

Franklin was a deist. He said these words: "I have lived, sir, a long time. And the longer I live, the more convincing proofs I see of this truth: God governs in the affairs of men. And if a sparrow cannot fall to the ground without His notice, is it probable that an empire can rise without His aid?"

He went on, and Franklin said, "We have been assured, sir, in the sacred writing that except the Lord build the house, they labor in vain that build it." He said, "I firmly believe this. And I also believe that without His concurring aid we shall succeed in this political building no better than the builders of Babel." And he went on to speak longer and then said, "I, therefore, move henceforth we begin every day with prayer in this room." And from that day, June 28, 1787, to this day today that we are about to wrap up, we begin with prayer.

So America works when people let their elected representatives hear from them and let them know their mind. It works when we do what Ben Franklin suggested. That doesn't sound like a deist.

With that, Mr. Speaker, I yield back.

SPECIAL ORDERS GRANTED

By unanimous consent, permission to address the House, following the legislative program and any special orders heretofore entered, was granted to:

(The following Members (at the request of Ms. WOOLSEY) to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material:)

- Ms. BERKLEY, for 5 minutes, today.
Mr. DEFAZIO, for 5 minutes, today.
Ms. KAPTUR, for 5 minutes, today.

(The following Members (at the request of Mr. JONES) to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material:)

- Mr. POE of Texas, for 5 minutes, March 10.
Mr. JONES, for 5 minutes, March 10.
Mr. MORAN of Kansas, for 5 minutes, March 10.
Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania, for 5 minutes, today.

BILLS PRESENTED TO THE PRESIDENT

Lorraine C. Miller, Clerk of the House reports that on March 2, 2010 she presented to the President of the

United States, for his approval, the following bills.

H.R. 4961. To provide a temporary extension of certain programs, and for other purposes.

H.R. 1299. To make technical corrections to the laws affecting certain administrative authorities of the United States Capitol Police, and for other purposes.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. GOHMERT. Mr. Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 9 o'clock and 10 minutes p.m.), the House adjourned until tomorrow, Thursday, March 4, 2010, at 10 a.m.

BUDGETARY EFFECTS OF PAYGO LEGISLATION

Pursuant to Public law 111-139, Mr. SPRATT hereby submits, prior to the vote on passage, the attached estimate of the costs of H.R. 2544, the National Association of Registered Agents and Brokers Reform Act of 2010, for printing in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD.

ESTIMATE OF PAY-AS-YOU-GO EFFECTS FOR H.R. 2544, AS AMENDED

Table with columns for fiscal years 2010-2020 and rows for Net Increase or Decrease (-) in the Deficit and Statutory Pay-As-You-Go Impact.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

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

6352. A letter from the Under Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting a report of a violation of the Antideficiency Act by the Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency, Case Number 07-01, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 1517(b); to the Committee on Appropriations.

6353. A letter from the Under Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting requests for remediation on U.S. foreign training sites regarding used depleted uranium weapons; to the Committee on Armed Services.

6354. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Navy, Department of Defense, transmitting the Department's annual report listing all repairs and maintenance performed on any covered Navy vessel in any shipyard outside the United States or Guam during the preceding fiscal year; to the Committee on Armed Services.

6355. A letter from the Under Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting the Department's quarterly report entitled, "Acceptance of contributions for defense programs, projects, and activities; Defense Cooperation Account", for the period ending December 31, 2009, pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 2608; to the Committee on Armed Services.

6356. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, Department of Energy, transmitting the Department's semi-annual Implementation Report on Energy Conservation Standards Activities, pursuant to Section 141 of the En-

ergy Policy Act of 2005; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6357. A letter from the Office Manager, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's final rule — Health Information Technology: Initial Set of Standards, Implementation Specifications, and Certification Criteria for Electronic Health Record Technology (RIN: 0991-AB58) received January 15, 2010, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6358. A letter from the Acting Deputy Director, Defense Security Cooperation Agency, transmitting Transmittal No. 09-28, pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(b)(1) of the Arms Export Control Act, as amended; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

6359. A letter from the Director, Defense Security Cooperation Agency, transmitting Transmittal No. 09-03, pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(b)(1) of the Arms Export Control Act, as amended; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

6360. A letter from the Deputy Assistant Secretary For Export Administration, Department of Commerce, transmitting the Department's final rule — Addition to the List of Validated End-Users in the People's Republic of China (PRC) [Docket No.: 0908111226-91431-01] (RIN: 0694-AE70) received January 19, 2010, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

6361. A letter from the Director, Bureau of Economic Analysis, Department of Commerce, transmitting the Department's final rule — Direct Investment Surveys: BE-10, 2009 Benchmark Survey of U.S. Direct Investment Abroad [Docket No.: 090130089-91425-02] (RIN: 0691-AA71) received January

19, 2010, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

6362. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting consistent with the resolution of advice and consent to ratification of the Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production, Stockpiling, and Use of Chemical Weapons and on Their Destruction, adopted by the Senate of the United States on April 24, 1997, and Executive Order 13346 of July 8, 2004, certification pursuant to Condition 7(C)(i), Effectiveness of the Australia Group; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

6363. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting Pursuant to section 702 of the Foreign Relations Authorization Act for FY 2003 (Pub. L. 107-228), a report on the 2009 U.S.-Vietnam Human Rights Dialogue Meetings; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

6364. A letter from the Deputy Assistant Administrator, Bureau for Legislative and Public Affairs, Agency for International Development, transmitting the Agency's report on its fiscal year 2009 Competitive Sourcing efforts, as required by Section 647(b) of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, FY 2004; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

6365. A letter from the Assistant Director, Executive & Political Personnel, Department of the Air Force, transmitting a report pursuant to the Federal Vacancies Reform Act of 1998; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

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