

# Daily Digest

## HIGHLIGHTS

Senate agreed to the motion to concur in the amendments of the House of Representatives to S. 1182, National Flood Insurance Program Extension Act.

## Senate

### Chamber Action

*Routine Proceedings, pages S5463–S5526*

**Measures Introduced:** Sixteen bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 3300–3315, and S. Res. 600. **Pages S5517–18**

#### Measures Reported:

Report to accompany S. 930, to require the Administrator of the Western Area Power Administration to establish a pilot project to provide increased transparency for customers. (S. Rept. No. 115–309)

Report to accompany S. 1030, to require the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission to submit to Congress a report on certain hydropower projects. (S. Rept. No. 115–310)

Report to accompany S. 1142, to extend the deadline for commencement of construction of certain hydroelectric projects. (S. Rept. No. 115–311)

Report to accompany H.R. 2582, 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. Rept. No. 115–312)

S. 2554, to ensure that health insurance issuers and group health plans do not prohibit pharmacy providers from providing certain information to enrollees, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Page S5516**

#### Measures Passed:

*Animal Drug and Animal Generic Drug User Fee Amendments:* Senate passed H.R. 5554, to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to reauthorize user fee programs relating to new animal drugs and generic new animal drugs. **Page S5474**

#### Measures Considered:

**Department of the Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act—Agreement:** Senate resumed consideration of H.R. 6147,

making appropriations for the Department of the Interior, environment, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2019, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto:

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#### Adopted:

Moran (for Schatz/Hirono) Amendment No. 3406 (to Amendment No. 3399), to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to provide technical assistance relating to a disaster caused by a volcanic eruption.

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Moran (for Heller) Amendment No. 3428 (to Amendment No. 3399), to require a report on engagement with local interests relating to intelligent transportation systems technologies and smart cities solutions.

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Moran (for Johnson) Amendment No. 3436 (to Amendment No. 3399), to require the Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration to submit a report on implementation of NexGen at commercial service airports in the United States.

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Moran (for Gardner) Amendment No. 3437 (to Amendment No. 3399), to provide a set-aside for the dryland agriculture research program.

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Moran (for Risch) Amendment No. 3438 (to Amendment No. 3399), to strike section 531.

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Moran (for Jones) Amendment No. 3447 (to Amendment No. 3399), to provide additional funds for grants from the Historic Preservation Fund for historically Black colleges and university, with an offset.

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Moran (for Whitehouse) Amendment No. 3454 (to Amendment No. 3399), to require the Secretary of Agriculture to establish a working group to conduct research relating to ocean agriculture.

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Moran (for Murphy/Blumenthal) Amendment No. 3468 (to Amendment No. 3399), to set aside funds for the development of a map depicting pyrrhotite occurrences throughout the United States.

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Moran (for Shaheen) Amendment No. 3476 (to Amendment No. 3399), to provide for the use of funds to ensure that survivors of domestic violence and sexual assault do not face housing discrimination.

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Moran (for Inhofe) Amendment No. 3480 (to Amendment No. 3399), to encourage the Department of Transportation and the Corps of Engineers to cooperate to develop a path forward in allowing freight funding eligibility for inland waterways improvements.

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Moran (for Cassidy) Amendment No. 3482 (to Amendment No. 3399), to set aside funds for the conduct of certain wood utilization research.

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Moran (for Fischer) Amendment No. 3492 (to Amendment No. 3399), to ensure safe and timely completion of the flexible sleeper berth pilot program.

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Moran (for Cornyn) Amendment No. 3493 (to Amendment No. 3399), to require the Secretary of Agriculture to submit a report on conservation programs administered by the Natural Resources Conservation Service relating to ocelots.

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Moran (for Heller/Feinstein) Amendment No. 3517 (to Amendment No. 3399), to set aside funds for the Colorado River Basin salinity control program.

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Moran (for Heller) Amendment No. 3540 (to Amendment No. 3399), to set aside additional funds for grants for the conduct of certain hazardous fuels management activities.

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Moran (for Smith/Shahen) Amendment No. 3546 (to Amendment No. 3399), to require the Rural Housing Service to submit a report on certain properties.

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Moran (for Rubio) Amendment No. 3551 (to Amendment No. 3399), to provide funding to study and combat harmful algal blooms.

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Moran (for Rubio) Amendment No. 3560 (to Amendment No. 3399), to require FinCEN to submit to Congress a report on Geographic Targeting Orders.

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Moran (for Rubio/Ernst) Amendment No. 3562 (to Amendment No. 3399), to prohibit certain companies from receiving assistance.

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Moran (for Barrasso) Amendment No. 3563 (to Amendment No. 3399), to provide for the use of funds from the Indian Irrigation Fund.

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Moran (for Murkowski) Amendment No. 3566 (to Amendment No. 3399), of a perfecting nature.

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Moran (for Murray/Cantwell) Amendment No. 3578 (to Amendment No. 3399), to add a provision to clarify eligibility and establish an eligibility appeal mechanism under the rural broadband loan and grant pilot program.

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Moran (for Brown) Amendment No. 3582 (to Amendment No. 3399), to increase funding for 1890 land-grant colleges, with an offset.

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Moran (for Murkowski/Heitkamp) Modified Amendment No. 3585 (to Amendment No. 3399), to set aside funds for the Alyce Spotted Bear and Walter Soboleff Commission on Native Children.

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Moran (for Collins) Amendment No. 3595 (to Amendment No. 3399), to prohibit the use of funds to enforce certain requirements with respect to added sugars in the rules issued by the Food and Drug Administration on nutrition labels.

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Moran (for Stabenow) Amendment No. 3607 (to Amendment No. 3399), to require the use of Environmental Protection Agency funds to implement recommendations relating to clean and safe water compliance.

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Moran (for Reed) Amendment No. 3608 (to Amendment No. 3399), to prohibit the use of funds to implement certain new policies of the Federal Transit Administration relating to the Capital Investment Grant program.

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Moran (for Toomey) Amendment No. 3613 (to Amendment No. 3399), to set aside funds for the United States Semiquincentennial Commission.

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Moran (for Jones) Amendment No. 3615 (to Amendment No. 3399), to require the Small Business Administration to conduct a study on match-making programs for veteran entrepreneurs.

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Moran (for Peters/Young) Amendment No. 3621 (to Amendment No. 3399), to require the Comptroller General of the United States to issue a report on the removal of lead-based paint and other hazardous materials.

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Moran (for Cardin) Amendment No. 3633 (to Amendment No. 3399), to require a report on Federal agency compliance with respect to establishing an Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization.

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Moran (for McConnell) Amendment No. 3645 (to Amendment No. 3399), to prohibit the use of funds for the enforcement of certain requirements with respect to certain roads.

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Moran (for Boozman) Amendment No. 3646 (to Amendment No. 3399), to provide funding to the Secretary of Agriculture to conduct an inventory and evaluation of certain land for inclusion in the National Wilderness Preservation System.

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Moran (for Shaheen) Amendment No. 3650 (to Amendment No. 3399), to provide for the conduct of a study to identify underlying contributing factors for pediatric cancer that are unique to certain States and to provide assistance to support States with a high incidence of such cancer.

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Moran (for Murphy) Amendment No. 3651 (to Amendment No. 3399), to require a study on the financial impact of the mineral pyrrhotite in concrete home foundations.

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Moran (for Coons) Amendment No. 3661 (to Amendment No. 3399), to designate a rest area on the Mount Vernon Trail as the “Peter B. Webster III Memorial Area”.

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Moran Amendment No. 3665 (to Amendment No. 3399), to ensure continued passenger rail operations on long-distance routes.

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Moran (for Coons/Carper) Amendment No. 3684 (to Amendment No. 3666), of a perfecting nature.

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Moran (for Coons/Carper) Amendment No. 3666 (to Amendment No. 3399), to extend by 1 year the deadline for expenditure for transportation projects awarded funding from the Transportation Investment Generating Economic Recovery (TIGER) 2012 and 2013 discretionary grant programs of the Department of Transportation.

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Moran (for Casey) Amendment No. 3668 (to Amendment No. 3399), to increase the amount set aside for the breastfeeding peer counselors program.

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Moran (for Fischer) Amendment No. 3669 (to Amendment No. 3399), to prohibit the use of funds to carry out requirements relating to electronic logging devices.

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Moran (for Cornyn) Modified Amendment No. 3670 (to Amendment No. 3399), to prohibit funds made available to the Federal Transit Administration from being used for the procurement of rolling stock from manufacturers supported by certain foreign governments.

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Moran (for Heller) Amendment No. 3671 (to Amendment No. 3399), to prohibit funds from being used to provide housing assistance benefits to individuals convicted of certain criminal offenses.

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Moran (for Donnelly) Amendment No. 3675 (to Amendment No. 3399), to provide for rural health and safety education programs to address and combat the opioid abuse epidemic.

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Moran (for Heitkamp) Amendment No. 3676 (to Amendment No. 3399), to provide an additional \$2,000,000 for hiring staff for tribal detention facilities by reducing the amounts made available through the Working Capital Fund of the Department of the Interior.

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Moran (for Blumenthal) Amendment No. 3677 (to Amendment No. 3399), to require the National Railroad Passenger Corporation to grant a discount to members of the public benefit corporation Veterans Advantage.

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Moran (for Warner) Amendment No. 3679 (to Amendment No. 3399), to provide that up to \$6,000,000 be used for UAS integration activities.

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Pending:

Shelby Amendment No. 3399, in the nature of a substitute.

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Murkowski Amendment No. 3400 (to Amendment No. 3399), of a perfecting nature.

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

By 94 yeas to 4 nays (Vote No. 175), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, having voted in the affirmative, Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on Shelby Amendment No. 3399 (listed above).

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A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that notwithstanding Rule XXII, the motion to invoke cloture on the bill be withdrawn; that the only remaining amendments in order be the following: Leahy Amendment No. 3464, Lee Amendment No. 3522, Baldwin Amendment No. 3524, and Cruz Amendment No. 3402; and that at 11 a.m., on Wednesday, August 1, 2018, all post-cloture time be yielded back and Senate vote on or in relation to the amendments in the order listed, that Leahy Amendment No. 3464, Lee Amendment No. 3522, and Baldwin Amendment No. 3524, be subject to a 60 affirmative vote threshold, and that following the disposition of Cruz Amendment No. 3402, Murkowski Amendment No. 3400 be withdrawn, Shelby Amendment No. 3399, as amended, be agreed to, and Senate vote on passage of the bill, with two minutes of debate prior to each vote in the series.

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A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill at approximately 10 a.m., on Wednesday, August 1, 2018.

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**House Messages:**

*National Flood Insurance Program Extension Act:* By 86 yeas to 12 nays (Vote No. 173), Senate agreed to the motion to concur in the amendments

of the House of Representatives to S. 1182, to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint commemorative coins in recognition of the 100th anniversary of The American Legion, after taking action on the following motions and amendments proposed thereto: **Page S5468**

Withdrawn:

McConnell motion to refer the message of the House on the bill to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs, with instructions, McConnell Amendment No. 3630, to change the enactment date. **Page S5468**

McConnell motion to concur in the amendment of the House to the bill, with McConnell Amendment No. 3628 (to the House Amendment to the bill), to change the enactment date. **Page S5468**

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

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the motion to invoke cloture on McConnell motion to concur in the amendments of the House to the bill, be withdrawn. **Page S5468**

McConnell Amendment No. 3631 (to (the instructions) Amendment No. 3630), of a perfecting nature, fell when McConnell motion to refer the message of the House on the bill to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs, with instructions, McConnell Amendment No. 3630 (listed above), was withdrawn. **Page S5468**

McConnell Amendment No. 3632 (to Amendment No. 3631), of a perfecting nature, fell when McConnell Amendment No. 3631 (to (the instructions) Amendment No. 3630) (listed above), fell. **Page S5468**

McConnell Amendment No. 3629 (to Amendment No. 3628), of a perfecting nature, fell when McConnell motion to concur in the amendment of the House to the bill, with McConnell Amendment No. 3628 (to the House Amendment to the bill) (listed above), was withdrawn. **Page S5468**

**Agriculture and Nutrition Act:** Senate insisted on its amendment to H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, agreed to the request of the House for a conference, and authorized the Chair to appoint conferees on the part of the Senate at a ratio of 5 to 4. **Page S5503**

**Nominations Confirmed:** Senate confirmed the following nominations:

By 52 yeas to 46 nays (Vote No. EX. 174), Britt Cagle Grant, of Georgia, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Eleventh Circuit. **Page S5468**

8 Air Force nominations in the rank of general.  
42 Army nominations in the rank of general.

1 Marine Corps nomination in the rank of general.  
Routine lists in the Air Force, Army, and Navy.

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**Nominations Received:** Senate received the following nominations:

Thomas F. Gilman, of Arizona, to be an Assistant Secretary of Commerce.

Thomas F. Gilman, of Arizona, to be Chief Financial Officer, Department of Commerce.

William Cooper, of Maryland, to be General Counsel of the Department of Energy.

Harold B. Parker, of New Hampshire, to be Federal Cochairperson of the Northern Border Regional Commission.

Richard C. Parker, of North Carolina, to be an Assistant Administrator of the United States Agency for International Development.

Judy Rising Reinke, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to Montenegro.

Lucy Tamlyn, of New York, to be Ambassador to Central African Republic.

Adrian Zuckerman, of New Jersey, to be Ambassador to Romania.

Erhard R. Chorle, of Illinois, to be a Member of the Railroad Retirement Board for a term expiring August 28, 2022.

James Paul Gfrerer, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Veterans Affairs (Information and Technology).

1 Air Force nomination in the rank of general.

3 Army nominations in the rank of general.

Routine lists in the Army, Foreign Service, and Navy. **Pages S5522–25**

**Messages from the House:** **Page S5516**

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**Amendments Submitted:** **Pages S5521–22**

**Authorities for Committees to Meet:** **Page S5522**

**Privileges of the Floor:** **Page S5522**

**Record Votes:** Three record votes were taken today. (Total—175) **Pages S5468–69**

**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 8:14 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Wednesday, August 1, 2018. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S5522.)

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

### BUSINESS MEETING

*Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry:* Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Dan Michael Berkovitz, of Maryland, to be a Commissioner of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission, and James E. Hubbard, of Colorado, to be Under Secretary of Agriculture for Natural Resources and Environment.

### BUSINESS MEETING

*Committee on Armed Services:* Committee ordered favorably reported 646 nominations in the Army, Navy, and Air Force.

### GLOBAL INTERNET GOVERNANCE

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* Subcommittee on Communications, Technology, Innovation, and the Internet concluded a hearing to examine the internet and digital communications, focusing on the impact of global internet governance, after receiving testimony from Michael Chertoff, The Chertoff Group, Roslyn Layton, American Enterprise Institute, Denise E. Zheng, Business Roundtable, and Christopher M.E. Painter, Global Commission for the Stability of Cyberspace, all of Washington, D.C.; and James Bladel, GoDaddy, Scottsdale, Arizona.

### NOMINATIONS

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Michael A. Hammer, of Maryland, to be Ambassador to the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Kyle McCarter, of Illinois, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Kenya, who was introduced by Senator Inhofe, Stephanie Sanders Sullivan, of Maryland, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Ghana, and Donald R. Tapia, of Arizona, to be Ambassador to Jamaica, who was introduced by Senator Gardner, all of the Department of State, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

### REDUCING HEALTH CARE COSTS

*Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine reducing health care costs, focusing on decreasing administrative spending, after receiving testimony from Becky

Hultberg, Alaska State Hospital and Nursing Home Association, Anchorage; Matt Eyles, America's Health Insurance Plans, and Robert A. Book, Libris Research, LLC, on behalf of the American Action Forum, both of Washington, D.C.; and David M. Cutler, Harvard University, Cambridge, Massachusetts.

### FAMILY REUNIFICATION EFFORTS

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Committee concluded an oversight hearing to examine immigration enforcement and family reunification efforts, after receiving testimony from Carla L. Provost, Acting Chief, Border Patrol, Customs and Border Protection, Matthew T. Albence, Executive Associate Director, Enforcement and Removal Operations, Immigration and Customs Enforcement, and Jennifer B. Higgins, Associate Director, Refugee, Asylum and International Operations Directorate, Citizenship and Immigration Services, all of Department of Homeland Security; Jonathan White, Commander, Public Health Service Commissioned Corps, Department of Health and Human Services; and James McHenry, Director, Executive Office for Immigration Review, Department of Justice.

### FEDERAL COURTS

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on Oversight, Agency Action, Federal Rights and Federal Courts concluded a hearing to examine the structure of the Federal courts, after receiving testimony from Diarmuid F. O'Scannlain, Circuit Judge, United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit; Brian T. Fitzpatrick, Vanderbilt Law School, Nashville, Tennessee; Lori A. Ringhand, University of Georgia School of Law, Athens.

### BUSINESS MEETING

*Select Committee on Intelligence:* Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Joseph Maguire, of Florida, to be Director of the National Counterterrorism Center, Office of the Director of National Intelligence, and Ellen E. McCarthy, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of State (Intelligence and Research).

### INTELLIGENCE

*Select Committee on Intelligence:* Committee met in closed session to receive a briefing on certain intelligence matters from officials of the intelligence community.

# House of Representatives

## Chamber Action

**Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced:** 8 public bills, H.R. 6641–6648, and 2 resolutions, H. Res. 1039–1040, were introduced. **Page H7734**

**Additional Cosponsors:** **Page H7735**

**Reports Filed:** Reports were filed today as follows: H.R. 6319, to require the Securities and Exchange Commission to carry out a study of the 10 per centum threshold limitation applicable to the definition of a diversified company under the Investment Company Act of 1940, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 115–878); and

H.R. 6322, to amend the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 to require issuers with a multi-class stock structure to make certain disclosures in any proxy or consent solicitation material, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 115–879). **Page H7734**

**Speaker:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Mooney (WV) to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H7733**

**Guest Chaplain:** The prayer was offered by the Guest Chaplain, Rev. Vincent DeRosa, St. Mary Mother of God Catholic Church, Washington, DC. **Page H7733**

**Senate Message:** Message received from the Senate by the Clerk and subsequently presented to the House today and appears on page H7733.

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** There were no Yea and Nay votes, and there were no Recorded votes. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 10:03 a.m.

## Committee Meetings

No hearings were held.

## Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

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## NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D884)

H.R. 6042, to amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to delay the reduction in Federal medical assistance percentage for Medicaid personal care services furnished without an electronic visit verification system. Signed on July 30, 2018. (Public Law 115–222)

S. 2692, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 4558 Broadway in New York, New York, as the “Stanley Michels Post Office Building”. Signed on July 30, 2018. (Public Law 115–223)

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## COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 1, 2018

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

### Senate

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* business meeting to consider S. 2242, to amend the Omnibus Public Land Management Act of 2009 to clarify the authority of the Administrator of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration with respect to post-storm assessments, S. 2773, to improve the management of driftnet fishing, S. 2861, to prosecute, as a Federal crime, the assault or intimidation of a passenger train crew member to the same extent as such actions against aircraft crew members are prosecuted, S. 3119, to allow for the taking of sea lions on the Columbia River and its tributaries to protect endangered and threatened species of salmon and other nonlisted fish species, S. 3143, to provide for a coordinated Federal program to accelerate quantum research and development for the economic and national security of the United States, S. 3265, to require the Secretary of Commerce to undertake certain activities to support waterfront community revitalization and resiliency, S. 3273, to improve the safety, efficiency, and reliability of the movement of goods through ports and intermodal connections to ports, an original bill entitled, “Space Frontier Act of 2019”, and the nominations of Rick A. Dearborn, of Oklahoma, to be a Director of the Amtrak Board of Directors, and Martin J. Oberman, of Illinois, to be a Member of the Surface Transportation Board, 9:45 a.m., SD–G50.

Subcommittee on Space, Science, and Competitiveness, to hold hearings to examine the search for life, focusing on utilizing science to explore our solar system and make new discoveries, 2:30 p.m., SR–253.

*Committee on Environment and Public Works:* business meeting to consider H.R. 5772, to designate the J. Marvin Jones Federal Building and Courthouse in Amarillo, Texas, as the “J. Marvin Jones Federal Building and Mary Lou Robinson United States Courthouse”, S. 3021, to designate the United States courthouse located at 300 South Fourth Street in Minneapolis, Minnesota, as the “Diana E. Murphy United States Courthouse”, the nominations of William Charles McIntosh, of Michigan, to be an Assistant Administrator, and Peter C. Wright, of Michigan, to be Assistant Administrator, Office of Solid Waste, both of the Environmental Protection Agency, Mary Bridget Neumayr, of Virginia, to be a Member of the Council on Environmental Quality, and John Fleming, of Louisiana, to be Assistant Secretary of Commerce

for Economic Development, and General Services Administration resolutions, 9:45 a.m., SD-406.

Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the Environmental Protection Agency's agenda, focusing on protecting the environment and allowing America's economy to grow, 10:30 a.m., SD-406.

*Committee on Finance:* business meeting to consider the nominations of Justin George Muzinich, of New York, to be Deputy Secretary, and Michael J. Desmond, of California, to be Chief Counsel for the Internal Revenue Service and an Assistant General Counsel, both of the Department of the Treasury, 9:30 a.m., SD-215.

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* to hold hearings to examine the nominations of R. Clarke Cooper, of Florida, to be an Assistant Secretary (Political-Military Affairs), and John Cotton Richmond, of Virginia, to be Director of the Office to Monitor and Combat Trafficking, with the rank of Ambassador at Large, both of the Department of State, 10 a.m., SD-419.

*Committee on the Judiciary:* to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Richard J. Sullivan, of New York, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Second Circuit, Diane Gujarati, Eric Ross Komitee, and Rachel P. Kovner, each to be a United States District Judge for the Eastern District of New York, John L. Sinatra, Jr., to be United States District Judge for the Western District of New York, and Lewis J. Liman, and Mary Kay Vyskocil, both to be a United States District Judge for the Southern District of New York, 10 a.m., SD-226.

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs:* to hold hearings to examine S. 3184, to amend title 38, United States Code, to modify the requirements for applications for construction of State home facilities to increase the maximum percentage of nonveterans allowed to be treated at such facilities, S. 1596, to amend title 38, United States Code, to increase certain funeral benefits for veterans, S. 2881, to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to seek to enter into an agreement with the city of Vallejo, California, for the transfer of Mare Island Naval Cemetery in Vallejo, Cali-

fornia, S. 1952, to improve oversight and accountability of the financial processes of the Department of Veterans Affairs, S. 1990, to amend title 38, United States Code, to increase the amounts payable by the Department of Veterans Affairs for dependency and indemnity compensation, to modify the requirements for dependency and indemnity compensation for survivors of certain veterans rated totally disabled at the time of death, S. 2485, to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide payment of Medal of Honor special pension under such title to the surviving spouse of a deceased Medal of Honor recipient, S. 2748, to amend title 10, United States Code, to require members of the Armed Forces to receive additional training under the Transition Assistance Program, S. 514, to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to carry out a pilot program to provide access to magnetic EEG/EKG-guided resonance therapy to veterans, H.R. 299, to amend title 38, United States Code, to clarify presumptions relating to the exposure of certain veterans who served in the vicinity of the Republic of Vietnam, H.R. 5418, to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to carry out the Medical Surgical Prime Vendor program using multiple prime vendors, an original bill entitled, "Veterans Dental Care Eligibility Expansion and Enhancement Act of 2018", an original bill entitled, "VA Hiring Enhancement Act", an original bill to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to establish a program to award grants to persons to provide and coordinate the provision of suicide prevention services for veterans transitioning from service in the Armed Forces who are at risk of suicide and for their families, and an original bill entitled, "Modernization of Medical Records Access for Veterans Act", 2:30 p.m., SR-418.

*Select Committee on Intelligence:* to hold hearings to examine foreign influence operations and their use of social media platforms, 9:30 a.m., SH-216.

### House

No hearings are scheduled.

*Next Meeting of the SENATE*

10 a.m., Wednesday, August 1

*Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES*

10 a.m., Friday, August 3

## Senate Chamber

**Program for Wednesday:** Senate will continue consideration of H.R. 6147, Department of the Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, with votes on or in relation to amendments and passage of the bill beginning at 11 a.m.

## House Chamber

**Program for Friday:** House will meet in Pro Forma session at 10 a.m.

## Extensions of Remarks, as inserted in this issue

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