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The House met at 10 a.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Ms. Foxx).

DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

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

> WASHINGTON, DC, August 19, 2025.

I hereby appoint the Honorable VIRGINIA FOXX, to act as Speaker pro tempore on this

MIKE JOHNSON. Speaker of the House of Representatives.

PRAYER

Rev. Stephanie Vader, Capitol Hill United Methodist Church, Washington, D.C., offered the following prayer:

God who is known by many names, we pause to give thanks that You are present with us.

God of history, here in this room where history is shaped, we pray for all those who work here to see their tasks as sacred and to be filled with hope, creativity, and endurance.

God of empathy and resolve, give us the determination that we, each one of us, will do whatever we can to help build God's dream, a world where all beings flourish.

God of humility, You show us the way of the servant. Rather than being motivated by pride and self-righteousness, may we, as Your people, clothe ourselves with kindness, humility, gentleness, and patience. Manifest in us the ability to hold in tension the disagreement of others and our own convictions with grace.

God of impossibilities, You presided over the emancipations and transformations of our ancestors. Pour out Your power and emancipate and transform the broken parts of our world.

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.

BILL PRESENTED TO THE PRESIDENT

Kevin F. McCumber, Clerk of the House, reported that on August 15, 2025, the following bill was presented to the President of the United States for approval:

H.R. 1316. To amend the Export Control Reform Act of 2018 relating to licensing trans-

ADJOURNMENT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 13 of rule I, the House stands adjourned until 9 a.m. on Friday, August 22, 2025.

Thereupon (at 10 o'clock and 3 minutes a.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until Friday, August 22, 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-1734. A letter from the Associate Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Air Plan Approval; IA; Regional Haze State Implementation

Plan for the Second Implementation Period [EPA-R07-OAR-2024-0313; FRL-12096-02-R7] received August 5, 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-1735. A letter from the Associate Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Ethyl Formate; Exemption from the Requirement of a Tolerance [EPA-HQ-OPP-2024-0426; FRL-12782-01-OCSPP] received August 5, 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-1736. A letter from the Associate Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Air Plan Approval; OR; Update to Materials Incorporated by Reference [EPA-R10-OAR-2024-0480; FRL-12783-01-R10] received August 5, 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.

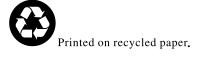
EC-1737. A letter from the Associate Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting Agency's final rule thuringiensis Cry1A.2 and Cry1B.2 Proteins; Exemptions from the Requirement of a Tolerance [EPA-HQ-OPP-2024-0293; FRL-12818-01-OCSPP] received August 5, 2025, 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-1738. A letter from the Supervisory, Program Analyst, Media Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule — Amendment of Section 73.202(b), Table of Allotments, FM Broadcast Stations. (Matador, Texas) [MB Docket No.: 25-135] received August 11, 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-1739. A letter from the Chief of Staff, Media Bureau, Media Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule - Amendment of Section 73.622(j), Table of Allotments, Television Broadcast Stations (Henderson, Nevada) [MB Docket No.: 25-131] [RM-11999] received August 11, 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.

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EC-1740. A letter from the Chairman of the Council, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting D.C. Act 26-128, Vacant to Vibrant Amendment Act of 2025, pursuant to Public Law 93-198, Sec. 602(c)(1); (87 Stat. 813); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

EC-1741. A letter from the Chairman of the Council, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting D.C. Act 26-129, Parity in Workers' Compensation Recovery Amendment Act of 2025, pursuant to Public Law 93-198, Sec. 602(c)(1); (87 Stat. 813); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

EC-1742. A letter from the Chairman of the Council, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting D.C. Act 26-130, Congress Cove Court Designation Act of 2025, pursuant to Public Law 93-198, Sec. 602(c)(1); (87 Stat. 813); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

EC-1743. A letter from the Chairman of the Council, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting D.C. Act 26-131, Elmore-Friendship Court Designation Act of 2025, pursuant to Public Law 93-198, Sec. 602(c)(1); (87 Stat. 813); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

EC-1744. A letter from the Chairman of the Council, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting D.C. Act 26-132, Rev. Dr. Judy Talbert Way Designation Act of 2025, pursuant to Public Law 93-198, Sec. 602(c)(1); (87 Stat. 813); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform

and Government Reform. EC-1745. A letter from the Chairman of the Council, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting D.C. Act 26-133, Parkside Canopy Temporary Amendment Act of 2025, pursuant to Public Law 93-198, Sec. 602(c)(1); (87 Stat. 813); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

EC-1746. A letter from the Chairman of the Council, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting D.C. Act 26-134, Strengthening Probate Administration Temporary Amendment Act of 2025, pursuant to Public Law 93-198, Sec. 602(c)(1); (87 Stat. 813); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

EC-1747. A letter from the Chairman of the Council, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting D.C. Act 26-135, Long Bridge Project Temporary Amendment Act of 2025, pursuant to Public Law 93-198, Sec. 602(c)(1); (87 Stat. 813); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

EC-1748. A letter from the Chairman of the Council, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting D.C. Act 26-136, DC Water and Sewer Authority Billing and Disconnection Clarification Temporary Amendment Act of 2025, pursuant to Public Law 93-198, Sec. 602(c)(1); (87 Stat. 813); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Beform

EC-1749. A letter from the Chairman of the Council, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting D.C. Act 26-137, Personal Delivery Device Weight Limit Temporary Amendment Act of 2025, pursuant to Public Law 93-198, Sec. 602(c)(1); (87 Stat. 813); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

EC-1750. A letter from the Assistant General Counsel, Department of Agriculture, transmitting a notification of an 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-1751. A letter from the Assistant General Counsel, Department of Agriculture, transmitting a notification of an 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-1752. A letter from the Deputy Assistant General Counsel, Department of the

Treasury, 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-1753. A letter from the Associate Administrator, EPA/AO/OCIR, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting eighteen notifications of a designation of acting officer, nomination, action on nomination, change in previously submitted reported information, 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.

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. ROGERS of Alabama: Committee on Armed Services. H.R. 3838. A bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2026 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, and for other purposes; with an amendment (Rept. 119–231). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

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. CASAR (for himself, Mr. NEGUSE, Mr. AMO, Mr. MOSKOWITZ, Ms. HOYLE of Oregon, Mr. STANTON, and Mr. DOGGETT):

H.R. 4992. A bill to require the Federal Emergency Management Agency to use appropriated funds to restore agency staffing levels, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, and in addition to the Committee on Financial Services, 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. FITZPATRICK (for himself, Mr. DUNN of Florida, and Mr. SOTO):

H.R. 4993. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide coverage of external infusion pumps and non-self-administrable home infusion drugs under the Medicare program; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Ways and Means, 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. FROST (for himself, Mr. LAWLER, and Mr. GARAMENDI):

H.R. 4994. A bill to require the Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration shall update the regulations to issue regulations to phase out the use of bleed air systems in certain aircraft, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Ms. KAMLAGER-DOVE (for herself, Mr. Lawler, Ms. Titus, Mr. McCaul, Mr. Peters, Mr. Bera, Mr. Nunn of Iowa, Mr. Crenshaw, Mr. Meeks, Mr. Johnson of Georgia, Mr. Stanton,

Ms. NORTON, Ms. McBride, Mr. Sher-Man, Mr. Keating, Ms. Jayapal, Mr. Fitzpatrick, Mr. Castro of Texas, and Ms. Johnson of Texas):

H.R. 4995. A bill to modify the responsibilities of the Coordinator for Afghan Relocation Efforts, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, 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 Mrs. KIGGANS of Virginia (for herself and Mr. BELL):

H.R. 4996. A bill to amend title 5, United States Code, to allow retired or certain disabled members of the uniformed services to contribute to the Thrift Savings Plan after separation, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform

By Mr. LAWLER:

H.R. 4997. A bill to amend the Omnibus Diplomatic Security an Antiterrorism Act of 1986 to require additional specific, mandatory, counterintelligence training for certain Diplomatic Security special agents assigned to high threat posts, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Mr. LICCARDO (for himself, Ms. Norton, SWALWELL, Mr. Mr. THANEDAR, Mr. CARTER of Louisiana, Ms. Pettersen, Ms. Dean of Pennsylvania, Mr. Min, Ms. Lofgren, Mr. STANTON, Mr. SCHNEIDER, Mr. TRAN, Mr. Panetta, Ms. Velázquez, Mr. JACKSON of Illinois, Ms. Ansari, Ms. Kamlager-Dove, Ms. Morrison, Mr. FIELDS, Mr. WHITESIDES, BARRAGÁN, Mr. LEVIN, Ms. JACOBS, Ms. JAYAPAL, Ms. HOYLE of Oregon, Mr. Doggett, Mr. Ivey, Mr. Veasey, WILLIAMS of Georgia, TRAHAN, Ms. BYNUM, Ms. SCANLON, Ms. Crockett, Ms. Tokuda, Mr. GARCÍA of Illinois, Ms. McBride, Mr. HORSFORD. Mr. GOTTHEIMER. Mr. MULLIN, Mrs. McIver, Ms. Rivas, Ms. STANSBURY, Ms. DEXTER, Ms. GARCIA of Texas, and Ms. ESCOBAR):

H.R. 4998. A bill to provide for congressional oversight of domestic use of the reserve components of the Armed Forces, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Ms. LOFGREN (for herself and Mr. OBERNOLTE):

H.R. 4999. A bill to support fusion education and related skilled technical workforce activities, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology.

By Ms. MACE (for herself and Ms. Brown):

H.R. 5000. A bill to amend title 5, United States Code, to limit the use of educational requirements or qualifications in evaluating candidates for certain cybersecurity positions in the competitive service, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

By Mr. McGARVEY:

H.R. 5001. A bill to amend the reporting requirements for the SBIR and STTR programs, and for other purpose; to the Committee on Small Business, 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. NEGUSE (for himself, Mr. CASAR, Mr. STANTON, Mr. AMO, Ms. HOYLE of Oregon, and Mr. MOSKOWITZ):

H.R. 5002. A bill to reinstate all employees and programs at the National Oceanic and