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RECESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. 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 47 minutes p.m.), the House stood in recess.

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AFTER RECESS

The recess having expired, the House was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. SESSIONS) at 6 o'clock and 53 minutes p.m.

REPORT ON RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 3309, INNOVATION ACT; AND PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 1105, SMALL BUSINESS CAPITAL ACCESS AND JOB PRESERVATION ACT

Mr. NUGENT, from the Committee on Rules, submitted a privileged report (Rept. No. 113-283) on the resolution (H. Res. 429) providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 3309) to amend title 35, United States Code, and the Leahy-Smith America Invents Act to make improvements and technical corrections, and for other purposes; and providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 1105) to amend the Investment Advisers Act of 1940 to provide a registration exemption for private equity fund advisers, and for other purposes, which was referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed.

ADJOURNMENT

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

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 6 o'clock and 54 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until tomorrow, Wednesday, December 4, 2013, at 10 a.m. 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:

3977. 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; New Hampshire; Transportation Conformity and Conformity of General Federal Actions [EPA-R01-OAR-2012-0113; A-1-FRL-9903-21-Region 1] received November 26, 2013, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

3978. A letter from the Chief, Publications and Regulations, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Information Reporting of Mortgage Insurance Premiums [TD 9642] (RIN: 1545-BL48) received December 2, 2013, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

3979. A letter from the Chief, Publications and Regulations, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Proposed Revision of Procedures for Requesting Competent Authority Assistance Under Tax Treaties [Notice 2013-78] received December 2, 2013, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

3980. A letter from the Program Manager, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's final rule — Medicare Program; End-Stage Renal Disease Prospective Payment System, Quality Incentive Program, and Durable Medical Equipment, Prosthetics, Orthotics, and Supplies [CMS-1526-F] (RIN: 0938-AR55) received December 2, 2013, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); jointly to the Committees on Energy and Commerce and 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. NUGENT: Committee on Rules. House Resolution 429. Resolution providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 3309) to amend title 35, United States Code, and the Leahy-Smith America Invents Act to make improvements and technical corrections, and for other purposes; and providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 1105) to amend the Investment Advisers Act of 1940 to provide a registration exemption for private equity fund advisers, and for other purposes (Rept. 113-283). Referred to the House Calendar.

TIME LIMITATION OF REFERRED BILL

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

(Omitted from the Record of December 2, 2013)

H.R. 2810. Referral to the Committee on Ways and Means extended for a period ending not later than January 10, 2014.

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. WALBERG:

H.R. 3633. A bill to clarify that certain recipients of payments from the Federal Gov-

ernment related to the delivery of health care services to individuals shall not be treated as Federal contractors by the Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs based on the work performed or actions taken by such individuals that resulted in the receipt of such payments; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

By Mr. SEAN PATRICK MALONEY of New York (for himself, Mr. RANGEL, Mr. TONKO, and Mr. CROWLEY):

H.R. 3634. A bill to make loans and loan guarantees under section 502 of the Railroad Revitalization and Regulatory Reform Act of 1976 available for implementing positive train control systems, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Mr. BENTIVOLIO:

H.R. 3635. A bill to ensure the functionality and security of new Federal websites that collect personally identifiable information, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

By Mr. BLUMENAUER:

H.R. 3636. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to increase the excise tax on gasoline, diesel, and kerosene fuels; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. SALMON (for himself, Mr.

DESJARLAIS, Mr. BISHOP of Utah, Mr. HUELSKAMP, Mr. JORDAN, Mr. BENTIVOLIO, Mr. BROOKS of Alabama, Mr. FLEMING, Mr. CRAMER, Mr. SCHWEIKERT, Mr. KING of Iowa, Mr. PERRY, Mrs. BACHMANN, Mr. GOMMERT, Mr. LAMALFA, Mr. PRICE of Georgia, and Mr. GOSAR):

H.R. 3637. A bill to amend the Labor-Management Reporting and Disclosure Act of 1959 to provide whistleblower protection for union employees; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

By Mr. BLUMENAUER:

H.R. 3638. A bill to establish a Road Usage Fee Pilot Program to study mileage-based fee systems, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committees on Transportation and Infrastructure, 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. BRIDENSTINE:

H.R. 3639. A bill to eliminate sequestration for the security-related functions, to be offset through reductions in payments under Medicare, agricultural subsidies, federal retirement, and the application of chained CPI, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Budget, and in addition to the Committees on Ways and Means, Energy and Commerce, Agriculture, Oversight and Government Reform, and House Administration, 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. BROWNLEY of California:

H.R. 3640. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to increase and make permanent the research credit; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. GRIFFITH of Virginia:

H.R. 3641. A bill to require that the workforce of the Environmental Protection Agency be reduced by 15 percent; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committees on Transportation and Infrastructure, Agriculture, and Science, Space, and Technology, 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. HASTINGS of Florida (for himself, Mr. CONYERS, and Ms. LEE of California):

H.R. 3642. A bill to establish a commission to study employment and economic insecurity in the United States workforce; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

By Mr. ISRAEL (for himself and Mr. KING of New York):

H.R. 3643. A bill to reauthorize the Undetectable Firearms Act of 1988 for 10 years and to close a loophole in the Act; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. KINGSTON:

H.R. 3644. A bill to rescind funds provided to certain Federal agencies if the improper payment rate for certain agency-administered programs has increased from the previous year, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, and in addition to the Committees on the Budget, and 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. KUSTER:

H.R. 3645. A bill to require the Comptroller General of the United States to submit a legislative proposal to Congress to reorganize executive branch agencies, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, and in addition to the Committee on Rules, 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.

CONSTITUTIONAL AUTHORITY STATEMENT

Pursuant to clause 7 of rule XII of the Rules of the House of Representatives, the following statements are submitted regarding the specific powers granted to Congress in the Constitution to enact the accompanying bill or joint resolution.

By Mr. WALBERG:

H.R. 3633.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following: Article I, section 8, clause 3 of the Constitution of the United States

By Mr. SEAN PATRICK MALONEY of New York:

H.R. 3634.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article 1, Section 8 of the U.S. Constitution

By Mr. BENTIVOLIO:

H.R. 3635.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article 1, Section 8, Clause 18, reads: “. . . all other powers vested by this Constitution in the government of the United States, or in any department or officer thereof.” This includes the power to regulate the behavior of federal agencies.

By Mr. BLUMENAUER:

H.R. 3636.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Title I, section 8.

By Mr. SALMON:

H.R. 3637.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8 of the United States Constitution.

By Mr. BLUMENAUER:

H.R. 3638.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Title I, section 8.

By Mr. BRIDENSTINE:

H.R. 3639.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8 of the Constitution enumerates power to Congress to “raise and support Armies,” to “provide and maintain a Navy,” and to “make all Laws which shall be necessary and proper for carrying into Execution the foregoing powers”. The Provide for the Common Defense Act is a law necessary for executing Congress’s power to support our Armed Forces through appropriations.

By Ms. BROWNLEY of California:

H.R. 3640.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8 and Amendment XVI

By Mr. GRIFFITH of Virginia:

H.R. 3641.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

This bill is enacted pursuant to the power granted to Congress under Article I, Section 8 of the United States Constitution.

By Mr. HASTINGS of Florida:

H.R. 3642.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

U.S. Const., Art. I, §8, cl. 3: Congress shall have the power to regulate commerce with foreign nations and among the various states.

By Mr. ISRAEL:

H.R. 3643.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

This bill is enacted pursuant to the powers granted to the Congress by Article I, Section 8, Clause 3 of the United States Constitution.

By Mr. KINGSTON:

H.R. 3644.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 9, Clause 7

No Money shall be drawn from the Treasury but in Consequence of Appropriations made by Law; and a regular Statement and Account of the Receipts and Expenditures of all public Money shall be published from time to time.

By Ms. KUSTER:

H.R. 3645.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8, Clause 1 (relating to the power to lay and collect taxes, duties, imposts and excises, to pay the debts and provide for the common defense and general welfare of the United States), and Article 1, Section 8, Clause 3 (relating to the power to regulate Commerce with foreign Nations, and among the several States, and with the Indian Tribes) of the United States Constitution.

ADDITIONAL SPONSORS

Under clause 7 of rule XII, sponsors were added to public bills and resolutions as follows:

H.R. 24: Mr. GRAYSON.

H.R. 107: Mr. RIBBLE and Mr. GOODLATTE.

H.R. 170: Mr. POCAN.

H.R. 184: Mr. HORSFORD.

H.R. 351: Mr. RAHALL.

H.R. 366: Mr. KENNEDY.

H.R. 503: Ms. SHEA-PORTER, Mr. CONYERS, and Mrs. BEATTY.

H.R. 515: Mr. GOSAR.

H.R. 610: Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania and Mr. KENNEDY.

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H.R. 647: Mr. MCNERNEY, Mr. GARAMENDI, Mr. HURT, Mr. HECK of Washington, Mr. CARTWRIGHT, and Ms. CHU.

H.R. 676: Mrs. BEATTY.

H.R. 685: Mr. BERA of California and Mr. TURNER.

H.R. 721: Mr. BOUSTANY and Mr. SHIMKUS.

H.R. 724: Mr. WILLIAMS.

H.R. 875: Mr. WILSON of South Carolina.

H.R. 940: Mr. VALADAO.

H.R. 1010: Mr. HECK of Washington.

H.R. 1020: Mr. KEATING.

H.R. 1091: Mr. TERRY.

H.R. 1125: Mr. ENYART and Mrs. KIRKPATRICK.

H.R. 1150: Mr. McDERMOTT.

H.R. 1179: Mr. NADLER, Mr. SCOTT of Virginia, Ms. KAPTUR, Mr. PIERLUISI, Ms. FUDGE, Mr. DOYLE, Mr. BRADY of Pennsylvania, Mr. ISRAEL, Mr. ENYART, Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD, Mr. SCHRADER, and Mr. KIND.

H.R. 1209: Mr. SMITH of Missouri, Mr. HARPER, Mr. KINZINGER of Illinois, Mr. MCKINLEY, Mr. ROGERS of Michigan, Mr. WALDEN, Mr. WHITFIELD, Mr. RAHALL, Mrs. ROBY, Mr. RUSH, Mr. DESANTIS, Mrs. WALORSKI, Mr. HUDSON, Mr. CONNOLLY, Mr. MCNERNEY, Mr. TONKO, and Mr. WAXMAN.

H.R. 1239: Mr. WILSON of South Carolina.

H.R. 1250: Mr. ANDREWS.

H.R. 1318: Mr. CAPUANO.

H.R. 1339: Mr. ISRAEL, Ms. PINGREE of Maine, and Mr. MCKINLEY.

H.R. 1414: Mr. BUTTERFIELD.

H.R. 1431: Ms. KUSTER.

H.R. 1449: Mr. KINZINGER of Illinois, Mrs. ELLMERS, Mrs. BLACKBURN, Mr. COBLE, Mr. FARENTHOLD, Mr. MESSER, Mr. HUNTER, Mr. ROONEY, and Mr. MCHENRY.

H.R. 1485: Mr. MCINTYRE.

H.R. 1494: Mr. TIBERI and Mr. WITTMAN.

H.R. 1507: Mr. DEUTCH and Mr. TAKANO.

H.R. 1528: Mrs. KIRKPATRICK and Mr. CRAMER.

H.R. 1563: Mr. SARBANES, Mr. HECK of Washington, Mr. FARENTHOLD, and Ms. SHEA-PORTER.

H.R. 1761: Mr. BARROW of Georgia.

H.R. 1795: Mr. DOYLE and Ms. NORTON.

H.R. 1861: Mr. MASSIE and Mr. WILSON of South Carolina.

H.R. 1869: Mr. GARDNER and Mrs. NOEM.

H.R. 1943: Mr. CONNOLLY.

H.R. 1980: Mr. TIERNEY.

H.R. 2018: Ms. PINGREE of Maine.

H.R. 2101: Ms. SCHAKOWSKY.

H.R. 2223: Mr. UPTON.

H.R. 2239: Mr. KING of Iowa.

H.R. 2274: Ms. LOFGREN.

H.R. 2328: Mr. FORBES.

H.R. 2366: Ms. TSONGAS, Mr. NUNNELEE, Mr. YODER, Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania, and Mr. SEAN PATRICK MALONEY of New York.

H.R. 2376: Mr. FATTAH.

H.R. 2480: Mrs. BEATTY.

H.R. 2529: Ms. BROWNLEY of California, Mr. CÁRDENAS, Mr. DINGELL, Mr. HIGGINS, Mr. ISRAEL, Mr. LOWENTHAL, Mr. MCGOVERN, Mr. MORAN, Mr. RYAN of Ohio, and Ms. SLAUGHTER.

H.R. 2536: Mr. LIPINSKI.

H.R. 2589: Mr. BENTIVOLIO.

H.R. 2638: Mr. WELCH, Mr. YOHO, Mr. HUELSKAMP, and Mr. SIMPSON.

H.R. 2692: Mr. HONDA and Mr. TIERNEY.

H.R. 2734: Ms. LOFGREN.

H.R. 2783: Mr. JOYCE.

H.R. 2785: Ms. SHEA-PORTER.

H.R. 2801: Mr. YOUNG of Alaska.

H.R. 2818: Mr. DEFazio.

H.R. 2866: Mr. GRIFFITH of Virginia.

H.R. 2877: Mr. GARCIA.

H.R. 2892: Mr. HURT.

H.R. 2907: Mr. ISRAEL.

H.R. 2935: Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY of New York.

H.R. 2983: Mr. LOWENTHAL.

H.R. 3040: Ms. WILSON of Florida and Ms. SHEA-PORTER.

H.R. 3077: Mr. MEEKS.

H.R. 3118: Mr. DEUTCH and Ms. SCHWARTZ.