

CORRECTION

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S301–S366

Measures Introduced: Thirty-one bills and four resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 200–230, S.J. Res. 4–5, and S. Res. 31–32. **Pages S347–48**

Measures Reported:

H.R. 203, to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to provide for the conduct of annual evaluations of mental health care and suicide prevention programs of the Department of Veterans Affairs, to require a pilot program on loan repayment for psychiatrists who agree to serve in the Veterans Health Administration of the Department of Veterans Affairs.

S. Res. 31, authorizing expenditures by the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

S. Res. 32, authorizing expenditures by the Committee on Veterans' Affairs. **Page S347**

Measures Considered:

Keystone XL Pipeline—Agreement: Senate continued consideration of S. 1, to approve the Keystone XL Pipeline, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto: **Pages S311–38**

Adopted:

By 98 yeas to 1 nay (Vote No. 10), Whitehouse Amendment No. 29 (to Amendment No. 2), to express the sense of the Senate that climate change is real and not a hoax. (A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the amendment, having achieved 60 affirmative votes, be agreed to.) **Pages S311, S330**

Rejected:

By 54 yeas to 45 nays (Vote No. 7), Murkowski (for Lee) Amendment No. 33 (to Amendment No. 2), to conform citizen suits under the Endangered Species Act of 1973. (A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the amendment, having failed to achieve 60 affirmative votes, the amendment was not agreed to.) **Pages S311, S328**

By 41 yeas to 58 nays (Vote No. 8), Durbin Amendment No. 69 (to Amendment No. 2), to ensure that the storage and transportation of petroleum coke is regulated in a manner that ensures the protection of public and ecological health. (A unani-

mous-consent agreement was reached providing that the amendment, having failed to achieve 60 affirmative votes, the amendment was not agreed to.) **Pages S311, S328–29**

By 54 yeas to 45 nays (Vote No. 9), Murkowski (for Toomey) Amendment No. 41 (to Amendment No. 2), to continue cleaning up fields and streams while protecting neighborhoods, generating affordable energy, and creating jobs. (A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the amendment, having failed to achieve 60 affirmative votes, the amendment was not agreed to.) **Pages S311, S329–30**

By 59 yeas to 40 nays (Vote No. 11), Hoeven Modified Amendment No. 87 (to Amendment No. 2), to express the sense of Congress regarding climate change. (A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the amendment, having failed to achieve 60 affirmative votes, the amendment was not agreed to.) **Pages S311, S331**

By 50 yeas to 49 nays (Vote No. 12), Schatz Amendment No. 58 (to Amendment No. 2), to express the sense of Congress regarding climate change. (A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the amendment, having failed to achieve 60 affirmative votes, the amendment was not agreed to.) **Pages S311, S331**

Pending:

Murkowski Amendment No. 2, in the nature of a substitute. **Page S311**

Fischer Amendment No. 18 (to Amendment No. 2), to provide limits on the designation of new federally protected land. **Page S311**

Sanders Amendment No. 24 (to Amendment No. 2), to express the sense of Congress regarding climate change. **Pages S331–32**

Vitter/Cassidy Modified Amendment No. 80 (to Amendment No. 2), to provide for the distribution of revenues from certain areas of the outer Continental Shelf. **Pages S332–33**

Menendez/Cantwell Amendment No. 72 (to Amendment No. 2), to ensure private property cannot be seized through condemnation or eminent domain for the private gain of a foreign-owned business entity. **Pages S333–35**

Wyden Amendment No. 27 (to Amendment No. 2), to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to clarify that products derived from tar sands are crude oil for purposes of the Federal excise tax on petroleum.

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Lee Amendment No. 71 (to Amendment No. 2), to require a procedure for issuing permits to drill.

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Murkowski (for Blunt/Inhofe) Amendment No. 78 (to Amendment No. 2), to express the sense of the Senate regarding the conditions for the President entering into bilateral or other international agreements regarding greenhouse gas emissions without proper study of any adverse economic effects, including job losses and harm to the industrial sector, and without the approval of the Senate.

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A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill at approximately 10:30 a.m., on Thursday, January 22, 2015.

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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 that was originally declared on January 23, 1995, with respect to foreign terrorists who threaten to disrupt the Middle East peace process; which was referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. (PM–2)

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Executive Communications:

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Amendments Submitted:

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Authorities for Committees to Meet:

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Record Votes: Six record votes were taken today. (Total—12)

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m. and adjourned at 6:58 p.m., until 9:30 a.m. on Thursday, January 22, 2015. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S365.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

U.S. NATIONAL SECURITY STRATEGY

Committee on Armed Services: Committee concluded a hearing to examine global challenges and United States national security strategy, after receiving testi-

mony from Brent Scowcroft, The Scowcroft Group, and Zbigniew K. Brzezinski, Center for Strategic and International Studies, both a former U.S. National Security Advisor, both of Washington, DC.

PROTECTING THE INTERNET AND CONSUMERS

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee concluded a hearing to examine protecting the Internet and consumers through Congressional action, after receiving testimony from Meredith Attwell Baker, CTIA—The Wireless Association, Gene Kimmelman, Public Knowledge, Robert M. McDowell, Wiley Rein LLP, Paul Misener, Amazon.com, and Nicol E. Turner-Lee, Multicultural Media, Telecom and Internet Council, all of Washington, DC; and W. Tom Simmons, Midcontinent Communications, Sioux Falls, South Dakota.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Committee ordered favorably reported an original resolution (S. Res. 31) authorizing expenditures by the Committee, and adopted its rules of procedure for the 114th Congress.

IRAN NUCLEAR NEGOTIATIONS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded a hearing to examine Iran nuclear negotiations, focusing on the status of talks and the role of Congress, after receiving testimony from Antony Blinken, Deputy Secretary of State; and David S. Cohen, Under Secretary of the Treasury for Terrorism and Financial Intelligence.

NO CHILD LEFT BEHIND

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: Committee concluded a hearing to examine No Child Left Behind, focusing on testing and accountability, after receiving testimony from Paul Leather, New Hampshire Department of Education Deputy Commissioner of Education, Concord; Martin R. West, Harvard Graduate School of Education, Cambridge, Massachusetts; Tom Boasberg, Denver Public Schools, Denver, Colorado; Jia Lee, The Earth School, and Stephen Lazar, Harvest Collegiate High School, both of New York, New York; and Wade Henderson, The Leadership Conference on Civil and Human Rights, Washington, DC.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Michelle K. Lee, of California, to be Under Secretary of Commerce for Intellectual Property and Director of the United States Patent and Trademark Office, Daniel

Henry Marti, of Virginia, to be Intellectual Property Enforcement Coordinator, Executive Office of the President, and Alfred H. Bennett, George C. Hanks, Jr., and Jose Rolando Olvera, Jr., all to be a United States District Judge for the Southern District of Texas, who were all introduced by Senator Cornyn, and Jill N. Parrish, to be United States District Judge for the District of Utah, who was introduced by Senator Lee, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

An original resolution (S. Res. 32) authorizing expenditures by the Committee, and adopted its rules of procedure for the 114th Congress; and

H.R. 203, to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to provide for the conduct of annual evaluations of mental health care and suicide prevention programs of the Department of Veterans Affairs, to require a pilot program on loan repayment for psychiatrists who agree to serve in the Veterans Health Administration of the Department of Veterans Affairs;

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 41 public bills, H.R. 7, 20, 423–461; 1 private bill, H.R. 462; and 8 resolutions, H.J. Res. 23–25; H. Con. Res. 8; and H. Res. 39–41, 43 were introduced.

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Additional Cosponsors:

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Report Filed: A report was filed today as follows:

H. Res. 42, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 7) to prohibit taxpayer funded abortions (H. Rept. 114–4).

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Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative McClintock to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

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Recess: The House recessed at 10:40 a.m. and reconvened at 12 noon.

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Guest Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the Guest Chaplain, Most Reverend Richard Pates Bishop of the Diocese of Des Moines, Des Moines, Iowa.

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Committee Elections: The House agreed to H. Res. 39, electing Members to certain standing committees of the House of Representatives.

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Natural Gas Pipeline Permitting Reform Act: The House passed H.R. 161, to provide for the timely consideration of all licenses, permits, and approvals required under Federal law with respect to the siting, construction, expansion, or operation of any natural gas pipeline projects, by a yeas-and-nays vote of 253 yeas to 169 nays, Roll No. 41.

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Rejected the Pallone motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Energy and Commerce with

instructions to report the same back to the House forthwith with an amendment, by a yeas-and-nays vote of 182 yeas to 241 nays, Roll No. 40.

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H. Res. 38, the rule providing for consideration of the bills (H.R. 161) and (H.R. 36), was agreed to by a recorded vote of 238 yeas to 181 nays, Roll No. 39, after the previous question was ordered by a yeas-and-nays vote of 238 yeas to 182 nays, Roll No. 38.

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Committee Elections: The House agreed to H. Res. 40, electing Members to certain standing committees of the House of Representatives.

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Meeting Hour: Agreed by unanimous consent that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 9 a.m. tomorrow, January 22.

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Governing Board of the Office of Congressional Ethics—Reappointment: The Chair announced the Speaker's reappointment of the following individuals to serve as the Governing Board of the Office of Congressional Ethics, pursuant to section 4(d) of H. Res. 5, 114th Congress, and the order of the House of January 6, 2015: Nominated by the Speaker with the concurrence of the Minority Leader: Mr. Porter J. Goss of Florida, Chairman; Mr. James M. Eagen III of Colorado; Ms. Allison R. Hayward of Virginia; and Ms. Judy Biggert of Illinois, Alternate. Nominated by the Minority Leader with the concurrence of the Speaker: Mr. David Skaggs of Colorado, Co-Chairman; Brigadier General (retired) Belinda Pinckney of Virginia; Ms. Karan English of Arizona; and Mr. Mike Barnes of Maryland, Alternate.

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Recess: The House recessed at 5:36 p.m. and reconvened at 9:50 p.m.

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Presidential Message: Read a message from the President wherein he notified Congress that the national emergency declared with respect to foreign terrorists who threaten to disrupt the Middle East peace process is to continue in effect beyond January 23, 2015 "referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs and ordered to be printed (H. Doc. 114–5).

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Quorum Calls Votes: Three yea-and-nay votes and one recorded vote developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H452, H452–53, H459 and H459–60. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 9:51 p.m.

Committee Meetings

ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Full Committee held an organizational meeting for the 114th Congress. The committee rules and oversight plan were adopted.

PROTECTING THE INTERNET AND CONSUMERS THROUGH CONGRESSIONAL ACTION

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Communications and Technology held a hearing entitled "Protecting the Internet and Consumers Through Congressional Action". Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

A PERMANENT SOLUTION TO THE SGR: THE TIME IS NOW

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Health began a hearing entitled "A Permanent Solution to the SGR: The Time Is Now". Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

Committee on Financial Services: Full Committee held an organizational meeting for the 114th Congress. The committee adopted its oversight plan.

ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Full Committee held an organizational meeting for the 114th Congress. The committee adopted its rules, oversight plan, and list of Committee professional staff.

ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

Committee on Homeland Security: Full Committee held an organizational meeting for the 114th Congress. The committee adopted its rules, oversight plan, and staff hiring resolution.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURE

Committee on Homeland Security: Full Committee held a markup on H.R. 399, the "Secure Our Borders First Act of 2015". H.R. 399 was ordered reported, as amended.

ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING; MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on the Judiciary: Full Committee held an organizational meeting for the 114th Congress and a markup on H.R. 181, the "Justice for Victims of Trafficking Act of 2015"; H.R. 350, to direct the Interagency Task Force to Monitor and Combat Trafficking to identify strategies to prevent children from becoming victims of trafficking and review trafficking prevention efforts, to protect and assist in the recovery of victims of trafficking, and for other purposes; H.R. 159, the "Stop Exploitation Through Trafficking Act of 2015"; and H.R. 285, to amend title 18, United States Code, to provide a penalty for knowingly selling advertising that offers certain commercial sex acts. The committee adopted its rules and subcommittee assignments. The following bills were ordered reported, without amendment: H.R. 159; H.R. 181; H.R. 285; H.R. 350.

NO TAXPAYER FUNDING FOR ABORTION AND ABORTION INSURANCE FULL DISCLOSURE ACT OF 2015

Committee on Rules: Full Committee held a hearing on H.R. 7, the "No Taxpayer Funding for Abortion and Abortion Insurance Full Disclosure Act of 2015". The committee granted, by record vote of 7–1, a closed rule for H.R. 7. The rule provides one hour of debate equally divided and controlled by the Majority Leader and the Minority Leader or their respective designees. 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 Smith of New Jersey.

UNMANNED AERIAL SYSTEMS RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT

Committee on Science, Space, and Technology: Full Committee held a hearing entitled "Unmanned Aerial Systems Research and Development". Testimony was heard from Ed Waggoner, Director, Integrated Systems Research Program, Aeronautics Research Mission Directorate, National Aeronautics and Space Administration; James Williams, Manager, UAS Integration Office, Aviation Safety Organization, Federal Aviation Administration; and public witnesses.

FAA REAUTHORIZATION: REFORMING AND STREAMLINING THE FAA'S REGULATORY CERTIFICATION PROCESSES

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Full Committee held a hearing entitled "FAA Reauthorization: Reforming and Streamlining the FAA's Regulatory Certification Processes". Testimony was heard from Chris Hart, Acting Chairman, National Transportation Safety Board; Dorenda Baker, Director, Aircraft Certification Service, Federal Aviation Administration; Gerald Dillingham, Director of Civil Aviation Issues, Government Accountability Office; and public witnesses.

ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING; BUILDING A BETTER VA: ASSESSING ONGOING MAJOR CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT PROBLEMS WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Full Committee held an organizational meeting for the 114th Congress and a hearing entitled "Building a Better VA: Assessing Ongoing Major Construction Management Problems within the Department". The committee adopted resolutions to approve: committee rules; ratio of subcommittees; majority subcommittee chairmen and vice-chairman; ranking members of each subcommittee; majority membership of the subcommittees; minority membership of the subcommittees; committee staff; and the committee oversight plan. Testimony was heard from Sloan D. Gibson, Deputy Secretary, Department of Veterans Affairs; Lloyd C. Caldwell, P.E. Director of Military Programs, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers; David Wise, Director, Physical Infrastructure Issues, Government Accountability Office; and public witnesses.

ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

Committee on Ways and Means: Full Committee held an organizational meeting for the 114th Congress. The committee adopted its rules and oversight plan.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, JANUARY 22, 2015

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Armed Services: to receive a closed briefing on training and equipping the vetted Syrian opposition, 9:30 a.m., SVC-217.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: organizational business meeting to consider an original resolution authorizing expenditures by the committee during the 114th Congress, 9:30 a.m., SD-366.

Committee on Finance: to hold hearings to examine jobs and a healthy economy; to be immediately followed by an organizational business meeting to consider committee rules of procedure, 10 a.m., SD-215.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: to hold hearings to examine job-based health insurance and defining full-time work, 9:30 a.m., SD-430.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: organizational business meeting to consider an original resolution authorizing expenditures by the committee during the 114th Congress, committee rules of procedure, and the nominations of Russell C. Deyo, of New Jersey, to be Under Secretary of Homeland Security for Management, Earl L. Gay, of the District of Columbia, to be Deputy Director of the Office of Personnel Management, and Michael D. Kennedy, of Georgia, and David Avren Jones, of Connecticut, both to be a Member of the Federal Retirement Thrift Investment Board, 10 a.m., SD-342.

Committee on the Judiciary: organizational business meeting to consider an original resolution authorizing expenditures by the committee during the 114th Congress, subcommittee assignments, committee rules of procedure, and the nominations of Michael Greco, to be United States Marshal for the Southern District of New York, and Ronald Lee Miller, to be United States Marshal for the District of Kansas, both of the Department of Justice, Michael P. Botticelli, of the District of Columbia, to be Director of National Drug Control Policy, and Jeanne E. Davidson, of Maryland, to be a Judge of the United States Court of International Trade, 10 a.m., SD-226.

Select Committee on Intelligence: to receive a closed briefing on certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

House

Committee on Agriculture, Full Committee, organizational meeting for the 114th Congress, 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

Committee on the Budget, Full Committee, organizational meeting for the 114th Congress, 9:30 a.m., 210 Cannon.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, Subcommittee on Environment and the Economy, hearing entitled "EPA's 2014 Final Rule: Disposal of Coal Combustion Residuals from Electric Utilities", 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Health, hearing entitled "A Permanent Solution to the SGR: The Time Is Now", 10:15 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs, Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs, hearing entitled "Veterans' Dilemma: Navigating the Appeals System for Veterans Claims", 10:30 a.m., 340 Cannon.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

9:30 a.m., Thursday, January 22

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

9 a.m., Thursday, January 22

Senate Chamber

Program for Thursday: After the transaction of any morning business (not to extend beyond one hour), Senate will continue consideration of S. 1, Keystone XL Pipeline.

House Chamber

Program for Thursday: Consideration of H.R. 7—Prohibiting taxpayer funded abortions (Subject to a Rule).

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