

Research--Rehabilitation Research and Training Centers [CDFA Numbers: 84.133B-10.] received June 13, 2013, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

1908. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting written notification of the determination that a public health emergency exists that has significant potential to affect national security or the health and security of United States citizens living abroad and that involves the Middle East respiratory syndrome coronavirus (MERS-CoV); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

1909. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting the Department's Cooperative Threat Reduction (CTR) Annual Report to Congress for Fiscal Year 2014, pursuant to Public Law 106-398, section 1308 (114 Stat. 1654A-341); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

1910. A letter from the Acting Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting the Department's report on progress toward a negotiated solution of the Cyprus question covering the period February 1, 2013 through March 31, 2013; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

1911. A letter from the Assistant Legal Adviser for Treaty Affairs, Department of State, transmitting report prepared by the Department of State concerning international agreements other than treaties entered into by the United States to be transmitted to the Congress within the sixty-day period specified in the Case-Zablocki Act; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

1912. A letter from the Inspector General, Department of the Treasury, transmitting the Department's semiannual report from the Treasury Inspector General for the period of October 1, 2012 — March 31, 2013; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

1913. A letter from the Acting Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's semiannual report from the Office of the Inspector General during the 6-month period ending March 31, 2013; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

1914. A letter from the President and Chief Executive Officer, Federal Home Loan Bank of Cincinnati, transmitting the 2012 management report and statements on system of internal controls of the Federal Home Loan Bank of Cincinnati; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

1915. A letter from the Chairman, Federal Labor Relations Authority, transmitting the semiannual report of the Inspector General of the Federal Labor Relations Board for the period beginning October 1, 2012 and ending March 31, 2013; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

1916. A letter from the Attorney General, Department of Justice, transmitting the Department's decision not to appeal the decision of the district court *Dynalantic Corp. v. United States Department of Defense*, Nos. 95-2301 (D.D.C. Aug. 15, 2012); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

1917. A letter from the Attorney Advisor, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Safety Zone; Safety precautions to protect the public from the effects of a potential catastrophic failure of the Marseilles Dam; Illinois River [Docket No.: USCG-2013-0334] (RIN: 1625-AA00) received June 12, 2013, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

1918. A letter from the Attorney Advisor, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Special Local Regulation; Low Country Splash,

Wando River, Cooper River, and Charleston Harbor; Charleston, SC [Docket No.: USCG-2013-0052] (RIN: 1625-AA08) received June 12, 2013, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

1919. A letter from the Attorney Advisor, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Safety Zone; Melrose Pyrotechnics Fireworks Display; Chicago Harbor, Chicago, IL [Docket No.: USCG-2013-0328] (RIN: 1625-AA00) received June 12, 2013, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

1920. A letter from the Attorney Advisor, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Special Local Regulation; Wy-Hi Rowing Regatta, Trenton Channel; Detroit River, Wyandotte, MI [Docket No.: USCG-2013-0287] (RIN: 1625-AA08) received June 12, 2013, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

1921. A letter from the Attorney Advisor, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Safety Zone, Figure Eight Causeway Channel; Figure Eight Island, NC [Docket No.: USCG-2013-0258] (RIN: 1625-AA00) received June 12, 2013, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

1922. A letter from the Attorney Advisor, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Safety Zone; High Water Conditions; Illinois River [Docket No.: USCG-2013-0323] (RIN: 1625-AA00) received June 12, 2013, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

1923. A letter from the Attorney Advisor, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Special Local Regulation, 50 Aniversario Balneario de Boqueron, Bahia de Boqueron; Boqueron, PR [Docket Number: USCG-2013-0297] (RIN: 1625-AA08) received June 12, 2013, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

1924. A letter from the Deputy Director of Regulation Policy and Management, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting the Department's final rule — Community Residential Care (RIN: 2900-AO62) received May 28, 2013, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

1925. A letter from the Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Mexican Land Trust (Rev. Rul. 2013-14) received June 12, 2013, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

1926. A letter from the Under Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting a "Report to Congress on Defense Environmental Restoration Cost and Schedule Estimating"; jointly to the Committees on Armed Services and 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. RAHALL (for himself, Mr. LARSEN of Washington, Mr. DEFAZZO, Ms. NORTON, Mr. NADLER, Ms. BROWN of Florida, Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas, Mr. CUMMINGS, Mr. CAPUANO, Mr. BISHOP of New York, Mr. MICHAUD, Mrs. NAPOLITANO, Mr. LIPINSKI, Mr. WALZ, Mr. COHEN, Mr. SIRES, Ms. EDWARDS, Mr. GARAMENDI,

Mr. CARSON of Indiana, Ms. HAHN, Mr. NOLAN, Mrs. KIRKPATRICK, Ms. ESTY, Ms. FRANKEL of Florida, and Mrs. BUSTOS):

H.R. 2428. A bill to direct the Secretary of Transportation to assist States to rehabilitate or replace certain bridges, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Mr. BRADY of Texas (for himself, Mr. MCINTYRE, Mrs. NOEM, Mr. NUNES, Mr. SAM JOHNSON of Texas, Mr. MARCHANT, Mr. GERLACH, Mr. GRIFFIN of Arkansas, Mr. AUSTIN SCOTT of Georgia, Mr. DUNCAN of Tennessee, Mr. MCKINLEY, Mr. JOHNSON of Ohio, Mr. WALBERG, and Mr. ADERHOLT):

H.R. 2429. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to repeal the estate and generation-skipping transfer taxes, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. PASCRELL (for himself, Mr. ANDREWS, Mr. FRELINGHUYSEN, Mr. GARETT, Mr. HOLT, Mr. LANCE, Mr. LOBIONDO, Mr. PALLONE, Mr. PAYNE, Mr. RUNYAN, Mr. SIRES, and Mr. SMITH of New Jersey):

H.R. 2430. A bill to adjust the boundaries of Paterson Great Falls National Historical Park to include Hinchliffe Stadium, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

By Mr. HALL (for himself, Mr. SMITH of Texas, and Mr. BEN RAY LUJÁN of New Mexico):

H.R. 2431. A bill to reauthorize the National Integrated Drought Information System; to the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology.

By Mr. NOLAN:

H.R. 2432. A bill to prohibit the obligation or expenditure of funds made available to any Federal department or agency for any fiscal year to provide military assistance to any of the armed combatants in Syria absent express prior statutory authorization from Congress; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Ms. DEGETTE (for herself and Mr. DENT):

H.R. 2433. A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide for human stem cell research, including human embryonic stem cell research, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Ms. JACKSON LEE (for herself, Mr. STOCKMAN, Mr. LEWIS, Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia, Ms. LEE of California, Mr. DANNY K. DAVIS of Illinois, Mr. CUMMINGS, Mr. MCGOVERN, Mr. CASTRO of Texas, Ms. BASS, Mr. JEFFRIES, Ms. FUDGE, and Mr. CICILLINE):

H.R. 2434. A bill to require the Director of National Intelligence to conduct a study on the use of contractors for intelligence activities, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Intelligence (Permanent Select).

By Mr. CAPUANO:

H.R. 2435. A bill to provide for the repayment of amounts borrowed by Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac from the Treasury of the United States, together with interest, over a 30-year period, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Financial Services.

By Ms. CHU (for herself, Ms. LINDA T. SÁNCHEZ of California, Mrs. NAPOLITANO, Mr. SCHIFF, Mr. CÁRDENAS, Mr. LOWENTHAL, Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD, and Ms. HAHN):

H.R. 2436. A bill to prepare a feasibility study and implement demonstration projects to restore the San Gabriel River Watershed in California; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Mr. FATTAH:

H.R. 2437. A bill to authorize the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development to establish a national program to create jobs and increase economic development by promoting cooperative development; to the Committee on Financial Services.

By Mr. ISSA (for himself, Mr. MEADOWS, Mr. NUNNELEE, and Mr. ENYART):

H.R. 2438. A bill to require an adequate process in preplanned lethal operations that deliberately target citizens of the United States or citizens of strategic treaty allies of the United States, to limit the use of cluster munitions generally, including when likely to unintentionally harm such citizens, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Armed Services, and in addition to the Committees on the Judiciary, Intelligence (Permanent Select), and 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.

By Ms. KUSTER (for herself and Mrs. HARTZLER):

H.R. 2439. A bill to promote permanent families for children, privacy and safety for unwed mothers, responsible fatherhood, and security for adoptive parents by establishing a National Responsible Father Registry and encouraging States to enter into agreements to contribute the information contained in the State's Responsible Father Registry to the National Responsible Father Registry, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Ms. JACKSON LEE (for herself, Mr. MORAN, Ms. CLARKE, Mr. LEWIS, Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia, Ms. LEE of California, Mr. DANNY K. DAVIS of Illinois, Mr. MCGOVERN, Ms. BASS, Mr. RANGEL, and Mr. CICILLINE):

H.R. 2440. A bill to require the Attorney General to disclose each decision, order, or opinion of a Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Court that includes significant legal interpretation of section 501 or 702 of the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act of 1978 unless such disclosure is not in the national security interest of the United States and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committee on Intelligence (Permanent Select), 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. LUMMIS (for herself and Ms. TSONGAS):

H.R. 2441. A bill to amend the Small Business Act to permit agencies to count certain contracts toward contracting goals; to the Committee on Small Business.

By Mr. MCDERMOTT:

H.R. 2442. A bill to extend Federal recognition to the Duwamish Tribe, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

By Mr. MESSER (for himself, Mr. ROKITA, and Mrs. BROOKS of Indiana):

H.R. 2443. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to exempt certain educational institutions from the employer health insurance mandate; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. TONKO (for himself and Ms. SPEIER):

H.R. 2444. A bill to implement common sense controls on the taxpayer-funded salaries of government contractors by limiting reimbursement for excessive compensation; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, and in addition to the Committee on Armed Services, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provi-

sions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. WILLIAMS:

H.R. 2445. A bill to repeal the corporate average fuel economy standards; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

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. RAHALL:

H.R. 2428.

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

Article I, Section 8, Clause 3 and Clause 18 of the Constitution.

By Mr. BRADY OF TEXAS:

H.R. 2429.

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

Article I, Section 8, Clause 1

By Mr. PASCRELL:

H.R. 2430.

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

Art. IV, Section 3, clause 2: "The Congress shall have Power to dispose of and make all needful Rules and Regulations respecting the Territory or other Property belonging to the United States. . . ."

Art. I, Section 8, clause 18: "The Congress shall have Power. . . To make all Laws which shall be necessary and proper for carrying into Execution the foregoing Powers, and all other Powers vested by this Constitution in the Government of the United States or in any Department or Officer thereof."

By Mr. HALL:

H.R. 2431.

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

Article I, Section 8, Clause 3—To regulate Commerce with foreign Nations, and among the several States, and with the Indian Tribes; and

Article I, Section 8, Clause 18—To make all Laws which shall be necessary and proper for carrying into Execution the foregoing Powers, and all other Powers vested by this Constitution in the Government of the United States, or in any Department or Officer thereof.

By Mr. NOLAN:

H.R. 2432.

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

Congress's constitutional power over the nation's Armed Forces arguably provides ample authority to legislate with respect to how they may be employed. Under Article I, Section 8, Congress has the power "To lay and collect Taxes . . . to . . . pay the Debts and provide for the common Defence," "To raise and support Armies," "To provide and Maintain a Navy," "To make Rules for the Government and Regulation of the land and naval Forces," and "To declare War, grant letters of Marque and Reprisal, and make Rules concerning Captures on Land and Water," as well as "To provide for calling forth the Militia to execute the Laws of the Union, suppress Insurrections and repel Invasions" and "To provide for organizing, arming, and disciplining, the Militia, and for governing such Part of them as may be employed in the Service of the United States." Further, Congress is empowered "To make all Laws which shall be necessary and proper for carrying into Execution the foregoing

Powers . . ." as well as "all other Powers vested by this Constitution in the Government of the United States, or in any Department or Officer thereof."

Congress has virtually plenary constitutional power over appropriations, one that is not qualified with reference to its powers in Section 8. Article I, Section 9 provides that "No Money shall be drawn from the Treasury, but in Consequence of Appropriations made by Law."

By Ms. DEGETTE:

H.R. 2433.

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

Article I, Section 8, Clause 3 of the United States Constitution.

By Ms. JACKSON LEE:

H.R. 2434.

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

Commerce clause of the Constitution and Amendment 4 of the Constitution under the Bill of Rights.

By Mr. CAPUANO:

H.R. 2435.

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

Article I, section 8, clause 1 (relating to the general welfare of the United States); and

Article I, section 8, clause 3 (relating to the power to regulate interstate commerce).

By Ms. CHU:

H.R. 2436.

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

Pursuant to Article I, Section 8.

By Mr. FATTAH:

H.R. 2437.

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

This bill is enacted pursuant to the power granted to Congress under Article I Section 8 Clause 3 of the United States Constitution, which states the United States Congress shall have power "To regulate Commerce with foreign Nations, and among the several States, and with the Indian Tribes".

By Mr. ISSA:

H.R. 2438.

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

Because this bill regulates the use of military and paramilitary force by the United States, Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to Article 1, Section 8, Clause 14 of the United States Constitution which empowers Congress "To make Rules for the Government and Regulation of the land and naval Forces" and Article 1, Section 8, Clause 18, which empowers Congress to "To make all Laws which shall be necessary and proper for carrying into Execution the foregoing Powers, and all other Powers vested by this Constitution in the Government of the United States, or in any Department or Officer thereof."

By Ms. KUSTER:

H.R. 2439.

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

Article, I, Section 8, Clause 1 (relating to the power to lay and collect taxes, duties, imposts and excises, to pay the debts and provide for the common defense and general welfare of the United States) of the United States Constitution.

By Ms. JACKSON LEE:

H.R. 2440.

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

Commerce clause of the Constitution and Amendment 4 of the Constitution under the Bill of Rights.

By Mrs. LUMMIS:

H.R. 2441.

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