The House met at 2 p.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. Harris).

DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE
The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Speaker:
WASHINGTON, DC, May 29, 2012.
I hereby appoint the Honorable ANDY HARRIS to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.
JOHN A. BORNEH, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

PRAYER
The Chaplain, the Reverend Patrick J. Conroy, offered the following prayer:
We give You thanks, O God, for giving us another day.
In these days after Memorial Day, we thank You again for the ultimate sacrifices of so many of our citizen-ancestors. Bless their families with Your consolation. Bless as well the men and women who serve our Nation this day in our Armed Forces. May they, and their families, be assured of our deep gratitude for their service.
O God, You have blessed every person with the full measure of Your grace and given us the bounty of Your spirit. Lead us this day in the ways of peace. We pray for peace in our hearts, that we will be freed from selfishness or envy, that we will replace any enmity with goodwill, and hatred with charity, so we might lead lives of generosity and kindness.
May there be peace in our world among all Nations. May each Nation sense its shared destiny in a new spirit of hope and trust, one with another.
May all that is done this day be for Your greater honor and glory.
Amen.

THE JOURNAL
The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair has examined the Journal of the last day’s proceedings and announces to the House his approval thereof.
Pursuant to clause 1, rule I, the Journal stands 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:
Hon. JOHN A. BORNEH, 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 25, 2012 at 1:47 p.m.:
That the Senate passed without amendment H.R. 2947.
That the Senate passed without amendment H.R. 3992.
That the Senate passed S. 141.
That the Senate passed S. 739.
That the Senate agreed to S. Res. 475.
With best wishes, I am
Sincerely,
KAREN L. HAAS.

SENATE BILL REFERRED
A Bill of the Senate of the following title was taken from the Speaker’s table and, under the rule, referred as follows:
S. 414. An act to protect girls in developing countries through the prevention of child marriage, and for other purposes, to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED
Karen L. Haas, Clerk of the House, reported and found truly enrolled bills of the House of the following titles, which were thereupon signed by the Speaker:
H.R. 2415. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 11 Dock Street in Pittston, Pennsylvania, as the “Trooper Joshua D. Miller Post Office Building.”
H.R. 3220. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 170 Evergreen Square SW in Pine City, Minnesota, as the “Master Sergeant Daniel L. Fedder Post Office”.
H.R. 3415. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1449 West Avenue in Bronx, New York, as the “Private Isaac T. Cortes Post Office”.
H.R. 4119. An act to reduce the trafficking of drugs and to prevent human smuggling across the Southwest Border by deterring the construction and use of border tunnels.
H.R. 405. An act to direct the Secretary of the Interior to issue commercial use authorizations to commercial stock operators for operations in designated wilderness within the Sequoia and Kings Canyon National Parks, and for other purposes.

ADJOURNMENT
The SPEAKER pro tempore. Without objection, the House stands adjourned until 2 p.m. on Wednesday, May 30, 2012.
There was no objection.
Accordingly (at 2 o’clock and 4 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until tomorrow, Wednesday, May 30, 2012, at 2 p.m.
### REPORT OF EXPENDITURES FOR OFFICIAL FOREIGN TRAVEL, JONATHAN STIVERS, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, EXPENDED BETWEEN APR. 26 AND APR. 28, 2012

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### REPORT OF EXPENDITURES FOR OFFICIAL FOREIGN TRAVEL, DELEGATION TO MALTA, LIBYA, EGYPT, KOSOVO, AND MACEDONIA, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, EXPENDED BETWEEN MAR. 30 AND APR. 6, 2012

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### REPORT OF EXPENDITURES FOR OFFICIAL FOREIGN TRAVEL, COMMITTEE ON ARMED SERVICES, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, EXPENDED BETWEEN JAN. 1 AND MAR. 31, 2012

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### Notes
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- **Total**: Entry of the equivalent amount in U.S. dollars.
EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

Under clause 2 of rule XIV, executive communications were taken from the Speaker’s table and referred as follows: 6133. A letter from the Manager, BioPreferred Program, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department’s final rule — Designation of Product Categories for Federal Procurement (RIN: 0581-AD19) received April 27, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture. 6134. A letter from the Acting Administrator, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department’s final rule — Dried Prunes Produced in California; Decreased Assessment Rate [Doc. No.: AMS-FV-11-0088; FV11-993-1 FIR] received April 27, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture. 6135. A letter from the Acting Administrator, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department’s final rule — Upland Cotton Base Quality (RIN: 0581-AD19) received April 24, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture. 6136. A letter from the Acting Administrator, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department’s final rule — Upland Cotton Base Quality (RIN: 0581-AD19) received April 24, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture. 6137. A letter from the Acting Administrator, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department’s final rule — Marketing Order Regulating the Handling of Spearmint Oil Produced in the Far West; Revision of the Salable Quantity and Allotment Percentage for Class 1 (Scotch) Spearmint Oil for the 2011-2012 Marketing Year [Doc. No.: AMS-FV-10-0094; FV11-985-1B 1R] received April 27, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C.
801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

6139. A letter from the Acting Administrator, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department’s final rule — Pesticides Grown in California, Arizona, and New Mexico; Decreased Assessment Rate [Doc. No.: AMS-FV-11-0077; FV11-983-2 FIR] received April 27, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

6140. A letter from the Acting Administrator, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department’s final rule — Pesticides Grown in Oregon and Washington; Assessment Rate Decrease for Processed Pears [Doc. No.: AMS-FV-11-0070; FV11-927-3 FIR] received April 27, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

6141. A letter from the Acting Administrator, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department’s final rule — Pesticides Grown in Oregon and Washington; Assessment Rate Decrease for Processed Pears [Doc. No.: AMS-FV-11-0060; FV11-927-2 FIR] received April 27, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.


6143. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Export Administration, Department of Commerce, transmitting the Department’s final rule — Addition of Certain Persons to the Entity List; and Implementation of Entity List Annual Review Changes [Docket No.: 12014151-2401-01 (RIN: 0994-AF57)] received April 24, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.


6162. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting Transmittal of D.C. ACT 19-371, “Arts and Culture; Transportation and Public Service Organizations; Development Authority; and Development Agreement Amendment Act of 2012”; 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:

[Filed May 29, 2012]
Mr. SMITH of Texas: Committee on the Judiciary. H.R. 3541. A bill to prohibit discrimination against the unborn on the basis of sex or race, and for other purposes; with an amendment (Rept. 112–496). Referred to the Committees on Education and the Workforce and Ways and Means.
Mr. SMITH of Texas: Committee on the Judiciary. H.R. 5512. A bill to amend title 28, United States Code, to realign divisions within two judicial districts (Rept. 112–497). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS
Under clause 2 of rule XII,
Mr. HERGER introduced a bill (H.R. 5858) to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to improve health savings accounts, and for other purposes; which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

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.

Mr. HERGER:
H.R. 5858.
Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:
The Congress enacts this bill pursuant to Clause 1 of Section 8 of Article I of the United States Constitution and amendment XVI of the United States Constitution.

ADDITIONAL SPONSORS
Under clause 7 of rule XII, sponsors were added to public bills and resolutions as follows:
H.R. 178: Mrs. EMERSON.
H.R. 1145: Mr. RENACCI.
H.R. 1150: Ms. CASTOR of Florida.
H.R. 2077: Mr. PENCE.
H.R. 2315: Mr. LOEBSACK.
H.R. 2437: Mr. DOLD.
H.R. 3067: Mr. SCHRADER, Mr. BOREN, Ms. BONAMICI, Mr. GALLEGLY, Mr. GARY G. MILLER of California, Mr. AL GREEN of Texas, Mr. REICHERT, Mr. GRIFFIN of Arkansas, Mr. RICHMOND, Mr. ANDREWS, Ms. LINDA T. SÁNCHEZ of California, Mr. CARDOZA, Mr. REYES, Mr. LATTA and Mr. GIBBS.
H.R. 3086: Ms. MOORE, Mr. HASTINGS of Florida and Mr. RUSH.
H.R. 3443: Mr. COFFMAN of Colorado.
H.R. 3737: Mr. BARLETTA.
H.R. 3797: Mr. RUNYAN.
H.R. 4066: Mr. THURNEY.
H.R. 4132: Mr. BARLETTA.
H.R. 4403: Mr. HARPER and Mr. FRANKS of Arizona.
H.R. 4518: Mr. SIMPSON.
H.R. 5744: Mr. SHULER, Mr. COFFMAN of Colorado and Mrs. NORM.
H.R. 5789: Mr. STARK and Mr. KUCINICH.
H. Res. 298: Mr. PASTOR of Arizona and Mr. LEVIN.
H. Res. 490: Mr. SULLIVAN and Mr. MCLINTOCK.
H. Res. 665: Mr. BERMAN.
The Senate met at 11 and 16 seconds a.m. and was called to order by the Honorable PATRICK J. LEAHY, a Senator from the State of Vermont.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will please read a communication to the Senate from the President pro tempore (Mr. INOUYE). The legislative clerk read the following letter:


To the Senate:
Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable PATRICK J. LEAHY, a Senator from the State of Vermont, to perform the duties of the Chair. 

DANIEL K. INOUYE, President pro tempore.

Mr. LEAHY thereupon assumed the chair as Acting President pro tempore.

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 12 NOON, THURSDAY, MAY 31, 2012

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. If there’s no further business to come before the Senate, under the previous order, the Senate stands adjourned until 12 noon, Thursday, May 31, 2012.

Thereupon, the Senate, at 11 and 49 seconds a.m., adjourned until Thursday, May 31, 2012, at 12 noon.
HONORING ALL-STATE BAND MEMBERS OF THE CARROLL HIGH SCHOOL

HON. KENNY MARCHANT
OF TEXAS
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Tuesday, May 29, 2012

Mr. MARCHANT. Mr. Speaker, it is with great pride that I recognize Neha Jain, Holly Rosenberg, and Taylor White. All three are students at Carroll Senior High School and were selected for components of the Texas Music Educators Association’s All-State Band for 2012.

Every year 60,000 high school musicians in Texas compete for the opportunity to be among the 1,500 chosen for various All-State ensembles. Band students first audition before judges in one of twenty-eight regions, and the highest ranked musicians from each Region then participate in one of seven Area competitions. The best among the Area participants then go on to the annual clinic and convention hosted by the Texas Music Educators Association, TMEA. The clinic consists of three days of rehearsal with prestigious musical conductors and culminates in a grand All-State performance.

Being selected for one of the three All-State Band ensembles is indeed a high honor for any high school musician and is a testament to their hard work, talent, and dedication. Neha Jain, who plays the flute, and Holly Rosenberg, who plays the piccolo, both made it to the 5A Concert Band for 2012. Taylor White, who plays the cornet and trumpet, performed in the Philharmonic Orchestra this year. It was his fourth year in an All-State ensemble, and it was Holly’s second. Together, these three exceptional students are continuing to build a strong tradition at Carroll Senior High School. Their success is truly admirable and highlights the astounding work and contributions put forth by their band director, Jay Bach.

Mr. Speaker, on behalf of the 24th Congressional District of Texas, I ask all of my distinguished colleagues to join me in congratulating Neha Jain, Holly Rosenberg, and Taylor White for being chosen for their respective components in the TMEA All-State Band.

IN MEMORY OF DONNA SUMMER

HON. LAURA RICHARDSON
OF CALIFORNIA
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Tuesday, May 29, 2012

Ms. RICHARDSON. Mr. Speaker, I rise in a moment of silence in honor of her memory.

Donna Summer was a powerhouse who defined dance music and paved the road for countless performers. Her music career spanned across four decades and led to five Grammy awards. She was the first female artist to have four number-one hits in a 13-month period as well as the first to receive a Grammy in rock. She infused the music industry with a sense of excitement and energy that brought everyone to the dance floor and continues to inspire today’s artists.

Her songs provided the soundtrack to the disco years, but her legacy extends far beyond this singular genre. Her versatility and talent cemented her place in music history even as the disco lights faded, and she continued to write and perform until recent years.

As a devout born-again Christian, Donna Summer’s life hardly resembled the glitz and glamour of her stage persona. She grew up singing gospel, and her faith provided her with a strong sense of purpose and conviction. Although she may first be remembered as a singer and performer, her memory will also live on as a loving mother, wife, and friend.

I feel love when I hear her music, a love that will last even after I have no more tears to shed. Her memory will carry on in the hearts of all who remember yesterday and the joy they felt when Donna Summer’s songs played on the radio. Although Ms. Summer may have danced her last dance on Earth, Heaven knows she will be dancing and singing long after we dim all the lights.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in a moment of silence in honor of her memory.

HONORING CARROLL ISD SWIM TEAMS

HON. KENNY MARCHANT
OF TEXAS
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Tuesday, May 29, 2012

Mr. MARCHANT. Mr. Speaker, it is with great pride that I recognize both the boys’ and girls’ Swimming and Diving teams of Carroll Senior High School for winning the state championship titles.

Carroll High School competes in the University Interscholastic League Class 5A, the most competitive athletic class composed of the largest schools in Texas. It is an unbelievable achievement for a 5A high school to have both the boys’ and girls’ teams to win state title championships in the same category.

The Carroll ISD boys’ state championship team included John Ausdenmoore, Curtis Goss, Austin Nguyenphu, John Remetta, Jonathan Roberts, Ted Singley, and Ryan Walker. The girls’ championship team included Alexa Baran, Emily Gibson, MacKenzie Leonard, Elise Weisert, Lauren Crown, Lyndsie Gibson, Lindsay Schultz, Sydney Wheeler, Taylor Dereyanik, Grace Kazmierski, Rebecca Upton, and Emily Zapinski. The Dragon swim teams were led by Coach Kevin Murphy along with the help from Assistant Swim Coach Lynne Gorman and Diving Coach Carolyn Hryorchuk.

Mr. Speaker, on behalf of the 24th Congressional District of Texas, I ask all of my distinguished colleagues to join me in congratulating the Carroll Senior High School Swim and Diving teams for their championship titles at the Texas state competition.
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Senate

Chamber Action

The Senate met at 11:00:16 a.m. in pro forma session, and adjourned at 11:00:49 a.m. until 12 noon, on Thursday, May 31, 2012.

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 1 public bill, H.R. 5858 was introduced. Page H3177

Additional Cosponsors: Page H3177

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows: H.R. 3541, to prohibit discrimination against the unborn on the basis of sex or race, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 112–496); and H.R. 5512, to amend title 28, United States Code, to realign divisions within two judicial districts (H. Rept. 112–497). Pages H3176–77

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed representative Harris to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. Page H3173

Senate Message: Message received from the Senate by the Clerk and subsequently presented to the House today appears on page H3173.

Senate Referrals: S. 414 was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs and S. 739 was held at the desk. Page H3173

Quorum Calls—Votes: There were no yea and nay votes, and there were no recorded votes. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 2 p.m. and adjourned at 2:04 p.m.

Committee Meetings

No hearings were held.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, MAY 30, 2012

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

House


Committee on Veterans’ Affairs, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled “Purchasing Perspective: VA’s Prosthetics Paradox”, 4 p.m., 334 Cannon.
Next Meeting of the SENATE
12 noon, Thursday, May 31

Senate Chamber

Program for Thursday: Senate will meet in a pro forma session.

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
2 p.m., Wednesday, May 30

House Chamber


Extensions of Remarks, as inserted in this issue

Marchant, Kenny, Tex., E893, R893
Richardson, Laura, Calif., E893