# Daily Digest

#### **HIGHLIGHTS**

Senate passed H.J. Res. 99, Further Continuing Appropriations.

# Senate

### Chamber Action

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Measures Introduced: Two bills were introduced, as follows: S. 989–990. Page S2636

#### Measures Passed:

Further Continuing Appropriations: Senate passed H.J. Res. 99, making further continuing appropriations for fiscal year 2017. Pages S2634–35

Clayton Nomination—Cloture: Senate began consideration of the nomination of Jay Clayton, of New York, to be a Member of the Securities and Exchange Commission.

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Prior to the consideration of this nomination, Senate took the following action: Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to Executive Session to consider the nomination.

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A motion was entered to close further debate on the nomination, and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, and pursuant to the unanimous-consent agreement of Friday, April 28, 2017, a vote on cloture will occur at 5:30 p.m. on Monday, May 1, 2017.

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A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that at approximately 3 p.m., on Monday, May 1, 2017, Senate resume consideration of the nomination.

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Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Ryan Dean Newman, of New Mexico, to be General Counsel of the Department of the Army.

David Joel Trachtenberg, of Virginia, to be a Principal Deputy Under Secretary of Defense.

Pamela Hughes Patenaude, of New Hampshire, to be Deputy Secretary of Housing and Urban Development.

Mira Radielovic Ricardel, of California, to be Under Secretary of Commerce for Export Administration.

David Bernhardt, of Virginia, to be Deputy Secretary of the Interior. Page S2639

Messages from the House: Page S2635

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Statements on Introduced Bills/Resolutions:

#### Additional Statements:

Adjournment: Senate convened at 11 a.m. and adjourned at 12:26 p.m., until 3 p.m. on Monday, May 1, 2017. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page \$2637.)

# Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

No committee meetings were held.

# House of Representatives

### Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 35 public bills, H.R. 2223–2257; and 6 resolutions, H. Res. 293–298 were introduced. Pages H2970-72

#### Additional Cosponsors:

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows: H.R. 1644, to enhance sanctions with respect to transactions relating to North Korea, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 115–98, Part 1);

H.R. 1665, to ensure that Administrator of the Federal Emergency Management Agency considers severe local impact in making a recommendation to the President for a major disaster declaration, with an amendment (H. Rept. 115–99);

H.R. 1678, to amend the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act concerning the statute of limitations for actions to recover disaster or emergency assistance payments, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 115–100); and

H.R. 1180, to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 to provide compensatory time for employees in the private sector, with an amendment (H. Rept. 115–101).

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Journal: The House agreed to the Speaker's approval of the Journal by voice vote. Pages H2945, H2958

Making further continuing appropriations for fiscal year 2017: The House passed H.J. Res. 99, making further continuing appropriations for fiscal year 2017, by a yea-and-nay vote of 382 yeas to 30 nays, Roll No. 236.

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H. Res. 289, the rule providing for consideration of the joint resolution (H.J. Res. 99) was agreed to by a yea-and-nay vote of 235 yeas to 178 nays, Roll No. 235, after the previous question was ordered without objection.

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Meeting Hour: Agreed by unanimous consent that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 12 noon on Monday, May 1st for Morning Hour debate.

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Senate Messages: Messages received from the Senate today appears on page H2967.

Senate Referral: S. Con. Res. 14 was referred to the Committee on House Administration.

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Quorum Calls Votes: Two yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H2954–55, H2957–58. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 9 a.m. and adjourned at 1:09 p.m.

# Committee Meetings

A LEGISLATIVE PROPOSAL TO CREATE HOPE AND OPPORTUNITY FOR INVESTORS, CONSUMERS, AND ENTREPRENEURS

Committee on Financial Services: Full Committee concluded a hearing entitled "A Legislative Proposal to Create Hope and Opportunity for Investors, Consumers, and Entrepreneurs". Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

# Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

# COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR MONDAY, MAY 1, 2017

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

#### Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

#### House

Committee on Rules, Full Committee, hearing on H.R. 1180, the "Working Families Flexibility Act of 2017", 5 p.m., H–313 Capitol.

#### CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of May 1 through May 5, 2017

#### Senate Chamber

On *Monday*, Senate will resume consideration of the nomination of Jay Clayton, of New York, to be a Member of the Securities and Exchange Commission, with a vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the nomination at 5:30 p.m.

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 Appropriations: May 2, Subcommittee on Military Construction and Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine United States European Command, focusing on theater assessment and European Reassurance Initiative (ERI) progress; to be immediately following by a closed hearing in SVC–217, 2:30 p.m., SD–124.

May 3, Subcommittee on Department of Defense, to hold hearings to examine defense innovation and research funding, 10:30 a.m., SD–192.

May 4, Subcommittee on Military Construction and Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine telemedicine in the Department of Veterans Affairs, focusing on leveraging technology to increase access, improve health outcomes, and lower costs, 10:30 a.m., SD–124.

Committee on Armed Services: May 2, to hold hearings to examine United States Transportation Command, 9:30 a.m., SD-G50.

May 3, Subcommittee on Emerging Threats and Capabilities, to hold hearings to examine Department of Defense laboratories and their contributions to military operations and readiness, 10 a.m., SR–222.

May 3, Subcommittee on Personnel, to hold hearings to examine building a flexible personnel system (F.A.S.T. Force) for a modern military, 2:30 p.m., SR–222.

May 4, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine United States Special Operations Command, 9:30 a.m., SD–G50.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: May 2, to hold hearings to examine the United States-European Union covered agreement, 10 a.m., SD-538.

May 4, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine reauthorization of the National Flood Insurance Program, 10 a.m., SD–538.

Committee on the Budget: May 3, to hold hearings to examine the economy and private sector growth, 10:30 a.m., SD-608.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: May 3, to hold hearings to examine investing in America's broadband infrastructure, focusing on exploring ways to reduce barriers to deployment, 10 a.m., SR-253.

May 4, Subcommittee on Aviation Operations, Safety, and Security, to hold hearings to examine questions, answers, and perspectives on the current state of airline travel, 10:30 a.m., SR-253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: May 2, to hold an oversight hearing to examine federal payments to local governments provided through the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self Determination Act and the Payment in Lieu of Taxes program and the need to provide greater fiscal certainty for resource-dependent communities with tax-exempt federal lands, 10 a.m., SD–366.

May 4, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the threat posed by electromagnetic pulse and policy options to protect energy infrastructure and to improve capabilities for adequate system restoration, 10 a.m., SD–366.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: May 3, to hold hearings to examine infrastructure project streamlining and efficiency, focusing on achieving faster, better, and cheaper results, 10 a.m., SD–406.

Committee on Foreign Relations: May 2, to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Terry Branstad, of Iowa, to be Ambassador to the People's Republic of China, Department of State, 10 a.m., SD—419.

May 3, Subcommittee on Multilateral International Development, Multilateral Institutions, and International Economic, Energy, and Environmental Policy, to hold hearings to examine global philanthropy and remittances and international development, 10 a.m., SD–419.

May 4, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine international development, focusing on value added through private sector engagement, 10 a.m., SD–419.

Committee on the Judiciary: May 2, to hold hearings to examine responses to the increase in religious hate crimes, 10:30 a.m., SD-226.

May 3, Full Committee, to hold an oversight hearing to examine the Federal Bureau of Investigation, 10 a.m., SD-226.

May 4, Full Committee, business meeting to consider pending calendar business, 10 a.m., SD-226.

Select Committee on Intelligence: May 4, to hold closed hearings to examine certain intelligence matters, 2 p.m., SH–219.

#### **House Committees**

Committee on Appropriations, May 3, Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science and Related Agencies, oversight hearing on the 2020 Census, 10:30 a.m., H–309 Capitol.

May 3, Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development, and Related Agencies, hearing for public witnesses, 10:30 a.m., 2362–B Rayburn.

May 3, Subcommittee on Legislative Branch, hearing for Members of Congress and outside witnesses, 10 a.m., HT-2, Capitol.

May 3, Subcommittee on Military Construction, Veterans Affairs and Related Agencies, hearing on the 2018 Veterans Affairs budget, 10 a.m., 2359 Rayburn.

May 3, Subcommittee on Financial Services and General Government, oversight hearing on the Internal Revenue Service, 1 p.m., 2362–A Rayburn.

Committee on Armed Services, May 2, Subcommittee on Emerging Threats and Capabilities, hearing entitled "Three Decades Later: A Review and Assessment of Our Special Operations Forces 30–Years After the Creation of U.S. Special Operations Command", 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

May 2, Subcommittee on Military Personnel, hearing entitled "Overview of the Annual Report on Sexual Harassment and Violence at the Military Service Academies", 3:30 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

May 3, Subcommittee on Seapower & Projection Forces, hearing entitled "Littoral Combat Ships and the Transition to Frigate Class", 3:30 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Committee on the Budget, May 3, Full Committee, hearing entitled "Failures of Fiscal Management: a View from the Comptroller General", 10 a.m., 1334 Longworth.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, May 2, Subcommittee on Health, hearing entitled "Examining Improvements to the Regulation of Medical Technologies", 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

May 2, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled "Combating Waste, Fraud, and Abuse in Medicaid's Personal Care Services Program", 10:15 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

May 3, Subcommittee on Energy, hearing entitled "Legislation Addressing Pipeline and Hydropower Infrastructure Modernization", 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, May 2, Full Committee, markup on H.R. 10, the "Financial CHOICE Act of 2017", 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Foreign Affairs, May 2, Subcommittee on Africa, Global Health, Global Human Rights, and International Organizations, hearing entitled "Winning the Fight Against Human Trafficking: The Frederick Douglass Reauthorization Act", 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

May 3, Full Committee, markup on H.R. 1625, the "Targeted Rewards for the Global Eradication of Human Trafficking Act"; H.R. 1677, the "Caesar Syria Civilian Protection Act of 2017"; and H.R. 2200, the "Frederick Douglass Trafficking Victims Prevention and Protection Reauthorization Act of 2017", 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on Homeland Security, May 3, Full Committee, markup on H.R. 625, the "Reporting Efficiently to Proper Officials in Response to Terrorism Act of 2017"; H.R. 1351, the "Strengthening Oversight of TSA Employee Misconduct Act"; H.R. 2131, the "Fixing Internal Response to Misconduct Act"; H.R. 2132, the "Traveler Redress Improvement Act of 2017"; H.R. 2169, the "Improving Fusion Centers' Access to Information Act"; H.R. 2188, the "Community Counterterrorism Preparedness Act"; H.R. 2190, the "Streamlining DHS Overhead Act"; H.R. 2213, the "Anti-Border Corruption Reauthorization Act of 2017"; the "Department of Homeland Security Morale, Recognition, Learning and Engagement Act of 2017"; the "Border Enforcement Security Task Force Reauthorization Act of 2017", 10:30 a.m., HVC-210.

May 3, Task Force on Denying Terrorists Entry into the United States, hearing entitled "Denying Terrorists Entry to the United States: Examining Visa Security", 2 p.m., HVC–210.

Committee On Natural Resources, May 2, Subcommittee on Federal Lands, hearing entitled "Examining the Consequences of Executive Branch Overreach of the Antiquities Act", 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

May 3, Subcommittee on Water, Power and Oceans, hearing entitled "The Challenges of Keeping Hydropower Affordable and Opportunities for New Development", 2:30 p.m., 1324 Longworth.

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, May 2, Full Committee, markup on the "Modernizing Government Technology Act of 2017"; H.R. 2196, to amend title 5, United States Code, to allow whistleblowers to disclose information to certain recipients; H.R. 2195, the "OSC Access Act"; and the "All Circuit Review Act", 10:30 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

May 2, Subcommittee on the Interior, Energy and Environment, hearing entitled "Examining the Management of Red Snapper Fishing in the Gulf of Mexico", 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

May 3, Full Committee, hearing entitled "Reviewing the FAFSA Data Breach", 9:30 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

May 4, Subcommittee on Health Care, Benefits, and Administrative Rules; and Subcommittee on Government Operations, joint hearing entitled, "Examining a Church's Right to Free Speech", 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on Rules, May 1, Full Committee, hearing on H.R. 1180, the "Working Families Flexibility Act of 2017", 5 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, May 2, Full Committee, markup on H.R. 2105, the "NIST Small Business Cybersecurity Act of 2017", 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

May 3, Subcommittee on Energy, hearing entitled "Oil and Gas Technology Innovation", 10 a.m., 2318 Ray-burn.

Committee on Small Business, May 3, Full Committee, hearing entitled "Empowering Small Businesses: The Accelerator Model", 11 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

May 4, Subcommittee on Contracting and Workforce; and Subcommittee on Research and Technology of the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, joint hearing entitled "Improving the Small Business Innovation Research and Small Business Technology Transfer Programs", 9 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, May 2, Full Committee, hearing entitled "Oversight of U.S. Airline Customer Service", 9:30 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

May 3, Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation, hearing entitled "Maritime Transportation Regulatory Issues", 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs, May 2, Full Committee, hearing on the "Veterans Appeals Improvement and Modernization Act of 2017", 10 a.m., 334 Cannon.

May 2, Subcommittee on Health, hearing entitled "VA Specialized Services: Lower Extremity Conditions", 2 p.m., 334 Cannon.

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, May 4, Full Committee, hearing on ongoing intelligence activities, 1 p.m., HVC-304. This hearing will be closed.

#### Joint Meetings

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe: May 2, to receive a briefing on post-referendum Turkey, focusing on institutions and human rights, 10:30 a.m., 2255, Rayburn Building.

Next Meeting of the SENATE 3 p.m., Monday, May 1

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 12 p.m., Monday, May 1

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#### House Chamber

Program for Monday: To be announced.

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