

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S7809–S7824

Measures Introduced: Seven bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 2185–2191, and S. Res. 348. **Pages S7819–20**

House Messages:

Department of State Authorities Act, Fiscal Year 2017, Improvements Act: Senate concurred in the House Amendment to S. 371, to make technical changes and other improvements to the Department of State Authorities Act, Fiscal Year 2017. **Page S7821**

Nielsen Nomination—Agreement: Senate resumed consideration of the nomination of Kirstjen Nielsen, of Virginia, to be Secretary of Homeland Security. **Pages S7809–19**

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

By 59 yeas to 33 nays (Vote No. 304), Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the nomination. **Pages S7818–19**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the nomination,

post-cloture, at approximately 10 a.m., on Tuesday, December 5, 2017; and that all time during recess, adjournment, morning business, and Leader remarks count post-cloture on the nomination. **Page S7821**

Messages from the House: **Page S7819**

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Statements on Introduced Bills/Resolutions: **Pages S7819–21**

Record Votes: One record vote was taken today. (Total—304) **Pages S7818–19**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 3 p.m. and adjourned at 6:42 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Tuesday, December 5, 2017. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S7824.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 16 public bills, H.R. 4530–4545; and 4 resolutions, H.J. Res. 123; H. Con. Res. 96; and H. Res. 643–644 were introduced. **Pages H9619–20**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages H9620–21**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 38, to amend title 18, United States Code, to provide a means by which nonresidents of a State whose residents may carry concealed firearms may also do so in the State, with an amendment (H. Rept. 115–433);

H.R. 2396, to amend the Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act to update the exception for certain annual notices provided by financial institutions, with an amendment (H. Rept. 115–434);

H.R. 3731, to provide overtime pay for employees of the United States Secret Service, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 115–435, Part 1); and

H.R. 2897, to authorize the Mayor of the District of Columbia and the Director of the National Park Service to enter into cooperative management agreements for the operation, maintenance, and management of units of the National Park System in the District of Columbia, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 115–436, Part 1). **Page H9619**

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Byrne to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H9601**

Recess: The House recessed at 6:09 p.m. and reconvened at 6:30 p.m. **Page H9602**

Tax Cuts and Jobs Act—Motion to go to Conference: The House agreed to disagree to the Senate amendment and request a conference on H.R. 1, to provide for reconciliation pursuant to titles II and V of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2018, by a yea-and-nay vote of 222 yeas to 192 nays, Roll No. 653. **Pages H9602–13**

Rejected the Neal motion to instruct conferees by a yea-and-nay vote of 186 yeas to 233 nays, Roll No. 654. **Pages H9603–13**

Subsequently, the Chair appointed the following conferees: From the Committee on Ways and Means, for consideration of the House bill and the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Representatives Brady (TX), Nunes, Roskam, Black, Noem, Neal, Levin, and Doggett. **Page H9613**

From the Committee on Energy and Commerce, for consideration of sec. 20003 of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Representatives Walden, Shimkus, and Castor of (FL). **Page H9613**

From the Committee on Natural Resources, for consideration of secs. 20001 and 20002 of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Representatives Bishop (UT), Young (AK), and Grijalva. **Page H9613**

Senate Message: Message received from the Senate by the Clerk and subsequently presented to the House today appears on page H9601.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Two yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H9602–03 and H9612–13. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 6 p.m. and adjourned at 9:51 p.m.

Committee Meetings

No hearings were held.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2017

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine addressing the opioid crisis in America, focusing on prevention, treatment, and recovery, 10 a.m., SD–124.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: business meeting to consider S. 2155, to promote economic growth, provide tailored regulatory relief, and enhance consumer protections, and the nomination of Jerome H. Powell, of Maryland, to be Chairman of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, 10 a.m., SD–538.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Timothy R. Petty, of Indiana, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Interior, and Linda Capuano, of Texas, to be Administrator of the Energy Information Administration, Department of Energy, 10 a.m., SD–366.

Subcommittee on Energy, to hold hearings to examine S. 1336, to amend the Energy Policy Act of 2005 to reauthorize hydroelectric production incentives and hydroelectric efficiency improvement incentives, S. 1455, to amend the United States Energy Storage Competitiveness Act of 2007 to direct the Secretary of Energy to establish new goals for the Department of Energy relating to energy storage and to carry out certain demonstration projects relating to energy storage, S. 1563, to authorize the Office of Fossil Energy to develop advanced separation technologies for the extraction and recovery of rare earth elements and minerals from coal and coal byproducts, S. 1851, to require the Secretary of Energy to establish an energy storage research program, demonstration and deployment program, and technical assistance and grant program, S. 1876, to direct the Secretary of Energy to establish a program to advance energy storage deployment by reducing the cost of energy storage through research, development, and demonstration, S. 1981, to amend the Natural Gas Act to expedite approval of exports of small volumes of natural gas, and S. 2030, to deem the compliance date for amended energy conservation standards for ceiling light kits to be January 21, 2020, 2:30 p.m., SD–366.

Committee on Foreign Relations: business meeting to consider S. 1118, to reauthorize the North Korea Human Rights Act of 2004, S. 1901, to require global economic and political pressure to support diplomatic denuclearization of the Korean Peninsula, including through the imposition of sanctions with respect to the Government of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and any enablers of the activities of that Government, and to reauthorize the North Korean Human Rights Act of 2004, S. 447, to require reporting on acts of certain foreign countries on Holocaust era assets and related issues, S. Res. 150, recognizing threats to freedom

of the press and expression around the world and reaffirming freedom of the press as a priority in efforts of the United States Government to promote democracy and good governance, S. Res. 139, condemning the Government of Iran's state-sponsored persecution of its Baha'i minority and its continued violation of the International Covenants on Human Rights, and the nominations of Eric M. Ueland, of Oregon, to be an Under Secretary (Management), and James Randolph Evans, of Georgia, to be Ambassador to Luxembourg, both of the Department of State; to be immediately followed by a hearing in SD-419 to examine the President, Congress, and shared authority over the international accords, 2:30 p.m., S-116, Capitol.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Kenneth L.

Marcus, of Virginia, to be Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights, and Johnny Collett, of Kentucky, to be Assistant Secretary for Special Education and Rehabilitative Services, both of the Department of Education, and Scott A. Mugno, of Pennsylvania, to be an Assistant Secretary, and William Beach, of Kansas, to be Commissioner of Labor Statistics, both of the Department of Labor, 10 a.m., SD-430.

Select Committee on Intelligence: to receive a closed briefing on certain intelligence matters, 3 p.m., SH-219.

House

Committee on Rules, Full Committee, hearing on H.R. 38, the "Concealed Carry Reciprocity Act of 2017"; and legislation on the Further Continuing Appropriations Act, 2018, 2 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

Next Meeting of the SENATE
10 a.m., Tuesday, December 5

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
10 a.m., Tuesday, December 5

Senate Chamber

Program for Tuesday: Senate will continue consideration of the nomination of Kirstjen Nielsen, of Virginia, to be Secretary of Homeland Security, post-cloture.

(Senate will recess at 12:30 p.m. subject to the call of the Chair. At 2:15 p.m., the official Senate photograph of the 115th Congress will be taken in the Senate chamber. Senators are asked to be on the floor at that time.)

House Chamber

Program for Tuesday: Consideration of measures under suspension of the Rules.

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