

# Daily Digest

## Senate

### Chamber Action

*Routine Proceedings, pages S77–S109*

**Measures Introduced:** Thirteen bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 60–72, and S. Res. 12–13. **Page S103**

**Measures Passed:**

**Majority Party's Membership on Certain Committees:** Senate agreed to S. Res. 12, to constitute the majority party's membership on certain committees for the One Hundred Sixteenth Congress, or until their successors are chosen. **Page S87**

**Minority Party's Membership on Certain Committees:** Senate agreed to S. Res. 13, to constitute the minority party's membership on certain committees for the One Hundred Sixteenth Congress, or until their successors are chosen. **Page S87**

**Measures Considered:**

**Strengthening America's Security in the Middle East Act—Agreement:** Senate continued consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 1, to make improvements to certain defense and security assistance provisions and to authorize the appropriation of funds to Israel, to reauthorize the United States-Jordan Defense Cooperation Act of 2015, and to halt the wholesale slaughter of the Syrian people. **Pages S79–87, S87–99**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill at approximately 10 a.m., on Thursday, January 10, 2019; and that notwithstanding the provisions of Rule XXII, the vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill occur at 1:45 p.m. **Pages S106–07**

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

Heath P. Tarbert, of Maryland, to be Chairman of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission.

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Michael Graham, of Kansas, to be a Member of the National Transportation Safety Board for a term expiring December 31, 2020.

Jennifer L. Homendy, of Virginia, to be a Member of the National Transportation Safety Board for a term expiring December 31, 2024.

Andrew Wheeler, of Virginia, to be Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency.

Geoffrey William Seiji Okamoto, of California, to be Deputy Under Secretary of the Treasury.

1 Army nomination in the rank of general.

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**Additional Statements:**

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**Privileges of the Floor:**

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**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 6:44 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Thursday, January 10, 2019. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on pages S106–07.)

### Committee Meetings

*(Committees not listed did not meet)*

No committee meetings were held.

# House of Representatives

## Chamber Action

**Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced:** 67 public bills, H.R. 356–422; 1 private bill, H.R. 423; and 6 resolutions, H.J. Res. 23–24; and H. Res. 31–34, were introduced. **Pages H356–59**

**Additional Cosponsors:** **Page H361**

**Reports Filed:** There were no reports filed today.

**Speaker:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Kelly (IL) to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H291**

**Recess:** The House recessed at 11:02 a.m. and reconvened at 12 noon. **Page H298**

**Oath of Office—Delegate from the Virgin Islands:** Representative-elect Stacey E. Plaskett presented herself in the well of the House and was administered the Oath of Office by the Speaker. **Page H299**

**Committee Elections:** The House agreed to H. Res. 31, electing Members to certain standing committees of the House of Representatives. **Page H302**

**Suspension—Proceedings Resumed:** The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measure. Consideration began Tuesday, January 8th.

**Clarity on Small Business Participation in Category Management Act of 2019:** H.R. 226, to amend the Small Business Act to include best in class designations in the annual report on small business goals prepared by the Administrator of the Small Business Administration, by a  $\frac{2}{3}$  yeas-and-nay vote of 414 yeas to 11 nays, Roll No. 18.

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**Committee Elections:** The House agreed to H. Res. 32, electing Members to certain standing committees of the House of Representatives. **Page H312**

**Adopting the Rules of the House for the One Hundred Sixteenth Congress:** The House agreed to Title III of H. Res. 6, adopting the Rules of the House for the One Hundred Sixteenth Congress, by a yeas-and-nay vote of 235 yeas to 192 nays, Roll No. 19. **Pages H338–46**

H. Res. 5, providing for consideration of the resolution (H. Res. 6), the bill (H.R. 21), and the joint

resolution (H.J. Res. 1) was agreed to Thursday, January 3rd.

**Financial Services and General Government Appropriations Act, 2019:** The House passed H.R. 264, making appropriations for financial services and general government for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2019, by a yeas-and-nay vote of 240 yeas to 188 nays, Roll No. 21. **Pages H312–38, H346–47**

Rejected the Graves (GA) motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Appropriations with instructions to report the same back to the House forthwith with an amendment, by a yeas-and-nay vote of 200 yeas to 227 nays, Roll No. 20. **Page H337**

H. Res. 28, the rule providing for consideration of the bills (H.R. 264), (H.R. 265), (H.R. 266), and (H.R. 267) was agreed to by a yeas-and-nay vote of 231 yeas to 195 nays, Roll No. 17, after the previous question was ordered by a yeas-and-nay vote of 231 yeas to 195 nays, Roll No. 16. **Pages H302–11**

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** Six yeas-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H310, H311, H311–12, H346, H346–47, and H347. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 6:29 p.m.

## Committee Meetings

No hearings were held.

## Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

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## COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, JANUARY 10, 2019

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

### Senate

**Committee on Armed Services:** to receive a closed briefing on President Trump's recent decision to withdraw U.S. forces from Syria, 9:30 a.m., SVC–217.

### House

No hearings are scheduled.

*Next Meeting of the SENATE*

10 a.m., Thursday, January 10

*Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES*

10 a.m., Thursday, January 10

## Senate Chamber

**Program for Thursday:** Senate will continue consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 1, Strengthening America's Security in the Middle East Act, and vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill at 1:45 p.m.

## House Chamber

**Program for Thursday:** To be announced.

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