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H.R. 508. A bill to expand Medicare coverage to include eyeglasses, hearing aids, and dental care; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Ways and Means, 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. SENSENBRENNER:

H.R. 509. A bill to abolish the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives, transfer its functions relating to the Federal firearms, explosives, and arson laws, violent crime, and domestic terrorism to the Federal Bureau of Investigation, and transfer its functions relating to the Federal alcohol and tobacco smuggling laws to the Drug Enforcement Administration, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. SENSENBRENNER (for himself, Mr. SWALWELL of California, Mr. RODNEY DAVIS of Illinois, Mr. KIND, Mr. RYAN of Ohio, Mr. COHEN, Mrs. WAGNER, Mr. RATCLIFFE, Ms. SPEIER, Mr. PEARCE, and Mr. DESAULNIER):

H.R. 510. A bill to establish a system for integration of Rapid DNA instruments for use by law enforcement to reduce violent crime and reduce the current DNA analysis backlog; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. WELCH (for himself and Mrs. BROOKS of Indiana):

H.R. 511. A bill to provide for consideration of the extension under the Energy Policy and Conservation Act of nonapplication of No-Load Mode energy efficiency standards to certain security or life safety alarms or surveillance systems, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. YOHO (for himself, Mr. RODNEY DAVIS of Illinois, Ms. SINEMA, Mr. DELANEY, Mr. BABIN, Mr. BISHOP of Michigan, Mrs. BLACKBURN, Mr. COSTA, Mr. DAVIDSON, Mr. DESJARLAIS, Mrs. DINGELL, Mr. FLORES, Mr. FRANKS of Arizona, Mr. GIBBS, Mr. GOHMERT, Mr. GOSAR, Mr. HARRIS, Mr. HILL, Mr. JONES, Mr. JOYCE of Ohio, Mr. KING of Iowa, Ms. SHEA-PORTER, Mr. ROSKAM, Mr. MAST, Mr. YOUNG of Iowa, Mr. NOLAN, Mr. ROGERS of Kentucky, Ms. MCSALLY, Mr. BUCHANAN, Mr. CROWLEY, Mr. CÁRDENAS, Mr. BACON, Mrs. COMSTOCK, Mr. KINZINGER, Mr. COURTNEY, Mrs. BUSTOS, Mr. EMMER, Mr. REED, Mrs. NAPOLITANO, Mr. HIMES, Mr. RUTHERFORD, Mrs. BLACK, Mr. BISHOP of Utah, Mr. DAVID SCOTT of Georgia, Mr. BLUMENAUER, Mr. SAM JOHNSON of Texas, Ms. FRANKEL of Florida, Mr. ROGERS of Alabama,

Mr. WITTMAN, Mr. FARENTHOLD, Mr. RICE of South Carolina, Mr. SABLAN, Ms. JACKSON LEE, Mr. CARTER of Georgia, Mrs. BEATTY, Mr. ALLEN, Mr. GROTHMAN, Mr. COLE, Mr. Tipton, Mr. BERA, Mr. CUMMINGS, Mr. LOWENTHAL, Mrs. RADEWAGEN, Mr. CONYERS, Ms. LEE, Ms. KAPTUR, Mrs. HARTZLER, Mr. GALLEGO, Mr. FRANCIS ROONEY of Florida, Mr. BRIDENSTINE, Mr. BARLETTA, Mr. MCCAUL, Mr. RUSH, Mr. BYRNE, Mr. BARR, Mr. RATCLIFFE, Mr. ROUZER, Mr. POE of Texas, Mr. MITCHELL, Mr. MARSHALL, Mrs. BROOKS of Indiana, Mrs. LOVE, Mr. MARINO, Mr. MASSIE, Mr. MEEHAN, Mr. MESSER, Mr. PEARCE, Mr. ROKITA, Mr. THOMAS J. ROONEY of Florida, Mr. ROYCE of California, Mr. THOMPSON of California, Mr. WEBER of Texas, Mr. WILSON of South Carolina, Mr. ABRAHAM, Mr. BERGMAN, Mr. BRAT, Mr. CRIST, Mr. FASO, Mr. CURBELO of Florida, Ms. GABBARD, Mr. GAETZ, Mr. PERRY, Mr. COOK, Mrs. WAGNER, Mr. BUCSHON, Mr. OLSON, Mr. DUNCAN of Tennessee, Mr. MOONEY of West Virginia, Ms. ROSLEHTINEN, Mr. PETERS, Mr. PALAZZO, Mr. JODY B. HICE of Georgia, Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania, Mr. SMITH of Missouri, Mr. CRAMER, Mr. DONOVAN, Mr. DESAULNIER, Mr. SOTO, Mr. DUNN, Mr. GRAVES of Louisiana, Mr. LEWIS of Minnesota, Mr. COLLINS of Georgia, Mr. GRIFFITH, Mr. HURD, Mr. LANCE, Mr. LAMALFA, Mr. LAWSON of Florida, Mr. NEWHOUSE, Mr. SIREs, Mr. SHIMKUS, Mr. LAHOOD, Mr. FERGUSON, Mr. COMER, Mr. MEEKS, Mr. GOWDY, Mr. BOST, Mr. MEADOWS, Mr. DUNCAN of South Carolina, Mr. KELLY of Mississippi, Mr. VALADAO, Mrs. MCMORRIS RODGERS, Mr. CICILLINE, Mr. SCHNEIDER, Mr. WALBERG, Mr. SWALWELL of California, Mr. GRIJALVA, Mr. SEAN PATRICK MALONEY of New York, Mr. GUTHRIE, Mr. ISSA, Ms. JUDY CHU of California, Mr. BIGGS, Mr. DESANTIS, and Mr. ENGEL):

H.R. 512. A bill to title 38, United States Code, to permit veterans to grant access to their records in the databases of the Veterans Benefits Administration to certain designated congressional employees, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. YOUNG of Alaska:

H.R. 513. A bill to provide for the exchange of certain National Forest System land and non-Federal land in the State of Alaska, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

By Mr. WENSTRUP (for himself, Mr. ROE of Tennessee, Mr. ROTHFUS, and Mrs. WAGNER):

H.J. Res. 27. A joint resolution disapproving the action of the District of Columbia Council in approving the Death with Dignity Act of 2016; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

By Mr. GRAVES of Missouri (for himself and Mr. WALZ):

H. Res. 46. A resolution recognizing the increased risk of sleep apnea among soldiers returning from active duty and the benefits of continuous positive airway pressure (CPAP) therapy on treating obstructive sleep apnea (OSA) in soldiers suffering from Posttraumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD); to the Committee on Armed Services, and in addition to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, 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. RENACCI (for himself, Mr. QUIGLEY, Mr. AMODEI, and Mr. WESTERMAN):

H. Res. 47. A resolution amending the Rules of the House of Representatives respecting budget-related points of order; to the Committee on Rules.

By Ms. LEE (for herself, Ms. CLARKE of New York, Ms. MAXINE WATERS of California, Mr. HASTINGS, Mr. CONYERS, Mr. MCGOVERN, Ms. WILSON of Florida, Mr. RUSH, Mr. ENGEL, Mr. GRIJALVA, Ms. NORTON, Mrs. LOWEY, and Ms. TSONGAS):

H. Res. 49. A resolution recognizing the anniversary of the tragic earthquake in Haiti on January 12, 2010, honoring those who lost their lives in the earthquake and in Hurricane Matthew in October 2016, and expressing continued solidarity with the Haitian people; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Mr. SESSIONS (for himself and Mr. CARTER of Georgia):

H. Res. 50. A resolution recognizing the historical importance of Associate Justice Clarence Thomas; to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committee on House Administration, 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.

## 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 Mr. LEWIS of Minnesota:

H.R. 462.

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 1, Clause 1 of the United States Constitution, in that the legislation concerns the exercise of legislative powers generally granted to Congress by that section, including the exercise of those powers when delegated by Congress to the Executive; Article I, Section 8, Clauses 1 to 17, of the United States Constitution; Article I, Section 8, clause 18 of the United States Constitution, in that the legislation exercises legislative power granted to Congress by that clause "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. CONNOLLY:

H.R. 463.

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

This bill is introduced pursuant to the authority delineated in Article I, Section 1, which includes an implied power for the Congress to regulate the conduct of the United States with respect to foreign affairs.

By Mr. CONNOLLY:

H.R. 464.

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

The "necessary and proper" clause of Article I, Section 8 of the United States Constitution.

By Mr. GIBBS:

H.R. 465.

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

Article I, Section 8 of the United States Constitution, specifically Clause 3 (related to regulation of Commerce among the several States).

By Mr. HULTGREN:

H.R. 466.

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

Article I, Section 8—Congress shall have power to regulate commerce with foreign nations, and among the several states, and with the Indian tribes.

By Mrs. WALORSKI:

H.R. 467.

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

Article I, Section 8, Clause 18 of the United States Constitution

By Mr. CURBELO of Florida:

H.R. 468.

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

Article I, Section 8, Clause 3: Commercial Activity Regulation

By Mr. COLLINS of Georgia:

H.R. 469.

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

Article I, Section 1 of the United States Constitution, Article I, Section 8 of the United States Constitution, including, but not limited to, Clauses 1, 3, and 18, and Article III of the United States Constitution, Section 2.

By Mr. ELLISON:

H.R. 470.

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

Article I, Section 8, Clause 1 and 3.

By Mr. ELLISON:

H.R. 471.

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

Article I, Section 8, Clause 1 and 3.

By Mr. ISSA:

H.R. 472.

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

Article I, section 8, clause 1 of the United States Constitution grants Congress the power to lay and collect taxes, duties, imposts and excises, to pay the debts and provide for the common defense and general welfare of the United States;

Article I, section 8, clause 3 of the United States Constitution grants Congress the power to regulate commerce among the several states;

Article I, section 8, clause 18 of the United States Constitution grants Congress the power 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. ISSA:

H.R. 473.

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

Article 1, Section 8, Clause 1 of the United States Constitution which empowers Congress "To . . . provide for the common defence [sic] and general Welfare of the United States;" Article 1, Section 8, Clauses 11 through 16 which give Congress additional authorities to ensure the national security of the United States;

Article 1, Section 8, Clause 18, which empowers Congress to "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. ISSA:

H.R. 474.

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

Article 1 Section 8 Clause 3: to regulate commerce with foreign nations, and among the several state, and with the Indian tribes

By Mr. ISSA:

H.R. 475.

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

Article IV Section III: The Congress shall have Power to dispose of and make all needful Rules and Regulations respecting the Territory or other Property belonging to the United States.'

By Mr. NEWHOUSE:

H.R. 476.

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

Article I, Section 8, Clause 18 of the United States Constitution

By Mr. HUIZENGA:

H.R. 477.

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

Article I, Section 8, Clauses 1 ("The Congress shall have Power To lay and collect Taxes, Duties, Imposts and Excises, to pay the Debts and provide for the common Defense and general Welfare of the United States; but all Duties, Imposts and Excises shall be uniform throughout the United States"), 3 ("To regulate Commerce with foreign Nations, and among the several States, and with the Indian Tribes"), and 18 ("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. POE of Texas:

H.R. 478.

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

Article 1, Section 8, Clause 1.

By Mr. POE of Texas:

H.R. 479.

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

Article 1, Section 8, Clause 3

By Mr. FLORES:

H.R. 480.

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

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

By Mr. CALVERT:

H.R. 481.

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

Article 1, Section 8 of the United States Constitution, specifically clause 18 (relating to the power to make all laws necessary and proper for carrying out the powers vested in Congress).

By Mr. GOSAR:

H.R. 482.

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

Article I, Section 8, Clause 18 affords Congress the power to legislate on this matter. The executive branch, through the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), has misinterpreted its authority under the Fair Housing Act of 1968, as demonstrated in its Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing Rule. Two cases before the United States Supreme Court—*Magner v. Gallagher* and *Mount Holly v. Mount Holly Gardens Citizens in Action*—were settled less than a month before the Court entertained oral arguments. The plaintiffs were concerned that their challenges would not be affirmed by the Court. The Court is currently considering a case, *Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs v. The Inclusive Communities Project*, which may set a precedent for the issue of "disparate impact." Regardless, Congress has the legislative authority to address the Affirmatively

Furthering Fair Housing rule head on and prevent that rule, or any substantially similar successor rule.

Section 3 of this bill is authorized through clause 7 of section 9 of article I of the Constitution of the United States (the appropriation power), which states: "No Money shall be drawn from the Treasury, but in Consequence of Appropriations made by Law . . ."

Section 4 of the bill promotes a core component of our republic known as federalism. It requires the executive branch, through HUD, to consult with State and local officials to further the purposes and policies of the Fair Housing Act.

By Mr. HUNTER:

H.R. 483.

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

Article 1, Section 8, Clauses 4 and 18

By Mr. DEFAZIO:

H.R. 484.

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

Article I, Section 8, Clause 18 (relating to the power to make all laws necessary and proper for carrying out the powers vested in Congress)

By Mrs. BEATTY:

H.R. 485.

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

Article I, Section 8, Clause 3, The Commerce Clause.

The Congress shall have the power to regulate Commerce with Foreign Nations and among the several States.

By Mr. BIGGS:

H.R. 486.

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

Article I, Section 8 enumerated powers.

By Mr. BURGESS:

H.R. 487.

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

Under Article I, Section VIII, 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 defense and general welfare of the United States . . ." In addition, Article I, Section VIII, Clause 14 provides, "To make rules for the government and regulation of the land and naval forces." Lastly, Article I, Section VIII, Clause 16 states "The Congress shall have Power To provide for organizing, arming, and disciplining, the Militia, and for governing such Part of them as may be employed in the Service of the United States, reserving to the States respectively, the Appointment of the Officers, and the Authority of training the Militia according to the discipline prescribed by Congress."

By Mr. CARTWRIGHT:

H.R. 488.

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

Article I; Section 8; Clause 1 of the Constitution states 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 . . .

By Ms. DELBENE:

H.R. 489.

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

Article I

By Mr. KING of Iowa:

H.R. 490.

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

Congress has authority to extend protection to unborn children with a detectable heartbeat under the Constitution's grants of powers to Congress under the Equal Protection, Due Process, and Enforcement Clauses of the Fourteenth Amendment.