

have violated a number of contracts and agreements. There's penalty phases to that. We start a trade war. I don't think China wins, but I know we don't either. I don't think anybody wins a trade war that that would start.

So inspired by Donald Trump saying, Why don't we put a 25 percent tariff on everything we buy from China—and I've talked to Art Laffer. He likes the idea. He's got some other alternatives as well, but one of them is you eliminate the corporate tax altogether. I really think it's one of the most insidious taxes in America because people have had to be sold a bill of goods to believe that you won't have to pay it. We're going to make these evil, greedy corporations do it.

And I will admit to you, sometimes unions are very helpful because greed does take over. But the thing is, if you eliminate the corporate tax, who's been paying that? The consumers and lower wage earners in those corporations. In some cases, there are studies that have indicated that. But it's the consumers that have to pay the corporate tax. If a corporation doesn't pass that tax on, they can't stay in business.

If you eliminate the corporate tax, you'll have jobs flooding back into America, and you'll have more people paying income tax. The Laffer curve won't be zero taxes on this side with zero revenue. It will be zero corporate tax. But even at the same tax levels, you will have dramatic increases in the Federal revenue because so many more people will be employed, things will be going well, and the economy will have a jump-start like we've never seen before.

So after nobody else would file an American Jobs Act, as the President proposed, and having examined it over and over in the last couple of days, having checked today at noon to see if anybody had the nerve to file this disastrous bill that will kill jobs, run up the price of gasoline and oil and make everybody's life more miserable, more government intrusion into broadcast, more government intrusion into financing things—not Fannie or Freddie because we've still got them around, but a new infrastructure financing authority—I realize this is a disaster for America.

So I filed not a 115-page bill but actually a 2-page bill today at about 1:20, and it says: To amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to repeal the corporate income tax. Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America and Congress assembled. This Act may be cited as the "American Jobs Act of 2011." It repeals the corporate income tax, repeals the alternative minimum tax, and there will be so many more people paying income tax, people will not believe the kind of money that will flow into the Federal Government, not that that's a good thing, but we can at least pay down our debt if we're responsible.

□ 1700

I'm so excited that the Tea Party is getting fired up. I see people from all races, all walks of life in the Tea Party. The one thing they seem to have in common is they're paying income tax, and they're tired of carrying half of the country on their backs. So this is a start, I believe—it is a jobs bill—and you will see jobs flood this country, and we'll get on track.

In the few minutes I have left, let me just tell you about a man that probably had the most influence on my life behind my father. His name was Sam Parker. There have been wonderful men in my life, women in my life, teachers in my life that affected me.

Sam Parker was hired by the Mount Pleasant School Board in 1952 to be a coach and to teach history. He was the head coach of the Mount Pleasant Tigers football team. In 2 years' time, in 1953, he had led them to being undefeated after the first nine games. He turned the program around. He was a devoted Christian, belonged to the Methodist church there, started teaching Sunday school. His wife, Norween, was the librarian at the junior high.

After nine games, we went to play Sulphur Springs, and people were saying, This looks like the best team in 3A, in Texas; they very well could win the State. They went to Sulphur Springs. Some team members told me it was their fault; they didn't take it serious enough, and they lost by one touchdown. That was Friday night. Monday morning, the school board fired Sam Parker.

Then he and his wife had a tough decision. They believed that God had called them to Mount Pleasant to plant their roots, invest their lives, and change America from that small place. Well, he did the unthinkable. He stayed and taught American history after being fired as head football coach.

And 7 years later, I met him in a park recreation program he put on for young kids in the public park down there each summer. I worked with him one summer as a teenager with the kids. He taught more kids how to play baseball in Mount Pleasant during those years than anybody else in town. He was my scoutmaster. He had a troop there. He was my scoutmaster through my becoming an Eagle Scout there at Mount Pleasant, and he taught me American history. He continued to teach Sunday school.

The man that coached 2 years at Mount Pleasant High School changed Mount Pleasant in an incredible way. He was still alive in 1991. Before he died, they renamed the football field Sam Parker Field. He taught me American history. He served in World War II. He loved this country. His son was my best friend—is still a dear friend.

Those are the kinds of people that have changed America. Those are the kinds of people who are the reason we have been blessed like we've been blessed. And if we don't have more people willing to put pettiness aside, goofy

ideas that enrich their cronies, goofy ideas that increase power for some people and get back to what made America great, we're going to lose this country. As Ben Franklin said in 1787, we will become a byword down through future generations because we had the greatest country ever given to mankind, and we became irresponsible and lost it.

It's time for major changes.

With that, I yield back the balance of my time.

RECESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. FARENTHOLD). Pursuant to clause 12(a) of rule I, the Chair declares the House in recess subject to the call of the Chair.

Accordingly (at 5 o'clock and 4 minutes p.m.), the House stood in recess subject to the call of the Chair.

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AFTER RECESS

The recess having expired, the House was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. FARENTHOLD) at 6 o'clock and 41 minutes p.m.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

By unanimous consent, leave of absence was granted to:

Mr. CAPUANO (at the request of Ms. PELOSI) for today and September 15 on account of a death in the family.

Mr. NADLER (at the request of Ms. PELOSI) for today and September 15 on account of a family emergency.

Mr. BARLETTA (at the request of Mr. CANTOR) for today and the balance of the week on account of severe flooding in his district.

Mrs. NOEM (at the request of Mr. CANTOR) for September 12 until 2 p.m. and September 13 on account of family reasons.

ADJOURNMENT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Without objection, the House stands adjourned until 9 a.m. tomorrow.

There was no objection.

Accordingly (at 6 o'clock and 41 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until tomorrow, Thursday, September 15, 2011, 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:

3094. A letter from the Director, Regulatory management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Change of Address for Region 1; Technical Correction [FRL-9449-3] received August 3, 2011, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

3095. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental

Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Cobalt Lithium Manganese Nickel Oxide; Significant New Use Rule [EPA-HQ-OPPT-2009-0922; FRL-8878-2] (RIN: 2070-AB27) received August 3, 2011, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

3096. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — TSCA Inventory Update Reporting Modifications; Chemical Data Reporting [EPA-HQ-OPPT-2009-0189; FRL-8872-9] (RIN: 2070-AJ43) received August 3, 2011, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

3097. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; West Virginia; Section 110(a)(2) Infrastructure Requirements for the 1997 8-Hour Ozone and the 1997 and 2006 Fine Particulate Matter National Ambient Air Quality Standards [EPA-R03-OAR-2010-0157; FRL-9447-6] received August 3, 2011, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

3098. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Delaware; Section 110(a)(2) Infrastructure Requirements for the 1997 8-Hour Ozone and the 1997 and 2006 Fine Particulate Matter National Ambient Air Quality Standards [EPA-R03-OAR-2010-0158; FRL-9447-7] received August 3, 2011, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

3099. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Approval and Promulgation of State Implementation Plans; State of Colorado; Attainment Demonstration for the 1997 8-Hour Ozone Standard, and Approval of Related Revisions [EPA-R08-OAR-2010-0285; FRL-9276-8] received August 3, 2011, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

3100. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Limited Federal Implementation Plan; Prevention of Significant Deterioration; California; North Coast Unified Air Quality Management District [EPA-R09-OAR-2011; FRL-9448-5] received August 3, 2011, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

3101. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Protection of Stratospheric Ozone: Adjustments to the Allowance System for Controlling HCFC Production, Import and Export [EPA-HQ-OAR-2010-1040; FRL-9448-4] (RIN: 2060-AQ82) received August 3, 2011, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

3102. A letter from the Chief, Broadband Division, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule — Amendment of Part 101 of the Commission's Rules to Facilitate the Use of Microwave for Wireless Backhaul and Other Uses and to Provide Additional Flexibility to Broadcast Auxiliary Service and Operational Fixed Microwave Licensees Petition for Rule-making Filed by Fixed Wireless Communications Coalition to Amend Part 101 of the Commission's Rules to Authorize 60 and 80MHz Channels in Certain Bands for Broadband Communications [WT Docket No.: 10-153, RM-11602] received August 22, 2011, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

3103. A letter from the Attorney-Advisor, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Special Local Regulation; Extreme Sailing Series Boston; Boston Harbor, Boston, Massachusetts [Docket No.: USCG-20114-0103] (RIN: 1625-AA08) received August 1, 2011, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

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. BACHUS: Committee on Financial Services. H.R. 1070. A bill to amend the Securities Act of 1933 to authorize the Securities and Exchange Commission to exempt a certain class of securities from such Act; with an amendment (Rept. 112-206). 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 of the following titles were introduced and severally referred, as follows:

By Mr. HULTGREN:

H.R. 2910. A bill to require parental consent to release records of home-schooled students; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

By Mr. GOHMERT (for himself, Mr. BURGESS, Mr. ROSS of Florida, Mr. MICA, and Mr. FARENTHOLD):

H.R. 2911. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to repeal the corporate income tax; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. LARSEN of Washington (for himself and Mr. INSLEE):

H.R. 2912. A bill to establish the San Juan Islands National Conservation Area in the San Juan Islands, Washington, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

By Mr. COFFMAN of Colorado (for himself and Ms. FOXX):

H.R. 2913. A bill to amend title 5, United States Code, to provide for the termination of further retirement benefits for Members of Congress, except the right to continue participating in the Thrift Savings Plan; to the Committee on House Administration, and in addition to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, 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 Ms. SCHAKOWSKY (for herself, Ms.

BASS of California, Mrs. CHRISTENSEN, Mr. CICILLINE, Mr. COHEN, Mr. CONYERS, Mr. CUMMINGS, Ms. DELAURO, Ms. EDWARDS, Mr. ELLISON, Ms. FUDGE, Mr. GRIJALVA, Mr. GUTIERREZ, Mr. HASTINGS of Florida, Mr. HINCHEY, Mr. HOLT, Mr. HONDA, Mr. JACKSON of Illinois, Ms. JACKSON LEE of Texas, Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia, Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas, Mr. KILDEE, Mr. KUCINICH, Mr. LARSON of Connecticut, Ms. LEE, Mr. MCDERMOTT, Mr. NADLER, Ms. NORTON, Mr. OLVER, Mr. RANGEL, Ms. RICHARDSON, Mr. SCOTT of Virginia, Mr. SERRANO, Mr. STARK, Ms. WOOLSEY, Mr. FILNER, Ms. BROWN of Florida, Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD, Ms. CLARKE of New York, Ms. WATERS, and Mr. COURTNEY):

H.R. 2914. A bill to create an emergency jobs program that will fund 2,242,000 positions during fiscal years 2012 and 2013; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce, and in addition to the Committees on Natural Resources, Agriculture, the Judiciary, Science, Space, and Technology, and Energy and Commerce, 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. MCCLINTOCK:

H.R. 2915. A bill to repeal the Western Area Power Administration borrowing authority, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

By Mr. CULBERSON (for himself and Mr. BISHOP of Utah):

H.R. 2916. A bill to enforce the tenth article of amendment to the Constitution of the United States as it relates to the autonomous sovereign police powers of the States; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. CULBERSON (for himself and Mr. BISHOP of Utah):

H.R. 2917. A bill to restore State sovereignty, and to dedicate excess grant funds to deficit reduction; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, and in addition to the Committee on Appropriations, 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 Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN (for herself, Mr. CHABOT, Mr. DIAZ-BALART, Mr. ANDREWS, Mr. ROYCE, and Mr. BURTON of Indiana):

H.R. 2918. A bill to strengthen and clarify the commercial, cultural, and other relations between the people of the United States and the people of Taiwan, as codified in the Taiwan Relations Act, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, and in addition to the Committees on the Judiciary, 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. BACHUS (for himself, Mr. ADERHOLT, Mr. BONNER, Mr. ROGERS of Alabama, Mr. BROOKS, and Ms. SEWELL):

H.R. 2919. A bill to eliminate the reimbursement requirement for certain tornado shelters constructed with Federal assistance, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Mr. CLARKE of Michigan:

H.R. 2920. A bill to establish the Detroit Jobs Trust Fund; to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, 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 Ms. CLARKE of New York:

H.R. 2921. A bill to amend the Small Business Act with respect to assistance under section 8(a) of that Act and goals for procurement contracts, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Small Business.

By Ms. DEGETTE:

H.R. 2922. A bill to designate certain lands in the State of Colorado as components of the National Wilderness Preservation System, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

By Mr. DONNELLY of Indiana:

H.R. 2923. A bill to direct the Secretary of Defense to establish a Quality Assurance Surveillance Plan for security contractors operating in Afghanistan and in support of other contingency operations; to the Committee on Armed Services.