

We wired the globe with our ingenuity. We captivated the planet with American culture. And now, we are pioneering the next great American breakthroughs that will change the entire world.

All of this and so much more is the enduring legacy and unmatched glory of the hardworking patriots who built and defended this country and who still carry the hopes and freedoms on all of humanity's backs. For years, they were forgotten, betrayed, and cast aside, but that great betrayal is over. And they will never be forgotten again because when the world needs courage, daring, vision, and inspiration, it is still turning to America.

And when God needs a nation to work his miracles, he knows exactly who to ask. There is no challenge Americans cannot overcome, no frontier too vast for us to conquer, no dream too bold for us to chase, no horizon too distant for us to claim, for our destiny is written by the hand of providence, and these first 250 years were just the beginning.

From the rugged border towns of Texas to the heartland villages of Michigan, from the sun-kissed shores of Florida to the endless fields of the Dakotas, and from the historic streets of Philadelphia to right here in our Nation's Capital, Washington, D.C., the golden age of America is upon us.

The Revolution that began in 1776 has not ended. It still continues because the flame of liberty and independence still burns in the heart of every American patriot. And our future will be bigger, better, brighter, bolder, and more glorious than ever before.

Thank you. God bless you, and God bless America.

Thank you.

JOINT SESSION DISSOLVED

The SPEAKER. The Chair declares the joint session of the two Houses now dissolved.

Accordingly, at 11 o'clock and 4 minutes p.m., the joint session of the two Houses was dissolved.

The Members of the Senate retired to their Chamber.

MESSAGE OF THE PRESIDENT REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE ON THE STATE OF THE UNION

Mr. SCALISE. Mr. Speaker, I move that the message of the President be referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union and ordered printed.

The motion was agreed to.

ADJOURNMENT

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

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 11 o'clock and 6 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the

House adjourned until tomorrow, Wednesday, February 25, 2026, 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-2926. A letter from the Senior Bureau Official, Bureau of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting Transmittal No. DDTC 25-049, Certification of Proposed Issuance of an Export License Pursuant to Section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

EC-2927. A letter from the Senior Bureau Official, Bureau of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting Transmittal No. DDTC 25-072, Certification of Proposed Issuance of an Export License Pursuant to Section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

EC-2928. A letter from the Senior Bureau Official, Bureau of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting Transmittal No. DDTC 25-094, Certification of Proposed Issuance of an Export License Pursuant to Section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

EC-2929. A letter from the Chief, Regulatory Development Division, Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Parts and Accessories Necessary for Safe Operation; Auxiliary Fuel Tanks [Docket No.: FMCSA-2025-0120] (RIN: 2126-AC94) received February 23, 2026, 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-2930. A letter from the Chief, Regulatory Development Division, Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Parts and Accessories Necessary for Safe Operation; License Plate Lamps [Docket No.: FMCSA-2025-0122] (RIN: 2126-AC96) received February 23, 2026, 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-2931. A letter from the Chief, Regulatory Development Division, Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Parts and Accessories Necessary for Safe Operation; Tire Load Markings [Docket No.: FMCSA-2025-0123] (RIN: 2126-AC97) received February 23, 2026, 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-2932. A letter from the Chief, Regulatory Development Division, Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Parts and Accessories Necessary for Safe Operation; Fuel Tank Overfill Restriction [Docket No.: FMCSA-2025-0117] (RIN: 2126-AC91) received February 23, 2026, 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-2933. A letter from the Chief, Regulatory Development Division, Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Parts and Accessories Necessary for Safe Operation; Liquid-Burning Flares [Docket No.: FMCSA-2025-0110] (RIN: 2126-AC84) received February 23, 2026, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Com-

mittee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

EC-2934. A letter from the Chief, Regulatory Development Division, Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Parts and Accessories Necessary for Safe Operation; Spare Fuses [Docket No.: FMCSA-2025-0109] (RIN: 2126-AC83) received February 23, 2026, 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-2935. A letter from the Chief, Regulatory Development Division, Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Parts and Accessories Necessary for Safe Operation; Certification and Labeling Requirements for Rear Impact Protection Guards [Docket No.: FMCSA-2025-0107] (RIN: 2126-AC81) received February 23, 2026, 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-2936. A letter from the Chief, Regulatory Development Division, Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Commercial Driver's License Standards; Requirements and Penalties: Applicability to the Exception for Certain Military Personnel [Docket No.: FMCSA-2025-0118] (RIN: 2126-AC92) received February 23, 2026, 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-2937. A letter from the Chief, Regulatory Development Division, Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Qualifications of Drivers; Vision Standards Grandfathering Provision [Docket No.: FMCSA-2025-0113] (RIN: 2126-AC87) received February 23, 2026, 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-2938. A letter from the Director, Office of Regulatory Oversight and Management, Veterans Health Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Home Visits in Program of Comprehensive Assistance for Family Caregivers During COVID-19 National Emergency [Docket No.: VA-2020-VHA-0014] (RIN: 2900-AQ96) received February 23, 2026, 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.

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. GRIFFITH: Committee on Rules. H. Res. 1075. A resolution providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 4626) 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, and providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 4758) to repeal provisions of Public Law 117-169 relating to taxpayer subsidies for home electrification, and for other purposes (Rept. 119-515). Referred to the House Calendar.

Mr. WESTERMAN: Committee on Natural Resources. H.R. 5419. A bill to direct the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of

Agriculture to develop a plan for ensuring timely review of communications use authorizations, and for other purposes; with amendments (Rept. 119-516 Pt. 1). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. WESTERMAN: Committee on Natural Resources. H.R. 1945. A bill to designate the America's National Churchill Museum National Historic Landmark, and for other purposes (Rept. 119-517). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. WESTERMAN: Committee on Natural Resources. H.R. 2196. A bill to provide for an extension of the legislative authority of the National Emergency Medical Services Memorial Foundation to establish a commemorative work in the District of Columbia and its environs, with an amendment (Rept. 119-518). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. WESTERMAN: Committee on Natural Resources. H.R. 755. A bill to amend the Energy Act of 2020 to include critical materials in the definition of critical mineral, and for other purposes; with amendments (Rept. 119-519). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

DISCHARGE OF COMMITTEE

Pursuant to clause 2 of rule XIII, the Committee on Agriculture discharged from further consideration. H.R. 5419 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. LAWLER (for himself and Ms. JAYAPAL):

H.R. 7654. A bill to authorize the consolidation of reports required to be submitted by the Bureau of Global Health Security and Diplomacy of the Department of State, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Mr. YAKYM (for himself and Mr. DAVIS of Illinois):

H.R. 7655. A bill to amend section 477 of the Social Security Act to improve supports for expectant and parenting youth who have experienced foster care by strengthening coordination with the Maternal, Infant, and Early Childhood Home Visiting Program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Ms. BONAMICI (for herself, Mr. CARTER of Georgia, and Mr. TONKO):

H.R. 7656. A bill to support marine carbon dioxide removal activities, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, and in addition to the Committee on Natural Resources, 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. FOUSHEE (for herself and Mr. MACKENZIE):

H.R. 7657. A bill to direct the Secretary of Defense to provide funds to the National Diaper Bank Network for the establishment of a Military Family Diaper Fund to provide diapers and diapering supplies to military families in need, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. GOLDMAN of New York (for himself, Mr. LAWLER, Mr. SMITH of Washington, and Mr. FITZPATRICK):

H.R. 7658. A bill to amend the Food and Nutrition Act of 2008 to require the promulga-

tion of cybersecurity and digital service regulations relating to the use of EBT cards under the supplemental nutrition assistance program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. GOLDMAN of New York:

H.R. 7659. A bill to designate the Pride flag as an authorized flag eligible for display at units of the National Park System, to express the sense of Congress that the Pride flag should be on display at the Stonewall National Monument in the State of New York, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

By Mr. MCCORMICK:

H.R. 7660. A bill to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to expand the definition of a historically Black college or university to include schools established prior to November 8, 1965, so long as such schools meet all other required criteria, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Education and Workforce.

By Mrs. MILLER of Illinois (for herself, Mr. DOWNING, Mr. FINE, Mr. STEUBE, Mr. GOSAR, Mr. OGLES, Ms. HAGEMAN, Mr. STUTZMAN, Mr. MOORE of Alabama, Mrs. BIGGS of South Carolina, Ms. LETLOW, Ms. TENNEY, Mr. ROY, Mr. DAVIDSON, Mr. WEBER of Texas, Mr. ROSE, Mr. OWENS, and Mr. SELF):

H.R. 7661. A bill to amend the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 to prohibit the use of funds provided under such Act to develop, implement, facilitate, host, or promote any program or activity for, or to provide or promote literature or other materials to, children under the age of 18 that includes sexually oriented material, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Education and Workforce.

By Mr. NEHLS (for himself and Mr. MOULTON):

H.R. 7662. A bill to enhance safety requirements for trains transporting hazardous materials, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, 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. OGLES:

H.R. 7663. A bill to amend section 6103 of title 5, United States Code, to change the date designated for Washington's Birthday and designate Lincoln's Birthday as a legal public holiday; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

By Mr. SCHMIDT:

H.R. 7664. A bill to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to provide for the performance of certain Department of Homeland Security counsel functions by State officers and employees, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Ms. SCHOLTEN:

H.R. 7665. A bill to amend the Food, Agriculture, Conservation, and Trade Act of 1990 to add biological pest control to the list of high-priority research and extension areas; to the Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. SMITH of Nebraska (for himself and Mr. MCGOVERN):

H.R. 7666. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to allow payments under the Medicare program for certain items and services furnished by off-campus outpatient departments of a provider to be determined under the prospective payment system for hospital outpatient department services, and for other purposes; 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 pro-

visions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. VAN DREW:

H.R. 7667. A bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to improve the TRICARE program for certain members of the Retired Reserve of the reserve components; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. WILLSON of South Carolina (for himself and Mr. COHEN):

H.R. 7668. A bill to require a report on Russian and Chinese intelligence assets in Georgia, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Mr. WEBER of Texas (for himself, Mr. BALDERSON, Mrs. MILLER of West Virginia, Mr. CAREY, Mr. MCCORMICK, Mr. RULLI, Mr. HIGGINS of Louisiana, Mr. CRENSHAW, Mr. PFLUGER, Mr. BABIN, Mr. VICENTE GONZALEZ of Texas, Mr. NEHLS, Mr. FLEISCHMANN, Mr. CARTER of Georgia, Ms. LETLOW, Mr. ELLZEY, Mr. GOLDMAN of Texas, Mr. WILLIAMS of Texas, Mr. STAUBER, Mr. FINE, Mr. HUNT, Mr. HURD of Colorado, Mrs. BICE, Mr. HARRIGAN, Ms. VAN DUYN, Mr. MCDOWELL, Ms. FEDORCHAK, Mr. COLLINS, Mr. BEAN of Florida, Mr. CLOUD, Mr. LOUDERMILK, Mr. ALLEN, Mr. MORAN, and Mr. MESSMER):

H. Res. 1076. A resolution recognizing the 10th anniversary of the first export shipment of liquefied natural gas produced in the lower 48 States; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, 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.

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 Mr. LAWLER:

H.R. 7654.

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

Article 1 Section 8 Clause 18 of the U.S. Constitution

By Mr. YAKYM:

H.R. 7655.

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

Article I, Section 8 of the United States Constitution.

By Ms. BONAMICI:

H.R. 7656.

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

Article I, Section 8 of the U.S. Constitution.

By Mrs. FOUSHEE:

H.R. 7657.

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

Article I of the Constitution

By Mr. GOLDMAN of New York:

H.R. 7658.

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

Under Article I, Section 8 of the Constitution, Congress has the power "to make all Laws which shall be necessary and proper for carrying into the Execution for the foregoing Powers, and all other Powers vested by this Constitution in the Government of the United States, or any Department or Officer thereof."