

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

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Measures Introduced: Eight bills and six resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 298–305, S.J. Res. 20–21, and S. Res. 44–47. **Pages S679–80**

Measures Reported:

S. Res. 46, authorizing expenditures by the Committee on the Budget. **Page S679**

Measures Passed:

SEC Resource Extraction Resolution of Disapproval: By 52 yeas to 47 nays (Vote No. 51), Senate passed H.J. Res. 41, providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of a rule submitted by the Securities and Exchange Commission relating to “Disclosure of Payments by Resource Extraction Issuers”. **Pages S663–64**

National Vietnam War Veterans Day: Senate passed S. 305, to amend title 4, United States Code, to encourage the display of the flag of the United States on National Vietnam War Veterans Day.

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DeVos Nomination—Cloture: Senate resumed consideration of the nomination of Elisabeth Prince DeVos, of Michigan, to be Secretary of Education.

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

By 52 yeas to 48 nays (Vote No. 52), Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the nomination. **Page S664**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that at approximately 12:15 p.m., on Monday, February 6, 2017, Senate resume consideration of the nomination. **Page S683**

Messages from the House:

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Record Votes: Two record votes were taken today. (Total—52) **Pages S663–64**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 6:30 a.m. and adjourned at 1:30 p.m., until 12 noon on Monday, February 6, 2017. (For Senate’s program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today’s Record on page S683.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 28 public bills, H.R. 843–870; and 7 resolutions, H.J. Res. 62–63; and H. Res. 86–90 were introduced.

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Additional Cosponsors: **Page H978**

Reports Filed: There were no reports filed today.

Journal: The House agreed to the Speaker’s approval of the Journal by voice vote. **Pages H949, H958**

Providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the final rule of the Bureau of Land Management relating to “Waste Prevention, Production Subject to Royalties, and Resource Conservation”: The House passed H.J. Res. 36, providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United

States Code, of the final rule of the Bureau of Land Management relating to “Waste Prevention, Production Subject to Royalties, and Resource Conservation”, by a yea-and-nay vote of 221 yeas to 191 nays, Roll No. 78.

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H. Res. 74, the rule providing for consideration of the joint resolutions (H.J. Res. 36) and (H.J. Res. 37) was agreed to yesterday, February 2nd.

Meeting Hour: Agreed by unanimous consent that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 12 noon on Monday, February 6th.

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Senate Message: Message received from the Senate by the Clerk and subsequently presented to the House today appears on page H949.

Quorum Calls—Votes: One yea-and-nay vote developed during the proceedings of today and appears on page H958. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 9 a.m. and adjourned at 12:36 p.m.

Committee Meetings

No hearings were held.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR MONDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2017

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Finance: organizational business meeting to consider committee rules, subcommittee assignments, designation of members to serve on the Joint Committee on Taxation, designation of members to serve as Congressional Trade Advisors on Trade Policy and Negotiations, to open Executive Session transcripts from 1985–2007, and an original resolution authorizing expenditures by the committee during the 115th Congress, Time to be announced, Room to be announced.

House

Committee on House Administration: Full Committee, hearing entitled “Priorities of the House Officers and Legislative Branch Entities for FY 2018 and Beyond”, 5 p.m., 1310 Longworth.

Committee on Rules: Full Committee, hearing on H.J. Res. 44, disapproving the rule submitted by the Department of the Interior relating to Bureau of Land Management regulations that establish the procedures used to prepare, revise, or amend land use plans pursuant to the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976; H.J. Res. 57, providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the Department of Education relating to ac-

countability and State plans under the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965; and H.J. Res. 58, providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the Department of Education relating to teacher preparation issues, 5 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of February 6 through February 10, 2017

Senate Chamber

On Monday, at approximately 12:15 p.m., Senate will resume consideration of the nomination of Elisabeth Prince DeVos, of Michigan, to be Secretary of Education.

Also, cloture has been filed on the nominations of Jeff Sessions, of Alabama, to be Attorney General, Thomas Price, of Georgia, to be Secretary of Health and Human Services, and Steven T. Mnuchin, of California, to be Secretary of the Treasury.

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 Armed Services: February 7, to receive a closed briefing on cyber threats, 9:30 a.m., SVC-217.

February 8, Subcommittee on Readiness and Management Support, to hold hearings to examine the current readiness of United States forces, 2:30 p.m., SR-232A.

February 9, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the situation in Afghanistan, 9:30 a.m., SD-G50.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: February 8, to hold hearings to examine Inspector General recommendations for improving Federal agencies, 10 a.m., SH-216.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: February 8, to hold an oversight hearing to examine modernizing our nation’s infrastructure, 10 a.m., SD-406.

Committee on Finance: February 6, organizational business meeting to consider committee rules, subcommittee assignments, designation of members to serve on the Joint Committee on Taxation, designation of members to serve as Congressional Trade Advisors on Trade Policy and Negotiations, to open Executive Session transcripts from 1985–2007, and an original resolution authorizing expenditures by the committee during the 115th Congress, Time to be announced, Room to be announced.

Committee on Foreign Relations: February 7, to hold hearings to examine the plan to defeat ISIS, focusing on key decisions and considerations, 10 a.m., SD-419.

February 9, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the United States, the Russian Federation, and the challenges ahead, 10 a.m., SD-419.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: February 9, Subcommittee on Regulatory Affairs and Federal Management, to hold hearings to examine empowering managers, focusing on ideas for a more effective Federal workforce, 10 a.m., SD-342.

Committee on Indian Affairs: February 8, to hold an oversight hearing to examine emergency management in Indian Country, focusing on improving the Federal Emergency Management Agency's Federal-tribal relationship with Indian tribes, 2:30 p.m., SD-628.

Committee on the Judiciary: February 9, organizational business meeting to consider committee rules, and S. 178, to prevent elder abuse and exploitation and improve the justice system's response to victims in elder abuse and exploitation cases, 10 a.m., SD-226.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: February 7, business meeting to consider the nomination of David J. Shulkin, of Pennsylvania, to be Secretary of Veterans Affairs, Time to be announced, Room to be announced.

Select Committee on Intelligence: February 7, to hold closed hearings to examine certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

February 9, Full Committee, to hold closed hearings to examine certain intelligence matters, 2 p.m., SH-219.

House Committees

Committee on Armed Services: February 7, Full Committee, hearing entitled "The State of the Military", 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

February 7, Subcommittee on Emerging Threats and Capabilities, hearing entitled "Emerging National Security Challenges, Threats, and Opportunities: Key Issues for the 115th Congress and the Emerging Threats and Capabilities Subcommittee", 3:30 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Committee on Education and the Workforce: February 7, Full Committee, hearing entitled "Challenges and Opportunities in Higher Education", 10 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services: February 7, Full Committee, business meeting to consider the committee's authorization and oversight plan for the 115th Congress, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Foreign Affairs: February 7, Full Committee, hearing entitled "Countering the North Korean Threat: New Steps in U.S. Policy", 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on Homeland Security: February 7, Full Committee, hearing entitled "Ending the Crisis: America's Borders and the Path to Security", 10 a.m., HVC-210.

Committee on House Administration: February 7, Full Committee, hearing entitled "Priorities of the House Officers and Legislative Branch Entities for FY 2018 and Beyond" (continued), 11 a.m., 1310 Longworth.

February 7, Full Committee, markup on H.R. 634, the "Election Assistance Commission Termination Act"; H.R. 133, to reduce Federal spending and the deficit by terminating taxpayer financing of Presidential election campaigns; and a committee resolution regarding views and estimates for FY2018, 12 p.m., 1310 Longworth.

Committee on the Judiciary: February 7, Full Committee, markup on H.R. 732, the "Stop Settlement Slush Funds Act of 2017", 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Natural Resources: February 7, Full Committee, organizational meeting for the 115th Congress, 11 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform: February 7, Full Committee, hearing entitled "Accomplishing Postal Reform in the 115th Congress—H.R. 756, the Postal Service Reform Act of 2017", 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on Rules: February 7, Full Committee, hearing on H.R. 428, the "Red River Gradient Boundary Survey Act"; H.J. Res. 42, disapproving the rule submitted by the Department of Labor relating to drug testing of unemployment compensation applicants, 3 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

Committee on Science, Space, and Technology: February 7, Full Committee, organizational meeting for the 115th Congress, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

February 7, Full Committee, hearing entitled "Making EPA Great Again", 11 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: February 7, Full Committee, hearing entitled "Assessing the VA IT Landscape: Progress and Challenges", 10 a.m., 334 Cannon.

Committee on Ways and Means: February 7, Subcommittee on Social Security, organizational meeting for the 115th Congress, 10 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

February 7, Subcommittee on Social Security; and Subcommittee on Oversight, joint hearing entitled "Examining the Social Security Administration's Representative Payee Program: Determining Who Needs Help", 10 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

Next Meeting of the SENATE
12 noon, Monday, February 6

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
12 noon, Monday, February 6

Senate Chamber

Program for Monday: After the transaction of any morning business (not to extend beyond 15 minutes), Senate will resume consideration of the nomination of Elisabeth Prince DeVos, of Michigan, to be Secretary of Education.

House Chamber

Program for Monday: To be announced.

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