

and it opens the door to sexual deviants that should not have a door available to them.

There is another here from “The Courier” in the U.K. The mom of a super-market sexual assault victim warns that her attacker will strike again.

Regarding the lawsuit from the Eastern District of California about the man who claimed to be transgender, why would we pass a law that would undo the great appropriate advances that have occurred for women’s rights toward equality and toward not being victimized?

I know the intention is to try to help people who have gender dysphoria, gender confusion, from being victims so they can walk into any restroom they want to, but it is a mistake that will do far more damage to women, and it is just tragic to have that kind of law included in the Violence Against Women Act.

It was mentioned by a friend across the aisle—and I know his motivation. He has a big heart and he cares about people who are victims, and that includes people who have gender dysphoria—but he was bragging about—apparently according to what he said—that equality law was being passed yesterday that will open the door to equality for transgender across sports and education and across the board.

We are already seeing something that is just incredible. Martina Navratilova is probably one of the top five women tennis players of all time and has been an icon for so many tennis players, especially for liberal tennis players, liberal women, because she has fought so for gay rights. Yet she is now being attacked because she dared to say that she didn’t think that someone who is a biological man with biological advantages over a biological woman, in most cases, should be able to compete in women’s tennis.

How is that something to beat her up for verbally?

How is that something to abuse her for?

What will happen to the great progress of equality for women if that bill becomes law will be it will eliminate women’s sports. You may occasionally have a woman who desires to compete as a man who is extraordinary and can win some things. The doctors talk about the potential for greater muscle mass, they are built differently, can do better in some sports than women can, as a general rule. And, yes, I know there are women that could kick the rear of many men, including me, I know, I get that. But we are talking about competition at the highest levels, and it is grossly unfair to allow a biological man to compete in women’s sports. No matter how gender dysphorically confused the person is, it is unfair to the great progress of women’s equality.

What that bill will do if it becomes the law is it will bring an end to women’s sports. You will be left with mainly men’s sports and co-ed sports—co-ed

sports consisting of the women and the men who say they are women, and it will end the equality, the fairness that has come to be known in Title IX and through women’s sports and women’s professional sports, that they will become co-ed sports. It is tremendously unfair to women.

Now, the final thing I want to bring up is the resolution we took up in here regarding hate last week. The reason that all came about were specific comments by a Member of the House that most everyone here, not all, but most believe were anti-Semitic. For those in Congress who don’t understand, anti-Semitic comments are not criticism of one person for something they have said or done. That is not anti-Semitic, even if that person happens to be Jewish. It is not. So when I criticized George Soros for damage I believe he has done to my country by the things that he has contributed to, by the damage he has done to countries yearning to be free in Europe as he has pushed them toward socialism—why would a billionaire push people toward socialism?

Because socialism means everybody is treated equally.

It is because he knows that in a Socialist country after you eliminate the middle class, what you are left with, Mr. Speaker, is a very thin veneer of a ruling class and everybody else who is ruled over by the ruling class. That is where socialism goes. Some billionaires think, oh, they will be there in that tiny, little, ruling class, not understanding that historically if you go to full-bore socialism or communism, you are going to end up killing off the billionaires and taking their money. So it is an amazing thing to see that.

I am also aware that even Israel’s defense ministry has pointed out the damage that George Soros has done to Israel. Because I have criticized George Soros, people say: Oh, you are anti-Semitic.

It is not anti-Semitic to criticize somebody for things they have done, things they are paying for, or things they are contributing to just because they happen to be Jewish. What makes it anti-Semitic is when you slander or libel an entire race or group of people and smear them as all having the same characteristics and belittle them as a group.

So there was a resolution that was supposed to address specific anti-Semitic remarks by a Member of Congress, and then we hear, well, there were protests because they didn’t want her condemned for anti-Semitic remarks. So it got watered down.

I printed out the copy of the resolution as it was at 3 o’clock that afternoon. I came over here ready to speak against that resolution because it had been so watered down, and I was told: well, actually, that one got pulled and they watered it down even further, and here is the new one, as of about 3:20 that afternoon.

It kept being watered down until it basically said that we are against all

kinds of hate. Of course, they didn’t mention the kind of political hate that would cause a Democrat—and if it had been a Republican who supported Donald Trump, that would have been what everybody talked about, oh, gosh, this is what Trump inspires, but since it was a Bernie Sanders supporter, I don’t know of any Republican, including me, who has blamed BERNIE SANDERS for the criminal who shot STEVE SCALISE and tried to kill my baseball friends and colleagues. He wanted to kill them all, but that wasn’t singled out.

In fact, when we were taking testimony on gun crime in Judiciary, the majority would not even allow STEVE SCALISE to testify. Oh, well, if he comes in and testifies, it might open the door to all kinds of other Members of Congress.

Well, why don’t you just say that we will restrict the testimony from Members of Congress to those who have been shot by somebody who hates them and their party?

How about that?

But STEVE was not even allowed to come testify before our committee. That kind of thing was not mentioned in what was, basically, we are against all kinds of hate, except for that, and we are also not going to call out the hate that causes the hate hoaxes which there seem to be a rash of people saying they are the victim of some hate when actually it is their hate that created a hoax.

But I have made loud and clear repetitiously, the reason I and 22 others voted against that resolution was because it did not do what it should have done, and that is, call out specific anti-Semitic comments.

Now, some were bothered that I said that there is no moral equivalence between the Holocaust and say the years of slavery, the slavery that is continuing today. I was shocked to find out this year that there are 40 million slaves in the world today, more than any time in history. We ought to do all we can to stop it. It is horrendous. It did so much damage to the core of this country for far too long. But there is a special hatred that the Jewish people have experienced that we need to stop when it starts. For those morons who didn’t know, I voted against the first anti-hate resolution.

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

ADJOURNMENT

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

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 12 o’clock and 15 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until Monday, March 18, 2019, at noon.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

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

376. A letter from the Director, Office of Legislative Affairs, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, transmitting the Corporation's joint final rule — Community Reinvestment Act Regulations (RIN: 3064-AE97) received March 13, 2019, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Financial Services.

377. A letter from the Director, Office of Legislative Affairs, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, transmitting the Corporation's final rule — Limited Exception for a Capped Amount of Reciprocal Deposits From Treatment as Brokered Deposits (RIN: 3064-AE89) received March 13, 2019, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Financial Services.

378. A letter from the Director, Office of Legislative Affairs, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, transmitting the Corporation's final rule — Depository Institution Management Interlocks Act (RIN: 3064-AE92) received March 13, 2019, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Financial Services.

379. A letter from the Senior Counsel for Regulatory Affairs, Office of Financial Research, Department of the Treasury, transmitting the Department's final rule — Ongoing Data Collection of Centrally Cleared Transactions in the U.S. Repurchase Agreement Market (RIN: 1505-AC58) received March 13, 2019, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Financial Services.

380. A letter from the PRAO Branch Chief, Food and Nutrition Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule — Hiring Flexibility Under Professional Standards [FNS-2017-0039] (RIN: 0584-AE60) received March 13, 2019, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Education and Labor.

381. A letter from the Assistant General Counsel for Legislation, Regulation and Energy Efficiency, Office of Fossil Energy, Department of Energy, transmitting the Department's final rule — SPR Standard Sales Provisions (RIN: 1901-AB29) received March 13, 2019, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

382. A letter from the Director, Regulations Policy and Management Staff, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's final rule — Food Additives Permitted in Feed and Drinking Water of Animals; Selenomethionine Hydroxy Analogue [Docket No.: FDA-2015-F-2712] received March 13, 2019, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

383. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Air Plan Approval; GA: Emission Reduction Credits [EPA-R04-OAR-2009-0226; FRL-9990-74-Region 4] received March 13, 2019, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

384. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Air Plan Approval; Massachusetts; High Occupancy Vehicle Lanes [EPA-R01-OAR-2018-0790; FRL-9990-94-Region 1] received March 13, 2019, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

385. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's

final rule — Air Quality Designation for the 2010 Sulfur Dioxide (SO₂) Primary National Ambient Air Quality Standard; Arkansas; Redesignation of the Independence County Area [EPA-R06-OAR-2018-0624; FRL-9990-00-Region 6] received March 13, 2019, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

386. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Maryland; Amendment to Control of Emissions of Volatile Organic Compounds from Consumer Products [EPA-R03-OAR-2018-0153; FRL-9990-86-Region 3] received March 13, 2019, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

387. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; California; South Coast Serious Area Plan for the 2006 PM_{2.5} NAAQS; Correction [EPA-R09-OAR-2017-0490; FRL-9990-89-Region 9] received March 13, 2019, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

388. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Clean Air Plans; 2008 8-Hour Ozone Nonattainment Area Requirements; San Joaquin Valley, California; Correction [EPA-R09-OAR-2018-0535; FRL-9990-90-Region 9] received March 13, 2019, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

389. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Oklahoma: Final Authorization of State Hazardous Waste Management Program Revision [EPA-R06-RCA-2017-0324; FRL-9990-04-Region 6] received March 13, 2019, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

390. A letter from the Deputy Chief, Consumer and Governmental Affairs Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule — Advanced Methods to Target and Eliminate Unlawful Robocalls [CG Docket No.: 17-59] received March 13, 2019, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

391. A letter from the Deputy Chief, Disability Rights Office, Consumer and Governmental Affairs Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule — Misuse of Internal Protocol (IP) Captioned Telephone Service [CG Docket No.: 13-24]; Telecommunications Relay Services and Speech-to-Speech Services for Individuals with Hearing and Speech Disabilities [CG Docket No.: 03-123] received March 13, 2019, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

392. A letter from the Deputy Chief, Legal and Policy, Auctions Division, Office of Economics and Analytics, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule — Connect America Fund [WC Docket No.: 10-90]; Universal Service Reform — Mobility Fund [WT Docket No.: 10-208] received March 13, 2019, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

393. A letter from the General Counsel, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule — Implementation of Amended Section 203(a)(1)(B) of the Federal Power Act [Docket No.: RM19-4-000; Order No.: 855] received March 13, 2019, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

394. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting D.C. Act 22-563, "Short-Term Rental Regulation Act of 2018", pursuant to Public Law 93-198, Sec. 602(c)(1); (87 Stat. 814); to the Committee on Oversight and Reform.

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. BRADY (for himself, Mr. SMITH of Nebraska, Mrs. WALORSKI, Mr. NUNES, Mr. BUCHANAN, Mr. MARCHANT, Mr. REED, Mr. KELLY of Pennsylvania, Mr. LAHOOD, Mr. WENSTRUP, Mr. ARRINGTON, Mr. FERGUSON, Mr. ESTES, Mr. SMUCKER, Mr. MEUSER, Mr. TIMMONS, Mr. BANKS, Mr. GIANFORTE, Mr. JOHNSON of Louisiana, Mr. MITCHELL, and Mrs. MILLER):

H.R. 1753. A bill to amend part A of title IV of the Social Security Act, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. TONKO (for himself, Mr. BARR, Ms. TITUS, Ms. SCHAROWSKY, Mr. BLUMENAUER, Mr. CÁRDENAS, Ms. CASTOR of Florida, Mr. KILMER, Mr. SEAN PATRICK MALONEY of New York, Mr. SUOZZI, Mr. SCHIFF, Mr. COHEN, Mr. MEEKS, Ms. DELAURO, Miss RICE of New York, Mr. COLLINS of New York, Mr. GABBARD, Mr. KRISHNAMOORTHY, Mr. RODNEY DAVIS of Illinois, Mr. WATKINS, Mrs. WALORSKI, Mr. COOK, Mr. JOYCE of Ohio, Mr. WOODALL, Mr. HOLLINGSWORTH, Mr. BUCHANAN, Mr. CARTER of Georgia, and Mr. KATKO):

H.R. 1754. A bill to improve the integrity and safety of horseracing by requiring a uniform anti-doping and medication control program to be developed and enforced by an independent Horseracing Anti-Doping and Medication Control Authority; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. ROY:

H.R. 1755. A bill to provide for congressional approval of national emergency declarations, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, and in addition to the Committees on Foreign Affairs, and Rules, 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. TLAIB (for herself, Mrs. DINGELL, Mr. COHEN, Mr. LAWSON of Florida, Ms. PLASKETT, Ms. CLARKE of New York, Mr. RICHMOND, Ms. WILSON of Florida, Mrs. LAWRENCE, Mr. BUTTERFIELD, Ms. JACKSON LEE, Ms. OCASIO-CORTEZ, Ms. NORTON, Ms. PRESSLEY, Ms. OMAR, Ms. HILL of California, Ms. LEE of California, Ms. ESCOBAR, Ms. JOHNSON of Texas, Mr. GREEN of Texas, Mr. KHANNA, Mr. GARCÍA of Illinois, Mr. MCGOVERN, Ms. JAYAPAL, and Ms. SHALALA):

H.R. 1756. A bill to amend the Fair Credit Reporting Act to prohibit the use of consumer reports and consumer information in making any determination involving auto