

4696. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting the annual report pursuant to Sec. 2(9) of the Senate's Resolution of Advice and Consent to the Treaty with the United Kingdom Concerning Defense Trade Cooperation (Treaty Doc. 110-07); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

4697. A letter from the Assistant Attorney General, Department of Justice, transmitting the Department's FY 2017 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.

4698. A letter from the Chief, Branch of DFS, Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting the Department's Major final rule — Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Removing the Black-Capped Vireo From the Federal List of Endangered and Threatened Wildlife [Docket No.: FWS-R2-ES-2016-0110; FXES11130900000 178 FF09E42000] (RIN: 1018-BB79) received April 24, 2018, 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.

4699. A letter from the Chief, Branch of Listing Policy and Support, Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting the Department's final rule — Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Removing Textual Descriptions of Critical Habitat Boundaries for Mammals, Birds, Amphibians, Fishes, Clams, Snails, Arachnids, Crustaceans, and Insects [Docket No.: FWS-HQ-ES-2015-0008; 4500030113] (RIN: 1018-BA81) received April 24, 2018, 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.

4700. A letter from the Secretary, Federal Trade Commission, transmitting the Fortieth Hart-Scott-Rodino Annual Report, pursuant to Sec. 7A of the Clayton Act, Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Improvements Act of 1976; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

4701. A letter from the Deputy General Counsel, Office of General Counsel, U.S. Small Business Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Rules of Practice for Protests and Appeals Regarding Eligibility for Inclusion in the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs Center for Verification and Evaluation Database (RIN: 3245-AG87) received April 24, 2018, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Small Business.

4702. A letter from the Reg. Dev. Coordinator, Office of Regulation Policy and Management, Office of the Secretary (00REG), Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting the Department's final rule — Revise and Streamline VA Acquisition Regulation to Adhere to Federal Acquisition Regulation Principles (VAAR Case 2014-V001) (RIN: 2900-AP50) received April 24, 2018, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

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. CHABOT: Committee on Small Business. H.R. 4743. A bill to amend the Small Business Act to strengthen the Office of Credit Risk Management within the Small Business Administration, and for other pur-

poses; with an amendment (Rept. 115-655). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. HENSARLING: Committee on Financial Services. H.R. 2121. A bill to require the appropriate Federal banking agencies to revise regulations to specify that certain funds shall not be taken into account when calculating any supplementary leverage ratio for custodial banks, and for other purposes; with amendments (Rept. 115-656). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. HENSARLING: Committee on Financial Services. H.R. 5076. A bill to amend the Federal Deposit Insurance Act to extend the examination cycle for certain insured depository institutions; with an amendment (Rept. 115-657). 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. BERA (for himself, Ms. KUSTER of New Hampshire, Mr. SCHRADER, Mr. SCHNEIDER, Miss RICE of New York, Mr. DELANEY, and Mr. PETERS):

H.R. 5624. A bill to facilitate the efforts of States to establish auto-enrollment systems to enroll certain individuals in health insurance coverage, 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. BERA (for himself, Ms. KUSTER of New Hampshire, Mr. SCHNEIDER, Mr. DELANEY, and Mr. PETERS):

H.R. 5625. A bill to amend the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act to align open enrollment periods for Exchange plans with the deadline for filing Federal income tax returns, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. COLLINS of Georgia (for himself, Mr. FITZPATRICK, Mrs. LAWRENCE, and Mr. LAMBORN):

H.R. 5626. A bill to amend the Intercountry Adoption Act of 2000 to require the Secretary of State to report on intercountry adoptions from countries which have significantly reduced adoption rates involving immigration to the United States, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Mr. HUFFMAN (for himself, Mr. BLUMENAUER, Mr. GRIJALVA, and Ms. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ):

H.R. 5627. A bill to amend the Food Security Act of 1985 to improve the environmental quality incentives program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. MCKINLEY (for himself, Mr. TONKO, Mr. MARINO, and Mr. CICILLINE):

H.R. 5628. A bill to establish a demonstration program under which the Drug Enforcement Administration provides grants to certain States to enable those States to increase participation in drug take-back programs; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. NORMAN (for himself and Mr. GOSAR):

H.R. 5629. A bill to amend the Federal Crop Insurance Act and Food Security Act of 1985 to enact reforms to farm subsidies and crop insurance called for in President Trump's budget for fiscal year 2019; to the Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. CICILLINE (for himself, Mr. NADLER, Mr. ELLISON, and Mr. CROWLEY):

H.R. 5630. A bill to amend the Clayton Act to clarify that an acquisition that tends to create a monopsony violates the Clayton Act; to the Committee on the Judiciary, 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.

By Mr. CROWLEY (for himself, Ms. SANCHEZ, Mr. POCAN, Mr. ELLISON, Mr. NADLER, and Mr. CICILLINE):

H.R. 5631. A bill to prohibit employers from requiring employees to enter into covenants not to compete, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary, 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.

By Mr. ELLISON (for himself, Mr. NADLER, Mr. CICILLINE, and Mr. CROWLEY):

H.R. 5632. A bill to prohibit agreements between employers that directly restrict the current or future employment of any employee; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce, and in addition to the Committees on Energy and Commerce, and 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 Ms. ESHOO:
H.R. 5633. A bill to repeal debt collection amendments made by the Bipartisan Budget Act of 2015, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. GAETZ (for himself, Mr. SWALWELL of California, Mr. RUTHERFORD, Mr. TAYLOR, Mr. GARRETT, Mr. RASKIN, Mr. BLUMENAUER, Mr. JOYCE of Ohio, Mr. BUCK, Mrs. HANDEL, Mr. CURBELO of Florida, Mr. SOTO, Mr. POLIS, Mr. DENHAM, Ms. ROSLEHTINEN, Mr. SANFORD, Mr. CICILLINE, Ms. LEE, Mr. ISSA, Mr. ROHRBACHER, Mr. GOODLATTE, Mr. MCCLINTOCK, Mr. HASTINGS, Mr. COHEN, Ms. TITUS, Ms. LOFGREN, and Mr. CORREA):

H.R. 5634. A bill to increase the number of manufacturers registered under the Controlled Substances Act to manufacture cannabis for legitimate research purposes, to authorize health care providers of the Department of Veterans Affairs to provide recommendations to veterans regarding participation in federally-approved cannabis clinical trials, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committees on the Judiciary, and Veterans' Affairs, 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. GROTHMAN:
H.R. 5635. A bill to amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to impose restrictions under the Medicaid program with respect to opioid prescriptions, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. HILL (for himself and Mr. BEYER):

H.R. 5636. A bill to designate additions to the Flatside Wilderness on the Ouachita National Forest, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

By Mr. LATTA (for himself, Mr. RENACCI, Mr. CHABOT, Mr. TURNER,

Mr. GIBBS, Mr. JOHNSON of Ohio, Mr. DAVIDSON, Mr. JORDAN, Mr. ROE of Tennessee, Mr. WEBER of Texas, Mr. JONES, Mr. DESJARLAIS, Mr. MOONEY of West Virginia, Mr. DUNCAN of South Carolina, Mr. WENSTRUP, Mr. HUDSON, Mr. WEBSTER of Florida, Mr. WESTERMAN, Mr. HARPER, Mr. NORMAN, Mr. HUNTER, Mr. CARTER of Georgia, Mr. FLORES, Mr. BANKS of Indiana, Mr. PITTINGER, Mr. CONAWAY, Mr. OLSON, Mr. JODY B. HICE of Georgia, and Mrs. HARTZLER):

H.R. 5637. A bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to prohibit the unlawful disposal of fetal remains, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. TED LIEU of California:

H.R. 5638. A bill to improve the management of driftnet fishing; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

By Mr. LOEBSACK (for himself and Mr. MULLIN):

H.R. 5639. A bill to amend the Communications Act of 1934 to direct the Federal Communications Commission to carry out a grant program to make grants for the establishment or expansion of job training programs for communications tower service, construction, and maintenance; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, 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.

By Mr. MARINO (for himself and Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania):

H.R. 5640. A bill to amend the Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act to allow schools that participate in the school lunch program under such Act to serve whole milk; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

By Mr. MULLIN (for himself and Mr. SCHRADER):

H.R. 5641. A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide grants to improve health care in rural areas; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. NADLER (for himself, Mr. CICILLINE, Mr. ELLISON, and Mr. CROWLEY):

H.R. 5642. A bill to amend the Clayton Act with respect to mergers; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Ms. ROSEN:

H.R. 5643. A bill to prohibit the Secretary of Energy from taking any action relating to the licensing, planning, development, or construction of a nuclear waste repository until the Director of the Office of Management and Budget submits to Congress a study on the economic viability and job-creating benefits of alternative uses of the Yucca Mountain site; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. WENSTRUP (for himself, Mr. BILIRAKIS, Mr. BANKS of Indiana, and Mr. TAKANO):

H.R. 5644. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to establish the Veterans Economic Opportunity and Transition Administration, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. SCALISE (for himself and Mr. MCKINLEY):

H. Con. Res. 119. Concurrent resolution expressing the sense of Congress that a carbon tax would be detrimental to the United States economy; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. FOSTER (for himself, Mr. TAKANO, Ms. JUDY CHU of California, Ms. CLARKE of New York, Ms. DEGETTE, Mr. DELANEY, Ms. DELBENE, Ms. ESTY of Connecticut,

Ms. HANABUSA, Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia, Ms. KAPTUR, Mr. LEWIS of Georgia, Mr. TED LIEU of California, Mr. MCGOVERN, Mr. MCNERNEY, Ms. NORTON, Mr. RUSH, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, Mr. SCHIFF, Mrs. WATSON COLEMAN, and Ms. LOFGREN):

H. Res. 849. A resolution expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that the Office of Technology Assessment should be reestablished; to the Committee on House Administration.

By Mr. COURTNEY (for himself, Mr. TAKANO, Mr. SCOTT of Virginia, Ms. DELAURO, Ms. BONAMICI, Mr. SABLAN, Ms. WILSON of Florida, Mr. NOLAN, Mr. DESAULNIER, Mr. LARSON of Connecticut, Ms. NORTON, Ms. MOORE, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, Ms. SHEA-PORTER, Mr. NORCROSS, Ms. JUDY CHU of California, Mr. KHANNA, Mr. BRENDAN F. BOYLE of Pennsylvania, Mr. ESPAILLAT, and Ms. BLUNT ROCH-ESTER):

H. Res. 850. A resolution supporting the goals and ideals of Workers' Memorial Day, honoring workers who have been killed or injured in the workplace, and recognizing the importance of strengthening worker health and safety protections; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

By Ms. PINGREE (for herself and Mr. POLIQUIN):

H. Res. 851. A resolution recognizing the Independent Transportation Network of America on the occasion of providing 1,000,000 rides to older and visually challenged people of the United States; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Mr. HUFFMAN (for himself, Ms. NORTON, Mr. POCAN, and Ms. LOFGREN):

H. Res. 852. A resolution expressing support for the designation of May 3, 2018, as a "National Day of Reason" and recognizing the importance of reason in the betterment of humanity; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

By Mr. TAKANO:

H. Res. 853. A resolution calling upon the people of the United States to recognize International Chart Day on April 26, 2018, in celebration of charts and infographics of all types; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

By Mrs. WATSON COLEMAN (for herself, Mrs. LAWRENCE, Ms. CLARKE of New York, Mr. BROWN of Maryland, Mr. FOSTER, Ms. ADAMS, Ms. CLARK of Massachusetts, Mr. NOLAN, Ms. MICHELLE LUJAN GRISHAM of New Mexico, Mr. GARAMENDI, Mrs. DINGELL, Mrs. TORRES, Mr. ELLISON, Mr. MCNERNEY, Mr. SABLAN, Mr. PAL-LONE, Mr. TAKANO, Mr. BISHOP of Georgia, Mrs. NAPOLITANO, Mr. VARGAS, Ms. SPEIER, Mr. HASTINGS, Ms. ESTY of Connecticut, Ms. KUSTER of New Hampshire, Mr. SIRES, Mr. COHEN, Ms. MOORE, and Mr. DAVID SCOTT of Georgia):

H. Res. 854. A resolution affirming a commitment to elevate the voices, leadership, and needs of historically and currently disenfranchised and underserved communities in the effort to end sexual violence and support all survivors of sexual violence, including immigrant survivors, survivors with disabilities, survivors of color, survivors of child sexual abuse, and lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender survivors; to the Committee on the Judiciary, 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.

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. BERA:

H.R. 5624.

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

Article 1, Section 8

By Mr. BERA:

H.R. 5625.

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

Article 1, Section 8

By Mr. COLLINS of Georgia:

H.R. 5626.

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

This bill is enacted pursuant to Article I, Section 8, Clauses 4 and 18 of the United States Constitution.

By Mr. HUFFMAN:

H.R. 5627.

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

Article 1, Section 8, Clause 18

By Mr. MCKINLEY:

H.R. 5628.

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

Article 1, Section 8, Clause 3: Congress shall have the Power . . . "to regulate Commerce with foreign Nations, and among the several States, and with the Indian tribes."

By Mr. NORMAN:

H.R. 5629.

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

Article 1, Section 7

By Mr. CICILLINE:

H.R. 5630.

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

Article 1, Section 8.

By Mr. CROWLEY:

H.R. 5631.

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

Article 1, Section 8, Clause 3: "The Congress shall have Power [. . .] To regulate Commerce with foreign Nations, and among the several States . . ."

By Mr. ELLISON:

H.R. 5632.

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

to Article 1, Section 8, Clause 18 of the Constitution of the United States, which states:

"The Congress shall have the power 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 or Officer thereof."

By Ms. ESHOO:

H.R. 5633.

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

Article 1, Section 8, Clause 3

Article 1, Section 8, Clause 18

By Mr. GAETZ:

H.R. 5634.

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. GROTHMAN:

H.R. 5635.

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