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Senate

The Senate was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 27, 2025, at 1:15 p.m.

House of Representatives

MONDAY, MAY 26, 2025

The House met at 9 a.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. ELLZEY).

DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Speaker:

WASHINGTON, DC,

May 26, 2025.

I hereby appoint the Honorable JAKE ELLZEY to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

MIKE JOHNSON,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

PRAYER

The Chaplain, the Reverend Margaret Grun Kibben, offered the following prayer:

Gracious God, engraved in stone around our country are the names of countless men and women who paid the cost of our Nation's freedom. Lord, ensure that the poignant reminder that these simple headstones represent inspires in each of us the same measure of devotion to preserve and protect the liberties of each of our fellow Americans.

Engrave on our hearts their memory, and stir in us the same degree of love and faithfulness to this country and to her people.

Should we lose sight of the goal toward which these brave patriots strove, the common good for which they fought and died, sound again the clarion call that summons each of us to serve one another in love.

Then, arouse in us the desire to uphold and honor the selflessness and sacrifice of these, our fallen heroes.

When the day is done and gone the Sun, may all safely rest in the nearness of Your peace.

It is in the memory of our fallen and the strength of Your eternal name we pray.

Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 13 of rule I, 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.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Clerk of the House of Representatives:

OFFICE OF THE CLERK,
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, DC, May 23, 2025.

Hon. MIKE JOHNSON,
Speaker, House of Representatives,
Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: Pursuant to the permission granted in Clause 2(h) of Rule II of

the Rules of the U.S. House of Representatives, the Clerk received the following message from the Secretary of the Senate on May 23, 2025, at 1:35 p.m.:

That the Senate passed S. 97.

That the Senate passed S. 129.

That the Senate passed S. 216.

That the Senate passed S. 1051.

That the Senate passed S.J. Res. 55.

That the Senate passed without amendment H.J. Res. 87.

That the Senate passed without amendment H.J. Res. 88.

That the Senate passed without amendment H.J. Res. 89.

Appointments:

Canada-U.S. Interparliamentary Group
Congressional-Executive Commission on
the People's Republic of China

Migratory Bird Conservation Commission
With best wishes, I am,

Sincerely,

KEVIN F. MCCUMBER,
Clerk.

ADJOURNMENT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 13 of rule I, the House stands adjourned until 11 a.m. on Thursday, May 29, 2025.

Thereupon (at 9 o'clock and 3 minutes a.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until Thursday, May 29, 2025, at 11 a.m.

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. KAMLAGER-DOVE (for herself, Mr. MOORE of Alabama, Mr. RUTHERFORD, Mr. IVEY, Ms. NORTON, and Mrs. MCIVER):

☐ This symbol represents the time of day during the House proceedings, e.g., ☐ 1407 is 2:07 p.m.

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H.R. 3614. A bill to establish fair labor standards, occupational safety protections, and post-incarceration career opportunities for incarcerated individuals engaged in fire-fighting and to provide previously incarcerated firefighters an opportunity to expunge records of disposition after successful completion of court-imposed probation, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Education and Workforce, 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. TORRES of New York:

H.R. 3615. A bill to prohibit the obligation or expenditure of Federal funds to pay foreign governments and entities for the detention of certain individuals; 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 Ms. KAMLAGER-DOVE:

H.R. 3614

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

This bill is introduced pursuant to the powers granted to Congress under the General Welfare Clause (Art. 1 Sec. 8 Cl. 1), the Commerce Clause (Art. 1 Sec. 8 Cl. 3), and the Necessary and Proper Clause (Art. 1 Sec. 8 Cl. 18). Further, this statement of constitutional authority is made for the sole purpose

of compliance with clause 7 of Rule XII of the Rules of the House of Representatives and shall have no bearing on judicial review of the accompanying bill.

By Mr. TORRES of New York:

H.R. 3615

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

Article 1, Section 8

ADDITIONAL SPONSORS

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

H.R. 2701: Mr. TORRES of New York.

H.R. 3406: Mr. SELF.

H.R. 3576: Mr. NORMAN.

H.R. 3600: Mr. SUOZZI.