

Mr. Duffy; Mr. Renacci; Mr. Hurt; Mr. Grimm; Mr. Stivers; Mr. Fincher; Mr. Stutzman; Mr. Mulvaney; Mr. Hultgren; Mr. Ross; Mr. Pittenger; Mrs. Wagner; Mr. Barr; and Mr. Cotton.

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COMMITTEE ON HOMELAND SECURITY: Mr. Smith of Texas; Mr. King of New York; Mr. Rogers of Alabama; Mr. Broun of Georgia; Mrs. Miller of Michigan; Mr. Meehan; Mr. Duncan of South Carolina; Mr. Marino; Mr. Chaffetz; Mr. Palazzo; Mr. Barletta; Mr. Stewart; Mr. Rothfus; Mr. Hudson; Mr. Daines; Mrs. Brooks of Indiana; and Mr. Perry.

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COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES: Mr. Young of Alaska; Mr. Gohmert; Mr. Bishop of Utah; Mr. Lamborn; Mr. Wittman; Mr. Broun of Georgia; Mr. Fleming; Mr. McClintock; Mr. Thompson of Pennsylvania; Mrs. Lummis; Mr. Benishek; Mr. Duncan of South Carolina; Mr. Tipton; Mr. Gosar; Mr. Labrador; Mr. Southerland; Mr. Flores; Mr. Harris; Mr. Runyan; Mr. Amodei; Mr. Mullin; Mr. Stewart; Mr. Daines; Mr. Cramer; and Mr. LaMalfa.

COMMITTEE ON OVERSIGHT AND GOVERNMENT REFORM: Mr. Mica; Mr. Turner; Mr. Duncan of Tennessee; Mr. McHenry; Mr. Jordan; Mr. Chaffetz; Mr. Walberg; Mr. Lankford; Mr. Amash; Mr. Gosar; Mr. Meehan; Mr. DesJarlais; Mr. Gowdy; Mr. Farenthold; Mr. Hastings of Washington; Mrs. Lummis; Mr. Woodall; Mr. Massie; Mr. Collins of Georgia; Mr. Meadows; Mr. Bentivolio; and Mr. DeSantis.

COMMITTEE ON SCIENCE, SPACE, AND TECHNOLOGY: Mr. Sensenbrenner; Mr. Hall; Mr. Rohrabacher; Mr. Lucas; Mr. Neugebauer; Mr. McCaul; Mr. Broun of Georgia; Mr. Palazzo; Mr. Brooks of Alabama; Mr. Harris; Mr. Hultgren; Mr. Bucshon; Mr. Stockman; Mr. Posey; Mrs. Lummis; Mr. Schweikert; Mr. Massie; Mr. Cramer; Mr. Bridenstine; Mr. Weber of Texas; and Mr. Stewart.

COMMITTEE ON SMALL BUSINESS: Mr. Chabot; Mr. King of Iowa; Mr. Coffman; Mr. Luetkemeyer; Mr. Mulvaney; Mr. Tipton; Ms. Herrera Beutler; Mr. Hanna; Mr. Huelskamp; Mr. Schweikert; Mr. Bentivolio; Mr. Collins of New York; and Mr. Rice of South Carolina.

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COMMITTEE ON VETERANS' AFFAIRS: Mr. Lamborn; Mr. Bilirakis; Mr. Roe of Tennessee; Mr. Flores; Mr. Denham; Mr. Run-

yan; Mr. Benishek; Mr. Huelskamp; Mr. Amodei; Mr. Coffman; Mr. Wenstrup; Mr. Cook; and Mrs. Walorski.

COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS: Mr. Sam Johnson of Texas; Mr. Brady of Texas; Mr. Ryan of Wisconsin; Mr. Nunes; Mr. Tiberi; Mr. Reichert; Mr. Boustany; Mr. Roskam; Mr. Gerlach; Mr. Price of Georgia; Mr. Buchanan; Mr. Smith of Nebraska; Mr. Schock; Ms. Jenkins; Mr. Paulsen; Mr. Marchant; Mrs. Black; Mr. Reed; Mr. Young of Indiana; Mr. Kelly; and Mr. Griffin of Arkansas.

Mrs. McMORRIS RODGERS (during the reading). I ask unanimous consent that the resolution be considered as read.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentlewoman from Washington?

There was no objection.

The resolution was agreed to.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

APPOINTMENT OF TELLERS ON THE PART OF THE HOUSE TO COUNT ELECTORAL VOTES

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to Senate Concurrent Resolution 1, 113th Congress, and the order of the House of January 3, 2013, the Chair announces the Speaker's appointment of two Members as tellers on the part of the House to count electoral votes:

The gentlewoman from Michigan, Mrs. CANDICE S. MILLER, and

The gentleman from Pennsylvania, Mr. ROBERT A. BRADY.

RECESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 12(a) of rule I, the Chair declares the House in recess until approximately 12:55 p.m.

Accordingly (at 11 o'clock and 29 minutes a.m.), the House stood in recess.

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AFTER RECESS

The recess having expired, the House was called to order by the Speaker at 1 o'clock and 5 minutes p.m.

COUNTING ELECTORAL VOTES—JOINT SESSION OF THE HOUSE AND SENATE HELD PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 1

At 1:06 p.m., the Sergeant-at-Arms, Paul D. Irving, announced the Vice President and the Senate of the United States.

The Senate entered the Hall of the House of Representatives, headed by the Vice President and the Secretary of the Senate, the Members and officers of the House rising to receive them.

The Vice President took his seat as the Presiding Officer of the joint convention of the two Houses, the Speaker of the House occupying the chair on his left. Senators took seats to the right of the rostrum as prescribed by law.

The VICE PRESIDENT. The joint session will come to order.

Mr. Speaker and Members of Congress, pursuant to the Constitution and laws of the United States, the Senate and House of Representatives are meeting in joint session to verify the certificates and count the votes of the electors of the several States for President and Vice President of the United States.

After ascertainment has been had that the certificates are authentic and correct in form, the tellers will count and make a list of the votes cast by the electors of the several State.

The tellers on the part of the two Houses will take their places at the Clerk's desk.

The tellers, Mr. SCHUMER and Mr. ALEXANDER on the part of the Senate, and Mrs. MILLER and Mr. BRADY on the part of the House, took their places at the desk.

The VICE PRESIDENT. Without objection, the tellers will dispense with reading formal portions of the certificates. After ascertaining that certificates are regular in form and authentic, the tellers will announce the votes cast by the electors for each State, beginning with Alabama.

The tellers then proceeded to read, count, and announce the electoral votes of the several States in alphabetical order.

The VICE PRESIDENT. Members of Congress, the certificates having been read, the tellers will ascertain and deliver the result to the President of the Senate.

The tellers delivered to the President of the Senate the following statement of results:

JOINT SESSION OF CONGRESS FOR THE COUNTING OF THE ELECTORAL VOTES FOR PRESIDENT AND VICE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES—OFFICIAL TALLY

The undersigned, CHARLES E. SCHUMER and LAMAR ALEXANDER tellers on the part of the Senate, CANDICE S. MILLER and ROBERT A. BRADY tellers on the part of the House of Representatives, report the following as the result of the ascertainment and counting of the electoral vote for President and Vice President of the United States for the term beginning on the twentieth day of January, two thousand and thirteen.

Electoral votes of each State	For President		For Vice President	
	Barack Obama	Mitt Romney	Joseph Biden	Paul Ryan
Alabama—9	9	9	9	9
Alaska—3	3	3	3	3
Arizona—11	11	11	11	11
Arkansas—6	6	6	6	6
California—55	55	55	55	55
Colorado—9	9	9	9	9
Connecticut—7	7	7	7	7
Delaware—3	3	3	3	3
District of Columbia—3	3	3	3	3
Florida—29	29	29	29	29
Georgia—16	16	16	16	16
Hawaii—4	4	4	4	4
Idaho—4	4	4	4	4
Illinois—20	20	20	20	20
Indiana—11	11	11	11	11
Iowa—6	6	6	6	6
Kansas—6	6	6	6	6
Kentucky—8	8	8	8	8
Louisiana—8	8	8	8	8

Electoral votes of each State	For President		For Vice President	
	Barack Obama	Mitt Romney	Joseph Biden	Paul Ryan
Maine—4	4		4	
Maryland—10	10		10	
Massachusetts—11	11		11	
Michigan—16	16		16	
Minnesota—10	10		10	
Mississippi—6		6		6
Missouri—10		10		10
Montana—3		3		3
Nebraska—5		5		5
Nevada—6	6		6	
New Hampshire—4	4		4	
New Jersey—14	14		14	
New Mexico—5	5		5	
New York—29	29		29	
North Carolina—15		15		15
North Dakota—3		3		3
Ohio—18	18		18	
Oklahoma—7		7		7
Oregon—7	7		7	
Pennsylvania—20	20		20	
Rhode Island—4	4		4	
South Carolina—9		9		9
South Dakota—3		3		3
Tennessee—11		11		11
Texas—38		38		38
Utah—6		6		6
Vermont—3	3		3	
Virginia—13	13		13	
Washington—12	12		12	
West Virginia—5		5		5
Wisconsin—10	10		10	
Wyoming—3		3		3
Total—538				

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ROBERT A. BRADY,
*Tellers on the part of
the House of Rep-
resentatives.*

The VICE PRESIDENT. The state of the vote for President of the United States, as delivered to the President of the Senate, is as follows:

The whole number of the electors appointed to vote for President of the United States is 538, of which a majority is 270.

Barack Obama of the State of Illinois has received for President of the United States 332 votes.

Mitt Romney of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts has received 206 votes.

The state of the vote for Vice President of the United States, as delivered to the President of the Senate, is as follows:

The whole number of the electors appointed to vote for Vice President of the United States is 538, of which a majority is 270.

JOSEPH BIDEN of the State of Delaware has received for Vice President of the United States 332 votes.

PAUL RYAN of the State of Wisconsin has received 206 votes.

This announcement of the state of the vote by the President of the Senate shall be deemed a sufficient declaration of the persons elected President and Vice President of the United States each for the term beginning on the 20th day of January, 2013, and shall be entered, together with the list of the votes, on the Journals of the Senate and House of Representatives.

The purpose of the joint session having been concluded, pursuant to Senate Concurrent Resolution 1, 113th Congress, the Chair declares the joint session dissolved.

(Thereupon, at 1 o'clock and 29 minutes p.m., the joint session of the two Houses of Congress dissolved.)

The SPEAKER. Pursuant to Senate Concurrent Resolution 1, 113th Congress, the electoral vote will be spread at large upon the Journal.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER

The SPEAKER. The Chair would clarify that yesterday's announcement under clause 5(d) of rule XX should have been indicated that the whole number of the House is 430.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

By unanimous consent, leave of absence was granted to:

Mr. CLYBURN (at the request of Ms. PELOSI) for today on account of attending a memorial service.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. HUIZENGA of Michigan. Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Senate Concurrent Resolution 3, 113th Congress, I move that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 1 o'clock and 34 minutes p.m.), the House adjourned until Monday, January 14, 2013, at 2 p.m.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

Under clause 2 of rule XIV, executive communications were taken from the Speaker's table and referred as follows:

2. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants for the Portland Cement Manufacturing Industry and Standards of Performance for Portland Cement Plants [EPA-HQ-OAR-2011-0817; FRL-9758-6] (RIN: 2060-AQ93) received January 3, 2013, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

3. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Department's final rule — Commercial and Industrial Solid Waste Incineration Units: Reconsideration and Final Amendments; Non-Hazardous Secondary Materials That Are Solid Waste: Final Rule [EPA-HQ-OAR-2003-0119 and EPA-HQ-RCRA 2008-0329; FRL-9764-1] (RIN: 2060-AR15 and 2050-AG44) received January 3, 2013, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

4. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Determination of Attainment for the Nogales Nonattainment Area for the 2006 Fine Particle Standard; Arizona; Determination Regarding Applicability of Clean Air Act Requirements [EPA-R09-OAR-2012-0752; FRL-9766-8] received January 3, 2013, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

5. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Revisions to the California State Implementation Plan, San Diego APCD, Northern Sierra AQMD, and Sac-

ramento Metropolitan AQMD [EPA-R09-OAR-2012-0587; FRL-9732-9] received January 3, 2013, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

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. ROGERS of Kentucky:

H.R. 152. A bill making supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2013, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Appropriations, and in addition to the Committee on the Budget, 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. MCINTYRE:

H.R. 153. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the outreach activities of the Department of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. MCINTYRE:

H.R. 154. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to establish a Department of Veterans Affairs Medal for Distinguished Public Service to honor veterans who make remarkable and distinguished contributions to their communities; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. MCINTYRE:

H.R. 155. A bill to amend title II of the Social Security Act to allow workers who attain age 65 after 1981 and before 1992 to choose either lump sum payments over four years totalling \$5,000 or an improved benefit computation formula under a new 10-year rule governing the transition to the changes in benefit computation rules enacted in the Social Security Amendments of 1977, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. MCINTYRE:

H.R. 156. A bill to provide for the withdrawal of the United States from the North American Free Trade Agreement; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. MCINTYRE:

H.R. 157. A bill to authorize a project for hurricane and storm damage reduction, West Onslow Beach and New River Inlet (Topsail Beach), North Carolina; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Mr. MCINTYRE:

H.R. 158. A bill to authorize a project for hurricane and storm damage reduction, Surf City and North Topsail Beach, North Carolina; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Mr. MCINTYRE:

H.R. 159. A bill to modify the project for the improvement of the Shallotte River, North Carolina, to change the authorized depth to 8 feet; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Mr. MCINTYRE:

H.R. 160. A bill to amend title II of the Social Security Act to eliminate the 5-month waiting period for entitlement to disability benefits and to eliminate reconsideration as an intervening step between initial benefit entitlement decisions and subsequent hearings on the record on such decisions; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. MCINTYRE:

H.R. 161. A bill to amend the Water Resources Development Act of 1976 to direct the Secretary of the Army to evaluate the feasibility of continuing Federal participation in a beach nourishment project, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.