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Senate

The Senate was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Monday, October 15, 2007, at 2 p.m.

House of Representatives

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 12, 2007

The House met at 11 a.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mrs. TAUSCHER).

DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

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

WASHINGTON, DC,
October 12, 2007.

I hereby appoint the Honorable ELLEN O. TAUSCHER to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

NANCY PELOSI,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

PRAYER

The Chaplain, the Reverend Daniel P. Coughlin, offered the following prayer:

Lord God, may the covenant You have made with Your people assure us once more of Your faithful love. On this day and throughout this weekend of religious observance, may we prove faithful on our part to Your love and Your commandments.

Create in us as Your very own a sense of clear vision and confidence. Show us the path we should follow in the huge maze of freedoms protected by the Constitution of these United States. May the choices we make manifest integrity, wisdom, and love in us and bring greater understanding, unity, and peace to our world.

We praise You for Your guidance and protection both now and forever. Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair has examined the Journal of the last day's proceedings and announces to the House her approval thereof.

Pursuant to clause 1, rule I, the Journal stands 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.

APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO THE COMMITTEE TO ATTEND FUNERAL OF THE LATE HONORABLE JO ANN DAVIS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to House Resolution 717, and the order of the House of January 4, 2007, the Chair announces the Speaker's appointment of the following Members of the House to the committee to attend the funeral of the late Honorable Jo Ann Davis:

Mr. WOLF, Virginia
Mr. BOEHNER, Ohio
Mr. BLUNT, Missouri
Mr. PUTNAM, Florida
The members of the Virginia delegation:
Mr. BOUCHER
Mr. MORAN

Mr. GOODLATTE
Mr. SCOTT
Mr. DAVIS
Mr. GOODE
Mr. CANTOR
Mr. FORBES
Mrs. DRAKE, and
Mr. SKELTON, Missouri
Mr. ENGEL, New York
Mr. HOEKSTRA, Michigan
Mr. KING, New York
Mr. MICA, Florida
Mr. EHLERS, Michigan
Mr. HASTINGS, Washington
Ms. JACKSON-LEE, Texas
Mrs. MYRICK, North Carolina
Mr. THORNBERRY, Texas
Mr. WICKER, Mississippi
Mr. ADERHOLT, Alabama
Ms. GRANGER, Texas
Mr. PITTS, Pennsylvania
Mrs. TAUSCHER, California
Mrs. CAPPS, California
Ms. BERKLEY, Nevada
Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, Illinois
Ms. HARMAN, California
Mr. AKIN, Missouri
Mrs. CAPITO, West Virginia
Mrs. DAVIS, California
Ms. MCCOLLUM, Minnesota
Mr. PENCE, Indiana
Ms. WATSON, California
Mr. MILLER, Florida
Mr. WILSON, South Carolina
Mr. COLE, Oklahoma
Mr. HENSARLING, Texas
Mr. NEUGEBAUER, Texas
Mr. CLEAVER, Missouri
Mr. CONAWAY, Texas
Mr. FORTENBERRY, Nebraska
Ms. FOXX, North Carolina
Mr. GOHMERT, Texas

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Mr. PRICE, Georgia
Mrs. SCHMIDT, Ohio

ADJOURNMENT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Without objection, the House stands adjourned until 12:30 p.m. on Monday next for morning-hour debate.

There was no objection.

Accordingly (at 11 o'clock and 5 minutes a.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until Monday, October 15, 2007, at 12:30 p.m., for morning-hour debate.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

Under clause 8 of rule XII, executive communications were taken from the Speaker's table and referred as follows:

3680. A letter from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule — Add the Republic of Georgia to List of Regions Where African Swine Fever Exists [Docket No. APHIS-2007-0108] received September 19, 2007, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

3681. A letter from the Secretary, Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule — Temporary Rule Regarding Trades with Certain Advisory Clients [Release No. IA-2653; File No. S7-23-07] (RIN: 3235-AJ96) received September 27, 2007, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Financial Services.

3682. A letter from the General Counsel, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule — Use of Electronic Submissions in Agency Hearings [3150] (RIN: AH74) received September 4, 2007, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

3683. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. ACT 17-120, "Disposition of Lot 84 in Square 441 Temporary Approval Act of 2007," pursuant to D.C. Code section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

3684. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. ACT 17-119, "Restaurant and Hotel Audit Sufficiency Temporary Act of 2007," pursuant to D.C. Code section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

3685. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. ACT 17-121, "Omnibus Sports Consolidation Temporary Amendment Act of 2007," pursuant to D.C. Code section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

3686. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. ACT 17-123, "Free Clinic Assistance Program Extension Temporary Amendment Act of 2007," pursuant to D.C. Code section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

3687. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. ACT 17-122, "Capitol Hill Historic District Protection Temporary Act of 2007," pursuant to D.C. Code section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

3688. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. ACT 17-124, "Establishment of a Hospital Receivership Temporary Act of 2007," pursuant to D.C. Code section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

3689. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. ACT 17-117, "Workforce Housing Production Program Temporary Amendment Act of 2007," pursuant to D.C. Code section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

3690. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. ACT 17-118, "Disposition of the Skyland Shopping Center Site Temporary Approval Act of 2007," pursuant to D.C. Code section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

3691. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. ACT 17-116, "Conflict of Interest Temporary Amendment Act of 2007," pursuant to D.C. Code section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

3692. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. ACT 17-125, "Student Access to Treatment Temporary Act of 2007," pursuant to D.C. Code section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

3693. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. ACT 17-126, "National Capital Revitalization Corporation and Anacostia Waterfront Corporation Reorganization Clarification Temporary Act of 2007," pursuant to D.C. Code section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

3694. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. ACT 17-127, "Tregaron Conservancy Tax Exemption and Relief Temporary Act of 2007," pursuant to D.C. Code section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

3695. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. ACT 17-128, "Inaugural D.C. Triathlon Temporary Amendment Act of 2007," pursuant to D.C. Code section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

3696. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. ACT 17-130, "Executive Service Compensation System Change and Pay Schedule Temporary Amendment Act of 2007," pursuant to D.C. Code section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

3697. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. ACT 17-115, "Payday Loan Consumer Protection Amendment Act of 2007," pursuant to D.C. Code section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

3698. A letter from the Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Hotel Industry Overview Guide [LMSB-04-0807-054] received September 25, 2007, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

3699. A letter from the Chief, Publications and Regulations, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Section 807.—Rules for certain reserves (Also 812) (Rev. Rul. 2007-XX) received September 26, 2007, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

3700. A letter from the Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Guidance on Passive Foreign Investment Company (PFIC) Purgings Elections [TD 9360] (RIN: 1545-BC37) received September 26, 2007, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

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. CONYERS: Committee on the Judiciary. H.R. 3678. A bill to amend the Internet Tax Freedom Act to extend the moratorium on certain taxes relating to the Internet and to electronic commerce; with an amendment (Rept. 110-372). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

Mr. CONYERS: Committee on the Judiciary. H.R. 3773. A bill to amend the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act of 1978 to establish a procedure for authorizing certain acquisitions of foreign intelligence, and for other purposes; with an amendment (Rept. 110-373, Pt. 1). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

Mr. REYES: Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence. H.R. 3773. A bill to amend the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act of 1978 to establish a procedure for authorizing certain acquisitions of foreign intelligence, and for other purposes; with an amendment (Rept. 110-373, Pt. 2). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XII, public bills and resolutions were introduced and severally referred, as follows:

By Mr. RAHALL:

H.R. 3821. A bill to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a special resource study of sites and resources at Matewan, West Virginia, associated with the Battle of Matewan to determine the suitability and feasibility of designating certain historic areas as a unit of the National Park System; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

By Mr. ELLISON:

H.R. 3822. A bill to amend title 1 of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 to include nongovernmental and volunteer firefighters, ground and air ambulance crew members, and first responders for certain benefits; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. FERGUSON:

H.R. 3823. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow individuals a credit against income tax for the purchase of Energy Star compliant refrigerators and freezers; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. ISRAEL (for himself, Mr. WOLF, and Mr. HASTINGS of Florida):

H.R. 3824. A bill to provide assistance to Iraqi nationals who supported the United States, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committees on Armed Services, and Foreign Affairs, 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. WAXMAN (for himself, Mr. TIERNEY, Mrs. MALONEY of New York, Mr. LYNCH, Mr. YARMUTH, Mr. BRADLEY of Iowa, Ms. NORTON, Ms. MCCOLLUM of Minnesota, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, and Ms. SCHAKOWSKY):

H. Res. 734. A resolution expressing the sense of the House of Representatives regarding the withholding of information relating to corruption in Iraq; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.