

Friday, September 11, 2015

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

The Senate met at 9:30:04 a.m. in pro forma session, and adjourned at 9:30:30 a.m., until 1 p.m., on Tuesday, September 15, 2015.

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 14 public bills, H.R. 3490–3503; and 2 resolutions, H. Res. 417–418, were introduced. **Pages H5974–75**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages H5975–76**

Report Filed: A report was filed today as follows:

H.R. 348, to provide for improved coordination of agency actions in the preparation and adoption of environmental documents for permitting determinations, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 114–228, Part 1). **Page H5974**

Suspending until January 21, 2017, the authority of the President to waive, suspend, reduce, provide relief from, or otherwise limit the application of sanctions pursuant to an agreement related to the nuclear program of Iran: The House passed H.R. 3460, to suspend until January 21, 2017, the authority of the President to waive, suspend, reduce, provide relief from, or otherwise limit the application of sanctions pursuant to an agreement related to the nuclear program of Iran, by a recorded vote of 247 ayes to 186 noes, Roll No. 494. **Pages H5947–67, H5968–69**

H. Res. 412, the rule providing for consideration of the resolution (H. Res. 411) and providing for consideration of the bills (H.R. 3461) and (H.R. 3460) was agreed to yesterday, September 10th.

Approving the Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action, signed at Vienna on July 14, 2015, relating to the nuclear program of Iran: The House rejected H.R. 3461, to approve the Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action, signed at Vienna on July 14,

2015, relating to the nuclear program of Iran, by a yea-and-nay vote of 162 yeas to 269 nays with one answering “present”, Roll No. 493. Consideration began yesterday, September 10th. **Pages H5967–68**

H. Res. 412, the rule providing for consideration of the resolution (H. Res. 411) and providing for consideration of the bills (H.R. 3461) and (H.R. 3460) was agreed to yesterday, September 10th.

Meeting Hour: Agreed by unanimous consent that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 3 p.m. on Tuesday, September 15th and further, when the House adjourns on that day, it adjourn to meet at 12 noon on Wednesday, September 16th for Morning Hour debate. **Page H5971**

Senate Message: Message received from the Senate today appears on page H5973.

Senate Referrals: S. 1629 was referred to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform. S. 1461 was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce and the Committee on Ways and Means. **Page H5973**

Quorum Calls—Votes: One yea-and-nay vote and one recorded vote developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H5968 and H5968–69. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 9 a.m. and adjourned at 1:27 p.m.

Committee Meetings

OVERSIGHT OF FEDERAL FACILITY CLEANUP UNDER CERCLA

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Environment and the Economy began a hearing entitled “Oversight of Federal Facility Cleanup under CERCLA”. Testimony was heard from Mathy Stanislaus, Assistant Administrator, Office of Solid Waste and Emergency Response, Environmental Protection Agency; Mark Whitney, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary for Environmental Management, Department of Energy; John Conger, Performing the Duties of the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Energy Installations and Environment, Department of Defense; and Alfredo Gomez, Director, Natural Resources and Environment, Government Accountability Office.

STRENGTHENING MEDICAID PROGRAM INTEGRITY AND CLOSING LOOPHOLES

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Health held a hearing entitled “Strengthening Medicaid Program Integrity and Closing Loopholes”. Testimony was heard from John Hagg, Director of Medicaid Audits, Office of Inspector General, Department of Health and Human Services; Nico Gomez, Chief Executive Officer, Oklahoma Health Care Authority; and Trish Riley, Executive Director, National Academy for State Health Policy, Commissioner, Medicaid and CHIP Payment and Access Commission.

LEGISLATIVE MEASURE

Committee on Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Federal Lands held a hearing on H.R. 3036, the “National 9/11 Memorial at the World Trade Center Act”. Testimony was heard from Representatives MacArthur and Nadler; and public witnesses.

STATE PERSPECTIVES: HOW EPA’S POWER PLAN WILL SHUT DOWN POWER PLANTS

Committee on Science, Space, and Technology: Subcommittee on Environment held a hearing entitled “State Perspectives: How EPA’s Power Plan Will Shut Down Power Plants”. Testimony was heard from Bryan Shaw, Chairman, Texas Commission on Environmental Quality; Craig Butler, Director, Ohio Environmental Protection Agency; and Jason Eisdorfer, Utility Program Director, Oregon Public Utility Commission.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2015

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

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, hearing to review USDA organization and program administration, Part I, 1:30 p.m., 1300 Longworth.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

1 p.m., Tuesday, September 15

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

3 p.m., Tuesday, September 15

Senate Chamber

Program for Tuesday: Senate will resume consideration of H.J. Res. 61, Hire More Heroes Act, with a vote on the motion to invoke cloture on McConnell Amendment No. 2640, at 6 p.m.

House Chamber

Program for Tuesday: House will meet in Pro Forma session at 3 p.m.

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