

# *Daily Digest*

## **HIGHLIGHTS**

See Résumé of Congressional Activity.

## **Senate**

### ***Chamber Action***

***Routine Proceedings, pages S6011–S6034***

**Measures Introduced:** Three bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 3405–3407, and S. Res. 621. **Pages S6028–29**

#### **Measures Reported:**

Report to accompany S. 2602, to support carbon dioxide utilization and direct air capture research, to facilitate the permitting and development of carbon capture, utilization, and sequestration projects and carbon dioxide pipelines. (S. Rept. No. 115–328)

S. 1204, to authorize the United States Postal Service to carry out emergency suspensions of post offices in accordance with certain procedures, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 115–329)

S. 1888, to amend title 5, United States Code, to increase the maximum amount of a Voluntary Separation Incentive Payment and to include an annual adjustment in accordance with the Consumer Price Index, with an amendment. (S. Rept. No. 115–330)

S. 2276, to require agencies to submit reports on outstanding recommendations in the annual budget justification submitted to Congress, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 115–331)

S. 2836, to assist the Department of Homeland Security in preventing emerging threats from unmanned aircraft and vehicles, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 115–332)

S. 3027, to save taxpayer money and improve the efficiency and speed of intragovernmental correspondence, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 115–333)

H.R. 4581, to require the Secretary of Homeland Security to develop best practices for utilizing advanced passenger information and passenger name record data for counterterrorism screening and vetting operations, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 115–334) **Page S6028**

#### **Measures Passed:**

***Federal Power Act:*** Senate passed H.R. 1109, to amend section 203 of the Federal Power Act, after agreeing to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Pages S6031–32**

***Fair RATES Act:*** Senate passed S. 186, to amend the Federal Power Act to provide that any inaction by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission that allows a rate change to go into effect shall be treated as an order by the Commission for purposes of rehearing and court review, after agreeing to the committee amendment. **Pages S6031–32**

***Diana E. Murphy United States Courthouse:*** Senate passed 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”. **Page S6032**

***J. Marvin Jones Federal Building and Mary Lou Robinson United States Courthouse:*** Senate passed 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”. **Page S6032**

***Dr. Benjy Frances Brooks Children’s Hospital GME Support Reauthorization Act:*** Senate passed H.R. 5385, to amend the Public Health Service Act to reauthorize the program of payments to children’s hospitals that operate graduate medical education programs. **Page S6032**

***Congratulating the Honolulu Little League Baseball Team:*** Senate agreed to S. Res. 621, congratulating the Honolulu Little League Baseball team of Hawaii on winning the 2018 Little League Baseball World Series Championship. **Page S6032**

***Protecting Religiously Affiliated Institutions Act:*** Senate passed S. 994, to amend title 18, United States Code, to provide for the protection of community centers with religious affiliation, after agreeing

to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Pages S6032–33**

**Know the Lowest Price Act:** Committee on Finance was discharged from further consideration of S. 2553, to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to prohibit Medicare part D plans from restricting pharmacies from informing individuals regarding the prices for certain drugs and biologicals, and the bill was then passed, after agreeing to the following amendments proposed thereto: **Page S6033**

McConnell (for Stabenow) Amendment No. 4009, relating to a prohibition on limiting certain information on drug prices. **Page S6033**

McConnell (for Stabenow) Amendment No. 4010, to amend the title. **Page S6033**

**Roisman Nomination—Agreement:** Senate resumed consideration of the nomination of Elad L. Roisman, of Maine, to be a Member of the Securities and Exchange Commission. **Pages S6013–21**

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

By 83 yeas to 14 nays (Vote No. 201), Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the nomination. **Page S6021**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the nomination at approximately 12 noon, on Wednesday, September 5, 2018, and that notwithstanding Rule XXII, Senate vote on confirmation of the nomination. **Page S6033**

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

1 Air Force nomination in the rank of general.

3 Army nominations in the rank of general.

Routine lists in the Air Force, Army, Marine Corps, and Navy. **Pages S6025–26, S6033–34**

**Messages from the House:** **Page S6027**

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**Amendments Submitted:** **Page S6030**

**Authorities for Committees to Meet:** **Page S6031**

**Privileges of the Floor:** **Page S6031**

**Record Votes:** One record vote was taken today. (Total—201) **Page S6021**

**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 3 p.m. and adjourned at 7:17 p.m., until 12 noon on Wednesday, September 5, 2018. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S6033.)

## Committee Meetings

*(Committees not listed did not meet)*

### NOMINATION

**Committee on the Judiciary:** Committee held a hearing to examine the nomination of Brett M. Kavanaugh, of Maryland, to be an Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States, the nominee, who was introduced by Senator Portman, Condoleezza Rice, former Secretary of State, and Lisa S. Blatt, Arnold and Porter, Washington, D.C., testified in his own behalf. Hearing recessed subject to the call and will meet again on Wednesday, September 5, 2018.

# House of Representatives

## Chamber Action

**Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced:** 6 public bills, H.R. 6696–6701 were introduced. **Page H7824**

**Additional Cosponsors:** **Pages H7824–25**

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

H.R. 6265, to ensure that only travelers who are members of a trusted traveler program use Transportation Security Administration security screening lanes designated for trusted travelers, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 115–912);

H.R. 6374, to require the Department of Homeland Security to streamline Federal contractor fitness determinations, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 115–913);

H.R. 6400, to require the Secretary of Homeland Security to conduct a threat and operational analysis of ports of entry, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 115–914, Part 1);

H.R. 6447, to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to establish the position of Chief Data Officer of the Department of Homeland Security, and for

other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 115–915);

H.R. 6459, to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to require a strategy to diversify the technology stakeholder marketplace regarding the acquisition by the Transportation Security Administration of security screening technologies, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 115–916);

H.R. 6461, to amend title 49, United States Code, to establish in the Transportation Security Administration a National Deployment Office, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 115–917);

H.R. 5869, to require the Secretary of Homeland Security to conduct a maritime border threat analysis, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 115–918); and

H. Res. 1049, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 1635) to amend the loan counseling requirements under the Higher Education Act of 1965, and for other purposes, and providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 4606) to provide that applications under the Natural Gas Act for the importation or exportation of small volumes of natural gas shall be granted without modification or delay (H. Rept. 115–919).

Pages H7823–24

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

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**Recess:** The House recessed at 2:08 p.m. and reconvened at 4:17 p.m.

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**Committee Resignation:** Read a letter from Representative Comer wherein he resigned from the Committee on Small Business.

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

**Miscellaneous Tariff Bill Act of 2018:** Concur in the Senate amendments to H.R. 4318, to amend the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States to modify temporarily certain rates of duty;

Pages H7784–86

**Biometric Identification Transnational Migration Alert Program Authorization Act of 2018:** H.R. 6439, to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to establish in the Department of Homeland Security the Biometric Identification Transnational Migration Alert Program, by a  $\frac{2}{3}$  yea-and-nay vote of 272 yeas to 119 nays, Roll No. 381;

Pages H7786–89, H7806

**TSA Opportunities to Pursue Expanded Networks for Business Act:** H.R. 6459, to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to require a strategy to diversify the technology stakeholder marketplace regarding the acquisition by the Transportation Se-

curity Administration of security screening technologies;

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**Securing the Homeland Security Supply Chain Act of 2018:** H.R. 6430, to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to authorize the Secretary of Homeland Security to implement certain requirements for information relating to supply chain risk;

Pages H7791–93

**Advancing Cybersecurity Diagnostics and Mitigation Act:** H.R. 6443, amended, to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to authorize the Secretary of Homeland Security to establish a continuous diagnostics and mitigation program at the Department of Homeland Security;

Pages H7793–96

**Maritime Border Security Review Act:** H.R. 5869, amended, to require the Secretary of Homeland Security to conduct a maritime border threat analysis;

Pages H7796–99

**Fitness Information Transparency Act of 2018:** H.R. 6374, amended, to require the Department of Homeland Security to streamline Federal contractor fitness determinations;

Pages H7799–H7801

**Department of Homeland Security Chief Data Officer Authorization Act:** H.R. 6447, amended, to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to establish the position of Chief Data Officer of the Department of Homeland Security;

Pages H7801–03

**PreCheck is PreCheck Act of 2018:** H.R. 6265, amended, to ensure that only travelers who are members of a trusted traveler program use Transportation Security Administration security screening lanes designated for trusted travelers;

Pages H7807–09

**TSA National Deployment Force Act:** H.R. 6461, to amend title 49, United States Code, to establish in the Transportation Security Administration a National Deployment Office;

Pages H7809–10

**DHS Countering Unmanned Aircraft Systems Coordinator Act:** H.R. 6438, amended, to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to establish in the Department of Homeland Security an Unmanned Aircraft Systems Coordinator; and

Pages H7810–11

**United States Ports of Entry Threat and Operational Review Act:** H.R. 6400, amended, to require the Secretary of Homeland Security to conduct a threat and operational analysis of ports of entry.

Pages H7811–13

**Department of Defense Appropriations Act, 2019:** The House agreed by unanimous consent to disagree to the Senate amendment and request a conference on H.R. 6157, making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2019.

Pages H7803–06

Rejected the DeLauro motion to instruct conferees by a yea-and-nay vote of 171 yeas to 221 nays, Roll No. 380.

**Pages H7805–06**

Later, the Chair appointed the following conferees: Representatives Frelinghuysen, Granger, Cole, Calvert, Womack, Aderholt, Rogers (KY), Roby, Lowey, Visclosky, DeLauro, Roybal-Allard, and McCollum.

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**Committee Resignation:** Read a letter from Representative Loudermilk wherein he resigned from the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology.

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**Senate Message:** Message received from the Senate by the Clerk and subsequently presented to the House today and appears on page H7784.

**Quorum Calls Votes:** Two yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H7805–06, H7806. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 2 p.m. and adjourned at 9:29 p.m.

## Committee Meetings

### EMPOWERING STUDENTS THROUGH ENHANCED FINANCIAL COUNSELING ACT; ENSURING SMALL SCALE LNG CERTAINTY AND ACCESS ACT

**Committee on Rules:** Full Committee held a hearing on H.R. 1635, the “Empowering Students Through Enhanced Financial Counseling Act”; and H.R. 4606, the “Ensuring Small Scale LNG Certainty and Access Act”. The Committee granted, by record vote of 8–4, a rule providing for the consideration of H.R. 1635 under a structured rule. The rule provides one hour of general debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Education and the Workforce. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule provides that the bill shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against provisions in the bill. The rule makes in order only those amendments printed in part A of the Rules Committee report. Each such amendment may be offered only in the order printed in the report, may be offered only by a Member designated in the report, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, shall not be subject to amendment, and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question. The rule waives all points of order against the amendments printed in part A of the report. The rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. In section 2, the rule provides for

the consideration of H.R. 4606 under a structured rule. The rule provides one hour of general debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Energy and Commerce. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule makes in order as original text for the purpose of amendment the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Energy and Commerce now printed in the bill and provides that it shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against that amendment in the nature of a substitute. The rule makes in order only those amendments printed in part B of the Rules Committee report. Each such amendment may be offered only in the order printed in the report, may be offered only by a Member designated in the report, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, shall not be subject to amendment, and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question. The rule waives all points of order against the amendments printed in part B of the report. The rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Representatives Johnson of Ohio, Pallone, Garamendi, Guthrie, Takano, and Lamb.

## Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

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### COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 2018

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

#### Senate

**Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:** business meeting to consider S. 1965, to amend the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972 to protect the cultural practices and livelihoods of producers of Alaska Native handicrafts and traditional mammoth ivory products, S. 2773, to improve the management of driftnet fishing, S. 3367, to amend certain transportation-related reporting requirements to improve congressional oversight, reduce reporting burdens, and promote transparency, H.R. 4323, to promote veteran involvement in STEM education, computer science, and scientific research, and the nominations of Rick A. Dearborn, of Oklahoma, to be a Director of the Amtrak Board of Directors, Kelvin Droegemeier, of Oklahoma, to be Director of the Office of Science and Technology Policy, James Morhard, of Virginia, to be Deputy Administrator of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, and Joel Szabat, of Maryland, to be an Assistant Secretary of Transportation; to be immediately followed by an oversight hearing to examine the

Transportation Security Administration, focusing on keeping our skies secure, 10 a.m., SD-106.

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* to hold hearings to examine the value of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization alliance, 10 a.m., SD-419.

Subcommittee on East Asia, the Pacific, and International Cybersecurity Policy, to hold hearings to examine the China challenge, focusing on security and military developments, 2:30 p.m., SD-419.

*Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:* to hold hearings to examine the impact of zero tariffs on United States autoworkers, 10 a.m., SD-430.

*Committee on the Judiciary:* to continue hearings to examine the nomination of Brett M. Kavanaugh, of Maryland, to be an Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States, 9:30 a.m., SH-216.

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs:* to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Tamara Bonzanto, of New Jersey, to be an Assistant Secretary (Office of Accountability and Whistleblower Protection), and James Paul Gfrerer, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary (Information and Technology), both of the Department of Veterans Affairs, 2:30 p.m., SR-418.

*Select Committee on Intelligence:* to hold hearings to examine foreign influence operations' use of social media platforms, 9:30 a.m., SD-G50.

## House

*Committee on Education and the Workforce:* Subcommittee on Higher Education and Workforce Development, hearing entitled "On-The-Job: Rebuilding the Workforce Through Apprenticeships", 10:15 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

*Committee on Energy and Commerce:* Subcommittee on Health, hearing entitled "Opportunities to Improve Health Care", 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Full Committee, hearing entitled "Twitter: Transparency and Accountability", 1:30 p.m., 2123 Rayburn.

*Committee on Financial Services:* Subcommittee on Monetary Policy and Trade, hearing entitled "The Future of Money: Coins and Banknotes", 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Housing and Insurance, hearing entitled "The Cost of Regulation on Affordable Multifamily Development", 2 p.m., 2128 Rayburn.

*Committee on Natural Resources:* Full Committee, markup on H. Res. 418, urging the Secretary of the Interior to recognize the cultural significance of Rib Mountain by adding it to the National Register of Historic Places; H. Res. 460, requesting the Secretary of the Interior to recognize the rich history of the logging industry and the importance of lumberjack sports by adding the Lumberjack Bowl to the National Register of Historic Places; H.R. 5420, the "FDR Historic Preservation Act"; H.R. 5513, the "Big Bear Land Exchange Act"; H.R. 6013, the "Migratory Bird Framework and Hunting Opportunities for Veterans Act"; H.R. 6287, the "9/11 Memorial Act"; H.R. 6299, the "Nevada Lands Bill Technical Corrections Act of 2018"; H.R. 6599, to modify the application of temporary limited appointment regulations to the National Park Service, and for other purposes; H.R. 6665, the "Offshore Wind for Territories Act"; H.R. 6678, the "Claude Moore Farm Land Conveyance Act";

H.R. 6687, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to manage the Point Reyes National Seashore in the State of California consistent with Congress' longstanding intent to maintain working dairies and ranches on agricultural property as part of the seashore's unique historic, cultural, scenic and natural values, and for other purposes; and S. 2857, the "National Nordic Museum Act", 10:15 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Subcommittee on Water, Power, and Oceans, hearing on H.R. 6583, the "Big Sand Wash Project Title Transfer Act"; and H.R. 6652, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain facilities, easements, and rights-of-way to the Kennewick Irrigation District, and for other purposes, 2 p.m., 1324 Longworth.

*Committee on Rules:* Full Committee, hearing on H.R. 6691, the "Community Safety and Security Act of 2018", 3 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

*Committee on Small Business:* Full Committee, hearing entitled "Surveying Storms: A Deeper Dive into SBA's Disaster Response", 11 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure:* Subcommittee on Highways and Transit, hearing entitled "Innovation in Surface Transportation", 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs:* Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled "Reusable Medical Equipment: Continuing to Examine VHA's Sterile Processing Problems", 10 a.m., 334 Cannon.

Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs, hearing on H.R. 4312, the "Fallen Warrior Battlefield Cross Memorial Act"; H.R. 6409, the "Honoring Veterans' Families Act"; and H.R. 6420, to permit the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to establish a grant program to conduct cemetery research and produce educational materials for the Veterans Legacy Program, 1 p.m., 334 Cannon.

*Committee on Ways and Means:* Full Committee, markup on H.R. 6662, the "Empowering Seniors' Enrollment Decision Act of 2018"; H.R. 6690, the "Fighting Fraud to Protect Care for Seniors Act of 2018"; H.R. 6561, the "Comprehensive Care for Seniors Act of 2018"; H.R. 3635, the "Local Coverage Determination Clarification Act of 2017"; H. Res. 1018, requesting the President to transmit to the House of Representatives certain documents in the possession of the President relating to the determination to impose certain tariffs and to the strategy of the United States with respect to China, 2 p.m., 1100 Cannon.

## Joint Meetings

*Senate Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry:* meeting of conferees on H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, 9:30 a.m., SR-325.

*Senate Committee on Appropriations:* meeting of conferees on H.R. 5895, making appropriations for energy and water development and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2019, 2:30 p.m., SVC-202/203.

## CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of September 5 through September 7,  
2018

## Senate Chamber

On *Wednesday*, Senate will continue consideration of the nomination of Elad L. Roisman, of Maine, to be a Member of the Securities and Exchange Commission, and vote on confirmation of the nomination at approximately 12:00 noon.

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:** September 6, Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2019 for the Bureau of Industry and Security, the International Trade Administration, and the United States International Trade Commission, 10 a.m., SD-192.

**Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:** September 6, to hold hearings to examine outside perspectives on Russia sanctions, focusing on current effectiveness and potential for next steps, 10 a.m., SD-538.

**Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:** September 5, business meeting to consider S. 1965, to amend the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972 to protect the cultural practices and livelihoods of producers of Alaska Native handicrafts and traditional mammoth ivory products, S. 2773, to improve the management of driftnet fishing, S. 3367, to amend certain transportation-related reporting requirements to improve congressional oversight, reduce reporting burdens, and promote transparency, H.R. 4323, to promote veteran involvement in STEM education, computer science, and scientific research, and the nominations of Rick A. Dearborn, of Oklahoma, to be a Director of the Amtrak Board of Directors, Kelvin Droegemeier, of Oklahoma, to be Director of the Office of Science and Technology Policy, James Morhard, of Virginia, to be Deputy Administrator of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, and Joel Szabat, of Maryland, to be an Assistant Secretary of Transportation; to be immediately followed by an oversight hearing to examine the Transportation Security Administration, focusing on keeping our skies secure, 10 a.m., SD-106.

**Committee on Environment and Public Works:** September 6, Subcommittee on Transportation and Infrastructure, to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Harold B. Parker, of New Hampshire, to be Federal Cochairperson of the Northern Border Regional Commission, 10 a.m., SD-406.

**Committee on Foreign Relations:** September 5, to hold hearings to examine the value of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization alliance, 10 a.m., SD-419.

September 5, Subcommittee on East Asia, the Pacific, and International Cybersecurity Policy, to hold hearings

to examine the China challenge, focusing on security and military developments, 2:30 p.m., SD-419.

September 6, Full Committee, business meeting to consider the nominations of Lynda Blanchard, of Alabama, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Slovenia, Earl Robert Miller, of Michigan, to be Ambassador to the People's Republic of Bangladesh, Daniel N. Rosenblum, of Maryland, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Uzbekistan, Kip Tom, of Indiana, for the rank of Ambassador during his tenure of service as U.S. Representative to the United Nations Agencies for Food and Agriculture, Karen L. Williams, of Missouri, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Suriname, Donald Y. Yamamoto, of Washington, to be Ambassador to the Federal Republic of Somalia, and Kevin K. Sullivan, of Ohio, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Nicaragua, all of the Department of State, 10 a.m., S-116, Capitol.

**Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:** September 5, to hold hearings to examine the impact of zero tariffs on United States autoworkers, 10 a.m., SD-430.

**Committee on the Judiciary:** September 5, to continue hearings to examine the nomination of Brett M. Kavanaugh, of Maryland, to be an Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States, 9:30 a.m., SH-216.

**Committee on Veterans' Affairs:** September 5, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Tamara Bonzanto, of New Jersey, to be an Assistant Secretary (Office of Accountability and Whistleblower Protection), and James Paul Gfrerer, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary (Information and Technology), both of the Department of Veterans Affairs, 2:30 p.m., SR-418.

**Select Committee on Intelligence:** September 5, to hold hearings to examine foreign influence operations' use of social media platforms, 9:30 a.m., SD-G50.

## House Committees

**Committee on Energy and Commerce:** September 6, Subcommittee on Environment, hearing entitled "Perfluorinated Chemicals in the Environment: An Update on the Response to Contamination and Challenges Presented", 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

September 6, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled "Examining Federal Efforts to Ensure Quality of Care and Resident Safety in Nursing Homes", 10:15 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

September 6, Subcommittee on Energy, markup on H.R. 6511, the "Strategic Petroleum Reserve Reform Act", 1 p.m., 2123 Rayburn.

**Committee on Financial Services:** September 6, Full Committee, hearing entitled "A Failure to Act: How a Decade without GSE Reform Has Once Again Put Taxpayers at Risk", 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

**Committee on Foreign Affairs:** September 6, Subcommittee on Africa, Global Health, Global Human Rights, and International Organizations, hearing entitled "Tackling Fentanyl: Holding China Accountable", 2 p.m., 2200 Rayburn.

September 6, Subcommittee on the Western Hemisphere, hearing entitled "U.S. Policy Toward Cuba", 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

*Committee on Homeland Security*, September 6, Subcommittee on Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Protection; and Subcommittee on Transportation and Protective Security, joint hearing entitled “Understanding Cybersecurity Threats to America’s Aviation Sector”, 10 a.m., HVC-210.

*Committee on the Judiciary*, September 6, Full Committee, markup on H.R. 5468, the “Permitting Litigation Efficiency Act of 2018”, 10:30 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

*Committee on Natural Resources*, September 6, Subcommittee on Federal Lands, hearing on H.R. 5706, the “World War II Pacific Sites Establishment Act”; H.R. 6108, the “Preserving America’s Battlefields Act”; H.R. 6118, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to annually designate at least one city in the United States as an “American World War II Heritage City”, and for other purposes; H.R. 6365, the “Treaty of Guadalupe-Hidalgo Land Claims Act of 2018”; and H.R. 6682, the “Protection and Transparency for Adjacent Landowners Act”, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

*Committee on Oversight and Government Reform*, September 6, Subcommittee on Intergovernmental Affairs; and Subcommittee on the Interior, Energy and Environment, joint hearing entitled “Permitting: Finding a Path Forward”, 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

September 6, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Evaluating Federal Disaster Response and Recovery Efforts”, 1 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure*, September 6, Subcommittee on Aviation, hearing entitled “Airspace Integration of New Aircraft”, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

September 7, Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment, hearing entitled “Building a 21st Century Infrastructure for America: Water Resources Projects and Policy, Part II”, 9 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

*Committee on Veterans’ Affairs*, September 6, Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity, hearing entitled “A Review of VA’s Specially Adaptive Housing Grant Programs (SAH)”, 2 p.m., 334 Cannon.

### Joint Meetings

September 5, Senate Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry, meeting of conferees on H.R. 2, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2023, 9:30 a.m., SR-325.

September 5, Senate Committee on Appropriations, meeting of conferees on H.R. 5895, making appropriations for energy and water development and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2019, 2:30 p.m., SVC-202/203.

*Joint Economic Committee*: September 6, to hold hearings to examine the positive economic growth effects of the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act, 2:30 p.m., SD-G50.

# Résumé of Congressional Activity

## SECOND SESSION OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTEENTH CONGRESS

The first table gives a comprehensive résumé of all legislative business transacted by the Senate and House. The second table accounts for all nominations submitted to the Senate by the President for Senate confirmation.

### DATA ON LEGISLATIVE ACTIVITY

January 3 through August 31, 2018

	Senate	House	Total
Days in session .....	129	122	..
Time in session .....	731 hrs., 55'	517 hrs., 48'	..
Congressional Record:			
Pages of proceedings .....	6,009	7,782	..
Extensions of Remarks .....	..	1,186	..
Public bills enacted into law .....	37	99	136
Private bills enacted into law .....	..	1	1
Bills in conference .....	2	2	..
Measures passed, total .....	324	507	831
Senate bills .....	64	37	..
House bills .....	94	364	..
Senate joint resolutions .....	4	2	..
House joint resolutions .....	..	..	..
Senate concurrent resolutions .....	5	3	..
House concurrent resolutions .....	13	15	..
Simple resolutions .....	144	86	..
Measures reported, total .....	*221	*419	640
Senate bills .....	144	5	..
House bills .....	63	359	..
Senate joint resolutions .....	1	..	..
House joint resolutions .....	..	..	..
Senate concurrent resolutions .....	..	..	..
House concurrent resolutions .....	..	2	..
Simple resolutions .....	13	53	..
Special reports .....	10	8	..
Conference reports .....	1	1	..
Measures pending on calendar .....	328	140	..
Measures introduced, total .....	1,411	2,390	3,801
Bills .....	1,131	1,966	..
Joint resolutions .....	13	14	..
Concurrent resolutions .....	13	36	..
Simple resolutions .....	254	374	..
Quorum calls .....	1	2	..
Yea-and-nay votes .....	200	229	..
Recorded votes .....	..	148	..
Bills vetoed .....	..	..	..
Vetoed overridden .....	..	..	..

\*These figures include all measures reported, even if there was no accompanying report. A total of 129 written reports have been filed in the Senate, 397 reports have been filed in the House.

### DISPOSITION OF EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS

January 3 through August 31, 2018

Civilian nominations, totaling 632 (including 146 nominations carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed .....	243
Unconfirmed .....	370
Withdrawn .....	19
Other Civilian nominations, totaling 1,087 (including 2 nominations carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed .....	778
Unconfirmed .....	308
Withdrawn .....	1
Air Force nominations, totaling 4,723 (including 76 nominations carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed .....	4,440
Unconfirmed .....	283
Army nominations, totaling 6,921 (including 12 nominations carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed .....	5,317
Unconfirmed .....	1,604
Navy nominations, totaling 3,036 (including 11 nominations carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed .....	2,175
Unconfirmed .....	861
Marine Corps nominations, totaling 1,342, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed .....	1,337
Unconfirmed .....	5
<i>Summary</i>	
Total nominations carried over from the First Session .....	247
Total nominations received this Session .....	17,494
Total confirmed .....	14,290
Total unconfirmed .....	3,431
Total withdrawn .....	20
Total returned to the White House .....	0

*Next Meeting of the SENATE*

12 noon, Wednesday, September 5

**Senate Chamber**

**Program for Wednesday:** Senate will continue consideration of the nomination of Elad L. Roisman, of Maine, to be a Member of the Securities and Exchange Commission, and vote on confirmation of the nomination at approximately 12 noon.

*Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES*

10 a.m., Wednesday, September 5

**House Chamber**

**Program for Wednesday:** Consideration of H.R. 1635—Empowering Students Through Enhanced Financial Counseling Act (Subject to a Rule). Begin consideration of H.R. 4606—Ensuring Small Scale LNG Certainty and Access Act (Subject to a Rule). Consideration of measures under suspension of the Rules.

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