

From the Committee on Ways and Means, for consideration of the House bill and the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference:

KEVIN BRADY,
DEVIN NUNES,
PETER J. ROSKAM,
DIANE BLACK,
KRISTI L. NOEM,

From the Committee on Energy and Commerce, for consideration of sec. 20003 of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference:

FRED UPTON,
JOHN SHIMKUS,

From the Committee on Natural Resources, for consideration of secs. 20001 and 20002 of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference:

ROB BISHOP,
DON YOUNG,

Managers on the Part of the House.

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LISA MURKOWSKI,
JOHN CORNYN,
JOHN THUNE,
ROB PORTMAN,
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Managers on the Part of the Senate.

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:

OFFICE OF THE CLERK,
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, DC, December 14, 2017.

Hon. PAUL D. RYAN,
The 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 December 14, 2017, at 5:58 p.m.:

That the Senate passed S. 654.

With best wishes, I am,

Sincerely,

KAREN L. HAAS.

HOUSE BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS APPROVED BY THE PRESIDENT

The President notified the Clerk of the House that on the following dates he had approved and signed bills and joint resolutions of the following titles:

October 6, 2017:

H.R. 2519. An Act to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint commemorative coins in recognition of the 100th anniversary of The American Legion.

October 18, 2017:

H.R. 1117. An Act to require the Administrator of the Federal Emergency Management Agency to submit a report regarding certain plans regarding assistance to applicants and grantees during the response to an emergency or disaster.

October 26, 2017:

H.R. 2266. An Act making additional supplemental appropriations for disaster relief requirements for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2018, and for other purposes.

November 1, 2017:

H.J. Res. 111. A joint resolution providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8

of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection relating to "Arbitration Agreements".

November 2, 2017:

H.R. 1329. An Act to increase, effective as of December 1, 2017, the rates of compensation for veterans with service-connected disabilities and the rates of dependency and indemnity compensation for the survivors of certain disabled veterans, and for other purposes.

H.R. 1616. An Act to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to authorize the National Computer Forensics Institute, and for other purposes.

H.R. 2989. An Act to establish the Frederick Douglass Bicentennial Commission.

November 17, 2017:

H.R. 304. An Act to amend the Controlled Substances Act with regard to the provision of emergency medical services.

H.R. 3031. An Act to amend title 5, United States Code, to provide for flexibility in making withdrawals from a Thrift Savings Plan account, and for other purposes.

November 21, 2017:

H.R. 194. An Act to ensure the effective processing of mail by Federal agencies, and for other purposes.

H.R. 1545. An Act to amend title 38, United States Code, to clarify the authority of the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to disclose certain patient information to State controlled substance monitoring programs, and for other purposes.

H.R. 1679. An Act to ensure that the Federal Emergency Management Agency's current efforts to modernize its grant management system includes applicant accessibility and transparency, and for other purposes.

H.R. 3243. An Act to amend title 40, United States Code, to eliminate the sunset of certain provisions relating to information technology, to amend the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2015 to extend the sunset relating to the Federal Data Center Consolidation Initiative, and for other purposes.

H.R. 3949. An Act to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for the designation of State approving agencies for multi-State apprenticeship programs for purposes of the educational assistance programs of the Department of Veterans Affairs.

December 8, 2017:

H.J. Res 123. A joint resolution making further continuing appropriations for fiscal year 2018, and for other purposes.

December 12, 2017:

H.R. 2810. An Act to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2018 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, and for other purposes.

H.R. 4374. An Act to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to authorize additional emergency uses for medical products to reduce deaths and severity of injuries caused by agents of war, and for other purposes.

SENATE BILLS APPROVED BY THE PRESIDENT

The President notified the Clerk of the House that on the following dates he had approved and signed bills of the Senate of the following titles:

October 6, 2017:

S. 327. An Act to direct the Securities and Exchange Commission to provide a safe harbor related to certain investment fund research reports, and for other purposes.

S. 810. An Act to facilitate construction of a bridge on certain property in Christian County, Missouri, and for other purposes.

S. 1141. An Act to ensure that the United States promotes the meaningful participation of women in mediation and negotiation processes seeking to prevent, mitigate, or resolve violent conflict.

October 18, 2017:

S. 178. An Act to prevent elder abuse and exploitation and improve the justice system's response to victims in elder abuse and exploitation cases.

S. 652. An Act to amend the Public Health Service Act to reauthorize a program for early detection, diagnosis, and treatment regarding deaf and hard-of-hearing newborns, infants, and young children.

October 26, 2017:

S. 585. An Act to provide greater whistleblower protections for Federal employees, increased awareness of Federal whistleblower protections, and increased accountability and required discipline for Federal supervisors who retaliate against whistle-blowers, and for other purposes.

November 2, 2017:

S. 190. An Act to provide for consideration of the extension under the Energy Policy and Conservation Act of nonapplication of No-Load Mode energy efficiency standards to certain security or life safety alarms or surveillance systems, and for other purposes.

S. 504. An Act to permanently authorize the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation Business Travel Card Program.

S. 782. An Act to reauthorize the National Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force Program, and for other purposes.

S. 920. An Act to establish a National Clinical Care Commission.

S. 1617. An Act to designate the checkpoint of the United States Border Patrol located on United States Highway 77 North in Sarita, Texas, as the "Javier Vega, Jr. Border Patrol Checkpoint".

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. 654. An act to revise section 48 of title 18, United States Code, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. BRADY of Texas. Mr. Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 5 o'clock and 33 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until Monday, December 18, 2017, at noon for morning-hour debate.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

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

3410. A letter from the Acting Director, Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement, Department of the Interior, transmitting the Department's final rule — Oklahoma Regulatory Program [SATS No.: OK-037-FOR; Docket ID: OSM-2015-0006; S1D1S SS08011000 SX064A000 189S180110; S2D2S SS08011000 SX064A000 18XS501520] received December 13, 2017, pursuant to 5