

Instead of working in good faith to achieve a bipartisan compromise to end the partial government shutdown and address the very real crisis at our southern border, the new Democrat House leadership signaled that all they really want to do is to continue their fight with this President.

By totally dismissing what career professionals at the Department of Homeland Security have said, that they actually need to impede the flow of criminals, gangs, human traffickers, and drug dealers into our country, the new leadership has signaled to the country that the new majority has been co-opted by the most extreme and

hyperpartisan voices of the far left who are so far outside the mainstream and are so blinded by their animosity toward this President that they have become willing to place the interests of illegal immigrants ahead of the interests of the American people.

They would rather turn a blind eye to lawlessness. They would rather compromise public safety and allow criminal gangs and drugs to flood across our borders than even negotiate with this President.

In their meeting with the White House earlier this week, the Democrats refused to even listen to a briefing of the Secretary of the Department of

Homeland Security about the threats we face from an unsecured border.

This is a matter of national security. It is time for Congress to put the safety of the American people over open borders and political games.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. DEUTCH. Mr. Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 10 o'clock and 53 minutes a.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until Tuesday, January 8, 2019, 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 fourth quarter of 2018, pursuant to Public Law 95-384, are as follows:

REPORT OF EXPENDITURES FOR OFFICIAL FOREIGN TRAVEL, SCOTT NULTY, EXPENDED BETWEEN NOV. 16 AND NOV. 21, 2018

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
Scott Nulty	11/17	11/18	Germany		128.00		(3)		132.00		260.00
	11/18	11/20	Kuwait		210.00		(3)		592.00		802.00
	11/20	11/21	Ireland		103.00		(3)	€100.00		€100.00	103.00
Committee total					441.00			€100.00	724.00	€100.00	1,165.00

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.

SCOTT NULTY, Dec. 13, 2018.

REPORT OF EXPENDITURES FOR OFFICIAL FOREIGN TRAVEL, DANIEL SILVERBERG, EXPENDED BETWEEN OCT. 27 AND NOV. 1, 2018

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
Daniel Silverberg	10/28	10/30	Azerbaijan		649.00		10,947.00				
	10/30	11/1	Tajikistan		491.00						
Committee total					1,140.00		10,947.00				12,087.00

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.

DANIEL SILVERBERG, Nov. 22, 2018.

REPORT OF EXPENDITURES FOR OFFICIAL FOREIGN TRAVEL, DELEGATION TO SWITZERLAND, EXPENDED BETWEEN DEC. 1 AND DEC. 5, 2018

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
Robert Reeves	12/2	12/5	Switzerland		1,369.02		2,126.33				3,495.35
Kirsten Gullickson	12/2	12/5	Switzerland		1,369.02		2,126.33				3,495.35
Committee total					2,738.04		4,252.66				6,990.70

¹ Per diem constitutes lodging and meals.
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ROBERT F. REEVES, Dec. 12, 2018.

REPORT OF EXPENDITURES FOR OFFICIAL FOREIGN TRAVEL, COMMITTEE ON SCIENCE, SPACE, AND TECHNOLOGY, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, EXPENDED BETWEEN OCT. 1 AND DEC. 31, 2018

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
Ashley Smith	10/1	10/2	Germany		250		292.00		(3)		292.00
	10/2	10/4	Rwanda		501,376		578.00		(3)		578.00
	10/4	10/7	Botswana		7,642		723.00		(3)		723.00
	10/7	10/8	Angola		140,336		480.00		(3)		480.00
	10/8	10/9	Tunisia		501		179.00		(3)		179.00
	10/9	10/10	Portugal		276		322.00		(3)		322.00
Hon. Roger Marshall	11/17	11/18	Czech Republic		9,085.40		400.52		(3)		400.52
	11/18	11/20	Uzbekistan		4,614,019.38		555.07		(3)		555.07
	11/20	11/21	Djibouti		65,717.30		369.78		(3)		369.78
	11/21	11/23	Kuwait		256.94		844.87		(3)		844.87

REPORT OF EXPENDITURES FOR OFFICIAL FOREIGN TRAVEL, COMMITTEE ON SCIENCE, SPACE, AND TECHNOLOGY, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, EXPENDED BETWEEN OCT. 1 AND DEC. 31, 2018—Continued

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
	11/23	11/24	Ireland	177.39	202.33		(³)				202.33
Committee total					4,946.57		0		0		4,946.57

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³ Military air transportation.

HON. LAMAR SMITH, Chairman, Dec. 31, 2018.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

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

2. A letter from the Senior Counsel, Legal Division, Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection, transmitting the Bureau's final rule — Fair Credit Reporting Act Disclosures (RIN: 3170-AA94) received December 31, 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.

3. A letter from the Senior Counsel, Legal Division, Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection, transmitting the Bureau's final rule — Truth in Lending Act (Regulation Z) Adjustment to Asset-Size Exemption Threshold (RIN: 3170-AA93) received December 31, 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.

4. A letter from the Senior Counsel, Legal Division, Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection, transmitting the Bureau's final rule — Home Mortgage Disclosure (Regulation C) Adjustment to Asset-Size Exemption Threshold (RIN: 3170-AA92) received December 31, 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.

5. A letter from the Assistant General Counsel for Regulatory Services, Department of Education, transmitting the Department's final rule — Improving the Effectiveness and Efficiency of FERPA Enforcement received December 21, 2018, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Education and Labor.

6. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Air Plan Approval; California; El Dorado County Air Quality Management District; Reasonably Available Control Technology Demonstration [EPA-R09-OAR-2018-0602; FRL-9988-52-Region 9] received December 28, 2018, 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.

7. A letter from the Federal Register Liaison Officer, Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau, Department of the Treasury, transmitting the Department's final rule — Expansion of the Arroyo Seco Viticultural Area [Docket No.: TTB-2018-0003; T.D. TTB-153; Ref: Notice No.: 172] (RIN: 1513-AC36) received December 27, 2018, 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.

8. A letter from the Federal Register Liaison Officer, Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau, Department of the Treasury, transmitting the Department's final rule — Expansion of the Monticello Viticultural Area [Docket No.: TTB-2018-0004; T.D. TTB-154; Ref: Notice No.: 173] (RIN: 1513-AC37) received December 27, 2018, 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.

9. A letter from the Federal Register Liaison Officer, Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau, Department of the Treasury, transmitting the Department's final rule — Establishment of the Van Duzer Corridor Viticultural Area and Clarification of the Eola-Amity Hills Viticultural Area Boundary Description [Docket No.: TTB-2018-0006; T.D. TTB-155; Ref: Notice No.: 175] (RIN: 1513-AC39) received December 27, 2018, 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.

10. A letter from the Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's IRB only rule — Parking Expenses for Qualified Transportation Fringes Under Sec. 274(a)(4) and Sec. 512(a)(7) of the Internal Revenue Code (NOT-119966-18) [Notice 2018-99] received December 21, 2018, 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.

11. A letter from the Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's IRB only rule — Guidance on the Application of Section 83(i) [Notice 2018-97] received December 21, 2018, 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:

[Omitted from the Record of January 3, 2019]

Mr. SESSIONS: Committee on Rules. Survey of Activities of the House Committee on Rules for the 115th Congress (Rept. 115-1130). 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. ROGERS of Kentucky:

H.R. 240. A bill to establish the Mill Springs Battlefield National Monument in the State of Kentucky as a unit of the National Park System, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

By Mr. WILLIAMS:

H.R. 241. A bill to amend the Bank Service Company Act to provide improvements with respect to State banking agencies, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Financial Services.

By Ms. JAYAPAL (for herself, Mr. POCAN, Mr. KHANNA, Mr. MCGOVERN, Ms. OCASIO-CORTEZ, Mr. NADLER, Ms. LEE of California, Ms. VELÁZQUEZ, Ms. PINGREE, Mrs. LAWRENCE, Mr.

RASKIN, Mr. ESPAILLAT, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, Ms. CLARKE of New York, Mr. GRIJALVA, Mr. SERRANO, and Mr. GOMEZ):

H.R. 242. A bill to repeal the Statutory Pay-As-You-Go Act of 2010; to the Committee on the Budget, and in addition to the Committee on Rules, 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. LAMALFA:

H.R. 243. A bill to exempt certain wildfire mitigation activities from certain environmental requirements, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Natural Resources, and in addition to the Committee on Agriculture, 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. STEWART:

H.R. 244. A bill to maximize land management efficiencies, promote land conservation, generate education funding, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

By Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania (for himself, Mr. JOYCE of Pennsylvania, Mr. RESCENTIALER, and Mr. MEUSER):

H.R. 245. A bill to amend the Mineral Leasing Act and the Energy Policy Act of 1992 to repeal provisions relating only to the Allegheny National Forest; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

By Ms. FINKENAUER (for herself, Mr. CURTIS, and Ms. VELÁZQUEZ):

H.R. 246. A bill to amend the Small Business Act to require senior procurement executives, procurement center representatives, and the Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization to assist small business concerns participating in the Small Business Innovation Research Program and the Small Business Technology Transfer Program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Small Business, and in addition to the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, 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. HURD of Texas (for himself, Ms. KELLY of Illinois, Mr. MEADOWS, and Mr. CONNOLLY):

H.R. 247. A bill to amend chapter 36 of title 44, United States Code, to make certain changes relating to electronic Government services, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Oversight and Reform.

By Mr. CALVERT (for himself, Mr. LAMALFA, and Mr. NUNES):

H.R. 248. A bill to provide for a limitation on the number of civilian employees at the Department of Defense, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Armed Services.