

trading opportunities; and worst of all, our enemies worldwide left emboldened by Trump's isolationist actions.

The American people should be worried tonight. History has shown us that when America is isolated, we are less safe.

I very much hope that my Republican friends, the 101 of them, now 100 of them, who very recently voted in support of this nation in its fight for their democracy and, as a consequence, all of our democratic values, will stand up to our President and will help us, the United States, change our course and, as a consequence, the world change its course for safety and freedom, as well.

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

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Members are reminded to refrain from engaging in personalities toward the President.

Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi. Mr. Speaker, like Hitler, Mussolini, and Saddam Hussein before him, Vladimir Putin should be called what he is: a dictator.

Over the past 20 years, Putin has systematically ended free and fair elections, crushed independent media, quashed protests, and killed, jailed, or exiled political opponents.

Three years ago, Putin invaded Ukraine, showing complete disregard for European borders, UN and NATO doctrines, and human rights.

For three years, the Ukrainian people have faced deliberate killings, rapes, and the abduction of their children.

The United Nations has found evidence of Russian war crimes, and the International Criminal Court has issued an arrest warrant for Vladimir Putin, accusing him of being responsible for the abduction of Ukraine children.

Under Putin's rule, Russian intelligence operations pose one of the most aggressive and sophisticated threats to our national security.

And yet—the White House is now parroting Putin's talking points, alleging that Ukraine started the war when we all know that Russia, unprovoked, invaded Ukraine.

President Trump has described Putin as a "genius" and "very savvy," and last week he called Ukrainian President Zelensky a "dictator."

Under Donald Trump, the United States has turned its back on Ukraine and our NATO allies, while cozying up to an authoritarian.

Under Donald Trump, America's long-held reputation as a defender of democratic ideals and state sovereignty, a credible and reliable partner who will assist others in need and stand up for our allies, is now a crumbling illusion.

Our country was created on the principle that it would not be ruled by an all-powerful king but instead maintained by a system of checks and balances to prevent tyrannical rule and provide power to the people.

But now, Donald Trump is ceding power to an unelected billionaire at home and appeasing a Russian dictator abroad.

I urge my colleagues on the other side of the aisle to open their eyes and rediscover their spines.

## ADJOURNMENT

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

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 9 o'clock and 50 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until tomorrow, Wednesday, February 26, 2025, 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:

EC-457. A letter from the Assistant Attorney General, Department of Justice, transmitting proposed amendments to 31 U.S.C. Sec. 5322; to the Committee on Financial Services.

EC-458. A letter from the Senior Attorney Advisor, Corporation for National and Community Service, transmitting the Corporation's final rule — AmeriCorps State and National Updates (RIN: 3045-AA84) February 13, 2025, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Education and Workforce.

EC-459. A letter from the Director, Office of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule — Non-Power Production or Utilization Facility License Renewal [NRC-2011-0087] (RIN: 3150-AI96) received February 12, 2025, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

EC-460. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting DC Act 26-5, "Rent Stabilized Housing Inflation Protection Continuation Temporary Amendment Act of 2025", pursuant to Public Law 93-198, Sec. 602(c)(1); (87 Stat. 813); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

EC-461. A letter from the Regulations Coordinator, National Institutes of Health, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's final rule — Privacy Act; Implementation [Docket Number: NIH-2022-0002] (RIN: 0925-AA69) received February 19, 2025, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

EC-462. A letter from the Assistant Attorney General, Department of Justice, transmitting a legislative proposal to revise 18 U.S.C. Sec. 3292; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-463. A letter from the Assistant Attorney General, Department of Justice, transmitting a proposal for a Legislative fix to the Sentencing Guidelines; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-464. A letter from the Assistant Attorney General, Department of Justice, transmitting proposed amendments to the 21st Century Department of Justice Appropriations Act; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-465. A letter from the Assistant Attorney General, Department of Justice, transmitting proposed amendments to 18 U.S.C. Sec. 1956(c)(7); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-466. A letter from the Assistant Attorney General, Department of Justice, transmitting proposed amendments to 18 U.S.C. Sec. 2311/2314/2315; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-467. A letter from the Assistant Attorney General, Department of Justice, transmitting proposed amendments to 18 U.S.C.

Sec. 1014 and USSG Sec. 2B1.1; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-468. A letter from the Assistant Attorney General, Department of Justice, transmitting proposed amendments to 18 U.S.C. Sec. 1960; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-469. A letter from the Assistant Attorney General, Department of Justice, transmitting proposed amendments to 18 U.S.C. Sec. 3238; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-470. A letter from the Assistant Attorney General, Department of Justice, transmitting proposed amendments to 18 U.S.C. Sec. 984; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-471. A letter from the Assistant Attorney General, Department of Justice, transmitting proposed amendments to 18 U.S.C. Sec. 1956(c)(7)(D); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-472. A letter from the Assistant General Counsel, Department of Justice, transmitting proposed amendments to 18 U.S.C. Sec. 1510(b); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-473. A letter from the Assistant Attorney General, Department of Justice, transmitting proposed amendments to 18 U.S.C. Sec. 3293; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-474. A letter from the Assistant Attorney General, Department of Justice, transmitting proposed amendments to 19 U.S.C. Sec. 1607; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

EC-475. A letter from the Chief, Publications and Regulations Section, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's IRB only rule — Temporary Relief Under Section 1.102-1(j)(3)(ii) [Notice 2025-7] received February 18, 2025, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

EC-476. A letter from the Chief, Publications and Regulations Section, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's IRB only rule — Changes in accounting periods and in methods of accounting (Rev. Proc. 2025-6) received February 18, 2025, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

EC-477. A letter from the Chief, Publications and Regulations Section, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Deduction for Taxes (Rev. Rul. 2025-4) received February 13, 2025, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

EC-478. A letter from the Federal Register Liaison, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's Major final rule — Credit for Production of Clean Hydrogen and Energy Credit [TD 10023] (RIN: 1545-BQ97) received February 4, 2025, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); 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:

Mrs. HOUCHIN: Committee on Rules. House Resolution 161. Resolution providing for consideration of the joint resolution (H.J. Res. 20) providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the Department of Energy relating to "Energy Conservation Program: Energy Conservation Standards for Consumer Gas-fired Instantaneous Water Heaters"; providing for consideration of the joint resolution (H.J. Res. 35)

providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the Environmental Protection Agency relating to "Waste Emissions Charge for Petroleum and Natural Gas Systems: Procedures for Facilitating Compliance, Including Netting and Exemptions"; and providing for consideration of the concurrent resolution (H. Con. Res. 14) establishing the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2025 and setting forth the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2026 through 2034 (Rept. 119-5). Referred to the House Calendar.

Mr. SMITH of Missouri: Committee on Ways and Means.

H.R. 1156. A bill to amend the CARES Act to extend the statute of limitations for fraud under certain unemployment programs, and for other purposes; with an amendment (Rept. 119-6). 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 Ms. STEFANIK (for herself and Mr. TONKO):

H.R. 1550. A bill to redesignate Saratoga National Historical Park as Saratoga National Battlefield Park; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

By Mr. RUTHERFORD (for himself, Mr. GOTTHEIMER, Mr. STAUBER, Mr. GOLDEN of Maine, Mr. HERN of Oklahoma, and Mr. FITZGERALD):

H.R. 1551. A bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to punish criminal offenses targeting law enforcement officers, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. BAUMGARTNER:

H.R. 1552. A bill to prohibit proposition bets made with respect to the performance of a student athlete, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Ms. BARRAGAN (for herself, Mrs. MCIVER, Ms. TLAI, Ms. BONAMICI, Ms. NORTON, Mr. KRISHNAMOORTHY, Ms. CROCKETT, Mr. KENNEDY of New York, Ms. TITUS, Ms. MATSUI, Ms. DEGETTE, and Ms. ANSARI):

H.R. 1553. A bill to establish an Office of Environmental Justice within the Department of Justice, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. BEAN of Florida (for himself, Mr. CLINE, and Mr. STUTZMAN):

H.R. 1554. A bill to require that the Federal Government procure from the private sector the goods and services necessary for the operations and management of certain Government agencies, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

By Mrs. BICE:

H.R. 1555. A bill to amend the Mineral Leasing Act to streamline the oil and gas permitting process and to recognize fee ownership for certain oil and gas drilling or spacing units, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

By Mr. BRESNAHAN (for himself, Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania, and Mr. RESCHENTHALER):

H.R. 1556. A bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to require the impaneling of a new jury if a jury fails to recommend by unanimous vote a sentence for conviction of a crime punishable by death; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. CASTEN (for himself, Ms. LOIS FRANKEL of Florida, Mrs. HAYES, and Ms. TITUS):

H.R. 1557. A bill to implement title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 with respect to elementary and secondary schools, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Education and Workforce.

By Mr. CONNOLLY (for himself, Ms. NORTON, Mr. LYNCH, Mr. KRISHNAMOORTHY, Mr. KHANNA, Mr. MFUME, Ms. BROWN, Ms. STANSBURY, Mr. GARCIA of California, Mr. FROST, Ms. LEE of Pennsylvania, Ms. CROCKETT, Ms. RANDALL, Mr. SUBRAMANYAM, Ms. ANSARI, Mr. BELL, Ms. SIMON, Mr. MIN, and Ms. TLAI):

H.R. 1558. A bill to modify the government-wide financial management plan, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

By Mr. CONNOLLY (for himself and Mr. GARBARINO):

H.R. 1559. A bill to extend the right of appeal to the Merit Systems Protection Board to certain employees of the United States Postal Service; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

By Mr. CONNOLLY (for himself and Mr. BOST):

H.R. 1560. A bill to amend title 39, United States Code, to modify procedures for negotiating pay and benefits of supervisory and other managerial personnel of the United States Postal Service, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

By Ms. CROCKETT (for herself and Mr. GOODEN):

H.R. 1561. A bill to require research with respect to fentanyl and xylazine test strips, to authorize the use of grant funds for such test strips, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Ms. CROCKETT (for herself and Mr. GOODEN):

H.R. 1562. A bill to amend the 21st Century Cures Act to expressly authorize the use of certain grants to implement substance use disorder and overdose prevention activities with respect to fentanyl and xylazine test strips; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Ms. CROCKETT (for herself and Mr. GOODEN):

H.R. 1563. A bill to amend the Controlled Substances Act to clarify that the possession, sale, purchase, importation, exportation, or transportation of drug testing equipment that tests for the presence of fentanyl or xylazine is not unlawful; to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committee on 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 Ms. DELAURO (for herself, Mr. LARSON of Connecticut, Mr. COURTNEY, Mr. HIMES, Mrs. HAYES, Ms. NORTON, Mr. CLEAVER, Mrs. CHERFILUS-McCORMICK, Ms. PINGREE, Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia, Ms. CASTOR of Florida, Mr. LYNCH, Ms. MOORE of Wisconsin, Mr. CASTEN, Ms. TLAI, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, Mr. MCGARVEY, Mrs. TRAHAN, Mr. JACKSON of Illinois, Mr. CONNOLLY, Mrs. MCIVER, Mr. AUCHINCLOSS, Mr. POCAN, Mr. NEAL, Mr. FROST, Ms. GARCIA of Texas, Mr. GOLDMAN of New York, Mr. CASTRO of Texas, Mr. MULLIN, Ms. BROWNLEY, Mr. SUBRAMANYAM, Mr. BEYER, Mr. GOMEZ, Mr. COSTA, Ms. TOKUDA, Mr. MAGAZINER, Mr. RUIZ, Mrs. TORRES of California, Ms. SEWELL, Mr. FIELDS, Mrs. RAMIREZ, Ms. BONAMICI, Ms. CLARKE of New York, Ms. MCBRIDE, Ms. SHERRILL, Ms. MCCOLLUM, Ms. VELÁZQUEZ, Mr. MOSKOWITZ, Mr.

CROW, Mr. LANDSMAN, Mr. MIN, Ms. TITUS, Ms. DEXTER, Mr. OLSZEWSKI, Ms. MATSUI, Mrs. MCBATH, Mr. PETERS, Mr. DELUZIO, Mr. DAVIS of Illinois, Ms. DELBENE, Ms. WILLIAMS of Georgia, Mr. SHERMAN, Mr. TONKO, Mr. TRAN, Mr. MOULTON, Ms. DEAN of Pennsylvania, Mr. FOSTER, Ms. SALINAS, Ms. KELLY of Illinois, Ms. OMAR, Mr. DOGGETT, Mr. SWALWELL, Mr. KEATING, Mr. PALLONE, Ms. MCCLELLAN, Mr. IVEY, Mr. DESAULNIER, Mrs. SYKES, Ms. LEGER FERNANDEZ, Mr. THOMPSON of California, Mr. KRISHNAMOORTHY, Mrs. DINGELL, Ms. HOULAHAN, Mr. VARGAS, Mr. CISNEROS, Ms. JAYAPAL, Mr. AMO, Mr. TORRES of New York, Ms. SCANLON, Ms. DEGETTE, Mr. PANETTA, Mr. GRIJALVA, and Mr. TAKANO):

H.R. 1564. A bill to amend chapter 44 of title 18, United States Code, to require the safe storage of firearms, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mrs. DINGELL (for herself and Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota):

H.R. 1565. A bill to amend the Food Security Act of 1985 to reauthorize the voluntary public access and habitat incentive program; to the Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. DUNN of Florida (for himself, Ms. PEREZ, Mr. DAVIDSON, Mr. BOYLE of Pennsylvania, Mrs. HARSHBARGER, Mr. TONKO, Mr. NUNN of Iowa, Mr. MULLIN, Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania, Mr. LANDSMAN, Mr. AMODEI of Nevada, Ms. PETERSEN, Mr. BOST, Ms. NORTON, Mr. ROSE, and Mr. KHANNA):

H.R. 1566. A bill to ensure consumers have access to data relating to motor vehicles of the consumers and critical repair information and tools for such motor vehicles, to provide such consumers with choices for the maintenance, service, and repair of such vehicles, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. GOLDMAN of New York (for himself, Mr. ESPAILLAT, Mr. JACKSON of Illinois, Mr. NADLER, Ms. NORTON, Ms. CLARKE of New York, Ms. VELÁZQUEZ, and Mr. RASKIN):

H.R. 1567. A bill to direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a study to assess the suitability and feasibility of establishing the African Burial Ground International Memorial Museum and Educational Center at the African Burial Ground National Monument, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

By Mr. GOLDMAN of New York (for himself, Mr. ESPAILLAT, Mr. JACKSON of Illinois, Mr. NADLER, Ms. NORTON, Ms. CLARKE of New York, Ms. VELÁZQUEZ, and Mr. RASKIN):

H.R. 1568. A bill to establish the African Burial Ground International Memorial Museum and Educational Center in New York, New York, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

By Mr. HIGGINS of Louisiana (for himself, Mr. MAGAZINER, Mr. GIMENEZ, Mr. GOLDMAN of New York, Mr. GREEN of Tennessee, Mr. HARIDOPOLOS, Mr. DAVIS of North Carolina, Mr. FIELDS, Mr. EVANS of Colorado, Mr. RILEY of New York, and Ms. CRAIG):

H.R. 1569. A bill to establish a pilot program to assess the use of technology to speed up and enhance the cargo inspection process at land ports of entry along the border; to the Committee on Homeland Security.

By Mrs. HOUCHIN (for herself and Mr. GOTTHEIMER):

H.R. 1570. A bill to amend the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act to require notification with respect to individualized