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House of Representatives

The House met at 4 p.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. THOMAS J. ROONEY of Florida).

DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

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

WASHINGTON, DC,
January 25, 2018.

I hereby appoint the Honorable THOMAS J. ROONEY 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:

Dear God, we give You thanks for giving us another day.

We ask Your special blessing upon the Members of this people's House.

In these days of a constituent workweek, give wisdom to all the Members, that they might execute their responsibilities to the benefit of all Americans.

Bless them, O God, and be with them and with us all this day and every day to come. May all that is done be for Your greater honor and glory.

Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 2(a) of House Resolution 694, the Journal of the last day's proceedings is approved.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Will the gentleman from Alabama (Mr. ADERHOLT) come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. ADERHOLT 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.

PROVIDING FOR A JOINT SESSION OF CONGRESS TO RECEIVE A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Mr. ADERHOLT. Mr. Speaker, I send to the desk a privileged concurrent resolution and ask for its immediate consideration.

The Clerk read the concurrent resolution, as follows:

H. CON. RES. 101

Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring), That the two Houses of Congress assemble in the Hall of the House of Representatives on Tuesday, January 30, 2018, at 9 p.m., for the purpose of receiving such communication as the President of the United States shall be pleased to make to them.

The concurrent resolution was agreed to.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 4 of rule I, the following enrolled bill was signed by the Speaker on Monday, January 22, 2018:

H.R. 195, making further continuing appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2018, and for other purposes.

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, January 24, 2018.

Hon. PAUL D. RYAN,
The 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 January 24, 2018, at 1:27 p.m.:

That the Senate passed S. 1395.

That the Senate passed S. 2152.

With best wishes, I am,

Sincerely,

KAREN L. HAAS.

APPOINTMENTS TO CONGRESSIONAL AWARD BOARD

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair announces the Speaker's appointment, pursuant to section 803(a) of the Congressional Recognition for Excellence in Arts Education Act (2 USC 803(a)), and the order of the House of January 3, 2017, of the following Member on the part of the House to the Congressional Award Board:

Mr. HUDSON of North Carolina

And, in addition:

Mr. Steve Hart, Washington, D.C.

Ms. Kimberly Norman, Dallas, Texas

Mr. Michael Pitts, Jr., Kenosha, Wisconsin

Mr. Marc Baer, Savage, Minnesota

Mr. Jason Van Pelt, Washington, D.C.

SENATE BILLS REFERRED

Bills of the Senate of the following titles were taken from the Speaker's table and, under the rule, referred as follows:

S. 1395. An act to revise the boundaries of certain John H. Chafee Coastal Barrier Resources System units in Delaware; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

S. 2152. An act to amend title 18, United States Code, to provide for assistance for victims of child pornography, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

□ 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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ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

Karen L. Haas, Clerk of the House, reported and found truly enrolled a bill of the House of the following title, which was thereupon signed by the Speaker on Monday, January 22, 2018:

H.R. 195. An act making further continuing appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2018, and for other purposes.

BILL PRESENTED TO THE PRESIDENT

Karen L. Haas, Clerk of the House, reported that on January 22, 2018, she presented to the President of the United States, for his approval, the following bill:

H.R. 195. Making further continuing appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2018, and for other purposes.

ADJOURNMENT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 2(b) of House Resolution 694, the House stands adjourned until noon on Monday, January 29, 2018, for morning-hour debate and 2 p.m. for legislative business.

Thereupon (at 4 o'clock and 4 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until Monday, January 29, 2018, at noon for morning-hour debate.

RULES AND REPORTS SUBMITTED PURSUANT TO THE CONGRESSIONAL REVIEW ACT

Pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(d), executive communications [final rules] submitted to the House pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1) during the period of September 14, 2017, through January 3, 2018, shall be treated as though received on January 25, 2018. Original dates of transmittal, numberings, and referrals to committee of those executive communications remain as indicated in the Executive Communication section of the relevant CONGRESSIONAL RECORD.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

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

3816. A letter from the Acting Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, Specialty Crops Program, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's interim rule — Oranges, Grapefruit, Tangerines, and Pummelos Grown in Florida and Imported Grapefruit; Change in Size Requirements for Grapefruit [Doc. No.: AMS-SC-17-0063; SC17-905-1 IR] received January 17, 2018, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Agriculture.

3817. A letter from the Acting Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, Specialty Crops Program, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's affirmation of interim rule — Walnuts Grown in California; Decreased Assessment Rate [Doc. No.: AMS-SC-17-0035; SC17-984-1 FIR] received January 17, 2018, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Agriculture.

3818. A letter from the Under Secretary, Acquisition, Technology, and Logistics, De-

partment of Defense, transmitting the FY 2018 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.

3819. A letter from the Chief Counsel, FEMA, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Suspension of Community Eligibility; New York: Montgomery County, City of Amsterdam; [Docket ID: FEMA-2017-0002; Internal Agency Docket No.: FEMA-8513] received January 18, 2018, 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.

3820. A letter from the Chief Counsel, FEMA, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Suspension of Community Eligibility; Beauregard Parish, Unincorporated Areas; [Docket ID: FEMA-2017-0002; Internal Agency Docket No.: FEMA-8511] received January 18, 2018, 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.

3821. A letter from the Secretary, Bureau of Industry and Security, Department of Commerce, transmitting the Annual Report for Fiscal Year 2017 from the Department's Bureau of Industry and Security, pursuant to 50 U.S.C. app. 2413(a); Public Law 96-72, Sec. 14(a); (93 Stat. 532); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

3822. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting Transmittal No. DDTC 17-097, pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

3823. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting Transmittal No. DDTC 17-083, pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

3824. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting Transmittal No. DDTC 17-086, pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(d) of the Arms Export Control Act; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

3825. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting Transmittal No. DDTC 17-090, pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(d) of the Arms Export Control Act; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

3826. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting Transmittal No. DDTC 17-091, pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(d) of the Arms Export Control Act; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

3827. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting Transmittal No. DDTC 17-099, pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

3828. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting Transmittal No. DDTC 17-101, pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(d) of the Arms Export Control Act; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

3829. A letter from the Chief, Regulations and Standards Branch, Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement, Department of the Interior, transmitting the Department's final rule — Oil and Gas and Sulfur Operations on the Outer Continental Shelf — Civil Penalty Inflation Adjustment [Docket ID: BSEE-2018-0001; 189E1700D2 ETISF0000.PSB000 EEE500000] (RIN: 1014-AA36) received January 18, 2018, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

3830. A letter from the Director, Office of Legislative Affairs, Federal Deposit Insur-

ance Corporation, transmitting the Corporation's final rule — Rules of Practice and Procedure (RIN: 3064-AE71) received January 18, 2018, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

3831. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting documents to the Congress that describe the safeguard actions proclaimed on imports of large residential washers and certain crystalline silicon photovoltaic cells (whether or not partially or fully assembled into other products), pursuant to 19 U.S.C. 2253(b); Public Law 93-618, Sec. 203(b); (88 Stat. 2015); to the Committee on Ways and Means and ordered to be printed.

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. HENSARLING: Committee on Financial Services. H.R. 3978. A bill to amend the Real Estate Settlement Procedures Act of 1974 to modify requirements related to mortgage disclosures, and for other purposes (Rept. 115-524). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. HENSARLING: Committee on Financial Services. H.R. 4546. A bill to amend the Securities Act of 1933 to specify when a nationally traded security is exempt from State regulation of security offerings (Rept. 115-525). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. BISHOP of Utah: Committee on Natural Resources. H.R. 4266. A bill to clarify the boundary of Acadia National Park, and for other purposes; with an amendment (Rept. 115-526). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. BISHOP of Utah: Committee on Natural Resources. H.R. 4264. A bill to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain Bureau of Land Management land in Cache County, Utah, to the City of Hyde Park for public purposes (Rept. 115-527). 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 Ms. GRANGER:

H.R. 4877. A bill Making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2018, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Appropriations, and in addition to the Committee on the Budget, 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. CUMMINGS (for himself and Mr. YOUNG of Alaska):

H.R. 4878. A bill to establish the Federal Labor-Management Partnership Council, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

By Mr. KING of Iowa (for himself, Mr. PETERSON, Mr. GOODLATTE, Mr. MARSHALL, and Mr. PITTENGER):

H.R. 4879. A bill to prevent States and local jurisdictions from interfering with the production and distribution of agricultural products in interstate or foreign commerce, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Agriculture, and in addition to the Committee on the Judiciary, for a period to be