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Daily Digest

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Senate

Chamber Action

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Measures Introduced: Thirteen bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 327–339, and S. Res. 61–62.

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Measures Passed:

National Tribal Colleges and Universities Week: Senate agreed to S. Res. 62, designating the week beginning on February 8, 2015, as “National Tribal Colleges and Universities Week”. Page S702

Measures Considered:

Department of Homeland Security Appropriations Act: Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of H.R. 240, making appropriations for the Department of Homeland Security for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2015.

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Appointments:

National Council on Disability: The Chair announced, 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: Neil Romano of Maryland vice Sara Gelser.

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Clay Hunt SAV Act—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the previous order of Thursday, January 29, 2015, with respect to 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, be modified so that the Senate begin

consideration of the bill at approximately 11:00 a.m., on Tuesday, February 3, 2015, with all other provisions of the previous order being in effect.

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A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that at approximately 11 a.m., on Tuesday, February 3, 2015, the time until 12 noon be equally divided, and following the use or yielding back of time, Senate vote on passage of the bill.

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

Transmitting, pursuant to law, the Budget of the United States Government for Fiscal Year 2016; referred jointly, pursuant to the order of January 30, 1975 as modified by the order of April 11, 1986; which was referred to the Committees on Appropriations; and the Budget. (PM–3)

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 4 p.m. and adjourned at 7:06 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Tuesday, February 3, 2015. (For Senate’s program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today’s Record on page S705.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee announced the following subcommittee assignments:

Subcommittee on Near East, South Asia, Central Asia, and Counterterrorism: Senators Risch (Chair), Perdue, Paul, Rubio, Johnson, Murphy, Cardin, Shaheen, and Kaine.

Subcommittee on Western Hemisphere, Transnational Crime, Civilian Security, Democracy, Human Rights, and Global Women's Issues: Senators Rubio (Chair), Flake, Gardner, Perdue, Isakson, Boxer, Udall, Kaine, and Markey.

Subcommittee on Europe and Regional Security Cooperation: Senators Johnson (Chair), Paul, Risch, Gardner, Barrasso, Shaheen, Murphy, Kaine, and Markey.

Subcommittee on Africa and Global Health Policy: Senators Flake (Chair), Isakson, Paul, Barrasso, Rubio, Markey, Coons, Udall, and Cardin.

Subcommittee on East Asia, the Pacific, and International Cybersecurity Policy: Senators Gardner (Chair), Rubio, Johnson, Isakson, Flake, Cardin, Boxer, Coons, and Udall.

Subcommittee on State Department and USAID Management, International Operations, and Bilateral International Development: Senators Perdue (Chair), Risch, Isakson, Johnson, Paul, Kaine, Boxer, Coons, and Murphy.

Subcommittee on Multilateral International Development, Multilateral Institutions, and International Economic, Energy, and Environmental Policy: Senators Barrasso (Chair), Perdue, Risch, Flake, Gardner, Udall, Boxer, Shaheen, and Markey.

Senators Corker and Menendez are ex officio members of each subcommittee.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 32 public bills, H.R. 634–665; and 11 resolutions, H.J. Res. 27; H. Res. 67–76, were introduced.

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Additional Cosponsors:

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 50, to provide for additional safeguards with respect to imposing Federal mandates, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 114–11, Part 1);

H.R. 527, to amend chapter 6 of title 5, United States Code (commonly known as the Regulatory Flexibility Act), to ensure complete analysis of potential impacts on small entities of rules, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 114–12, Part 1); and

H. Res. 70, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 596) to repeal the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act and health care-related provisions in the Health Care and Education Reconciliation Act of 2010, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 114–13).

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

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Recess: The House recessed at 12:19 p.m. and reconvened at 2 p.m.

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Recess: The House recessed at 2:27 p.m. and reconvened at 5:04 p.m.

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

Medical Preparedness Allowable Use Act: H.R. 361, to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to codify authority under existing grant guidance authorizing use of Urban Area Security Initiative and State Homeland Security Grant Program funding for enhancing medical preparedness, medical surge capacity, and mass prophylaxis capabilities, by a 2/3 yeas-and-nays vote of 377 yeas to 2 nays, Roll No. 51;

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DHS Interoperable Communications Act: H.R. 615, to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to require the Under Secretary for Management of the Department of Homeland Security to take administrative action to achieve and maintain interoperable communications capabilities among the components of the Department of Homeland Security, by a 2/3 yeas-and-nays vote of 379 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 52; and

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Social Media Working Group Act of 2015: H.R. 623, to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to authorize the Department of Homeland Security to establish a social media working group, by a 2/3 yeas-and-nays vote of 328 yeas to 51 nays, Roll No. 53.

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Recess: The House recessed at 5:55 p.m. and reconvened at 6:31 p.m.

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Committee Elections: The House agreed to H. Res. 71, electing Members to certain standing committees of the House of Representatives.

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Authorizing the use of the rotunda of the United States Capitol: The House agreed to discharge from committee and agree to H. Con. Res. 12, authorizing the use of the rotunda of the United States Capitol for a ceremony to present the Congressional Gold Medal to Jack Nicklaus. **Page H686**

Presidential Message: Read a message from the President wherein he transmitted to Congress his Budget of the United States Government for Fiscal Year 2016—referred to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered to be printed (H. Doc. 114–3). **Pages H673–75**

Quorum Calls—Votes: Three yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H683–84, H684–85, and H685. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 12 noon and adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Committee Meetings

TO REPEAL THE PATIENT PROTECTION AND AFFORDABLE CARE ACT AND HEALTH CARE-RELATED PROVISIONS IN THE HEALTH CARE AND EDUCATION RECONCILIATION ACT OF 2010, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Committee on Rules: Full Committee held a hearing on H.R. 596, to repeal the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act and health care-related provisions in the Health Care and Education Reconciliation Act of 2010, and for other purposes. The committee granted, by record vote of 7–2, a closed rule for H.R. 596. The rule provides 90 minutes of debate equally divided among and controlled by the respective chairs and ranking minority members of the Committees on Education and the Workforce, Energy and Commerce, and Ways and Means. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule provides that the amendment printed in the Rules Committee report shall be considered as adopted and the bill, as amended, shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against provisions in the bill, as amended. The rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Representatives Burgess, Pallone, and Scott of Virginia.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 2015

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Armed Services: to hold hearings to examine the findings of the Military Compensation and Retirement Modernization Commission, 9:30 a.m., SD–G50.

Committee on the Budget: to hold hearings to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2016, 10 a.m., SD–608.

Committee on Finance: to hold hearings to examine the Internal Revenue Service Operations and the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2016, 10:30 a.m., SD–215.

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on Western Hemisphere, Transnational Crime, Civilian Security, Democracy, Human Rights, and Global Women's Issues, to hold hearings to examine understanding the impact of United States policy changes on human rights and democracy in Cuba, 10 a.m., SD–419.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: to hold hearings to examine No Child Left Behind, focusing on innovation to meet the needs of students, 10 a.m., SH–216.

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

House

Committee on Armed Services, Full Committee, hearing entitled "World Wide Threats", 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Military Personnel, hearing entitled "Wounded Warrior Program Update", 3:30 p.m., 2212 Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled "Examining the U.S. Public Health Response to Seasonal Influenza", 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Foreign Affairs, Subcommittee on the Western Hemisphere, hearing entitled "The Strategic Importance of the Western Hemisphere: Defining U.S. Interests in the Region", 11 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Transportation Security, hearing entitled "A Review of Access Control Measures at Our Nation's Airports", 2 p.m., 311 Cannon.

Committee on the Judiciary, Full Committee, hearing entitled "Examining the Adequacy and Enforcement of Our Nation's Immigration Laws", 11 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, Full Committee, hearing entitled "Inspectors General: Independence, Access and Authority", 10:15 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on Rules, Full Committee, hearing on H.R. 50, the "Unfunded Mandates Information and Transparency Act of 2015"; and H.R. 527, the "Small Business Regulatory Flexibility Improvements Act of 2015", 3 p.m., H–313 Capitol.

Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, Subcommittee on Oversight; and Subcommittee on Research and Technology, joint hearing entitled "NSF's Oversight of the

NEON Project and Other Major Research Facilities Developed Under Cooperative Agreements”, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, Subcommittee on Railroads, Pipelines, and Hazardous Materials, hearing entitled “How the Changing Energy Mar-

kets Will Affect U.S. Transportation”, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Committee on Ways and Means, Full Committee, hearing on the President’s fiscal year 2016 budget, 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

Résumé of Congressional Activity

FIRST SESSION OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTEENTH CONGRESS

The first table gives a comprehensive résumé of all legislative business transacted by the Senate and House.

The second table accounts for all nominations submitted to the Senate by the President for Senate confirmation.

DATA ON LEGISLATIVE ACTIVITY

January 6 through January 31, 2015

	<i>Senate</i>	<i>House</i>	<i>Total</i>
Days in session	16	15	..
Time in session	95 hrs., 34'	71 hrs., 4'	..
Congressional Record:			
Pages of proceedings	675	668	..
Extensions of Remarks .....	..	140	..
Public bills enacted into law .....	..	1	1
Private bills enacted into law .....	..	..	..
Bills in conference .....	..	..	..
Measures passed, total	37	50	87
Senate bills	1	..	..
House bills	1	27	..
Senate joint resolutions .....	..	..	..
House joint resolutions .....	..	..	..
Senate concurrent resolutions	1	1	..
House concurrent resolutions	1	2	..
Simple resolutions	33	5	..
Measures reported, total	21	10	31
Senate bills	1	..	..
House bills	1	5	..
Senate joint resolutions .....	..	..	..
House joint resolutions .....	..	..	..
Senate concurrent resolutions .....	..	..	..
House concurrent resolutions .....	..	..	..
Simple resolutions	19	5	..
Special reports .....	..	..	..
Conference reports .....	..	..	..
Measures pending on calendar	7	1	..
Measures introduced, total	384	737	1,121
Bills	317	633	..
Joint resolutions	5	26	..
Concurrent resolutions	2	12	..
Simple resolutions	60	66	..
Quorum calls	4	1	..
Yea-and-nay votes	49	31	..
Recorded votes .....	..	18	..
Bills vetoed .....	..	..	..
Vetoes overridden .....	..	..	..

DISPOSITION OF EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS

January 6 through January 31, 2015

Civilian nominations, totaling 83, disposed of as follows:	
Unconfirmed	83
Other Civilian nominations, totaling 491, disposed of as follows:	
Unconfirmed	491
Air Force nominations, totaling 224, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	33
Unconfirmed	191
Army nominations, totaling 89, disposed of as follows:	
Unconfirmed	89
Navy nominations, totaling 47, disposed of as follows:	
Unconfirmed	47
Marine Corps nominations, totaling 1,028, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	8
Unconfirmed	1,020
<i>Summary</i>	
Total nominations carried over from the First Session	0
Total nominations received this Session	1,962
Total confirmed	41
Total unconfirmed	1,921
Total withdrawn	0
Total returned to the White House	0

*These figures include all measures reported, even if there was no accompanying report. A total of 1 written report has been filed in the Senate, 10 reports have been filed in the House.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

10 a.m., Tuesday, February 3

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

10 a.m., Tuesday, February 3

Senate Chamber

Program for Tuesday: After the transaction of any morning business (not to extend beyond one hour), Senate will begin consideration of H.R. 203, Clay Hunt SAV Act and vote on passage of the bill at approximately 12:00 noon.

At 2:30 p.m., Senate will vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the motion to proceed to consideration of H.R. 240, Department of Homeland Security Appropriations Act.

(Senate will recess following the vote on passage of H.R. 203, Clay Hunt SAV Act, until 2:15 p.m. for their respective party conferences.)

House Chamber

Program for Tuesday: Consideration of H.R. 596—To repeal the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act and health care-related provisions in the Health Care and Education Reconciliation Act of 2010 (Subject to a Rule).

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