

Black community, in addition to dealing with social media, the human predicament, and a history of repression, must also face the kind of structural racism that creates barriers to being able to access the care and treatment they both need and deserve.

It is no wonder, then, that only one of every three African Americans living with a mental illness receive any kind of treatment at all. Only one in three. Additionally, in 2020, it was reported that 10 percent of African Americans still do not have health insurance and are among the chronically uninsured. Even with the Affordable Care Act firmly in place—and thank God that we have it—we must do more to get members of the Black community insured. They need both access and the affordability of care.

It should not be the case that just a little over 10 percent of the Black community still cannot get the medical services they require. The overall survival of Black people in this country is far too contingent and tenuous for them not to have this one area of certainty in their life, access to care and mental health care.

Needless to say, without insurance, treatment for mental illness is as unlikely as it is statistically uncommon. These are some of the unique challenges Black people face in an effort to live beyond the choking grip of mental illness, and that is why this month of awareness is so important.

The victims of mental illness should not have to fight this battle alone. They should not have to struggle in the shadows of American life, and Black people in this country who struggle with mental illness should not have to bear this cross with crowns of thorns while all the world goes free.

If every community is susceptible to the vicissitudes of mental illness, then certainly every community should have equal access to the things that make for peace.

The current disparity in access to care is as unacceptable as it is un-American. I say to every African American suffering from mental illness, you have nothing to be ashamed of. You have done nothing wrong. You are not guilty of anything, and you need not be shamed into greater levels of unnecessary suffering.

Let the word go forth from this moment forward, mental illness is a health concern compounded by social factors and not the result of a deficiency in character or personal responsibility. People are not suffering from mental illness because they are bad people. And to be sure, people are not suffering from mental illness because they are somehow ethically weak or deficient in their capacity to try harder, as it were.

We have to stop assigning responsibility to the victim when it comes to mental illness the way we used to do with drug addiction and the like. Mental illness could care less about how emotionally strong or morally con-

sistent you are. There is a reason why we call it an illness, and we call it an illness because all of us are potentially susceptible to falling victim to it under the right set of tragic conditions and circumstances.

To the millions of people in America, and particularly to the millions of African Americans, who are suffering from mental illness, I see you, I hear you, I honor your courage, I value your life.

Perhaps, most of all, I stand in solidarity with the possibility of your healing. You are not alone in this time. Your struggle and your sacrifices have not gone unnoticed, and we stand in this solemn place to affirm the dignity of your persistent efforts to be heard and recognized by your government.

I want you to know that your labor has not been in vain. Today, we ask faith leaders in the Black community to help us remove the stigma that prevents people from getting therapy and treatment. Church leaders, mosque leaders, and synagogue leaders are essential elements for the successful recovery of someone getting the help they need.

Prayer and spirituality can help in the effort to eradicate isolation and give victims access to communities of healing, but these benefits must be supported by proven treatments.

There is no reason the Black church and Black mental health professionals cannot work together to bring relief and restoration to the millions of Black people who need it.

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Today we call upon the formation of a broad and interdisciplinary approach to mental illness that will not only address the problem but also leave the dignity of the person intact because struggling people are still people, citizens of this country.

Men and women who, in spite of the difficulties they face, are no less worthy of our love and our devotion because this country is only as strong as the weakest among us.

A country that cannot secure the health and well-being of the weak will never be able to protect and sustain the longevity of the strong.

I am convinced that we must do everything in our power to support the expansion of culturally competent care.

In fact, this government should incentivize the practice of creating an army of Black mental health professionals who work on the front lines in this emerging war because whether we know it or not, the future of this Nation and our communities might well depend upon it.

This is not a crisis in the making. This is a crisis already amongst us, and what we do about this issue might well determine the direction of this meandering Republic in days and years to come.

Let us gather the best of the American spirit to accomplish this work.

Let us summon the proverbial angels of our better nature.

Let us join hands and lock arms and dedicate our resources so we might preserve all notions of domestic tranquility and let the oppressed go free.

Mr. Speaker, you have heard from my distinguished colleagues about the topic of mental health and all issues of great importance to the Congressional Black Caucus, our constituents, Congress, and all Americans tonight.

Mr. Speaker, I thank you for your kindness, and I yield back the balance of my time.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

By unanimous consent, leave of absence was granted to:

Mr. DAVIS of Illinois (at the request of Mr. JEFFRIES) for today on account of airport delays.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. JACKSON of Illinois. Mr. Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 9 o'clock and 12 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until tomorrow, Tuesday, May 7, 2024, at 10 a.m. for morning-hour debate.

OATH OF OFFICE MEMBERS, RESIDENT COMMISSIONER, AND DELEGATES

The oath of office required by the sixth article of the Constitution of the United States, and as provided by section 2 of the act of May 13, 1884 (23 Stat. 22), to be administered to Members, Resident Commissioner, and Delegates of the House of Representatives, the text of which is carried in 5 U.S.C. 3331:

"I, AB, do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support and defend the Constitution of the United States against all enemies, foreign and domestic; that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the same; that I take this obligation freely, without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion; and that I will well and faithfully discharge the duties of the office on which I am about to enter. So help me God."

has been subscribed to in person and filed in duplicate with the Clerk of the House of Representatives by the following Member of the 118th Congress, pursuant to the provisions of 2 U.S.C. 25:

Timothy M. Kennedy, Twenty-Sixth District of New York.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

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

EC-4030. A letter from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Animal and Plant

Health Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule — Use of Electronic Identification Eartags as Official Identification in Cattle and Bison [Docket No.: APHIS-2021-0020] (RIN: 0579-AE64) received April 26, 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-4031. A letter from the General Counsel, Federal Housing Finance Agency, transmitting the Agency's Major final rule — Fair Lending, Fair Housing, and Equitable Housing Finance Plans (RIN: 2590-AB29) received April 30, 2024, 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-4032. A letter from the Acting Director, DRLI, Wage and House Division, Department of Labor, transmitting the Department's Major final rule — Defining and Delimiting the Exemptions for Executive, Administrative, Professional, Outside Sales, and Computer Employees (RIN: 1235-AA39) received April 29, 2024, 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 the Workforce.

EC-4033. A letter from the Senior Regulatory and Policy Coordinator, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, CCHIO, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's Major final rule — Clarifying the Eligibility of Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) Recipients and Certain Other Noncitizens for a Qualified Health Plan through an Exchange, Advance Payments of the Premium Tax Credit, Cost-Sharing Reductions, and a Basic Health Program [CMS-9894-F] (RIN: 0938-AV23) received April 30, 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-4034. A letter from the Regulatory Policy Analyst, Regulations Policy Management Staff, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's final rule — Food Additives: Food Contact Substance Notification That Is No Longer Effective [Docket No.: FDA-2021-N-0403] (RIN: 0910-AI01) received April 16, 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-4035. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Updated Residential Soil Lead Guidance for CERCLA Sites and RCRA Corrective Action Facilities received April 12, 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-4036. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's interim final rule — Interim Guidance on the Destruction and Disposal of Perfluoroalkyl and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances and Materials Containing Perfluoroalkyl and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances — Version 2 (2024) received April 12, 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-4037. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Fiscal Year 2024 Allotments for the State Revolving Fund Provisions of the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law and Base Program Funding received April 12, 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-4038. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental

Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Climate Pollution Reduction Grants Program: Formula Grants for Planning, Program Guidance for Federally Recognized Tribes, Tribal Consortia, and U.S. Territories received April 12, 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-4039. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Climate Pollution Reduction Grants Program: Formula Grants for Planning, Program Guidance for States, Municipalities, and Air Pollution Control Agencies received April 12, 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-4040. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Guidance for Vessel Sewage No-Discharge Zone Applications (Clean Water Act Section 312(f)) received April 12, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

EC-4041. A letter from the Regulations Coordinator, Health Resources and Services Administration, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's final rule — 340B Drug Pricing Program; Administrative Dispute Resolution Regulation [Docket No.: 2021-0004] (RIN: 0906-AB28) received April 17, 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-4042. A letter from the Deputy Director of Congressional Affairs, Bureau of Industry and Security, Department of Commerce, transmitting the Department's final rule — Amendment to Existing Controls on Russia and Belarus Under the Export Administration Regulations (EAR) Adding New License Exception Medical Devices (MED); Corrections [Docket No.: 240423-0115] (RIN: 0694-AJ59) received April 29, 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-4043. A letter from the Deputy Director of Congressional Affairs, Bureau of Industry and Security, Department of Commerce, transmitting the Department's final rule — Addition of Entities to and Revision of Entry on the Entity List [Docket No.: 240405-0101] (RIN: 0694-AJ57) received April 29, 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-4044. A letter from the Deputy Director of Congressional Affairs, Bureau of Industry and Security, Department of Commerce, transmitting the Department's interim final rule — Export Control Revisions for Australia, United Kingdom, United States (AUKUS) Enhanced Trilateral Security Partnership [Docket No.: 240415-0109] (RIN: 0694-AJ58) received April 24, 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-4045. A letter from the Sanctions Regulations Advisor, Office of Foreign Assets Control, Department of the Treasury, transmitting the Department's final rule — Zimbabwe Sanctions Regulations received April 17, 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-4046. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Secretariat Division, Office of Acquisition Policy, General Services Administra-

tion, transmitting the Administration's final rule — General Services Administration Acquisition Regulation; Reformulating Clause for Direct 8(a) Contracting [GSAR Case 2022-G505; Docket No.: 2023-0020; Sequence No. 1] (RIN: 3090-AK56) received April 16, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Oversight and Accountability.

EC-4047. A letter from the Division Chief, Regulatory Affairs, Bureau of Land Management, Department of the Interior, transmitting the Department's Major final rule — Rights-of-Way, Leasing, and Operations for Renewable Energy [BLM—HQ—FRN—MO# 4500177145] (RIN: 1004-AE78) received May 1, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

EC-4048. A letter from the Director, Office of Regulations, Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, Department of the Interior, transmitting the Department's Major final rule — Renewable Energy Modernization Rule [Docket No.: BOEM-2023-0005] (RIN: 1010-AE04) received April 30, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

EC-4049. A letter from the Biologist, Branch of Domestic Listing, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting the Department's final rule — Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Threatened Species Status With Section 4(d) Rule for North American Wolverine [Docket No.: FWS-R6-ES-2023-0216; FF09E21000 FXES11110900000 245] (RIN: 1018-BH27) received April 23, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

EC-4050. A letter from the Biologist, Branch of Domestic Listing, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting the Department's final rule — Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Endangered Species Status for Lassic Lupine and Designation of Critical Habitat [Docket No.: FWS-R8-ES-2022-0083; FF09E21000 FXES1111090FEDR 234] (RIN: 1018-BF84) received April 23, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

EC-4051. A letter from the Biologist, Branch of Domestic Listing, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting the Department's final rule — Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Endangered Species Status for Black-Capped Petrel [Docket No.: FWS-R4-ES-2018-0043; FF09E21000 FXES1111090FEDR 245] (RIN: 1018-BD13) received April 23, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

EC-4052. A letter from the Manager, Branch of Delisting and Foreign Species, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting the Department's final rule — Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Removing Golden Paintbrush From the Federal List of Endangered and Threatened Plants [Docket No.: FWS-R1-ES-2020-0060; FF09E22000 FXES11130900000 234] (RIN: 1018-BE72) received April 23, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

EC-4053. A letter from the Biologist, Branch of Domestic Listing, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting the Department's final rule — Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Designation of Critical Habitat for Endangered Florida Bonneted Bat [Docket

No.: FWS-R4-ES-2019-0106; FXES1111090FEDR-245-FF09E21000] (RIN: 1018-BE10) received April 23, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

EC-4054. A letter from the Biologist, Branch of Domestic Listing, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting the Department's final rule — Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Designation of Critical Habitat for 12 Species of Hawai'i Island [Docket No.: FWS-R1-ES-2023-0017; FXES1111090FEDR-245-FF09E21000] (RIN: 1018-BG65) received April 23, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

EC-4055. A letter from the Biologist, Branch of Domestic Listing, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting the Department's final rule — Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Threatened Species Status With Section 4(d) Rule for the Silverspot Butterfly [Docket No.: FWS-R6-ES-2021-0134; FF09E21000 FXES1111090FEDR 245] (RIN: 1018-BE98) received April 23, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

EC-4056. A letter from the Regulations Lead, International Affairs, International Affairs Program, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting the Service's final rule — Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Revision to the Section 4(d) Rule for the African Elephant [Docket No.: FWS-HQ-IA-2021-0099; FXIA1671090000-234-FF09A30000] (RIN: 1018-BG66) received April 23, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

EC-4057. A letter from the Manager, Branch of Delisting and Foreign Species, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting the Department's final rule — Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Removal of 21 Species From the List of Endangered and Threatened Wildlife [FF08E22000 FXES111309FEDR 234] (RIN: 1018-BC98) received April 23, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

EC-4058. A letter from the Manager, Branch of Delisting and Foreign Species, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting the Department's final rule — Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Reclassification of the Relict Darter From Endangered to Threatened With a Section 4(d) Rule [Docket No.: FWS-R4-ES-2021-0093; FF09E22000 FXES1113090FEDR 234] (RIN: 1018-BF56) received April 23, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

EC-4059. A letter from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, NMFS, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Pacific Island Fisheries; Hawaii Shallow-Set Pelagic Longline Fishery; Court Order [Docket No.: 180810748-8814-01] (RIN: 0648-BI43) received April 24, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

EC-4060. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Guidance for Developing and Maintaining a Service Line Inventory [EPA-816-B-22-001] received April 12, 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-4061. A letter from the Regulations Development Coordinator, Office of Regulation Policy and Management, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting the Department's final rule — Loan Guaranty: Servicic Regulation Changes (RIN: 2900-AR97) received April 24, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

EC-4062. A letter from the Senior Regulatory and Policy Coordinator, Children's Bureau, Administration for Children and Families, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's Major final rule — Foster Care Legal Representation (RIN: 0970-AC89) received April 30, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

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:

Mr. JORDAN: Committee on the Judiciary. H.R. 3325. A bill to amend the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 to authorize law enforcement agencies to use COPS grants for recruitment activities, and for other purposes; with an amendment (Rept. 118-481). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. JORDAN: Committee on the Judiciary. H.R. 8146. A bill to require a report by the Attorney General on the impact the border crisis is having on law enforcement at the Federal, State, local, and Tribal level; with an amendment (Rept. 118-482). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. LUCAS: Committee on Science, Space, and Technology. 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 (Rept. 118-483 Pt. 1). Ordered to be printed.

Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania: Committee on Agriculture. H.R. 4763. A bill to provide for a system of regulation of digital assets by the Commodity Futures Trading Commission and the Securities and Exchange Commission, and for other purposes; with an amendment (Rept. 118-484 Pt. 1). Ordered to be printed.

Mr. MCHENRY: Committee on Financial Services. H.R. 4763. A bill to provide for a system of regulation of digital assets by the Commodity Futures Trading Commission and the Securities and Exchange Commission, and for other purposes; with an amendment (Rept. 118-484 Pt. 2). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. MCHENRY: Committee on Financial Services. H.R. 2969. A bill to establish an Independent Financial Technology Working Group to Combat Terrorism and Illicit Financing, and for other purposes; with an amendment (Rept. 118-485). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. MCHENRY: Committee on Financial Services. H.R. 1747. A bill to provide a safe harbor from licensing and registration for certain non-controlling blockchain developers and providers of blockchain services; with an amendment (Rept. 118-486). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mrs. HOUCHIN: Committee on Rules. House Resolution 1194. Resolution providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 6192) to amend the Energy Policy and Conservation Act to prohibit the Secretary of Energy from prescribing any new or amended energy conservation standard for a product that is not technologically feasible and economically justified, and for other purposes; providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 7109) to require a citizenship question on the decennial census, to require reporting on certain census statistics, and to modify apportionment of Representatives to be based on United States citizens instead of all persons; providing for consideration of the joint resolution (H.J. Res. 109) providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the Securities and Exchange Commission relating to "Staff Accounting Bulletin No. 121"; and providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 2925) to amend the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1993 to provide for security of tenure for use of mining claims for ancillary activities, and for other purposes (Rept. 118-487). 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 Mr. SESSIONS:

H.R. 8243. A bill to establish that a State-based education loan program is excluded from certain requirements relating to a preferred lender arrangement; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

By Mr. ESTES (for himself and Mr. CONNOLLY):

H.R. 8244. A bill to amend titles XVIII and XIX of the Social Security Act ensure appropriate approval for certain skilled nursing facility and nursing facility nursing aide training and competency evaluation programs under the Medicare and Medicaid program; to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committee on 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. FEENSTRA:

H.R. 8245. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to establish the Rural Hospital Stabilization Pilot Program to provide grants to rural hospitals for purposes of ensuring local access to services; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. ARRINGTON:

H.R. 8246. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to modify the criteria for designation of rural emergency hospitals; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Ms. BROWN (for herself, Ms.

CLARKE of New York, Mrs. CHERFILUS-MCCORMICK, Ms. LOIS FRANKEL of Florida, Mrs. BEATTY, Mr. JACKSON of Illinois, Ms. NORTON, Ms. JACKSON LEE, Ms. KAMLAGER-DOVE, Ms. KELLY of Illinois, Mrs. HAYES, Mrs. TRAHAN, Mr. LIEU, Mr. FROST, Ms. STEVENS, Mrs. WATSON COLEMAN, Mrs. RAMIREZ, Ms. MOORE of Wisconsin, Ms. STRICKLAND, Ms. JACOBS, Mr. VEASEY, Ms. WILLIAMS of Georgia, Mr. GRIJALVA, Ms. JAYAPAL, Ms. PLASKETT, Ms. PRESSLEY, Ms. SEWELL, Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia, Mr. CASAR, Mrs. FOUSHEE, Ms. BLUNT ROCHESTER, Mr. CARSON, and Ms. BUDZINSKI):