

# Daily Digest

## Senate

### Chamber Action

The Senate met at 12:30:02 p.m. in pro forma session, and adjourned at 12:30:40 p.m. until 10 a.m., on Friday, January 15, 2021.

### Committee Meetings

*(Committees not listed did not meet)*

#### CIVILIAN CONTROL OF THE ARMED FORCES

*Committee on Armed Services:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine civilian control of the Armed Forces, after receiving testimony from Kathleen J. McInnis, Specialist in International Security, Congressional Research Service, Library of Congress; and Lindsay P. Cohn, U.S. Naval War College, Newport, Rhode Island.

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## House of Representatives

### Chamber Action

**Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced:** 12 public bills, H.R. 275–286; and 10 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 5; and H. Res. 35–43, were introduced.

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**Additional Cosponsors:** **Page H150**

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

H. Res. 38, providing for consideration of the resolution (H. Res. 21) calling on Vice President Michael R. Pence to convene and mobilize the principal officers of the executive departments of the Cabinet to activate section 4 of the 25th Amendment to declare President Donald J. Trump incapable of executing the duties of his office and to immediately exercise powers as acting President; and for other purposes (H. Rept. 117–1); and

H. Res. 41, providing for consideration of the resolution (H. Res. 24) impeaching Donald John Trump, President of the United States, for high crimes and misdemeanors (H. Rept. 117–2).

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**Speaker:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein she appointed Representative DeGette to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H125**

**Election of Members to Certain Standing Committees:** The House agreed to H. Res. 35, electing Members to certain standing committees of the House of Representatives. **Page H125**

**Election of Members to Certain Standing Committees:** The House agreed to H. Res. 36, electing Members to certain standing committees of the House of Representatives. **Page H125**

**Recess:** The House recessed at 9:04 a.m. and reconvened at 6:01 p.m. **Page H125**

**Administration of the Oath of Office:** The Speaker administered the Oath of Office to Members-elect of the 117th Congress. **Pages H125–126**

**Whole Number of the House:** The Speaker announced to the House that, in light of the administration of the oath of office to Members-elect, the whole number of the House is 433. **Page H126**

**Moment of Silence:** The House observed a moment of silence in honor and remembrance of the dedication and service of the fallen United States Capitol

Police Officers Brian D. Sicknick and Howard Leibengood. **Page H126**

**Recess:** The House recessed at 6:03 p.m. and reconvened at 6:18 p.m. **Page H126**

**Recess:** The House recessed at 7:06 p.m. and reconvened at 7:32 p.m. **Page H131**

**Calling on Vice President Michael R. Pence to convene and mobilize the principal officers of the executive departments of the Cabinet to activate section 4 of the 25th Amendment to declare President Donald J. Trump incapable of executing the duties of his office and to immediately exercise powers as acting President:** The House agreed to H. Res. 21, calling on Vice President Michael R. Pence to convene and mobilize the principal officers of the executive departments of the Cabinet to activate section 4 of the 25th Amendment to declare President Donald J. Trump incapable of executing the duties of his office and to immediately exercise powers as acting President, by a yea-and-nay vote of 223 yeas to 205 nays, Roll No. 14. **Pages H133–147**

Pursuant to the Rule, the amendment to the preamble printed in H. Rept. 117–1 shall be considered as adopted. **Page H133**

H. Res. 38, the rule providing for consideration of the resolution (H. Res. 21) was agreed to by a yea-and-nay vote of 222 yeas to 204 nays, Roll No. 13, after the previous question was ordered by a yea-and-nay vote of 219 yeas to 206 nays, Roll No. 12. **Pages H126–133**

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** Three yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H132, H132–133, and H146–147.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 9 a.m. and adjourned at 11:27 p.m.

## *Committee Meetings*

**ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING; CALLING ON VICE PRESIDENT MICHAEL R. PENCE TO CONVENE AND MOBILIZE THE PRINCIPAL OFFICERS OF THE EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENTS OF THE CABINET TO ACTIVATE SECTION 4 OF THE 25TH AMENDMENT TO DECLARE PRESIDENT DONALD J. TRUMP INCAPABLE OF EXECUTING THE DUTIES OF HIS OFFICE AND TO IMMEDIATELY EXERCISE POWERS AS ACTING PRESIDENT**

*Committee on Rules:* Full Committee held an organizational meeting; and a hearing on H. Res. 21, calling on Vice President Michael R. Pence to convene and mobilize the principal officers of the executive de-

partments of the Cabinet to activate section 4 of the 25th Amendment to declare President Donald J. Trump incapable of executing the duties of his office and to immediately exercise powers as acting President. The Committee adopted its rules for the 117th Congress. The Committee granted, by record vote of 8–4, a closed rule providing for consideration of H. Res. 21, Calling on Vice President Michael R. Pence to convene and mobilize the principal officers of the executive departments of the Cabinet to activate section 4 of the 25th Amendment to declare President Donald J. Trump incapable of executing the duties of his office and to immediately exercise powers as acting President. The rule provides one hour of debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on the Judiciary or their respective designees. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the resolution. The rule provides that the amendment to the preamble printed in the Rules Committee report shall be considered as adopted and the resolution, as amended, shall be considered as read. The rule provides that the prohibition against personality in debate with respect to references to the President shall not apply during consideration of H. Res. 21 or any special order of business providing for the consideration of H. Res. 24. The rule provides that during a covered period designated pursuant to section 3(s) of House Resolution 8 the Sergeant-at-Arms is authorized and directed to impose a fine against a Member, Delegate, or the Resident Commissioner for the failure to wear a mask in contravention of the Speaker's announced policies of January 4, 2021. Testimony was heard from Representatives Raskin and Jordan.

## **IMPEACHING DONALD JOHN TRUMP, PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES, FOR HIGH CRIMES AND MISDEMEANORS**

*Committee on Rules:* Full Committee held a hearing on H. Res. 24, Impeaching Donald John Trump, President of the United States, for high crimes and misdemeanors. The Committee granted, by record vote of 7–4, a closed rule providing for consideration of H. Res. 24, Impeaching Donald John Trump, President of the United States, for high crimes and misdemeanors. The rule provides two hours of debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on the Judiciary or their respective designees. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the resolution. The rule provides that until completion of proceedings enabled by the first section of the resolution, the Chair may decline to entertain any intervening motion, resolution, question, or notice; and the Chair may decline to entertain the question

of consideration. The rule provides that upon adoption of H. Res. 24, H. Res. 40 is hereby adopted and no other resolution incidental to impeachment relating to H. Res. 24 shall be privileged during the remainder of the 117th Congress. The rule provides that H. Res. 8, agreed to January 4, 2021, is amended by striking “January 28” each place that it appears and inserting “February 11”. Testimony was heard from Representatives Cicilline, Armstrong, Green of Texas, and Jackson Lee.

### *Joint Meetings*

No joint committee meetings were held.

### COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 13, 2021

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

#### Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

#### House

No hearings are scheduled.

*Next Meeting of the SENATE*

10 a.m., Friday, January 15

*Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES*

9 a.m., Wednesday, January 13

## Senate Chamber

**Program for Friday:** Senate will meet in a pro forma session.

## House Chamber

**Program for Wednesday:** Consideration of H. Res. 24—Impeaching Donald John Trump, President of the United States, for high crimes and misdemeanors (Subject to a Rule).

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