

PRAYER

Reverend Eugene Hemrick, Catholic University of America, Washington, D.C., offered the following prayer:

Lord, we thank You for yet another year and the awesome blessings You have showered on us.

We pray that as we enter 2014 You will bless this Congress with unity, creativity, and the American spirit that has made our country great.

We pray especially for the next generation who will inherit the works of the U.S. Congress.

May You bless it with heartfelt concern for the world they will live in: a world of peace, justice, and in awe of the God who created us.

Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 6(a) of House Resolution 438, the Journal of the last day's proceedings is approved.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Will the gentleman from California (Mr. DENHAM) come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. DENHAM 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, December 20, 2013.

Hon. JOHN A. BOEHNER,
The Speaker, U.S. Capitol, 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 December 20, 2013 at 3:07 p.m.:

That the Senate passed without amendment H.R. 3343.

That the Senate passed without amendment H.R. 3487.

That the Senate agreed to S. Con. Res. 30. With best wishes, I am

Sincerely,

KAREN L. HAAS.

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, December 20, 2013.

Hon. JOHN A. BOEHNER,
The Speaker, U.S. Capitol, 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 December 20, 2013 at 9:50 a.m.:

That the Senate concurs in the House amendment to the Senate amendment H. R. 3304.

That the Senate passed S. 1614.

That the Senate agreed to without amendment H. Con. Res. 71.

That the Senate passed without amendment H.R. 623.

That the Senate passed without amendment H.R. 767.

That the Senate passed without amendment H.R. 2319.

Appointments: US-China Economic Security Review Commission.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely,

KAREN L. HAAS.

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, December 19, 2013.

Hon. JOHN A. BOEHNER,
The Speaker, U.S. Capitol, 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 December 19, 2013 at 11:37 a.m.:

That the Senate concurs in the House amendment to the Senate amendment H.J. Res. 59,

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely,

KAREN L. HAAS.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 4 of rule I, the following enrolled bill and joint resolution were signed by Speaker pro tempore THORNBERRY on Thursday, December 19, 2013:

H.R. 1402, to amend title 38, United States Code, to extend certain expiring provisions of law, and for other purposes

H.J. Res. 59, making continuing appropriations for fiscal year 2014, and for other purposes

ACCURACY FOR ADOPTEES ACT

Mr. DENHAM. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent to take from the Speaker's table the bill (S. 1614) to require Certificates of Citizenship and other Federal documents to reflect name and date of birth determinations made by a State court and for other purposes, and ask for its immediate consideration in the House.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from California?

There was no objection.

The text of the bill is as follows:

S. 1614

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the "Accuracy for Adoptees Act".

SEC. 2. RECOGNITION OF STATE COURT DETERMINATIONS OF NAME AND BIRTH DATE.

Section 320 of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1431) is amended by adding at the end the following:

"(c) A Certificate of Citizenship or other Federal document issued or requested to be amended under this section shall reflect the child's name and date of birth as indicated on a State court order, birth certificate, certificate of foreign birth, certificate of birth abroad, or similar State vital records document issued by the child's State of residence in the United States after the child has been adopted or readopted in that State."

The bill was ordered to be read a third time, was read the third time, and passed, and a motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

ENROLLED BILL AND JOINT RESOLUTION

Karen L. Haas, Clerk of the House, reported and found truly enrolled a bill and a joint resolution of the House of the following titles, which were thereupon signed by the Speaker pro tempore, Mr. THORNBERRY:

H.R. 1402. An act to amend title 38, United States Code, to extend certain expiring provisions of law, and for other purposes.

H.J. Res. 59. Joint resolution making continuing appropriations for fiscal year 2014, and for other purposes.

ADJOURNMENT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 6(b) of House Resolution 438, the House stands adjourned until noon on Thursday, December 26, 2013.

Thereupon (at 10 o'clock and 5 minutes a.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until Thursday, December 26, 2013, at noon.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

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

4314. 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; Indiana; Indiana State Board Requirements [EPA-R05-OAR-2012-0988; FRL-9904-36-Region 5] received December 18, 2013, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

4315. 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; Indiana; Volatile Organic Compound Emission Control Measures for Industrial Solvent Cleaning for Northwest Indiana [EPA-R05-OAR-2012-0453; FRL-9904-35-Region 5] received December 18, 2013, pursuant to 5