

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S323–S346

Measures Introduced: Thirty bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 147–176, S.J. Res. 5, and S. Con. Res. 5. **Pages S342–43**

Measures Reported:

Special Report entitled “Further Revised Allocation to Subcommittees of Budget Totals for Fiscal Year 2017”. (S. Rept. No. 115–1) **Pages S341–42**

Measures Passed:

GAO Access and Oversight Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 72, to ensure the Government Accountability Office has adequate access to information, and the bill was then passed by a unanimous vote of 99 yeas (Vote No. 28). **Pages S333–35**

TALENT Act: Senate passed H.R. 39, to amend title 5, United States Code, to codify the Presidential Innovation Fellows Program. **Pages S345–46**

Removal of Injunction of Secrecy: The injunction of secrecy was removed from the following treaties:

Extradition Treaty with the Republic of Serbia (Treaty Doc. No. 115–1); and

Extradition Treaty with the Republic of Kosovo (Treaty Doc. No. 115–2).

The treaties were transmitted to the Senate today, considered as having been read for the first time, and referred, with accompanying papers, to the Committee on Foreign Relations and ordered to be printed. **Page S345**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Gayle A. Nachtigal, of Oregon, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the State Justice Institute for a term expiring September 17, 2018.

Christopher James Brummer, of the District of Columbia, to be a Commissioner of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission for a term expiring June 19, 2021.

Brian D. Quintenz, of the District of Columbia, to be a Commissioner of the Commodity Futures

Trading Commission for a term expiring April 13, 2020.

Jason E. Kearns, of Colorado, to be a Member of the United States International Trade Commission for the term expiring December 16, 2024.

Todd Philip Haskell, of Florida, to be Ambassador to the Republic of the Congo.

Charles R. Breyer, of California, to be a Member of the United States Sentencing Commission for a term expiring October 31, 2021.

Danny C. Reeves, of Kentucky, to be a Member of the United States Sentencing Commission for a term expiring October 31, 2019. **Page S346**

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Record Votes: One record vote was taken today. (Total—28) **Page S335**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 3 p.m. and adjourned at 6:05 p.m., until 4 p.m. on Friday, January 20, 2017. (For Senate’s program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today’s Record on page S346.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

NOMINATION

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nomination of Ryan Zinke, of Montana, to be Secretary of the Interior, after the nominee, who was introduced by Senators Daines and Tester, testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

NOMINATION

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the

nomination of Betsy DeVos, of Michigan, to be Secretary of Education, after the nominee, who was introduced by Senator Scott and former Senator Joe

Lieberman, testified and answered questions in her own behalf.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 7 public bills, H.R. 582–588, were introduced. [Page H552](#)

Additional Cosponsors: [Page H553](#)

Reports Filed: There were no reports filed today.

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Simpson to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. [Page H551](#)

Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution—Appointment: The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of the following Member on the part of the House to the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution: Representative Matsui. [Page H551](#)

John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts—Appointment: The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of the following Member on the part of the House to the Board of Trustees of the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts: Representative Kennedy. [Page H551](#)

John F. Kennedy Centennial Commission—Appointment: The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of the following Members on the part of the House to the John F. Kennedy Centennial Commission: Representatives McCarthy and Stefanik. [Page H551](#)

Commission on Civil Rights—Reappointment: The Chair announced the Speaker's reappointment of the following individual on the part of the House to the Commission on Civil Rights for a term expiring December 15, 2022: Upon the recommendation of the Minority Leader: Mr. Michael Yaki, San Francisco, CA. [Page H551](#)

Quorum Calls—Votes: There were no yea-and-nay votes, and there were no recorded votes. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 12 noon and adjourned at 12:04 p.m.

Committee Meetings

No hearings were held.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 18, 2017

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Wilbur L. Ross, Jr., to be Secretary of Commerce, 10 a.m., SD–G50.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Scott Pruitt, of Oklahoma, to be Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, 10 a.m., SD–406.

Committee on Foreign Relations: to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Nikki R. Haley, of South Carolina, to be the Representative of the United States of America to the United Nations, with the rank and status of Ambassador, and the Representative of the United States of America in the Security Council of the United Nations, and to be Representative of the United States of America to the Sessions of the General Assembly of the United Nations during her tenure of service as Representative to the United Nations, 10:10 a.m., SD–419.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Tom Price, of Georgia, to be Secretary of Health and Human Services, 10 a.m., SD–430.

House

No hearings are scheduled.

CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of January 18 through January 20, 2017

Senate Chamber

During the balance of the week, Senate may consider any cleared legislative and executive business.

Senate Committees

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: January 18, to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Wilbur L. Ross, Jr., to be Secretary of Commerce, 10 a.m., SD–G50.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: January 19, to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Rick Perry, of Texas, to be Secretary of Energy, 10 a.m., SD–366.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: January 18, to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Scott Pruitt, of Oklahoma, to be Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, 10 a.m., SD-406.

Committee on Finance: January 19, to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Steven Terner Mnuchin, to be Secretary of the Treasury, 10 a.m., SD-215.

Committee on Foreign Relations: January 18, to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Nikki R. Haley, of South Carolina, to be the Representative of the United States of America to the United Nations, with the rank and status of Ambassador, and the Representative of the United States of America in the Security Council of the United Nations, and to be Representative of the United States of America to the Sessions of the General Assembly of the United Nations during her tenure of service as

Representative to the United Nations, 10:10 a.m., SD-419.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: January 18, to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Tom Price, of Georgia, to be Secretary of Health and Human Services, 10 a.m., SD-430.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: January 19, Subcommittee on Regulatory Affairs and Federal Management, to hold hearings to examine improving small business input on Federal regulations, focusing on ideas for Congress and a new Administration, 10 a.m., SD-342.

House Committees

No hearings are scheduled.

Next Meeting of the SENATE
4 p.m., Friday, January 20

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
10 a.m., Friday, January 20

Senate Chamber

Program for Friday: Senate will be in a period of morning business.

(At 10 a.m., Senators will meet in the Senate Chamber for the Inauguration of the President and Vice President of the United States.)

House Chamber

Program for Friday: Inauguration of the President and Vice President of the United States.

Extensions of Remarks, as inserted in this issue

HOUSE

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