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## House of Representatives

The House met at 11 a.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 18, 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 Chaplain, the Reverend Margaret Grun Kibben, offered the following prayer:

In a world where faith is under fire, believers of many different faith traditions are suffering persecution because of their beliefs, Lord, open our eyes to their tribulations. We who so easily—perhaps even casually—live our lives in faith, remind us that You have allowed us this freedom with the understanding that we have been given this wealth of privilege that we would share generously of our resources to ensure the welfare of others.

Open then our eyes to seek and serve those who dare to serve You in places where their voices are silenced, their worship is forbidden, their practices ruled illegal. Release them from their captivity and use us to show up, speak out, and step in to protect the religious liberties with which You have so richly endowed us.

In all this may we practice hospitality to each other and to those in need, opening our hearts to all those You call Your own.

In Your merciful name we pray.  
Amen.

### THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 3(z) of House Resolution 5, 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 17, 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 17, 2024, at 3:30 p.m.

That the Senate passed S. 3984.

That the Senate passed S. 4548.

That the Senate passed without amendment H.R. 4581.

With best wishes, I am,

Sincerely,

KEVIN F. MCCUMBER,  
*Acting Clerk.*

### ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair would inform the House that, pursuant to H. Res. 1292 and H. Res.

1293, the Speaker has certified to the United States Attorney for the District of Columbia the refusal of Merrick B. Garland to produce documents, records, and materials to the Committees on the Judiciary and Oversight and Accountability as directed by subpoena.

### ADJOURNMENT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 3(z) of House Resolution 5, the House stands adjourned until 9 a.m. on Friday, June 21, 2024.

Thereupon (at 11 o'clock and 3 minutes a.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until Friday, June 21, 2024, 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:

EC-4578. A letter from the Under Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting the semiannual report titled, "Acceptance of Contributions For Defense Programs, Projects, and Activities; Defense Cooperation Account", as of the second quarter, FY 2024, pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 2608(e); Public Law 101-403, Sec. 202(a)(1) (as amended by Public Law 112-81, Sec. 1064(7)); (125 Stat. 1587); to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-4579. A letter from the Regulations Coordinator, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's final rule — Administrative Destruction [Docket No.: FDA-2021-N-1348] (RIN: 0910-A159) received May 29, 2024, 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-4580. A letter from the Regulations Coordinator, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's final rule — Food Additives Permitted in Feed and Drinking Water of Animals; Ethyl Cellulose [Docket No.: FDA-2023-F-0147] received June

□ 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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5, 2024, 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-4581. A letter from the Regulations Coordinator, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's final rule — Advisory Committee; Science Advisory Board to the National Center for Toxicological Research; Termination; Removal from List of Standing Committees [Docket No.: FDA-2024-N-2357] received May 29, 2024, 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-4582. A letter from the Chair, Medicaid and CHIP Payment and Access Commission, transmitting the Commission's June 2024 Report to Congress on Medicaid and CHIP, pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 1396(b)(1)(C); Aug. 14, 1935, ch. 531, title XIX, Sec. 1900 (as amended by Public Law 111-148, Sec. 2801(a)(1)(A)(iv)); (124 Stat. 329); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

EC-4583. A letter from the Secretary, Department of the Treasury, transmitting a final report on the national emergency with respect to Zimbabwe that was declared in Executive Order 13288 of March 6, 2003, 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-4584. A letter from the Deputy Director of Congressional Affairs, Bureau of Industry and Security, Department of Commerce, transmitting the Department's final rule — Securing the Information and Communications Technology and Services Supply Chain; Connected Software Applications (RIN: 0605-AA62) received April 24, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

EC-4585. A letter from the Deputy Director of Congressional Affairs, Bureau of Industry and Security, Department of Commerce, transmitting the Department's final rule — Additions to the Entity List; Amendment To Confirm Basis for Adding Certain Entities to the Entity List Includes Foreign Policy Interest of Protection of Human Rights Worldwide [Docket No.: 230324-0084] (RIN: 0694-AJ20) 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 Foreign Affairs.

EC-4586. A letter from the Deputy Director of Congressional Affairs, Bureau of Industry and Security, Department of Commerce, transmitting the Department's final rule — Implementation of Additional Sanctions Against Russia and Belarus Under the Export Administration Regulations (EAR) and Refinements to Existing Controls [Docket No.: 240119-0019] (RIN: 0694-AJ48) 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 Foreign Affairs.

EC-4587. A letter from the Deputy Director of Congressional Affairs, Bureau of Industry and Security, Department of Commerce, transmitting the Department's final rule — Revision of Controls for Cambodia Under the Export Administration Regulations [Docket No.: 211201-0249] (RIN: 0694-AI65) 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 Foreign Affairs.

EC-4588. A letter from the Sanctions Regulations Advisor, Office of Foreign Assets Control, Department of the Treasury, transmitting the Department's interim final rule — Reporting, Procedures and Penalties Regulations 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 Foreign Affairs.

EC-4589. A letter from the Civil Rights and Civil Liberties Officer, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department'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-4590. A letter from the Acting Secretary, Department of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting the Department's Office of Inspector General Semi-annual Report to Congress for the six-month period of October 1, 2023 through March 31, 2024; to the Committee on Oversight and Accountability.

EC-4591. A letter from the Acting Assistant Secretary, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of the Treasury, transmitting the semiannual reports to Congress from the Treasury Inspector General and the Treasury Inspector General for Tax Administration covering the reporting period of October 1, 2023 through March 31, 2024; to the Committee on Oversight and Accountability.

EC-4592. A letter from the Principal Deputy Director, Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement, Department of the Interior, transmitting the Department's direct final rule — Acceptable Payment Methods [Docket ID: OSM 2023-0010; S1D1S SS08011000 SX064A000 245S180110; S2D2S SS08011000 SX064A000 24XS501520] (RIN: 1029-AC25) received June 11, 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-4593. A letter from the Assistant to the Director, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior, transmitting the Department's final rule — Civil Penalties Inflation Adjustments; Annual Adjustments [245A2100DD/AAK001030/A0A501010.999900253G] (RIN: 1076-AF75) received May 29, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-4594. A letter from the Legal Yeoman, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's temporary final rule — Safety Zone; Lower Mississippi River, Natchez, MS [Docket Number: USCG-2024-0343] (RIN: 1625-AA00) 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 Transportation and Infrastructure.

EC-4595. A letter from the Chief, Publications and Regulations Section, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's IRB only rule — Domestic Content Bonus Credit Amounts under the Inflation Reduction Act of 2022: Expansion of Applicable Projects for Safe Harbor in Notice 2023-38 and New Elective Safe Harbor to Determine Cost Percentages for Adjusted Percentage Rule [Notice 2024-41] received May 29, 2024, 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-4596. A letter from the Branch Chief, Trade and Commercial Regulations, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Import Restrictions Imposed on Archaeological and Ethnological Material from Ecuador; Correction [CBP Dec. 24-10] (RIN: 1515-AE89) received June 13, 2024, 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-4597. A letter from the Chair, Medicare Payment Advisory Commission, transmitting the Commission's June 2024 Report to the Congress: Medicare and the Health Care

Delivery System, pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 1395b-6(b)(1)(D); Aug. 14, 1935, ch. 531, title XVIII, Sec. 1805(b)(1)(D) (as amended by Public Law 111-148, Sec. 2801(b)(2)); (124 Stat. 332); jointly to the Committees on Ways and Means and Energy and Commerce.

## 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:

*[The following actions occurred on June 17, 2024]*

Mr. VALADAO: Committee on Appropriations. H.R. 8772. A bill making appropriations for the Legislative Branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2025, and for other purposes (Rept. 118-555). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. JOYCE of Ohio: Committee on Appropriations. H.R. 8773. A bill making appropriations for the financial services and general government for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2025, and for other purposes (Rept. 118-556). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. CALVERT: Committee on Appropriations. H.R. 8774. A bill making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2025, and for other purposes (Rept. 118-557). 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. CRENSHAW (for himself and Mr. MAGAZINER):

H.R. 8775. A bill to require an assessment on manual operations for critical infrastructure, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security, and in addition to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, 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. KELLY of Pennsylvania:

H.R. 8776. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to treat membership in a health care sharing ministry as a medical expense, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. BEAN of Florida (for himself,

Mr. BABIN, Mr. BANKS, Mr. BIGGS, Mr. BISHOP of North Carolina, Ms. BOEBERT, Mr. BURLISON, Mr. COLLINS, Mr. CRANE, Mr. DUNCAN, Mr. DUNN of Florida, Mr. FITZGERALD, Mr. GAETZ, Mr. GOOD of Virginia, Mr. GOODEN of Texas, Mr. GROTHMAN, Mr. HARRIS, Mr. LAMALFA, Mr. LUTTRELL, Mr. MCCLINTOCK, Mr. MEUSER, Mrs. MILLER of Illinois, Mr. MILLS, Mr. MOORE of Alabama, Mr. NEHLS, Mr. NORMAN, Mr. OWENS, Mr. POSEY, Mr. SELF, Mr. WENSTRUP, Mr. FULCHER, and Mr. BRECHEEN):

H.R. 8777. A bill to rescind unobligated Covid-19 relief funds and certain infrastructure funds to offset the cost of the supplemental foreign assistance made available for fiscal year 2024, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Oversight and Accountability, and in addition to the Committees on Appropriations, and Transportation and