

# *Daily Digest*

## *Senate*

### *Chamber Action*

The Senate met at 10:00:01 a.m. in pro forma session, and recessed at 10:00:24 a.m. until 11 a.m. on Thursday, January 22, 2026.

### *Committee Meetings*

No committee meetings were held.

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# **House of Representatives**

### *Chamber Action*

**Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced:** 20 public bills, H.R. 7147–7166; and 2 resolutions, H. Res. 1010–1011 were introduced. **Pages H947–48**

**Additional Cosponsors:** **Page H949**

**Report Filed:** A report was filed today as follows:

H. Res. 1009, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 6945) to amend part A of title IV of the Social Security Act to clarify the authority of States to use funds for pregnancy centers, and for other purposes; providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 6359) to require institutions of higher education to disseminate information on the rights of, and accommodations and resources for, pregnant students, and for other purposes; and providing for consideration of the joint resolution (H.J. Res. 140) providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the Bureau of Land Management relating to Public Land Order No. 7917 for Withdrawal of Federal Lands; Cook, Lake, and Saint Louis Counties, MN (H. Rept. 119–459). **Page H947**

**Speaker:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Williams (TX) to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H927**

**Recess:** The House recessed at 12:10 p.m. and reconvened at 2 p.m. **Page H928**

**Recess:** The House recessed at 2:08 p.m. and reconvened at 3:30 p.m. **Page H929**

**Recess:** The House recessed at 4:43 p.m. and reconvened at 6:30 p.m. **Page H939**

**Suspensions:** The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures: Northern Mariana Islands Small Business Access Act: H.R. 3496, amended, to amend the Small Business Act for microloan eligibility for the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands; **Pages H929–30**

**Main Street Parity Act:** H.R. 5763, to amend the Small Business Investment Act of 1958 to modify the criteria for loans for plant acquisition, construction, conversion or expansion, by a  $\frac{2}{3}$  yea-and-nay vote of 383 yeas to 8 nays, Roll No. 32; **Pages H930–31, H939–40**

**AI for Main Street Act:** H.R. 5764, amended, to amend the Small Business Act to require small business development centers to assist small business concerns with the use of artificial intelligence, by a  $\frac{2}{3}$  yea-and-nay vote of 395 yeas to 14 nays, Roll No. 33; **Pages H931–32, H940**

**504 Program Risk Oversight Act:** H.R. 5788, to amend title V of the Small Business Investment Act of 1958 to require an annual portfolio risk analysis of loans guaranteed under such title; **Pages H932–34**

**Artificial Intelligence Wisdom for Innovative Small Enterprises Act:** H.R. 5784, to amend the Small Business Act to help small business concerns critically evaluate artificial intelligence tools; **Pages H934–36**

**Veterans Law Judge Experience Act:** H.R. 659, to amend title 38, United States Code, to direct the Chairman of the Board of Veterans' Appeals to give

priority to individuals with certain professional experience in recommending such individuals to serve as members of the Board of Veterans' Appeals; and

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**Veterans Scam And Fraud Evasion Act:** H.R. 1663, amended, to amend title 38, United States Code, to establish in the Department of Veterans Affairs a Veterans Scam and Fraud Evasion Officer.

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**Quorum Calls—Votes:** Two yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H939-40 and H940.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 12 p.m. and adjourned at 8:03 p.m.

## Committee Meetings

### SUPPORTING PREGNANT AND PARENTING WOMEN AND FAMILIES ACT; PREGNANT STUDENTS' RIGHTS ACT; PROVIDING FOR CONGRESSIONAL DISAPPROVAL OF THE RULE RELATING TO PUBLIC LAND ORDER NO. 7917

**Committee on Rules:** Full Committee held a hearing on H.R. 6945, the “Supporting Pregnant and Parenting Women and Families Act”; H.R. 6359, the “Pregnant Students’ Rights Act”; H.J. Res. 140, providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the Bureau of Land Management relating to Public Land Order No. 7917 for Withdrawal of Federal Lands; Cook, Lake, and Saint Louis Counties, MN. The Committee granted, by a record vote of 8-3, a rule providing for consideration of H.R. 6945, the “Supporting Pregnant and Parenting Women and Families Act”, H.R. 6359, the “Pregnant Students’ Rights Act”, and H.J. Res. 140, Providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the Bureau of Land Management relating to Public Land Order No. 7917 for Withdrawal of Federal Lands; Cook, Lake, and Saint Louis Counties, MN. The rule provides for consideration of H.R. 6945, the “Supporting Pregnant and Parenting Women and Families Act”, under a closed rule. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule provides that an amendment in the nature of a substitute consisting of the text of Rules Committee Print 119-17 shall be considered as adopted and the bill, as amended, shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against provisions in the bill, as amended. The rule provides one hour of general debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Ways and Means or their respective des-

ignees. The rule provides one motion to recommit. The rule further provides for consideration of H.R. 6359, the “Pregnant Students’ Rights Act”, under a closed rule. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule provides that the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Education and Workforce now printed in the bill shall be considered as adopted and the bill, as amended, shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against provisions in the bill, as amended. 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 Workforce or their respective designees. The rule provides one motion to recommit. The rule further provides for consideration of H.J. Res. 140, Providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the Bureau of Land Management relating to Public Land Order No. 7917 for Withdrawal of Federal Lands; Cook, Lake, and Saint Louis Counties, MN, under a closed rule. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the joint resolution. The rule provides that the joint resolution shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against provisions in the joint resolution. The rule provides one hour of general debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Natural Resources or their respective designees. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit. Testimony was heard from Chairman Walberg, and Representatives Scott of Virginia, Stauber, Randall, Chu, Smith of Nebraska, Davis of Illinois, and Moore of Wisconsin.

## Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

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### COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 21, 2026

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

#### Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

#### House

**Committee on the Budget**, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Reverse the Curse: Skyrocketing Health Care Costs and America’s Fiscal Future”, 10:15 a.m., 210 Cannon.

**Committee on Education and Workforce**, Full Committee, markup on H.R. 7082, the “Fostering Learning and Excellence in Charter Schools (FLEX) Act”; H.R. 7086, the “Equitable Access to School Facilities Act”; and H.R.

4624, the “Muhammad Ali American Boxing Revival Act”, 10:15 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

*Committee on Energy and Commerce*, Full Committee, markup on H.R. 6409, the “Foreign Emissions and Non-attainment Clarification for Economic Stability”; H.R. 4218, the “Clean Air and Economic Advancement Reform (CLEAR) Act”; H.R. 6387, the “Fire Improvement and Reforming Exceptional Events (FIRE) Act”; H.R. 4214, the “Clean Air and Building Infrastructure Improvement Act”; H.R. 161, the “New Source Review Permitting Improvement Act”; H.R. 6373, the “Air Permitting Improvements to Protect National Security Act”; H.R. 6398, the “Reducing and Eliminating Duplicative Environmental Regulations (RED Tape) Act”; H.R. 2072, to require the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission to extend the time period during which licensees are required to commence construction of certain hydropower projects; H.R. 5200, the “Emergency Reporting Act”; H.R. 5201, the “Kari’s Law Reporting Act”; and H.R. 2076, the “LuLu’s Law”, 10:15 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

*Committee on Financial Services*, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Oversight of the Department of Housing and Urban Development and the Federal Housing Administration”, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

*Committee on Foreign Affairs*, Full Committee, markup on H.R. 6875, to require the Under Secretary of Commerce for Industry and Security to require a license for the export, reexport, or in-country transfer of certain integrated circuits, and for other purposes; H.R. 6275, to require the Secretary of Commerce to submit a report annually on the advanced artificial intelligence capabilities of the People’s Republic of China, and for other purposes; H.R. 7036, to increase collaboration within the Department of State between the Office of Opinion Research of the Bureau of Intelligence and Research and the Bureau of Global Public Affairs; H.R. 7028, to require the Secretary of State to submit a notification to Congress prior to obligating funds for certain art-related purchases, and for other purposes; H.R. 6411, to direct the Secretary of State to prepare a report on the treatment of ethnic minorities in Serbia; H.R. 7054, to require the Secretary of State to submit to Congress a notification of certain construction projects using nonstandard designs; H.R. 4532, to direct the Secretary of State to develop a strategy on efforts to strengthen subnational cooperation between the United States and Mexico, and for other purposes; H.R. Res. 515, commemorating the 90th birthday of His Holiness the Dalai Lama on July 6, 2025, as “A Day of Compassion”, and expressing support for the human rights, religious freedom, and cultural and linguistic protection of the Tibetan people; H.R. 4368, to authorize the Caribbean Basin Security Initiative, to enhance the United States-Caribbean security partnership, to prioritize natural disaster resilience, and for other purposes; H.R. 3307, to increase cooperation with countries in the Eastern Mediterranean region in order to strengthen energy security and defense capabilities, and for other purposes; and H.R. 7052, to establish a Center for Conflict Analysis, Planning, and Prevention in the Department of State, and for other purposes, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

*Committee on Homeland Security*, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Oversight of the Department of Homeland Security: CISA, TSA, S&T”, 10 a.m., 310 Cannon.

*Committee on the Judiciary*, Subcommittee on Crime and Federal Government Surveillance, hearing entitled “When Public Funds Are Abused: Addressing Fraud and the Theft of Taxpayer Dollars”, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Oversight, hearing entitled “Embedded Threats: Foreign Ownership, Hidden Hardware, and Licensing Failures in America’s Transportation Systems”, 2 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

*Committee on Natural Resources*, Subcommittee on Federal Lands, hearing entitled “EXPLORE America250: Celebrating One Year of the Expanding Public Lands Outdoor Recreation Experiences Act”, 10:15 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled “America First: U.S. Leadership and National Security in International Conservation”, 2 p.m., 1324 Longworth.

*Committee on Oversight and Government Reform*, Full Committee, markup on legislation on recommending that the House of Representatives find William J. Clinton in Contempt of Congress for refusal to comply with a subpoena duly issued by the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform; and legislation on recommending that the House of Representatives find Hillary R. Clinton in Contempt of Congress for refusal to comply with a subpoena duly issued by the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, 10 a.m., HVC-210.

*Committee on Rules*, Full Committee, hearing on H.R. 7148, the “Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2026”; and H.R. 7147, the “Department of Homeland Security Appropriations Act, 2026”, 2 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

*Committee on Small Business*, Subcommittee on Rural Development, Energy, and Supply Chains, hearing entitled “Empowering Rural America Through Investment in Innovation”, 10 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure*, Full Committee, markup on H.R. 7084, the “Defending American Property Abroad Act of 2026”; H.R. 6744, the “Military Air Traffic Control Transition Act”; H.R. 6618, the “Wildfire Aerial Response Safety Act”; H.R. 2247, the “Pilot Certificate Accessibility Act”; and H.R. 2474, the “Expanding Appalachia’s Broadband Access Act”, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

*Committee on Veterans’ Affairs*, Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity, hearing on H.R. 982, the “Warriors to Workforce Act”; H.R. 2878, the “Daniel J. Harvey, Jr. and Adam Lambert Improving Servicemember Transition to Reduce Veteran Suicide Act”; H.R. 4105, the “VET Act of 2025”; H.R. 5634, the “Veterans Flight Training Responsibility Act of 2025”; legislation on the CRUISE Act; legislation on the Improving Mental Health Care and Coordination for Homeless Veterans Act; legislation on the Improving Emerging Tech Opportunities for Veterans Act; legislation on the Affordable Housing Guarantee Act; H.R. 3159, the “Improving SCRA Benefit Utilization Act”; H.R. 5436, to amend title 38, United States Code, to prohibit an educational institution from withholding a transcript from an individual who

pursued a course or program of education at such institution using Post-9/11 educational assistance; legislation to amend title 38, United States Code, to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to submit to Congress a quarterly report on housing loans insured, guaranteed, or under laws administered by the Secretary, and for other

purposes; and legislation on the Veteran Housing Promise Act, 2:30 p.m., 360 Cannon.

*Committee on Ways and Means*, Subcommittee on Work and Welfare, hearing entitled “Strengthening the Child Support Enforcement Program: Status, Challenges, and Opportunities for Modernization”, 3 p.m., 2020 Rayburn.

*Next Meeting of the SENATE*  
11 a.m., Thursday, January 22

*Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES*  
10 a.m., Wednesday, January 21

Senate Chamber

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

House Chamber

**Program for Wednesday:** Consideration of H. Res. 1009—Providing for consideration of H.R. 6945, Supporting Pregnant and Parenting Women and Families Act, H.R. 6359, Pregnant Students' Rights Act and H.J. Res. 140, Providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the Bureau of Land Management relating to Public Land Order No. 7917 for Withdrawal of Federal Lands; Cook, Lake, and Saint Louis Counties, MN.

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