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The House met at 11:30 a.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. KELLY of Pennsylvania).

DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

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

WASHINGTON, DC,

August 8, 2025.

I hereby appoint the Honorable MIKE KELLY, to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

MIKE JOHNSON,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

PRAYER

Reverend Kevin Peterman, 19th Street Baptist Church, Washington, D.C., offered the following prayer:

Eternal God, we pause on this day to acknowledge Your presence in this sacred place.

O Lord, while we are thankful for a new day with brand-new mercies, we come acknowledging that our Nation needs You now more than ever.

Our Nation cries out to You this morning for Your guidance, yearns for Your mercy, and hungers for Your healing touch.

As the legislative work of this day unfolds, may this Chamber, built by enslaved men and women, be a sacred place where the truth is spoken boldly, justice is pursued relentlessly, and the welfare of all people is sought with compassion.

Help us, O Lord, to remember that the measure of a nation is not in its wealth or its power, but in how it treats the least, the lost, and the left behind.

Bless the elected Members of this House.

Convict those who seek to do Your children harm. Let integrity be their compass, humility their posture, and the truth their unwavering aim.

Remind them, O Lord, that the world is equally balanced between good and evil, and their next act will tip the scale.

In Your name we do 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.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

A message from the Senate by Ms. Lasky, one of its clerks, announced that the Senate has passed without amendment bills of the House of the following titles:

H.R. 2170. An act to name the Department of Veterans Affairs community-based outpatient clinic in Toms River, New Jersey, the Leonard G. 'Bud' Lomell, VA Clinic, and for other purposes.

H.R. 2808. An act to amend the Fair Credit Reporting Act to prevent consumer reporting agencies from furnishing consumer reports under certain circumstances, and for other purposes.

The message also announced that the Senate has passed with an amendment in which the concurrence of the House is requested, a bill of the House of the following title:

H.R. 3944. An act making appropriations for military construction, the Department of Veterans Affairs, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2026, and for other purposes.

The message also announced that the Senate has passed bills of the following titles in which the concurrence of the House is requested:

S. 1071. An act to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to disinter the remains of Fernando V. Cota from Fort Sam Houston National Cemetery, Texas, and for other purposes.

S. 1155. An act to amend the Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000 to make technical corrections.

S. 1659. An act to amend titles 11 and 28, United States Code, to modify the compensation payable to trustees serving in cases under chapter 7 of title 11, United States Code, to extend the term of certain temporary offices of bankruptcy judges, and for other purposes.

S. 2682. An act to designate the medical center of the Department of Veterans Affairs in West Haven, Connecticut, as the "Captain Paul W. 'Bud' Bucha VA Medical Center".

The message also announced that pursuant to Public Law 94-304, as amended by Public Law 99-7, the Chair, on behalf of the Vice President, appoints the following Senators as members of the Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe (Helsinki) during the 119th Congress:

The Senator from Mississippi (Mr. WICKER) (Chairman).

The Senator from Arkansas (Mr. BOOZMAN).

The Senator from North Carolina (Mr. TILLIS).

The Senator from South Dakota (Mr. ROUNDS).

The Senator from Alabama (Mrs. BRITT).

The message also announced that pursuant to the provisions of Public Law 114-196, the Chair, on behalf of Democratic Leader, announces the appointment of the following individuals to serve as members of the United States Semiquincentennial Commission:

Jack Schlossberg of New York vice David Cohen.

Paul Tetreault of the District of Columbia vice James Swanson.

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

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COMMUNICATION FROM THE HONORABLE KAT CAMMACK, MEMBER OF CONGRESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Honorable KAT CAMMACK, Member of Congress:

CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES,
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, DC.

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

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: I am writing to inform you that I will be stepping down from my position on the House Franking Commission, effective immediately. It has been an honor to serve on the Commission and to work alongside my colleagues to ensure transparency, accountability, and compliance with franking regulations.

I appreciate the opportunity to have contributed to the important work of the Commission and I remain committed to upholding the integrity of official communications on behalf of the American people.

Thank you for your leadership and for the privilege of serving in this capacity.

For Freedom,

KAT CAMMACK,
Member of Congress.

APPOINTMENT OF MEMBER TO HOUSE COMMUNICATIONS STANDARDS COMMISSION

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair announces the Speaker's appointment, pursuant to 2 U.S.C. 501(b), and the order of the House of January 3, 2025, of the following Member to the House Communications Standards Commission:

Mr. BEAN of Florida

ADJOURNMENT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 13 of rule I, the House stands adjourned until 9 a.m. on Tuesday, August 12, 2025.

Thereupon (at 11 o'clock and 35 minutes a.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until Tuesday, August 12, 2025, at 9 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-1657. A letter from the Associate Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Significant New Use Rules on Certain Chemical Substances (24-1.5e) [EPA-HQ-OPPT-2024-0074; FRL-11916-02-OCSPP] (RIN: 2070-AB27) received July 28, 2025, 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-1658. A letter from the Associate Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Pyrooxasulfone; Pesticide Tolerances [EPA-HQ-OPP-2024-0212; FRL-12816-01-OCSPP] received July 28, 2025, 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-1659. A letter from the Secretary, Department of the Treasury, transmitting a six-month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to the threat of foreign interference in or undermining public confidence in United States elections that was declared in Executive Order 13848 of September 12, 2018, pursuant to 50 U.S.C. 1641(c); Public Law 94-412, Sec. 401(c); (90 Stat. 1257) and 50 U.S.C. 1703(c); Public Law 95-223, Sec. 204(c); (91 Stat. 1627); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

EC-1660. A letter from the Secretary, Department of the Treasury, transmitting a six-month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to the widespread humanitarian crisis in Afghanistan and the potential for a deepening economic collapse in Afghanistan that was declared in Executive Order 14064 of February 11, 2022, pursuant to 50 U.S.C. 1641(c); Public Law 94-412, Sec. 401(c); (90 Stat. 1257) and 50 U.S.C. 1703(c); Public Law 95-223, Sec. 204(c); (91 Stat. 1627); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

EC-1661. A letter from the President, transmitting notification that the national emergency declared in Executive Order 14105 of August 9, 2023, with respect to the threat posed by the advancement by countries of concern in sensitive technologies and products critical for the military, intelligence, surveillance, or cyber-enabled capabilities of such countries, is to continue in effect beyond August 9, 2025, pursuant to 50 U.S.C. 1622(d); Public Law 94-412, Sec. 202(d); (90 Stat. 1255) (H. Doc. No. 119—81); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs and ordered to be printed.

EC-1662. A letter from the President, transmitting an Executive Order Addressing Threats To The United States By The Government Of Brazil, pursuant to 50 U.S.C. 1703(b); Public Law 95-223, Sec. 204(b); (91 Stat. 1627) and 50 U.S.C. 1641(b); Public Law 94-412, Sec. 401(b); (90 Stat. 1257) (H. Doc. No. 119—83); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs and ordered to be printed.

EC-1663. A letter from the Secretary, Department of the Treasury, transmitting the six-month periodic reports on the national emergency with respect to the advancement by countries of concern in sensitive technologies and products critical for the military, intelligence, surveillance, or cyber-enabled capabilities of such countries that was declared in Executive Order 14105 of August 9, 2023, pursuant to 50 U.S.C. 1641(c); Public Law 94-412, Sec. 401(c); (90 Stat. 1257) and 50 U.S.C. 1703(c); Public Law 95-223, Sec. 204(c); (91 Stat. 1627); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

EC-1664. A letter from the Assistant General Counsel, Department of Agriculture, transmitting four (4) notifications of a nomination and action on 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 Government Reform.

EC-1665. A letter from the Associate General Counsel for General Law, Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting four (4) notifications of designation of acting officer, discontinuation of service in acting role, and action on 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 Government Reform.

EC-1666. A letter from the Attorney Advisor, Office of the General Counsel, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting a notification of an action on nomination, and discontinuation of service in acting role, 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 Government Reform.

EC-1667. A letter from the Chairman, National Transportation Safety Board, trans-

mitting the Board's FY 2024 NO FEAR Act report, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 2301 note; Public Law 107-174, Sec. 203(a) (as amended by Public Law 109-435, Sec. 604(f)); (120 Stat. 3241); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

EC-1668. A letter from the Solicitor General, Department of Justice, transmitting a decision in the case of 'New England Fishermen's Stewardship Ass'n v. Pelter, No. 23-cv-339 (D. Me.), pursuant to 28 U.S.C. 530D(a)(1); Public Law 107-273, Sec. 202(a); (116 Stat. 1771); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-1669. A letter from the Administrative Assistant, United States Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's temporary final rule — Safety Zone; Rainy Lake, City of Ranier, MN [Docket No.: USCG-2025-0221] (RIN: 1625-AA00) received August 6, 2025, 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-1670. A letter from the Administrative Assistant, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's temporary interim rule — Safety Zones; Delaware River Dredging, Marcus Hook, PA [Docket Number: USCG-2025-0556] (RIN: 1625-AA00) received August 6, 2025, 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-1671. A letter from the Administrative Assistant, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Safety Zone; Milwaukee Air and Water Show, Milwaukee, WI [Docket Number: USCG-2025-0270] (RIN: 1625-AA00) received August 6, 2025, 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-1672. A letter from the Administrative Assistant, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's temporary final rule — Safety Zone; Lake Eric, Lakewood, OH [Docket Number: USCG-2025-0558] (RIN: 1625-AA00) received August 6, 2025, 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-1673. A letter from the Administrative Assistant, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's temporary final rule — Safety Zone; Kaneohe Bay, Oahu, HI [USCG-2025-0120] (RIN: 1625-AA00) received August 6, 2025, 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-1674. A letter from the Administrative Assistant, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Drawbridge Operation Regulation; East River, Green Bay, WI [Docket No.: USCG-2025-0534] (RIN: 1625-AA09) received August 6, 2025, 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-1675. A letter from the Administrative Assistant, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's temporary final rule — Special Local Regulation; San Pedro Bay, San Pedro, CA [Docket Number: USCG-2025-0434] (RIN: 1625-AA08) received August 6, 2025, 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-1676. A letter from the President, transmitting a Proclamation Adjusting Imports Of Copper Into The United States, pursuant to 50 U.S.C. 1641(b); Public Law 94-412, Sec. 401(b); (90 Stat. 1257) (H. Doc. No. 119—