## 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 ioint resolution.

By Mr. NEUGEBAUER:

H.R. 5223.

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

Article I, Section 8, Clause 1 of the U.S. Constitution, under the General Welfare Clause

By Mr. BABIN:

H.R. 5224.

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

Article I, Section 8, Clause 4 & Article I. Section 8, Clause 18

By Mr. WEBER of Texas:

H.R. 5225.

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

Article I, Section 8, Clause 3

The Congress shall have Power to regulate Commerce with foreign Nations, and among the several States, and with the Indian

Article I, Section 8, Clause 1

The Congress shall have Power to lav and collect Taxes, Duties, Imposts, and Excises, to pay the Debts and provide for the common Defence and general Welfare of the United States; but all Duties, Imposts and Excises shall be uniform throughout the United States.

By Mr. WALBERG:

H.R. 5226.

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; the power to regulate commerce among the several states and Article I. Section 8. Clause 18 to make all Laws which shall be necessary and proper for carrying into Execution the foregoing Powers.

The bill will prevent Executive Agencies from violating the rule and spirit of the Administrative Procedures Act by requiring additional transparency about public communications made by the agencies; most importantly communications made with the intent of artificially promoting support for pending regulatory actions. Congress has the authority to limit regulations by the Executive branch under its Commerce Clause power and it is necessary and proper to introduce legislation to effectively carryout this power.

By Mrs. MILLER of Michigan:

H.R. 5227.

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

Article 1. Section 8. The Congress shall have Power . . . To exercise exclusive Legislation in all Case whatsoever, over such District (not exceeding ten Miles square) as may, by Cession of particular States, and acceptance of Congress, become the Seat of the Government of the United States, and to exercise like Authroity over all Places purchased by the Consent of the Legislature of the State in which the Same shall be, for the Erection of Forts, Magazines, Arsenals. dock-yards, and other needful Buildings;

By Mr. BENISHEK:

H.R. 5228.

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

United States Constitution, Article I, Section 8.

By Mr. TAKANO:

H.R. 5229.

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

Article 1, Section 8 of the Constitution of the United States.

By Mrs. BLACKBURN:

H.R. 5230.

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

Article 1. Section 8: To make all Laws which shall be necessary and proper for carrying into Execution the foregoing Powers, and all other Powers vested by this Constitution in the Government of the United States. or in any Department or Officer thereof.

By Mr. BOST:

H.R. 5231.

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

Article 1, Section 8 of the United States Constitution.

By Ms. DELAURO:

H.R. 5232.

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

Article I, Section 8, Clause 3 of the United States Constitution and Article I, Section 8, Clause 1 of the United States Constitution.

By Mr. MEADOWS:

H.R. 5233.

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

Pursuant to Article I. Section 8. Clause 17 of the Constitution, Congress has the authority "to exercise exclusive Legislation in all Cases whatsoever, over such District (not exceeding ten Miles square) as may, by Cession of particular States, and the Acceptance of Congress, become the Seat of the Government of the United States . .

By Ms. JUDY CHU of California:

H.R. 5234.

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

Clause 1 of Section 8 of Article 1 of teh United States Constitution

By Mr. DESAULNIER:

H.R. 5235.

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

Article 1, Section 8, Clause 3

By Ms. ESHOO:

H.R. 5236.

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

Article I, Section 8, Clause 3

By Ms. JENKINS of Kansas:

H.R. 5237.

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

Article I, Section 8, Clause 3 of the United States Constitution and Article I. Section 8. Clause 1 of the United States Constitution.

By Mr. LEWIS:

H.R. 5238.

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 of the United States Constitution and its subsequent amendments, and further clarified and interpreted by the Supreme Court of the United States.

By Mr. MCNERNEY:

H.R. 5239.

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

Article I. section 8 of the United States Constitution.

By Mrs. NOEM:

H.R. 5240.

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

Article I, Section 8, Clause 1: The Congress shall have Power To lay and collect Taxes, Duties, Imposts and Excises, to pay the Debts and provide for the common Defence and general Welfare of the United States; but all Duties, Imposts, and Excises shall be uniform throughout the United States;

By Mr. RUIZ:

H.R. 5241.

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

Article I, Section 8 of the United States Constitution.

By Mr. SALMON:

H.R. 5242.

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.

## ADDITIONAL SPONSORS

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

H.R. 242: Ms. Eshoo.

H.R. 430: Mr. Hastings.

H.R. 535: Mr. KIND.

H.R. 546: Mr. TAKANO.

H.R. 662: Mr. Kelly of Mississippi.

H.R. 711: Mr. FITZPATRICK.

H.R. 816: Mr. MARINO.

H.R. 923: Mr. MULLIN, Mr. CONAWAY, and Mr. McClintock.

H.R. 971: Mr. SMITH of New Jersey.

H.R. 973: Mr. BRADY of Pennsylvania.

H.R. 986: Mr. TROTT.

H.R. 1062: Mr. Graves of Georgia.

H.R. 1197: Mr. HECK of Nevada.

H.R. 1252: Mr. SMITH of Washington.

H.R. 1255: Mr. Smith of Washington.

H.R. 1342: Ms. JUDY CHU of California

H.R. 1399: Ms. EDWARDS, Ms. FUDGE, and Miss RICE of New York.

H.R. 1519: Mr. FOSTER. H.R. 1559: Mr. ROUZER.

H.R. 1586: Mr. Peters.

H.R. 1769: Mr. Walden, Mrs. Miller of Michigan, and Mr. Young of Alaska.

H.R. 1962: Ms. NORTON.

H.R. 1963: Mr. Rush.

H.R. 2058: Mr. WESTERMAN.

H.R. 2101: Mr. HIMES.

H.R. 2173: Mr. Veasey, Mr. Hastings, Mr. DEFAZIO, and Ms. ESTY.

H.R. 2315: Mr. GUINTA.

H.R. 2368: Mr. Rush, Mr. Crowley, Mr. MEEKS, Mr. QUIGLEY, Ms. EDWARDS, and Mr. HASTINGS.

H.R. 2434: Mr. Long, Ms. SINEMA, and Mr. REICHERT.

H.R. 2597: Mr. THOMPSON of California.

H.R. 2656: Ms. STEFANIK

H.R. 2657: Mr. HONDA, Mr. POLIS, and Mr. KING of New York.

H.R. 2726: Mr. McCaul.

H.R. 2793: Mrs. Blackburn.

H.R. 2962: Mr. RUPPERSBERGER and Mr. QUIGLEY

H.R. 3080: Mr. Long.

H.R. 3119: Mr. ZELDIN and Ms. TSONGAS. H.R. 3229: Mr. ASHFORD and Ms. LOFGREN.

H.R. 3237: Mr. QUIGLEY.

H.R. 3286: Ms. ESTY.

H.R. 3297: Mr. FARENTHOLD.

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H.R. 3381: Mr. KILDEE, Mr. CUELLAR, Mr. BILIRAKIS, Ms. BONAMICI, and Mr. GROTHMAN. H.R. 3514: Mr. DEUTCH, Mr. DEFAZIO, Mr. DANNY K. DAVIS of Illinois, and Mr. GALLEGO.

H.R. 3632: Mr. WELCH. H.R. 3673: Mr. McKinley and Mr. Sensen-BRENNER.

H.R. 3684: Mr. HECK of Nevada.

H.R. 3799: Mrs. McMorris Rodgers and Mr. GRIFFITH.

H.R. 3832: Mr. HECK of Nevada.

H.R. 3861: Mr. BRAT and Mr. ELLISON.

- H.R. 3917: Mr. Ruiz.
- H.R. 4006: Mr. Gosar.
- H.R. 4013: Mr. Danny K. Davis of Illinois.
- H.R. 4055: Mr. Murphy of Florida, Mr. Jeffries, and Mr. Price of North Carolina. H.R. 4062: Mr. HUELSKAMP.
- H.R. 4065: Mr. BILIRAKIS and Ms. Ros-LEHTINEN.
- H.R. 4165: Mr. GARAMENDI and Mr. RICH-MOND.
- H.R. 4166: Mr. GUINTA, Mr. HUIZENGA of Michigan, Mrs. Wagner, Mr. Marchant, Mr. STIVERS, and Mr. MCHENRY.
- H.R. 4184: Ms. MICHELLE LUJAN GRISHAM of New Mexico, Ms. Lee, Mr. Rush, and Mr. LOWENTHAL.
  - H.R. 4283: Mr. DESAULNIER.
  - H.R. 4428: Mr. WITTMAN.
  - H.R. 4447: Mr. POCAN and Ms. DUCKWORTH.
  - H.R. 4499: Mrs. Brooks of Indiana.
  - H.R. 4513: Mr. ROONEY of Florida.
  - H.R. 4554: Mr. KILMER.
  - H.R. 4591: Ms. Jenkins of Kansas.
- H.R. 4613: Ms. CLARKE of New York.
- H.R. 4615: Mr. LAMALFA, Mrs. KIRKPATRICK, and Mr. VARGAS
  - H.R. 4625: Mr. Smith of New Jersey.
- H.R. 4626: Mr. Smith of Washington, Mr. GUTIÉRREZ, Mr. HUIZENGA of Michigan, Ms. DUCKWORTH, Mr. ROONEY of Florida, and Mr. HARRIS.
  - H.R. 4653: Mr. Cummings.
- H.R. 4695: Mr. AMODEI.
- H.R. 4715: Mr. Womack, Mr. Ribble, Mr. DANNY K. DAVIS of Illinois, and Mr. Bost.
  - H.R. 4764: Ms. TITUS.
  - H.R. 4766: Mr. Pearce.
- H.R. 4768: Mr. MCHENRY, Mr. DUNCAN of South Carolina, Mr. GUINTA, and Mr. RODNEY DAVIS of Illinois.
- H.R. 4773: Mr. DOLD, Mr. RODNEY DAVIS of Illinois, Ms. HERRERA BEUTLER, and Mr. REED
  - H.R. 4813: Mr. GARRETT.
- H.R. 4849: Mr. McClintock.
- H.R. 4879: Mr. Veasey, Ms. Moore, Ms. WILSON of Florida, Mr. Rush, Ms. Adams, Ms. Velázquez, Mr. Kennedy, Mr. Crowley, Ms.

- DEGETTE, Ms. JACKSON LEE, Ms. DELAURO, Mr. CONNOLLY, and Mr. KILMER.
- H.R. 4893: Mr. FITZPATRICK, Mrs. BEATTY, Mr. HECK of Nevada, Mr. RENACCI, Mr. HUELSKAMP, Ms. DUCKWORTH, Mr. FARR, Mrs. COMSTOCK, and Ms. DELAURO.
  - H.R. 4941: Mr. McClintock.
- H.R. 4954: Mrs. Torres, Mr. Takano, Mr. TONKO, Mr. RUSH, Mr. WELCH, Ms. MOORE, Mr. Hastings, Ms. Matsui, Mr. Grijalva, and Mr. DESAULNIER.
  - H.R. 4955: Mrs. NOEM and Mr. LAHOOD.
- H.R. 4965: Mr. Hastings.
- H.R. 4966: Mr. HASTINGS.
- H.R. 4980: Mr. ROKITA and Mr. McCLINTOCK.
- H.R. 4989: Mr. KIND.
- H.R. 4992: Mr. Brat.
- H.R. 5001: Ms. McSally.
- H.R. 5025: Mr. BECERRA, Mr. WEBER of Texas, Mr. Brady of Texas, Mr. Poe of Texas, and Mr. GRIJALVA.
- H.R. 5035: Mr. McClintock.
- H.R. 5047: Mr. NEWHOUSE.
- H.R. 5073: Mr. DEUTCH, Mr. COURTNEY, Mr. MICA, Mr. PERLMUTTER, and Mr. Yarmuth.
- H.R. 5094: Mr. MURPHY of Pennsylvania, Mr. Rush, Mr. Burgess, Mr. Sherman, Mr. POE of Texas, Ms. KELLY of Illinois, Mr. BRENDAN F. BOYLE of Pennsylvania, Mr. QUIGLEY, and Mr. HIGGINS.
- H.R. 5143: Mr. LOUDERMILK and Mr. PITTENGER.
- H.R. 5166: Mr. Grayson, Mrs. Lawrence, and Mr. MULVANEY.
  - H.R. 5170: Mr. Polis.
  - H.R. 5190: Mr. MEEHAN
- H.R. 5191: Mr. RYAN of Ohio.
- H.R. 5207: Mr. Schiff, Mr. Higgins, Mr. O'ROURKE, and Mr. YARMUTH.
- H.R. 5210: Mr. Bucshon, Mr. Lamborn, Mr. BARR, and Mr. MARINO.
- H.J. Res. 87: Mr. CRAMER, Mr. ADERHOLT, Mr. Franks of Arizona, Mr. Rouzer, Mr. SMITH of Texas, Mr. HECK of Nevada, and Mr. SALMON.
- H. Con. Res. 128: Mr. HECK of Nevada.
- H. Res. 14: Mrs. Beatty.
- H. Res. 154: Ms. DEGETTE.

- H. Res. 263: Mr. Kennedy, Ms. Jackson LEE, and Mr. VEASEY.
  - H. Res. 551: Ms. Duckworth.
  - H. Res. 586: Mr. DELANEY.
- H. Res. 590: Mr. CARNEY, Mr. KLINE, Mr. CONYERS, Mr. MURPHY of Pennsylvania, and Mr. Desjarlais.
  - H. Res. 631: Mr. GALLEGO.
  - H. Res. 693: Mr. BABIN.
  - H. Res. 707: Mr. Gosar and Mr. Labrador.
  - H. Res. 712: Mr. KILMER.
- H. Res. 724: Mrs. NAPOLITANO and Mr. VEASEY.
- H. Res. 726: Mr. Conyers, Mr. Tonko, Mr. POCAN, Mrs. NAPOLITANO, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, Mr. Norcross, Ms. Clarke of New York, Mr. CARSON of Indiana, Mr. KILDEE, Mr. KIND, Ms. Delauro, Mr. Foster, Ms. Wilson of Florida, Mr. LEVIN, Mrs. LAWRENCE, Mr. DEUTCH, Ms. NORTON, Ms. BONAMICI, Mr. MI-CHAEL F. DOYLE of Pennsylvania, Ms. FUDGE, Mr. DESAULNIER, Ms. KUSTER, and Mr. CARTWRIGHT.

## PETITIONS, ETC.

Under clause 3 of rule XII, petitions and papers were laid on the clerk's desk and referred as follows:

61. The SPEAKER presented a petition of Mr. Gregory D. Watson, a citizen of Austin, TX, relative to urging Congress to refrain from relieving the U.S. Commonwealth of Puerto Rico in any way from its financial indebtedness: which was referred to the Committee on Natural Resources.

62. Also, a petition of the Common Council of the City of Darlington, Wisconsin, relative to Resolution 2016-02, supporting an amendment to the United States Constitution stating that only human beings are endowed with constitutional rights and that money is not speech: which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.