

# Daily Digest

## Senate

### Chamber Action

*Routine Proceedings, pages S617–S665*

**Measures Introduced:** Ten bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2377–2386, and S. Res. 392–394. **Pages S651–52**

**Measures Passed:**

**Minority Party's Committee Membership:** Senate agreed to S. Res. 393, making minority party appointments for the 115th Congress. **Page S657**

**National Mentoring Month:** Senate agreed to S. Res. 394, recognizing January 2018 as National Mentoring Month. **Page S657**

**House Messages:**

**Department of Defense Appropriations Act—Agreement:** Senate began consideration of the amendment of the House of Representatives to the amendment of the Senate to H.R. 695, to amend the National Child Protection Act of 1993 to establish a voluntary national criminal history background check system and criminal history review program for certain individuals who, related to their employment, have access to children, the elderly, or individuals with disabilities, and taking action of the following motions and amendments proposed thereto:

**Pending:**

McConnell motion to concur in the amendment of the House to the amendment of the Senate to the bill. **Page S627**

McConnell motion to refer the message of the House on the bill to the Committee on the Appropriations, with instructions, McConnell Amendment No. 1922, to change the enactment date. **Page S627**

McConnell Amendment No. 1923 (to (the instructions) Amendment No. 1922), of a perfecting nature. **Page S627**

McConnell Amendment No. 1924 (to Amendment No. 1923), of a perfecting nature. **Page S627**

A motion was entered to close further debate on the motion to concur in the amendment of the House to the amendment of the Senate to the bill, and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII

of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on cloture will occur on Thursday, February 8, 2018.

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A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the motion to concur in the amendment of the House to the amendment of the Senate to the bill at approximately 11:30 a.m., on Wednesday, February 7, 2018. **Page S657**

**Messages from the House:** **Page S650**

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**Additional Statements:** **Pages S648–50**

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**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 6:55 p.m., until 11:30 a.m. on Wednesday, February 7, 2018. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S657.)

### Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

#### NATIONAL DEFENSE STRATEGY

**Committee on Armed Services:** Committee received a closed briefing on the National Defense Strategy from James N. Mattis, Secretary, and General Paul J. Selva, Vice Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff, both of the Department of Defense.

#### VIRTUAL CURRENCIES

**Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:** Committee concluded a hearing to examine virtual currencies, focusing on the oversight role of the Securities and Exchange Commission and the Commodity Futures Trading Commission, after receiving

testimony from Jay Clayton, Chairman, Securities and Exchange Commission; and J. Christopher Giancarlo, Chairman, Commodity Futures Trading Commission.

#### **DATA SECURITY AND BUG BOUNTY PROGRAMS**

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* Subcommittee on Consumer Protection, Product Safety, Insurance, and Data Security concluded a hearing to examine data security and bug bounty programs, focusing on lessons learned from the Uber breach and security researchers, after receiving testimony from John Flynn, Uber Technologies, Inc., and Marten G. Mickos, HackerOne, both of San Francisco, California; Katie Moussouris, Luta Security, Las Vegas, Nevada; and Justin Brookman, Consumers Union, Washington, D.C.

#### **INSULAR AREAS LEGISLATION**

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine S. 2182, to provide for the resettlement and relocation of the people of Bikini, and S. 2325, to incentivize the hiring of United States workers in the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, after receiving testimony from Representative Sablan; Northern Mariana Islands Governor Ralph DeLeon Guerrero Torres; Douglas Domenech, Assistant Secretary for Insular Affairs, Department of the Interior; David Gootnick, Director, International Affairs and Trade, Government Accountability Office; and Mayor Anderson Jibas, Kili/Bikini/Ejit Local Government, and Jack Niedenthal, both of Majuro, Marshall Islands.

#### **AFGHANISTAN STRATEGY**

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the Administration's South Asia strategy on Afghanistan, after receiving testimony from John Sullivan, Deputy Secretary of State; and Randall Schriver, Assistant Secretary of Defense, Asia and Pacific Security Affairs.

#### **GOVERNING THROUGH CONTINUING RESOLUTIONS**

*Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:* Subcommittee on Federal Spending Oversight and Emergency Management concluded a hearing to examine the cost to taxpayers of spending uncertainty caused by governing through continuing resolutions, omnibus spending bills, and shutdown crises, including management challenges presented by budget uncertainties, after receiving testimony from Heather Krause, Director, Strategic Issues, Government Accountability Office; Clinton T. Brass, Specialist in Government Organization and Management, Congressional Research Service, Library of

Congress; and Alice M. Rivlin, Bipartisan Policy Center, and Maya MacGuineas, Committee for a Responsible Federal Budget, both of Washington, D.C.

#### **HIGHER EDUCATION ACT REAUTHORIZATION**

*Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine reauthorizing the Higher Education Act, focusing on improving college affordability, after receiving testimony from Sandy Baum, Urban Institute, Washington, D.C.; Zakiya Smith, Lumina Foundation, Indianapolis, Indiana; Jenna A. Robinson, The James G. Martin Center for Academic Renewal, Raleigh, North Carolina; Robert E. Anderson, State Higher Education Executive Officers, Boulder, Colorado; and DeRionne P. Pollard, Montgomery College, Rockville, Maryland.

#### **THE "GIG ECONOMY" AND RETIREMENT SAVINGS**

*Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:* Subcommittee on Primary Health and Retirement Security concluded a hearing to examine the "Gig Economy" and the future of retirement savings, after receiving testimony from Camille Olson, Seyfarth Shaw LLP, Chicago, Illinois, on behalf of the U.S. Chamber of Commerce; Vikki Nunn, Porter, Muirhead, Cornia and Howard, Casper, Wyoming; Troy Tisue, TAG Resources, LLC, Knoxville, Tennessee; and Monique Morrissey, Economic Policy Institute, Washington, D.C.

#### **FIGHTING ILLICIT INTERNATIONAL FINANCIAL NETWORKS**

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine beneficial ownership, focusing on fighting illicit international financial networks through transparency, including S. 1454, to ensure that persons who form corporations in the United States disclose the beneficial owners of those corporations, in order to prevent the formation of corporations with hidden owners, stop the misuse of United States corporations by wrongdoers, and assist law enforcement in detecting, preventing, and punishing terrorism, money laundering, tax evasion, and other criminal and civil misconduct involving United States corporations, after receiving testimony from M. Kendall Day, Acting Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division, Department of Justice; and Gary Kalman, Financial Accountability and Corporate Transparency Coalition, Chip Poncy, Financial Integrity Network, Brian O'Shea, U.S. Chamber of Commerce Center for Capital Markets Competitiveness, and Clay R. Fuller, American Enterprise Institute, all of Washington, D.C.

## INTELLIGENCE

*Select Committee on Intelligence:* Committee met in closed session to receive a briefing on certain intel-

ligence matters from officials of the intelligence community.

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# House of Representatives

## Chamber Action

**Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced:** 19 public bills, H.R. 4938–4956; and 3 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 104–105; and H. Res. 726 were introduced.

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**Additional Cosponsors:**

Pages H902–03

**Report Filed:** A report was filed today as follows:

H. Res. 727, providing for consideration of the Senate amendment to the bill (H.R. 1892) to amend title 4, United States Code, to provide for the flying of the flag at half-staff in the event of the death of a first responder in the line of duty (H. Rept. 115–547).

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**Moment of Silence:** The House observed a moment of silence in honor of those who have been killed or wounded in service to our country and all those who serve and their families.

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**Recess:** The House recessed at 9:15 a.m. and reconvened at 10 a.m.

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**Journal:** The House agreed to the Speaker's approval of the Journal by voice vote.

Pages H789, H896

**Question of Privilege:** Representative Michelle Lujan Grisham (NM) rose to a question of the privileges of the House and submitted a privileged resolution. Upon examination of the resolution, the Chair determined that the resolution qualified. Subsequently, the House agreed to the Buck motion to table H. Res. 726, raising a question of the privileges of the House, by a yea-and-nay vote of 231 yeas to 187 nays, Roll No. 53.

Pages H794–95

**Suspensions:** The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

**Congressional Accountability Act of 1995 Reform Act:** H.R. 4924, to amend the Congressional Accountability Act of 1995 to reform the procedures provided under such Act for the initiation, investigation, and resolution of claims alleging that employing offices of the legislative branch have violated the rights and protections provided to their employees under such Act, including protections against sexual harassment; and

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*Requiring each employing office of the House of Representatives to adopt an anti-harassment and anti-discrimination policy for the office's workplace, and establishing the Office of Employee Advocacy to provide legal assistance and consultation to employees of the House regarding procedures and proceedings under the Congressional Accountability Act of 1995:* H. Res. 724, requiring each employing office of the House of Representatives to adopt an anti-harassment and anti-discrimination policy for the office's workplace, and establishing the Office of Employee Advocacy to provide legal assistance and consultation to employees of the House regarding procedures and proceedings under the Congressional Accountability Act of 1995.

Pages H813–14

**Authorizing the use of Emancipation Hall in the Capitol Visitor Center for an event to celebrate the 200th anniversary of the birth of Frederick Douglass:** The House agreed to H. Con. Res. 102, authorizing the use of Emancipation Hall in the Capitol Visitor Center for an event to celebrate the 200th anniversary of the birth of Frederick Douglass.

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**Recess:** The House recessed at 1:31 p.m. and reconvened at 3:08 p.m.

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**Common Sense Nutrition Disclosure Act of 2017:** The House passed H.R. 772, to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to improve and clarify certain disclosure requirements for restaurants and similar retail food establishments, and to amend the authority to bring proceedings under section 403A, by a yea-and-nay vote of 266 yeas to 157 nays with one answering "present", Roll No. 56.

Pages H815–21, H830–31

Pursuant to the Rule, the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Energy and Commerce now printed in the bill shall be considered as adopted.

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H. Res. 725, the rule providing for consideration of the bills (H.R. 772), (H.R. 1153), and (H.R. 4771) was agreed to by a recorded vote of 231 yeas to 186 noes, Roll No. 55, after the previous question was ordered by a yea-and-nay vote of 231 yeas to 188 nays, Roll No. 54.

Pages H790–94, H795–97

**Question of Privilege:** Representative Pelosi rose to a question of the privileges of the House and submitted a privileged resolution. The Chair ruled that the resolution did not constitute a question of the privileges of the House. Subsequently, Representative Pelosi appealed the ruling of the Chair and Representative McCarthy moved to table the appeal. Agreed to the motion to table the appeal of the ruling of the Chair by a recorded vote of 236 ayes to 190 noes, Roll No. 57.

Pages H831–32

**Honoring Hometown Heroes Act:** The House agreed to the motion to concur in the Senate amendment to H.R. 1892, to amend title 4, United States Code, to provide for the flying of the flag at half-staff in the event of the death of a first responder in the line of duty, with an amendment consisting of the text of Rules Committee Print 115–58, modified by the amendment printed in H. Rept. 115–547, by a yea-and-nay vote of 245 yeas to 182 nays, Roll No. 60.

Pages H833–34, H834–96

H. Res. 727, the rule providing for consideration of the Senate amendment to the bill (H.R. 1892) was agreed to by a yea-and-nay vote of 236 yeas to 188 nays, Roll No. 59, after the previous question was ordered by a yea-and-nay vote of 235 yeas to 189 nays, Roll No. 58.

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**Suspension—Proceedings Resumed:** The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measure. Consideration began Monday, February 5th.

**Swan Lake Hydroelectric Project Boundary Correction Act:** H.R. 219, to correct the Swan Lake hydroelectric project survey boundary and to provide for the conveyance of the remaining tract of land within the corrected survey boundary to the State of Alaska.

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**Providing for a correction in the enrollment of H.R. 1892:** The House agreed to H. Con. Res. 104, providing for a correction in the enrollment of H.R. 1892.

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**Meeting Hour:** Agreed by unanimous consent that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 9 a.m. tomorrow, February 7th.

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**Quorum Calls—Votes:** Six yea-and-nay votes and two recorded votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H795, H796–97, H830–31, H832, H833–34, and H896. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 9 a.m. and adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

## Committee Meetings

### THE STATE OF THE RURAL ECONOMY

*Committee on Agriculture:* Full Committee held a hearing entitled “The State of the Rural Economy”. Testimony was heard from Sonny Perdue, Secretary, Department of Agriculture.

### THE NATIONAL DEFENSE STRATEGY AND THE NUCLEAR POSTURE REVIEW

*Committee on Armed Services:* Full Committee held a hearing entitled “The National Defense Strategy and the Nuclear Posture Review”. Testimony was heard from James N. Mattis, Secretary, Department of Defense; and General Paul J. Selva, Vice Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

### ADDRESSING PHYSIOLOGICAL EPISODES IN FIGHTER, ATTACK, AND TRAINING AIRCRAFT

*Committee on Armed Services:* Subcommittee on Tactical Air and Land Forces held a hearing entitled “Addressing Physiological Episodes in Fighter, Attack, and Training Aircraft”. Testimony was heard from Clinton H. Cragg, Principal Engineer, Engineering and Safety Center, National Aeronautics and Space Administration; Rear Admiral Lower Half Sara A. Joyner, Navy Physiological Events Action Team Lead, U.S. Navy; and Lieutenant General Mark Nowland, Deputy Chief of Staff for Operations, U.S. Air Force.

### CBO OVERSIGHT: ECONOMIC ASSUMPTIONS, BASELINE CONSTRUCTION, COST ESTIMATING, AND SCORING

*Committee on the Budget:* Full Committee held a hearing entitled “CBO Oversight: Economic Assumptions, Baseline Construction, Cost Estimating, and Scoring”. Testimony was heard from Mark Hadley, Deputy Director, Congressional Budget Office; Wendy Edelberg, Associate Director for Economic Analysis, Congressional Budget Office; and Teri Gullo, Assistant Director for Budget Analysis, Congressional Budget Office.

### REVIEWING THE POLICIES AND PRIORITIES OF THE MINE SAFETY AND HEALTH ADMINISTRATION

*Committee on Education and the Workforce:* Subcommittee on Workforce Protections held a hearing entitled “Reviewing the Policies and Priorities of the Mine Safety and Health Administration”. Testimony was heard from David G. Zatezalo, Assistant Secretary of Labor, Mine Safety and Health Administration, Department of Labor.

## DOE MODERNIZATION: ADVANCING THE ECONOMIC AND NATIONAL SECURITY BENEFITS OF AMERICA'S NUCLEAR INFRASTRUCTURE

*Committee on Energy and Commerce:* Subcommittee on Energy held a hearing entitled “DOE Modernization: Advancing the Economic and National Security Benefits of America’s Nuclear Infrastructure”. Testimony was heard from Art Atkins, Associate Deputy Administrator for Global Material Security, National Nuclear Security Administration, Department of Energy; Victor McCree, Executive Director of Operations, Nuclear Regulatory Commission; Ed McGinnis, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary, Office of Nuclear Energy, Department of Energy; James Owendoff, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary, Office of Environmental Management, Department of Energy; David Trimble, Director, Natural Resources and Environment, Government Accountability Office; and public witnesses.

## THE ANNUAL REPORT OF THE FINANCIAL STABILITY OVERSIGHT COUNCIL

*Committee on Financial Services:* Full Committee held a hearing entitled “The Annual Report of the Financial Stability Oversight Council”. Testimony was heard from Steven T. Mnuchin, Secretary, Department of the Treasury.

## U.S. CYBER DIPLOMACY IN AN ERA OF GROWING THREATS

*Committee on Foreign Affairs:* Full Committee held a hearing entitled “U.S. Cyber Diplomacy in an Era of Growing Threats”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

## SYRIA: WHICH WAY FORWARD?

*Committee on Foreign Affairs:* Subcommittee on the Middle East and North Africa held a hearing entitled “Syria: Which Way Forward?”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

## U.S.-PAKISTAN RELATIONS: REASSESSING PRIORITIES AMID CONTINUED CHALLENGES

*Committee on Foreign Affairs:* Subcommittee on Asia and the Pacific held a hearing entitled “U.S.-Pakistan Relations: Reassessing Priorities Amid Continued Challenges”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

## ENSURING EFFECTIVE AND RELIABLE ALERTS AND WARNINGS

*Committee on Homeland Security:* Subcommittee on Emergency Preparedness, Response, and Communications held a hearing entitled “Ensuring Effective and Reliable Alerts and Warnings”. Testimony was

heard from Antwane Johnson, Director of Continuity Communications, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security; Lisa M. Fowlkes, Chief, Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau, Federal Communications Commission; Benjamin J. Krakauer, Assistant Commissioner, Strategy and Program Development, New York City Emergency Management Department; Peter T. Gaynor, Director, Rhode Island Emergency Management Agency; and public witnesses.

## LEGISLATIVE MEASURES

*Committee on Natural Resources:* Subcommittee on Federal Lands held a hearing on H.R. 835, the “Florissant Fossil Beds National Monument”; H.R. 857, to provide for conservation and enhanced recreation activities in the California Desert Conservation Area, and for other purposes; and H.R. 4895, the “Medgar Evers National Monument Act”. Testimony was heard from Representatives Thompson of Mississippi, Lamborn, and Cook; Norm Steen, County Commissioner, Teller County, Colorado; and public witnesses.

## LEGISLATIVE MEASURES

*Committee on Natural Resources:* Subcommittee on Indian, Insular and Alaska Native Affairs held a hearing on H.R. 231, the “Canyon Village Land Conveyance Act”; and H.R. 4032, the “Gila River Indian Community Federal Rights-of-Way, Easements and Boundary Clarification Act”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

## MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

*Committee on Oversight and Government Reform:* Full Committee held a markup on H.R. 4887, the “GREAT Act”; H.R. 4917, the “IG Subpoena Authority Act”; H.R. 3076, the “Creating Advanced Streamlined Electronic Services (CASES) for Constituents Act of 2017”; H.R. 3398, the “REAL ID Act Modification for Freely Associated States Act”; H.R. 4631, the “Access to Congressionally Mandated Reports Act”; H.R. 3183, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 13683 James Madison Highway in Palmyra, Virginia, as the “U.S. Navy Seaman Dakota Kyle Rigsby Post Office”; H.R. 4188, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 621 Kansas Avenue in Atchison, Kansas, as the “Amelia Earhart Post Office Building”; H.R. 4405, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 4558 Broadway in New York, New York, as the “Stanley Michaels Post Office Building”; H.R. 4406, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 99 Macombs Place in New York, New York, as the “Tuskegee Airman Post Office Building”; H.R.

4463, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 6 Doyers Street in New York, New York, as the “Mabel Lee Memorial Post Office”; H.R. 4646, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1900 Corporate Drive in Birmingham, Alabama, as the “Lance Corporal Thomas E. Rivers, Jr. Post Office Building”; and H.R. 4685, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 515 Hope Street in Bristol, Rhode Island, as the “First Sergeant P. Andrew McKenna Jr. Post Office”. H.R. 4887, H.R. 3076, H.R. 4631, and H.R. 4405 were ordered reported, as amended. H.R. 4917, H.R. 3398, H.R. 3183, H.R. 4188, H.R. 4406, H.R. 4463, H.R. 4646, and H.R. 4685 were ordered reported, without amendment.

**SENATE AMENDMENT TO AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 4, UNITED STATES CODE, TO PROVIDE FOR THE FLYING OF THE FLAG AT HALF-STAFF IN THE EVENT OF THE DEATH OF A FIRST RESPONDER IN THE LINE OF DUTY**

*Committee on Rules:* Full Committee held a hearing on the Senate amendment to H.R. 1892, an Act to amend title 4, United States Code, to provide for the flying of the flag at half-staff in the event of the death of a first responder in the line of duty” [Further Extension of Continuing Appropriations Act, 2018]. The Committee granted, by record vote of 8–4, a rule providing for the consideration of the Senate amendment to H.R. 1892. The rule makes in order a motion offered by the chair of the Committee on Appropriations or his designee that the House concur in the Senate amendment with an amendment consisting of the text of Rules Committee Print 115–58 modified by the amendment printed in the Rules Committee report. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the motion. The rule provides that the Senate amendment and the motion shall be considered as read. The rule provides one hour of debate on the motion equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropriations. Testimony was heard from Representatives Granger, Visclosky, Barton, Kennedy, Roskam, Levin, and Polis.

**IN DEFENSE OF SCIENTIFIC INTEGRITY: EXAMINING THE IARC MONOGRAPH PROGRAMME AND GLYPHOSATE REVIEW**

*Committee on Science, Space, and Technology:* Full Committee held a hearing entitled “In Defense of Scientific Integrity: Examining the IARC Monograph Programme and Glyphosate Review”. Testimony was heard from Anna Lowit, Senior Science Adviser, Of-

fice of Pesticide Programs, Environmental Protection Agency; and public witnesses.

**VA CAREGIVER SUPPORT PROGRAM: CORRECTING COURSE FOR VETERAN CAREGIVERS**

*Committee on Veterans’ Affairs:* Full Committee held a hearing entitled “VA Caregiver Support Program: Correcting Course for Veteran Caregivers”. Testimony was heard from David Shulkin, M.D., Secretary, Department of Veterans Affairs; and public witnesses.

**THE OPIOID CRISIS: REMOVING BARRIERS TO PREVENT AND TREAT OPIOID ABUSE AND DEPENDENCE IN MEDICARE**

*Committee on Ways and Means:* Subcommittee on Health held a hearing entitled “The Opioid Crisis: Removing Barriers to Prevent and Treat Opioid Abuse and Dependence in Medicare”. Testimony was heard from Phil Scott, Governor, Vermont; and public witnesses.

**BUSINESS MEETING**

*Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence:* Full Committee held a business meeting on February 5, 2018, to consider the public disclosure of executive session material, and other matters. The vote to disclose to the public, information contained in the classified executive session memo made available to the House by the Committee on January 29, 2018, passed. This meeting was closed.

*Joint Meetings*

No joint committee meetings were held.

**COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 2018**

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

**Senate**

*Committee on Armed Services:* Subcommittee on Emerging Threats and Capabilities, to hold hearings to examine defending the homeland, focusing on Department of Defense’s role in countering weapons of mass destruction, 2:30 p.m., SR–232A.

Subcommittee on Airland, to hold hearings to examine Army modernization, 3:30 p.m., SR–222.

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* Subcommittee on Public Lands, Forests, and Mining, to hold hearings to examine S. 414 and H.R. 1107, bills to promote conservation, improve public land management, and provide for sensible development in Pershing County, Nevada, S. 441, to designate the Organ Mountains and other public

land as components of the National Wilderness Preservation System in the State of New Mexico, S. 507, to sustain economic development and recreational use of National Forest System land in the State of Montana, to add certain land to the National Wilderness Preservation System, to designate new areas for recreation, S. 612 and H.R. 1547, bills to provide for the unencumbering of title to non-Federal land owned by the city of Tucson, Arizona, for purposes of economic development by conveyance of the Federal reversionary interest to the City, S. 1046, to facilitate certain pinyon-juniper related projects in Lincoln County, Nevada, to modify the boundaries of certain wilderness areas in the State of Nevada, and to fully implement the White Pine County Conservation, Recreation, and Development Act, S. 1219 and H.R. 3392, bills to provide for stability of title to certain land in the State of Louisiana, S. 1222, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain land to La Paz County, Arizona, S. 1481, to make technical corrections to the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act, S. 1665 and H.R. 2582, bills to authorize the State of Utah to select certain lands that are available for disposal under the Pony Express Resource Management Plan to be used for the support and benefit of State institutions, S. 2062, to require the Secretary of Agriculture to convey at market value certain National Forest System land in the State of Arizona, S. 2206, to release certain wilderness study areas in the State of Montana, S. 2218, to provide for the conveyance of a Forest Service site in Dolores County, Colorado, to be used for a fire station, S. 2249, to permanently reauthorize the Rio Puerco Management Committee and the Rio Puerco Watershed Management Program, H.R. 995, to direct the Secretary of Agriculture and the Secretary of the Interior to modernize terms in certain regulations, and H.R. 1404, to provide for the conveyance of certain land inholdings owned by the United States to the Tucson Unified School District and to the Pascua Yaqui Tribe of Arizona, 10 a.m., SD-366.

*Committee on Environment and Public Works:* business meeting to consider the nomination of Andrew Wheeler,

of Virginia, to be Deputy Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, 9:30 a.m., SD-406.

Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the impact of Federal environmental regulations and policies on American farming and ranching communities, 10 a.m., SD-406.

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* business meeting to consider S. 2286, to amend the Peace Corps Act to provide greater protection and services for Peace Corps volunteers, S. 2060, to promote democracy and human rights in Burma, S. Res. 92, expressing concern over the disappearance of David Sneddon, H.R. 1625, to amend the State Department Basic Authorities Act of 1956 to include severe forms of trafficking in persons within the definition of transnational organized crime for purposes of the rewards program of the Department of State, H.R. 535, to encourage visits between the United States and Taiwan at all levels, and the nominations of Peter Hendrick Vrooman, of New York, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Rwanda, and Eric M. Ueland, of Oregon, to be an Under Secretary (Management), both of the Department of State, 4:30 p.m., S-116, Capitol.

Full Committee, to receive a closed briefing on Turkey, 5 p.m., SVC-217.

*Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:* to hold hearings to examine reauthorizing the Department of Homeland Security, focusing on positioning DHS to address new and emerging threats to the Homeland, 10 a.m., SD-342.

*Special Committee on Aging:* to hold hearings to examine cost and competition among rheumatoid arthritis therapies, 9:30 a.m., SD-562.

## House

*Committee on Armed Services,* Subcommittee on Military Personnel, hearing entitled "Senior Leader Misconduct: Prevention and Accountability", 9 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

*Committee on Ways and Means,* Subcommittee on Social Security, hearing entitled "Ensuring Social Security Serves America's Veterans", 9 a.m., 2253 Rayburn.

*Next Meeting of the SENATE*

11:30 a.m., Wednesday, February 7

*Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES*

9 a.m., Wednesday, February 7

## Senate Chamber

**Program for Wednesday:** Senate will continue consideration of the House Message to accompany H.R. 695, Department of Defense Appropriations Act.

## House Chamber

**Program for Wednesday:** Complete consideration of H.R. 1153—Mortgage Choice Act of 2017.

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