

you became a citizen if your parents were citizens.

They passed the 14th Amendment to make sure if you were in this country when that child was born, that child was a citizen. Of course, it was designed to make sure that—some of the people in the South didn't want to give up the fight—they did not try to say that if your parents were slaves, you were therefore not citizens.

It was not designed—and it makes no sense to say it was designed—that if somebody wanted to come here from another country and just have a child and return back home, that that child would automatically become an American citizen. That would make no sense.

There are two Supreme Court cases that misinform people and sometimes try to confuse people into thinking we have birthright citizenship in this country. One of those cases was in 1898. The court case revolved around people who were here legally, legal citizens, having a child and saying that then that child was a citizen. I don't really think that is what the Congress, after the Civil War, meant. At least it was restricted to people who were legal citizens here.

Later on, there were some dicta put in there by Justice Brennan, which is not binding on anybody, talking about birthright citizenship. Of course, Justice Brennan was one of the most far-left Justices we had in my lifetime. In any event, that was a case not reaching a decision on birthright citizenship; that was just some language that Justice Brennan threw in a decision, but it is not determinative.

When we look at this, we should rely on our common sense. In America today, while there are bills out there—and I have cosponsored the bill to get rid of birthright citizenship—any President, if they want to, can say that the 14th Amendment solely applies to situations which were anticipated by the Congress after the Civil War. There are really none of those situations left today, because all the children of slaves have long since passed away.

It is scandalous that people will take the work done by that Congress, including people who were related to and were so familiar with the people who gave all to end slavery in this country, and they would try to take this amendment designed to protect children of slaves and claim that creates a situation in which you have a tourist industry in which somebody can fly here from Asia, come up here from Latin America, just step across the border, have a child one week after you are here, go back home, and forever that child is an American citizen. That obviously makes no sense.

Insofar as journalists try to confuse the public, you have to remember that the Supreme Court decision in the 1890s was not all encompassing, was not intended to be all encompassing, and the Supreme Court decision in which there were some dicta put in there by Justice Brennan is also not binding.

We should pass legislation, if we have to, but hopefully, we will get a good President in here who will get rid of birthright citizenship. The idea that somebody who just comes across the border can have an American citizen child makes no sense.

My final comment for the day is with regard to a hearing we had earlier, and that hearing was with regard to deportations or the lack of deportations under President Biden.

A lot has been talked about with regard to the huge number of people who are crossing the southern border. I have talked many times at this microphone that we have gone from under 20,000 people coming here a month 3 years ago to right now over 300,000 people being left in the country every month.

It is not as publicized that not only are we trying to change America by letting an unlimited number of people come here, but we are also trying to change America by not deporting people even after they have committed crimes. Right now, we have dropped from a situation in which over 250,000 people were being deported during the Trump administration. Perhaps people will remember that under President Trump, he was rightly criticized for not deporting enough people. That was one of the few times the Republican Party stood up and was critical of President Trump.

After getting over 250,000 people deported a year, that has fallen now to under 75,000. We are in a situation in which we are at about one quarter the number of people being deported as were deported 3 years ago. Not only are we changing America by letting so many people in here; we are also trying to change America by not kicking out people who I think the average American citizen wish would be deported.

I hope this is something that our leadership team, in negotiating the appropriations bills with the Democrats at this time, bring to the floor and insist President Biden deport people at least at the low rate that President Trump was deporting people. When you see less deportations today, at a time when there are so many more people that you could deport, so many more people committing crimes, so many more people we wouldn't want to have here.

I call upon President Biden to look out for the future of America, to look out for the future of your children, and not only not let so many people in the country who we have not vetted but begin to remove the people that we used to remove after they had committed crimes in America.

Those are three issues that I don't think have been adequately covered in the press: Both the degree to which the electric vehicle scandal is going to put vehicles beyond the reach of the middle class or create a situation in which you have to spend so much on vehicles you won't have enough money for food, you won't have enough money for a house,

and you won't have as much money as you should to have children.

The next issue for the press to cover is the lack of deportations in this country, which goes hand in hand with the unlimited people crossing the southern border.

Finally, I hope we cover a little bit more accurately the laws in this country regarding birthright citizenship. We should not say that someone can come in here from another country, fly in on an American airline, have a baby within a week, go back home, and forever that child is an American citizen.

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

#### ADJOURNMENT

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

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 6 o'clock and 57 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until tomorrow, Thursday, January 18, 2024, at 10 a.m. for morning-hour debate.

#### EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

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

EC-2929. A letter from the Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, Specialty Crops Program, Market Development Division, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule — Potato Research and Promotion Plan; Changes to Board Membership and Administrative Committee [Doc. No.: AMS-SC-22-0041] received January 11, 2024, 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-2930. A letter from the Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, Specialty Crops Program, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule — Marketing Order for Oranges, Grapefruit, Tangerines, and Pummelos Grown in Florida [Doc. No.: AMS-SC-21-0054] received January 11, 2024, 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-2931. A letter from the Associate Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl Chemical Substances Designated as Inactive on the TSCA Inventory; Significant New Use Rule [EPA-HQ-OPPT-2022-0867; FRL-9655-02-OCSP] (RIN: 2070-AL10) received January 11, 2024, 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.

EC-2932. A letter from the Associate Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Air Plan Approval; Illinois; NAAQS Update [EPA-R05-OAR-2022-0673; FRL-10900-02-R5] received January 11, 2024, 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.

EC-2933. A letter from the Associate Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's Major final rule — Standards of Performance for New, Reconstructed, and Modified Sources and Emissions Guidelines

for Existing Sources: Oil and Natural Gas Sector Climate Review [EPA-HQ-OAR-2021-0317; FRL-8510-01-OAR] received January 11, 2014, 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.

EC-2934. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting a report titled, "International Exchanges and Training Programs: Activities of the Interagency Working Group", pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2460(f); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

EC-2935. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting a report titled, "Resolution of the Cyprus Dispute", pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2373(c); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

EC-2936. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting the Department's final rule — Publication, Coordination, and Reporting of International Agreements: Amendments; Correction [Public Notice: 12266] (RIN: 1400-AF63) received January 8, 2024, 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.

EC-2937. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting Department Notification Number: DDTC 23-067, pursuant to Section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

EC-2938. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting Department Notification Number: DDTC 23-072, pursuant to Section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

EC-2939. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting Department Notification Number: DDTC 22-026, pursuant to Section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

## REPORTS OF COMMITTEES ON PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XIII, reports of committees were delivered to the Clerk for printing and reference to the proper calendar, as follows:

Mrs. FISCHBACH: Committee on Rules. House Resolution 969. Resolution providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 6914) to require institutions of higher education to disseminate information on the rights of, and accommodations and resources for, pregnant students, and for other purposes; providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 6918) to prohibit the Secretary of Health and Human Services from restricting funding for pregnancy centers; and providing for consideration of the resolution (H. Res. 957) denouncing the Biden administration's open-borders policies, condemning the national security and public safety crisis along the southwest border, and urging President Biden to end his administration's open-borders policies (Rept. 118-350). Referred to the House Calendar.

## 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 Ms. BONAMICI (for herself, Mr. JOYCE of Ohio, Ms. UNDERWOOD, and Mrs. KIGGANS of Virginia):

H.R. 7002. A bill to provide for a wage differential program to support new nursing

school faculty members; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Ms. DELBENE (for herself, Ms. SCHRIER, Ms. PEREZ, Ms. STRICKLAND, Mr. KILMER, Mr. CARTWRIGHT, Mr. SMITH of Washington, Mr. LARSEN of Washington, Mrs. RODGERS of Washington, Ms. BONAMICI, and Mr. NEWHOUSE):

H.R. 7003. A bill to amend the National Landslide Preparedness Act to reauthorize such Act; to the Committee on Natural Resources, 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. CURTIS (for himself, Mr. MOORE of Utah, Ms. MALOY, and Mr. OWENS):

H.R. 7004. A bill to amend the Mineral Leasing Act to amend references of gilsonite to asphaltite; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

By Mr. CURTIS (for himself and Ms. KUSTER):

H.R. 7005. A bill to require the Federal Communications Commission to establish a vetting process for prospective applicants for high-cost universal service program funding; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. CURTIS:

H.R. 7006. A bill to prohibit natural asset companies from entering into any agreement with respect to land in the State of Utah or natural assets on or in such land; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

By Ms. BROWNLEY (for herself, Mr. CONNOLLY, Ms. MOORE of Wisconsin, Mr. PANETTA, and Ms. SANCHEZ):

H.R. 7007. A bill to award grants to States to establish or improve, and carry out, Seal of Biliiteracy programs to recognize high-level student proficiency in speaking, reading, and writing in both English and a second language, and early language programs; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

By Mr. BURLISON (for himself and Mr. ROUZER):

H.R. 7008. A bill to amend section 404 of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act relating to judicial review of a permit issued under such section, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Ms. CARAVEO (for herself and Mr. BUCK):

H.R. 7009. A bill to authorize the Secretary of Transportation to approve as allowable costs the expenses of certain security measures in a revenue producing parking lot under section 47119 of title 49, United States Code, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Ms. CHU (for herself and Mrs. HOUCHIN):

H.R. 7010. A bill to provide an incentive for States to extend child welfare support and services for youth through 21 years of age, and to allow youth to re-enter foster care after attaining 18 years of age, both without regard to the AFDC eligibility of their parents or legal guardians, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. CISCOMANI (for himself, Mrs. LESKO, Mr. SCHWEIKERT, Mr. STANTON, and Mr. GRIJALVA):

H.R. 7011. A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 209 Main Street in Duncan, Arizona, as the "Sandra Day O'Connor Post Office"; to the Committee on Oversight and Accountability.

By Mr. D'ESPOSITO (for himself, Mr. AUCHINCLOSS, Mr. FITZPATRICK, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. LAWLER, Ms.

BROWNLEY, Mrs. CHAVEZ-DEREMER, Ms. TITUS, Mr. MOLINARO, Mr. GARAMENDI, Mr. BACON, Mr. ESPAILLAT, Mr. RYAN, and Mr. BLUMENAUER):

H.R. 7012. A bill to modify the public transportation emergency relief program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Mr. DUARTE (for himself and Mr. ROUZER):

H.R. 7013. A bill to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act with respect to the scope of national pollutant discharge elimination system permit discharge authorizations and the expression of effluent limitations, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Mr. HUDSON (for himself, Mr. GUTHRIE, and Mr. CALVERT):

H.R. 7014. A bill to amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to prohibit Federal Medicaid funding for the administrative costs of providing health benefits to individuals who are unauthorized immigrants; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. LANGWORTHY (for himself, Ms. TOKUDA, Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota, Mr. KRISHNAMOORTHY, Mr. MOYLAN, Ms. SALINAS, Mr. DUARTE, Mr. LAMALFA, Mr. DAVIS of North Carolina, Mr. NUNN of Iowa, Ms. CARAVEO, Mr. MANN, Ms. CRAIG, Mr. LAWLER, Ms. SPANBERGER, Ms. BLUNT ROCHSTER, Mr. SORESENSEN, Mr. FITZPATRICK, and Mrs. FISCHBACH):

H.R. 7015. A bill to amend the Rural Innovation Stronger Economy Grant Program of the Department of Agriculture; to the Committee on Agriculture.

By Ms. LEE of Nevada (for herself, Mr. D'ESPOSITO, and Mr. TRONE):

H.R. 7016. A bill to establish a grant program for innovative partnerships among teacher preparation programs, local educational agencies, and community-based organizations to expand access to high-quality tutoring in hard-to-staff schools and high-need schools, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

By Mr. LEVIN (for himself and Ms. SANCHEZ):

H.R. 7017. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to take certain Medicare premiums of household members into account in determining the health care insurance premiums tax credit; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. LIEU (for himself and Mr. SCHIFF):

H.R. 7018. A bill to prohibit the sale and use of glue traps for the trapping of rodents, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. LUETKEMEYER (for himself and Mr. SHERMAN):

H.R. 7019. A bill to amend the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 to address disclosures by directors, officers, and principal stockholders of foreign private issuers, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Financial Services.

By Mrs. MCCLAIN (for herself, Mrs. DINGELL, Mr. HUIZENGA, Ms. SCHOLTEN, Mr. STAUBER, Mr. POCAN, Mr. BERGMAN, Mr. THANEDAR, Mr. JAMES, Mr. KILDEE, Mr. LAWLER, Ms. STEVENS, Mr. LANGWORTHY, Ms. SLOTKIN, Mr. DAVIDSON, Mr. JACKSON of Illinois, Ms. KAPTUR, Ms. TLAIB, and Mr. SCHNEIDER):

H.R. 7020. A bill to direct the Administrator of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration to conduct high-resolution mapping of the lakebeds of the Great Lakes, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Natural Resources.