

Africa, other places in Latin America, we have to let them in the country. That is a horrible thing.

We wouldn't like it if a 15-year-old child left the United States and wound up in Nicaragua or Honduras. We would expect them to be returned to their parents.

We are asking this body to pass a law allowing the United States to return single children to their parents and other countries. The other countries would like it.

It is very arrogant of the United States and arrogant of this body to continue the current system in which a child, unaccompanied by their parents, comes here and we have to keep them.

Right now, under the Flores settlement, we have to stop holding people after 20 days near the border, families with children. It is time that we statutorily change that and allow the holding of people for a longer period of time.

We have to do something with sanctuary cities. We have to do something so that, if people break the law and are being held in prisons and being held in jails, the Federal Government has the ability to remove these people from the country.

For whatever motivation, there are people in this country going down the path of having their city—and including people in this House encouraging cities—not ask people about immigration status and forbidding our immigration service from removing criminals from this country. That is another thing that we ought to be doing now.

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Other things that President Trump is trying to do—but he needs a little bit of help here—we currently have illegals in low-income housing. I am not sure we need more low-income housing in this country, but a lot of people feel we do. Right now we have the rather bizarre situation in which people who are here illegally are sitting in low-income housing, while American citizens are on a waiting list, including people like homeless veterans.

I want to point out that President Trump and myself are not anti-immigrant to say this. It recently came to my attention that the number of immigrants sworn in in this country in the last year available is 830,000. Two years prior to that we were under 700,000.

So President Trump has presided over a dramatic increase in the number of people who are coming in this country legally, showing his compassion and understanding that we do need immigrants in this country.

However, it is time Congress stepped to the plate and did what was necessary to rein in out-of-control illegal immigration. So I encourage my colleagues not to forget about this crisis. I encourage the media, particularly the conservative media, not to take their eye off this ball, which will determine what the United States looks like 5 and 10 and 25 years from now.

I realize there are a lot of people who want the media to only focus on immigration, but we cannot forget what is going on in the immigration front.

I yield back the remainder of my time.

RECESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 12(a) of rule I, the Chair declares the House in recess subject to the call of the Chair.

Accordingly (at 7 o'clock and 16 minutes p.m.), the House stood in recess.

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AFTER RECESS

The recess having expired, the House was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. MORELLE) at 9 o'clock and 4 minutes p.m.

REPORT ON RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 3, LOWER DRUG COSTS NOW ACT OF 2019; PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 5038, FARM WORKFORCE MODERNIZATION ACT OF 2019; AND PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF THE CONFERENCE REPORT TO ACCOMPANY S. 1790, NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION ACT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2020

Ms. SHALALA, from the Committee on Rules, submitted a privileged report (Rept. No. 116-334) on the resolution (H. Res. 758) providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 3) to establish a fair price negotiation program, protect the Medicare program from excessive price increases, and establish an out-of-pocket maximum for Medicare part D enrollees, and for other purposes; providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 5038) to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to provide for terms and conditions for nonimmigrant workers performing agricultural labor or services, and for other purposes; and providing for consideration of the conference report to accompany the bill (S. 1790) to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2020 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, which was referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

By unanimous consent, leave of absence was granted to:

Mr. ADERHOLT (at the request of Mr. MCCARTHY) for December 9 and today on account of an illness.

ADJOURNMENT

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

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 9 o'clock and 5 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until tomorrow, Wednesday, December 11, 2019, at 10 a.m. 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:

3241. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Agriculture, transmitting a report of a violation of the Antideficiency Act, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 1351; Public Law 97-258; (96 Stat. 926); to the Committee on Appropriations.

3242. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting a letter on the approved retirement of Vice Admiral Bruce H. Lindsey, United States Navy, and his advancement to the grade of vice admiral on the retired list, pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 1370(c)(1); Public Law 96-513, Sec. 112 (as amended by Public Law 104-106, Sec. 502(b)); (110 Stat. 293); to the Committee on Armed Services.

3243. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Acquisition, Department of Defense, transmitting a letter stating that due to late Service certification memos from the Army, as required by Sec. 2430(d)(4)(A) of title 10, U.S.C. the September 2019 Selected Acquisition Reports have missed the deadline; to the Committee on Armed Services.

3244. A letter from the Director, Office of Legislative Affairs, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, transmitting the Corporation's final rule — Removal of Transferred OTS Regulations Regarding Deposits (RIN: 3064-AF07) received December 4, 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.

3245. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting the Department's report covering the period from July 11 to September 9, 2019 on the Authorization for Use of Military Force Against Iraq Resolution, pursuant to 50 U.S.C. 1541 note; Public Law 107-243, Sec. 4(a); (116 Stat. 1501) and 50 U.S.C. 1541 note; Public Law 102-1, Sec. 3 (as amended by Public Law 106-113, Sec. 1000(a)(7)); (113 Stat. 1501A-422); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

3246. A letter from the Secretary, Department of the Treasury, transmitting a six-month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to the stabilization of Iraq that was declared in Executive Order 13303 of May 22, 2003, 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.

3247. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting a report on Burma's Non-Compliance with the Chemical Weapons Convention, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

3248. A letter from the Deputy Assistant to the President, Director, White House Management and Administration, Acting Director, Office of Management, Executive Office of the President, transmitting the accounting of transactions from the Unanticipated Needs Account for fiscal year 2019, pursuant to 3 U.S.C. 108(b); Public Law 95-570, Sec. 2(a); (92 Stat. 2449); to the Committee on Oversight and Reform.

3249. A letter from the Senior Advisor, Office of the Secretary, Department of Health