conflict on Ukraine and not admit that he could have done more to bolster our energy independence.

Instead, he is taking the tack that we are now really at a national security level where we are in danger because our Strategic Petroleum Reserve is at dangerously low levels. We withdrew our strategic energy reserves and then sold that to the Chinese Communist Party. You know, Americans all across this Nation are still scratching their heads on that one.

Yet, the President recently spoke of the reduction in fuel costs. Gasoline is going down, and he is happy with that. The fact of the matter is, the national average for a gallon of gas is $3.52, a dollar more than when Biden took office. It was $2.39 in January 2021.

His energy policy is an America last policy. It continues to exacerbate the oil supply and demand crisis right here at home. America was strongest when we had energy independence and could rely on our own resources.

Now, I can tell you that for our constituents who are depending on us in Congress to do great things for this country come January, we are going to have some real difficulties because it is not going to be one party, one rule. The Republicans won't have the same benefit of having the Senate and the White House that the Democrats have right now, so it is going to be tougher. We have to make a commitment to America, and we did.

Mr. Speaker, we are going to do everything we can to make this economy stronger and everything we can to make this country safer. A country that is more free, and a government that is absolutely more accountable, that is our commitment to America.

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

ENROLLED JOINT RESOLUTION SIGNED

Cheryl L. Johnson, Clerk of the House, reported and found truly an enrolled joint resolution of the House of the following title, which was thereupon signed by the Speaker on Thursday, December, 1, 2022:

H.J. Res. 100. To provide for a resolution with respect to the unresolved disputes between certain railroads represented by the National Carriers' Conference Committee of the National Railway Labor Conference and certain of their employees.

ADJOURNMENT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 1 of House Resolution 1230, the House stands adjourned until noon on Monday next for morning-hour debate and 2 p.m. for legislative business.

Thereupon (at 12 o'clock and 8 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until Monday, December 5, 2022, at noon 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:

EC–6064. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's Office of Inspector General's Semiannual Report to Congress covering the 6-month period, which ended on September 30, 2022; to the Committee on Oversight and Reform.

EC–6065. A letter from the Associate General Counsel for General Law, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting two (2) notices of a vacancy, and designation of acting officer, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 3349(a); Public Law 105-277, Sec. 151(b); (112 Stat. 2681-614); to the Committee on Oversight and Reform.

EC–6066. A letter from the Director, Office of Financial Management, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's Agency Financial Report for FY 2022, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 3515(a)(1); Public Law 101-576, Sec. 303(a)(1) (as amended by Public Law 107-289, Sec. 2(a)); (116 Stat. 2049); to the Committee on Oversight and Reform.

EC–6067. A letter from the Director, Office of Communications and Legislative Affairs, Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, transmitting the Commission's FY 2022 Agency Financial Report, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 3515(a)(1); Public Law 101-576, Sec. 303(a)(1) (as amended by Public Law 107-289, Sec. 2(a)); (116 Stat. 2049); to the Committee on Oversight and Reform.

EC–6068. A letter from the Director, Congressional Affairs, Federal Election Commission, transmitting the Commission's Fiscal Year 2022 Agency Financial Report, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 3515(a)(1); Public Law 101-576, Sec. 303(a)(1) (as amended by Public Law 107-289, Sec. 2(a)); (116 Stat. 2049); to the Committee on Oversight and Reform.

EC–6069. A letter from the Treasurer, National Gallery of Art, transmitting the Gallery's Performance and Accountability Report for the year ended September 30, 2022, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 3515(a)(1); Public Law 101-576, Sec. 303(a)(1) (as amended by Public Law 107-289, Sec. 2(a)); (116 Stat. 2049); to the Committee on Oversight and Reform.

EC–6070. A letter from the Chairman, Occupational Safety and Health Review Commission, transmitting the Commission's Fiscal Year 2022 Performance and Accountability Report, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 3515(a)(1); Public Law 101-576, Sec. 303(a)(1) (as amended by Public Law 107-289, Sec. 2(a)); (116 Stat. 2049); to the Committee on Oversight and Reform.

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:

Mr. SCOTT of Virginia: Committee on Education and Labor. H.R. 6012. A bill to ensure that claims for benefits under the Black Lung Benefits Act are processed in a fair and timely manner, to better protect miners from pneumoconiosis (commonly known as ''black lung disease''), and for other purposes; with an amendment (Rept. 117–589, Pt. 1). Ordered to be printed.

TIME LIMITATION OF REFERRED BILL

Pursuant to clause 2 of rule XII, the following action was taken by the Speaker:

H.R. 6102. Referral to the Committee on Ways and Means extended for a period ending not later than December 15, 2022.

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 Mr. DESAULNIER:

H.R. 9403. A bill to provide whistleblower protections to certain workers in the offshore oil and gas industry; to the Committee on Education and Labor.

By Mr. BIGGS (for himself, Mrs. MILLER of Illinois, Mr. HIGGINS of Louisiana, Mr. GOSAR, Mr. BUCK, Mrs. BOEBERT, Mr. TIFFANY, Mr. WEBER of Texas, Mr. JACKSON, Mr. ROY, and Mr. STEUBE):

H.R. 9404. A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to prohibit the Secretary of Health and Human Services from placing any vaccine for COVID-19 on the child and adolescent immunization schedule unless the Secretary has posted on the public website of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention all clinical data in the possession of the Department of Health and Human Services relating to the safety and efficacy of such vaccine, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. BUDD:

H.R. 9405. A bill to amend the Securities Act of 1933 to add additional investment thresholds for an individual to qualify as an accredited investor, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Financial Services.

By Mr. CRENSHAW (for himself, Mr. ELLZEY, and Mr. VAN DREW):

H.R. 9406. A bill to create a special pay incentive for Customs and Border Protection law enforcement officers, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security.

By Mr. GOOD of Virginia (for himself and Mrs. MILLER of Illinois):

H.R. 9407. A bill to require the Secretary of Labor to implement the industry-recognized apprenticeship program process, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Education and Labor.

By Mr. HUIZENGA (for himself and Mr. BARR):

H.R. 9408. A bill to amend the Securities Act of 1933 to require that information required to be disclosed to the Securities and Exchange Commission by issuers be material to investors of those issuers, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Financial Services.

By Mr. LOUDERMILK:

H.R. 9409. A bill to amend title 5, United States Code, to provide for an alternative removal for performance or misconduct for Federal employees; to the Committee on Oversight and Reform.

By Mr. MCHENRY:

H.R. 9410. A bill to require auditor independence standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board and the Securities and Exchange Commission applicable to past audits of a company occurring before it was a public company to treat an auditor as independent if the auditor meets established professional standards, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Financial Services.

By Mr. MCHENRY:

H.R. 9411. A bill to amend the Federal securities laws to specify the periods for which financial statements are required to be provided by an emerging growth company, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Financial Services.