

send your kids to a certain school? Do you save a certain amount of money for college? Maybe you forgo college because you look at college and say, "Why am I going to spend \$300,000 to send them to college where they will teach my kids that America is evil?" I will save that for another rant.

That is my point. We have to do that as families, but this body never does it, ever. We pretend to do it.

The point of the agreement reached last week was to open this body up, empower rank-and-file, but also, importantly, establish some parameters for how we fund the Federal Government. Those parameters should be that we set limits. If you set limits, now you have to sit down and figure it out.

Here is the problem. I don't believe that CHUCK SCHUMER and Senate Democrats want to sit down at the table and figure out how to limit spending. I don't believe that the President of the United States or his current Director of Office of Management and Budget or any of his team wants to sit down at the table with us and figure out how to limit spending.

I have not even heard them come down and say, "Well, fine. You are right, Chip. We are spending more money than we have, and we are racking up more debt, so we believe we need to increase taxes." Okay. Come make your offer. We will raise taxes. Show me how raising those taxes is going to eliminate the deficit. He whispers, "It is not."

Show me how raising those taxes is not going to undermine economic growth, make it more difficult for American people to get jobs, undermine the prosperity of the American people. Show me that. Come demonstrate that. He whispers, "That is not really that easy to do."

But our job is to responsibly represent the American people. It is not to govern. We often use that word. That is crazy. We don't govern. We represent. Our job is to represent our constituents. I don't know any constituents—frankly, even my most left-leaning constituents, to be honest—saying, "Oh, yes, please go up there and spend more money we don't have."

I would just suggest that, according to the CBO, we are going to see another \$15.7 trillion in deficits over the next 10 years. That is the truth. The truth is that, in fiscal year 2022, we collected a record \$4.9 trillion in taxes, nearly a trillion more than the previous year.

We don't have a revenue problem. We have a spending problem. We have an overpromise problem.

I had a reporter come up to me in the hallway a minute ago and say: Mr. ROY, are there any circumstances in which you are going to support providing more aid to Ukraine?

How on Earth are we having that conversation on January 11 after, on December 23, we just added another \$45 billion for Ukraine?

The reporter responded and said: They say that it is really important to get more money to beat Russia.

Oh, really? What do our experts say? What is our responsibility to pay for that? Do we just write a check anytime a world leader comes and says, "But it is really important for my people that you write me a check"?

I want someone to write me a check, minus all the ethics stuff. Don't go write all that.

Look, the truth is, the gentleman from Arizona (Mr. SCHWEIKERT) is 100 percent correct that mandatory spending—Social Security, Medicare, all the related expenditures that go along with that—are driving the vast majority of the debt that we are accumulating every year. That is correct. If you are not willing to take on discretionary spending, how are you going to take on Social Security, Medicare, and reforming those to work when the first ad that is going to be run is going to be pushing granny off the cliff, if you dare even have a conversation about the issue?

I will make an invitation to any colleague in the Chamber, but particularly my colleagues on the other side of the aisle, come down here and talk about Social Security and Medicare and all of our mandatory spending.

I will issue the same request that my colleagues on this side of the aisle acknowledge, that you cannot hide behind Social Security, Medicare, and mandatory spending to say that we shouldn't limit discretionary spending, defense spending because that is an insignificant part of the budget.

It is significant, and it is significant not just because of the trillions of dollars of debt that those spending accounts for Defense, Education, Department of Justice, Commerce, and every other agency, Homeland Security—it is not just because we are spending too much money there, and it is adding up to deficits and debts. It is because we are funding the very agencies that are undermining us.

We are funding the bureaucrats who are undermining the current individual in America who is out there as an entrepreneur trying to get a job started. It is undermining my friend Scott Smith in Loudoun County because we label him a domestic terrorist because the FBI was brought in along with the National School Board Association. They all coordinated and said: Okay, let's label him a domestic terrorist.

We are funding a Department of Homeland Security that wants to continue to create or execute policies that invite more people to come to our border, endangering them and us.

The reason you care about discretionary spending is because it funds the policies of government, of the bureaucracy, of the administrative state that undermines our well-being, undermines our prosperity.

We have the opportunity now, right now, as Republicans to lead the House of Representatives forward to change. We should, in fact, change.

Last week was a monumental step forward to changing this institution, to

opening it up, to allowing rank-and-file Members to have a say, to putting more diversity on our committees, to having more debate in committees, coming down to the floor, and fighting for the people that we represent. All of that will be for naught if we don't embrace wholeheartedly the mission, the hard mission, of limiting the spending that is destroying our country and demanding that our colleagues on the other side of the aisle come sit down at the table so that we can actually do our jobs for the people we represent.

Then, finally, send a message to the United States Senate, to the Democrat-led United States Senate, to the Democrat President of the United States at the other end of Pennsylvania Avenue that it is not enough to give speeches. It is not enough to oppose what we produce out of the people's House.

The American people spoke in November. They want us to be responsible. They want us to limit spending. They want us to secure the United States. They want us to have a secure and sovereign border. They want us to get out of their business. They want us to stop being at each other's throats. If you want to do that, then embrace fiscal responsibility and stop spending money you don't have to fund the bureaucrats who are undermining our liberties.

Stand up in defense of liberties, civil liberties and the freedoms of the American people, by calling out the bureaucrats in our committees and exposing it through oversight.

Stand up for a strong military that is nonwoke, that is sparingly used but ready to go fight when needed.

Secure the border of the United States with the policies that are necessary to do so and embrace radical federalism where we return power to the States so we can agree to disagree and stop being at each other's throats.

Do you want to do those things? Then there is one key thing you have to do. You have to fight the swamp. You have to take on the bureaucracy. You have to take on the powers that be.

That started last week. We have some of the tools that we need, but that battle is just beginning. We are going to take this town on for the American people.

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

#### ADJOURNMENT

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

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 6 o'clock and 14 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until tomorrow, Thursday, January 12, 2023, at 9 a.m.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS,  
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Under clause 2 of rule XIV,

EC-56. A letter from the Clerk, U.S. House of Representatives, transmitting a list of reports created by the Clerk which it is the duty of any officer or Department to make to Congress, pursuant to Rule II, clause 2(b) of the Rules of the House (H. Doc. No. 118-4), was taken from the Speaker's table, referred to the Committee on House Administration and ordered to be printed.

## 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. ESTES:

H.R. 271. A bill to provide for greater accountability with respect to Federal activities and expenditures relating to COVID-19, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committees on Education and the Workforce, the Judiciary, Armed Services, and Oversight and Accountability, 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. BABIN:

H.R. 272. A bill to amend title 31, United States Code, to authorize transportation for Government astronauts returning from space between their residence and various locations, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Oversight and Accountability, 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. CALVERT:

H.R. 273. A bill to amend chapter 303 of title 10, United States Code, to require the Secretary of each military department to identify promising research programs of the Small Business Innovation Research Program or Small Business Technology Transfer Program for inclusion in the future budgets and plans of the Department of Defense, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Ms. JACKSON LEE:

H.R. 274. A bill to require a report by the Comptroller General of the United States on a national all-hazards disaster insurance program; to the Committee on Financial Services.

By Ms. JACKSON LEE:

H.R. 275. A bill to require the Secretary of Homeland Security to submit a study on the circumstances which may impact the effectiveness and availability of first responders before, during, or after a terrorist threat or event, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, and in addition to the Committee on Homeland Security, 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 Ms. JACKSON LEE:

H.R. 276. A bill to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to establish a DHS Cybersecurity On-the-Job Training and Employment Apprenticeship Program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security.

By Mrs. CAMMACK (for herself, Mr. JORDAN, Mr. COMER, Mr. EMMER, Mr. FULCHER, Mr. DUNN of Florida, Mr. FINSTAD, Mr. LAMBORN, Mr. CARL, Mrs. MILLER of Illinois, Mr. BUCSHON, Mr. JOYCE of Pennsylvania, Mr.

RESCHENTHALER, Mr. BUCHANAN, Mr. OBERNOLTE, Mr. JACKSON of Texas, Mr. MOONEY, Ms. GRANGER, Mr. NEWHOUSE, Mr. GIMENEZ, Mrs. LESKO, Mr. WILLIAMS of Texas, Mr. MASSIE, Mr. AUSTIN SCOTT of Georgia, Mr. LATURNER, Mr. CLYDE, Mr. GRAVES of Louisiana, Mrs. HINSON, Mrs. RODGERS of Washington, Mr. CRENSHAW, Mrs. MILLER-MEEKS, Mr. SMITH of Nebraska, Mr. ARRINGTON, Mr. BACON, Mr. PERRY, Mr. LAMALFA, Mr. BENTZ, Mr. ARMSTRONG, Mr. JOHNSON of Louisiana, Mr. CLOUD, Mr. GARBARINO, Mr. BANKS, Mr. TIFFANY, Mr. BURCHETT, Mr. NORMAN, Mr. ROY, Mr. OWENS, Mr. ISSA, Mr. RUTHERFORD, Mr. CARTER of Georgia, Mr. BURGESS, Mr. KELLY of Mississippi, Mr. PALMER, Mr. WEBER of Texas, Mr. WALBERG, Mr. BARR, Mr. MOORE of Utah, Mr. LOUDERMILK, Mr. C. SCOTT FRANKLIN of Florida, Ms. MACE, Mrs. MCCLAIN, Mr. BALDERSON, Mrs. STEEL, Mr. BIGGS, Mrs. GREENE of Georgia, Mr. BILIRAKIS, Mr. DUNCAN, Mr. BOST, Mr. FEENSTRA, Mrs. SPARTZ, Mr. BABIN, Mr. WITTMAN, Mr. STEUBE, Mr. STEWART, Mr. SMUCKER, Mrs. BOEBERT, Mr. HUDSON, Mr. BUCK, Mrs. BICE, Mrs. FISCHBACH, Mr. FALLON, Mr. STEEL, Mr. MANN, Mr. ROGERS of Alabama, Mr. MURPHY, Mr. DONALDS, Mr. POSEY, Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota, Mr. WILSON of South Carolina, Mr. NEHLS, Mr. BAIRD, Mr. PFLUGER, Mr. BISHOP of North Carolina, Mr. WENSTRUP, Mr. HERN, Ms. TENNEY, Mr. CLINE, Mr. MOORE of Alabama, Mr. VAN DREW, Mr. MCCLINTOCK, Mr. GREEN of Tennessee, Mr. FITZGERALD, Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania, Mr. MAST, Mr. ROSENDALE, Mr. DAVIDSON, Mr. GAETZ, Mr. GOODEN of Texas, Ms. VAN DUYN, Mr. BERGMAN, Mr. MIKE GARCIA of California, Mr. ALLEN, Ms. DE LA CRUZ, Mr. VALADAO, Mr. ZINKE, Mr. MCCAUL, Mr. DESJARLAIS, Mr. NUNN of Iowa, Mr. HUIZENGA, Mr. TIMMONS, Mr. COLLINS, Mr. LAWLER, Mr. SMITH of Missouri, Mrs. LUNA, Mr. TONY GONZALES of Texas, Mr. WESTERMAN, Mr. FERGUSON, Miss GONZÁLEZ-COLÓN, Mrs. CHAVEZ-DEREMERE, Mr. JAMES, Mr. ESTES, Mr. CRAWFORD, Mr. MCHENRY, Ms. LEE of Florida, Mr. HARRIS, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. LANGWORTHY, Mr. MEUSER, Ms. SALAZAR, Mr. DIAZ-BALART, Mr. EDWARDS, Mr. CISCOMANI, Mr. MORAN, Mr. PENCE, Mr. BRECHEEN, Mr. HILL, Mr. EZELL, Mrs. HOUCHEIN, Mr. MCCORMICK, Mr. LUTTRELL, Mr. ALFORD, Mr. JOHNSON of Ohio, Mr. ROUZER, Mr. BURLISON, Mr. ELLZEY, Mr. WEBSTER of Florida, Ms. HAGEMAN, Mr. BEAN of Florida, Mr. HIGGINS of Louisiana, Mrs. MILLER of West Virginia, Mr. GALLAGHER, Mr. GRIFFITH, Mr. GOOD of Virginia, Mr. MILLER of Ohio, Mr. MILLS, Mr. LUCAS, Mr. FLEISCHMANN, Mr. MOOLenaar, Mr. LAHOOD, Ms. FOX, Mr. ROGERS of Kentucky, Mr. FLOOD, Mr. GROTHMAN, Mr. VAN ORDEN, and Mr. GUEST):

H.R. 277. A bill to amend chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, to provide that major rules of the executive branch shall have no force or effect unless a joint resolution of approval is enacted into law; to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committees on Rules, and the Budget, 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 Ms. JACKSON LEE:

H.R. 278. A bill to require the Director of National Intelligence to conduct a study on the feasibility of establishing a Cyber Defense National Guard; to the Committee on Intelligence (Permanent Select).

By Mr. CARTER of Georgia (for himself, Mrs. HARSHBARGER, Mr. MOORE of Utah, Mr. ADERHOLT, Mr. DUNCAN, Mr. BALDERSON, Mr. CLYDE, Mr. ELLZEY, Mr. WEBSTER of Florida, Mr. WENSTRUP, Mr. WILLIAMS of Texas, and Mr. FEENSTRA):

H.R. 279. A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to prohibit governmental discrimination against certain health care providers with certain objections to abortion; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Ms. JACKSON LEE:

H.R. 280. A bill to require the Secretary of Homeland Security to submit a report on cyber vulnerability disclosures, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security.

By Mr. COLE (for himself and Mr. LATURNER):

H.R. 281. A bill to establish the Commission on Long-Term Social Security Solvency, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Ways and Means, 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 Ms. JACKSON LEE:

H.R. 282. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to require hospitals reimbursed under the Medicare system to establish and implement security procedures to reduce the likelihood of infant patient abduction and baby switching, including procedures for identifying all infant patients in the hospital in a manner that ensures that it will be evident if infants are missing from the hospital; to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committees on the Judiciary, and Energy and Commerce, 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. CRENSHAW:

H.R. 283. A bill to prohibit funding for the implementation and enforcement of Federal red flag orders; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. CUELLAR (for himself and Mr. MCCAUL):

H.R. 284. A bill to promote bilateral tourism through cooperation between the United States and Mexico; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Ms. JACKSON LEE:

H.R. 285. A bill to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to provide for the remediation of cybersecurity vulnerabilities, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security.

By Ms. ESCOBAR (for herself, Ms. BONAMICI, Ms. CASTOR of Florida, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, Mr. FOSTER, Ms. JACOBS, Mr. ALLRED, Mr. MOULTON, Mrs. NAPOLITANO, Mr. ESPAILLAT, Mr. EVANS, Mr. THOMPSON of California, Ms. VELÁZQUEZ, Ms. PRESSLEY, Mr. RASKIN, Ms. GARCIA of Texas, Mr. PANETTA, Mr. DOGGETT, Ms. LOIS FRANKEL of Florida, Ms. KELLY of Illinois, Ms. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ, Mr. HIMES, Ms. BROWNLEY, Ms. ROSS, Ms. BARRAGÁN, Mr. AUHCINLOSS, Ms. JAYAPAL, Mr. NADLER, Mr. BLUMENAUER, Ms. WILD, Ms. BLUNT ROCH-ESTER, Mrs. WATSON COLEMAN, Mr. MORELLE, Ms. WILSON of Florida, Mr. KILMER, Ms. NORTON, Mr. GARCÍA of Illinois, Ms. MOORE of Wisconsin, Mr.