

H.R. 7795. An act to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the ability of veterans to access and submit disability benefit questionnaire forms of the Department of Veterans Affairs; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

#### MEASURES PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The following bills were read the second time, and placed on the calendar:

S. 4653. A bill to protect the healthcare of hundreds of millions of people of the United States and prevent efforts of the Department of Justice to advocate courts to strike down the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act.

H.R. 8337. An act making continuing appropriations for fiscal year 2021, and for other purposes.

The following bill was read the first and second times by unanimous consent, and placed on the calendar:

H.R. 3228. An act to amend title 38, United States Code, to authorize health professional trainees to provide treatment via telemedicine, and for other purposes.

#### MEASURES READ THE FIRST TIME

The following bill was read the first time:

S. 4675. A bill to amend the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act.

#### EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with accompanying papers, reports, and documents, and were referred as indicated:

EC-5511. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Trichoderma asperellum, strain T34; Exemption from the Requirement of a Tolerance" (FRL No. 10013-33-OCSP) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 21, 2020; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-5512. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Pseudomonas fluorescens strain ACK55; Exemption from the Requirement of a Tolerance" (FRL No. 10013-27-OCSP) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 21, 2020; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-5513. A communication from the Federal Register Liaison Officer, Office of the Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "User Fees" (RIN0790-AK45) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 17, 2020; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5514. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on the continuation of the national emergency with respect to persons who commit, threaten to commit, or support terrorism that was established in Executive Order 13224 on September 23, 2001, as amended; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5515. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division,

Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Air Plan Approval; Texas; Construction Prior to Permit Amendment" (FRL No. 10014-57-Region 6) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 21, 2020; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5516. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Wyoming Underground Injection Control Program; Class VI Primacy" (FRL No. 10013-68-OW) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 21, 2020; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5517. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Significant New Use Rules on Certain Chemical Substances (19-5.B)" (FRL No. 10013-95-OCSP) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 21, 2020; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5518. A communication from the Director of the Legal Processing Division, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Miscellaneous Changes Under the Setting Every Community Up for Retirement Enhancement Act of 2019 and the Bipartisan American Miners Act of 2019" (Notice 2020-68) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 21, 2020; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5519. A communication from the Director of the Legal Processing Division, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Notice Regarding the Special Per Diem Rates for 2020-2021" (Notice 2020-71) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 21, 2020; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5520. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Modifications to Rev. Proc. 2016-37 and Rev. Proc. 2019-39" (Rev. Proc. 2020-40) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 21, 2020; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5521. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Update to Rev. Rul. 94-74" (Rev. Rul. 2020-19) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 21, 2020; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5522. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to the Convention on Cultural Property Implementation Act, a report relative to actions taken in fiscal year 2019 to conclude cultural property agreements with Bulgaria, China, Honduras, and Algeria; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5523. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to the Convention on Cultural Property Implementation Act, three (3) reports of the Cultural Property Advisory Committee (CPAC) from 2019 relative to memoranda of understanding and cultural property agreements; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5524. A communication from the Regulations Coordinator, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting,

pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Medicare Program; Specialty Care Models to Improve Quality of Care and Reduce Expenditures" (RIN0938-AT89) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 22, 2020; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5525. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Limitation on Deduction for Business Interest Expense" ((RIN1545-BO73) (TD 9905)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 21, 2020; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5526. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary of State, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the status of deconfliction channels with Iran; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-5527. A communication from the Administrator, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the cost of response and recovery efforts for FEMA-3538-EM in the State of Louisiana having exceeded the \$5,000,000 limit for a single emergency declaration; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5528. A communication from the Administrator, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the cost of response and recovery efforts for FEMA-3540-EM in the State of Texas having exceeded the \$5,000,000 limit for a single emergency declaration; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5529. A communication from the Administrator, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the cost of response and recovery efforts for FEMA-3529-EM in the State of Hawaii having exceeded the \$5,000,000 limit for a single emergency declaration; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5530. A communication from the Director, Office of Acquisition Policy, General Services Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Federal Acquisition Regulation; Federal Acquisition Circular 2020-09, Small Entity Compliance Guide" (FAC 2020-09) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 17, 2020; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5531. A communication from the Director, Office of Acquisition Policy, General Services Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Federal Acquisition Regulation; Federal Acquisition Circular 2020-09, Introduction" (FAC 2020-09) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 17, 2020; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5532. A communication from the Executive Director, Office of General Counsel, Federal Retirement Thrift Investment Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Temporary Waiver of Notarization Requirement for Spousal Consent; Withdrawal of Interim Rule" (5 CFR Part 1650) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 21, 2020; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5533. A communication from the Executive Director, Office of General Counsel, Federal Retirement Thrift Investment Board,