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The House met at 10 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.
August 23, 2022.

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 Margaret Grun Kibben, offered the following prayer:

On this day, O God, we call upon You. May our prayers rise like incense to You, the lifting up of our hearts and hands be like an acceptable sacrifice.

Come quickly to us. Hear our voices as we appeal to You. We offer to You our innermost thoughts, our heartfelt desires, our looming concerns, and our deepest hopes. Receive them all into Your grace.

Then redeem us, we who strive to be the people You desire us to be into the people You desire us to be. May our service be well-pleasing to You.

In all that we do and all that we say, look down with mercy upon us and receive with appreciation our most humble offerings. Transform our most feeble attempts to do the right thing, to the right thing to do.

We yield our whole selves to You this day, that You would use us to succeed in the work You set before us and to live into the responsibilities You have laid upon us. May Your will be done here in this place. And may You be glorified in our lives.

We offer our prayers in the power of Your most holy name. Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 2 of House Resolution 1289, 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.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 4 of rule I, the following enrolled bill was signed by Speaker pro tempore BEYER on Monday, August 22, 2022:

S. 4458, to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the process by which the Secretary of Veterans Affairs determines whether an educational institution meets requirements relating to the percentage of students who receive educational assistance furnished by the Secretary, and for other purposes.

SENATE ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

The Speaker pro tempore, Mr. BEYER, on Monday, August 22, 2022, announced his signature to an enrolled bill of the Senate of the following title:

S. 4458.—An act to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the process by which the Secretary of Veterans Affairs determines whether an educational institution meets requirements relating to the percentage of students who receive educational assistance furnished by the Secretary, and for other purposes.

ADJOURNMENT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 1 of House Resolution 1230, the House stands adjourned until 10 a.m. on Friday, August 26, 2022.

Thereupon (at 10 o'clock and 3 minutes a.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until, Friday, August 26, 2022, at 10 a.m.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

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

EC-5104. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislation, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the annual report on mining safety technology; to the Committee on Education and Labor.

EC-5105. A letter from the Assistant Legal Adviser, Office of Treaty Affairs, Department of State, transmitting reports concerning international agreements other than treaties entered into by the United States to be transmitted to the Congress within the sixty-day period specified in the Case-Zablocki Act, pursuant to 1 U.S.C. 112b(a); Public Law 92-403, Sec. 1(a) (as amended by Public Law 108-458, Sec. 7121(b)); (118 Stat. 3807); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

EC-5106. A letter from the Attorney Advisor, FAA, Department of Transportation, transmitting a notification of a nomination, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 3349(a); Public Law 105-277, Sec. 151(b); (112 Stat. 2681-614); to the Committee on Oversight and Reform.

EC-5107. A letter from the Attorney-Advisor, FHA, Department of Transportation, transmitting a notification of a nomination, and a change in previously submitted reported information, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 3349(a); Public Law 105-277, Sec. 151(b); (112 Stat. 2681-614); to the Committee on Oversight and Reform.

EC-5108. A letter from the Associate General Counsel for General Law, Immigration and Customs Enforcement, U.S. Department of Homeland Security, transmitting a notification of an action on nomination, pursuant

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to 5 U.S.C. 3349(a); Public Law 105-277, Sec. 151(b); (112 Stat. 2681-614); to the Committee on Oversight and Reform.

EC-5109. A letter from the Acting Commissioner, Social Security Administration, transmitting a letter stating that after reviewing financial assistance programs, it was determined that the Administration does not administer financial assistance programs for infrastructure as defined under the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

EC-5110. A letter from the Secretary, Department of the Treasury, transmitting a letter on the benefits of the Inflation Reduction Act of 2022; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

EC-5111. A letter from the Deputy Inspector General for Audit Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting a Review of Medicare Administrative Contractor Information Security Program Evaluations for Fiscal Year 2021, pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 1395kk-1(e)(2)(C)(ii); Aug. 14, 1935, ch. 531, title XVIII, Sec. 1874A(e)(2)(C)(ii) (as amended by Public Law 108-173, Sec. 912(a)); (117 Stat. 2388); jointly to the Committees on Energy and Commerce and 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. CASTEN (for himself, Mr. KRISHNAMOORTHY, Ms. BONAMICI, Mr. LEVIN of California, Mr. SOTO, and Mr. TONKO):

H.R. 8738. A bill to require Transmission Organizations allow bids from aggregators of certain retail customers, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. CURTIS (for himself and Mr. PETERS):

H.R. 8739. A bill to direct the Secretary of Commerce to submit to Congress a report on the protection of consumer information in the possession of United States companies operating in Hong Kong and requests issued by the Government of Hong Kong to such companies for consumer information, content takedowns, or law enforcement assistance; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, 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 Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY of New York:

H.R. 8740. A bill to establish reasonable controls on firearms manufacturers and importers, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY of New York:

H.R. 8741. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to impose a tax on the total revenue of manufacturers and importers of semi-automatic assault weapons; to the Committee on Ways and Means, 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. MEUSER (for himself, Mr. WEBER of Texas, Mr. DONALDS, and Mr. GARBARINO):

H.R. 8742. A bill to ensure that employees of the Internal Revenue Service are brought back to their offices until the backlog of 2020

tax returns has been eliminated; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Ms. NORTON:

H.R. 8743. A bill to amend the Congressional Accountability Act of 1995 to provide enhanced enforcement authority for occupational safety and health protections applicable to the legislative branch, to provide whistleblower protections and other anti-discrimination protections for employees of the legislative branch, and for other purposes; to the Committee on House Administration, and in addition to the Committees on Education and Labor, 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. GOSAR (for himself, Mr. VAN DREW, Mr. HARRIS, Mrs. BOEBERT, Mr. NORMAN, Mr. LAMALFA, Mr. GOODEN of Texas, Mr. GOOD of Virginia, Mr. GOHMERT, and Mr. TIFFANY):

H. Res. 1325. A resolution of inquiry requesting the President and directing Attorney General Merrick B. Garland to transmit, respectively, a copy of the affidavit to the House of Representatives related to the raid on the former President; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

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. CASTEN:

H.R. 8738.

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

Clause 18 of Section 8 of Article 1 of the Constitution

By Mr. CURTIS:

H.R. 8739.

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

Article 1 Section 8

By Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY of New York:

H.R. 8740.

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

U.S. Const., Art. I, Sec. 8

By Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY of New York:

H.R. 8741.

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

U.S. Const., Art. I, Sec. 8

By Mr. MEUSER:

H.R. 8742.

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

Article 1 Section 8

By Ms. NORTON:

H.R. 8743.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following: clause 18 of section 8 of article I of the Constitution.

ADDITIONAL SPONSORS

Under clause 7 of rule XII, sponsors were added to public bills and resolutions, as follows:

H.R. 336: Ms. SCANLON.

H.R. 1219: Mr. KRISHNAMOORTHY.

H.R. 1282: Mr. VARGAS.

H.R. 1304: Mr. SOTO and Mr. MOONEY.

H.R. 1655: Mr. AGUILAR and Ms. DEAN.

H.R. 1696: Ms. DEAN.

H.R. 1746: Mr. CRENSHAW.

H.R. 2050: Mr. CÁRDENAS and Mr. CARSON.

H.R. 2144: Mr. BOWMAN.

H.R. 2252: Mr. SWALWELL, Mr. PAPPAS, Ms. TITUS, and Ms. MOORE of Wisconsin.

H.R. 2447: Mr. KAHELE.

H.R. 2517: Mr. WILSON of South Carolina.

H.R. 2549: Ms. DAVIDS of Kansas and Mr. GALLEGRO.

H.R. 2864: Mr. OWENS and Ms. NORTON.

H.R. 3281: Mr. FLOOD.

H.R. 3369: Mr. VALADAO.

H.R. 3405: Mr. MOONEY.

H.R. 3510: Ms. JAYAPAL.

H.R. 3554: Mr. BISHOP of Georgia.

H.R. 3611: Ms. CLARKE of New York.

H.R. 3832: Mr. AGUILAR.

H.R. 3836: Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia, Mrs. CHERFILUS-McCORMICK, Ms. OMAR, and Ms. BLUNT ROCHESTER.

H.R. 3847: Mr. FALLON.

H.R. 3860: Mr. DONALDS and Mr. WALBERG.

H.R. 3932: Mrs. MCBATH and Mr. VALADAO.

H.R. 4141: Ms. PORTER.

H.R. 4436: Mr. BISHOP of Georgia, Mr. KRISHNAMOORTHY, Mr. GRIJALVA, Mr. SUOZZI, Mr. LANGEVIN, Mr. SCHIFF, Mr. RASKIN, and Mr. LAWSON of Florida.

H.R. 4587: Mr. BLUMENAUER and Mr. MEUSER.

H.R. 4938: Mr. MRVAN.

H.R. 5041: Mrs. NAPOLITANO.

H.R. 5140: Ms. DELBENE.

H.R. 5244: Mr. JONES, Mr. PASCRELL, Mr. KELLY of Pennsylvania, Mr. LAWSON of Florida, Mrs. HAYES, and Mr. STEUBE.

H.R. 5684: Mr. CASTEN.

H.R. 5685: Mr. LAWSON of Florida.

H.R. 5735: Ms. LEE of California.

H.R. 6117: Mr. JEFFRIES, Mrs. TORRES of California, Mr. HIMES, and Mr. KILMER.

H.R. 6405: Mr. DEUTCH.

H.R. 6537: Ms. ADAMS.

H.R. 6589: Ms. ADAMS.

H.R. 6970: Mr. PALAZZO.

H.R. 7177: Mr. AGUILAR.

H.R. 7213: Mr. PETERS and Ms. SEWELL.

H.R. 7223: Mr. CLINE.

H.R. 7285: Mrs. LESKO.

H.R. 7382: Mr. AGUILAR and Mr. VARGAS.

H.R. 7559: Ms. DEGETTE and Mr. VALADAO.

H.R. 7602: Ms. SLOTKIN.

H.R. 7644: Mr. GOTTHEIMER and Ms. ADAMS.

H.R. 7829: Mr. KIM of New Jersey.

H.R. 8058: Mr. KILDEE.

H.R. 8182: Ms. ADAMS.

H.R. 8219: Mr. CLINE.

H.R. 8259: Mr. FERGUSON.

H.R. 8330: Mr. CASTEN.

H.R. 8332: Mr. MOONEY.

H.R. 8384: Mr. FERGUSON.

H.R. 8450: Mr. BOWMAN, Mr. ESPAILLAT, and Mr. MFUME.

H.R. 8507: Mr. STEUBE.

H.R. 8561: Mr. GARCIA of California, Mr. DONALDS, Mr. GOSAR, Mr. GOOD of Virginia, and Mr. WEBER of Texas.

H.R. 8568: Mr. BUCK.

H.R. 8581: Mr. FERGUSON.

H.R. 8654: Mr. KILMER.

H.R. 8681: Ms. TITUS, Ms. ADAMS, Mr. COHEN, Mr. VARGAS, and Mr. LEVIN of Michigan.

H.R. 8685: Mr. SMITH of Washington, Mr. RASKIN, Mr. KEATING, Mr. LANGEVIN, Ms. DEGETTE, Ms. MENG, Mr. DAVID SCOTT of Georgia, Mr. BERA, Ms. MOORE of Wisconsin, and Mr. AUCHINCLOSS.

H.R. 8705: Mr. BENTZ.

H.R. 8729: Mr. BISHOP of North Carolina.

H.R. 8731: Mrs. BOEBERT, Mr. GOSAR, Mr. BANKS, and Mr. JACKSON.

H. Con. Res. 12: Mr. MOONEY.

H. Con. Res. 33: Mr. CLYDE and Mr. FLOOD.

H. Con. Res. 39: Mr. BLUMENAUER.

H. Con. Res. 40: Ms. LOFGREN.