

hope that they will find it to be unconstitutional as it is.

Mr. Speaker, finally, a note about the coronavirus. Many Americans have been impacted by the virus. I have friends and family that have been impacted by it. I have had staff who have been impacted by it. I missed Thanksgiving with my 78-year-old father and 72-year-old mother because I had been around someone who had been positive. I wanted to protect them. We are all doing these things. We are all making sacrifices, figuring out how to adjust to make sure we protect the vulnerable.

Mr. Speaker, our Nation should be open. Our businesses should be open. Our schools should be open. Our restaurants should be open. Our baseball and football and basketball stadiums should be open. Our churches should never, ever close again. And we should use our own judgment to celebrate Thanksgiving and Christmas without local, petty tyrants attempting to tell us what to do. But here we are, as I hear Joe Biden and others talk about national mask mandates in 2021, and I continue to hear about restrictions and social distancing, even if we get a vaccine.

Have any of you been to the restaurants that are shutting down? In Arlington, Virginia, they run over and grab your beer or Diet Coke at 10 p.m. right on the dot. They can't make money. They can't survive.

Are any of the local, petty tyrants shutting them down going to pay their bills or are they going to come here to this Chamber and expect us to pass another trillion-dollar bill to fund them because the local governments are shutting them down?

Because that is what is happening. The big businesses are doing fine. But the small restaurants, the local dry cleaners, the small hotels, the local music venues, the artists—the backbone of this country is getting decimated because we are shutting down. America doesn't shut down.

Leftists run around bleeding about how we should be locked down, but expecting workers to bring them their lattes or take-home Chinese or tacos, expecting workers to clean the streets

and pick up the garbage and serve them while they pat themselves on the back for being enlightened.

Mayors like Mayor Adler in Austin, who I already said went to Cabo and recorded a video telling us we should stay home.

Mayors like the mayors in L.A. turning off utilities while policing people's home.

Oh, my gosh, how many cars do you have in front of your house?

The mayor in Denver saying everybody has got to stay home, but what does he do?

He flies home. Rules for thee, but not for me.

My fellow Americans, these local tyrants, tell them a simple word; tell them "no." You local business owners that are opening up, God be with you. I am with you. Open up. We are Americans. We don't close down.

Mr. Speaker, our Nation is a large and vibrant economy and large and vibrant country that thrives on free enterprise, freedom of religion, freedom to interact and engage as a society. It is who we are as Americans. We will remain the economic engine of the world.

And I, frankly, don't really care to listen to countries around the world lecture us about their alleged lockdown successes and results—much of which are easily disputable—when the world lives off the very sacrifices we make.

We fund the world's defense, ladies and gentlemen. We fund, through our economic engine, a good deal of this world. We feed a large chunk of this world. We provide energy for an enormous part of this world. So forgive me if I don't want to be lectured to by Australia or anybody else about how their success in their lockdown worked out for them. Because these things are all interacting.

When we make decisions, it impacts real lives. You read reports about 140 million people that may be starving because we are not distributing the same number of products because of the virus. And then you come talk to me about a few thousand that are impacted by the virus. We have got decisions to make that impact people's lives, and we do it by staying open.

Our own lockdowns that we have chosen to do, predominantly by local governments have been devastating. We have seen devastation in our schools, devastation in small businesses. We have seen people forced to die alone. We have seen increased suicides, people that have died from diseases, cancer, heart disease, and more, all because of virus policies. And to all of that, I say, simply, "enough."

Mr. Speaker, this body, this House of Representatives should no longer be operating in fear. We are leaders. We should be here. We should be debating. We should be present. We should be in this Chamber, and we should not be wearing masks. We should be looking each other in the face and in the eye, and we should be doing our job. Take tests, take our temperature, whatever it takes, but lead.

We are running around in fear, and it is embarrassing. We have these fake cleaning exercises between votes as a threat because of precious time if we dare congregate for 5-minutes and debate some issue that is on the floor of the House of Representatives.

This is no way for the House of Representatives to function while we are leading a Nation. We should reject fear and favor of our faith, reject fear and favor of our family, our friends, and the thriving society Americans deserve.

And simply put, America must never again shut down. America must always be open for business. And more importantly, America must always be open for life.

Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

#### ADJOURNMENT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 4(b) of House Resolution 967, the House stands adjourned until 9 a.m. tomorrow.

Thereupon (at 7 o'clock and 25 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until tomorrow, Thursday, December 10, 2020, at 9 a.m.

#### BUDGETARY EFFECTS OF PAYGO LEGISLATION

Pursuant to the Statutory Pay-As-You-Go Act of 2010 (PAYGO), Mr. YARMUTH hereby submits, prior to the vote on passage, the attached estimate of the costs of H.R. 1570, the Removing Barriers to Colorectal Cancer Screening Act of 2020, as amended, for printing in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD.

#### ESTIMATE OF PAY-AS-YOU-GO EFFECTS FOR H.R. 1570

	By fiscal year, in millions of dollars—											
	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030		
Statutory Pay-As-You-Go Impact .....	−130	−220	−240	−161	−173	−75	−2	121	246	452	−924	−182

Components may not sum to totals because of rounding.

Pursuant to the Statutory Pay-As-You-Go Act of 2010 (PAYGO), Mr. YARMUTH hereby submits, prior to the vote on passage, for printing in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD, that H.R. 3797, the Medical Marijuana Research Act, as amended, would have no significant effect on the deficit, and therefore, the budgetary effects of such bill are estimated as zero.

*[Omitted from the Record of December 8, 2020]*

Pursuant to the Statutory Pay-As-You-Go Act of 2010 (PAYGO), Mr. YARMUTH hereby submits, prior to the vote on passage, for printing in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD, that H.R. 7146, For the relief of Victoria Galindo Lopez, as amended, would have no significant effect on the deficit, and therefore, the budgetary effects of such bill are estimated as zero.

Pursuant to the Statutory Pay-As-You-Go Act of 2010 (PAYGO), Mr. YARMUTH hereby submits, prior to the vote on passage, for printing in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD, that H.R. 7489, the Long Bridge Act of 2020, as amended, would have no significant effect on the deficit, and therefore, the budgetary effects of such bill are estimated as zero.

#### EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

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

EC-5928. A letter from the Secretary, Commodity Futures Trading Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule — Swap Data Recordkeeping and Reporting Requirements (RIN: 3038-AE31) received December 2, 2020, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Agriculture.

EC-5929. A letter from the Secretary, Commodity Futures Trading Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule — Amendments to Regulations Relating to Certain Swap Data Repository and Data Reporting Requirements (RIN: 3038-AE32) received December 2, 2020, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Agriculture.

EC-5930. A letter from the Secretary, Commodity Futures Trading Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule — Real-Time Public Reporting Requirements (RIN: 3038-AE60) received December 2, 2020, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Agriculture.

EC-5931. A letter from the Deputy Administrator for Policy Support, Food and Nutrition Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule — Child Nutrition Programs: Rescission of Milk, Whole Grains, and Sodium Flexibilities: Notice of Vacatur [FNS-2020-0037] (RIN: 0584-AE84) received December 2, 2020, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Agriculture.

EC-5932. A letter from the Secretary, Division of Clearing and Risk, Commodity Futures Trading Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule — Swap Clearing Requirement Exemptions (RIN: 3038-AE33) received December 2, 2020, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Agriculture.

EC-5933. A letter from the Under Secretary, Acquisition and Sustainment, Department of Defense, transmitting a report titled, "Summary Report to Congress of the Department of Defense Fiscal Year 2019 Inventory of Contracted Services", pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 2330a(c)(1); Public Law 107-107, Sec. 801(c)(1) (as amended by Public Law 114-328, Sec. 812); (130 Stat. 2269); to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5934. A letter from the OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense, transmitting the Department's interim rule — Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement: Restriction on the Acquisition of Tantalum (DFARS Case 2020-D007) [Docket: DARS-2020-0035] (RIN: 0750-AK94) received December 2, 2020, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5935. A letter from the OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense, transmitting the Department's final

rule — Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement: Inflation Adjustment of Acquisition-Related Thresholds (DFARS Case 2019-D036) [Docket: DARS-2020-0002] (RIN: 0750-AK76) received December 2, 2020, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5936. A letter from the OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense, transmitting the Department's final rule — Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement: Treatment of Certain Items as Commercial Items (DFARS Case 2019-D029) [Docket: DARS-2019-0052] (RIN: 0750-AK66) received December 2, 2020, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5937. A letter from the OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense, transmitting the Department's final rule — Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement: Repeal of DFARS Clause "Substitutions for Military or Federal Specifications and Standards" (DFARS Case 2019-D023) [Docket: DARS-2020-0006] (RIN: 0750-AK60) received December 2, 2020, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5938. A letter from the OSD Federal Register Liaison, Department of Defense, transmitting the Department's final rule — Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement: Repeal of DFARS Provision "Alteration Preservation, Packaging, and Packing" (DFARS Case 2019-D022) [Docket: DARS-2019-0056] (RIN: 0750-AK59) received December 2, 2020, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5939. A letter from the Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense, transmitting the Department's final rule — Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement: Repeal of DFARS Provision and Clause on Reserve Officer Training Corps and Military Recruiting on Campus [Docket No.: DARS-2020-0030] (RIN: 0750-AK89) received December 2, 2020, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5940. A letter from the Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense, transmitting the Department's final rule — Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement: Repeal of DFARS Clauses related to Taxes Applied to Foreign Contracts in Afghanistan [Docket No.: DARS-2020-0018] (RIN: 0750-AL11) received December 2, 2020, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5941. A letter from the Director, Regulations Management Division, Rural Development, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule — Guaranteed Rural Rental Housing Change in Initial Guarantee Fee and Annual Guarantee Fee [Docket No.: RHS-20-MFH-0027] (RIN: 0575-AD15) received December 2, 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.

EC-5942. A letter from the General Counsel, Federal Housing Finance Agency, transmitting the Agency's Major final rule — Enterprise Regulatory Capital Framework (RIN: 2590-AA95) received December 2, 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.

EC-5943. A letter from the Secretary, Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting the Commission's policy Statement — Statement on Central Counterparties Authorized under the European Markets Infrastructure Regulation Seeking to Register as a Clearing Agency or to Request Exemption from Certain Requirements Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 [Release No.: 34-90490] received December 2, 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.

EC-5944. A letter from the Secretary, Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting the Commission's policy statement — Commission Statement on Certain Provisions of Business Conduct Standards for Security-Based Swap Dealers and Major Security-Based Participants [Release No.: 34-84511; File No.: ST-24-18] (RIN: 3235-AL10) received December 2, 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.

EC-5945. A letter from the Secretary, Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule — Management's Discussion and Analysis, Selected Financial Data, and Supplementary Financial Information [Release No.: 33-10890; 34-90459; IC-34100; File No.: ST-01-20] (RIN: 3235-AM48) received December 2, 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.

EC-5946. A letter from the Chief of Staff, OSHA, Department of Labor, transmitting the Department's final rule — Cranes and Derricks in Construction: Railroad Roadway Work [Docket ID: OSHA-2015-0012] (RIN: 1218-AD07) received November 17, 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.

EC-5947. A letter from the Assistant General Counsel for Regulatory Affairs, Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation, transmitting the Corporation's final rule — Benefits Payable in Terminated Single-Employer Plans; Interest Assumptions for Paying Benefits received December 2, 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.

EC-5948. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislation, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's Report to Congress on "The 12th Review of the Backlog of Postmarketing Requirements and Postmarketing Commitments", pursuant to 21 U.S.C. 355(k)(5)(B); June 25, 1938, ch. 675, Sec. 505(k)(5)(B) (as added by Public Law 110-85, Sec. 921); (121