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## Senate

The Senate was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Monday, April 27, 2020, at 8 a.m.

## House of Representatives

FRIDAY, APRIL 24, 2020

The House met at 10:30 a.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. Butterfield).

## DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

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

Washington, DC,  $April\ 24,\ 2020.$ 

I hereby appoint the Honorable G.K. BUTTERFIELD 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: Compassionate God, thank You for

giving us another day.

The House is again silent, and all the Nation awaits the influx of assistance on the local level to address the ongoing pandemic.

Please empower and inspire all people of good will who are now responsible to ensure that assistance is distributed most effectively and equitably.

Continue to bless those whose life's work is in service to public safety, be it police, medical professionals, or those producing and delivering our daily necessities.

May everything done this day be for Your greater honor and glory.

Amen.

#### THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 7(a) of House Resolution 891, the Journal of the last day's proceedings is approved.

#### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

Mr. DAVIDSON of Ohio 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.

## ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 4 of rule I, the following enrolled bills were signed by the Speaker on Thursday, April 23, 2020:

H.R. 266, making appropriations for the Department of the Interior, environment, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2019, and for other purposes;

H.R. 6322, to make certain improvements in the educational assistance benefits under the laws administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs in the case of changes to courses of education by reason of emergency situations, and for other purposes.

#### ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED

Cheryl L. Johnson, Clerk of the House, reported and found truly enrolled bills of the House of the following titles, which were thereupon signed by the Speaker on Thursday, April 23, 2020:

H.R. 266. An act making appropriations for the Department of the Interior, environment, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2019, and for other purposes.

H.R. 6322. An act to make certain improvements in the educational assistance benefits under the laws administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs in the case of changes to courses of education by reason of emergency situations, and for other purposes.

#### ADJOURNMENT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 7(b) of House Resolution 891, the House stands adjourned until 9 a.m. on Tuesday, April 28, 2020.

Thereupon (at 10 o'clock and 32 minutes a.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until Tuesday, April 28, 2020, at 9 a.m.

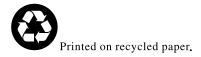
## EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

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

4259. A letter from the Secretary, Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting the Commission's Major final rule — Securities Offering Reform for Closed-End Investment Companies [Release Nos.: 33-10771; 34-88606; IC-33836; File No. S7-03-19] (RIN: 3235-AM31) received April 24, 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.

☐ 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.



4260. A letter from the Compliance Specialist, Department of Labor, transmitting the Department's Major temporary rule—Paid Leave under the Families First Coronavirus Response Act (RIN: 1235-AA35) received April 23, 2020, 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.

4261. A letter from the Deputy Bureau Chief, Wireline Competition Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting the Commission's Major final rule — Promoting Telehealth for Low-Income Consumers, COVID-19 Telehealth Program, [WC Docket Nos.: 18-213, 20-89; FCC 20-44] received April 23, 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.

### 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:

H.R. 6615. A bill to direct the Librarian of Congress to establish a program in the American Folklife Center to collect video and audio recordings of personal histories and testimonials of those affected by the COVID-19 pandemic, and for other purposes; to the Committee on House Administration.

By Mr. CARDENAS (for himself and Ms. SÁNCHEZ):

H.R. 6616. A bill to amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to allow States to provide coverage under the Medicaid program for vaccines and treatment for COVID-19 for uninsured individuals without the imposition of cost sharing requirements, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. COX of California (for himself, Mr. HARDER of California, Mr. GARAMENDI, and Mr. COSTA):

H.R. 6617. A bill to support surface and groundwater storage and supporting projects in Reclamation States, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

By Mr. CROW (for himself and Mr. WALTZ):

H.R. 6618. A bill to direct the Secretary of Health and Human Services to establish a database to facilitate the provision of health care services by a volunteer at a Federal or State agency during the COVID-19 public health emergency, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Ms. DEAN (for herself and Mr. KIL-MER):

H.R. 6619. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide advance tax refunds to small businesses, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Ms. KUSTER of New Hampshire (for herself and Mr. KATKO):

H.R. 6620. A bill to authorize grants to address substance use during COVID-19; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. McCAUL (for himself, Mr. ENGEL, Mr. CURTIS, and Mr. MALINOWSKI):

H.R. 6621. A bill to amend the United States International Broadcasting Act of 1994 to authorize the Open Technology Fund of the United States Agency for Global Media, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Mr. McKINLEY (for himself and Ms. Blunt Rochester):

H.R. 6622. A bill to amend the Safe Drinking Water Act to establish a grant program

for improving operational sustainability by small public water systems, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

> By Ms. MENG (for herself, Mrs. WAT-SON COLEMAN, Mr. PRICE of North Carolina, Ms. GARCIA of Texas, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, Mr. GONZALEZ of Texas, Mrs. Hayes, Mr. Rush, Mr. García of Illinois, Mr. Meeks, Ms. Johnson of Texas, Mr. Huffman, Ms. Norton, Mr. ESPAILLAT, Ms. CASTOR of Florida, Ms. Shalala, Mr. Carson of Indiana, Mr. Kilmer, Mr. Serrano, Ms. JAYAPAL, Ms. PRESSLEY, Mr. DANNY K. DAVIS of Illinois, Ms. VELÁZQUEZ, Mr. CÁRDENAS, Mr. GRIJALVA, Mr. MCNERNEY, Mr. HASTINGS, Mr. JOHN-SON of Georgia, Mr. GOMEZ, Mr. TAKANO, Ms. LEE of California, Mr. HORSFORD, Ms. PORTER, Mr. CASE, and Ms. Eshoo):

H.R. 6623. A bill to require all Federal agencies to translate COVID-19 materials into multiple languages, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Oversight and Reform.

By Mr. PALLONE (for himself, Mr. Guthrie, Ms. Matsui, and Mr. Wal-DEN):

H.R. 6624. A bill to support supply chain innovation and multilateral security, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Ms. SPEIER (for herself, Ms. MAT-SUI, Mr. GRIJALVA, Ms. JAYAPAL, and Mrs. HAYES):

H.R. 6625. A bill to establish requirements for cruise lines to receive Federal funds and Federal assistance, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, 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. TRONE (for himself and Mrs. RODGERS of Washington):

H.R. 6626. A bill to support and expand civic engagement and political leadership of adolescent girls around the world, and other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs

By Mr. YOHO (for himself, Mr. WRIGHT, Mr. BURCHETT, Mr. PERRY, Mr. WILSON of South Carolina, Mr. DIAZBALART, Mrs. WAGNER, and Mr. WEBER of Texas):

H.R. 6627. A bill to require the United States Trade Representative to submit a report on plans to facilitate the full implementation of agreements of the World Trade Organization, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. ENGEL (for himself, Mr. GRI-JALVA, Ms. HAALAND, Ms. NORTON, Mrs. Hayes, Mr. Panetta, Mr. Ryan, Ms. McCollum, Mr. Vargas, Ms. VELÁZQUEZ, Ms. CASTOR of Florida, Mr. LYNCH, Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALO-NEY of New York, Mr. HECK, Ms. WIL-SON of Florida, Mr. GALLEGO, Mr. LOWENTHAL, Mr. PALLONE, Ms. SCHA-KOWSKY, Ms. LEE of California, Ms. KUSTER of New Hampshire, Mr. PAPPAS, Mr. FOSTER, Mr. STANTON, Mr. Brown of Maryland, Mr. Bera, Mr. NEGUSE, Mr. QUIGLEY, Ms. SCAN-LON, Mr. PETERS, Ms. JOHNSON of Texas, Mrs. Watson Coleman, Mr. McGovern, Mr. Welch, Mr. Schiff, Mr. Soto, Ms. Dean, Mr. Espaillat, Mr. CICILLINE, Mr. CARSON of Indiana, Mrs. Lee of Nevada, Ms. SÁNCHEZ, Mrs. DINGELL, Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia, Mr. Blumenauer, Mr. Raskin, Mr. SWALWELL of California, Ms. DELBENE, Mr. SERRANO, Mr. KILMER, Mr. Cox of California, Mr. Brendan BOYLE of Pennsylvania, JAYAPAL, Ms. MENG, Mr. HORSFORD, Mr. Moulton, Mr. Hastings, Mr. POCAN, Ms. CRAIG, Mr. CROW, Mr. TAKANO, Mr. KHANNA, Mr. HIGGINS of New York, Mr. Suozzi, Ms. Clarke of New York, Ms. TITUS, Ms. TLAIB, Mr. LEVIN of Michigan, Ms. FINKENAUER, Ms. Roybal-Allard, Ms. Clark of Massachusetts, Ms. Bonamici, Mr. SIRES, Miss RICE of New York, Ms. SPEIER, Mr. KRISHNAMOORTHI, Mrs. LAWRENCE, Ms. OCASIO-CORTEZ, Mrs. DAVIS of California, Ms. ESCOBAR, Ms. OMAR, Mr. LUJÁN, Mr. ROUDA, Mr. TONKO, Mrs. LOWEY, and Mr.CISNEROS):

H. Con. Res. 98. Concurrent resolution supporting the goals and ideals of GLSEN's 2020 Day of Silence in bringing attention to antilesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and queer (LGBTQ) name-calling, bullying, and harassment faced by individuals in schools; to the Committee on Education and Labor, 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.

## 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. 6615.

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

Article 1. Section 8

By Mr. CÁRDENAS:

H.R. 6616.

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

Article 1 Section 8 of the U.S. Constitution By Mr. COX of California:

H.R. 6617.

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

Article 1, Section 8 of the United States Constitution.

By Mr. CROW:

H.R. 6618.

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

Article 1, Section 8, Clause 18: 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. DEAN:

H.R. 6619.

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

Article I, Section 8

By Ms. KUSTER of New Hampshire: H.R. 6620.

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

Article I, Section 8, Clause 1 of the United States Constitution, the Taxing and Spending Clause: "The Congress shall have Power To lay and collect Taxes, Duties, Imposts and Excises, to pay the Debts and provide for the common Defense and general Welfare of the United States . . ."