

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S3667–S3786

Measures Introduced: Nine bills and four resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 3039–3047, S.J. Res. 35, and S. Res. 485–487. **Pages S3719–20**

Measures Reported:

S. 3040, making appropriations for the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2017. (S. Rept. No. 114–274)

S. 1879, to improve processes in the Department of the Interior, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 114–275)

S. 2944, to require adequate reporting on the Public Safety Officers' Benefit program, with amendments.

S. 2992, to amend the Small Business Act to strengthen the Office of Credit Risk Management of the Small Business Administration, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

S. 3009, to support entrepreneurs serving in the National Guard and Reserve, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

S. 3024, to improve cyber security for small businesses. **Page S3719**

Measures Passed:

Reserve Officers' Training Corps 100th Anniversary: Senate agreed to S. Res. 487, commemorating the 100th anniversary of the Reserve Officers' Training Corps program of the Army. **Page S3783**

Measures Considered:

National Defense Authorization Act—Agreement: Senate continued consideration of S. 2943, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2017 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto:

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Withdrawn:

McCain Amendment No. 4229, to address unfunded priorities of the Armed Forces.

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Pending:

McCain Amendment No. 4607, to amend the provision on share-in-savings contracts. **Page S3680**

Reed (for Reid) Amendment No. 4603 (to Amendment No. 4607), to change the enactment date. **Page S3684**

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

By 43 yeas to 55 nays (Vote No. 95), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, not having voted in the affirmative, Senate rejected the motion to close further debate on Reed/Mikulski Amendment No. 4549 (to Amendment No. 4229) (listed below). **Pages S3668, S3677–79**

By 56 yeas to 42 nays (Vote No. 96), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, not having voted in the affirmative, Senate rejected the motion to close further debate on McCain Amendment No. 4229 (listed above). **Pages S3679–80**

Reed/Mikulski Amendment No. 4549 (to Amendment No. 4229), to authorize parity for defense and nondefense spending pursuant to the Bipartisan Budget Act of 2015, fell when McCain Amendment No. 4229, was withdrawn. **Page S3680**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill at approximately 8:15 a.m., on Friday, June 10, 2016; that the filing deadline for second-degree amendments to the bill be at 8:45 a.m.; and that notwithstanding the provisions of rule XXII, the vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the bill occur at 9 a.m. **Page S3783**

Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act—Cloture: Senate began consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of H.R. 2578, making appropriations for the Departments of Commerce and Justice, Science, and Related Agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2016. **Pages S3677–S3715**

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 S. 2943, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2017 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for

military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year. **Page S3677**

Subsequently, the motion to proceed was withdrawn. **Page S3677**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Bonnie A. Barsamian Dunn, of New York, to be a Director of the Securities Investor Protection Corporation for a term expiring December 31, 2017.

Michael A. Khouri, of Kentucky, to be a Federal Maritime Commissioner for a term expiring June 30, 2021.

1 Air Force nomination in the rank of general.

Routine lists in the Navy. **Pages S3783–86**

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

Cassandra Q. Butts, of the District of Columbia, to be Ambassador to the Commonwealth of The Bahamas, which was sent to the Senate on February 5, 2015.

1 Navy nomination in the rank of admiral.

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Record Votes: Two record votes were taken today. (Total—96) **Pages S3679, S3680**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m. and adjourned at 8:14 p.m., until 8:15 a.m. on Friday, June 10, 2016. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S3783.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

APPROPRIATIONS: DEPARTMENTS OF LABOR, HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, AND EDUCATION

Committee on Appropriations: Committee ordered favorably reported an original bill (S. 3040) making appropriations for the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2017.

SUPREME COURT STAY OF THE CLEAN POWER PLAN

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Committee concluded a hearing to examine implications of the Supreme Court stay of the Clean Power Plan, after receiving testimony from Missouri State Representative Jack Bondon, Belton; Katie Dykes, Connecticut Department for Energy and Environmental Protection Deputy Commissioner for Energy, Hartford; Allison Wood, Hunton and Williams LLP, Washington, D.C.; Michael McInnes, Tri-State Generation and Transmission Association, Inc., Westminster, Colorado; and Richard Revesz, New York University School of Law Institute for Policy Integrity, New York, New York.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee ordered favorably reported S. 2944, to require adequate reporting on the Public Safety Officers' Benefit program, with amendments.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Rules and Administration: Committee ordered favorably reported the nomination of Carla D. Hayden, of Maryland, to be Librarian of Congress for a term of ten years.

BUSINESS MEETING

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee ordered favorably reported the nomination of Susan S. Gibson, of Virginia, to be Inspector General of the National Reconnaissance Office.

INTELLIGENCE

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee met in closed session to receive a briefing on certain intelligence matters from officials of the intelligence community.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 40 public bills, H.R. 5415–5444; and 4 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 135; and H. Res. 773–775, were introduced. **Pages H3662–63**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages H3664–65**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 5053, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to prohibit the Secretary of the Treasury from requiring that the identity of contributors to 501(c) organizations be included in annual returns, with an amendment (H. Rept. 114–612); and

S. 1109, to require adequate information regarding the tax treatment of payments under settlement agreements entered into by Federal agencies, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 114–613). **Page H3662**

Recess: The House recessed at 11:30 a.m. and reconvened at 12 noon. **Pages H3577–78**

Guest Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the Guest Chaplain, Reverend Kent Clark, Grace Gospel Fellowship, Pontiac, Michigan. **Page H3578**

Journal: The House agreed to the Speaker's approval of the Journal by voice vote. **Pages H3578, H3635**

Oath of Office—Eighth Congressional District of Ohio: Representative-elect Warren Davidson 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 facsimile copy of a letter received from Ms. Patricia Wolfe, Elections Administrator, State Board of Elections for the State of Ohio, indicating that, according to the preliminary results of the Special Election held June 7, 2016, the Honorable Warren Davidson was elected Representative to Congress for the Eighth Congressional District, State of Ohio. **Page H3797**

Whole Number of the House: The Speaker announced to the House that, in light of the administration of the oath to the gentleman from Ohio, the whole number of the House is 435. **Page H3798**

Puerto Rico Oversight, Management, and Economic Stability Act: The House passed H.R. 5278, to establish an Oversight Board to assist the Government of Puerto Rico, including instrumentalities, in managing its public finances, by a recorded vote of 297 ayes to 127 noes, Roll No. 288. **Pages H3600–35**

Pursuant to the Rule, an amendment in the nature of a substitute consisting of the text of Rules Committee Print 114–57 shall be considered as an original bill for the purpose of amendment under the

five-minute rule, in lieu of the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Natural Resources now printed in the bill. **Page H3611**

Agreed to:

Bishop (UT) amendment (No. 1 printed in H. Rept. 114–610) that makes technical and cross reference corrections to the bill, while addressing its general workability; deletes the opt-in option for other territories, provides an initial funding mechanism for the Oversight Board, permits the Board the opportunity to review territorial laws enacted between May 4, 2016 and the full appointment of the Board, moves up the timeline for when the president must have appointed members to the Board, and provides considerations to the Oversight Board when determining venue; **Pages H3627–28**

Graves (MO) amendment (No. 2 printed in H. Rept. 114–610) that gives priority to protecting federal taxpayer assets in Puerto Rico, such as mass transportation assets; **Pages H3628–29**

Jolly amendment (No. 3 printed in H. Rept. 114–610) that requires the Congressional Task Force on Economic Growth in Puerto Rico to report back to Congress on recommended changes to Federal law and programs that would reduce child poverty; **Page H3629**

Byrne amendment (No. 4 printed in H. Rept. 114–610) that sets a deadline of 18 months for the report required in Section 410; **Pages H3629–30**

Byrne amendment (No. 5 printed in H. Rept. 114–610) that requires GAO to submit a biannual report to Congress on the debt and revenue levels of each territory, the drivers of each territory's debt, the effect of federal policy on each territory's debt, and the ability of each territory to repay its debt; **Pages H3630–31**

Duffy amendment (No. 6 printed in H. Rept. 114–610) that temporarily eliminates in Puerto Rico a statutory cap that limits the total number of census tracts within a Metropolitan Statistical Area that can be designated as qualified census tracts under the Small Business Administration's HUBZone program; requires the SBA to implement a risk-based approach to requesting and verifying information from firms applying to be designated or re-certified as a qualified HUBZone small business; and **Pages H3631–32**

Serrano amendment (No. 7 printed in H. Rept. 114–610) that preserves the ability of the Puerto Rico Commission for the Comprehensive Audit of the Public Debt to continue its work in analyzing

the legality of certain debts issued by the Commonwealth, and allow the government of Puerto Rico or the Oversight Board to act upon any determination by the Commission.

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Rejected:

Torres amendment (No. 8 printed in H. Rept. 114–610) that sought to strike Section 403 (by a recorded vote of 196 ayes to 225 noes, Roll No. 287).

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Agreed that the Clerk be authorized to make technical and conforming changes to reflect the actions of the House.

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H. Res. 770, the rule providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 5278) was agreed to by a yea-and-nay vote of 241 yeas to 178 nays, Roll No. 284, after the previous question was ordered without objection.

Pages H3581–86, H3596–97

Pursuant to Sec. 2 of H. Res. 770, upon passage of H.R. 5278 the House shall be considered to have: (1) stricken all after the enacting clause of S. 2328 and inserted in lieu thereof the provisions of H.R. 5278, as passed by the House; and (2) passed the Senate bill as so amended.

Directing the Secretary of the Senate to make technical corrections in the enrollment of S. 2328: The House agreed by unanimous consent to H. Con. Res. 135, directing the Secretary of the Senate to make technical corrections in the enrollment of S. 2328.

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Legislative Branch Appropriations Act, 2017: The House began consideration of H.R. 5325, making appropriations for the Legislative Branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2017. Consideration is expected to resume tomorrow, June 10th.

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Agreed to:

Blumenauer amendment (No. 3 printed in H. Rept. 114–611) that requires the Architect of the Capitol to conduct a feasibility study regarding the installation and operation of Capital Bikeshare stations on Capitol Grounds; and

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Welch amendment (No. 4 printed in H. Rept. 114–611) that transfers \$500,000 from the Capital Construction and Operations account to the Capitol Building and House Office Buildings accounts, appropriating \$250,000 to each; would bring the Capitol and House office buildings into compliance with General Services Administration requirements for federal buildings regarding lactation stations for breastfeeding mothers.

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Proceedings Postponed:

Ellison amendment (No. 2 printed in H. Rept. 114–611) that seeks to reprogram funds to create an Office of Good Jobs for the House of Representatives; and

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Blackburn amendment (No. 6 printed in H. Rept. 114–611) that seeks to provide for a one percent across the board cut to the bill's spending levels; accounts for the Capitol Police, Architect of the Capitol-Capitol Police Buildings, Grounds and Security, and Office of the Sergeant At Arms shall not be reduced.

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H. Res. 771, the rule providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 5325) was agreed to by a recorded vote of 237 yeas to 182 noes, Roll No. 286, after the previous question was ordered by a yea-and-nay vote of 241 yeas to 181 nays, Roll No. 285.

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A point of order was raised against the consideration of H. Res. 771 and it was agreed to proceed with consideration of the resolution by a yea-and-nay vote of 231 yeas to 170 nays, Roll No. 283.

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Senate Message: Message received from the Senate by the Clerk and subsequently presented to the House today appears on page H3581.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Three yea-and-nay votes and three recorded votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H3588, H3596–97, H3598–99, H3599–H3600, H3633–34, and H3634–35. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 8:27 p.m.

Committee Meetings

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Homeland Security held a markup on the Homeland Security Appropriations Bill, FY 2017. The Homeland Security Appropriations Bill, FY 2017, was forwarded to the full committee, without amendment.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Appropriations: Full Committee held a markup on the Financial Services and General Government Appropriations Bill for FY 2017; and Report on the Revised Interim Suballocation of Budget Allocations for FY 2017. The Financial Services and General Government Appropriations Bill for FY 2017 was ordered reported, as amended. The Report on the Revised Interim Suballocation of Budget Allocations for FY 2017 passed.

STOPPING THE MONEY FLOW: THE WAR ON TERROR FINANCE

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Emerging Threats and Capabilities; and Subcommittee on Terrorism, Nonproliferation, and Trade of the House Committee on Foreign Affairs, held a joint hearing entitled "Stopping the Money Flow: The War on

Terror Finance”. Testimony was heard from Andrew Keller, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Counter Threat Finance and Sanctions, Bureau of Economic and Business Affairs, Department of State; Daniel Glaser, Assistant Secretary for Terrorist Financing, Department of the Treasury; Theresa Whelan, Acting Assistant Secretary of Defense for Special Operations and Low-Intensity Conflict, Department of Defense; and William Woody, Chief of Law Enforcement, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

CONGRESSIONAL BUDGETING: THE NEED TO CONTROL AUTOMATIC SPENDING AND UNAUTHORIZED PROGRAMS

Committee on the Budget: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Congressional Budgeting: The Need To Control Automatic Spending and Unauthorized Programs”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

THE ADMINISTRATION’S OVERTIME RULE AND ITS CONSEQUENCES FOR WORKERS, STUDENTS, NONPROFITS, AND SMALL BUSINESSES

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “The Administration’s Overtime Rule and Its Consequences for Workers, Students, Nonprofits, and Small Businesses”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Commerce, Manufacturing, and Trade concluded a markup on the “FTC Process and Transparency Reform Act of 2016”; H.R. 5111, the “Consumer Review Fairness Act”; H.R. 5092, the “Reinforcing American Made Products Act”; and H.R. 5104, the “Better Online Ticket Sales Act”. The following bills were forwarded to the full committee, without amendment: H.R. 5111 and H.R. 5092. The following bills were forwarded to the full committee, as amended: H.R. 5104 and the “FTC Process and Transparency Reform Act of 2016”.

THE IMPACT OF LOW OIL PRICES ON ENERGY SECURITY IN THE AMERICAS

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on the Western Hemisphere held a hearing entitled “The Impact of Low Oil Prices on Energy Security in the Americas”. Testimony was heard from Amos Hochstein, Special Envoy and Coordinator for International Energy Affairs, Bureau of Energy Resources, Department of State; Melanie Kenderdine, Director, Office of Energy Policy and Systems Analysis, Department of Energy; and Adam Sieminski, Administrator, U.S. Energy Information Administration.

EXAMINING THE PRESIDENT’S FY 2017 BUDGET PROPOSAL EUROPE AND EURASIA

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on Europe, Eurasia, and Emerging Threats held a hearing entitled “Examining the President’s FY 2017 Budget Proposal Europe and Eurasia”. Testimony was heard from Alina Romanowski, Coordinator of U.S. Assistance to Europe and Eurasia, Bureau of European and Eurasian Affairs, Department of State; Daniel Rosenblum, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Central Asia, Bureau of South and Central Asian Affairs, Department of State; Thomas Melia, Assistant Administrator, Europe and Eurasia Bureau, U.S. Agency for International Development; and Ann Marie Yastishock, Deputy Assistant Administrator, Bureau for Asia, U.S. Agency for International Development.

LEVERAGING U.S. FUNDS: THE STUNNING GLOBAL IMPACT OF NUTRITION AND SUPPLEMENTS DURING THE FIRST 1,000 DAYS

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on Africa, Global Health, Global Human Rights, and International Organizations held a hearing entitled “Leveraging U.S. Funds: The Stunning Global Impact of Nutrition and Supplements During the First 1,000 Days”. Testimony was heard from Beth Dunford, Assistant to the Administrator, Bureau for Food Security, U.S. Agency for International Development.

SRI LANKA’S DEMOCRATIC TRANSITION: A NEW ERA FOR THE U.S.-SRI LANKA RELATIONSHIP

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on Asia and the Pacific held a hearing entitled “Sri Lanka’s Democratic Transition: A New Era for the U.S.-Sri Lanka Relationship”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

CENSUS 2020: EXAMINING THE READINESS OF KEY ASPECTS OF THE CENSUS BUREAU’S 2020 CENSUS PREPARATION

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Census 2020: Examining the Readiness of Key Aspects of the Census Bureau’s 2020 Census Preparation”. Testimony was heard from John H. Thompson, Director, U.S. Census Bureau; Steve I. Cooper, Chief Information Officer, Department of Commerce; Harry A. Lee, Acting Chief Information Officer, U.S. Census Bureau; Carol Cha Harris, Director, Information Technology Acquisition Management Issues, Government Accountability Office; and Carol N. Rice, Assistant

Inspector General, Office of Economic and Statistical Program Assessment, Department of Commerce.

SNAP: EXAMINING EFFORTS TO COMBAT FRAUD AND IMPROVE PROGRAM INTEGRITY

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform: Subcommittee on Government Operations; and Subcommittee on the Interior, held a joint hearing entitled “SNAP: Examining Efforts to Combat Fraud and Improve Program Integrity”. Testimony was heard from Kevin Concannon, Under Secretary for Food, Nutrition, and Consumer Services, Department of Agriculture; Mary Mayhew, Commissioner, Maine Department of Health and Human Services; Mike Carroll, Secretary, Florida Department of Children and Family Services; Kay Brown, Director, Education, Workforce, and Income Security, Government Accountability Office; and a public witness.

BEARING THE BURDEN: OVER-REGULATION’S IMPACT ON SMALL BANKS AND RURAL COMMUNITIES

Committee on Small Business: Subcommittee on Economic Growth, Tax and Capital Access held a hearing entitled “Bearing the Burden: Over-regulation’s

Impact on Small Banks and Rural Communities”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY, JUNE 10, 2016

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

House

Committee on Energy and Commerce, Subcommittee on Health, hearing entitled “Advancing Patient Solutions for Lower Costs and Better Care”, 9:15 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Energy and Power, hearing entitled “Home Appliance Energy Efficiency Standards Under the Department of Energy—Stakeholder Perspectives”, 9:30 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, Subcommittee on Information Technology; and Subcommittee on Government Operations, joint hearing entitled “18F and U.S. Digital Service Oversight”, 9:30 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

8:15 a.m., Friday, June 10

Senate Chamber

Program for Friday: Senate will continue consideration of S. 2943, National Defense Authorization Act, with the filing deadline for second-degree amendments to the bill at 8:45 a.m., and the vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the bill at 9 a.m.

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

9 a.m., Friday, June 10

House Chamber

Program for Friday: Consideration of H. Con. Res. 89—Expressing the sense of Congress that a carbon tax would be detrimental to the United States economy. Consideration of H. Con. Res. 112—Expressing the sense of Congress opposing the President's proposed \$10 tax on every barrel of oil. Continue consideration of H.R. 5325—Legislative Branch Appropriations Act, 2017.

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