

managers effectively implement the laws' protections and benefits on behalf of the workforce.

Protect Employees and Applicants Who Are or Have Been in Bankruptcy (11 U.S.C. § 525)

Section 525(a) of title 11 of the U.S. Code provides that "a governmental unit" may not deny employment to, terminate the employment of, or discriminate with respect to employment against, a person because that person is or has been a debtor under the bankruptcy statutes. This provision currently does not apply to the legislative branch. Reiterating the recommendations made in the 1996, 1998, 2000 and 2006 Section 102(b) reports, the Board advises that the rights and protections against discrimination on this basis should be applied to employing offices within the legislative branch.

Prohibit Discharge of Employees Who Are or Have Been Subject to Garnishment (15 U.S.C. § 1674(A))

Section 1674(a) of title 15 of the U.S. Code prohibits discharge of any employee because his or her earnings "have been subject to garnishment for any one indebtedness." This section is limited to private employers, so it currently has no application to the legislative branch. For the reasons set forth in the 1996, 1998, 2000 and 2006 Section 102(b) Reports, the Board recommends that the rights and protections against discrimination on this basis should be applied to employing offices within the legislative branch.

Provide Whistleblower Protections to the Legislative Branch

Civil service law provides broad protection to whistleblowers in the executive branch to safeguard workers against reprisal for reporting violations of laws, rules, or regulations, gross mismanagement, gross waste of funds, abuse of authority, or a substantial and specific danger to public health or safety. In the private sector, whistleblowers also are often protected by provisions of specific federal laws. However, these provisions do not apply to the legislative branch. The OCWR has received a number of inquiries from congressional employees concerned about the lack of whistleblower protections. The absence of specific statutory protection such as that provided under 5 U.S.C. § 2302(b)(8) chills the disclosure of such information. Granting whistleblower protection could significantly improve the rights and protections afforded to legislative branch employees in an area fundamental to the institutional integrity of the legislative branch by uncovering waste and fraud and safeguarding the budget.

The Board has recommended in its previous Section 102(b) reports and continues to recommend that Congress provide whistleblower reprisal protections to legislative branch employees comparable to that provided to executive branch employees under 5 U.S.C. § 2302(b)(8), and 5 U.S.C. § 1221. Additionally, as discussed below, the Board recommends that the Office also be granted investigatory and prosecutorial authority over whistleblower reprisal complaints, by incorporating into the CAA the authority granted to the Office of Special Counsel, which investigates and prosecutes claims of whistleblower reprisal in the executive branch.

Provide Subpoena Authority to Obtain Information Needed for Safety & Health Investigations and Require Records To Be Kept of Workplace Injuries and Illnesses

The CAA applies the broad protections of section 5 of the Occupational Safety and Health Act (OSHA) to the congressional workplace. The OCWR enforces the OSHA in the legislative branch much in the same way the Secretary of Labor enforces the

OSHA in the private sector. Under the CAA, the OCWR is required to conduct safety and health inspections of covered employing offices at least once each Congress and in response to any request, and to provide employing offices with technical assistance to comply with the OSHA's requirements. But Congress and its agencies are still exempt from critical OSHA requirements imposed upon American businesses. Under the CAA, employing offices in the legislative branch are not subject to investigative subpoenas to aid in inspections as are private sector employers under the OSHA. Similarly, Congress exempted itself from the OSHA's recordkeeping requirements pertaining to workplace injuries and illnesses that apply to the private sector. The Board recommends that legislative branch employing offices be subject to the investigatory subpoena provisions contained in OSHA § 8(b) and that legislative branch employing offices be required to keep records of workplace injuries and illnesses under OSHA § 8(c), 29 U.S.C. § 657(c).

Adopt Recordkeeping Requirements Under Federal Workplace Rights Laws

The Board, in several Section 102(b) reports, has recommended and continues to recommend that Congress adopt all recordkeeping requirements under Federal workplace rights laws, including title VII. Although some employing offices in the legislative branch keep personnel records, there are no legal requirements under the CAA to do so.

ENDNOTES

1. The Board has long advocated for legislation granting the OCWR General Counsel the authority to investigate and prosecute complaints of discrimination, harassment and reprisal in order to assist victims and to improve the adjudicatory process under the CAA. As discussed in this Report, the Reform Act establishes new procedures that are also clearly intended to further these policy goals. Under these circumstances, the Board believes that the best course of action is to evaluate the efficacy of the new Reform Act procedures once they have been implemented before revisiting the issue of whether the OCWR General Counsel should be granted such investigatory and prosecutorial authority. Accordingly, this recommendation is not discussed further below.

2. Pub. L. 110-181, Div. A, Title V § 585(a)(2), (3)(A)-(D) and Pub. L. 111-84, Div. A, Title V § 565(a)(1)(B) and (4).

3. U.S.C. § 1302(3); House Committee on Armed Services, H. Rpt. 110-146 (May 11, 2007), H. Rpt. 111-166 (June 18, 2009)

4. *Obergfell v. Hodges*, 135 S. Ct. 2584 (2015).

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

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

223. A letter from the Acting Architect, Architect of the Capitol, transmitting the semiannual report of disbursements for the operations of the Architect of the Capitol for the period of July 1, 2018, through December 31, 2018, pursuant to 2 U.S.C. 1868a(a); Public Law 113-76, div. I, title I, Sec. 1301(a); (128 Stat. 428) (H. Doc. No. 116-14); to the Committee on House Administration and ordered to be printed.

224. A letter from the Executive Director, Office of Congressional Workplace Rights, transmitting biennial report on recommendations for improvements to the Congressional Accountability Act, pursuant to section 102(b) of the Congressional Accountability Act of 1995 received February 25, 2019, pursuant to 2 U.S.C. 1302; jointly to the Committees on House Administration and Education and Labor.

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:

Mrs. TORRES of California: Committee on Rules. House Resolution 144. Resolution providing for consideration of the joint resolution (H.J. Res. 46) relating to a national emergency declared by the President on February 15, 2019 (Rept. 116-13). Referred to the House Calendar.

Mr. RASKIN: Committee on Rules. House Resolution 145. Resolution providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 8) to require a background check for every firearm sale, and providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 1112) to amend chapter 44 of title 18, United States Code, to strengthen the background check procedures to be followed before a Federal firearms licensee may transfer a firearm to a person who is not such a licensee (Rept. 116-14). 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 Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY of New York (for herself, Mr. NADLER, Mr. KING of New York, Mr. ROSE of New York, Mr. MORELLE, Ms. SCANLON, Mr. FITZPATRICK, Miss RICE of New York, Mr. BRENDAN F. BOYLE of Pennsylvania, Mr. ENGEL, Mr. ESPAILLAT, Mr. HIGGINS of New York, Mr. SERRANO, Ms. CLARKE of New York, Ms. WILSON of Florida, Ms. DELAURO, Mr. PAYNE, Mr. ZELDIN, Mrs. DINGELL, Ms. DELBENE, Ms. JUDY CHU of California, Mr. RUPPERSBERGER, Ms. KELLY of Illinois, Mr. CUMMINGS, Mr. GARAMENDI, Miss GONZÁLEZ-COLÓN of Puerto Rico, Mr. KATKO, Mr. AGUILAR, Mr. HIMES, Mr. MCGOVERN, Ms. NORTON, Ms. ESHOO, Mr. MEEKS, Mr. CISNEROS, Mrs. WATSON COLEMAN, Mr. COLLINS of New York, Mrs. LURIA, Ms. BLUNT ROCH-ESTER, Mr. PASCRELL, Mrs. DEMINGS, Ms. JACKSON LEE, Mr. SEAN PATRICK MALONEY of New York, Mr. SUOZZI, Mr. GRIJALVA, Mr. SIREs, Ms. MENG, Ms. VELÁZQUEZ, Mr. TONKO, Mr. DELGADO, Ms. OCASIO-CORTEZ, Mrs. LOWEY, Mr. PALLONE, Ms. STEFANIK, Mr. BRINDISI, Mr. COURTNEY, Mr. MICHAEL F. DOYLE of Pennsylvania, Mr. JEFFRIES, Mr. COOK, Ms. SHERRILL, Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD, Mr. SMITH of New Jersey, Mr. LOWENTHAL, Ms. WILD, Mr. NORCROSS, Mr. GOTTHEIMER, Mr. KIM, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, Mr. CLAY, Mrs. HAYES, Mr. TAKANO, Mr. LARSON of Connecticut, Mr. CARBAJAL, Mr. YOUNG, Mr. MALINOWSKI, Mr. VAN DREW, Mr. REED, Ms. MATSUI, Mr. AUSTIN SCOTT of Georgia, Mrs. NAPOLITANO, Mr. KHANNA, Mr. LYNCH, Mrs. KIRKPATRICK, Mr. COSTA, Ms. DEAN, Mr. NEGUSE, Mr. BROWN of Maryland, Mr. HASTINGS, Mr. BEYER, Ms. SPANBERGER, Ms. SHALALA, Mr. COLE, Mr. HURD of Texas, and Mr. MCHENRY):

H.R. 1327. A bill to extend authorization for the September 11th Victim Compensation Fund of 2001 through fiscal year 2090, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. TONKO (for himself and Mrs. BROOKS of Indiana):

H.R. 1328. A bill to establish the Office of Internet Connectivity and Growth, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. TONKO (for himself and Mr. TURNER):

H.R. 1329. 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 Mr. BUCK:

H.R. 1330. A bill to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a special resource study of the site known as "Amache" in the State of Colorado; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

By Mrs. CRAIG (for herself and Mr. MAST):

H.R. 1331. A bill to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to reauthorize certain programs relating to nonpoint source management, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Mr. WESTERMAN:

H.R. 1332. A bill to address the high costs of health care services, prescription drugs, and health insurance coverage in the United States, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committees on Ways and Means, the Judiciary, Oversight and Reform, Education and Labor, Rules, the Budget, Armed Services, and House Administration, 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. BARRAGÁN:

H.R. 1333. A bill to amend the Mineral Leasing Act to create a buffer in between oil and gas drilling operations and homes, businesses, schools, and other buildings that require special protection, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

By Ms. BARRAGÁN (for herself and Mr. TURNER):

H.R. 1334. A bill to provide grants for projects to acquire land and water for parks and other outdoor recreation purposes and to develop new or renovate existing outdoor recreation facilities; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

By Ms. BARRAGÁN (for herself, Mr. PRICE of North Carolina, and Mr. CRIST):

H.R. 1335. A bill to provide that the production safety systems rule and the well control rule in section 250 of title 30, Code of Federal Regulations, shall have the same force and effect of law as if such rules had been enacted by an Act of Congress, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

By Ms. BARRAGÁN:

H.R. 1336. A bill to require the Federal Government to provide mental health services to each child who has been separated from one or more parent as a result of implementation of the Trump Administration's zero tolerance policy at the United States border, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on 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 Mr. BLUMENAUER (for himself, Mr. MCGOVERN, Ms. DELAURO, Ms. GABBARD, Mr. HUFFMAN, Ms. KUSTER of New Hampshire, Ms. LEE of California, Mr. LEWIS, Mr. RYAN, Mrs.

WATSON COLEMAN, Mr. DEFazio, Ms. PINGREE, Mr. TONKO, Ms. CASTOR of Florida, Mr. TED LIEU of California, Ms. CLARK of Massachusetts, Ms. HAALAND, Mr. KEATING, Mr. CARTWRIGHT, Ms. JACKSON LEE, Mr. COHEN, Ms. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ, Ms. KAPTUR, Ms. VELÁZQUEZ, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, Mr. CONNOLLY, Mr. RASKIN, Ms. OMAR, and Ms. MCCOLLUM):

H.R. 1337. A bill to direct the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency to take certain actions related to pesticides that may affect pollinators, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. BROOKS of Alabama (for himself, Mr. MEADOWS, and Mr. HARRIS):

H.R. 1338. A bill to provide for automatic continuing appropriations, 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. COLLINS of Georgia (for himself, Mr. SENSENBRENNER, Mr. STEUBE, Mr. CLINE, Mr. ARMSTRONG, Mrs. LESKO, Mr. RESCHENTHALER, Mr. WOODALL, Mr. BARR, Mr. MITCHELL, Mr. DAVID P. ROE of Tennessee, Mr. GIBBS, Mr. COLLINS of New York, Mr. FLORES, Mr. BACON, Mr. MEADOWS, Mr. STIVERS, Mr. STAUBER, Mr. ESTES, Mr. HUDSON, Mr. SMUCKER, Mr. MCKINLEY, Mr. STEIL, Mr. MOOLENAAR, Mr. YOHO, Mr. JOYCE of Ohio, Mr. RODNEY DAVIS of Illinois, Mr. BUDD, and Mrs. WAGNER):

H.R. 1339. A bill to enhance penalties for theft of a firearm from a Federal firearms licensee, to establish a Mass Violence Prevention Center, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Ms. DAVIDS of Kansas (for herself, Mr. CLEAVER, and Mr. WATKINS):

H.R. 1340. A bill to designate the Quindaro Townsite in Kansas City, Kansas, as a National Commemorative Site; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

By Mr. DESJARLAIS (for himself, Mr. DAVID P. ROE of Tennessee, Mr. FLEISCHMANN, Mr. KUSTOFF of Tennessee, Mr. BURCHETT, Mr. GREEN of Tennessee, and Mr. JOHN W. ROSE of Tennessee):

H.R. 1341. A bill to designate the Mental Health Residential Rehabilitation Treatment Facility Expansion of the Department of Veterans Affairs Alvin C. York Medical Center in Murfreesboro, Tennessee, as the "Sergeant John Toombs Residential Rehabilitation Treatment Facility"; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mrs. DINGELL (for herself and Mr. GUTHRIE):

H.R. 1342. A bill to reauthorize the Money Follows the Person Demonstration Program; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mrs. DINGELL (for herself and Mr. UPTON):

H.R. 1343. A bill to amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to remove an institutional bias by making permanent the protection for recipients of home and community-based services against spousal impoverishment; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. DOGGETT (for himself, Mr. BLUMENAUER, Mr. CARTWRIGHT, Ms. JUDY CHU of California, Mr. CUMMINGS, Ms. DELAURO, Mr. DESAULNIER, Mr. GRIJALVA, Ms. HILL of California, Ms. KAPTUR, Mr. KHANNA, Ms. MOORE, Mrs. NAPOLITANO, Ms. OCASIO-CORTEZ, Ms. NOR-

TON, Ms. PINGREE, Mr. POCAN, Ms. WATERS, Mr. WELCH, and Mr. LAN-GEVIN):

H.R. 1344. A bill to prohibit brand name drug companies from compensating generic drug companies to delay the entry of a generic drug into the market, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Ways and Means, 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 Mr. HASTINGS (for himself, Ms. MOORE, Mr. CRIST, Mr. CLAY, Mr. GRIJALVA, Ms. JOHNSON of Texas, Mr. CARSON of Indiana, Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi, and Ms. WILD):

H.R. 1345. A bill to amend titles XVI, XVIII, XIX, and XXI of the Social Security Act to remove limitations on Medicaid, Medicare, SSI, and CHIP benefits for persons in custody pending disposition of charges; 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. HIGGINS of New York (for himself, Mr. LARSON of Connecticut, Mr. COURTNEY, Mr. WELCH, Mr. AGUILAR, Ms. BONAMICI, Mr. BRENDAN F. BOYLE of Pennsylvania, Mr. CLAY, Mr. DEUTCH, Mr. MICHAEL F. DOYLE of Pennsylvania, Mr. HECK, Mr. KRISHNAMOORTHY, Ms. KUSTER of New Hampshire, Mr. LANGEVIN, Mr. LARSEN of Washington, Mr. LOWENTHAL, Mr. SEAN PATRICK MALONEY of New York, Mr. MEEKS, Ms. NORTON, Mr. PERLMUTTER, Mr. PETERSON, Mr. SCHIFF, Ms. TITUS, Mr. TONKO, Ms. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ, Ms. WILD, and Mr. MCGOVERN):

H.R. 1346. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for an option for individuals who are ages 50 to 64 to buy into Medicare, to provide for health insurance market stabilization, 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. KIND (for himself and Mr. WITTMAN):

H.R. 1347. A bill to amend the Neotropical Migratory Bird Conservation Act to reauthorize the Act; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

By Mr. KRISHNAMOORTHY (for himself, Ms. VELÁZQUEZ, Mr. RUPPERSBERGER, Mr. CRIST, Ms. SPEIER, Mr. GARAMENDI, Mr. PRICE of North Carolina, Mr. NADLER, Ms. DELBENE, Mr. WELCH, Ms. MCCOLLUM, Mr. BRENDAN F. BOYLE of Pennsylvania, Mr. SOTO, Mr. BLUMENAUER, Mr. MOULTON, Mr. TED LIEU of California, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, Mr. ESPAILLAT, and Mr. HASTINGS):

H.R. 1348. A bill to require the publication of the name of any person pardoned by the President, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. LAHOOD (for himself and Ms. DELBENE):

H.R. 1349. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to simplify reporting requirements, promote tax compliance, and reduce tip reporting compliance burdens in the beauty service industry; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Ms. MOORE (for herself, Mr. VELA, Mr. GRIJALVA, Mr. KILMER, Ms. WILSON of Florida, Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia, Mr. MOOLENAAR, Mr. PAYNE, Mr. KILDEE, Mr. POCAN, Mr. KIND, Ms. JOHNSON of Texas, Mr. COHEN, Ms. NORTON, and Mrs. DINGELL):

H.R. 1350. A bill to encourage, enhance, and integrate Green Alert plans throughout the United States, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. O'HALLERAN (for himself, Ms. HAALAND, Mr. COLE, and Mr. YOUNG):

H.R. 1351. A bill to amend the Victims of Crime Act of 1984 to secure urgent resources vital to Indian victims of crime, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Ms. PLASKETT (for herself and Mr. SAN NICOLAS):

H.R. 1352. A bill to provide for parity for Guam and the United States Virgin Islands under the Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act and the Child Nutrition Act, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Education and Labor.

By Ms. PLASKETT (for herself, Miss GONZÁLEZ-COLÓN of Puerto Rico, Ms. NORTON, Mrs. RADEWAGEN, and Mr. SAN NICOLAS):

H.R. 1353. A bill to amend title 54, United States Code, to apply the same apportionment formula to territories and the District of Columbia as is applied to States with respect to amounts made available for State purposes from the Land and Water Conservation Fund, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

By Ms. PLASKETT (for herself, Miss GONZÁLEZ-COLÓN of Puerto Rico, Mrs. RADEWAGEN, Mr. SAN NICOLAS, Mr. SERRANO, and Ms. VELÁZQUEZ):

H.R. 1354. A bill to amend titles XVIII and XIX of the Social Security Act to make improvements to the treatment of the United States territories under the Medicare and Medicaid programs, 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. RYAN (for himself, Mr. JOYCE of Ohio, Mr. ESPAILLAT, Mr. LOWENTHAL, Mr. HASTINGS, Mr. JOHNSON of Ohio, Mr. PASCRELL, Mrs. BEATTY, Ms. MOORE, Mr. GRIJALVA, Mr. LAWSON of Florida, Ms. NORTON, Ms. JOHNSON of Texas, Mr. SCOTT of Virginia, Mr. CARSON of Indiana, Mr. KRISHNAMOORTHY, Mr. RASKIN, Mr. MEEKS, Ms. FUDGE, Ms. JACKSON LEE, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, Ms. SEWELL of Alabama, Ms. OCASIO-CORTEZ, Mr. COHEN, Mr. SMITH of Washington, Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi, and Mr. RUSH):

H.R. 1355. A bill to posthumously award a Congressional Gold Medal to Simeon Booker in recognition of his achievements in the field of journalism, including his reporting during the Civil Rights movement and his social and political commentary; to the Committee on Financial Services, and in addition to the Committee on House Administration, 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. KING of Iowa:

H.J. Res. 49. A joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States to provide that Representatives shall be apportioned among the several States according to their respective num-

bers, counting the number of persons in each State who are citizens of the United States; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. HOYER:

H. Res. 143. A resolution electing the Clerk of the House of Representatives; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. DAVID SCOTT of Georgia (for himself, Mr. MARSHALL, Mr. GALLEGU, Mr. HURD of Texas, Mr. CONNOLLY, Ms. STEFANIK, Mr. ENGEL, Mr. MCKINLEY, Mr. GRIJALVA, Mr. GALLAGHER, Mr. PETERS, Mr. LAMBORN, Mr. FOSTER, Mr. FITZPATRICK, Ms. LOFGREN, Miss GONZÁLEZ-COLÓN of Puerto Rico, Mr. BROWN of Maryland, Mr. PETERSON, Ms. MOORE, Ms. NORTON, Mr. TED LIEU of California, Ms. BROWNLEY of California, Mr. POCAN, Mr. KRISHNAMOORTHY, Mr. RASKIN, Mr. LEWIS, Ms. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ, Ms. JACKSON LEE, Ms. SPEIER, Ms. CLARKE of New York, Mr. SUOZZI, Mr. BRENDAN F. BOYLE of Pennsylvania, Mr. EVANS, Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia, Ms. KELLY of Illinois, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, Ms. PINGREE, Mr. VAN DREW, Ms. KUSTER of New Hampshire, Ms. OCASIO-CORTEZ, Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi, Mr. CISNEROS, Mrs. WATSON COLEMAN, Mrs. DAVIS of California, Mrs. MCBATH, Mr. LIPINSKI, Mr. MOULTON, Mr. SCHIFF, Mr. COHEN, Mr. PAYNE, Mr. RYAN, Mr. YARMUTH, Mr. HUFFMAN, Mr. SEAN PATRICK MALONEY of New York, Mr. MCGOVERN, and Mrs. BEATTY):

H. Res. 146. A resolution recognizing the seriousness of polycystic ovary syndrome (PCOS) and expressing support for the designation of the month of September 2019 as "PCOS Awareness Month"; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. THOMPSON of California (for himself and Mr. MCKINLEY):

H. Res. 147. A resolution expressing support for the designation of March 3, 2019, as World Hearing Day; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

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 Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY of New York:

H.R. 1327.

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

Article I, Section 8, Clause 3: The Congress shall have Power . . . To regulate Commerce with foreign Nations, and among the several States, and with Indian Tribes

By Mr. TONKO:

H.R. 1328.

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

Article I, Section 8, Clause I

Provides Congress with the power to "lay and collect Taxes, Duties, Imposts and Excises" in order to "provide for the . . . general Welfare of the United States."

By Mr. TONKO:

H.R. 1329.

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

Article I, Section 8, Clause 1

By Mr. BUCK:

H.R. 1330.

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

Article IV, Section 3, Clause 2 states, "The Congress shall have Power to dispose of and make all needful Rules and Regulations respecting the Territory or other Property belonging to the United States . . ." This clause allows Congress to create national parks and establish studies to determine the feasibility of designating a study area as a unit of the National Parks System.

By Mrs. CRAIG:

H.R. 1331.

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

Article 1, Section 8

By Mr. WESTERMAN:

H.R. 1332.

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

Article 1, Section 8, Clause 1, with respect to the power to "lay and collect Taxes, Duties, Imposts, and Excises," and to provide for the "general Welfare of the United States." Article 1, Section 8, Clause 3 of the U.S. Constitution gives Congress the power to "regulate Commerce with foreign Nations, and among the several States, and with the Indian Tribes."

By Ms. BARRAGÁN:

H.R. 1333.

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

Article 1, Section 8, Clause 3

By Ms. BARRAGÁN:

H.R. 1334.

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

Article 1, Section 8, Clause 3

By Ms. BARRAGÁN:

H.R. 1335.

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

Article 1, Section 8, Clause 3

By Ms. BARRAGÁN:

H.R. 1336.

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

Article 1, Section 8, Clause 3

By Mr. BLUMENAUER:

H.R. 1337.

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

Article I, Section 8

By Mr. BROOKS of Alabama:

H.R. 1338.

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

Article 1, Section 8 of the United States Constitution

By Mr. COLLINS of Georgia:

H.R. 1339.

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

Article I, Section 8

By Ms. DAVIDS of Kansas:

H.R. 1340.

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

Article 1, Section 8, Clause 18 of the Constitution

By Mr. DESJARLAIS:

H.R. 1341.

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

Article 1, Section 8 of the United States Constitution [Page H4570]

By Mrs. DINGELL:

H.R. 1342.

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

The constitutional authority of Congress to enact this legislation is provided by Article I, section 8 of the United States Constitution.

By Mrs. DINGELL:

H.R. 1343.

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