

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

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Senate

Chamber Action

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Measures Introduced: Seven bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2913–2919, S.J. Res. 45, and S. Res. 576–577. **Page S5918**

Measures Reported:

Reported on Wednesday, October 1, during the adjournment:

Report to accompany S. 1622, to establish the Alyce Spotted Bear and Walter Soboleff Commission on Native Children. (S. Rept. No. 113–264)

Report to accompany S. 1948, to promote the academic achievement of American Indian, Alaska Native, and Native Hawaiian children with the establishment of a Native American language grant program. (S. Rept. No. 113–265)

Report to accompany S. 2299, to amend the Native American Programs Act of 1974 to reauthorize a provision to ensure the survival and continuing vitality of Native American languages. (S. Rept. No. 113–266)

Report to accompany S. 2465, to require the Secretary of the Interior to take into trust 4 parcels of Federal land for the benefit of certain Indian Pueblos in the State of New Mexico. (S. Rept. No. 113–267)

S. 1347, to provide transparency, accountability, and limitations of Government sponsored conferences, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 113–268)

S. 1690, to reauthorize the Second Chance Act of 2007, with amendments.

S. 2646, to reauthorize the Runaway and Homeless Youth Act, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

Reported on Wednesday, November 12, 2014:

S. 1793, to encourage States to require the installation of residential carbon monoxide detectors in homes, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 113–269)

Report to accompany S. 1353, to provide for an ongoing, voluntary public-private partnership to improve cybersecurity, and to strengthen cybersecurity research and development, workforce development and education, and public awareness and preparedness. (S. Rept. No. 113–270) **Pages S5917–18**

Measures Passed:

National Day of Writing: Senate agreed to S. Res. 576, expressing support for the designation of October 20, 2014, as the “National Day of Writing”. **Pages S5957**

Measures Considered:

Marketplace and Internet Tax Fairness Act: Senate began consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 2609, to restore States’ sovereign rights to enforce State and local sales and use tax laws. **Pages S5885–87**

Subsequently, the motion to proceed was withdrawn. **Page S5902**

USA Freedom Act—Cloture: Senate began consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 2685, to reform the authorities of the Federal Government to require the production of certain business records, conduct electronic surveillance, use pen registers and trap and trace devices, and use other forms of information gathering for foreign intelligence, counterterrorism, and criminal purposes. **Page S5902**

A motion was entered to close further debate on the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill, and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on cloture will occur upon disposition of the nomination of Eleanor Louise Ross, of Georgia, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Georgia. **Page S5902**

Appointments:

The following appointments are to be printed in the Record, pursuant to the order of September 18,

2014, but the Chair did not announce the appointments:

National Advisory Committee on Institutional Quality and Integrity: On behalf of the President pro tempore, pursuant to Public Law 110–315, the appointment of the following individual to be a member of the National Advisory Committee on Institutional Quality and Integrity:

George Hanks Brown of Colorado, vice William Armstrong. **Page S5957**

Advisory Committee on Student Financial Assistance: On behalf of the President pro tempore, and upon recommendation of the Majority Leader, pursuant to the provisions of Public Law 99–498, as amended by Public Law 110–315, the appointment of the following individual to serve as a member of the Advisory Committee on Student Financial Assistance:

John White of Nevada, vice Sharon Wurm of Nevada. **Pages S5957–58**

Board of Trustees of the John C. Stennis Center for Public Service Training and Development: On behalf of the Majority Leader, pursuant to the provisions of Public Law 100–458, sec. 114 (b)(2)(c), the appointment of the following individual to serve as a member of the Board of Trustees of the John C. Stennis Center for Public Service Training and Development for a term expiring 2018:

Christopher A. Coons of Delaware, vice William F. Winter of Mississippi. **Page S5958**

Board of Trustees of the John C. Stennis Center for Public Service Training and Development: On behalf of the Majority Leader, pursuant to the provisions of Public Law 100–458, sec. 114 (b)(2)(c), the re-appointment of the following individual to serve as a member of the Board of Trustees of the John C. Stennis Center for Public Service Training and Development for a term expiring 2020:

Mike Moore of Mississippi. **Page S5958**

National Council on Disability: On behalf of the Majority Leader, pursuant to the provisions of Public Law 93–112, as amended by Public Law 112–166, and further amended by Public Law 113–128, the appointment of the following to serve as a member of the National Council on Disability:

Bob Brown of Nevada, vice Stephanie Orlando.

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Keystone XL Pipeline—Agreement: A unanimous-consent-time agreement was reached providing that following Leader remarks on Tuesday, November 18, 2014, Senate begin consideration of S. 2280, to approve the Keystone XL Pipeline; that there be up to 6 hours of debate equally divided between opponents and proponents; that upon the use, or yield-

ing back of time, Senate vote on passage of the bill; that no amendments, motions or points of order be in order to the bill prior to the vote on passage; that the vote on passage be subject to a 60 affirmative vote threshold; and that if the Senate passes the bill, and has received or receives from the House a bill that is identical to S. 2280, then the House bill be passed with no intervening action or debate.

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Message from the President: Senate received the following message from the President of the United States:

Transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on the continuation of the national emergency with respect to Iran that was declared in Executive Order 12170 on November 14, 1979; which was referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. (PM–54)

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Abrams Nomination—Cloture: Senate began consideration of the nomination of Leslie Joyce Abrams, of Georgia, to be United States District Judge for the Middle District of Georgia.

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A motion was entered to close further debate on the nomination, and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on cloture will occur upon disposition of the motion to concur in the House amendment to S. 1086, to reauthorize and improve the Child Care and Development Block Grant Act of 1990.

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Cohen Nomination—Cloture: Senate began consideration of the nomination of Mark Howard Cohen, of Georgia, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Georgia.

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A motion was entered to close further debate on the nomination, and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on cloture will occur upon disposition of the nomination of Leslie Joyce Abrams, of Georgia, to be United States District Judge for the Middle District of Georgia.

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Ross Nomination—Cloture: Senate began consideration of the nomination of Eleanor Louise Ross, of Georgia, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Georgia.

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A motion was entered to close further debate on the nomination, and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on cloture will occur upon disposition of the nomination of Mark Howard Cohen, of Georgia, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Georgia.

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Moss Nomination: Senate resumed consideration of the nomination of Randolph D. Moss, of Maryland,

to be United States District Judge for the District of Columbia. **Page S5903**

During consideration of this nomination today, Senate also took the following action:

By 53 yeas to 45 nays (Vote No. 271), Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the nomination. **Page S5903**

May Nomination: Senate resumed consideration of the nomination of Leigh Martin May, of Georgia, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Georgia. **Pages S5904, S5939–S5946**

During consideration of this nomination today, Senate also took the following action:

By 67 yeas to 30 nays (Vote No. 272), Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the nomination. **Page S5904**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Jeffery S. Hall, of Kentucky, to be a Member of the Farm Credit Administration Board, Farm Credit Administration, for a term expiring October 13, 2018.

David J. Berteau, of Maryland, to be an Assistant Secretary of Defense.

Jay Neal Lerner, of Illinois, to be Inspector General, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

Dava J. Newman, of Massachusetts, to be Deputy Administrator of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

Michael P. O’Rielly, of New York, to be a Member of the Federal Communications Commission for a term of five years from July 1, 2014.

Mark Scarano, of New Hampshire, to be Federal Cochairperson of the Northern Border Regional Commission.

Sim Farar, of California, to be a Member of the United States Advisory Commission on Public Diplomacy for a term expiring July 1, 2015.

Sim Farar, of California, to be a Member of the United States Advisory Commission on Public Diplomacy for a term expiring July 1, 2018.

William Joseph Hybl, of Colorado, to be a Member of the United States Advisory Commission on Public Diplomacy for a term expiring July 1, 2015.

Leon Aron, of Virginia, to be a Member of the Broadcasting Board of Governors for a term expiring August 13, 2016.

Azita Raji, of California, to be Ambassador to the Kingdom of Sweden.

Romonía S. Dixon, of Arizona, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for National and Community Service for a term expiring October 6, 2018.

Walter A. Barrows, of Ohio, to be a Member of the Railroad Retirement Board for a term expiring August 28, 2019.

Robert A. Salerno, of the District of Columbia, to be an Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia for the term of fifteen years.

David S. Shapira, of Pennsylvania, to be a Governor of the United States Postal Service for a term expiring December 8, 2019.

Michelle K. Lee, of California, to be Under Secretary of Commerce for Intellectual Property and Director of the United States Patent and Trademark Office.

Leigh A. Bradley, of Virginia, to be General Counsel, Department of Veterans Affairs.

Adewale Adeyemo, of California, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Treasury.

Daniel R. Elliott III, of Ohio, to be a Member of the Surface Transportation Board for a term expiring December 31, 2018.

Marisa Lago, of New York, to be a Deputy United States Trade Representative, with the rank of Ambassador.

Antonio F. Weiss, of New York, to be an Under Secretary of the Treasury.

Antony Blinken, of New York, to be Deputy Secretary of State.

Lauren McGarity McFerran, of the District of Columbia, to be a Member of the National Labor Relations Board for the term of five years expiring December 16, 2019.

David Avren Jones, of Connecticut, to be a Member of the Federal Retirement Thrift Investment Board for a term expiring October 11, 2018.

Michael D. Kennedy, of Georgia, to be a Member of the Federal Retirement Thrift Investment Board for a term expiring September 25, 2018.

Nicholas J. Rasmussen, of Virginia, to be Director of the National Counterterrorism Center, Office of the Director of National Intelligence.

Luis Felipe Restrepo, of Pennsylvania, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Third Circuit.

Kara Farnandez Stoll, of Virginia, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Federal Circuit.

Dale A. Drozd, of California, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of California.

LaShann Moutique DeArcy Hall, of New York, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of New York.

Michael Greco, of New York, to be United States Marshal for the Southern District of New York for the term of four years.

2 Air Force nominations in the rank of general.
60 Army nominations in the rank of general.

1 Marine Corps nomination in the rank of general.

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Nominations Withdrawn: Senate received notification of withdrawal of the following nominations:

Jo Ann Rooney, of Massachusetts, to be Under Secretary of the Navy, which was sent to the Senate on January 6, 2014.

Michael G. Carroll, of New York, to be Inspector General, United States Agency for International Development, which was sent to the Senate on January 6, 2014.

Sharon Block, of the District of Columbia, to be a Member of the National Labor Relations Board for the term of five years expiring December 16, 2019, which was sent to the Senate on July 14, 2014.

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Record Votes: Two record votes were taken today.
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Adjournment: Senate convened at 2 p.m. and adjourned at 7:52 p.m., until 2:15 p.m. on Thursday, November 13, 2014. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S5936, S5958.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

FIGHTING EBOLA AND GOVERNMENT RESPONSE

Committee on Appropriations: Committee concluded a hearing to examine fighting Ebola and protecting America, focusing on the U.S. Government response, after receiving testimony from Sylvia Mathews Burwell, Secretary, Department of Health and Human Services; Jeh Johnson, Secretary, Department of Homeland Security; Heather Higginbottom, Deputy Secretary of State for Management and Resources; and Michael Lumpkin, Assistant Secretary of

Defense for Special Operations and Low Intensity Conflict.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

H.R. 43, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 14 Red River Avenue North in Cold Spring, Minnesota, as the "Officer Tommy Decker Memorial Post Office";

H.R. 451, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 500 North Brevard Avenue in Cocoa Beach, Florida, as the "Richard K. Salick Post Office";

H.R. 1391, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 25 South Oak Street in London, Ohio, as the "London Fallen Veterans Memorial Post Office";

H.R. 1865, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 35 Park Street in Danville, Vermont, as the "Thaddeus Stevens Post Office";

H.R. 3085, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 3349 West 111th Street in Chicago, Illinois, as the "Captain Herbert Johnson Memorial Post Office Building";

H.R. 3957, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 218–10 Merrick Boulevard in Springfield Gardens, New York, as the "Cynthia Jenkins Post Office Building";

H.R. 4189, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 4000 Leap Road in Hilliard, Ohio, as the "Master Sergeant Shawn T. Hannon, Master Sergeant Jeffrey J. Rieck and Veterans Memorial Post Office Building";

H.R. 4443, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 90 Vermilyea Avenue, in New York, New York, as the "Corporal Juan Mariel Alcantara Post Office Building";

H.R. 4919, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 715 Shawan Falls Drive in Dublin, Ohio, as the "Lance Corporal Wesley G. Davids and Captain Nicholas J. Rozanski Memorial Post Office";

H.R. 5019, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1335 Jefferson Road in Rochester, New York, as the "Specialist Theodore Matthew Glende Post Office";

H.R. 5106, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 100 Admiral Callaghan Lane in Vallejo, California, as the "Philmore Graham Post Office Building";

S. 2523, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 14 3rd Avenue,

NW., in Chisholm, Minnesota, as the “James L. Oberstar Memorial Post Office Building”; and

The nominations of Sarah R. Saldana, of Texas, to be Assistant Secretary for Immigration and Customs Enforcement, and Russell C. Deyo, of New Jersey, to be Under Secretary for Management, both of the Department of Homeland Security, and Mickey D. Barnett, of New Mexico, to be a Governor of the United States Postal Service.

NOMINATION

Committee on Indian Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nomination of Jonodev Osceola Chaudhuri, of Arizona, to be Chairman of the National Indian Gaming Commission, after the nominee testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 15 public bills, H.R. 5681–5695; and 4 resolutions, H. Res. 749–752 were introduced. **Pages H7937–38**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages H7938–40**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 2026, to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to exempt certain silvicultural activities from national pollutant discharge elimination system permitting requirements, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 113–607);

H.R. 3678, to redesignate the lock and dam located in Modoc, Illinois, commonly known as the Kaskaskia Lock and Dam, as the “Jerry F. Costello Lock and Dam”, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 113–608);

H.R. 4854, to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to clarify when the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency has the authority to prohibit the specification of a defined area, or deny or restrict the use of a defined area for specification, as a disposal site under section 404 of such Act, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 113–609);

H.R. 4926, to designate the “James L. Oberstar Memorial Highway” and the “James L. Oberstar National Scenic Byway” in the State of Minnesota, with amendments (H. Rept. 113–610);

H.R. 5146, to designate the United States courthouse located at 700 Grant Street in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, as the “Joseph F. Weis Jr. United States Courthouse” (H. Rept. 113–611);

H.R. 5266, to reauthorize the National Estuary Programs, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 113–612);

H.R. 5448, to amend the John F. Kennedy Center Act to authorize appropriations for the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts (H. Rept. 113–613)

H.R. 647, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for the tax treatment of ABLE accounts established under State programs for the care of family members with disabilities, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 113–614, Pt. 1)

H.R. 3326, to provide for an exchange of land between the United States and the Trinity Public Utilities District of Trinity County, California, involving a parcel of National Forest System land in Shasta-Trinity National Forest, with an amendment (H. Rept. 113–615);

H.R. 4846, to adjust the boundary of the Arapaho National Forest, Colorado, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 113–616);

H. Res. 748, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 5682) to approve the Keystone XL Pipeline (H. Rept. 113–617);

H.R. 5167, to direct the Administrator of General Services, on behalf of the Secretary of the Interior, to convey certain Federal property located in the National Petroleum Reserve in Alaska to the Olgoonik Corporation, an Alaska Native Corporation established under the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act, with an amendment (H. Rept. 113–618); and H.R. 4012, to prohibit the Environmental Protection Agency from proposing, finalizing, or disseminating regulations or assessments based upon science that is not transparent or reproducible (H. Rept. 113–619). **Pages H7936–37**

Unanimous Consent Agreement: Agreed by unanimous consent that it be in order at any time on the legislative day of November 13, 2014, or November 14, 2014, for the Speaker to entertain motions that the House suspend the rules as though under clause 1 of rule 15. **Page H7903**

Recess: The House recessed at 2:22 p.m. and reconvened at 4 p.m. **Page H7906**

Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Government Reports Elimination Act of 2014: Concurred in the Senate amendment to H.R. 4194, to provide for the elimination or modification of Federal reporting requirements, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ ye-a-and-nay vote of 382 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 516;

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Presidential and Federal Records Act Amendments of 2014: Concurred in the Senate amendments to H.R. 1233, to amend chapter 22 of title 44, United States Code, popularly known as the Presidential Records Act, to establish procedures for the consideration of claims of constitutionally based privilege against disclosure of Presidential records;

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Reauthorizing the National Estuary Programs: H.R. 5266, amended, to reauthorize the National Estuary Programs;

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Clifford P. Hansen Federal Courthouse Conveyance Act: S. 1934, to direct the Administrator of General Services to convey the Clifford P. Hansen Federal Courthouse to Teton County, Wyoming; and

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Albuquerque, New Mexico, Federal Land Conveyance Act: S. 898, to authorize the Administrator of General Services to convey a parcel of real property in Albuquerque, New Mexico, to the Amy Biehl High School Foundation.

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Recess: The House recessed at 4:51 p.m. and reconvened at 6:30 p.m.

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Oath of Office—First Congressional District of New Jersey: Representative-elect Donald W. Norcross presented himself in the well of the House and was administered the Oath of Office by the Speaker. Earlier, the Clerk of the House transmitted a scanned copy of a letter received from the Honorable Kimberly M. Guadagno, New Jersey Lieutenant Governor/Secretary of State, indicating that, according to the preliminary results of the Special Election held November 4, 2014, the Honorable Donald W. Norcross was elected Representative to Congress for the First Congressional District, State of New Jersey.

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Oath of Office—Twelfth Congressional District of North Carolina: Representative-elect Alma Adams presented herself in the well of the House and was administered the Oath of Office by the Speaker. Earlier, the Clerk of the House transmitted a scanned copy of a letter received from Ms. Kim Strach, Executive Director of the North Carolina State Board of Elections, indicating that, according to the preliminary results of the Special Election

held November 4, 2014, the Honorable Alma Adams was elected Representative to Congress for the Twelfth Congressional District, State of North Carolina.

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Oath of Office—Seventh Congressional District of Virginia: Representative-elect Dave A. Brat presented himself in the well of the House and was administered the Oath of Office by the Speaker. Earlier, the Clerk of the House transmitted a scanned copy of a letter received from Mr. Edgardo Cortés, Commissioner, Commonwealth of Virginia Department of Elections, indicating that, according to the preliminary results of the Special Election held November 4, 2014, the Honorable Dave A. Brat was elected Representative to Congress for the Seventh Congressional District, Commonwealth of Virginia.

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Whole Number of the House: The Speaker announced to the House that, in light of the administration of the oath to the gentlewoman from North Carolina and the gentlemen from New Jersey and Virginia, the whole number of the House is 435.

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Presidential Message: Read a message from the President wherein he notified Congress that the national emergency with respect to Iran that was declared in Executive Order 12170 of November 14, 1979 is to continue in effect beyond November 14, 2014—referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs and ordered to be printed (H. Doc. 113–172).

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Senate Messages: Messages received from the Senate by the Clerk and subsequently presented to the House today appear on pages H7905, H7916–17.

Quorum Calls—Votes: One ye-a-and-nay vote developed during the proceedings of today and appears on pages H7916. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 2 p.m. and adjourned at 8:49 p.m.

Committee Meetings

EXAMINING THE U.S. PUBLIC HEALTH RESPONSE TO THE EBOLA OUTBREAK

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing on October 16, 2014, entitled “Examining the U.S. Public Health Response to the Ebola Outbreak”. Testimony was heard from Thomas R. Frieden, Director, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention; Anthony Fauci, Director, National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases, National Institutes of Health; Luciana Borio, Assistant Commissioner, Counterterrorism Policy, Food and Drug Administration;

Robin Robinson, Director, Biomedical Advanced Research and Development Authority, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response, Department of Health and Human Services; John P. Wagner, Acting Assistant Commissioner, Office of Field Operations, Customs and Border Protection, Department of Homeland Security; and a public witness.

THE EBOLA CRISIS: COORDINATION OF A MULTI-AGENCY RESPONSE

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform: Full Committee held a hearing on October 24, 2014, entitled “The Ebola Crisis: Coordination of a Multi-Agency Response”. Testimony was heard from Nicole Lurie, Assistant Secretary, Department of Health and Human Services; Michael Lumpkin, Assistant Secretary of Defense, Department of Defense; Major General James M. Lariviere, Deputy Director, Political-Military Affairs (Africa), Department of Defense; John Roth, Inspector General, Department of Homeland Security; and public witnesses.

KEYSTONE XL PIPELINE

Committee on Rules: Full Committee held a hearing on H.R. 5682, to approve the Keystone XL Pipeline. The committee granted, by record vote of 7–3, a closed rule for H.R. 5682. The rule provides one hour of debate equally divided among and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure and the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Energy and Commerce. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule provides that the bill shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against provisions in the bill. The rule provides one motion to recommit. Testimony was heard from Representative Whitfield.

Joint Meetings

IMPRISONED IN UZBEKISTAN

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe: On Tuesday, October 28, 2014, commission received a briefing on persons imprisoned in politically motivated cases in Uzbekistan, focusing on the human cost from Steve Sverdlow, Human Rights Watch Central Asia, Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan; Cathy Cosman, United States Commission on International Religious Freedom, Washington, DC; Sanjar Umarov, Tennessee; and Aygul Bekjan, Washington.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D920)

H.J. Res. 124, making continuing appropriations for fiscal year 2015. Signed on September 19, 2014. (Public Law 113–164)

S. 231, to reauthorize the Multinational Species Conservation Funds Semipostal Stamp. Signed on September 19, 2014. (Public Law 113–165)

H.R. 594, to amend the Public Health Service Act relating to Federal research on muscular dystrophy. Signed on September 26, 2014. (Public Law 113–166)

H.R. 2600, to amend the Interstate Land Sales Full Disclosure Act to clarify how the Act applies to condominiums. Signed on September 26, 2014. (Public Law 113–167)

H.R. 3043, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to clarify the treatment of general welfare benefits provided by Indian tribes. Signed on September 26, 2014. (Public Law 113–168)

H.R. 3716, to ratify a water settlement agreement affecting the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe. Signed on September 26, 2014. (Public Law 113–169)

H.R. 4197, to amend title 5, United States Code, to extend the period of certain authority with respect to judicial review of Merit Systems Protection Board decisions relating to whistleblowers. Signed on September 26, 2014. (Public Law 113–170)

H.R. 4751, to make technical corrections to Public Law 110–229 to reflect the renaming of the Bainbridge Island Japanese American Exclusion Memorial. Signed on September 26, 2014. (Public Law 113–171)

H.R. 4809, to reauthorize the Defense Production Act, to improve the Defense Production Act Committee. Signed on September 26, 2014. (Public Law 113–172)

H.R. 5062, to amend the Consumer Financial Protection Act of 2010 to specify that privilege and confidentiality are maintained when information is shared by certain nondepository covered persons with Federal and State financial regulators. Signed on September 26, 2014. (Public Law 113–173)

H.R. 5134, to extend the National Advisory Committee on Institutional Quality and Integrity and the Advisory Committee on Student Financial Assistance for one year. Signed on September 26, 2014. (Public Law 113–174)

H.R. 5404, to amend title 38, United States Code, to extend certain expiring provisions of law administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs. Signed on September 26, 2014. (Public Law 113–175)

H.J. Res. 120, approving the location of a memorial to commemorate the more than 5,000 slaves and free Black persons who fought for independence in

the American Revolution. Signed on September 26, 2014. (Public Law 113–176)

S. 276, to reinstate and extend the deadline for commencement of construction of a hydroelectric project involving the American Falls Reservoir. Signed on September 26, 2014. (Public Law 113–177)

S. 476, to amend the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal Development Act to extend to the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal National Historical Park Commission. Signed on September 26, 2014. (Public Law 113–178)

S. 1603, to reaffirm that certain land has been taken into trust for the benefit of the Match-E-Be-Nash-She-Wish Band of Pottawatami Indians. Signed on September 26, 2014. (Public Law 113–179)

S. 2154, to amend the Public Health Service Act to reauthorize the Emergency Medical Services for Children Program. Signed on September 26, 2014. (Public Law 113–180)

S. 2258, to provide for an increase, effective December 1, 2014, in the rates of compensation for veterans with service-connected disabilities and the rates of dependency and indemnity compensation for the survivors of certain disabled veterans. Signed on September 26, 2014. (Public Law 113–181)

H.R. 4323, to reauthorize programs authorized under the Debbie Smith Act of 2004. Signed on September 29, 2014. (Public Law 113–182)

H.R. 4980, to prevent and address sex trafficking of children in foster care, to extend and improve adoption incentives, and to improve international child support recovery. Signed on September 29, 2014. (Public Law 113–183)

S.J. Res. 40, providing for the appointment of Michael Lynton as a citizen regent of the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution. Signed on September 29, 2014. (Public Law 113–184)

H.R. 4994, to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for standardized post-acute care assessment data for quality, payment, and discharge planning. Signed on October 6, 2014. (Public Law 113–185)

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2014

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Lourdes Maria Castro Ramirez, of California, to be an Assistant Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, and Therese W. McMillan, of California, to be Federal Transit

Administrator, Department of Transportation, 11 a.m., SD–538.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: business meeting to consider S. 2638, to amend the Natural Gas Act to provide certainty with respect to the timing of Department of Energy decisions to approve or deny applications to export natural gas, S. 2379, to approve and implement the Klamath Basin agreements, to improve natural resource management, support economic development, and sustain agricultural production in the Klamath River Basin in the public interest and the interest of the United States, S. 1784, to improve timber management on Oregon and California Railroad and Coos Bay Wagon Road grant land, S. 2602, to establish the Mountains to Sound Greenway National Heritage Area in the State of Washington, S. 182, to provide for the unencumbering of title to non-Federal land owned by the city of Anchorage, Alaska, for purposes of economic development by conveyance of the Federal reversion interest to the City, S. 776, to establish the Columbine-Hondo Wilderness in the State of New Mexico, to provide for the conveyance of certain parcels of National Forest System land in the State, S. 841, to designate certain Federal land in the San Juan National Forest in the State of Colorado as wilderness, S. 1419, to promote research, development, and demonstration of marine and hydrokinetic renewable energy technologies, S. 1971, to establish an interagency coordination committee or subcommittee with the leadership of the Department of Energy and the Department of the Interior, focused on the nexus between energy and water production, use, and efficiency, S. 398, to establish the Commission to Study the Potential Creation of a National Women's History Museum, S. 2031, to amend the Act to provide for the establishment of the Apostle Islands National Lakeshore in the State of Wisconsin, to adjust the boundary of that National Lakeshore to include the lighthouse known as Ashland Harbor Breakwater Light, S. 1750, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior or the Secretary of Agriculture to enter into agreements with States and political subdivisions of States providing for the continued operation, in whole or in part, of public land, units of the National Park System, units of the National Wildlife Refuge System, and units of the National Forest System in the State during any period in which the Secretary of the Interior or the Secretary of Agriculture is unable to maintain normal level of operations at the units due to a lapse in appropriations, S. 1966, to provide for the restoration of the economic and ecological health of National Forest System land and rural communities, S. 2104, to require the Director of the National Park Service to refund to States all State funds that were used to reopen and temporarily operate a unit of the National Park System during the October 2013 shutdown, H.R. 1526, to restore employment and educational opportunities in, and improve the economic stability of, counties containing National Forest System land, while

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Committee on Armed Services, Full Committee, hearing entitled “The Administration’s Strategy and Military Campaign against Islamic State in Iraq and the Levant (ISIL)”, 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled “The Department of Defense Excess Property Program in Support of U.S. Law Enforcement Agencies: An Overview of DOD Authorities, Roles, Responsibilities, and Implementation of Section 1033 of the 1997 National Defense Authorization Act”, 4 p.m., 2212 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Terrorist Financing and the Islamic State”, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Committee on Foreign Affairs, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Combating Ebola in West Africa: The International Response”, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

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Committee on Veterans’ Affairs, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Assessing the Implementation of the Veterans Access, Choice, and Accountability Act of 2014”, 10 a.m., 334 Cannon.

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CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of November 13 through November 14,
2014

Senate Chamber

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Senate Committees

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

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House Committees

Committee on Foreign Affairs, November 14, Subcommittee on Africa, Global Health, Global Human Rights, and International Organizations, hearing entitled “The Future of Energy in Africa”, 12 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Joint Meetings

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe: November 14, to receive a briefing on Ukraine’s pivotal parliamentary poll, focusing on the conduct and results of the elections, as well as the potential for the newly elected parliament to confront the coming challenge of forging a democratic, secure, independent future for their strategically important country, 2 p.m., SD-608.

Résumé of Congressional Activity

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January 3 through September 30, 2014

	<i>Senate</i>	<i>House</i>	<i>Total</i>
Days in session	117	117	..
Time in session	744 hrs., 36'	617 hrs., 2'	..
Congressional Record:			
Pages of proceedings	5,881	7,901	..
Extensions of Remarks .....	..	1,506	..
Public bills enacted into law	31	81	112
Private bills enacted into law .....	..	..	..
Bills in conference	1	1	..
Measures passed, total	366	444	810
Senate bills	68	27	..
House bills	79	304	..
Senate joint resolutions	5	4	..
House joint resolutions	4	4	..
Senate concurrent resolutions	6	4	..
House concurrent resolutions	15	18	..
Simple resolutions	189	83	..
Measures reported, total	208	276	484
Senate bills	146	3	..
House bills	35	215	..
Senate joint resolutions	2	..	..
House joint resolutions .....	..	2	..
Senate concurrent resolutions .....	..	..	..
House concurrent resolutions .....	..	4	..
Simple resolutions	25	52	..
Special reports	8	7	..
Conference reports	3	3	..
Measures pending on calendar	375	62	..
Measures introduced, total	1,295	2,244	3,539
Bills	1,018	1,876	..
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Concurrent resolutions	14	45	..
Simple resolutions	248	299	..
Quorum calls	1	1	..
Yea-and-nay votes	270	212	..
Recorded votes	302	..
Bills vetoed
Veto overridden

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2:15 p.m., Thursday, November 13

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Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

10 a.m., Thursday, November 13

House Chamber

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