

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, November 4, 2019.

Hon. NANCY PELOSI,
The Speaker, House of Representatives,
Washington, DC.

DEAR MADAM 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 November 4, 2019, at 1:35 p.m.:

That the Senate passed without amendment H.R. 2423.

That the Senate passed with an amendment H.R. 3055.

With best wishes, I am,
Sincerely,

CHERYL L. JOHNSON.

ADJOURNMENT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 4(b) of House Resolution 656, the House stands adjourned until 1 p.m. on Friday, November 8, 2019.

Thereupon (at 8 o'clock and 4 minutes a.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until Friday, November 8, 2019, at 1 p.m.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS,
ETC.

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

2831. A letter from the Counsel, Legal Division, Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection, transmitting the Bureau's final rules — Consumer Leasing (Regulation M) received October 30, 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.

2832. A letter from the Counsel, Legal Division, Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection, transmitting the Bureau's final rules — Appraisals for Higher-Priced Mortgage Loans Exemption Threshold received October 30, 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.

2833. A letter from the Counsel, Legal Division, Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection, transmitting the Bureau's final rules — Truth in Lending (Regulation Z) received October 30, 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.

2834. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Energy, transmitting the Annual Report on the Utilization of Federal Technology for Fiscal Years 2016 and 2017, pursuant to 15 U.S.C. 3710(g)(2); Public Law 96-480, Sec. 11(g)(2) (as added by Public Law 106-404, Sec. 10(a)(3)); (114 Stat. 1748); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

2835. A letter from the Assistant General Counsel for Legislation, Regulation and Energy Efficiency, Office of Hearings and Appeals, Department of Energy, transmitting the Department's final rule — Revisions to the Office of Hearings and Appeals Procedural Regulations [DOE-OHA-2019-0024] (RIN: 1903-AA10) received October 30, 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.

2836. A letter from the Associate Commissioner for Legislative Affairs, Food and Drug Administration, transmitting a report titled: "Drug Shortages: Root Causes and Potential Solutions"; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

2837. A letter from the Secretary, Department of the Treasury, transmitting a six-month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to Nicaragua that was declared in Executive Order 13851 of November 27, 2018, pursuant to 50 U.S.C. 1641(c); Public Law 94-412, Sec. 401(c); (90 Stat. 1257) and 50 U.S.C. 1703(c); Public Law 95-223, Sec. 204(c); (91 Stat. 1627); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

2838. A letter from the Director, Defense Security Cooperation Agency, Department of Defense, transmitting Transmittal No. 19-0M, pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(b)(5)(C) of the Arms Export Control Act, as amended; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

2839. A letter from the Director, Defense Security Cooperation Agency, Department of Defense, transmitting Transmittal No. 19-72, pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(b)(1) of the Arms Export Control Act, as amended; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

2840. A letter from the Director, Defense Security Cooperation Agency, Department of Defense, transmitting Transmittal No. 19-0N, pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(b)(5)(C) of the Arms Export Control Act, as amended; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

2841. A letter from the Director, Defense Security Cooperation Agency, Department of Defense, transmitting Transmittal No. 19-65, pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(b)(1) of the Arms Export Control Act, as amended; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

2842. A letter from the Associate General Counsel for General Law, FEMA, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting a notification of a nomination, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 3349(a); Public Law 105-277, 151(b); (112 Stat. 2681-614); to the Committee on Oversight and Reform.

2843. A letter from the Assistant General Counsel, General Law, Ethics, and Regulation, Department of the Treasury, transmitting a notification of a nomination, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 3349(a); Public Law 105-277, 151(b); (112 Stat. 2681-614); to the Committee on Oversight and Reform.

2844. A letter from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, NMFS, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's temporary rule — Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Atlantic Sea Scallop Fishery; Closure of the Mid-Atlantic Scallop Access Area to General Category Individual Fishing Quota Scallop Vessels [Docket No.: 181210999-9239-02] (RIN: 0648-XX016) received October 30, 2019, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

2845. A letter from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, NMFS, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's temporary rule — Atlantic Highly Migratory Species; North Atlantic Swordfish Fishery [Docket No.: 120627194-3657-02] (RIN: 0648-XG606) received October 30, 2019, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

2846. A letter from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, NMFS, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration,

transmitting the Administration's temporary rule — Atlantic Highly Migratory Species; Atlantic Bluefin Tuna Fisheries [Docket No.: 180117042-8884-02] (RIN: 0648-XT026) received October 30, 2019, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

2847. A letter from the Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, NMFS, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's temporary rule — Atlantic Highly Migratory Species; Atlantic Bluefin Tuna Fisheries [Docket No.: 180117042-8884-02] (RIN: 0648-XT023) received October 30, 2019, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

2848. A letter from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, NMFS, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's temporary rule — Fisheries of the Caribbean, Gulf of Mexico, and South Atlantic; Shrimp Fishery off the Southern Atlantic States; Closure of the Penaeid Shrimp Fishery off Georgia [Docket No.: 120919470-3513-02] (RIN: 0648-XF965) received October 30, 2019, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

2849. A letter from the Chief, Regulatory Coordination Division, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Adjustment to Premium Processing Fee [CIS No.: 2649-19; DHS Docket No.: USCIS-2019-0018] (RIN: 1615-ZB81) received October 31, 2019, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

2850. A letter from the Acting Administrator, FEMA, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting a report advising that the cost of response and recovery efforts for FEMA-3422-EM in the State of Georgia has exceeded the limit for a single emergency declaration, pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 5193(b)(3); Public Law 93-288, Sec. 503(b)(3) (as amended by Public Law 100-707, Sec. 107(a)); (102 Stat. 4707); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

2851. A letter from the Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final regulations — Information Reporting for Certain Life Insurance Contract Transactions and Modifications to the Transfer for Valuable Consideration Rules [TD 9879] (RIN: 1545-BO49) received October 30, 2019, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on 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:

Ms. JOHNSON of Texas: Committee on Science, Space, and Technology. H.R. 4355. A bill to direct the Director of the National Science Foundation to support research on the outputs that may be generated by generative adversarial networks, otherwise known as deepfakes, and other comparable techniques that may be developed in the future, and for other purposes; with an amendment (Rept. 116-268). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Ms. JOHNSON of Texas: Committee on Science, Space, and Technology. H.R. 4372. A bill to direct Federal science agencies and the Office of Science and Technology Policy to undertake activities to improve the quality of undergraduate STEM education and enhance the research capacity at the Nation's HBCUs, TCUs, and MSIs, and for other purposes; with an amendment (Rept. 116-269). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Ms. JOHNSON of Texas: Committee on Science, Space, and Technology. H.R. 4373. A bill to provide for a coordinated Federal research initiative to ensure continued United States leadership in engineering biology; with an amendment (Rept. 116-270). 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 Ms. ESHOO (for herself and Ms. LOFGREN):

H.R. 4978. A bill to provide for individual rights relating to privacy of personal information, to establish privacy and security requirements for covered entities relating to personal information, and to establish an agency to be known as the United States Digital Privacy Agency to enforce such rights and requirements, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on the Judiciary, 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. LUCAS (for himself, Mr. MCADAMS, Mr. BAIRD, Ms. JOHNSON of Texas, Mr. CONAWAY, Ms. KENDRA S. HORN of Oklahoma, Mr. WEBER of Texas, Mr. BALDERSON, Mr. NORMAN, Mr. MURPHY of North Carolina, Mr. COMER, Mr. GONZALEZ of Ohio, and Mr. WALTZ):

H.R. 4979. A bill to direct the Director of the National Science Foundation to support STEM education and workforce development research focused on rural areas, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology.

By Mr. DANNY K. DAVIS of Illinois (for himself, Mrs. WALORSKI, Ms. BASS, Mr. WENSTRUP, Ms. JUDY CHU of California, Mr. BUCHANAN, Mr. GOMEZ, Mr. ESTES, Mrs. MURPHY of Florida, Mr. BACON, Ms. SANCHEZ, Mr. SUOZZI, and Mr. PANETTA):

H.R. 4980. A bill to assist States, tribes, territories, counties, and cities in implementing the Family First Prevention Services Act, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Ms. ADAMS (for herself, Mr. BUTTERFIELD, Mr. HOLDING, Mr. MURPHY of North Carolina, Mr. PRICE of North Carolina, Ms. FOXX of North Carolina, Mr. WALKER, Mr. ROUZER, Mr. HUDSON, Mr. BISHOP of North Carolina, Mr. MCHENRY, Mr. MEADOWS, and Mr. BUDD):

H.R. 4981. A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 2505 Derita Avenue in Charlotte, North Carolina, as the "Julius L. Chambers Civil Rights Memorial Post Office"; to the Committee on Oversight and Reform.

By Mr. BACON (for himself, Mr. LANGEVIN, and Mr. TONKO):

H.R. 4982. A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide for treatment

of certain respiratory protective devices as covered countermeasures for purposes of targeted liability protections for pandemic and epidemic products and security countermeasures, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. BIGGS (for himself, Mr. GALLEGOS, Mr. GOSAR, Mr. STANTON, Mr. GRIJALVA, Mrs. LESKO, Mrs. KIRKPATRICK, Mr. O'HALLERAN, and Mr. SCHWEIKERT):

H.R. 4983. A bill to designate the Department of Veterans Affairs community-based outpatient clinic in Gilbert, Arizona, as the "Staff Sergeant Alexander W. Conrad Veterans Affairs Health Care Clinic"; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Ms. CLARKE of New York (for herself, Ms. MENG, Mr. DANNY K. DAVIS of Illinois, Mr. SERRANO, Ms. NORTON, Mr. NADLER, and Mr. ESPAILLAT):

H.R. 4984. A bill to increase the supply of, and lower rents for, affordable housing and to adjust calculations of area median income for purposes of Federal low-income housing assistance, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Financial Services, and in addition to the Committee on Ways and Means, 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. DELAURO (for herself, Mr. HIMES, Mr. LARSON of Connecticut, and Mr. COURTNEY):

H.R. 4985. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to furnish, at the request of an eligible veteran, nursing home care and hospital care at State licensed or certified residential care facilities; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. ESPAILLAT (for himself, Ms. HAALAND, Mrs. NAPOLITANO, Mr. HUFFMAN, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, and Mr. GARCIA of Illinois):

H.R. 4986. A bill to authorize appropriations for climate financing, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Ms. HERRERA BEUTLER (for herself and Mr. HIGGINS of New York):

H.R. 4987. A bill to provide first responders with planning, training, and equipment capabilities for crude oil-by-rail and ethanol-by-rail derailment and incident response, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology.

By Mr. KIM (for himself, Mr. NORCROSS, Mr. VAN DREW, Mr. GOTTHEIMER, Mr. MALINOWSKI, Mr. PASCRELL, Mr. PAYNE, Ms. SHERRILL, and Mrs. WATSON COLEMAN):

H.R. 4988. A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 14 Walnut Street in Bordentown, New Jersey, as the "Clara Barton Post Office Building"; to the Committee on Oversight and Reform.

By Mr. LAWSON of Florida (for himself and Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi):

H.R. 4989. A bill to authorize the Secretary of Health and Human Services to award a grant to a health care organization to promote student access to defibrillation in elementary and secondary schools, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Education and Labor, 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. LIPINSKI (for himself, Mr. SMITH of New Jersey, and Mr. DUNCAN):

H. Res. 679. A resolution expressing support for designation of November 7 as annual "Victims of Communism Memorial Day"; to the Committee on Oversight and Reform.

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 Ms. ESHOO:

H.R. 4978.

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

Article 1, Section 8, clause 3 of the U.S. Constitution, which gives Congress the power "to regulate commerce with foreign nations, and among the several states, and with the Indian tribes."

By Mr. LUCAS:

H.R. 4979.

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

U.S. Constitution, Article 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. DANNY K. DAVIS of Illinois:

H.R. 4980.

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

Article 1, Section 8: The Congress shall have Power To lay and collect Taxes, Duties, Imposts and Excises, to pay the Debts and provide for the common Defence and general Welfare of the United States.

By Ms. ADAMS:

H.R. 4981.

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

Article 1, Section VIII, Clause VII

By Mr. BACON:

H.R. 4982.

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

Article 1, Section 8, clause 3 of the U.S. Constitution, which provides Congress with the power to "regulate commerce with foreign nations, and among the several states, and with the Indian tribes."

By Mr. BIGGS:

H.R. 4983.

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

Article 1, Section 8

By Ms. CLARKE of New York:

H.R. 4984.

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

Article 1, Section 8

By Ms. DELAURO:

H.R. 4985.

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

Article 1, Section 1

By Mr. ESPAILLAT:

H.R. 4986.

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

Article 1, Section 8, Clause 3:

To regulate commerce with foreign nations, and among the several states, and with the Indian tribes;

By Ms. HERRERA BEUTLER:

H.R. 4987.

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

Article 1, Section 8

By Mr. KIM:

H.R. 4988.

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