

Here is an article that is on the Breitbart Web site, but it is talking about a CNN story:

CNN: ObamaCare site doomed. Riddled with security dangers.

This reports that today, on the CNN Money site, there is a terrific story about the problems surrounding the ObamaCare Web site. The story includes all kinds of new information from a host of experts. Most of the news is flat-out terrible:

A half billion dollar site needs to be rebuilt from scratch. The site has an unwieldy 500 million lines of computer code—it took just 500,000 lines of code to send a rover to Mars—and that code of ObamaCare is riddled with security holes that could result in one of the biggest breaches in American history.

That was quoting from CNN, that article by John Nolte. It is staggering.

State exchange enrollments are mostly Medicaid, not private insurance plans.

This is another story on Breitbart by Dr. Susan Berry:

Defenders of President Obama's signature health reform legislation claim the States that put effort into establishing their own exchanges, mostly Democrat-led, are signing people up successfully for ObamaCare. A new report, however, indicates most of the individuals signing up in these State-run exchanges are enrolling in Medicaid.

Pretty disingenuous.

Then just as you think you can't stand any more about the Federal Government—they are in your bedroom, your bathroom, your kitchen, all into your private lives; they will have your medical records, and they will be giving them to navigators who are not thoroughly vetted so as to keep it secure, and it will be put online where people are saying it is a dream for hackers to steal personal information—and just when you think you can't take anything more in the way of bad news, here is a story from the AP today. It is by Stephen Ohlemacher with the AP:

The headline reads: "700 IRS Contract Workers Owe \$5.4 Million in Back Taxes."

It kind of reminds us of the old Secretary of the Treasury, Timothy Geithner. He signed four different documents, certifying—basically swearing—that if he would be given all of the money as an independent contractor instead of having money withheld, he would certify—he absolutely was swearing—that he would take care of paying his taxes, and he didn't do it until he got nominated to be the Secretary of the Treasury.

As one Treasury employee told me privately—she didn't want to make it public because she didn't want to lose her job—if employees of the IRS were to have done what Timothy Geithner had done in not paying the taxes he swore he would pay, they would be fired on the spot at the IRS. Of course, that was before Lois Lerner and her crew weaponized the IRS so they could go after conservative groups.

Anyway, it is bad news when it comes to ObamaCare; but, Mr. Speaker, like I say, we offered repeatedly to agree—in

fact, we didn't just offer. We passed a bill that would allow ObamaCare to be suspended for a year to, if possible, get its act together and give an out to the President. The President and HARRY REID could have said, Well, those Republicans in the House—we didn't want to do it, but we needed a continuing resolution to keep the government going. We needed the debt ceiling raised, so we went ahead. We had to. They had us over a barrel. We agreed to suspend ObamaCare for a year. Gee, those pesky Republicans made us do it.

That is a political way out that they had, that we gave as Republicans in the House, that we extended as a gift. We passed it as a House bill. We extended it as a gift and gave them an out. That would have given them an extra year to try to get the act together; but, oh, no, they were more interested in scoring political points because they knew the mainstream media would give them cover, that they would blame Republicans 100 percent even though it was 100 percent not Republicans. It was the people who refused to even appoint conferees to try to work it out before the shutdown really took hold. It was the Democrats who refused to agree to just suspend the individual mandate, and the compromise before that was to suspend the bill for a year. They wouldn't even do that.

How sad for the mainstream media that the best question about ObamaCare and the horrendous roll-out of its Web site was not asked by somebody at the ABC, CBS, NBC evening news, but was asked by Jay Leno after finding out that the President said, We are putting our very best people on fixing this Web site. In essence, Jay Leno asked an entirely appropriate question:

Wait a minute. We are talking about our own health care. Why wouldn't you have put our best people on starting the Web site instead of waiting until it crashed so miserably?

The answer is unknown, but the American people deserve an answer.

Are you so intent on having the Federal Government take over people's private lives—their most personal medical secrets—that you would force this horrible health care system upon them?

I am certainly willing. I will bet you we could find a majority in the House, and if HARRY REID would let it come to a vote in the Senate, they would say, Okay. Let's suspend it for a year. Come on. Maybe make it 2 years. During that time, everybody in America—every employer—can either get their insurance back if the insurance companies will do it; and if they want, they can get the private insurance that we used to have as part of our cafeteria plan for every Federal employee in America. Let Americans choose from that. Don't force these ObamaCare exchanges on America. Let them choose like Federal employees have done. Let them choose.

Mr. Speaker, I would like to pay a brief tribute to a patriotic man who was devoted to the military, devoted to

seeing that the military had what it needed, devoted to America. C.W. Bill Young will have his funeral tomorrow in Florida. He was 82 years old. There have been plenty of tributes written about Bill Young. There will be many more written and many more spoken tomorrow, and I will look forward to hearing those at his funeral, but there is nothing that could be said that could surpass the witness he was to who he was.

I talked to him numerous times. Sometimes I had questions. Sometimes I had points to make. When I had questions, he always had time. He was always honest—completely honest, very sincerely honest. He was a kind, decent, honest man. We miss when we lose a kind, decent, honest man.

Bill Young, you will be missed.

Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

By unanimous consent, leave of absence was granted to:

Mr. ADERHOLT (at the request of Mr. CANTOR) for today until 4 p.m. on account of an illness in the family.

Mr. RUSH (at the request of Ms. PELOSI) for October 22 and 23 on account of attending to family acute medical care and hospitalization.

ADJOURNMENT

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

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 7 o'clock and 42 minutes p.m.), the House adjourned until tomorrow, Thursday, October 24, 2013, at noon.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

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

3352. A letter from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule — Animal Welfare; Retail Pet Stores and Licensing Exemptions [Docket No.: APHIS-2011-0003] (RIN: 0579-AD57) received September 19, 2013, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

3353. A letter from the Management Analyst, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule — National Environmental Policy Act: Categorical Exclusions for Soil and Water Restoration Activities (RIN: 0596-AD01) received September 19, 2013, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

3354. A letter from the Chief, Planning and Regulatory Affairs Branch, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule — Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations; Income Deductions and Resource Eligibility [FNS-2011-0036] (RIN: 0584-AE05) received September 24, 2013, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

3355. A letter from the Under Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting a report of a violation of the Antideficiency Act, Army Case Number 11-08; to the Committee on Appropriations.

3356. A letter from the Under Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting a report of a violation of the Antideficiency Act, Air Force Case Number 11-08; to the Committee on Appropriations.

3357. A letter from the Acting Under Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting authorization of Captain William R. Merz, United States Navy, to wear the authorized insignia of the grade of rear admiral (lower half); to the Committee on Armed Services.

3358. A letter from the Assistant Director for Legislative Affairs, Consumer Financial Protection Bureau, transmitting a report on the impact of the Credit Card Accountability Responsibility and Disclosure Act of 2009; to the Committee on Financial Services.

3359. A letter from the Chairman, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, transmitting a report entitled, "Merger Decisions 2012", in accordance with Section 18(c)(9) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act; to the Committee on Financial Services.

3360. A letter from the Program Manager, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's final rule — Federal Tort Claims Act (FTCA) Medical Malpractice Program Regulations: Clarification of FTCA Coverage for Services Provided to Non-Health Center Patients (RIN: 0906-AA77) received September 23, 2013, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

3361. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Revisions to the California State Implementation Plan Antelope Valley Air Quality Management District, Santa Barbara County Air Pollution Control District, South Coast Air Quality Management District and Ventura County Air Pollution Control District [EPA-R09-OAR-2012-0853; FRL-9832-9] received September 20, 2013, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

3362. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Revisions to the California State Implementation Plan, South Coast Air Quality Management District [EPA-R09-OAR-2013-0468; FRL-9900-74-Region 9] received September 20, 2013, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

3363. A letter from the Chief, Policy and Rules Division, OET, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule — Revision of Part 15 of the Commission's Rules Regarding Operation in the 57-64 GHz Band [ET Docket No.: 07-113; FCC 13-112] [RM-11104] received September 24, 2013, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

3364. A letter from the Director, Defense Security Cooperation Agency, transmitting Transmittal No. 13-51, Notice of Proposed Issuance of Letter of Offer and Acceptance, pursuant to Section 36(b)(1) of the Arms Export Control Act, as amended; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

3365. A letter from the Acting Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting notice that the Deputy Secretary has issued the required determination to waive certain restrictions on the maintenance of a Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO) Office; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

3366. A letter from the Acting Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting a report to Congress on United States Participation in the United Nations in 2012; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

3367. 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.

3368. A letter from the President of The United States, transmitting notification that the emergency declared in Executive Order 13413 with respect to the situation in or in relation to the Democratic Republic of the Congo is to continue in effect 1 year beyond October 27, 2013; (H. Doc. No. 113—69); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs and ordered to be printed.

3369. A letter from the Deputy Auditor, Office of the District of Columbia Auditor, transmitting a report entitled, "Fiscal Year 2012 Annual Report on Advisory Neighborhood Commissions"; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

3370. A letter from the Acting Commissioner, Social Security Administration, transmitting a letter regarding a public interest determination to contract with the National Academy of Sciences for a committee of medical experts; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

3371. A letter from the Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Applicable Federal Rates October 2013 (Rev. Rul. 2013-21) received September 24, 2013, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

3372. A letter from the Chief, Publications and Regulations, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Clarification of Notice 2013-29 [Notice 2013-60] received September 24, 2013, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

3373. A letter from the Program Manager, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's final rule — Medicare Program; Obtaining Final Medicare Secondary Payer Conditional Payment Amounts via Web Portal [CMS-6054-IFC] (RIN: 0938-AR90) received September 19, 2013, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); jointly to the Committees on Energy and Commerce and Ways and Means.

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. SMITH of Texas: Committee on Science, Space, and Technology. H.R. 2850. A bill to require certain procedures in the conduct by the Environmental Protection Agency of its study of the potential impacts of hydraulic fracturing on drinking water resources; with an amendment (Rept. 113-252). 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. GOODLATTE (for himself, Mr. DEFAZIO, Mr. COBLE, Ms. LOFGREN, Mr. SMITH of Texas, Ms. ESHOO, Mr. CHAFFETZ, Mr. BACHUS, Mr. MARINO, Mr. FARENTHOLD, and Mr. HOLDING):

H.R. 3309. A bill to amend title 35, United States Code, and the Leahy-Smith America Invents Act to make improvements and tech-

nical corrections, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. CARTWRIGHT (for himself, Mr. CONNOLLY, Mr. GRAYSON, Mr. CONYERS, Mr. GRIJALVA, Ms. KAPTUR, Ms. KELLY of Illinois, Ms. LEE of California, Mr. TAKANO, Ms. SLAUGHTER, Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas, Mr. MCGOVERN, Ms. SHEA-PORTER, Mr. MORAN, Mr. FARR, Mr. CUMMINGS, Mr. HINOJOSA, Mr. LEWIS, Mrs. NEGRETE MCLEOD, Ms. SPEIER, Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi, Mr. LANGEVIN, Mr. BLUMENAUER, Ms. FUDGE, Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California, Mr. COHEN, Mr. GENE GREEN of Texas, Ms. DELAURO, Mr. ENYART, Mr. POCAN, Mr. LYNCH, Ms. HAHN, Ms. MCCOLLUM, Mr. WAXMAN, Mr. DELANEY, Mr. NADLER, Ms. MICHELLE LUJAN GRISHAM of New Mexico, Ms. NORTON, Mrs. KIRKPATRICK, and Mr. LOWENTHAL):

H.R. 3310. A bill to provide for additional protections and disclosures to consumers when financial products or services are related to the consumers' military or Federal pensions, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Financial Services, and in addition to the Committees on Veterans' Affairs, Armed Services, and Oversight and Government Reform, 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. STEWART:

H.R. 3311. A bill to direct the Secretary of the Interior to enter into agreements with States to allow continued operation of facilities and programs that have been determined to have a direct economic impact on tourism, mining, timber, or general transportation in the State and which would otherwise cease operating, in whole or in part, during a Federal Government shutdown that is the result of a lapse in appropriations, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

By Mr. BILIRAKIS (for himself, Mr. ROONEY, and Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN):

H.R. 3312. A bill to require the Administrator of the Federal Emergency Management Agency to allow for monthly installment payments for flood insurance under the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968, to cap the annual cost of flood insurance under that Act, to provide for a ten-year phase-in of premium increases resulting from the enactment of the Biggert-Waters Flood Insurance Reform Act of 2012, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Financial Services.

By Mr. LAMALFA (for himself, Mr. CÁRDENAS, Mr. DENHAM, Mr. RUIZ, Mr. VALADAO, and Mr. GARCIA):

H.R. 3313. A bill to authorize the Secretary of the Interior shall take that land into trust for the benefit of the Santa Ynez Band of Chumash Mission Indians, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

By Ms. SHEA-PORTER:

H.R. 3314. A bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to limit recoupments of separation pay, special separation benefits, and voluntary separation incentive from members of the Armed Forces subsequently receiving retired or retainer pay; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. LAMALFA (for himself, Mr. GARAMENDI, Ms. MATSUI, Mr. MCNERNEY, and Mr. DENHAM):

H.R. 3315. A bill to amend the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968 to allow the repair, expansion, and construction, without elevation, of agricultural structures located in special flood hazard zones, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Financial Services.