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## House of Representatives

The House met at 2 p.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. BUCSHON).

### DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Speaker:

WASHINGTON, DC,  
June 7, 2024.

I hereby appoint the Honorable LARRY BUCSHON to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

MIKE JOHNSON,  
*Speaker of the House of Representatives.*

### PRAYER

The Reverend John Kellogg, Christ Church on Capitol Hill, Washington, D.C., offered the following prayer:

Almighty God, send down upon our Representatives in Congress the spirit of wisdom, charity, and justice; that with steadfast purpose, they may faithfully serve in their offices to promote the well-being of all people.  
Amen.

### THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair has examined the Journal of the last day's proceedings and announces to the House the approval thereof.

Pursuant to clause 1 of rule I, the Journal of the last day's proceedings is approved.

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair will lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The SPEAKER pro tempore led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

### COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Clerk of the House of Representatives:

OFFICE OF THE CLERK,  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,  
Washington, DC, June 6, 2024.

Hon. MIKE JOHNSON,  
*Speaker, House of Representatives,*  
Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: Pursuant to the permission granted in Clause 2(h) of Rule II of the Rules of the U.S. House of Representatives, the Clerk received the following message from the Secretary of the Senate on June 6, 2024, at 12:20 p.m.

That the Senate passed S. 3237.  
That the Senate passed S. 2291.  
That the Senate agreed to S. Con. Res. 18.  
That the Senate agrees to the House amendment to the bill S. 2051.

Appointments:  
Commission on Reform and Modernization of the Department of State  
Commission on Social Impact Partnerships  
With best wishes, I am,  
Sincerely,

KEVIN F. MCCUMBER,  
*Acting Clerk.*

### ADJOURNMENT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Without objection, the House stands adjourned until noon on Tuesday, June 11, 2024, for morning-hour debate and 2:00 p.m. for legislative business.

There was no objection.  
Thereupon (at 2 o'clock and 03 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until Tuesday, June 11, 2024, at noon for morning-hour debate and 2 p.m. for legislative business.

### OATH FOR ACCESS TO CLASSIFIED INFORMATION

Under clause 13 of rule XXIII, the following Member executed the oath for access to classified information:  
Vince Fong

### EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

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

EC-4471. A letter from the Under Secretary of Defense, Acquisition and Sustainment, Department of Defense, transmitting a letter determining and certifying that Full-Up System Level survivability testing of the E-XX Take Charge And Move Out aircraft would be unreasonably expensive and impracticable, pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 4172(c)(1); Public Law 99-500, Sec. 101(c) (as amended by Public Law 99-591, Sec. 910(a)); (100 Stat. 3341-144); to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-4472. A letter from the Acting Under Secretary, Personnel and Readiness, Department of Defense, transmitting a letter authorizing Rear Admiral (lower half) Dion D. English, United States Navy, to wear the insignia of the grade of vice admiral, pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 777a(b)(4); Public Law 111-383, Sec. 505(a)(1); (124 Stat. 4208); to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-4473. A letter from the Under Secretary, Personnel and Readiness, Department of Defense, transmitting a letter authorizing Colonels Matthew S. Allen, David J. Berkland, and Adrienne L. Williams, United States Air Force, to wear the insignia of the grade of brigadier general, pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 777(b)(3)(B); Public Law 104-106, Sec. 503(a)(1) (as added by Public Law 108-136, Sec. 509(a)(3)); (117 Stat. 1458); to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-4474. A letter from the Under Secretary, Personnel and Readiness, Department of Defense, transmitting a letter authorizing Nick I. Brown, Shannon M. Brown, Tamara L. Campbell, James W. Lively, Samuel L. Meyer, Michael R. Nakonieczny, Douglas C. Sanders, and Matthew W. Tracy to wear the insignia of the grade of brigadier general, pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 777(b)(3)(B); Public Law 104-106, Sec. 503(a)(1) (as added by Public Law 108-136, Sec. 509(a)(3)); (117 Stat. 1458); to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-4475. A letter from the Under Secretary, Personnel and Readiness, Department of Defense, transmitting a letter authorizing Craig C. Sicola, David G. Duff, Douglas J. Adams, Cassidy C. Norman, Todd M. Evans, Peter D. Small, Tuan Nguyen, Todd F. Cimicata, and Daniel W. Ettlich, to wear the insignia of the grade of rear admiral (lower half), pursuant to 10 U.S.C.

□ This symbol represents the time of day during the House proceedings, e.g., □ 1407 is 2:07 p.m.

Matter set in this typeface indicates words inserted or appended, rather than spoken, by a Member of the House on the floor.



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777(b)(3)(B); Public Law 104-106, Sec. 503(a)(1) (as added by Public Law 108-136, Sec. 509(a)(3)); (117 Stat. 1458); to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-4476. A letter from the Under Secretary, Personnel and Readiness, Department of Defense, transmitting a letter authorizing Colonel Grant S. Fawcett, United States Army, to wear the insignia of the grade of brigadier general, pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 777(b)(3)(B); Public Law 104-106, Sec. 503(a)(1) (as added by Public Law 108-136, Sec. 509(a)(3)); (117 Stat. 1458); to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-4477. A letter from the Under Secretary, Personnel and Readiness, Department of Defense, transmitting a letter authorizing 26 officers to wear the the insignia of the grade of brigadier general, pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 777(b)(3)(B); Public Law 104-106, Sec. 503(a)(1) (as added by Public Law 108-136, Sec. 509(a)(3)); (117 Stat. 1458); to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-4478. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting the Department's Determination and Certification of Countries That Are Not Fully Cooperating with U.S. Antiterrorism Efforts, Department Report Number: 005884, pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2781(a); Public Law 90-629, Sec. 40A (as added Public Law 104-132, Sec. 330); (110 Stat. 1258); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

EC-4479. A letter from the Secretary, Department of the Treasury, transmitting a six-month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to the Central African Republic that was declared in Executive Order 13667 of May 12, 2014, pursuant to 50 U.S.C. 1641(c); Public Law 94-412, Sec. 401(c); (90 Stat. 1257) and 50 U.S.C. 1703(c); Public Law 95-223, Sec. 204(c); (91 Stat. 1627); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

EC-4480. A letter from the Secretary, Department of the Treasury, transmitting a six-month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to Yemen that was declared in Executive Order 13611 of May 16, 2012, pursuant to 50 U.S.C. 1641(c); Public Law 94-412, Sec. 401(c); (90 Stat. 1257) and 50 U.S.C. 1703(c); Public Law 95-223, Sec. 204(c); (91 Stat. 1627); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

EC-4481. A letter from the Secretary, Department of the Treasury, transmitting a six-month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to Syria that was declared in Executive Order 13338 of May 11, 2004, pursuant to 50 U.S.C. 1641(c); Public Law 94-412, Sec. 401(c); (90 Stat. 1257) and 50 U.S.C. 1703(c); Public Law 95-223, Sec. 204(c); (91 Stat. 1627); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

EC-4482. A letter from the Secretary, Department of the Treasury, transmitting transmitting a six-month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to Iran that was declared in Executive Order 12170 of November 14, 1979, pursuant to 50 U.S.C. 1641(c); Public Law 94-412, Sec. 401(c); (90 Stat. 1257) and 50 U.S.C. 1703(c); Public Law 95-223, Sec. 204(c); (91 Stat. 1627); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

EC-4483. A letter from the Deputy General Counsel for Operations, Department of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting a notification of a vacancy, and a designation of acting officer, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 3349(a); Public Law 105-277, Sec. 151(b); (112 Stat. 2681-614); to the Committee on Oversight and Accountability.

EC-4484. A letter from the Attorney-Advisor, Office of the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting a notification of a vacancy, and a designation of acting officer, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 3349(a); Public Law 105-277, Sec. 151(b); (112 Stat. 2681-614); to the Committee on Oversight and Accountability.

EC-4485. A letter from the Director Congressional Affairs, Federal Election Commission, transmitting the Commission's Semi-annual Report to Congress from the Office of Inspector General from October 1, 2023, through March 31, 2024; to the Committee on Oversight and Accountability.

EC-4486. A letter from the Chairman, U.S. Merit Systems Protection Board, transmitting the Board's FY 2023 No FEAR Act report, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 2301 note; Public Law 107-174, Sec. 203(a) (as amended by Public Law 109-435, Sec. 604(f)); (120 Stat. 3242); to the Committee on Oversight and Accountability.

EC-4487. A letter from the Communications Specialist, Office of Protected Resources, NMFS, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Taking Marine Mammals Incidental to the Hampton Roads Bridge Tunnel Expansion Project in Norfolk, Virginia [Docket No.: 210318-0058] (RIN: 0648-BK21) received May 28, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

EC-4488. A letter from the Director, Administrative Office of the United States Courts, transmitting the 2023 annual report on bankruptcy statistics mandated by the Bankruptcy Abuse Prevention and Consumer Protection Act of 2005, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. 159(b)(3); Public Law 109-8, Sec. 601(a); (119 Stat. 119); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-4489. A letter from the Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's report titled, "Training and Technical Assistance for Rural, Small and Tribal Municipalities and Wastewater Treatment Systems for Clean Water Act Prevention, Reduction and Elimination of Pollution", pursuant to Public Law 117-58, Sec. 50201(c); (135 Stat. 1158); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

EC-4490. A letter from the Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's 2022 Clean Watersheds Needs Survey Report to Congress, pursuant to 33 U.S.C. 1375(b)(1); June 30, 1948, ch. 758, title V, Sec. 516 (as amended by Public Law 107-303, Sec. 302(b)(1)); (116 Stat. 2361); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

EC-4491. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislation, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Assets for Independence Program Report to Congress: Status at the Conclusion of the Twentieth Year, Fiscal Year 2019, pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 604 note; Public Law 105-285, Sec. 414(d)(1); (112 Stat. 2771); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

EC-4492. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislation, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the FY 2021 Annual Report to Congress on the Child Support Program, pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 652(a)(10); Aug. 14, 1935, ch. 531, title IV, Sec. 452 (as amended by Public Law 93-647, Sec. 101(a)); (88 Stat. 2352); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

EC-4493. A letter from the Commissioner, Social Security Administration, transmitting the 2024 Annual Report of the Supplemental Security Income Program, pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 1383f(a); Aug. 14, 1935, ch. 531, title XVIII, Sec. 1875 (as amended by Public Law 104-193, Sec. 231); (110 Stat. 2197); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

EC-4494. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislation, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's 2023 Report to Congress — Annual Update: Identification of Quality Measurement Priorities and Associated Funding for the Consensus-Based Entity and Other

Entities, pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 1395aaa(e); Aug. 14 1935, ch. 531, title XVIII, Sec. 1890(e) (as amended by Public Law 115-123, Sec. 50206(b)); (132 Stat. 184); jointly to the Committees on Energy and Commerce and Ways and Means.

EC-4495. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislation, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's report to Congress on Medicare National Coverage Determinations for Fiscal Year 2022, pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 1395ff(f)(7)(A); Aug. 14, 1935, ch. 531, title XVIII, Sec. 1869(f)(7) (as amended by Public Law 106-554, Sec. 1(a)(6)); (114 Stat. 2763A-546); jointly to the Committees on Energy and Commerce and Ways and Means.

EC-4496. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislation, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's report to Congress titled "Medicare National Coverage Determinations for Fiscal Year 2023", pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 1395ff(f)(7)(A); Aug. 14, 1935, ch. 531, title XVIII, Sec. 1869(f)(7) (as amended by Public Law 106-554, Sec. 1(a)(6)); (114 Stat. 2763A-546); jointly to the Committees on Energy and Commerce and Ways and Means.

EC-4497. A letter from the Assistant General Counsel for Legislation, Regulation and Energy Efficiency, Office of the Chief Information Officer, Department of Energy, transmitting the Department's final rule — Social Security Number Fraud Prevention Act of 2017 [DOE-HQ-2023-0058] (RIN: 1903-AA14) received May 29, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); jointly to the Committees on Oversight and Accountability and Ways and Means.

EC-4498. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting Congressional Report Transmittal Letter titled "Conservation of Sea Turtles Certification", Department Report Number: 005979; jointly to the Committees on Natural Resources and Appropriations.

## 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. GUEST: Committee on Ethics. In the Matter of Allegations Relating to Representative Bill Huizenga (Rept. 118-541). Referred to the House Calendar.

Mr. GREEN of Tennessee: Committee on Homeland Security. H.R. 5302. A bill to designate the Air and Marine Operations Marine Unit of the U.S. Customs and Border Protection located at 101 Km 18.5 in Cabo Rojo, Puerto Rico, as the "Michel O. Maceda Marine Unit" (Rept. 118-542, Pt. 1). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. GREEN of Tennessee: Committee on Homeland Security. H.R. 7404. A bill to require annual reports on counter illicit cross-border tunnel operations, and for other purposes (Rept. 118-543). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. GREEN of Tennessee: Committee on Homeland Security. H.R. 7832. A bill to require the Secretary of Homeland Security to develop a plan to identify, integrate, and deploy new, innovative, disruptive, or other emerging or advanced technologies to enhance, or address capability gaps in, border security operations, and for other purposes (Rept. 118-544). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.