

# Daily Digest

## Senate

### Chamber Action

#### Routine Proceedings, pages S141–S183

**Measures Introduced:** Fourteen bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 3616–3629, and S. Res. 581–582. **Pages S161–S162**

#### Measures Passed:

**Disrupt Explicit Forged Images And Non-Consensual Edits Act:** Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of S. 1837, to improve rights to relief for individuals affected by non-consensual activities involving intimate digital forgeries, and the bill was then passed. **Pages S143–S147**

#### Measures Considered:

**Commerce, Justice, Science; Energy and Water Development; and Interior and Environment Appropriations Act—Agreement:** Senate began consideration of H.R. 6938, making consolidated appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2026, after agreeing to the motion to proceed, and taking action on the following amendments and motions proposed thereto: **Pages S141–S143, S157**

#### Pending:

Thune Amendment No. 4208, to change the enactment date. **Page S157**

Thune Amendment No. 4209 (to Amendment No. 4208), of a perfecting nature. **Page S157**

Thune motion to commit the bill to the Committee on Appropriations, with instructions, Amendment No. 4210, to change the enactment date. **Page S157**

Thune Amendment No. 4211 (to the instructions (Amendment No. 4210)), of a perfecting nature. **Page S157**

Thune Amendment No. 4212 (to Amendment No. 4211), of a perfecting nature. **Page S157**

A motion was entered to close further debate on 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, January 15, 2026. **Page S157**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill, at ap-

proximately 10 a.m., on Wednesday, January 14, 2026. **Page S176**

**Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act; Market Integrity and Affordability:** Senate began consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S.J. Res. 84, providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services relating to “Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act; Market Integrity and Affordability”. **Pages S147–S157**

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

By 47 yeas to 52 nays (Vote No. 8), Senate did not agree to the motion to proceed to consideration of the joint resolution. **Page S152**

**Message from the President:** Senate received the following messages from the President of the United States:

Transmitting, pursuant to law, a report of the continuation of the national emergency that was originally declared in Executive Order 14156 of January 20, 2025, with respect to energy; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. (PM–46) **Page S159**

Transmitting, pursuant to law, a report of the continuation of the national emergencies originally declared or expanded in Proclamation 10886 of January 20, 2025, Executive Order 14157 of January 20, 2025, Executive Order 14193 of February 1, 2025, Executive Order 14194 of February 1, 2025, and Executive Order 14195 of February 1, 2025, with respect to the southern border of the United States and cartels and other transnational organizations; which was referred to the Committee on Finance. (PM–47) **Page S159**

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

Ademola Adewale-Sadik, of New York, to be United States Director of the African Development Bank for a term of five years.

Charlton Allen, of North Carolina, to be General Counsel of the Federal Labor Relations Authority for a term of five years.

Matthew Anderson, of Colorado, to be Deputy Administrator of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

Jeffrey Anderson, of Georgia, to be Representative of the United States of America on the Council of the International Civil Aviation Organization, with the rank of Ambassador.

Brian Barber, of Louisiana, to be United States Marshal for the Western District of Louisiana for the term of four years.

Lee Beaman, of Tennessee, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Tennessee Valley Authority for a term expiring May 18, 2030.

Scott Bessent, of South Carolina, to be United States Governor of the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development; United States Governor of the Inter-American Development Bank for a term of five years; United States Governor of the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development for a term of five years; and United States Governor of the International Monetary Fund for a term of five years.

Brian Birdwell, of Texas, to be an Assistant Secretary of Defense.

James Bishop, of North Carolina, to be United States Attorney for the Middle District of North Carolina for the term of four years.

Daniel Bonham, of Oregon, to be an Assistant Secretary of Labor.

John Breslow, of Arizona, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Cyprus.

Wesley Brooks, of Florida, to be Assistant Secretary of State for Oceans and International Environmental and Scientific Affairs.

Jeremy Carl, of Montana, to be an Assistant Secretary of State (International Organizations).

Robert Cekada, of Florida, to be Director, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives.

Walter Clayton, of New York, to be United States Attorney for the Southern District of New York for the term of four years.

Carter Crow, of Texas, to be General Counsel of the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission for a term of four years.

Austin Dahmer, of Arizona, to be an Assistant Secretary of Defense.

Christopher Michael De Bono, of the District of Columbia, to be an Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia for the term of fifteen years.

John DeLeeuw, of Texas, to be a Member of the National Transportation Safety Board for the remainder of the term expiring December 31, 2026.

Irving Dennis, of Ohio, to be Chief Financial Officer, Department of Housing and Urban Development.

Mark Ditlevson, of Minnesota, to be an Assistant Secretary of Defense.

Daniel Edwards, of North Carolina, to be an Assistant Secretary of Transportation.

Edward Eppler, of Connecticut, to be Chief Financial Officer, Department of Transportation.

Paul Ferguson, of West Virginia, to be United States Marshal for the Northern District of West Virginia for the term of four years.

Gregory Gilmore, of Illinois, to be United States Attorney for the Central District of Illinois for the term of four years.

Brian Gootkin, of Montana, to be United States Marshal for the District of Montana for the term of four years.

Thomas Govan, Jr., of Alabama, to be United States Attorney for the Middle District of Alabama for the term of four years.

Michael Graham, of Virginia, to be a Member of the National Transportation Safety Board for a term expiring December 31, 2030.

Steven Haines, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Commerce.

Lindsey Robyn-Michelle Halligan, of Colorado, to be United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Virginia for the term of four years.

Robert Harvey, of Florida, to be a Federal Maritime Commissioner for a term expiring June 30, 2029.

William Hewes III, of Mississippi, to be a Commissioner of the Consumer Product Safety Commission for a term of seven years from October 27, 2024.

George Holding, of North Carolina, to be United States Director of the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development.

Kenneth Jackson, of Texas, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Inter-American Foundation for a term expiring September 20, 2028.

Jeffrey Kaufmann, of Iowa, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Federal Agricultural Mortgage Corporation.

Michael Kavoukjian, of Florida, to be Ambassador to the Kingdom of Norway.

Richard Kloster, of West Virginia, to be a Member of the Surface Transportation Board for a term expiring December 31, 2028.

Sriprakash Kothari, of Massachusetts, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Treasury.

Benjamin Landa, of New York, to be Ambassador to Hungary.

Lee Lipton, of Florida, to be Ambassador to the Republic of the Philippines.

Gregory LoGerfo, of Massachusetts, to be Coordinator for Counterterrorism, with the rank and status of Ambassador at Large.

Anthony Lomangino, of Florida, to be a Governor of the United States Postal Service for a term expiring December 8, 2031.

William Long, of Missouri, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Iceland.

Priscilla Lopez, of Florida, to be United States Marshal for the Southern District of Florida for the term of four years.

David MacNeil, of Florida, to be a Federal Trade Commissioner for the term of seven years from September 26, 2025.

Ryan McCormack, of Virginia, to be Under Secretary of Transportation for Policy.

Casey Means, of California, to be Medical Director in the Regular Corps of the Public Health Service, subject to qualifications therefor as provided by law and regulations, and to be Surgeon General of the Public Health Service for a term of four years.

Eric Meyer, of California, to be Ambassador to the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka.

Joseph Nocella, of New York, to be United States Attorney for the Eastern District of New York for the term of four years.

Jared Novelty, of Missouri, to be Ambassador to New Zealand, and to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador to the Independent State of Samoa, the Cook Islands, and Niue.

Seval Oz, of California, to be an Assistant Secretary of Transportation.

Stevan Pearce, of New Mexico, to be Director of the Bureau of Land Management.

Sean Plankey, of Pennsylvania, to be Director of the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency, Department of Homeland Security.

Arvind Raman, of Indiana, to be Under Secretary of Commerce for Standards and Technology.

Laken Rapier, of Texas, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the African Development Foundation for a term expiring September 27, 2027.

Ryan Raybould, of Texas, to be United States Attorney for the Northern District of Texas for the term of four years.

Robert Rotter, of Iowa, to be United States Marshal for the Northern District of Iowa for the term of four years.

Daniel Satterlee, of South Dakota, to be United States Marshal for the District of South Dakota for the term of four years.

Glen Smith, of Iowa, to be Under Secretary of Agriculture for Rural Development.

David St. Pierre, of Maine, to be United States Marshal for the District of Maine for the term of four years.

James Stuart, of Minnesota, to be United States Marshal for the District of Minnesota for the term of four years.

Robert Sweeney, of Texas, to be United States Director of the Asian Development Bank, with the rank of Ambassador.

Alexander Velez-Green, of Virginia, to be a Deputy Under Secretary of Defense.

Russell Vought, of Virginia, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the African Development Foundation for a term expiring September 22, 2027.

Russell Vought, of Virginia, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Inter-American Foundation for a term expiring September 20, 2030.

Frank Weiland, of the District of Columbia, to be an Assistant Secretary of State (International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Affairs).

Jennifer Wicks McNamara, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Socialist Republic of Vietnam.

Phillip Williams, Jr., of Alabama, to be United States Attorney for the Northern District of Alabama for the term of four years.

Routine lists in the Air Force, Army, Coast Guard, Marine Corps, and Navy. **Pages S179–83**

Messages from the House: **Pages S159–60**

Measures Referred: **Page S160**

Measures Read the First Time: **Pages S160, S176**

Petitions and Memorials: **Pages S160–61**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages S162–63**

Statements on Introduced Bills/Resolutions: **Pages S163–64**

Amendments Submitted: **Pages S164–75**

Authorities for Committees to Meet: **Pages S175–76**

Record Votes: One record vote was taken today. (Total—8) **Page S152**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 6:56 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Wednesday, January 14, 2026. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S176.)

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

### OPERATION ABSOLUTE RESOLVE

Committee on Armed Services: Committee received a closed briefing on Operation Absolute Resolve from Katherine E. Sutton, Assistant Secretary for Cyber Policy, Richard D. Tilley, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary for Special Operations and Low-Intensity Conflict, and Vice Admiral Frederick W. Kacher, USN, Director, Rear Admiral Brian H. Bennett, USN, Deputy Director for Special Operation Operations, J37, and Brigadier General Ryan R.

Messer, USAF, Deputy Director for Global Operations, J39, each of the Joint Staff, all of the Department of Defense.

## 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:** 26 public bills, H.R. 7024–7049; and 6 resolutions, H. Res. 990–995 were introduced. **Pages H717–18**

**Additional Cosponsors:** **Page H719**

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

H.R. 2616, to require public elementary and middle schools that receive funds under the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 to obtain parental consent before changing a minor's gender markers, pronouns, or preferred name on any school form or sex-based accommodations, including locker rooms or bathrooms, with an amendment (H. Rept. 119–441);

H.R. 2617, to amend the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 to prevent the use of funds under such Act to teach or advance concepts related to gender ideology, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 119–442);

H.R. 3453, to modify the program of grants to support high-quality charter schools, with an amendment (H. Rept. 119–443);

H.R. 2516, to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to prohibit political litmus tests in accreditation of institutions of higher education, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 119–444);

H. Res. 992, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 7006) making further consolidated appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2026, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 119–445); and

H.R. 580, to amend the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act of 1995 to provide for regulatory impact analyses for certain rules, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 119–446, Part 1). **Pages H716–17**

**Speaker:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Clyde to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H663**

**Recess:** The House recessed at 10:52 a.m. and reconvened at 12 p.m. **Page H669**

**Recess:** The House recessed at 12:53 p.m. and reconvened at 1:30 p.m. **Page H676**

**Recess:** The House recessed at 3:38 p.m. and reconvened at 4:31 p.m. **Page H692**

**Flexibility for Workers Education Act:** The House failed to pass H.R. 2262, to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 to exclude certain activities from hours worked, by a yea-and-nay vote of 209 yeas to 215 nays, Roll No. 19. **Pages H677–81, H692–93**

Rejected the Norcross motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Education and the Workforce, by a yea-and-nay vote of 209 yeas to 213 nays, Roll No. 18. **Pages H680–81, H692**

Pursuant to the Rule, the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Education and Workforce now printed in the bill, modified by the amendment printed in part B of the report of the Committee on Rules accompanying this resolution, shall be considered as adopted. **Pages H677–78**

H. Res. 988, the rule providing for consideration of the bills H.R. 2988, H.R. 2262, H.R. 2270, H.R. 2312 and H.R. 4366, was agreed to by a yea-and-nay vote of 214 yeas to 207 nays, Roll No. 17, after the previous question was ordered by a yea-and-nay vote of 206 yeas to 205 nays, Roll No. 16. **Pages H670–77**

**Empowering Employer Child and Elder Care Solutions Act:** The House considered H.R. 2270, to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 to exclude child and dependent care services and payments from the rate used to compute overtime compensation. Further proceedings were postponed. **Pages H681–85, H693–94**

Rejected the Lee (PA) motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Education and the Workforce by a yea-and-nay 209 vote of yeas to 213 nays, Roll No. 20. **Pages H684–85, H693–94**

Pursuant to the Rule, the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Education and Workforce now printed in each such bill shall be considered as adopted. **Page H681**

H. Res. 988, the rule providing for consideration of the bills H.R. 2988, H.R. 2262, H.R. 2270, H.R. 2312 and H.R. 4366, was agreed to by a yea-and-nay vote of 214 yeas to 207 nays, Roll No. 17, after the previous question was ordered by a yea-and-nay vote of 206 yeas to 205 nays, Roll No. 16.

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**Tipped Employee Protection Act:** The House considered H.R. 2312, to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 to revise the definition of the term “tipped employee”. Further proceedings were postponed.

Pages H685–91, H694

Rejected the Budzinski motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Education and the Workforce by a yea-and-nay vote of 209 yeas to 215 nays, Roll No. 21.

Pages H690–91, H694

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

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H. Res. 988, the rule providing for consideration of the bills H.R. 2988, H.R. 2262, H.R. 2270, H.R. 2312 and H.R. 4366, was agreed to by a yea-and-nay vote of 214 yeas to 207 nays, Roll No. 17, after the previous question was ordered by a yea-and-nay vote of 206 yeas to 205 nays, Roll No. 16.

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**Saving Homeowners from Overregulation With Exceptional Rinsing Act:** The House passed H.R. 4593, to amend the Energy Policy and Conservation Act to revise the definition of showerhead, by a yea-and-nay vote of 226 yeas to 197 nays, Roll No. 23. Consideration began Wednesday, January 7th.

Pages H695–96

Rejected the Riley (NY) motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Energy and Commerce by a yea-and-nay vote of 209 yeas to 215 nays, Roll No. 22.

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H. Res. 977, the rule providing for consideration of the bills (H.R. 4593), (H.R. 5184), and (H.R. 6938) was agreed to Wednesday, January 7th.

**Requesting return of official papers on H.R. 1834:** The House agreed to H. Res. 991, that the Clerk of the House of Representatives request the Senate to return to the House the bill (H.R. 1834).

Pages H697–98

**Presidential Messages:** Received a message from the President transmitting a notification stating that the national emergencies declared or expanded in Proclamation 10886 of January 20, 2025, Executive Order 14157 of January 20, 2025, Executive Order 14193 of February 1, 2025, Executive Order 14194 of February 1, 2025, and Executive Order 14195 of February 1, 2025, are to continue in effect beyond their applicable anniversary date(s)—referred to the

Committees on Foreign Affairs, Judiciary, Ways and Means, Armed Services, and Transportation and Infrastructure and ordered to be printed (H. Doc. 119–126).

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Received a message from the President transmitting a notification stating that national emergency with respect to energy declared in Executive Order 14156 of January 20, 2025, is to continue in effect beyond January 20, 2026—referred to the Committees on Armed Services, Energy and Commerce, Financial Services, Natural Resources, and Transportation and Infrastructure and ordered to be printed (H. Doc. 119–127).

Pages H691–92

**Senate Referral:** S. 1837 was held at the desk.

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**Senate Message:** Message received from the Senate appears on page H696.

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** Eight yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H676–77, H677, H692, H693, H693–94, H694, H695, H695–96.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 9:28 p.m.

## Committee Meetings

### WHO'S WATCHING THE KIDS? HOW EMPLOYERS, INNOVATORS, AND PARENTS ARE SOLVING AMERICA'S CHILD CARE CRUNCH

**Committee on Education and Workforce:** Subcommittee on Early Childhood, Elementary, and Secondary Education held a hearing entitled “Who's Watching the Kids? How Employers, Innovators, and Parents Are Solving America's Child Care Crunch”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### PROTECTING AMERICA'S ENERGY INFRASTRUCTURE IN TODAY'S CYBER AND PHYSICAL THREAT LANDSCAPE

**Committee on Energy and Commerce:** Subcommittee on Energy held a hearing entitled “Protecting America's Energy Infrastructure in Today's Cyber and Physical Threat Landscape”. Testimony was heard from Alex Fitzsimmons, Acting Undersecretary of Energy and Director, Office of Cybersecurity, Energy Security, and Emergency Response, Department of Energy; and public witnesses.

## EXAMINING LEGISLATIVE OPTIONS TO STRENGTHEN MOTOR VEHICLE SAFETY, ENSURE CONSUMER CHOICE AND AFFORDABILITY, AND CEMENT U.S. AUTOMOTIVE LEADERSHIP

*Committee on Energy and Commerce:* Subcommittee on Commerce, Manufacturing, and Trade held a hearing entitled “Examining Legislative Options to Strengthen Motor Vehicle Safety, Ensure Consumer Choice and Affordability, and Cement U.S. Automotive Leadership”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

## DELIVERING FOR AMERICAN CONSUMERS: A REVIEW OF FINANCIAL TECHNOLOGY INNOVATIONS AND REGULATIONS

*Committee on Financial Services:* Subcommittee on Digital Assets, Financial Technology, and Artificial Intelligence held a hearing entitled “Delivering for American Consumers: A Review of FinTech Innovations and Regulations”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

## DEFENSE THROUGH OFFENSE: EXAMINING U.S. CYBER CAPABILITIES TO DETER AND DISRUPT MALIGN FOREIGN ACTIVITY TARGETING THE HOMELAND

*Committee on Homeland Security:* Subcommittee on Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Protection held a hearing entitled “Defense through Offense: Examining U.S. Cyber Capabilities to Deter and Disrupt Malign Foreign Activity Targeting the Homeland”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

## MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Full Committee held a markup on H.R. 1958, the “Deporting Fraudsters Act of 2025”; H.R. 6978, the “Preserving Integrity in Immigration Benefits Act”; H.R. 2853, the “Combatting Organized Retail Crime Act”; and H.R. 6998, the “Renewed Hope Act”. H.R. 1958, H.R. 6978, H.R. 2853, and H.R. 6998 were ordered reported, as amended.

## LEGISLATIVE MEASURE

*Committee on Natural Resources:* Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources held a hearing on H.R. 5745, the “Marine Fisheries Habitat Protection Act”. Testimony was heard from Representative Ezell; Bryan Domangue, Gulf of America Regional Director, Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement, New Orleans, Louisiana; Ryan Montegut, Assistant Secretary of Fisheries, Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, Louisiana; and public witnesses.

## HUNTING AND FISHING ACCESS IN THE GREAT AMERICAN OUTDOORS

*Committee on Natural Resources:* Subcommittee on Water, Wildlife, and Fisheries held a hearing entitled “Hunting and Fishing Access in the Great American Outdoors”. Testimony was heard from Paul Johansen, Chief, Wildlife Resources Section, Division of Natural Resources, West Virginia; Brian Nesvik, Director, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior; and public witnesses.

## CURBING FEDERAL FRAUD: EXAMINING INNOVATIVE TOOLS TO DETECT AND PREVENT FRAUD IN FEDERAL PROGRAMS

*Committee on Oversight and Government Reform:* Subcommittee on Government Operations held a hearing entitled “Curbing Federal Fraud: Examining Innovative Tools to Detect and Prevent Fraud in Federal Programs”. Testimony was heard from Ken Dieffenbach, Executive Director, Pandemic Response Accountability Committee, Council of the Inspectors General on Integrity and Efficiency; Renata Miskell, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Accounting Policy and Financial Transparency, Bureau of Fiscal Service, Department of the Treasury; and Sterling Thomas, Chief Scientist, Government Accountability Office.

## FINANCIAL SERVICES AND GENERAL GOVERNMENT AND NATIONAL SECURITY, DEPARTMENT OF STATE, AND RELATED PROGRAMS APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2026

*Committee on Rules:* Full Committee held a hearing on H.R. 7006, the “Financial Services and General Government and National Security, Department of State, and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 2026”. The Committee granted, by a record vote of 8–2, a rule providing for consideration of H.R. 7006, the “Financial Services and General Government and National Security, Department of State, and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 2026”, under a structured rule. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule provides one hour of general debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropriations or their respective designees. 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 provides that clause 2(e) of rule 21 shall not apply during consideration of the bill. The rule makes in order only those amendments printed in the Rules Committee report. Each amendment shall be considered 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 the Rules Committee report. The rule provides one motion to recommit. Finally, the rule provides that the chair of the Committee on Appropriations may insert in the Congressional Record not later than January 16th, 2026, such material as he may deem explanatory of H.R. 7006. Testimony was heard from Chairman Cole, and Representatives DeLauro, Moylan, Hoyer, and Stansbury.

### FROM ORBIT TO OPERATIONS: HOW WEATHER SATELLITES SUPPORT THE NATIONAL SECURITY MISSION

*Committee on Science, Space, and Technology:* Subcommittee on Environment held a hearing entitled “From Orbit to Operations: How Weather Satellites Support the National Security Mission”. Testimony was heard from Irene Parker, Deputy Assistant Administrator for Systems, National Environmental Satellite, Data, and Information Service, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration; Colonel Bryan Mundhenk, Chief, Weather Operations Division, U.S. Air Force; and Christopher Ekstrom, Deputy Chief of Naval Operations for Information Warfare (N2N6), and Deputy Director, Oceanography and Navigation, U.S. Navy.

### DRUGS, THUGS, AND FISH: EXAMINING COAST GUARD LAW ENFORCEMENT EFFORTS

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure:* Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation held a hearing entitled “Drugs, Thugs, and Fish: Examining Coast Guard Law Enforcement Efforts”. Testimony was heard from Vice Admiral David C. Barata, Deputy for Operations Policy and Capabilities, U.S. Coast Guard; and Heather MacLeod, Director, Homeland Security Programs, Government Accountability Office.

### LEGISLATIVE MEASURES

*Committee on Veterans’ Affairs:* Subcommittee on Health held a hearing on legislation on the BEACON Act; H.R. 6444, the “Blast Overpressure Research and Mitigation Task Force Act”; H.R. 6526, the “Clarity on Care Options Act”; legislation on the Data Driven Suicide Prevention Act; H.R. 2283, the “RECOVER Act”; legislation on the Health Desert Reform Act; H.R. 2426, the “Veterans Mental Health and Addiction Therapy Quality of Care Act”; H.R. 6652, the “U.S. Vets of the FAS Act”; H.R. 4509, the “NOPAIN for Veterans Act”; H.R. 5999, to amend title 38, United States Code, to direct the

Secretary of Veterans Affairs to furnish an opioid antagonist to a veteran without requiring a prescription or copayment; H.R. 6001, the “Veterans with ALS Reporting Act”; and legislation on the Whole Health for Veterans Act. Testimony was heard from Representatives Fallon, Mackenzie, Landsman, and Deluzio; Mark Koeniger, Acting Assistant Under Secretary for Health for Patient Care Services, Department of Veterans Affairs; Maria Llorente, Acting Assistant Under Secretary for Health for Integrated Veteran Care, Department of Veterans Affairs; H. E. Charles Rudolph Paul, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary, Embassy of the Republic of the Marshall Islands; and public witnesses.

### MAINTAINING AMERICAN INNOVATION AND TECHNOLOGY LEADERSHIP

*Committee on Ways and Means:* Subcommittee on Trade held a hearing entitled “Maintaining American Innovation and Technology Leadership”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

### COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 14, 2026

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

#### Senate

*Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:* to hold hearings to examine chemical abortion drugs, 10 a.m., SD-430.

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on Border Security and Immigration, with the Subcommittee on Crime and Counterterrorism, to hold hearings to examine Biden’s Afghan parolee program, 2:30 p.m., SD-G50.

*Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship:* to hold hearings to examine growing the small business agricultural economy, 2:30 p.m., SR-428A.

*Select Committee on Intelligence:* to receive a closed briefing on certain intelligence matters, 3 p.m., SH-219.

*Special Committee on Aging:* to hold hearings to examine made in China and paid by seniors, focusing on stopping the surge of international scams, 3:30 p.m., SH-216.

#### House

*Committee on Education and Workforce:* Full Committee, hearing entitled “Building an AI-Ready America”, 10:15 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

*Committee on Energy and Commerce:* Subcommittee on Communications and Technology, hearing entitled “Oversight of the Federal Communications Commission”, 10:15 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

*Committee on Financial Services:* Subcommittee, on National Security, Illicit Finance, and International Financial Institutions, hearing entitled “Evaluating the Operations

of the Committee on Foreign Investment in the United States (CFIUS)", 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Task Force on Monetary Policy, Treasury Market Resilience, and Economic Prosperity, hearing entitled "Striking the Right Balance Sheet" 2 p.m., 2128 Rayburn.

*Committee on Foreign Affairs*, Full Committee, hearing entitled "Winning the AI Arms Race Against the Chinese Communist Party", 9:30 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

*Committee on House Administration*, Full Committee, markup on legislation on the Stop Insider Trading Act; and H.R. 5891, the "Withhold Member Pay During Shutdowns Act", 10 a.m., 1310 Longworth.

*Committee on the Judiciary*, Select Subcommittee to Investigate the Remaining Questions Surrounding January 6, 2021, hearing entitled "Examining the Investigation into the DNC and RNC Pipe Bombs", 2 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Courts, Intellectual Property, Artificial Intelligence, and the Internet, hearing entitled "Between a Rock and a Hard Place: Protecting the U.S. Stone Slab Industry from Lawfare", 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

*Committee on Natural Resources*, Subcommittee on Indian and Insular Affairs, hearing entitled "Implementation of the Compact of Free Association Amendments Act of 2024", 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Subcommittee on Federal Lands, hearing on H.R. 926, the "Fort Pillow National Battlefield Park Study Act"; H.R. 3922, the "Cross-Boundary Wildfire Solutions Act"; H.R. 4038, the "Wildfire Response and Preparedness Act of 2025"; H.R. 4684, the "Star-Spangled Summit Act of 2025"; H.R. 6300, the "Grasslands Grazing Act of 2025", 2 p.m., 1324 Longworth.

*Committee on Science, Space, and Technology*, Subcommittee on Research and Technology, hearing entitled "Advancing America's AI Action Plan", 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure*, Full Committee, hearing entitled "Member Day", 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

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