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Senate

The Senate was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Monday, February 17, 2020, at 1:45 p.m.

House of Representatives

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2020

The House met at 11 a.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. CLAY).

DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

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

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, DC, February 14, 2020.

I hereby appoint the Honorable WM. LACY CLAY to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

NANCY PELOSI,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

PRAYER

The Chaplain, the Reverend Patrick J. Conroy, offered the following prayer: Eternal God, we give You thanks for giving us another day. As the House lies silent, bless all Members as they encounter constituents in their home districts.

Bless the people of this great Nation with wisdom, knowledge, and understanding that they might responsibly participate in our American democracy by making their interests known to their representatives. Please keep all who work for the people's House in good health that they may faithfully fulfill the great responsibility given them in their service to the work of the Capitol.

May all that is done be for Your greater honor and glory.

Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 4(a) of House Resolution

844, the Journal of the last day's proceedings is approved.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair will lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The SPEAKER pro tempore 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.

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, February 13, 2020.

Hon. NANCY PELOSI,
Speaker, House of Representatives,
Washington, DC.

DEAR MADAM 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 February 13, 2020, at 5:04 p.m.:

That the Senate agreed to S.J. Res. 68.
That the Senate passed S. 490.
That the Senate passed with an amendment H.R. 1365.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely,

ROBERT F. REEVES,
Deputy Clerk.

SENATE BILL REFERRED

A bill of the Senate of the following title was taken from the Speaker's

table and, under the rule, referred as follows:

S. 490. An act to designate a mountain ridge in the State of Montana as "B-47 Ridge"; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

ENROLLED BILL AND JOINT RESOLUTION SIGNED

Robert F. Reeves, Deputy Clerk of the House, reported and found truly enrolled a bill and a joint resolution of the House of the following titles, which were thereupon signed by the Speaker:

H.R. 504. An act to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to require the Department of Homeland Security to develop an engagement strategy with fusion centers, and for other purposes.

H.J. Res. 80. Joint resolution approving the request of the Secretary of Veterans Affairs for a waiver under section 1703E(f) of title 38, United States Code.

SENATE ENROLLED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS SIGNED

The Speaker announced her signature to enrolled bills and joint resolutions of the Senate of the following titles:

S. 375. An act to improve efforts to identify and reduce Governmentwide improper payments, and for other purposes.

S. 394. An act to amend the Presidential Transition Act of 1963 to improve the orderly transfer of the executive power during Presidential transitions.

S. 2107. An act to increase the number of CBP Agriculture Specialists and support

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staff in the Office of Field Operations of U.S. Customs and Border Protection, and for other purposes.

S.J. Res. 65. A joint resolution providing for the reappointment of John Fahey as a citizen regent of the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution.

S.J. Res. 67. A joint resolution providing for the reappointment of Risa Lavizzo-Mourey as a citizen regent of the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution.

ADJOURNMENT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 4(b) of House Resolution 844, the House stands adjourned until 10:30 a.m., Tuesday, February 18, 2020.

Thereupon (at 11 o'clock and 3 minutes a.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until Tuesday, February 18, 2020, at 10:30 a.m.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

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

3827. A letter from the Chair, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, transmitting the Board's semiannual Monetary Policy Report to the Congress, pursuant to Public Law 106-569; to the Committee on Financial Services.

3828. A letter from the Program Specialist, Chief Counsel's Office, Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, Department of the Treasury, transmitting the Department's final rule — Other Real Estate Owned and Technical Amendments; Correction [Docket ID: OCC-2019-0004] (RIN: 1557-AE50) received February 13, 2020, 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.

3829. A letter from the Acting Director, Office of Management and Budget, Executive Office of the President, transmitting the Office's report on discretionary appropriations legislation within seven calendar days of enactment, pursuant to 2 U.S.C. 901(a)(7)(B); Public Law 99-177, Sec. 251(a)(7)(B) (as amended by Public Law 114-113, Sec. 1003); (129 Stat. 3035); to the Committee on the Budget.

3830. A letter from the Regulations Coordinator, Division of Global Migration and Quarantine, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's Major interim final rule — Control of Communicable Diseases; Foreign Quarantine [CDC Docket No.: CDC-2020-0013] (RIN: 0920-AA75) received February 13, 2020, 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.

3831. A letter from the Director, Defense Security Cooperation Agency, Department of Defense, transmitting the Agency's FY 2019 annual report of Military Assistance, pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2415(a); Public Law 87-195, Sec. 655 (as amended by Public Law 104-164, Sec. 148); (110 Stat. 1435); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

3832. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Treasury, transmitting a six-month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to Lebanon that was declared in Executive Order 13441 of August 1, 2007, pursuant to 50 U.S.C. 1641(c); Public Law 94-412, Sec. 401(c); (90 Stat. 1257) and 50 U.S.C. 1703(c); Public Law 95-223, Sec. 204(c); (91 Stat. 1627); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

3833. A letter from the Secretary, Department of the Treasury, transmitting a six-month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to Ukraine that was declared in Executive Order 13660 of March 6, 2014, pursuant to 50 U.S.C. 1641(c); Public Law 94-412, Sec. 401(c); (90 Stat. 1257) and 50 U.S.C. 1703(c); Public Law 95-223, Sec. 204(c); (91 Stat. 1627); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

3834. A letter from the Director, Defense Security Cooperation Agency, Department of Defense, transmitting Transmittal No. 20-0D, pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(b)(5)(C) of the Arms Export Control Act, as amended; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

3835. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting the Department's final rule — Passports; Clarification of Previous Rule Relating to Treatment of Serious Tax Debt [Public Notice: 10921] (RIN: 1400-AE90) received February 13, 2020, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

3836. A letter from the Director, Regulations and Disclosure Law Division, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Import Restrictions Imposed on Archaeological and Ethnological Material From Ecuador [CBP Dec. 20-03] (RIN: 1515-AE52) received February 13, 2020, 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.

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. GRAVES of Missouri (for himself and Mr. GRAVES of Louisiana):

H.R. 5912. A bill to amend title 49, United States Code, to permit the use of incentive payments to expedite certain federally financed airport development projects; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Mr. ARRINGTON (for himself, Mr. HURD of Texas, and Mr. CONAWAY):

H.R. 5913. A bill to designate the Rocksprings Station of the U.S. Border Patrol located on West Main Street in Rocksprings, Texas, as the "Donna M. Doss Border Patrol Station"; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Mr. BLUMENAUER (for himself and Mr. KILDEE):

H.R. 5914. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to clarify that products derived from tar sands are crude oil for purposes of the Federal excise tax on petroleum, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. COHEN (for himself, Ms. NORTON, Mr. RUSH, Mr. CARSON of Indiana, Ms. ADAMS, and Ms. BARRAGÁN):

H.R. 5915. A bill to amend the Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996 to repeal a certain disqualification to receive benefits under title IV of the Social Security Act and benefits under the Food and Nutrition Act of 2008; and to amend the Food and Nutrition Act of 2008 to provide that incarcerated individuals who are scheduled to be released from an institution within 30 days shall be considered to be a household for purposes of such Act; to the Committee on Agriculture, 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. GALLAGHER (for himself and Mr. MEADOWS):

H.R. 5916. A bill to require providers of health care products and services to publicly disclose point-of-sale cash prices; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Ms. LEE of California (for herself, Ms. MOORE, Mr. DEUTCH, Mr. GALLEGÓ, Mr. CLAY, Ms. PRESSLEY, Mr. RYAN, Ms. NORTON, Mr. RUSH, Mr. GRIJALVA, Mr. CONNOLLY, Mr. BLUMENAUER, Ms. GARCÍA of Texas, Mr. LEVIN of Michigan, Mrs. MURPHY of Florida, Mr. RASKIN, Mr. DANNY K. DAVIS of Illinois, Mr. ENGEL, Mr. CARSON of Indiana, Mr. SABLÁN, Mr. GARCÍA of Illinois, Ms. SHERRILL, Mrs. KIRKPATRICK, Ms. ADAMS, Mr. MEEKS, Mr. SCOTT of Virginia, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, and Ms. SHALALA):

H.R. 5917. A bill to repeal certain impediments to the administration of the firearms laws; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Ms. MATSUI (for herself, Ms. ESHOO, Mr. THOMPSON of California, and Mr. HUFFMAN):

H.R. 5918. A bill to direct the Federal Communications Commission to issue reports after activation of the Disaster Information Reporting System and to make improvements to network outage reporting; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Ms. NORTON (for herself, Mr. BEYER, Mr. RASKIN, and Mr. RODNEY DAVIS of Illinois):

H.R. 5919. A bill to amend title 40, United States Code, to require the Administrator of General Services to enter into a cooperative agreement with the National Children's Museum to provide the National Children's Museum rental space without charge in the Ronald Reagan Building and International Trade Center, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Mr. PANETTA (for himself, Mr. CARBAJAL, Mr. RODNEY DAVIS of Illinois, Mr. WOODALL, Ms. BARRAGÁN, Mr. BLUMENAUER, Mr. COHEN, Mr. COURTNEY, Mr. COX of California, Mr. DEFazio, Mrs. DINGELL, Ms. ESHOO, Mr. HARDER of California, Mr. HASTINGS, Mr. HUFFMAN, Mr. GRIJALVA, Mr. KING of New York, Mr. MCNERNEY, Ms. PINGREE, Mr. THOMPSON of California, Ms. WILD, Mr. LOEBSACK, Mr. CORREA, Mr. COSTA, and Mr. LUJÁN):

H.R. 5920. A bill to encourage and facilitate efforts by States and other stakeholders to conserve and sustain the western population of monarch butterflies, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Agriculture, and in addition to the Committees on Natural Resources, and Appropriations, 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. CASTRO of Texas:

H.J. Res. 85. A joint resolution relating to a national emergency declared by the President on February 15, 2019; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Mr. SMITH of New Jersey (for himself and Mrs. BEATTY):

H. Res. 860. A resolution recognizing the rise of cardiovascular disease as the world's leading cause of preventable death and disability and as a global public health crisis and supporting the recognition of February 2020 as "American Heart Month"; to the