

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

### BUSINESS MEETING

*Committee on Armed Services:* Committee announced the following subcommittee assignments:

*Subcommittee on Airland:* Senators Cotton (Chair), Inhofe, Wicker, Tillis, Sullivan, Cruz, Sasse, King, McCaskill, Blumenthal, Donnelly, Warren, and Peters.

*Subcommittee on Cybersecurity:* Senators Rounds (Chair), Fischer, Perdue, Graham, Sasse, Nelson, McCaskill, Gillibrand, and Blumenthal.

*Subcommittee on Emerging Threats and Capabilities:* Senators Ernst (Chair), Wicker, Fischer, Perdue, Cruz, Heinrich, Nelson, Shaheen, and Peters.

*Subcommittee on Personnel:* Senators Tillis (Chair), Ernst, Graham, Sasse, Gillibrand, McCaskill, and Warren.

*Subcommittee on Readiness and Management Support:* Senators Inhofe (Chair), Rounds, Ernst, Perdue, Scott, Kaine, Shaheen, and Hirono.

*Subcommittee on SeaPower:* Senators Wicker (Chair), Cotton, Rounds, Tillis, Sullivan, Scott, Hirono, Shaheen, Blumenthal, Kaine, and King.

*Subcommittee on Strategic Forces:* Senators Fischer (Chair), Inhofe, Cotton, Sullivan, Cruz, Graham, Donnelly, Heinrich, Warren, and Peters.

*Senators McCain and Reed are ex-officio members of each subcommittee.*

### AMERICA'S WATER INFRASTRUCTURE

*Committee on Environment and Public Works:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine America's water infrastructure needs and challenges, after receiving testimony from Senator Cassidy; Nicole T. Carter, Specialist in Natural Resources Policy, Congressional Research Service, Library of Congress; Scott Robinson, Port of Muskogee, Fort Gibson, Oklahoma; Julie A. Ufner, National Association of Counties, and Steve Cochran, Restore the Mississippi River Delta, both of Washington, D.C.; and William D. Friedman, Cleveland-Cuyahoga County Port Authority, Alexandria, Virginia, on behalf of the American Association of Port Authorities.

### NOMINATIONS

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Kurt D. Engelhardt, of Louisiana, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Fifth Circuit, and Barry W. Ashe, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Louisiana, who were introduced by Senator Cassidy, Howard C. Nielson, Jr., to be United States District Judge for the District of Utah, and James R. Sweeney II, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Indiana, who was introduced by Senators Donnelly and Young, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

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# House of Representatives

## Chamber Action

**Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced:** 16 public bills, H.R. 4750–4765; and 1 resolution, H. Res. 683 were introduced. **Pages H131–32**

**Additional Cosponsors:** **Pages H132–33**

**Reports Filed:** Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 3548, to make certain improvements to the security of the international borders of the United States, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 115–505, Part 1);

H.R. 2504, to ensure fair treatment in licensing requirements for the export of certain echinoderms (H. Rept. 115–506, Part 1);

S. 1285, to allow the Confederated Tribes of Coos, Lower Umpqua, and Siuslaw Indians, the Confederated Tribes of the Grand Ronde Community of

Oregon, the Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians of Oregon, the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs, and the Cow Creek Band of Umpqua Tribe of Indians to lease or transfer certain lands (H. Rept. 115–507);

H.R. 453, to deem the Step 2 compliance date for standards of performance for new residential wood heaters, new residential hydronic heaters, and forced-air furnaces to be May 15, 2023 (H. Rept. 115–508); and

H.R. 1917, to allow for judicial review of any final rule addressing national emission standards for hazardous air pollutants for brick and structural clay products or for clay ceramics manufacturing before requiring compliance with such rule (H. Rept. 115–509).

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**Speaker:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Smith (NE) to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H85**

**Recess:** The House recessed at 10:51 a.m. and reconvened at 12 noon. **Page H90**

**Journal:** The House agreed to the Speaker's approval of the Journal by a ye-and-nay vote of 231 yeas to 178 nays with one answering "present", Roll No. 13. **Pages H91, H125–26**

**Motion to Adjourn:** Rejected the Espallat motion to adjourn by a ye-and-nay vote of 51 yeas to 331 nays, Roll No. 5. **Page H92**

**Motion to Adjourn:** Rejected the Gutiérrez motion to adjourn by a ye-and-nay vote of 54 yeas to 311 nays, Roll No. 6. **Page H94**

**Motion to Adjourn:** Rejected the Grijalva motion to adjourn by a ye-and-nay vote of 62 yeas to 324 nays, Roll No. 7. **Page H95**

**Rapid DNA Act—Rule for Consideration:** The House agreed to H. Res. 682, providing for consideration of the bill (S. 139) to implement the use of Rapid DNA instruments to inform decisions about pretrial release or detention and their conditions, to solve and prevent violent crimes and other crimes, to exonerate the innocent, and to prevent DNA analysis backlogs, by a ye-and-nay vote of 233 yeas to 181 nays, Roll No. 8, after the previous question was ordered without objection. **Page H111**

**Meeting Hour:** Agreed by unanimous consent that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 9 a.m. tomorrow, January 11th. **Page H114**

**Amending the White Mountain Apache Tribe Water Rights Quantification Act of 2010 to clarify the use of amounts in the WMAT Settlement Fund:** The House passed S. 140, to amend the White Mountain Apache Tribe Water Rights Quantification Act of 2010 to clarify the use of amounts in the WMAT Settlement Fund, by a recorded vote of 239 ayes to 173 noes, Roll No. 11. **Pages H124–25**

Pursuant to the Rule, an amendment in the nature of a substitute consisting of the text of Rules Committee Print 115–54 shall be considered as adopted. **Page H114**

H. Res. 681, the rule providing for consideration of the bill (S. 140) was agreed to by a recorded vote of 227 ayes to 181 noes, Roll No. 10, after the previous question was ordered by a ye-and-nay vote of 234 yeas to 181 nays, Roll No. 9. **Pages H113–14**

**Suspension—Proceedings Resumed:** The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measure. Consideration began Tuesday, January 9th.

**Department of Homeland Security Overseas Personnel Enhancement Act:** H.R. 4567, amended, to

require a Department of Homeland Security overseas personnel enhancement plan, by a  $\frac{2}{3}$  ye-and-nay vote of 415 yeas with none voting "nay", Roll No. 12. **Page H125**

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** Seven ye-and-nay votes and two recorded votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H92, H94, H95, H111, H113, H113–14, H124–25, H125, and H125–26. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 6:55 p.m.

## *Committee Meetings*

### **DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE UPDATE ON THE FINANCIAL IMPROVEMENT AND AUDIT REMEDIATION (FIAR) PLAN**

*Committee on Armed Services:* Full Committee held a hearing entitled "Department of Defense Update on the Financial Improvement and Audit Remediation (FIAR) Plan". Testimony was heard from David Norquist, Under Secretary of Defense (Comptroller) and Chief Financial Officer, Department of Defense.

### **A FURTHER EXAMINATION OF FEDERAL RESERVE REFORM PROPOSALS**

*Committee on Financial Services:* Subcommittee on Monetary Policy and Trade held a hearing entitled "A Further Examination of Federal Reserve Reform Proposals". Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### **SANCTIONS AND FINANCIAL PRESSURE: MAJOR NATIONAL SECURITY TOOLS**

*Committee on Foreign Affairs:* Full Committee held a hearing entitled "Sanctions and Financial Pressure: Major National Security Tools". Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### **UPCOMING ELECTIONS IN THE WESTERN HEMISPHERE: IMPLICATIONS FOR U.S. POLICY**

*Committee on Foreign Affairs:* Subcommittee on the Western Hemisphere held a hearing entitled "Upcoming Elections in the Western Hemisphere: Implications for U.S. Policy". Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### **MISCELLANEOUS MEASURE**

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Full Committee held a markup on H.R. 506, the "Preventing Crimes Against Veterans Act of 2017"; and ratification of subcommittee assignments. Subcommittee assignments were ratified. H.R. 506 was ordered reported, as amended.