative to Senate Joint Resolution No. 8, requesting the Governor to request the President of the United States, Members of Congress, and the Federal Highway Administration to dedicate increased funding to California to accelerate and support the planning and development of the plan and to accelerate the completion of existing nonmotorized recreational trails; jointly to the Committees on Natural Resources and 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. MCNERNEY:

H.R. 3995.

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

Article 1, Section 8 of the Constitution of the United States grants Congress the authority to enact this bill.

By Mr. ISSA:

H.R. 3996

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

Article I, Section 8, Clause 9

By Mr. ROTHFUS:

H.R. 3997.

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

This bill is enacted pursuant to the power granted to Congress under Article 1, Section 8, Clause 1 of the United States Constitution. To borrow Money on the credit of the United States.

By Mr. ZELDIN:

H.R. 3998.

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

Article 1, Section 8 of the United States Constitution.

By Mr. CURBELO of Florida:

H.R. 3999.

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

Article 1, Section 8 of the United States Constitution

By Mrs. COMSTOCK:

H.R. 4000.

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

Article I, Section 8, Clause 1 (Power to lay and collect Taxes); Article I, Section 8, Clause 3 (Commerce Clause); and the Sixteenth Amendment to the Constitution.

By Mr. GARAMENDI:

H.R. 4001.

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

Article 1 Section 8

By Mr. POSEY:

H.R. 4002.

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

This bill is enacted pursuant to the power granted to Congress under Article I, Section 8, Clause 18 of the United States Constitution.

By Mr. POSEY:

H.R. 4003.

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

This bill is enacted pursuant to the power granted to Congress under Article I, Section 8, Clause 18 of the United States Constitution.

By Mr. POSEY:

H.R. 4004.

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

Article I, Section 8, clause 18: 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 of Officer thereof.

By Mr. TONKO:

H.R. 4005.

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"

## ADDITIONAL SPONSORS

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

H.R. 62: Ms. BLUNT ROCHESTER.

H.R. 490: Mr. KINZINGER.

H.R. 535: Mr. ZELDIN and Mr. CURBELO of Florida.

H.R. 586: Mr. KING of Iowa.

H.R. 592: Ms. BLUNT ROCHESTER, Mr. SARBANES, Mr. CRAWFORD, Mr. HOLDING, Mr. CARTWRIGHT, Mr. ROKITA, Mr. RASKIN, Ms. SEWELL of Alabama, Mr. LATTI, Mr. GALLAGHER, Mr. CARSON of Indiana, and Mr. BISHOP of Utah.

H.R. 613: Mr. WILLIAMS.

H.R. 620: Mr. LEWIS of Minnesota, Mr. TIBERI, and Mr. HARRIS.

H.R. 638: Ms. MAXINE WATERS of California, Mr. PANETTA, Mr. HUNTER, Ms. SANCHEZ, Mr. TAKANO, and Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD.

H.R. 669: Mr. COURTNEY.

H.R. 685: Mr. MCEACHIN.

H.R. 772: Mr. WALKER.

H.R. 807: Mr. GOMEZ, Mr. THORNBERRY, and Mr. LEWIS of Georgia.

H.R. 820: Mr. O'HALLERAN, Mr. RUPPERSBERGER, Mr. CASTRO of Texas, Ms. SANCHEZ, and Mr. MITCHELL.

H.R. 848: Mr. BACON.

H.R. 866: Mr. DESAULNIER.

H.R. 959: Mr. LEWIS of Georgia.

H.R. 1017: Mr. ROSKAM, Mr. RICHMOND, Ms. TSONGAS, Mr. MCEACHIN, Mr. LARSEN of Washington, and Ms. DeLAURO.

H.R. 1038: Mr. PALAZZO.

H.R. 1046: Mr. MULLIN, Mr. COLE, Mr. GRAVES of Missouri, and Ms. MCCOLLUM.