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84 %

Taxes.

HR 9640: To require the IRS to conduct an examination to determine if the presidential income tax return is correct. The IRS must disclose and make public an initial report, periodic reports, and a final report. **BAD BILL/ PASSED** Bacon: NO Flood: NO Smith: NO

Spending.

HR 903: To require the TSA to give \$3,000 bonuses to each TSA employee who had frequent contact with the public during the pandemic. **BAD BILL/ PASSED** Bacon: YES Smith: NO

Amend. 200: That if sufficient funds not appropriated, no funding given after the end of FY 2022. **GOOD AMENDMENT/ FAILED** Bacon: NO Smith: YES

HR 1066: That federal cost share of fire management assistance grants is not less than 75%. **GOOD BILL/ PASSED** Bacon: YES Flood: YES Smith: YES

HR 1437: Democrat bill to provide continuing FY 2023 appropriations to several federal agencies through 12-23-22 and extend several expiring programs. **BAD BILL/ PASSED** Bacon: NO Flood: NO Smith: NO

HR 2773: To require the Interior Dept. to report on the amount of wildlife conservation grants and contracts awarded to black colleges and universities, Hispanic education institutions, and minority-serving educational institutions. **BAD BILL/ PASSED** Bacon: NO Smith: NO

HR 3807: To appropriate \$42 billion in FY 2022 grants for restaurant revitalization pandemic relief funds. The Small Business Administration will audit grant recipients. **BAD BILL/PASSED** Bacon: NO Smith: NO

HR 4521 Amend. 166: To require a study to measure the economic impact of inflation on the cost of living, U.S. workforce, U.S. international competitiveness, and rural communities. **GOOD AMENDMENT/ PASSED** Bacon: YES Fortenberry: YES Smith: YES

HR 5118 Amend. 312: To revise collateral requirements, so borrowers can obtain a disaster loan up to \$25,000 from the Small Business Administration without pledging collateral. **BAD AMENDMENT/ PASSED** Bacon: YES Flood: NO Smith: NO

HR 5689: To expand the use of hazardous mitigation aid to cover specific activities pertaining to wildfires, tsunamis, and ice storms. FEMA must conduct a residential resilience pilot program to provide grants for residential resilience retrofits. **GOOD BILL/ PASSED** Bacon: YES Smith: YES

HR 5774: That the president after declaration of a major disaster must direct FEMA to provide to states assistance necessary to meet unmet needs resulting from such disaster. The General Accounting Office (GAO) must conduct a review of fiscal control by states that receive funds regarding public assistance grant eligibility and oversight for debris. **GOOD BILL/ PASSED** Bacon: YES Flood: YES Smith: YES

HR 6617: To appropriate further additional funds to federal agencies to prevent a government shutdown. **BAD BILL/ PASSED** Bacon: NO Fortenberry: YES Smith: NO

HR 6865: FY 2023 appropriations to the Coast Guard, including purchase of icebreaker ships. **GOOD BILL/ PASSED** Bacon: YES Fortenberry: did not vote Smith: YES

HR 7211: To address requests for disaster aid provided by FEMA to small states and rural communities. **GOOD BILL/ PASSED** Bacon: YES Smith: YES

HR 7283: To allow a state to set aside up to 30% of its annual federal grant for abandoned mine reclamation to handle acid mine drainage. **GOOD BILL/ PASSED** Bacon: YES Flood: YES Smith: YES

HR 7309: To establish taxpayer-subsidized youth employment programs and expand the corrupt Job Corps program. **BAD BILL/ PASSED** Bacon: NO Smith: did not vote

HR 7693: To authorize appropriations to the National Park Foundation through FY 2030. **GOOD BILL/ PASSED** Bacon: YES Flood: YES Smith: YES

HR 7790: To appropriate an additional \$28 million to alleviate the shortage of baby formula. BAD BILL/ PASSED
Bacon: YES Smith: NO

HR 7900 Amend. 286: To reauthorize the Delaware River Basin Restoration Program and increase the federal cost share for grants. To extend this program through FY 2030 and increase the federal cost share to 90% of the total cost. BAD AMENDMENT/ PASSED Bacon: NO Flood: NO Smith: NO

Amend. 285: To add spending from 2 wilderness acts to the bill. BAD AMENDMENT/ PASSED Bacon: NO
Flood: NO Smith: NO

Amend. 284: To add spending from a Colorado recreation and Grand Canyon act to the bill. BAD AMENDMENT/ PASSED Bacon: NO Flood: NO Smith: NO

HR 8294: Democrat proposed FY 2023 appropriations to the Ag Dept., Interior Dept., Veteran Affairs, and Military Construction. BAD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: NO Flood: NO Smith: NO

S. 1942: To establish a new National Heritage Area System. BAD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Flood: NO Smith: NO

S. 2089: To allow the USDA to increase summer food service programs and school meal programs. Allows the USDA to ignore the law and regulation requirements for child nutrition programs. BAD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Smith: YES

Government Regulations.

H. J. Res. 100: To require railroad companies and labor unions to accept an imposed labor agreement. BAD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Flood: YES Smith: NO

HR 263: To restrict owning and exhibiting big cats and restrict direct contact between the public and big cats. BAD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Flood: NO Smith: NO

HR 302: To prohibit the president from deciding who receives executive agency top positions independent from the civil service. BAD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Flood: NO Smith: NO

HR 847: To direct the National Science Foundation to support research on privacy-enhancing technologies. GOOD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Smith: YES

HR 935: To exempt from registration requirements specific merger brokers who facilitate transfers of ownership in private companies with earnings or revenues below a specific amount. GOOD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Smith: YES

HR 1917: To allow an entity seeking aid from a hazard mitigation assistance program to be eligible to receive such aid for specific current projects. GOOD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Flood: YES Smith: YES

HR 2020: To establish a centralized location to publish information on disaster assistance provided by federal agencies. GOOD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Smith: YES

HR 2116: To prohibit discrimination based on personal hairstyles, particularly pertaining to those participating in federal housing, public accommodation, and employment programs. BAD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Fortenberry: NO Smith: NO

HR 2501: To require the National Telecommunication and Information Admin. and Federal Communications Commission (FCC) to update spectrum coordination to improve the process for resolving frequency allocation disputes and ensure the efficient use of the spectrum consistent with economic interests and national security. GOOD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Smith: YES

HR 2543: To prohibit discrimination regarding mortgages, credit, and banking services on the basis of sexual orientation, gender ID, and census tracts. To require interpreters for residential mortgage applicants. Financial institutions must report information on their diversity policies and lending practices. BAD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: NO Smith: NO

HR 2954: To increase the age at which participants begin receiving mandatory distributions of investment funds. GOOD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Fortenberry: did not vote Smith: YES

HR 3076: To allow the U.S. Postal Service to provide non-postal products and services that compete with the private sector. BAD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Fortenberry: YES Smith: NO

HR 3113: To direct the Interior Dept., Forest Service, and U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to jointly develop and adopt interagency standards to ensure compatibility and interoperability among federal databases to collect and disseminate outdoor recreation data on federal lands. GOOD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Fortenberry: YES Smith: YES

HR 4176: To require federal agencies that collect surveys that include demographic data for statistical purposes to ask about sex orientation and gender ID and include that information in public reports. BAD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: NO Smith: NO

Amend. 241: Federal surveys must gather information from close friends of deceased sexual deviates. BAD AMENDMENT/ PASSED Bacon: NO Smith: NO

Amend. 240: To require a report to Congress from the Comptroller-Gen. about the impact of this act on provision of services to people according to their gender ID and sexual orientation. BAD AMENDMENT/ PASSED
Bacon: NO Smith: NO

HR 5343: To require the GAO to report to Congress on FEMA employee turnover. GOOD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Fortenberry: did not vote Smith: YES

HR 5641: To increase to \$1 million the threshold for eligibility for small relief projects, allowing more recovery projects to qualify, and review this threshold every 3 years. GOOD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Smith: YES

HR 6531: To require the Bureau of Census to publish a list of all extreme poverty areas and update this list annually. Require the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) to give guidance to increase the share of federal investments in such areas, then report annually to Congress. BAD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Smith: NO

HR 6825: To require FEMA to make a contract with an independent research group to conduct an unneeded study to analyze and report on the effectiveness of its program to prepare against terrorism and threats. BAD BILL/ PASSED
Bacon: YES Smith: NO

HR 7337: To direct the U.S. Archivist to submit to Congress a comprehensive plan to reduce the backlog of requests for records from and improving the efficiency and responsiveness of operations of the National Personnel Records Center. GOOD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Flood: YES Smith: YES

HR 7606: To establish within the USDA an office of Special Investigator for Competition Matters which must investigate and prosecute competition violations by meatpackers and live poultry dealers. The USDA must establish a bureaucratic ag and food supply chain task force, give assistance to stop fertilizer shortages, and reduce dependency on foreign fertilizer. BAD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: NO Smith: NO

HR 7622: To add work-based learning and apprenticeship program assistant to the list of services the Small Business Administration must provide. GOOD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Smith: YES

HR 7664: That Small Business Development Centers must offer assistance to small businesses to hire graduates from career and technical education programs and help graduates from these programs start small businesses. GOOD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Smith: YES

HR 7694: To require federal agencies when evaluating contract offers to note the extent to which small businesses will be used. GOOD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Smith: YES

HR 7734: To require financial institutions to maintain records on specific personal transactions. BAD BILL/ PASSED
Bacon: YES Flood: YES Smith: NO

HR 7791: To authorize the USDA to take action to handle the supply chain disruptions causing a shortage of baby formula. GOOD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Smith: YES

HR 7900 Amend. 274: To establish an Office of Climate Resilience. BAD AMENDMENT/ FAILED Bacon: NO
Flood: NO Smith: NO

Amend. 273: To require the State Dept. to establish and staff climate change offices at U.S. embassies and consulates to provide climate change mitigation expertise, certify that considerations related to climate are incorporated at U.S. embassies, and establish a curriculum at the Foreign Service Institute to provide employees with climate change training. BAD AMENDMENT/ FAILED Bacon: NO Flood: NO Smith: NO

HR 8326: To require the Census Bureau to appoint an employee responsible for optimizing racial and ethnic equity in the census and legally require advisory committees. BAD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: NO Flood: NO Smith: NO

Amend. 316: To remove the option of firing the Census Bureau director for cause. BAD AMENDMENT/ FAILED Bacon: NO Flood: NO Smith: NO

HR 8393: To hold a plebiscite on 11-5-2023 to allow Puerto Rico to request statehood. BAD BILL/ PASSED
Bacon: YES Flood: NO Smith: NO

HR 8873: To raise the threshold for objections to the certification of President and Vice-President to 2/3rd of each house of Congress. BAD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: NO Flood: NO Smith: NO

S. 66: That an interagency task force must assess ways to reduce harmful algae in the ecosystem and submit a plan to reduce and control it. GOOD BILL/PASSED Bacon: YES Smith: YES

S. 442: To expand requirements to buy and use LED lighting in federal buildings, including sensors and fixtures. BAD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Flood: YES Smith: NO

S. 583: To require the Dept. of Homeland Security to publish annual reports on its website on projects that used innovative procurement techniques to accomplish specific goals. GOOD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Fortenberry: YES Smith: YES

S. 1617: To authorize the SBA to declare a disaster in rural areas where significant damage done, for the purpose of providing economic injury disaster loans. GOOD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Flood: YES Smith: YES

S. 2293: To give FEMA reservists who deploy during major disasters employment protection. GOOD BILL/ PASSED
Bacon: YES Flood: YES Smith: YES

S. 2333: To require all male and female athletes representing the U.S. in international amateur athletic competitions to receive equal pay and benefits for their work. GOOD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Flood: YES Smith: YES

S. 2551: To require the OMB to establish an artificial intelligence training program for executive agencies to ensure that the workforce has knowledge of capabilities and risks associated with artificial intelligence. The OMB must update this program at least every 2 years. GOOD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Flood: YES Smith: YES

S. 3451: To allow expedited review of infrastructure projects regarding semiconductors, artificial intelligence, advanced computer hardware and software, data storage and management, and cybersecurity. GOOD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Flood: YES Smith: YES

S. 3580: To increase authorization of the Federal Maritime Commission to promote the growth and development of U.S. exports through the ocean transport system that is competitive, efficient, and economical. To prohibit ocean carriers and maritime terminal operators from unreasonably refusing cargo space when available. GOOD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Smith: YES

S. 4900: To reauthorize through FY 2025 the Small Business Innovation Research program and the Small Business Tech Transfer program. Both provide competitive awards for domestic small businesses to conduct research and development projects that have potential for commercialization. GOOD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Flood: YES Smith: YES

Health.

HR 884: Direct the Transportation Dept. to develop a national aviation preparedness plan for communicable disease outbreaks. To create a process to identify appropriate personal protective equipment to reduce the likelihood of exposure to a communicable disease that could cause an epidemic or pandemic or that would cause a public health emergency of international concern. GOOD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Flood: YES Smith: YES

HR 1916: To force private insurance companies to cover diagnosis and treatment of birth defects. BAD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Smith: NO

HR 2796: Federal Dept. of Justice (DOJ) grants can be used for pilot programs for rural areas to begin programs that focus on reducing opioid overdose deaths. GOOD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Flood: YES Smith: YES

HR 3771: To authorize the Dept. of Health & Human Services (HHS) to establish programs that support heart disease research and awareness among only specific communities, including state grants for awareness initiatives and educational materials. BAD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Flood: NO Smith: YES

HR 4040: To allow individuals who receive Medicare telehealth benefits to obtain services at any site and allow occupational therapists, physical therapists, language pathologists, and audiologists to continue furnishing such services. GOOD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Flood: YES Smith: YES

HR 5118: To establish a National Disaster Safety Board. To establish a basic training program to increase capacity of environmental justice communities to address adverse human health or environmental effects on their communities. BAD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: NO Flood: NO Smith: NO

HR 5585: That the HHS Dept. should accelerate health and medical innovation by investing in high-risk, high-reward research. GOOD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Smith: YES

HR 5657: To direct the Drug Enforcement Administration to register medical practitioners to conduct medical marijuana research. BAD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Smith: NO

HR 6087: To expand the roles of nurses and physician assistants to provide services like prescribing and recommending treatment to injured workers under the federal worker compensation program. GOOD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Smith: YES

HR 7180: To direct the National Science Foundation to award grants to entities to support research on cognitive problems associated with COVID-19. GOOD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Flood: YES Smith: YES

HR 7780: Federal grants to increase the number of school mental health service providers. To prohibit arbitration and discretionary clauses in employee benefit plans. BAD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: NO Flood: NO Smith: NO

S. 958: Federal grants to help health centers establish new mobile delivery sites to provide comprehensive primary care to medically-underserved populations. GOOD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Flood: YES Smith: YES

Welfare.

HR 2499: To make it easier for federally-employed firefighters to qualify for federal workers compensation. BAD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Smith: NO

HR 5129: To raise eligibility for federal welfare programs funded by Community Services Block grants to 200% of the federal poverty level. BAD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: NO Smith: NO

HR 6531: To require the Bureau of Census to publish an annual list of all areas having persistent poverty. To require the OMB to guide an increasing share of federal investments to these areas of persistent poverty and report annually to Congress. BAD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Smith: NO

Education.

HR 3588: To require the National Science Foundation to increase math and statistics education in K-12 schools, with grants to colleges and nonprofits for research and development. GOOD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Flood: YES Smith: YES

HR 3617 Amend. 189: To direct the federal Education Dept. to conduct a study on the impact of legalizing marijuana on schools and children. BAD AMENDMENT/ PASSED Bacon: NO Smith: NO

HR 4521 Amend. 169: To establish a federal data system that contains information about postsecondary student academic and economic outcomes. BAD AMENDMENT/ PASSED Bacon: YES Fortenberry: NO Smith: NO

HR 5407: To require the Education Dept. to encourage colleges to develop and implement comprehensive campus mental health and suicide prevention plans. GOOD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Smith: YES

S. 2959: To provide federal funding to local school districts that have lost property tax revenue because of tax exempt federal property or to districts that have experienced increased expenditures because of enrollment of military kids residing on military bases. GOOD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Fortenberry: YES Smith: YES

Energy:

HR 6968: To prohibit importation of energy products from Russia. GOOD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Fortenberry: YES Smith: YES

HR 7688: That the Energy Information Agency must investigate all energy companies to facilitate transparent and competitive crude oil fuel markets. BAD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: NO Smith: NO

Amend. 215: To establish a new bureaucracy at the Federal Trade Commission (FTC) to monitor fuel markets. BAD AMENDMENT/ PASSED Bacon: NO Smith: NO

Amend. 214: To require the FTC to conduct an investigation to determine if the price of gas is manipulated by reducing refinery capacity or other market manipulation or artificially increased by price gouging. BAD AMENDMENT/ PASSED Bacon: NO Smith: NO

Law and Order:

HR 350: To require the FBI to assign a special agent in each field office to investigate hate crimes. To create an interagency task force to analyze and fight "white supremacist" infiltration of the armed forces and federal law enforcement agencies. BAD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: NO Smith: NO

HR 903 Amend. 199: To *not limit* TSA administrators from imposing new security screening procedures or requirements to handle a national security or public safety threat. GOOD AMENDMENT/ FAILED Bacon: YES Smith: YES

HR 963: To prohibit a pre-dispute arbitration agreement from being valid or enforceable, if it requires arbitration of employment, consumer, or civil rights disputes. BAD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: NO Fortenberry: NO Smith: NO

HR 1037: To find Peter Navarro and Daniel Scarvino Jr. in contempt of Congress for refusing to comply with subpoenas issued by the Hate Trump committee and refer committee reports to the U.S. attorney for D.C. for criminal prosecution. BAD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: NO Smith: NO

HR 1621: To limit consideration of conduct underlying a criminal charge for which an individual found not guilty by a federal court. GOOD BILL/PASSED Bacon: YES Fortenberry: did not vote Smith: YES

HR 2116: To prohibit discrimination based on hair texture, especially discrimination against individuals participating in federal housing programs, public accommodations, and employment. BAD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Fortenberry: NO Smith: NO

HR 2992: To require the Bureau of Justice Assistance to provide crisis intervention training tools to first responders to help individuals with traumatic brain injuries and post traumatic stress syndrome. GOOD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Smith: YES

HR 3359: To allow immediate family members of a murder victim under federal law to request a review of the victim case file, if the murder committed more than 3 yrs. prior, investigated by federal law enforcement, leads exhausted, and no killer identified. GOOD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Fortenberry: did not vote Smith: YES

HR 3372: To authorize the DOJ to make agreements with nonprofits to create re-entry centers for former inmates. BAD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Flood: NO Smith: NO

HR 3462: To require the SBA to annually report information about cybersecurity awareness, including supply chain risk management strategy that includes scrutiny of IT components from a Red Chinese company. GOOD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Flood: YES Smith: YES

HR 3617: To decriminalize the manufacture, distribution, or possession of marijuana. To prohibit denial of welfare benefits to those convicted of marijuana offenses. To establish a process to eliminate convictions for federal marijuana

offenses and establish sentence review hearings. To allow entrance of immigrants convicted of marijuana offenses. BAD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: NO Smith: NO

Amend. 190: That marijuana is not a reason to deny or rescind a security clearance. BAD AMENDMENT/ FAILED Bacon: NO Smith: NO

HR 4445: To invalidate agreements that preclude parties from filing lawsuits involving sexual assaults. BAD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: NO Fortenberry: YES Smith: NO

HR 5455: To broaden the scope of crack cocaine offenders eligible for retro sentence reduction. BAD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Flood: NO Smith: YES

HR 5616: To require the Dept. of Homeland Security (DHS) to report to Congress on accreditation status for each basic training program within DHS. The Undersecretary for Science & Technology must conduct research and development of systems and technologies to enhance access to training. GOOD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Fortenberry: YES Smith: YES

HR 5658: A Cong. Bacon bill to require DHS to report on its responsibilities to respond to cyberattacks. GOOD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Smith: YES

HR 5706: To establish formal sex assault and harassment policies for the federal transportation industry. Civil penalties against individuals who physically or sexually assault or threaten transportation employees. GOOD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Fortenberry: did not vote Smith: YES

HR 5911: To make exceptions to restrictions on hiring individuals convicted of specific crimes involving dishonesty and breach of trust to work at banks or credit unions. BAD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: NO Smith: YES

HR 5914: To reauthorize through FY 2022 a federal grant program to protect the elderly from scammers and establish a task force to oversee it. GOOD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Smith: YES

HR 6493: To reauthorize through FY 2028 illicit drug and alcohol abuse prevention programs and include efforts to prevent illegal drug use on campuses. GOOD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Smith: YES

HR 6538: To require an officer in the Dept. of Justice to act as a national coordinator of an active shooter alert network. BAD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Flood: NO Smith: NO

HR 6552: To reauthorize State Dept., DOJ, and immigration programs to combat human trafficking. To provide training to school staff and students to recognize and avoid trafficking. US AID must integrate activities to counter trafficking. GOOD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Flood: YES Smith: YES

HR 6868: To allow awarding of grants for cybersecurity education and training programs in K-12 schools and colleges. GOOD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Smith: YES

HR 6873: To require the DHS to provide to the public and private sectors technical assistance to counter terrorist explosive threats and attacks that pose a danger to important infrastructure or events. GOOD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Smith: YES

HR 6878: To require the Bureau of Justice Statistics to collect data on health needs of pregnant women in federal, state, and local prisons. Authorizes pre-release of imprisoned pregnant women, if due date is within final year of a prison term. BAD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Flood: YES Smith: YES

HR 7174: To reauthorize the National Computer Forensics Institute. GOOD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Flood: YES Smith: YES

HR 7321: To set new safety standards for foreign aircraft repair stations. Sets minimum qualifications for foreign mechanics and others working on U.S.-registered planes overseas. Each station receives 1 unannounced safety inspection annually. GOOD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Flood: YES Smith: YES

HR 7334: To establish a 10-year statute of limitations for criminal or civil charges against anyone who engaged in fraud in pandemic disaster loan programs. BAD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Smith: YES

HR 7352: To establish a 10-year statute of limitations for criminal or civil charges against anyone who fraudulently accepted federal pandemic money. BAD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Smith: YES

HR 8542: To permit cancelling grants that increase incarceration or institutionalization. BAD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: NO Flood: NO Smith: NO

HR 8987: To amend the 9/11 Victims Act to authorize appropriations to catch up on payments from this fund. GOOD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Flood: YES Smith: YES

S. 658: To allow DHS to work with nonprofit groups to develop, update, and deliver cybersecurity training to support homeland security. GOOD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Fortenberry: YES Smith: YES

S. 2520: That the DHS must cooperate with state and local governments regarding cybersecurity. To provide assistance and education related to cyber threats, implement defensive measures, and demonstrate incident responses, management, and warnings. GOOD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Smith: YES

S. 2629: To improve collection of data relating to cybercrime. The DOJ must make an agreement with the National Academy of Sciences to develop a taxonomy for categorizing different types of cybercrime. GOOD BILL/ PASSED

Bacon: YES Fortenberry: did not vote Smith: YES

S. 3470: To require federal agencies to refer substantiated reports of contract or grant recipients engaged in sex trafficking. They must refer reports to proper authorities. GOOD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Flood: YES Smith: YES

S. 3846: To expand the allowable use of grants to states and localities to improve response to the mentally ill. Funds for teams to support police and mental health crisis workers responding together to mental health calls. GOOD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Flood: YES Smith: YES

S. 4003: To require the DOJ to develop training curricula that includes alternatives to use of force and de-escalation tactics when responding to someone mentally ill. BAD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Flood: NO Smith: NO

S. 4160: To give the Marshal of the Supreme Court and Supreme Court Police authority to protect immediate family members of court justices and officers. GOOD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Smith: YES

S. 4524: To prohibit judicial enforceability of a non-disclosure clause agreed to before a dispute arises involving sexual assault or sexual harassment in violation of federal or state law. GOOD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Flood: YES Smith: YES

S. 4785: To extend until 9-30-22 a special assessment of \$5,000 on non-indigents convicted of sex abuse or human trafficking. GOOD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Flood: YES Smith: YES

S. 4834: To reauthorize through FY 2024 a national strategy for child exploitation prevention and interdiction and a national internet crimes against children task force program. GOOD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Flood: YES Smith: YES

S. 4926: To require the FBI to use a multidisciplinary approach to investigate child exploitation or abuse, production of child porn, or child sex trafficking. The FBI must use a trained child adolescent forensic interviewer if practical. GOOD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Flood: YES Smith: YES

S. 5230: To facilitate data-sharing between the National Missing and Unidentified Persons System and the National Crime Information Center database of the FBI. GOOD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Flood: YES Smith: YES

Gun Owner Rights.

HR 1808: To criminalize the import, manufacture, sale, or possession of a semiauto rifle or large capacity ammo clip. Currently-owned weapons exempted. Licensed firearms dealers must conduct a background check prior to sale or transfer of a currently-owned semiauto. States and local governments can obtain DOJ grants to compensate individuals who surrender semi-autos. BAD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: NO Flood: NO Smith: NO

HR 2377: To authorize and establish procedures for federal courts to issue federal extreme risk protection orders, with state and local grants, in order to prevent lawful gun owners believed an extreme risk from buying a gun, and expand data collection on such individuals. The FBI would compile files on these individuals. BAD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: NO Smith: NO

HR 7910: To prohibit the sale or transfer of semiautomatic rifles to individuals under 21. New regulations on how to store guns in homes. To prohibit the importation, sale, manufacture, or transfer of large capacity ammo clips. BAD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: NO Smith: NO

Military.

H. Res. 831: To urge NATO to provide continual support to the Ukrainian people. To establish a Center for Democratic Resilience within NATO hq. GOOD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Smith: YES

HR 1130: To support Sweden and Finland decisions to join NATO and that NATO members should support these decisions. To thwart attempts by Russia to oppose these decisions. GOOD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Flood: YES Smith: YES

HR 1836: To expand eligibility for GI bill educational assistance. Expands the kind of duty eligible for such assistance. The VA must provide information to new vets that includes a description of medical care, services, and other benefits to which they are entitled. GOOD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Fortenberry: YES Smith: NO

HR 1948: To exclude questions of unprofessional conduct, competence, or peer review for Veterans Health Administration employees. BAD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Flood: NO Smith: NO

HR 2250: To prohibit the VA from spending funds on a major information technology project, unless a report includes information on the cost, schedule, and performance of such project. GOOD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Flood: YES Smith: YES

HR 2521: To require the VA Dept. to study availability of providing essential services to pregnant or formerly pregnant veterans who enroll in the VA health care system. GOOD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Flood: YES Smith: YES

HR 3967 Amend. 179: To ensure that toxic-exposed veterans have access to mammograms. GOOD AMENDMENT/ PASSED Bacon: YES Fortenberry: YES Smith: YES

Amend. 178: To expand health care eligibility for specific combat veterans exposed to toxic substances for the last 10 years instead of last 5 yrs. and require screenings and studies to better identify potential associations between veteran medical conditions and toxic exposure. GOOD AMENDMENT/ PASSED Bacon: YES Fortenberry: YES Smith: YES

HR 4673: Democrat bill to force the Dept. of Veterans Affairs to automatically enroll veterans, without their permission, but who are eligible for VA health care system. BAD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: NO Fortenberry: YES Smith: NO

HR 5129 Amend. 204: To add support for homeless veterans to the list of permissible uses for which states can use Community Services Block grant funding. GOOD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Smith: YES

HR 5754: To require the VA to establish an information technology system that allows veterans or their representatives to electronically file complaints with a patient advocate or review the status of a filed complaint. GOOD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Smith: YES

HR 6089: To expand sanctions against individuals or entities that sell weapons, particularly drones, to Iran. GOOD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Smith: YES

HR 6376: To expand eligibility for VA work study allowance to individuals in rehabilitation, education, and training programs on a half-time basis. GOOD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Smith: YES

HR 6604: To make it easier for veterans to transfer educational credits because of closure of a program. GOOD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Smith: YES

HR 7153: To require the VA Dept. to submit to Congress a plan to modernize its information technical systems regarding VA benefits. GOOD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Smith: YES

HR 7314: To require the State Dept. to report to Congress if and how Red China is supporting the Russian invasion of Ukraine, including helping the Russian government or other entities evade sanctions, providing tech support to the Russian military or intelligence capabilities, or assisting Russian disinformation and propaganda efforts. GOOD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Smith: YES

HR 7375: To require the VA Dept. to update its payment system to allow electronic funds transfers of VA educational assistance to foreign colleges that provide an approved course of education to eligible recipients. GOOD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Smith: YES

HR 7500: To authorize the VA Dept. to work on specified major medical facility projects in FY 2022. GOOD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Smith: YES

HR 7900: FY 2023 appropriations to the Dept. of Defense. GOOD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Flood: YES Smith: YES

Amend. 278: To waive the current requirement that FEMA reimburse the DOD for the cost of military support for disaster response to major wildfires or federally-declared disasters and emergencies. BAD AMENDMENT/ FAILED Bacon: NO Flood: NO Smith: NO

Amend. 276: To prohibit the president from selling or exporting new F-16s or F-16 upgraded technology to Turkey, unless the president certifies to Congress that such transfer is in the national interest and includes description of concrete steps taken to ensure that such planes not used for unauthorized territorial flights over Greece. GOOD AMENDMENT/ PASSED Bacon: NO Flood: NO Smith: NO

Amend. 272: To prohibit U.S. military presence in Syria without congressional approval. BAD AMENDMENT/ FAILED Bacon: NO Flood: NO Smith: NO

Amend. 266: To require the Sec. of Defense to conduct a gender analysis of a program and offer training on gender analysis to military personnel. BAD AMENDMENT/ PASSED Bacon: NO Flood: NO Smith: NO

Amend. 262: To direct the FBI, DHS, and Sec. of Defense to publish a report that analyzes and establishes strategies to combat white supremacy and neo-Nazi activities in the military and federal law enforcement agencies. BAD AMENDMENT/ PASSED Bacon: NO Flood: NO Smith: NO

Amend. 261: That the DOD produce a report on the spread of disinformation within the military and how the dept. is working to stop its spread and impact. BAD AMENDMENT/ FAILED Bacon: NO Flood: NO Smith: NO

Amend. 260: To give the D.C. mayor the same authority over the D.C. National Guard that state governors have over their National Guards. BAD AMENDMENT/ PASSED Bacon: NO Flood: NO Smith: NO

Amend. 259: To continue the reduction of the total number of nuclear-armed ICBMs deployed in the U.S. BAD AMENDMENT/ FAILED Bacon: NO Flood: NO Smith: NO

Amend. 258: To prevent the testing and development of the new Sentinel nuclear missile and instead extend service of existing Minuteman II through 2040. BAD AMENDMENT/ FAILED Bacon: NO Flood: NO Smith: NO

Amend. 256: To allow the Navy to retire 9 combat ships. BAD AMENDMENT/ FAILED Bacon: YES Flood: NO Smith: NO

Amend. 255: To repeal the legal requirement for the DOD to submit unfunded priority lists to Congress. BAD AMENDMENT/ FAILED Bacon: NO Flood: NO Smith: NO

Amend. 254: To reduce the bill authorizations by about \$37 billion. BAD AMENDMENT/ FAILED Bacon: NO Flood: NO Smith: NO

Amend. 253: To reduce the bill authorizations by \$100 billion but keep the same amounts for civilian pay and benefits and the Defense Health Program. BAD AMENDMENT/ FAILED Bacon: NO Flood: NO Smith: NO

Amend. 251: To allow members of the military who file complaints about harassment and discrimination to appeal to a U.S. court outside the military. BAD AMENDMENT/ PASSED Bacon: NO Flood: NO Smith: NO

Amend. 246: To require proceedings for military commissions to be publicly available on the Internet. BAD AMENDMENT/ PASSED Bacon: NO Flood: NO Smith: NO

HR 7939: To make permanent authority for applying flexibilities to assist veterans with educational benefits during emergency situations. GOOD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Flood: YES Smith: YES

HR 8888: To provide information to veterans about eligibility requirements for federal food aid programs and develop policies to identify and treat veterans lacking food. GOOD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Flood: YES Smith: YES

S. 321: To award the Congressional Gold Medal to women of the 688th Battalion in recognition of their military service in Europe during WWII. GOOD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Fortenberry: YES Smith: YES

S. 1872: To award the Congressional Gold Medal to U.S. Army Ranger veterans of WW II. GOOD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Smith: YES

S. 2102: To expand veteran eligibility for mammogram screenings, including those exposed to toxic chemicals in Middle East and African campaigns. GOOD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Smith: YES

S. 2533: To upgrade the VA Dept. provision of mammograms and breast cancer treatment. GOOD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Smith: YES

S. 2794: To increase from \$400,000 to \$500,000 the maximum coverage amount for members and former members of the military under veteran insurance programs. GOOD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Flood: YES Smith: YES

S. 3373: To improve the health care of veterans exposed to toxic substances during their military service. GOOD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Flood: YES Smith: NO

S. 3522: To broaden presidential authority to lend lease defense items to Ukraine and to East European NATO nations. The president must establish an expedited procedure to ensure quick delivery of such defense items. GOOD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Smith: YES

S. 4089: To prohibit the VA Dept. from charging any amount for training assistance in cases in which individuals unable to complete a course or program because of closure of an educational institution or disapproval of a program. GOOD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Smith: YES

Foreign Affairs.

H Con Res. 59: To condemn the Sudan military coup and recognize its prime minister and cabinet as the rightful constitutional leaders. That the coup leaders must immediately release all detained civilian government leaders, return this nation to constitutional rule, and end the state of emergency. GOOD RESOLUTION/ PASSED Bacon: YES Flood: YES Smith: YES

HR 496: To direct the President to determine if Russia is squelching religious freedom in Ukraine. GOOD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Smith: YES

HR 833: To increase cooperation and support for Moldova democracy, economy, energy independence, and efforts to eliminate corruption there. To reaffirm our support for Moldovan independence, sovereignty, and territorial integrity. Requests Russia to withdraw all Russian troops from Moldova and refrain from making military and economic threats. GOOD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Smith: YES

HR 923: That the president must impose visa and property-blocking sanctions against foreigners responsible for or complicit in serious human rights violations in the Caucasus region. The State Dept. must report to Congress about U.S. military aid to Georgia, assessments of threats to its independence, and ability to defend itself, cybersecurity cooperation between the U.S. and Georgia, and strategy to help Georgia expand its ability to combat Russian propaganda. GOOD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Smith: YES

HR 956: To demand an immediate cease fire and withdrawal of Russian troops from Ukraine and express support for Ukrainian sovereignty and territorial integrity. To continue use of sanctions against the Putin Regime economy and urge our allies to deliver additional security aid to Ukraine. GOOD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Fortenberry: YES Smith: YES

HR 1168: To encourage further trade programs between the Caribbean and the U.S. That the president should prioritize and implement trade programs with the Caribbean that promote economic development. GOOD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Smith: YES

HR 1456: To reauthorize the Peace Corps through FY 2024 and give its employees preferential hiring status for federal civil service positions. BAD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Flood: NO Smith: NO

HR 1934: The State Dept. must develop and implement a strategy to work with allies and partners and monitor efforts by Red China to control or influence the International Telecommunications Union. To increase U.S. influence in international organizations that develop and set standards for wireless telecommunications. GOOD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Flood: YES Smith: YES

HR 2471: Democrat bill to provide supplemental appropriations to Ukraine, like emergency food aid, defense equipment, and economic aid, enforce sanctions against Russia, and add several sanctions. BAD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: NO Fortenberry: NO Smith: NO

HR 3344: To help several countries improve the security of their telecommunications networks. Our State Dept. must encourage international financial institutions to provide investment support, and federal agencies will do likewise. To support candidates for elections at the International Telecommunications Union who will support and defend democratic values, internet freedom, and telecommunications security. GOOD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Smith: YES

HR 3485: To impose visa-blocking sanctions on foreigners who violate “human rights” because of sexual orientation or gender ID. The State Dept. must track violence and discrimination against foreign individuals based on sexual orientation or gender ID. BAD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: NO Fortenberry: NO Smith: NO

HR 4133: To appropriate funds to the Caribbean Basin Security Initiative to support security and citizen safety, fight corruption, and promote the rule of law. The State Dept. must submit a plan that includes a timeline and stated objectives. GOOD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Smith: YES

HR 4521 Amend. 168: To require Red China to match emission-cutting targets set by the U.S. GOOD AMENDMENT/ PASSED Bacon: YES Fortenberry: YES Smith: YES

Amend. 167: To rescind U.S. participation in the UN Convention on Climate Change. GOOD AMENDMENT/ FAILED Bacon: NO Fortenberry: YES Smith: YES

Amend. 163: To require the State Dept. to give annual briefings to Congress on Red Chinese progress and efforts to meet emissions objectives and commitments. GOOD AMENDMENT/ PASSED Bacon: YES Fortenberry: YES Smith: YES

Amend. 161: To require the State Dept. to report on the impact of U.S. sanctions regarding emissions reduction, climate cooperation, and economic justice. BAD AMENDMENT/ FAILED Bacon: NO Fortenberry: NO Smith: NO

HR 6891: To require the Treasury Dept. to take all necessary steps to exclude Russian government officials from international meetings. GOOD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Smith: YES

HR 6930: To establish the means to determine the legal mechanism to seize and confiscate assets belonging to Russians affiliated with the Kremlin leadership managing the Ukraine invasion. To make recommendations to Congress to impose additional energy sanctions on the Russian government. The president must report to Congress a determination if current sanctions should expand to cover additional Russians. GOOD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Smith: YES

HR 7066: To require U.S. financial institutions to take all necessary actions to ensure that any entity owned by such institution comply with financial sanctions applied to Russia and Belarus. GOOD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Smith: YES

HR 7108: To suspend normal trade relations with Russia and Belarus. To permanently authorize the president to impose visa and property-blocking sanctions based on violations of human rights. To direct the U.S. trade representative to encourage other World Trade Organization members to suspend trade concessions to Russia and Belarus. GOOD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Smith: YES

HR 7276: To require the U.S. to collect, analyze, and preserve evidence related to war crimes and other atrocities committed by Russian troops in Ukraine and use media and diplomacy to make Russian people aware of efforts to identify and prosecute those responsible for such atrocities. GOOD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Smith: YES

HR 7311: To require the State Dept. to report to Congress a strategy and plan to counter Russian malicious influence in Africa, with annual updates. GOOD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Smith: YES

HR 7372: To report to Congress on the impact of the Russian invasion of Ukraine on supplies of palladium, neon gas, and helium, and the impact on the global supply chain. Recommendations to Congress to bolster our supply of materials for the semiconductor supply chain. GOOD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Smith: YES

HR 8294 Amend. 301: To prevent using bill funds to implement, administer, or enforce trade sanctions on financing ag sales to Cuba. BAD AMENDMENT/ FAILED Bacon: NO Flood: NO Smith: NO

HR 8351: To remove tariffs and import quotas from baby formula, which is in short supply. GOOD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Flood: YES Smith: YES

S. 812: To direct the Sec. of State to develop a strategy to regain observer status for Taiwan in the World Health Organization. GOOD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Smith: YES

S. 3895: To reauthorize the U.S. Commission on International Religious Freedom through FY 2024. This commission monitors international religious freedom violations and makes policy recommendations. GOOD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Flood: YES Smith: YES

Traditional Values.

H. Res. 1434: To assert that the FDA approval of chemical abortion drugs preempts state laws and highlights that the Att.-Gen. has enforcement authority over the states. The bill findings claim that the chemical abortion pill mifepristone is safe, despite evidence to the contrary. BAD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: NO Flood: NO Smith: NO

HR 3755: To enshrine into law abortion-on-demand and seek to strip away from elected lawmakers the ability to provide even the most minimal protections for unborn children at any stage of their pre-natal development. To invalidate almost all existing state limitations on abortion and prohibit states from adopting new limitations in the future. To invalidate most previously enacted federal limits on abortion. BAD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: NO Flood: NO Smith: NO

HR 8294: To repeal the D.C. Hyde Amendment that has prevented tax-funded abortions in the District of Columbia for many years. This amendment prohibits the use of government funds to pay for abortions in D.C. BAD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: NO Flood: NO Smith: NO

HR 8296: To prohibit federal government restrictions on provision of and access to abortion services. Prohibits impeding access to abortion services. The Justice Dept., individual citizens, or abortion providers may sue to enforce this law, and states not immune from lawsuits. BAD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: NO Flood: NO Smith: NO

HR 8297: To prohibit anyone acting under state law from interfering with an individual ability to obtain an out of state abortion. Prohibits preventing, restricting, or retaliating against a health care provider of abortion or anyone who assists an abortion provider, anyone who travels to another state for an abortion or helps another person travel to such state, or assists the transit of drugs approved to terminate a pregnancy. The Justice Dept. must enforce the law, and private individuals can file lawsuits under this law. BAD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: NO Flood: NO Smith: NO

HR 8373: This Right to Contraception Act goes far beyond the scope of contraception and includes provisions allowing the funding of abortion providers. The bill includes language that could permit the use of drugs to induce an abortion weeks or months into a pregnancy. BAD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: NO Flood: NO Smith: NO

HR 8404: To legalize same-sex marriage and allow the Justice Dept. to sue an individual or entity that violates this right. BAD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Flood: NO Smith: NO

Immigration.

HR 5274: To require the Customs Service to provide materials to officers and agents and provide continual training on the use of these devices to prevent exposure to fentanyl and other lethal substances from immigrants. GOOD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Flood: YES Smith: YES

HR 7946: To ignore specific grounds for immigration admissibility for specific non-citizens applying for lawful permanent resident status, if an immediate relative of a U.S. citizen who served at least 2 yrs. in the U.S. military. BAD BILL/PASSED Bacon: NO Flood: NO Smith: NO

Amend. 331: To require the DHS secretary to announce regulations to implement this law no later than 90 days after the law enacted. BAD AMENDMENT/ PASSED Bacon: NO Flood: NO Smith: NO

S. 3157: To require the Dept. of Labor to give Congress a study on policy recommendations for helping non-citizens gain proper employment in the U.S. BAD BILL/ PASSED Bacon: YES Flood: YES Smith: YES

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