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Senate

The Senate was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Monday, July 29, 2019, at 3 p.m.

House of Representatives

FRIDAY, JULY 26, 2019

The House met at 9 a.m. and was called to order by the Speaker.

PRAYER

The Chaplain, the Reverend Patrick J. Conroy, offered the following prayer: God of our ancestors, thank You for giving us another day.

We pray You, O God, to be with the Members of this House today and as they depart for the August recess. Give them sound judgment and make them as practical as the American people who sent them here as their representatives.

Help them to withstand open criticism when they know what is right before You and conscience. Often they are characterized by half-truths and attributed motives that are far beneath them. Uphold them at such times with personal integrity and compassion for those most in need.

Having called them to serve others to the best of their abilities, lift them even higher by Your grace and power to live and work for Your greater honor and glory, both this day and throughout the remainder of the summer.

Amen.

THE JOURNAL

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

Pursuant to clause 1, rule I, the Journal stands approved.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

The SPEAKER 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.

ADJOURNMENT FROM FRIDAY, JULY 26, 2019, TO TUESDAY, JULY 30, 2019

The SPEAKER. Without objection, when the House adjourns today, it shall adjourn to meet at 11:30 a.m. on Tuesday next.

There was no objection.

ADJOURNMENT

The SPEAKER. Without objection, the House stands adjourned until 11:30 a.m., Tuesday, July 30, 2019.

There was no objection.

Thereupon (at 9 o'clock and 5 minutes a.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until Tuesday, July 30, 2019, at 11:30 a.m.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

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

1778. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Air Plan Approval; Ohio;

Removal of Obsolete Infectious Waste Incinerator Regulations [EPA-R05-OAR-2018-0112; FRL-9997-29-Region 5] received July 24, 2019, 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.

1779. 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; State of Utah; Revisions to Nonattainment Permitting Regulations [EPA-R08-OAR-2019-0063; FRL-9996-96-Region 8] received July 24, 2019, 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.

1780. A letter from the Director, National Legislative Division, American Legion, transmitting a financial statement and independent audit of The American Legion, and proceedings of the 100th Annual National Convention of the American Legion, held in Minneapolis, Minnesota from August 24 — 30, 2018, and a report on the organization's activities for the year preceding the convention (H. Doc. No. 116—52); to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs and ordered to be printed.

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. JACKSON LEE:

H.R. 4080. A bill to require the safe storage of firearms and ammunition, and to require the investigation of reports of improper storage of firearms or ammunition; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Ms. JACKSON LEE:

H.R. 4081. A bill to provide for the licensing of firearm and ammunition possession and the registration of firearms, and to prohibit

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the possession of certain ammunition; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Ms. JACKSON LEE:

H.R. 4082. A bill to prohibit the private purchase or sale of a firearm or ammunition except through a federally licensed firearms dealer, to impose additional requirements on such a dealer, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. MCADAMS (for himself, Mr. WRIGHT, and Mr. KATKO):

H.R. 4083. A bill to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to support innovative, evidence-based approaches that improve the effectiveness and efficiency of postsecondary education for all students, to allow pay for success initiatives, to provide additional evaluation authority, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Education and Labor.

By Mr. BARR (for himself and Mr. STIVERS):

H.R. 4084. A bill to impose sanctions with respect to the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Financial Services.

By Mr. BILIRAKIS:

H.R. 4085. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to make certain improvements in the educational assistance programs of the Department of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. BILIRAKIS (for himself and Mr. RUIZ):

H.R. 4086. A bill to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to determine presumptions of service connection for illnesses associated with open burn pits, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, and in addition to the Committee on Armed Services, 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. BLUMENAUER (for himself, Ms. SEWELL of Alabama, Mr. CONNOLLY, and Mr. GRIJALVA):

H.R. 4087. A bill to amend the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980 to include certain landlocked releases of petroleum, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, 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. BLUMENAUER (for himself, Mr. CONNOLLY, Mr. MCNERNEY, Ms. SEWELL of Alabama, Ms. NORTON, Mr. GRIJALVA, and Mr. CARTWRIGHT):

H.R. 4088. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for the use of funds in the Hazardous Substance Superfund for the purposes for which they were collected, to ensure adequate resources for the cleanup of hazardous substances under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committees on Transportation and Infrastruc-

ture, Energy and Commerce, and the Budget, 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. FOSTER (for himself, Ms. MOORE, Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia, Ms. NORTON, and Mr. MOULTON):

H.R. 4089. A bill to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to authorize certain students to retain financial aid eligibility while completing a drug rehabilitation program; to the Committee on Education and Labor.

By Mr. ROONEY of Florida:

H.R. 4090. A bill to amend title 5, United States Code, to eliminate the use of official time by Federal employees; to the Committee on Oversight and Reform.

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 Ms. JACKSON LEE:

H.R. 4080.

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, Clauses 1 and 18 of the United States Constitution.

By Ms. JACKSON LEE:

H.R. 4081.

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, Clauses 1 and 18 of the United States Constitution.

By Ms. JACKSON LEE:

H.R. 4082.

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, Clauses 1 and 18 of the United States Constitution.

By Mr. MCADAMS:

H.R. 4083.

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

Article I, 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. BARR:

H.R. 4084.

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

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

By Mr. BILIRAKIS:

H.R. 4085.

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

This bill is enacted pursuant to Article I, Section 8, Clause 1 of the Constitution of the United States and Article I, Section 8, Clause 7 of the Constitution of the United States.

Article I, section 8 of the United State Constitution, which grants Congress the power to raise and support an Army; to provide and maintain a Navy; to make rules for the government and regulation of the land and naval forces; and provide for organizing, arming, and disciplining the militia.

By Mr. BILIRAKIS:

H.R. 4086.

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

This bill is enacted pursuant to Article I, Section 8, Clause 1 of the Constitution of the United States and Article I, Section 8, Clause 7 of the Constitution of the United States.

Article I, section 8 of the United State Constitution, which grants Congress the power to raise and support an Army; to provide and maintain a Navy; to make rules for the government and regulation of the land and naval forces; and provide for organizing, arming, and disciplining the militia.

By Mr. BLUMENAUER:

H.R. 4087.

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

Article I, Section 8, Clause 3

By Mr. BLUMENAUER:

H.R. 4088.

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

Article I, Section 8, Clause 1

By Mr. FOSTER:

H.R. 4089.

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, Clauses 1 and 18 of the United States Constitution.

By Mr. ROONEY of Florida:

H.R. 4090.

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

Article I, Section 8

ADDITIONAL SPONSORS

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

H.R. 2074: Ms. BLUNT ROCHESTER and Mr. FOSTER.

H.R. 2571: Mr. BISHOP of Utah.

H.R. 3114: Mr. CLYBURN, Ms. DAVIDS of Kansas, Ms. DELBENE, Mr. FOSTER, Ms. FUDGE, Ms. KENDRA S. HORN of Oklahoma, and Mr. KIND.

H.R. 3593: Ms. KELLY of Illinois and Ms. GARCIA of Texas.

H.R. 3657: Mr. COLLINS of Georgia, Ms. KUSTER of New Hampshire, Mr. CHABOT, Mr. PANETTA, Mr. BUCK, and Mrs. BROOKS of Indiana.

H.R. 3797: Mr. STEWART.

H.R. 3974: Mr. CONNOLLY and Mr. ROSE of New York.

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

RECOGNIZING THE CONTRIBUTIONS OF DIVERSE U.S. COAST GUARD SERVICE MEMBERS ON THE U.S. COAST GUARD'S 229TH BIRTHDAY

HON. J. LUIS CORREA

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, July 26, 2019

Mr. CORREA. Madam Speaker, I rise today to ask the House of Representatives to join me in recognizing the U.S. Coast Guard on its upcoming 229th birthday on August 4, 2019. In honor of this significant occasion, I would like to particularly recognize the contributions of Coast Guard men and women from diverse and underrepresented communities. They have fought for our country in times of war and rescued thousands in time of peace. "Semper Paratus" is the U.S. Coast Guard motto, and regardless of the day, time, or crisis, they have always been ready.

Such U.S. Coast Guard members include James Leftwich, a member of the Chickasaw nation. In 1943, Mr. Leftwich enlisted in the U.S. Coast Guard. He was 14 years of age and the youngest enlistee. Two years later, he was wounded at the Battle of Eniwetok. Mr. Letwich recovered and continued to serve in the U.S. Coast Guard until 1964.

Master Chief Melvin Kealoha Bell, a native Hawaiian, joined the Coast Guard in 1938. Stationed at Pearl Harbor on December 7, 1941, Mr. Bell transmitted the first radio message warning vessels and military institutions of the attack on Pearl Harbor. He then served as a member of the Navy's Fleet Radio Unit Pacific and helped break the secret Japanese Imperial Navy code that led to U.S. Navy victories in the Pacific.

Myrtle Rae Holthaus Hazard Gambrill was the first woman to serve on active duty in the U.S. Coast Guard. She joined on January 7, 1918, before women could vote. Ms. Gambrill served as an electrician at Coast Guard headquarters and was honorably discharged in November 1919.

Olivia Hooker, Dorothy Winifred Byrd, Julia Watson Mosley Shields, Aileen Anita Cooke Moore, and Yvonne Cumberbatch were the first five African-American women to serve as Coast Guard service members during World War II, as part of the "Semper Paratus, Always Ready" (SPARs) program. Dr. Hooker was the first one in this group to enlist in the U.S. Guard in February 1945, and she was one of the last known survivors of the Tulsa race riots of 1921.

Their sister SPARs included other trailblazers: Cuban-American Mary Rivero and Filipina-American Florence Finch Smith. Ms. Smith joined the SPARs after surviving torture and incarceration at the hands of the Japanese during the occupation of the Philippines.

Admiral Vivian Crea, former Vice Commandant, is the highest-ranking woman in Coast Guard history. Admiral Crea joined the service in 1973, and in 2000, she became the

first female Admiral in the U.S. Coast Guard. Admiral Crea was selected as Vice Commandant in 2006.

Master Chief Vince Patton became the highest ranking African-American Coast Guard enlisted member when he was selected in 1998 to be the Eighth Master Chief Petty Officer of the U.S. Coast Guard. He was the senior enlisted advisor on workforce and personnel issues.

Henry Garcia, born in Puerto Rico, became the first underrepresented minority to receive an officer's commission in 1928. Ten years later in 1938, he took command of the Coast Guard Cutter *Morris* and became the first Hispanic-American to command a Coast Guard cutter.

In 1991, Katherine Faverey took command of Coast Guard Cutter *Bainbridge Island*, becoming the first Hispanic-American woman to command a cutter.

Happy birthday, U.S. Coast Guard. You consist of a diverse group of men and women, and your diversity has been essential to your success.

HONORING DR. MARY BETH MUSKIN

HON. DON BACON

OF NEBRASKA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, July 26, 2019

Mr. BACON. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Dr. Mary Beth Muskin for her lifetime of exceptional service and dedication to our community. Dr. Muskin devoted nearly four decades to education and her impact on the Omaha community has benefitted thousands and is an inspiration for all Nebraskans.

Dr. Muskin received her Bachelor of Science from the University of Nebraska in Elementary and Pre-School Education. She went on to obtain her Master of Science in Counseling from Johns Hopkins University and returned to the University of Nebraska-Lincoln to get her PhD in Philosophy, with an emphasis in Adult and Continuing Education.

Dr. Muskin began her career in education while teaching in the Baltimore Public Schools. One day, a man was trying to break into her classroom of thirty-six children. Dr. Muskin will always remember the moment when she knew she had to stop the invasion and slammed the window ultimately breaking his arm. That act of bravery marked the beginning of her incredible career serving inner city students and she has loved every minute of that service.

Dr. Muskin eventually moved back to Omaha to marry Bruce Muskin and together that have raised three outstanding children, all of whom who have a passion for education and social justice. Upon returning to Nebraska, she spent thirty-six years working for the Omaha Public Schools across the entire District, and the last six as Director of Counseling at Omaha South High School.

Following an extraordinary career in education, Dr. Muskin became the Regional Direc-

tor of the Anti-Defamation League Plains States Region in 2015 and was excited to use her skills in classroom teaching to further the community education mission of the ADL.

The Anti-Defamation League Plains States region covers Nebraska, Iowa and Kansas. Their mission is to Protect, Investigate and Educate and the ADL is committed to addressing the issues of prejudice and discrimination that affect all people. They work to "secure justice and fair treatment of all citizens."

One of the programs of the Anti-Defamation League that Dr. Muskin proudly oversees is No Place For Hate. Dr. Muskin and her team have brought this program into schools across the region. Under her leadership, the ADL has worked tirelessly in metro Omaha schools, helping to reduce bullying in partnerships with students, parents, teachers, and administrators in our districts. In addition, Dr. Muskin has been a valued friend and counselor to my office and her wisdom regarding education and combatting hate has been vital with respect to our legislative efforts.

In her spare time, Dr. Muskin volunteers in South Omaha, is involved in voter education programs, and to date has registered over five hundred and fifty voters.

The impact of Dr. Mary Beth Muskin on our community and the surrounding states is broad and her passion is contagious. Through her example and leadership, she has built a legacy that will endure for generations to come. We all salute her for her work with students, the community, law enforcement, and legislators to make the world a better place.

HONORING THE LIFE OF ANTHONY MARTINEZ

HON. TJ COX

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, July 26, 2019

Mr. COX of California. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the life of Anthony Martinez, Sr., a true leader in Delano, California and the Central Valley, who dedicated his life to helping others.

Tony was born in Santa Paula, California and grew up in Hanford where he graduated from high school and then went on to pursue higher education at Bakersfield College, San Jose State, and Porterville College.

A selfless leader, Tony proudly served in the California National Guard and the United States Air Force.

Among his many jobs in life, Tony managed a Thrifty's Drug Store, but then with the support of his wife Pat, accomplished a lifelong dream by opening the renowned Tony's Pizza in Delano, and also founded the Anthony Martinez Farmers Insurance Agency.

During his impressive 40-year business career, Tony volunteered countless hours to his community and served in elected roles as both a city councilmember and as Mayor.

Tony passed away on June 20, 2019, but he leaves behind a legacy that will live on.

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Madam Speaker, I urge my colleagues to join me in honoring the life of Anthony “Tony” Martinez. May he rest in peace and may we always remember his dedication to Delano, the Central Valley and our great nation.

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

The Senate was not in session and stands adjourned until 3 p.m., on Monday, July 29, 2019.

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 11 public bills, H.R. 4080–4090 were introduced.

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Additional Cosponsors:

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Reports Filed: There were no reports filed today.

Quorum Calls—Votes: There were no Yea and Nay votes, and there were no Recorded votes. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 9 a.m. and adjourned at 9:05 a.m.

Committee Meetings

THE PATIENT PERSPECTIVE: THE DEVASTATING IMPACTS OF SKYROCKETING DRUG PRICES ON AMERICAN FAMILIES

Committee on Oversight and Reform: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “The Patient Perspective:

The Devastating Impacts of Skyrocketing Drug Prices on American Families”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR MONDAY, JULY 29, 2019

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

House

No hearings are scheduled.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

3 p.m., Monday, July 29

Senate Chamber

Program for Monday: Senate will begin consideration of the veto messages with respect to S.J. Res. 36, providing for congressional disapproval of the proposed transfer to the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, the Kingdom of Spain, and the Italian Republic of certain defense articles and services, S.J. Res. 37, providing for congressional disapproval of the proposed export to the United Arab Emirates, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, and the Republic of France of certain defense articles and services, and S.J. Res. 38, providing for congressional disapproval of the proposed export to the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland of certain defense articles and services, and vote on passage of the joint resolutions, the objections of the President to the contrary notwithstanding, in the order listed, at 5:30 p.m.

Following disposition of S.J. Res. 38, Senate will vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the nomination of Michael T. Liburdi, of Arizona, to be United States District Judge for the District of Arizona.

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

11:30 a.m., Tuesday, July 30

House Chamber

Program for Tuesday: House will meet in Pro Forma session at 11:30 a.m.

Extensions of Remarks, as inserted in this issue

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