

of the Senate, and the author of the bill, Senator SCOTT, offers 20 amendments to the other side, including a manager's package, and it is rejected out of hand, no debate, no discussion on amendments.

And the American people are sitting at home going, What is going on? Why won't this institution—its Congress—do anything?

Right now, we have three, maybe four Members of the United States Congress in this room.

Tomorrow, we will have a couple of votes, and then we will fly home. And what will we have accomplished this week while our Nation is struggling with statues being toppled, people being killed, and here we sit?

What is everybody in this body doing right now? Are they out having dinner? Are they out having a drink? Are they home asleep?

But right now, just this last weekend, we had 104 shootings in Chicago, 14 were killed, several teenagers. A 3-year-old boy was killed this weekend.

There is a 325 percent increase year over year of shootings in New York City. We had a gentleman who was washing his car's tire, had somebody come up right behind him and shoot him in the head on the streets of New York City.

We have gone a long ways away from the kind of law and order, rule of law that is married to liberty that has made this country great for so long.

It is incumbent upon this body and this institution to do our job. It is incumbent upon us to stand up for the rule of law so that liberty can prosper, so that we secure the blessings of liberty as the Constitution outlines as our responsibility.

I have no idea what it is like to be a Black American and I will never know what it is like to be a Black American. I can only imagine. I can only talk to people.

I do know what it is like to be a law enforcement person, because my grandfather was the chief of police of a small west Texas town. I worked as an assistant United States Attorney. I worked in law enforcement in the U.S. Attorney's Office.

Of the 76 million interactions that we have between law enforcement and citizens in this country every year—or at least last year there were 76 million—there is a study of about 100,000 interactions that said 99 percent of those didn't result in taking anybody into custody; and of that remaining 1 percent, 98 percent of those resulted in no force that resulted in any kind of injury or anything significant. Well, of that 76 million, that leaves you about 15,000.

Now, you dive into that, and there are some egregious wrongs. And we and everybody in this body want to deal with those wrongs, but today we didn't debate any of those serious issues about what we can do.

We had a bill brought to the floor that literally wipes clean qualified im-

munity for our law enforcement officers, just gets rid of it. So after 50-something years of operating under this, this bill would just, boom, get rid of it without so much as a real debate.

Why didn't we offer an amendment, for example, that would have returned to the 2009 standard before the court changed it to say, You know what? Maybe we should adjudicate every constitutional claim alongside a claim of qualified immunity. Because the court just made that up in 2009.

Because you know what about qualified immunity? It is all made up by courts, because this body doesn't do its job, this body doesn't speak, because this body doesn't ever sit down and do our job and offer amendments and debate and vote. The legislature should speak on these issues.

Why didn't we talk about no-knock warrants? Why didn't we offer an amendment?

We can debate, vote on it, vote it up or down, and then move on. This is what this body is supposed to do. It is what is so frustrating.

Mr. GOHMERT. Mr. Speaker, I don't want anybody listening to think when the gentleman asks why didn't we offer amendments that we had the opportunity to do that. The majority determined there would be no amendments allowed.

I know my friend from Texas and I were talking earlier today about, you know, we could have voted for a bill that included some things that were in the Democrats' bill, but they would not allow any amendments.

The qualified immunity, where law enforcement officers were going to get sued, every arrest they ever make, most likely they were going to end up spending more time in civil court than they were in enforcing the law, we needed to work those things out. But there were no amendments made, because the majority said, We don't need your input. This was figuratively what they said: We don't need your input. We don't want your input. We can pass it by ourselves.

They stopped TIM SCOTT's bill. He was open to having amendments. They didn't want to make amendments down there.

They want a symbol. And there is nothing that symbolizes that aspect that they want a symbol and not a real fix more than their adding the watered down Emmett Till bill into this law enforcement bill, which is an embarrassment to say that 10 years for being involved in a lynching would be the maximum punishment.

BOBBY RUSH has been working on this for years, and he put a life sentence maximum in. I think it ought to be the death penalty, but okay, Democrats are in the majority, so I was willing to drop out the death penalty.

They didn't want that. They wanted a symbol, not anything effective.

Mr. Speaker, I yield to my friend from Texas.

Mr. ROY. Mr. Speaker, the gentleman is exactly right with respect to

who is calling the shots and how we are operating. And we did want to offer amendments, and we would.

I think, in all honesty, it is a bipartisan problem in both the Senate and the House that we need to figure out how to get back to any kind of regular order so that we can actually debate and amend.

So I will just close with this, because the gentleman has been kind, and he has reserved the time. I will say that as we look at our country right now, that we need a good dose of hard work by the people that have been elected to represent it. And we are not doing that. It is just plain and simple. We are not doing our job here to represent the American people, to come here, debate, vote.

We are not doing our job right now to stand up for America and to defend its institutions and to defend the rule of law and to defend law enforcement while figuring out how to hold people accountable to make sure that liberty and justice is protected.

We are not doing our job to protect churches, we are not doing our job to protect our monuments, and we are not doing our job to push back on mob rule.

Mr. Speaker, I thank the gentleman for giving me the time to join him. And may we all work together to preserve this great republic and secure the blessings of liberty.

Mr. GOHMERT. Mr. Speaker, I thank my friend for being here tonight.

I know he was asking rhetorical questions. And for those involved in the riots, let me explain: "rhetorical" means it is not looking for an answer back.

When he said we weren't making amendments or we didn't do this or that, we weren't doing our job, I know for a fact that that was rhetorical, because the gentleman represents San Antonio and so much of south Texas doing everything he can to make a difference.

We can work together if we are allowed and if the rules don't continue to be abused the way they have been.

We do need good, trustworthy law enforcement. I think Bill Barr is doing everything he can, but we need a different FBI director. I don't think we are going to get much help there as long as Christopher Wray is there. He is too interested in trying to say the FBI is all well now, when it is not.

But nonetheless, I hope we can work together. The country is suffering because we are not allowed to participate.

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

ADJOURNMENT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 4(b) of House Resolution 967, the House stands adjourned until 9 a.m. tomorrow.

Thereupon, (at 9 o'clock and 55 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the

House adjourned until tomorrow, Friday, June 26, 2020, at 9 a.m.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

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

4569. A letter from the OSD FRLO, Office of the Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting the Department's final rule — TRICARE Coverage and Payment for Certain Services in Response to the COVID-19 Pandemic [Docket ID: DOD-2020-HA-0040] (RIN: 0720-AB81) received June 11, 2020, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Armed Services.

4570. A letter from the Program Specialist, Chief Counsel's Office, Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, Department of the Treasury, transmitting the Department's Major interim final rule — Regulatory Capital Rule: Revised Transition of the Current Expected Credit Losses Methodology for Allowances [Docket ID: OCC-2020-0010] (RIN: 1557-AE82) received June 1, 2020, 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.

4571. A letter from the Program Specialist, Chief Counsel's Office, Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, Department of the Treasury, transmitting the Department's interim final rule — Real Estate Appraisals [Docket No.: OCC-2020-0014] (RIN: 1557-AE86) received June 1, 2020, 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.

4572. A letter from the Program Specialist, Chief Counsel's Office, Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, Department of the Treasury, transmitting the Department's final rule — Regulatory Capital Rule: Transition for the Community Bank Leverage Ratio Framework [Docket ID: OCC-2020-0017] (RIN: 1557-AE89) received June 1, 2020, 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.

4573. A letter from the Program Specialist, Chief Counsel's Office, Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, Department of the Treasury, transmitting the Department's interim final rule — Regulatory Capital Rule: Temporary Changes to the Community Bank Leverage Ratio Framework [Docket ID: OCC-2020-0016] (RIN: 1557-AE88) received June 1, 2020, 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.

4574. A letter from the Program Specialist, Chief Counsel's Office, Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, Department of the Treasury, transmitting the Department's Major interim final rule — Liquidity Coverage Ratio Rule: Treatment of Certain Emergency Facilities [Docket No.: OCC-2020-0019] (RIN: 1557-AE92) received June 16, 2020, 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.

4575. A letter from the Program Specialist, Chief Counsel's Office, Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, Department of the Treasury, transmitting the Department's Major interim final rule — Regulatory Capital Rule: Paycheck Protection Program Lending Facility and Paycheck Protection Program Loans [Docket No.: OCC-2020-0018] (RIN: 1557-AE90) received June 16, 2020, 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.

4576. A letter from the Program Specialist, Chief Counsel's Office, Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, Department of the Treasury, transmitting the Department's Major interim final rule — Regulatory Capital Rule: Temporary Exclusion of U.S. Treasury Securities and Deposits at Federal Reserve Banks From the Supplementary Leverage Ratio for Depository Institutions [Docket No.: OCC-2020-0013] (RIN: 1557-AE85) received June 16, 2020, 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.

4577. A letter from the Compliance Specialist, Wage and Hour Division, Department of Labor, transmitting the Department's withdrawal of final rule — Partial Lists of Establishments that Lack or May Have a "Retail Concept" Under the Fair Labor Standards Act (RIN: 1235-AA32) received May 28, 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.

4578. A letter from the Regulations Coordinator, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Office for Civil Rights, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's Major final rule — Non-discrimination in Health Education Programs or Activities, Delegation of Authority (RIN: 0945-AA11) received June 16, 2020, 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.

4579. A letter from the Deputy Chief, Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule — Creation of Interstitial 12.5 Kilohertz Channels in the 800 MHz Band Between 809-817/854-862 MHz [WP Docket No.: 15-32] (RM-11572) received June 11, 2020, 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.

4580. A letter from the Deputy Chief, Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule — Improving Public Safety Communications in the 800 MHz Band [WT Docket No.: 02-55] received June 11, 2020, 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.

4581. A letter from the Director, Office of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting the Commission's Major final rule — Revision of Fee Schedules; Fee Recovery for Fiscal Year 2020 [NRC-2017-0228; Docket No.: PRM-171-1; NRC-2019-0084] (RIN: 3150-AK10) received June 24, 2020, 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.

4582. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting notification of the continuation of the national emergency with respect to the Western Balkans originally declared in Executive Order 13219 of June 26, 2001, is to continue in effect beyond June 26, 2020, pursuant to 50 U.S.C. 1622(d); Public Law 94-412, Sec. 202(d); (90 Stat. 1257) (H. Doc. No. 116-135); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs and ordered to be printed.

4583. A letter from the Director, Office of Government Ethics, transmitting the Office's final rule — Technical Updating Amendments to Executive Branch Financial Disclosure and Standards of Ethical Conduct Regulations (RIN: 3209-AA52) received June 11, 2020, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Oversight and Reform.

4584. A letter from the Director, Office of Government Ethics, transmitting the Of-

fice's final rule — Post-Employment Conflict of Interest Restrictions; Revision of Departmental Component Designations (RIN: 3209-AA44) received June 11, 2020, 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.

4585. A letter from the Regulations Coordinator, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's Major final rule — Medicare Program; Contract Year 2021 Policy and Technical Changes to the Medicare Advantage Program, Medicare Prescription Drug Benefit Program, and Medicare Cost Plan Program [CMS-4190-F] (RIN: 0938-AT97) received June 16, 2020, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); jointly to the Committees on Energy and Commerce and Ways and Means.

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 Mrs. HARTZLER (for herself, Mr. GALLAGHER, Mr. GAETZ, Mr. BURGESS, Mr. ROGERS of Alabama, Mr. POSEY, Mr. GOSAR, Mr. PERRY, Mr. MULLIN, Mr. SPANO, Mr. GHANFORTE, Mr. WRIGHT, and Mr. LAMALFA):

H.R. 7326. A bill to amend section 212 of the Immigration and Nationality Act to ensure that efforts to engage in espionage or technology transfer are considered in visa issuance, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mrs. LOWEY (for herself, Mr. NEAL, Ms. DELAURO, Ms. CLARK of Massachusetts, Mr. DANNY K. DAVIS of Illinois, and Ms. SANCHEZ):

H.R. 7327. A bill making additional supplemental appropriations for disaster relief requirements for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2020, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Appropriations, and in addition to the Committees on the Budget, 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. DESAULNIER (for himself and Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania):

H.R. 7328. A bill to make temporary changes to grants made under the Community Services Block Grant Act to facilitate local coronavirus relief; to the Committee on Education and Labor.

By Mr. STEIL:

H.R. 7329. A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at S74w16860 Janesville Road, in Muskego, Wisconsin, as the "Colonel Hans Christian Heg Post Office"; to the Committee on Oversight and Reform.

By Mr. THOMPSON of California (for himself, Mr. NEAL, Mr. LEWIS, Mr. DOGGETT, Mr. LARSON of Connecticut, Mr. BLUMENAUER, Mr. KIND, Mr. PASCRELL, Mr. DANNY K. DAVIS of Illinois, Ms. SANCHEZ, Mr. HIGGINS of New York, Ms. SEWELL of Alabama, Ms. DELBENE, Ms. JUDY CHU of California, Ms. MOORE, Mr. KILDEE, Mr. BRENDAN F. BOYLE of Pennsylvania, Mr. BEYER, Mr. EVANS, Mr. SCHNEIDER, Mr. SUOZZI, Mr. PANETTA, Mrs. MURPHY of Florida, Mr. GOMEZ, Mr. HORSFORD, Mr. LEVIN of California, Mr. LOWENTHAL, Mr. CRIST, Mr. TONKO, Mr. COHEN, Ms. KUSTER of New Hampshire, Mr. ROUDA, Ms.