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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. Smith of Nebraska).

#### DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Speaker:

> WASHINGTON, DC. January 13, 2023.

I hereby appoint the Honorable ADRIAN SMITH to act as Speaker pro tempore on this

KEVIN MCCARTHY, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

#### PRAYER

The Chaplain, the Reverend Margaret Grun Kibben, offered the following prayer:

Generous God, Your grace is overwhelming. We need only look around us to see that You have given us sufficiency in all things: the lives we live, the people we share that life with, and the privilege to serve You with the talents and skills You have afforded us.

By virtue of Your grace, You have not only blessed us, but You have equipped us that we may abound in every good work. So may we be faithful stewards of Your many blessings, remaining ever watchful for those who need what You have entrusted us to give.

Would that we be used as the hands which give Your grace to others in need, that they too would receive the gifts that You intend for their sufficiency. Would that we yield all that we are and all that we have so that all Your beloved children would be empowered to share their gifts and graces and contribute to the work to which You have uniquely called them.

In this may we each discover how we build each other up in our service to You. Bless our efforts to do just that this day.

In the strength of Your 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.

#### ADJOURNMENT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to Section 3(z) of House Resolution 5, the House stands adjourned until 2 p.m. on Tuesday, January 17, 2023.

Thereupon (at 11 o'clock and 2 minutes a.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until Tuesday, January 17, 2023, at 2 p.m.

#### 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. BACON (for himself, Mr. BURCHETT, Mr. RESCHENTHALER, Mr. STEIL, Ms. VAN DUYNE, Mr. RUTHER-FORD, Mr. BARR, Mr. FEENSTRA, Mr. BISHOP of North Carolina, Mr. Allen, Mr. Johnson of Louisiana, Mr. GUEST, Mr. NEWHOUSE, Mr. AMODEI, Mr. Carter of Texas, Mr. Lamborn, Mr. Stauber, Mr. Johnson of South Dakota, and Mr. SMUCKER):

H.R. 354. A bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to improve the Law Enforcement Officer Safety Act and provisions relating to the carrying of concealed weapons by law enforcement officers, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. BACON (for himself, Mr. LAMALFA, Mr. CARL, Mr. NEWHOUSE, Mr. LATTA, Mr. BARR, Mr. AMODEI, Ms. Stefanik, Mr. Allen, Mr. John-SON of Ohio, Mr. BILIRAKIS, Mr. RESCHENTHALER, and Mr. MEUSER):

H.R. 355. A bill to protect law enforcement officers, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. CARL (for himself, Mr. GRAVES of Louisiana, Ms. FOXX, Mr. ROSENDALE, Mr. McCLINTOCK, Mr. GUEST, Mr. ROGERS of Alabama, Ms. LETLOW, Ms. VAN DUYNE, TENNEY, Mr. STAUBER, Mr. MOORE of Alabama, Mr. Weber of Texas, and Mr. Johnson of Louisiana):

H.R. 356. A bill to require the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a minimum number of oil and gas lease sales in certain areas, to prevent delays in oil and gas leasing, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Natural

> By Mr. CLINE (for himself, Mr. GOLDEN of Maine, Mr. PERRY, Mrs. MILLER of Illinois, Mr. GREEN of Tennessee, and Mr. Ogles):

H.R. 357. A bill to require the head of an agency to issue and sign any rule issued by that agency, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. CLINE (for himself and Mrs. MILLER of Illinois):

H.R. 358. A bill to amend chapter 6 of title 5, United States Code (commonly known as the "Regulatory Flexibility Act"), to ensure complete analysis of potential impacts on small entities of rules, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committees on Small Business, and Oversight and Accountability, 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 Miss GONZÁLEZ-COLÓN (for herself and Mr. SABLAN):

H.R. 359. A bill to establish Fort San Gerónimo del Boquerón in Puerto Rico as an affiliated area of the National Park System, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

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By Mr. MEUSER:

H.R. 360. A bill to ensure that employees of the Internal Revenue Service are brought back to their offices until the backlog of 2020 tax returns has been eliminated; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. MEUSER (for himself, Mr. CRENSHAW, Ms. SALAZAR, Mr. STEIL, Mr. JOHNSON of Ohio, Mr. LUETKE-MEYER, Mr. FALLON, Mr. KELLY of Pennsylvania, and Mr. OBERNOLTE):

H.R. 361. A bill to amend the Congressional Budget and Impoundment Control Act of 1974 to require the Congressional Budget Office to conduct an analysis of the impact on inflation from certain reconciliation legislation reported or submitted pursuant to reconciliation directives in a concurrent resolution on the budget; to the Committee on Rules, and in addition to the Committee on 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. MEUSER (for himself, Mr. CRENSHAW, and Mr. STEIL):

H.R. 362. A bill to amend the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 to provide that any estimate prepared by the Congressional Budget Office or the Joint Committee on Taxation shall include costs relating to servicing the public debt, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Rules, and in addition to the Committee on 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. MOONEY (for himself, Mr. MASSIE, and Mr. MAST):

H.R. 363. A bill to amend title 18, United States Code, with respect to the sale, purchase, shipment, receipt, or possession of a firearm or ammunition by a user of medical marijuana, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. STEWART:

H.R. 364. A bill to allow States to elect to observe daylight savings time for the duration of the year, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. STEWART:

H.R. 365. A bill to release the reversionary interest of the United States in certain non-Federal land in Salt Lake City, Utah, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

By Mr. TAKANO (for himself, Mrs. Kim of California, Ms. DEAN of Pennsylvania, Mr. FITZPATRICK, Mr. GOTTHEIMER, Mr. COLE, Mrs. WATSON COLEMAN, Mr. CRENSHAW, Mr. GOMEZ, Ms. MENG, Mr. KIM of New Jersey, and Ms. CHU):

H.R. 366. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to treat certain individuals who served in Vietnam as a member of the armed forces of the Republic of Korea as a veteran of the Armed Forces of the United States for purposes of the provision of health care by the Department of Veterans Affairs; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. BUCHANAN:

H.R. 367. A bill to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act with respect to aliens associated with criminal gangs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. BUCHANAN:

H.R. 368. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to promote new business innovation, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. GOMEZ (for himself, Mrs. Kim of California, Ms. Chu, Mrs. Steel, Mr. Vargas, Mr. Connolly, Ms. Norton, Ms. Porter, Mr. Beyer, Mr.

Grijalva, Mr. Peters, Mr. Khanna, Mr. Panetta, Mr. Evans, Mr. Larsen Washington, Ms. Sewell, Mr. ALLRED, Mr. GREEN of Texas, Mr. BOYLE of Pennsylvania, Mr. BERA, Mr. Pascrell, Mr. Sablan, Mr. Case, Mr. Takano, Mr. Kilmer, Mrs. Lee of Nevada, Mr. Cohen, Ms. Scanlon, Mr. MFUME, Ms. DELBENE, Mr. PAYNE, Ms. SÁNCHEZ, Mr. LIEU, Ms. WILLIAMS of Georgia, Mr. ESPAILLAT, Mr. AUCHINCLOSS, Ms. STRICKLAND, Mr. RASKIN, Mr. CARSON, Mr. SMITH of New Jersey, Mr. Sherman, Ms. Meng, Mr. Costa, Mr. Fitzpatrick, Ms. Lee of California, Mr. SWALWELL, Ms. GARCIA of Texas, Mr. GALLEGO, Mr. TOKUDA, Ms. SCHNEIDER. GOTTHEIMER, Mr. KRISHNAMOORTHI, Ms. Barragán, Mr. Smith of Washington, Mr. Trone, Ms. Schakowsky, Mr. Lynch, Mr. Doggett, Mr. CORREA, Ms. JACKSON LEE, Ms. BONAMICI, Mr. NADLER, Mr. SCHIFF, WEXTON, Ms. Ms. Jayapal, Ms. TLAIB, Mrs. TORRES of California, Ms. ESHOO, Mr. CÁRDENAS, Ms. JACOBS, Mr. KIM of New Jersey, Ms. TITUS, Ms. Ross, Mr. Davis of Illinois, Mr. Phillips, Mr. Wilson of South Carolina, Mr. Ruiz, Mr. Carbajal, Mr. RUPPERSBERGER, Mrs. NAPOLITANO, Mr. Soto, Mrs. McBath, Ms. KAMLAGER-DOVE, Mrs. FLETCHER, Mr. FOSTER, Mrs. WATSON COLEMAN, Ms. SHERRILL, and Mr. ISSA):

H. Res. 36. A resolution supporting the goals and ideals of Korean American Day; to the Committee on Oversight and Accountability.

By Ms. KAMLAGER-DOVE (for herself, Mr. CLEAVER, Mr. DAVID SCOTT of Georgia, Ms. CROCKETT, Mr. DAVIS of Illinois, Ms. ADAMS, Mrs. FOUSHEE, Mrs. SYKES, Ms. WILSON of Florida, Mr. CARTER of Louisiana, Mr. BISHOP of Georgia, Mrs. McBath, Ms. PLASKETT, and Mr. MFUME):

H. Res. 37. A resolution honoring Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc., on reaching the historic milestone of 103 years of scholarship, service, sisterhood, and finer womanhood; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

## CONSTITUTIONAL AUTHORITY AND SINGLE SUBJECT STATEMENTS

Pursuant to clause 7(c)(1) of rule XII and Section 3(c) of H. Res. 5 the following statements are submitted regarding (1) the specific powers granted to Congress in the Constitution to enact the accompanying bill or joint resolution and (2) the single subject of the bill or joint resolution.

By Mr. BACON:

H.R. 354.

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

Article I, Section 8, Clause 3

By Mr. BACON:

H.R. 355.

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

Article I, Section 8, Clause 3

By Mr. CARL:

H.R. 356.

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

Article 1, Section 8 By Mr. CLINE:

H.R. 357.

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

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to Section 8 of Article I of the Constitution.

By Mr. CLINE:

H.R. 358.

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

Congress has the power to enact the legislation pursuant to Section 8 of Article I of the Constitution.

By Miss GONZÁLEZ-COLÓN:

H.R. 359

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

Article I, Section 1 of the  $\stackrel{\smile}{\text{U}}$ .S. Constitution

"All legislative Powers herein granted shall be vested in a Congress of the United States, which shall consist of a Senate and House of Representatives."

Article I, Section 8, Clause 18 the U.S. Constitution

Congress shall have 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. MEUSER:

H.R. 360.

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

Article 1 Section 8

By Mr. MEUSER:

H.R. 361.

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

Article 1 Section 8 By Mr. MEUSER:

H.R. 362.

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

Article 1 Section 8

By Mr. MOONEY:

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

The Second Amendment to the Constitution of the United States

By Mr. STEWART:

H.R. 364.

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

Section 8 of Article 1 of the Constitution By Mr. STEWART:

By Mr. STEWAR

H.R. 365.

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

Tenth Amendment, United States Constitution Article IV, section 3, clause 2, United States Constitution Article 1, section 8, clause 18

By Mr. TAKANO:

H.R. 366.

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

Article I, Section 8.

By Mr. BUCHANAN:

H.R. 367.

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

Art. 1, Sec. 8

By Mr. BUCHANAN:

H.R. 368.

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

Art. 1, Sec. 8

#### ADDITIONAL SPONSORS

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

 $\rm H.R.$  25: Mr. Collins, Mr. Moore of Alabama, and Mr. Burlison.

 $H.R.\ 41;\ Mr.\ MIKE\ GARCIA\ of\ California\ and\ Mr.\ GAETZ.$ 

H.R. 49: Mrs. BICE.

H.R. 51: Ms. HOYLE of Oregon.

H.R. 53: Mr. FRY, Mr. C. SCOTT FRANKLIN of Florida, Mr. Self, Mr. Lamborn, Mr. Ogles, Mr. LANGWORTHY, and Mr. SMUCKER.

H.R. 59: Mr. LAMBORN.

H.R. 82: Mr. GOODEN of Texas, Mr. CASE, Mr. Van Drew. Ms. Titus. Ms. Schakowsky. Mr. Moore of Alabama, Ms. Kuster, and Mr. LEVIN.

H.R. 142: Ms. Lois Frankel of Florida and Ms. Porter.

H.R. 163: Mr. ELLZEY.

H.R. 231: Mr. Huizenga, Mr. Wilson of South Carolina, Mr. Rose, Mr. Carey, and Ms. Stefanik.

H.R. 239: Ms. Meng, Mr. Blumenauer, Mr. CARSON, and Ms. TOKUDA.

H.R. 263: Mr. BERGMAN.

H.R. 293: Mrs. Hayes, Mr. Nickel, Mr. DAVIS of Illinois, Mr. RUIZ, Ms. DELBENE, Ms. BLUNT ROCHESTER, Ms. STRICKLAND, Ms. WEXTON, Mr. GOLDMAN of New York, Mr. CROW, and Ms. SCHAKOWSKY.

H.R. 297: Mr. Graves of Louisiana. H.R. 330: Mrs. Houchin and Mr. Smucker. H.R. 335: Mr. BARR, Mrs. HOUCHIN, and Mr.

H.R. 350: Mr. Carson, Mr. Blumenauer, Ms. NORTON, Mrs. DINGELL, Ms. LEE of California, Mr. Swalwell, Mr. Espaillat, Mr. MFUME, and Mrs. CHERFILUS-McCORMICK.

H.J. Res. 13: Ms. Bonamici, Mr. Neguse, Mr. BOWMAN, Mr. CROW, Mr. NADLER, Mr. LYNCH, Mr. BLUMENAUER, Mr. BERA, Mr. TAKANO, Ms. TITUS, Mr. BOYLE of Pennsylvania, Ms. Tokuda, Ms. Barragán, Mr. HUFFMAN, Mr. DELUZIO, and Mrs. TORRES of

H. Con. Res. 4: Mr. CALVERT, Mr. CLINE, and Mrs. Chavez-Deremer.

H. Con. Res. 7: Ms. WEXTON and Mr. KIM of New Jersey.

H. Res. 8: Mr. BEAN of Florida, Ms. DE LA CRUZ, Mr. GOSAR, Mr. VAN DREW, Mr. ROUZER, and Mr. STEUBE.



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# Senate

(Legislative day of Tuesday, January 3, 2023)

The Senate met at 1:30 p.m. and was called to order by the Honorable Christopher A. Coons, a Senator from the State of Delaware.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will please read a communication to the Senate from the President protempore (Mrs. Murray).

The Assistant Parliamentarian read the following letter:

U.S. SENATE,
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, January 13, 2023.
To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable Christopher A. Coons, a Senator from the State of Delaware, to perform the duties of the Chair.

PATTY MURRAY,
President pro tempore.

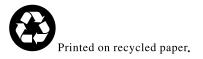
Mr. COONS thereupon assumed the Chair as Acting President pro tempore.

RECESS UNTIL TUESDAY, JANUARY 17, 2023, AT 1 P.M.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Under the previous order, the Senate stands in recess until 1 p.m. on Tuesday, January 17, 2023.

Thereupon, the Senate, at 1:30 and 30 seconds p.m., recessed until Tuesday, January 17, 2023, at 1 p.m.

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#### EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

HONORING THE SERVICE OF KAHNE LOFTUS

#### HON. MARILYN STRICKLAND

OF WASHINGTON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, January 13, 2023

Ms. STRICKLAND. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the hardwork of Kahne Loftus, an extraordinary young citizen in Washington State who has worked to honor the sacrifices made by members of the nation's armed forces.

Kahne, a 17-year-old from Rainier Washington, has sent collected items and care packages to several hundred service members over the last 5 years. Kahne's humility and initiative are truly admirable, especially because he started this amazing service to to cope with the loss of a family member.

In October 2016, Kahne's uncle and a man with a deep influence on Kahne's life, Derek Harris, passed away unexpectedly in his sleep. The loss of his uncle Derek was a significant challenge for Kahne as he found himself confronted by the death of someone close to him for the first time. Struck by the difficulty of watching her son grieve, Kahne's mother contacted a family friend in the armed forces who in turn connected Kahne with a soldier named Chad who was stationed in Afghanistan. The 2 began to write letters to each other, which helped Kahne heal from the loss of his uncle Derek.

Through this correspondence, learned more about the military and life as a service member overseas. He was surprised to learn that service members stationed abroad are unable to travel home and visit loved ones over the holidays. Kahne was immediately motivated to act and proceeded to collect donations and gather items that could be sent to our nations heroes. Since starting Kahne's Kare Packages in 2017, Kahne has sent collected items and care packages to over 800 service members overseas. Last year alone. 108 soldiers, airmen 4 K-9 working dogs and their handlers received care packages. To fund the cost of the shipping for his packages, his largest cost, he sells woodworking projects, hosts fundraisers, and gathers donations from members of the community.

Mr. Speaker, Kahne Loftus exemplifies deep humility, hard work, and selfless service to others. Kahne is an exemplary resident of Washington's South Sound and serves as a reminder that each of us can contribute to the recognition of our men and women in the Armed Forces. I am proud and honored to recognize Kahne Loftus.

HONORING DR. TONY UBALDE ON HIS 12 YEARS OF PUBLIC SERVICE

#### HON. JOHN GARAMENDI

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, January 13, 2023

Mr. GARAMENDI. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Dr. Tony Ubalde upon his retirement from the Vallejo City Unified School District Board of Education. Throughout Dr. Ubalde's 12 years of service, he advocated for Vallejo students and worked tirelessly to improve his community's education system.

Dr. Ubalde first joined the Board of Education in 2011 and has since served 3 terms, during which he was instrumental in successfully raising the high school graduation rate and fostering a safer environment in Vallejo schools. Dr. Ubalde's dedication to the youth of Vallejo is evident through his efforts to ensure all students in his community can achieve their full potential.

Throughout his twelve-year tenure on the Board of Education, Dr. Ubalde ushered the Vallejo City Unified School District into a new era of financial stability. In addition to collaborating with his fellow Trustees, superintendents, and community members to establish a strong financial foundation for Vallejo's education system, Dr. Ubalde was also vital in instituting an independent Citizens Fiscal Audit Committee. Focused on promoting transparency and financial accountability, this committee directly ensures that taxpayer dollars are used efficiently, prioritizing Vallejo residents.

In addition to his crucial contributions on the Board of Education, Dr. Ubalde also exemplifies the spirit of leadership in all areas of his life. Not only has he previously been on the Board of Trustees at Solano Community College, but he is also a prominent member of the California Board Association, having served on their Board of Directors since 2014. Dr. Ubalde's indispensable leadership has played a vital role in modernizing Vallejo's education system.

Dr. Ubalde's advocacy as a board member of the Filipino Community of Solano County, his selfless service in the U.S. Air Force Reserves, and his compassionate guidance as a former pastor clearly demonstrate that his work to improve the Vallejo community expands beyond his position on the Board of Education. Dr. Ubalde's devotion to Vallejo has undeniably improved his community.

While his presence on the Board of Education will surely be missed, Dr. Ubalde's 12 years of service to the residents of Vallejo have left a lasting legacy and significantly enhanced the lives of the students and teachers in his community. I would like to extend my sincere gratitude to Dr. Ubalde for his public service and wish him the best in his future endeavors.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

#### HON. MICHAEL GUEST

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Friday, January 13, 2023

Mr. GUEST. Mr. Speaker, had I been present, I would have voted YEA on Roll Call No. 31 (H.R. 22).

HONORING THE SERVICE OF JEREMY CATOB

#### HON. MARILYN STRICKLAND

OF WASHINGTON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  $Friday, \ January \ 13, \ 2023$ 

Ms. STRICKLAND. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor an exceptional member of the Army National Guard. I would like to recognize Major Jeremy Catob's distinguished service and dedication to enhancing the relationship between the National Guard and Congress as a Legislative Liaison.

MAJ Catob enlisted into the Florida Army National Guard on 4 June 2008 where he served in the Simultaneous Membership Program and trained with the 20th Special Forces Group as an attachment. He earned his commission as an Infantry Officer and graduated as a Distinguished Military Graduate from the University of Florida on 29 April 2011. He has served 14 years in both the Georgia, and the Washington National Guard in a broad range of drill status and active duty assignments, including attending numerous technical schools, eXportable Combat Training Capability rotations, and led a joint US-Canadian Platoon in Operation Stalwart Guardian. While serving in the Washington Army National Guard, MAJ Catob supported the 81st Brigade Combat Team transforming from an Armor Brigade to a Stryker Brigade, and supported the initial COVID-19/Civil Unrest response teams in 2019. It was this experience that made MAJ Jeremy Catob the perfect fit to serve as a legislative liaison officer for the National Guard Bureau for the past 18 months on Capitol Hill.

Jeremy served as a legislative liaison officer from August 2021 through January 2023, skillfully performing his duties throughout. MAJ Catob shaped numerous engagements between Congress and National Guard senior leaders. He served as the primary handler for all Congressional Engagements related to Military Construction (MILCON) issues, resulting in millions of dollars earmarked for National Guard project's planning and design, construction, and the successful reprogramming of over \$400 million from Fiscal Year 2018 supplemental funding. Jeremy was also able to facilitate a Congressional education series for the Military Construction process with both chambers' subcommittees on MILCON appropriations. His legislative knowledge and relationships established within Congress aided in the development of several Congressional Objectives and legislative proposals that gained

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favor from Congressional staff. MAJ Catob worked to impact Incentive Pay Parity in the NDAA 2022, the improvement to the Federal Recognition process for National Guard Officers in NDAA 2023, and the proposal for State Active Duty reimbursements for the use of federal equipment.

After concluding this challenging assignment, MAJ Catob will deploy to CENTCOM/ Asia for a 6 month tour supporting the J3. In closing, I express my gratitude and appreciation to MAJ Jeremy Catob for his excellent support in furtherance of National Guard missions and my appreciation to his supportive

wife, Mrs. Erin Catob and children Kennedy and Carter. His presence will leave a lasting impression within the NGB-LL community and Capitol Hill for years to come. I wish this National Guard family all the best in their next chapter of service to our Nation.

# Daily Digest

# Senate

#### Chamber Action

The Senate met at 1:30:00 p.m. in pro forma session, and recessed at 1:30:30 p.m. until 1 p.m. on Tuesday, January 17, 2023.

## Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

# House of Representatives

#### Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 13 public bills, H.R. 354–366; and 2 resolutions, H. Res. 36–37, were introduced.

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Reports Filed: There were no reports filed today.

**Speaker:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Smith (NE) to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

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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 11 a.m. and adjourned at 11:02 a.m.

## Committee Meetings

No hearings were held.

## Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

#### COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY, JANUARY 17, 2023

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

#### Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

#### House

No hearings are scheduled.

Next Meeting of the SENATE 1 p.m., Tuesday, January 17

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 2 p.m., Tuesday, January 17

Senate Chamber

House Chamber

Program for Tuesday: Senate will meet in pro forma session.

Program for Tuesday: House will meet in Pro Forma session at 2 p.m.

#### Extensions of Remarks, as inserted in this issue

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