



United States
of America

Congressional Record

PROCEEDINGS AND DEBATES OF THE 116th CONGRESS, SECOND SESSION

Vol. 166

WASHINGTON, FRIDAY, APRIL 3, 2020

No. 65

Senate

The Senate was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Monday, April 6, 2020, at 10 a.m.

House of Representatives

FRIDAY, APRIL 3, 2020

The House met at 10 a.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. SARBANES).

DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Speaker:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, DC, April 3, 2020.

I hereby appoint the Honorable JOHN P. SARBANES to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

NANCY PELOSI,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

PRAYER

The Chaplain, the Reverend Patrick J. Conroy, offered the following prayer:
God of mercy, thank You for giving us another day.

Bless the Members of the people's House.

Give comfort to Your people, O Lord, as the numbers of infection and, sadly, death continue to rise. Protect all our skilled and trained medical professionals from disease and all evil as they strive to extend Your healing power in the lives of so many.

Give us patience as we adjust to a new world and a new way of proceeding, and send us Your holy spirit to comfort and guide us along our way.

May everything that is done be for Your greater honor and glory.
Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 7(a) of House Resolution 891, the Journal of the last day's proceedings is approved.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair will lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The SPEAKER pro tempore led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

ADJOURNMENT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 7(b) of House Resolution 891, the House stands adjourned until 11:30 a.m. on Tuesday, April 7, 2020.

Thereupon (at 10 o'clock and 2 minutes a.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until Tuesday, April 7, 2020, at 11:30 a.m.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

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

4195. A letter from the Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, Specialty Crops Program, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule — Tart Cherries Grown in the States of Michigan, et al.; Decreased Assessment Rate [Doc. No.: AMS-SC-19-0091; SC19-930-3 FR] received

March 17, 2020, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Agriculture.

4196. A letter from the Executive Secretary, National Labor Relations Board, transmitting the Board's Major final rule — Representation--Case Procedures: Election Bars; Proof of Majority Support in Construction-Industry Collective-Bargaining Relationships (RIN: 3142-AA16) received March 30, 2020, 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.

4197. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting notification that the national emergency declared in Executive Order 13664 of April 3, 2014, with respect to South Sudan, is to continue in effect beyond April 3, 2020, pursuant to 50 U.S.C. 1622(d); Public Law 94-412, Sec. 202(d); (90 Stat. 1257) (H. Doc. No. 116-114); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs and ordered to be printed.

4198. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting notification that the national emergency with respect to Somalia, originally declared on April 12, 2010, by Executive Order 13536, is to continue in effect beyond April 12, 2020, pursuant to 50 U.S.C. 1622(d); Public Law 94-412, Sec. 202(d); (90 Stat. 1257) (H. Doc. No. 116-115); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs and ordered to be printed.

4199. A letter from the Chairman, Office of Proceedings, Surface Transportation Board, transmitting the Board's final rule — Exclusion of Demurrage Regulation From Certain Class Exemptions [Docket No.: EP 760] received March 17, 2020, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XII, public bills and resolutions of the following

This symbol represents the time of day during the House proceedings, e.g., 1407 is 2:07 p.m.

Matter set in this typeface indicates words inserted or appended, rather than spoken, by a Member of the House on the floor.



Printed on recycled paper.

H1873

titles were introduced and severally referred, as follows:

By Mr. KELLER (for himself, Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania, Mr. CARTWRIGHT, Mr. BOST, and Mr. BUCSHON):

H.R. 6427. A bill to preclude the transfer of Federal prisoners during the emergency period described in section 1135(g)(1)(B) of the Social Security Act, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. ROUDA (for himself and Mr. KATKO):

H.R. 6428. A bill to provide for the exemption of certain earnings from the retirement earnings test, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mrs. MURPHY of Florida (for herself and Mr. KATKO):

H.R. 6429. A bill to establish in the Legislative Branch a National Commission on the Coronavirus Disease 2019 Pandemic in the United States; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committees on Financial Services, and Transportation and Infrastructure, 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. OMAR (for herself, Ms. HAALAND, Ms. MOORE, Mrs. NAPOLITANO, Mr. MCGOVERN, Ms. OCASIO-CORTEZ, Mrs. HAYES, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, Mr. NADLER, Mr. VARGAS, Ms. NORTON, Ms. WILSON of Florida, Mr. ESPAILLAT, Mr. LEVIN of Michigan, Mr. POCAN, Ms. TLAIB, Mr. LOWENTHAL, Mr. SOTO, Ms. LEE of California, Ms. PRESSLEY, Ms. PINGREE, Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi, Ms. JAYAPAL, Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia, Ms. VELÁZQUEZ, Ms. SÁNCHEZ, Mr. DANNY K. DAVIS of Illinois, and Ms. MCCOLLUM):

H.R. 6430. A bill to require that school food authorities and local educational agencies not collect unpaid meal fees during the COVID-19 pandemic, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Education and Labor.

By Mr. FITZPATRICK (for himself, Mr. BRINDISI, Mr. REED, Mr. GOTTHEIMER, Mr. HURD of Texas, Mr. SUOZZI, and Mr. PHILLIPS):

H.R. 6431. A bill to require the creation of a national commission to prepare for future national emergencies, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, and in addition to the Committees on Ways and Means, Oversight and Reform, Homeland Security, Energy and Commerce, and Armed Services, 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. CÁRDENAS (for himself, Mr. GONZALEZ of Texas, Mrs. HAYES, Mr. KHANNA, Ms. JACKSON LEE, Mr. MCGOVERN, Ms. STEVENS, Ms. TLAIB, and Ms. MUCARSEL-POWELL):

H.R. 6432. A bill to direct the Secretary of Health and Human Services to establish a task force to conduct a study on physician shortages, including barriers to physicians trained abroad practicing in the United States, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. HUIZENGA:

H.R. 6433. A bill to provide an exclusion from gross income for certain qualified first responders; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. CARBAJAL:

H.R. 6434. A bill to amend title 49, United States Code, to allow certain urbanized areas with a population of over 200,000 to be eligi-

ble under the small transit intensive cities formula, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Mr. CARTER of Georgia (for himself, Mr. HUDSON, Ms. KUSTER of New Hampshire, and Ms. BLUNT ROCH-ESTER):

H.R. 6435. A bill to direct the Federal Trade Commission to develop and disseminate information to the public about scams related to COVID-19, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. CHABOT (for himself and Ms. KENDRA S. HORN of Oklahoma):

H.R. 6436. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to repeal the direct payment requirement on the exclusion from gross income of distributions from governmental plans for health and long-term care insurance; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Ms. JUDY CHU of California (for herself, Mr. GRIJALVA, Mr. CORREA, Mr. TAKANO, Mr. SERRANO, Ms. OCASIO-CORTEZ, Ms. NORTON, Mr. PANETTA, Mr. CONNOLLY, Ms. GARCIA of Texas, Mr. LOWENTHAL, Ms. MOORE, Ms. HAALAND, Ms. JACKSON LEE, Mr. GARCÍA of Illinois, Ms. PRESSLEY, Ms. CLARKE of New York, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, Mr. CROW, Ms. TLAIB, Mr. MCGOVERN, Ms. SEWELL of Alabama, Mr. SOTO, Mr. COX of California, Ms. JAYAPAL, Mrs. HAYES, Ms. WILSON of Florida, and Ms. VELÁZQUEZ):

H.R. 6437. A bill to ensure that all communities have access to urgently needed COVID-19 testing, treatment, public health information, and relief benefits regardless of immigration status or limited English proficiency, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committees on the Judiciary, Transportation and Infrastructure, and 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 Mr. CORREA (for himself, Ms. JUDY CHU of California, Mr. GRIJALVA, Mr. CASTRO of Texas, Mr. CÁRDENAS, Mr. VELA, Ms. PINGREE, Ms. WILSON of Florida, Ms. VELÁZQUEZ, Mr. GARCÍA of Illinois, Ms. MOORE, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, Mr. ESPAILLAT, Mrs. NAPOLITANO, Mr. LOWENTHAL, Ms. TITUS, Ms. SPEIER, Ms. BARRAGÁN, Mr. CISNEROS, Mr. COX of California, Ms. OCASIO-CORTEZ, Mr. DEUTCH, Ms. GARCIA of Texas, Ms. CLARKE of New York, Mr. MCGOVERN, Mrs. WATSON COLEMAN, Ms. NORTON, Ms. TLAIB, Ms. MENG, Mr. POCAN, Ms. CLARK of Massachusetts, Ms. ESCOBAR, Mr. GOMEZ, Mr. SERRANO, Ms. OMAR, Mr. PANETTA, Mr. VEASEY, Mr. DANNY K. DAVIS of Illinois, Mr. GALLEGRO, Ms. MUCARSEL-POWELL, Ms. LOFGREN, Mr. CONNOLLY, Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD, Mr. SIREN, Mr. PALLONE, Mr. SOTO, Mr. HASTINGS, Mr. RASKIN, Mr. DOGGETT, Ms. BROWNLEY of California, and Ms. BONAMICI):

H.R. 6438. A bill to allow 2020 recovery rebates to be made on the basis of an individual's taxpayer identification number; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. CUNNINGHAM:

H.R. 6439. A bill to amend title 37, United States Code, to extend eligibility for hazardous duty pay to members of the uniformed services exposed to the cause of a declared public health emergency; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. RODNEY DAVIS of Illinois (for himself, Mr. TRONE, Mr. VAN DREW,

Mr. UPTON, Mr. KING of New York, Mr. FORTENBERRY, Mr. WILSON of South Carolina, Mr. SIMPSON, Mr. YOUNG, Mr. LUCAS, Mr. JOYCE of Ohio, Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota, and Mr. MOOLENAAR):

H.R. 6440. A bill to establish the National Commission on the COVID-19 Pandemic; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. RODNEY DAVIS of Illinois:

H.R. 6441. A bill to amend title 5, United States Code, to provide unpaid leave for certain National Guard service by Federal employees and employees of the District of Columbia, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Oversight and Reform.

By Ms. DELAURO (for herself, Ms. PRESSLEY, Ms. SPEIER, Ms. HAALAND, Mr. RUSH, Ms. PINGREE, Mr. LARSON of Connecticut, Ms. JUDY CHU of California, Mr. LOWENTHAL, Ms. FUDGE, Ms. DELBENE, Mrs. BEATTY, Ms. KAPTUR, Ms. JAYAPAL, Mr. GREEN of Texas, Ms. GARCIA of Texas, Ms. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ, Mr. RYAN, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, Ms. DEAN, Mr. GARCÍA of Illinois, Mr. ESPAILLAT, Ms. NORTON, Ms. SEWELL of Alabama, Ms. OMAR, Mr. HIGGINS of New York, Mr. POCAN, Mr. KHANNA, Ms. BONAMICI, Mrs. NAPOLITANO, Mrs. HAYES, Mr. LANGEVIN, Mr. COURTNEY, Ms. FRANKEL, Ms. CASTOR of Florida, Mr. CARSON of Indiana, Ms. OCASIO-CORTEZ, and Mr. TED LIEU of California):

H.R. 6442. A bill to provide Americans with paid sick time and paid leave so that they can address their own health needs and the health needs of their families; to the Committee on Education and Labor, and in addition to the Committees on Ways and Means, Oversight and Reform, House Administration, and 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 Miss GONZÁLEZ-COLÓN of Puerto Rico (for herself, Mr. GALLEGRO, Mr. KING of New York, Ms. SHALALA, and Mr. SOTO):

H.R. 6443. A bill to secure the national supply chain by providing tax incentives in economically distressed areas of the United States and its possessions; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. GOODEN:

H.R. 6444. A bill to amend the Foreign Sovereign Immunities Act to establish an exception to jurisdictional immunity for a foreign state that discharges a biological weapon, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mrs. HAYES (for herself and Mr. NEGUSE):

H.R. 6445. A bill to modify nutrition programs to address the Coronavirus Disease 2019, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, and in addition to the Committees on Agriculture, Education and Labor, and the Budget, 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. HIGGINS of Louisiana:

H.R. 6446. A bill to allow the President to temporarily suspend activities relating to the 2020 decennial census of population, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Oversight and Reform.

By Ms. KUSTER of New Hampshire (for herself, Mr. KATKO, Ms. STEFANK, Mr. GOLDEN, Ms. PINGREE, Mr. PAPPAS, and Mr. WELCH):

H.R. 6447. A bill to amend title 40, United States Code, as amended with respect to the

maximum contribution for certain projects or activities carried out in certain distressed counties, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, and in addition to the Committee on Financial Services, 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. MOORE (for herself and Mr. COLE):

H.R. 6448. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to exclude from gross income payments under the Indian Health Service Loan Repayment Program and certain amounts received under the Indian Health Professions Scholarships Program; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. NEGUSE:

H.R. 6449. A bill to provide that during an emergency declared under the National Emergencies Act or the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, supplemental nutrition assistance program benefits issued under the Food and Nutrition Act of 2008 may be used to purchase certain durable goods; to the Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. NEGUSE:

H.R. 6450. A bill to prevent price gouging during emergencies, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. NEGUSE:

H.R. 6451. A bill to amend the Fair Credit Reporting Act to prohibit debt from medically necessary procedures related to COVID-19 from being included on credit reports, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Financial Services.

By Mr. PERLMUTTER (for himself, Mr. BUCK, Mr. CROW, Ms. DEGETTE, and Mr. NEGUSE):

H.R. 6452. A bill to require the Secretary of Transportation to repay the credit risk premiums paid with respect to certain railroad infrastructure loans after the obligations attached to such loans have been satisfied; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Mr. QUIGLEY (for himself, Mr. CICILLINE, Mr. NEGUSE, Mr. BEYER, Mrs. HAYES, Ms. NORTON, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, and Mr. ENGEL):

H.R. 6453. A bill to direct the Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation to report the number of background checks conducted by the National Instant Criminal Background Check System during the month of March 2019 and during the COVID-19 public health emergency, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. SMITH of New Jersey (for himself and Mr. VAN DREW):

H.R. 6454. A bill to forgive certain disaster loans, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi (for himself, Ms. JACKSON LEE, Mr. LANGEVIN, Mr. RICHMOND, Mr. PAYNE, Miss RICE of New York, Mr. CORREA, Ms. SLOTKIN, Mr. CLEAVER, Mr. GREEN of Texas, Ms. CLARKE of New York, Ms. TITUS, Mrs. WATSON COLEMAN, Ms. BARRAGÁN, Mrs. DEMINGS, Mr. KHANNA, Mr. CICILLINE, Mr. SHERMAN, and Mr. CLAY):

H.R. 6455. A bill to establish the National Commission Regarding the 2019 Novel Coronavirus COVID-19 Pandemic, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. CÁRDENAS (for himself, Ms. BARRAGÁN, Ms. BASS, Mr. BLUMENAUER, Mr. BEYER, Ms. JUDY CHU of California, Ms. CLARKE of New York, Mr. CORREA, Mr. COX of Cali-

fornia, Mrs. DAVIS of California, Mr. ENGEL, Ms. ESCOBAR, Mr. ESPAILLAT, Mr. FOSTER, Ms. GABBARD, Mr. GARCÍA of Illinois, Ms. GARCIA of Texas, Mr. GOMEZ, Ms. HAALAND, Mrs. HAYES, Mr. HORSFORD, Ms. JAYAPAL, Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia, Mr. KHANNA, Ms. JACKSON LEE, Mrs. LEE of Nevada, Ms. LOFGREN, Mr. LOWENTHAL, Mr. LUJÁN, Mr. LYNCH, Mr. MCNERNEY, Ms. MOORE, Mrs. NAPOLITANO, Ms. NORTON, Ms. OMAR, Mr. PALLONE, Mr. PANETTA, Mr. PETERS, Mr. QUIGLEY, Mr. RASKIN, Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD, Mr. SABLAN, Ms. SÁNCHEZ, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, Ms. SPEIER, Mr. STANTON, Ms. TITUS, Ms. TLAIB, Mr. VARGAS, and Ms. VELÁZQUEZ):

H. Res. 915. A resolution honoring the accomplishments and legacy of César Estrada Chávez; to the Committee on Oversight and Reform.

MEMORIALS

Under clause 3 of rule XII,

167. The SPEAKER presented a memorial of the House of Representatives of the State of Michigan, relative to House Resolution No. 151, urging the Congress of the United States to clarify its position on the legality of marijuana under the Controlled Substances Act of 1970; which was referred jointly to the Committees on Energy and Commerce and the Judiciary.

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 Mr. KELLER:

H.R. 6427.

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

Article I, Section 8, Clause 18 of the U.S. Constitution in that the legislation exercises legislative powers granted to Congress by that clause "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 Office thereof

By Mr. ROUDA:

H.R. 6428.

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

Article I, Section 8 of the United States Constitution

By Mrs. MURPHY of Florida:

H.R. 6429.

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

Article I, Section 8, Clause 1, which gives Congress the power to spend for the general welfare of the United States; Article 1, Section 8, Clause 3, which gives Congress the power to regulate commerce among the several states; and Article I, Section 5, Clause 2, which gives Congress the power to determine the rules of its proceedings, a power the power to create commissions within the legislative branch.

By Ms. OMAR:

H.R. 6430.

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

Article 1 Section 1

By Mr. FITZPATRICK:

H.R. 6431.

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

Article 1 Section 8

By Mr. CÁRDENAS:

H.R. 6432.

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

Article 1, Section 1.

All legislative powers herein granted shall be vested in a Congress of the United States, which shall consist of a Senate and House of Representatives.

By Mr. HUIZENGA:

H.R. 6433.

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

Article 1 Section 8 of the Constitution

By Mr. CARBAJAL:

H.R. 6434.

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

Article 1, Section 8

By Mr. CARTER of Georgia:

H.R. 6435.

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

The constitutional authority on which this bill rests is the power of Congress to make rules for the government and regulation of the land and naval forces, as enumerated in Article I, Section 8 of the United States Constitution.

By Mr. CHABOT:

H.R. 6436.

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

Article 1, Section 8, Clause 1 of the U.S. Constitution:

The Congress shall have Power To lay and collect Taxes, Duties, Imposts and Excises, to pay the Debts and provide for the common Defense and general Welfare of the United States.

By Ms. JUDY CHU of California:

H.R. 6437.

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

Clause 1 of Section 8 of Article I of the United States Constitution.

By Mr. CORREA:

H.R. 6438.

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

(1) The U.S. Constitution including Article 1, Section 8

By Mr. CUNNINGHAM:

H.R. 6439.

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

Article I, Section 8 of the U.S. Constitution Clause 1, "The Congress shall have Power To . . . pay the Debts and provide for the common Defence and general Welfare of the United States;"

Clause 14, "To make Rules for the Government and Regulation of the land and naval Forces;"

Clause 18, "To make all Laws which shall be necessary and proper for carrying into Execution the foregoing Powers . . ."

By Mr. RODNEY DAVIS of Illinois:

H.R. 6440.

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

According to Article 1, Section 8, Clause 18: 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. RODNEY DAVIS of Illinois:

H.R. 6441.

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

According to Article 1, Section 8, Clause 18: To make all Laws which shall be necessary and proper for carrying into Execution the foregoing Powers, and all other