

Mr. RYAN of Wisconsin: Committee on Ways and Means. S. 984. An act to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide Medicare beneficiary access to eye tracking accessories for speech generating devices and to remove the rental cap for durable medical equipment under the Medicare Program with respect to speech generating devices (Rept. 114-178 Pt. 1). Ordered to be printed.

Mr. SESSIONS: Committee on Rules. H. Res. 338. A resolution providing for consideration of the Senate amendment to the House amendment to the Senate amendment to the bill (H.R. 1295) to extend the African Growth and Opportunity Act, the Generalized System of Preferences, the preferential duty treatment program for Haiti, and for other purposes (Rept. 114-179). Referred to the House Calendar.

## 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. SEWELL of Alabama (for herself, Ms. JUDY CHU of California, Ms. LINDA T. SÁNCHEZ of California, Mr. LEWIS, and Mr. VEASEY):

H.R. 2867. A bill to amend the Voting Rights Act of 1965 to revise the criteria for determining which States and political subdivisions are subject to section 4 of the Act, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. SAM JOHNSON of Texas:

H.R. 2868. A bill to amend title I of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 to improve access and choice for entrepreneurs with small businesses with respect to medical care for their employees; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

By Mr. MARCHANT (for himself, Mr. THORNBERRY, and Mr. OLSON):

H.R. 2869. A bill to amend title XXVII of the Public Health Service Act to permit cooperative governing of public entity health benefits through local governments in secondary States; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. SMITH of New Jersey (for himself and Mr. MCGOVERN):

H.R. 2870. A bill to amend the Torture Victims Relief Act of 1998 to authorize appropriations to provide assistance for domestic and foreign programs and centers for the treatment of victims of torture, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, and in addition to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, 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. BEYER (for himself, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, Mr. CONNOLLY, Mr. MEEKS, Mr. DESAULNIER, Miss RICE of New York, Ms. NORTON, and Mr. BLUMENAUER):

H.R. 2871. A bill to provide an incentive for firearm owners to sell their firearms safely and responsibly; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. BUCSHON (for himself and Mr. WOMACK):

H.R. 2872. A bill to amend the Controlled Substances Act to modernize the treatment of opioid addiction, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on the Judiciary, 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. CROWLEY (for himself, Ms. LINDA T. SÁNCHEZ of California, Mr. ELLISON, and Mr. POCAN):

H.R. 2873. A bill to prohibit employers from requiring low-wage employees to enter into covenants not to compete, to require employers to notify potential employees of any requirement to enter into a covenant not to compete, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

By Mr. DESJARLAIS (for himself, Mrs. BLACKBURN, Mr. COOPER, Mr. DUNCAN of Tennessee, Mr. FLEISCHMANN, Mr. ROE of Tennessee, Mr. POLIQUIN, Mr. FINCHER, Mrs. BLACK, Mr. JORDAN, and Mr. MASSIE):

H.R. 2874. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to exclude from gross income any discharge of indebtedness income on education loans of deceased veterans; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. CONYERS (for himself, Ms. JACKSON LEE, Mr. LEWIS, Mr. HOYER, Mr. CLYBURN, Ms. JUDY CHU of California, Mr. GRJALVA, Mr. BUTTERFIELD, Mr. ELLISON, Mr. NADLER, Ms. LOFGREN, Mr. COHEN, Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia, Mr. PIERLUISI, Mr. DEUTCH, Mr. GUTIÉRREZ, Ms. BASS, Mr. RICHMOND, Ms. DELBENE, Mr. JEFFRIES, Mr. CICILLINE, Mr. RANGEL, Mr. BISHOP of Georgia, Ms. NORTON, Mr. HASTINGS, Mr. RUSH, Mr. SCOTT of Virginia, Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi, Mr. BLUMENAUER, Ms. LEE, Mr. CLAY, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, Ms. MOORE, Ms. CLARKE of New York, Ms. EDWARDS, Ms. KELLY of Illinois, Mr. DESAULNIER, Mrs. LAWRENCE, and Ms. PLASKETT):

H.R. 2875. A bill to encourage greater community accountability of law enforcement agencies, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. GRAVES of Louisiana (for himself, Mr. HUNTER, and Mr. VELA):

H.R. 2876. A bill to promote the recycling of vessels in the United States and for other purposes; to the Committee on Armed Services, and in addition to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, 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. HUNTER (for himself and Mr. DELANEY):

H.R. 2877. A bill to designate an existing Federal officer to coordinate efforts to secure the release of United States persons who are hostages of hostile groups or state sponsors of terrorism, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Ms. JENKINS of Kansas (for herself and Mr. LOEBSACK):

H.R. 2878. A bill to provide for the extension of the enforcement instruction on supervision requirements for outpatient therapeutic services in critical access and small rural hospitals through 2015; 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. KINZINGER of Illinois (for himself, Mr. SHIMKUS, Mr. RODNEY DAVIS of Illinois, Mrs. BUSTOS, and Mr. BOST):

H.R. 2879. A bill to include Livingston County, the city of Jonesboro in Union County, and the city of Freeport in Stephenson County, Illinois, to the Lincoln National Heritage Area, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

By Mr. LEWIS (for himself, Ms. MOORE, Mr. HASTINGS, Ms. CLARKE of New

York, Ms. HAHN, Mr. HIGGINS, Mr. GRJALVA, Ms. LEE, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, Mr. NADLER, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. ISRAEL, Mr. MEEKS, Mr. BISHOP of Georgia, Mr. CUMMINGS, Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia, Ms. BROWN of Florida, Mr. COHEN, Ms. WILSON of Florida, Mr. RANGEL, Ms. FUDGE, Ms. JACKSON LEE, and Mr. SERRANO):

H.R. 2880. A bill to redesignate the Martin Luther King, Junior, National Historic Site in the State of Georgia, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

By Mr. MESSER (for himself, Mr. YOUNG of Indiana, Mr. FRANKS of Arizona, and Mr. MEADOWS):

H.R. 2881. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to modify the definition of applicable large employer for purposes of the employer mandate in the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. PAYNE (for himself, Mr. CONYERS, Mr. DANNY K. DAVIS of Illinois, Ms. NORTON, Ms. BROWN of Florida, Mr. CUMMINGS, Mr. RANGEL, Mr. RICHMOND, Mrs. WATSON COLEMAN, Mr. PASCRELL, Mr. MCGOVERN, Mr. TAKANO, Ms. FUDGE, Ms. WILSON of Florida, Ms. PLASKETT, Mr. MEEKS, Ms. LEE, Mr. SCOTT of Virginia, Mr. BUTTERFIELD, Ms. JACKSON LEE, and Ms. CLARKE of New York):

H.R. 2882. A bill to support Promise Neighborhoods; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

By Mr. POE of Texas (for himself, Mr. THOMPSON of California, Mr. AMODEL, Mr. WELCH, Mr. GOSAR, Mr. BLUMENAUER, Mr. COFFMAN, and Mr. MCNERNEY):

H.R. 2883. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend the publicly traded partnership ownership structure to energy power generation projects and transportation fuels, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. RIBBLE:

H.R. 2884. A bill to amend the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985 to eliminate the firewalls between defense and nondefense discretionary spending limits; to the Committee on the Budget.

By Ms. TSONGAS (for herself, Mr. NEAL, Mr. MCGOVERN, Mr. KENNEDY, Ms. CLARK of Massachusetts, Mr. MOULTON, Mr. CAPUANO, Mr. LYNCH, and Mr. KEATING):

H.R. 2885. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to exclude from income and employment taxes real property tax abatements for seniors and disabled individuals in exchange for services; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. SCHIFF (for himself, Mr. CARTWRIGHT, Mr. COHEN, Mr. DESAULNIER, Mr. GARAMENDI, Mr. HIMES, Ms. LEE, Mr. LYNCH, Ms. NORTON, Mr. RANGEL, Ms. TSONGAS, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, Mr. WELCH, and Mr. KEATING):

H.J. Res. 58. A joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States relating to the authority of Congress and the States to regulate contributions and expenditures in political campaigns and to enact public financing systems for such campaigns; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. NOLAN:

H. Res. 336. A resolution expressing the sense of the House of Representatives regarding the need to create a small donor and public finance system for Congressional elections; to the Committee on House Administration.

By Mr. ENGEL (for himself, Mr. SALMON, Ms. PELOSI, Mr. PITTS, Mr.

McGOVERN, Ms. CLARKE of New York, Mr. CHABOT, Mr. GRAYSON, Mr. CONNOLLY, Mr. SIREB, Mr. HASTINGS, Mr. CAPUANO, Ms. JACKSON LEE, Mr. LEWIS, Mr. BEYER, Ms. MCCOLLUM, Mr. DESJARLAIS, Mr. CICILLINE, Mr. LOWENTHAL, Mr. POLIS, Mr. SHERMAN, Mr. HONDA, Mr. RIBBLE, Mr. RANGEL, Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN, Mr. ROHR-ABACHER, Ms. CLARK of Massachusetts, Mr. FRANKS of Arizona, and Mr. BERA):

H. Res. 337. A resolution calling for substantive dialogue, without preconditions, in order to address Tibetan grievances and secure a negotiated agreement for the Tibetan people; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Mr. PITTS (for himself and Mr. McDERMOTT):

H. Res. 339. A resolution expressing the sense of the House of Representatives regarding the 25th anniversary of democracy in Mongolia; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

### 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. SEWELL of Alabama:

H.R. 2867.

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

Fifteenth Amendment, Section 2 Section 1: The right of citizens of the United States to vote shall not be denied or abridged by the U.S. or by any state on account of race, color, or previous condition of servitude.

By Mr. SAM JOHNSON of Texas:

H.R. 2868.

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

Article I, Section 8 of the United States Constitution, specifically Clause 1 (relating to providing for the general welfare of the United States), Clause 3 (relating to the power to regulate Commerce with foreign Nations, and among the several States, and with the Indian Tribes), and Clause 18 (relating to the power to make all laws necessary and proper for carrying out the powers vested in Congress).

By Mr. MARCHANT:

H.R. 2869.

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

1. regulate commerce . . . among the several states . . . as enumerated in Article I, Section 8, Clause 3 of the United States Constitution, and

2. provide for the general welfare of the United States as enumerated in Article I, Section 8, Clause 1 of the Constitution.

By Mr. SMITH of New Jersey:

H.R. 2870.

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

Article 1, Section 8, Clause 10

By Mr. BEYER:

H.R. 2871.

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

Clause 3 of Section 8 or Article I of the U.S. Constitution

By Mr. BUCSHON:

H.R. 2872.

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

According to Article I, Section 8 of the Constitution of the United States

By Mr. CROWLEY:

H.R. 2873.

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

Article I, Section 8, Clause 3: "The Congress shall have Power [...] To regulate Commerce with foreign Nations, and among the several States..."

By Mr. DESJARLAIS:

H.R. 2874.

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

Article I, Section 8, 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 Defence and general Welfare of the United States; but all Duties, Imposts and Excises shall be uniform throughout the United States;

By Mr. CONYERS:

H.R. 2875.

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

1) Section 5 of the Fourteenth Amendment to the United States Constitution. This provision grants Congress the authority to enact appropriate laws protecting the civil rights of all Americans; and

2) The Fourth Amendment to the United States Constitution. This provision prohibits unreasonable searches and seizures.

By Mr. GRAVES of Louisiana:

H.R. 2876.

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

Article I, Section 9, Clause 7 of the United States Constitution.

By Mr. HUNTER:

H.R. 2877.

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

Article I, Section VIII, Clause XVIII

By Ms. JENKINS of Kansas:

H.R. 2878.

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

Article I, Section 8:

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.

By Mr. KINZINGER of Illinois:

H.R. 2879.

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

Article I Section 8 providing for the general welfare of the United States

By Mr. LEWIS:

H.R. 2880.

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 of the United States Constitution and its subsequent amendments, and further clarified and interpreted by the Supreme Court of the United States.

By Mr. MESSER:

H.R. 2881.

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

Article I, Section 8, Clause 18

By Mr. PAYNE:

H.R. 2882.

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

Article I Section 8 Clause 14—Congress has the ability to make rules for the government and regulation of the land and naval forces.

By Mr. POE of Texas:

H.R. 2883.

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

Article 1, Section 8, Clause 1

By Mr. RIBBLE:

H.R. 2884.

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

Article I, Section, 9, Clause 7

By Ms. TSONGAS:

H.R. 2885.

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

Amendment XVI to the Constitution.

By Mr. SCHIFF:

H.J. Res. 58.

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

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to Article V of the United States Constitution.

### ADDITIONAL SPONSORS

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

H.R. 6: Ms. BONAMICI, Mr. CICILLINE, Mr. LIPINSKI, Miss RICE of New York, Mr. PAULSEN, Ms. SPEIER, Mr. COOK, Mr. LANGEVIN, Mr. STIVERS, Mr. CLEAVER, Mr. COLLINS of Georgia, Mr. HUNTER, Ms. HAHN, Mr. RIGELL, Mr. CHABOT, Ms. DELBENE, and Mr. LOBONDO.

H.R. 20: Ms. BASS and Mr. MOULTON.

H.R. 21: Mr. DENT.

H.R. 167: Mr. GUINTA.

H.R. 213: Mr. VARGAS and Ms. JENKINS of Kansas.

H.R. 223: Mr. TROTT.

H.R. 224: Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas.

H.R. 282: Mr. PETERS.

H.R. 379: Mr. ROSKAM, Mr. WHITFIELD, Ms. SLAUGHTER, and Ms. SPEIER.

H.R. 403: Mr. BLUMENAUER.

H.R. 430: Mr. PETERS.

H.R. 465: Mr. BOUSTANY.

H.R. 539: Mr. COHEN, Mr. POSEY, Ms. LEE, Ms. MCCOLLUM, Mr. McGOVERN, and Mr. BLUMENAUER.

H.R. 540: Mr. SERRANO, Mr. RANGEL, Mr. ROSKAM, and Mr. NORCROSS.

H.R. 564: Mr. SIMPSON.

H.R. 611: Mr. PITTENGER, Mr. FORBES, Mr. KING of Iowa, and Mr. LAMALFA.

H.R. 634: Mr. BLUMENAUER.

H.R. 635: Mr. BLUMENAUER.

H.R. 680: Mr. NADLER.

H.R. 686: Ms. KUSTER.

H.R. 692: Mr. DUFFY, Mr. PITTS, Mr. KLINE, Mr. BABIN, Mr. POSEY, Mr. RIBBLE, and Mr. POMPEO.

H.R. 700: Mr. McGOVERN.

H.R. 702: Mr. KLINE.

H.R. 707: Mr. SALMON.

H.R. 716: Ms. LOFGREN.

H.R. 759: Mr. FARENTHOLD.

H.R. 771: Ms. MCCOLLUM.

H.R. 775: Mr. VALADAO, Mr. RODNEY DAVIS of Illinois, Mr. SMITH of Washington, Ms. MATSUI, Mr. MULLIN, and Ms. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ.

H.R. 789: Mr. PETERSON.

H.R. 790: Mr. BRAT.

H.R. 824: Mr. HULTGREN.

H.R. 840: Mr. SMITH of Washington and Ms. MATSUI.

H.R. 842: Ms. DUCKWORTH.

H.R. 845: Mr. AUSTIN SCOTT of Georgia.

H.R. 879: Mr. FLEMING.

H.R. 885: Mr. SARBANES and Mr. HASTINGS.

H.R. 915: Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas.

H.R. 918: Mr. ISSA, Mr. KING of Iowa, Mr. BRADY of Texas, and Mr. LAMALFA.

H.R. 920: Mr. NORCROSS.

H.R. 930: Mr. McGOVERN.

H.R. 969: Mr. SCHRADER and Mrs. NAPOLITANO.

H.R. 980: Mr. BOUSTANY.

H.R. 985: Mr. ROSKAM, Mr. COSTELLO of Pennsylvania, and Mr. MEADOWS.