

resolution. Proceedings may be streamed on a reasonably short delay if necessary for technical reasons.

2. Any text based or private messaging function in the software platform used for virtual proceedings must be disabled unless it is used to provide technical or logistical support to members, witnesses, or staff, which may be excluded from the public video stream and will not be considered a committee record.

3. When providing notice of a remote proceeding, chairs must also provide notice of the software platform to be used for participation. Notice of such software platform constitutes proper notice of a “place” for purposes of section 4(a)(6) of House Resolution 965.

4. Members must have the opportunity to participate in a non-public rehearsal on the committee’s chosen software platform prior to the first remote full committee hearing, prior to the first remotely-attended full committee markup, and prior to the first remote deposition held using that platform, and members shall be given reasonable notice (no less than 48 hours) regarding the timing of any such rehearsal. Subcommittee chairs are encouraged to provide the same non-public rehearsal opportunities to subcommittees.

5. Members participating remotely must be provided access to technical support via telephone throughout any proceeding.

6. Only members, witnesses, temporarily designated participating staff, and necessary support staff may have participatory access on the software platform, meaning access which enables an individual to speak and be seen, as opposed to simply viewing the proceeding.

7. The committee majority staff, in consultation with the committee minority staff, must prepare a list of individuals with participatory access on the software platform and share the list with members at least 24 hours prior to any proceeding, to the greatest extent practicable.

8. Official reporters should be given direct access to the platform itself rather than the livestream.

9. Members of the press and the public may view remote proceedings via the committee website, as outlined in regulation B.1.

10. Committees must conduct remote proceedings using software platforms certified by the Chief Administrative Officer. The Chief Administrative Officer should inform committees, including the ranking minority members, each time a software platform is certified.

11. To the greatest extent practicable, the software platform used for remote proceedings must enable participants to view proceedings in a “grid view” format.

12. Committee chairs should inform the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on House Administration of any impactful technical issues arising from conducting proceedings remotely.

C. Deliberations

1. Committee chairs must allow members participating remotely reasonable latitude when they are seeking recognition for motions, points of order, or any other procedures where timeliness is a factor in the event that there are problems with technology such as lag or having the microphone muted.

2. Members participating remotely must seek recognition verbally. It is the responsibility of the member seeking recognition to unmute their microphone prior to speaking.

3. No one may unmute a member’s microphone absent an explicit request from the member, which may be via another channel.

4. The chair or an individual designated by the chair may mute participants’ micro-

phones when they are not under recognition for the purposes of eliminating inadvertent background noise. This policy must be carried out uniformly and should be announced at the outset of the proceeding. Members should have a clear understanding of the need to unmute their microphone each time they wish to speak.

D. Decorum

1. Member microphones may not be muted for the purposes of enforcing decorum.

2. Members participating remotely must conform to the same standards for proper attire as are required to participate in a committee proceeding in person.

3. Members and witnesses participating remotely should appear before a nonpolitical, professionally appropriate background that is minimally distracting to other members and witnesses, to the greatest extent possible.

4. Members are expected to follow proper decorum with respect to the display of exhibits when participating remotely and should refrain from displaying an exhibit when not under recognition.

E. Committee Process

1. For purposes of section 4(b) of House Resolution 965, committees will be considered to have met the requirements for conducting a meeting if they have held at least two hearings with remote participation and if they have completed a non-public business meeting rehearsal pursuant to regulation B.4. One such hearing must be at the full committee level, and the other hearing may be at the subcommittee or full committee level.

2. Committee chairs shall respect members’ disparate time zones when scheduling committee proceedings.

3. Committees shall provide an electronic repository, which may be an email inbox, for the submission of motions, amendments, and other documents pursuant to section 4(c)(3) of House Resolution 965 and shall notify members regarding how to properly submit documents electronically before and during a committee proceeding.

4. Pursuant to section 4(c)(5) of House Resolution 965, in determining the order in which amendments to a measure or matter pending before a committee will be considered in a proceeding with remote participants, the chair may give priority to amendments, otherwise in order, that have been filed with the committee through the electronic repository at least 4 hours prior to the business meeting on said measure or matter.

5. Within 24 hours of declaring a recess pursuant to section 4(c)(2) of House Resolution 965 the chair shall notify members of the circumstances which required the recess to be declared.

6. Committees shall facilitate the maintenance of electronically-submitted documents as part of any committee record maintained pursuant to clause 2(e)(1) of rule XI.

F. Committee Reports

1. Committee reports shall be filed in a single comprehensive submission including: (1) the report as a single electronic document; (2) the electronic files comprising such document; and (3) an electronic file containing the reported measure. Such committee reports shall not be officially processed unless all requirements are met, and properly filed reports shall be processed in the form submitted.

2. Committee reports filed electronically remain subject to all House rules regarding such reports to the extent consistent with House Resolution 965.

3. Except for reports submitted after the receipt of separate views pursuant to clause 2(c) of rule XIII, committee reports filed electronically will be officially processed

only when the House is in session. Committees must provide reasonable notice to the Clerk when the House is out of session prior to filing a report electronically upon receiving all separate views pursuant to clause 2(c) of rule XIII.

4. Committees shall consult with the Clerk regarding the appropriate manner in which to submit reports electronically pursuant to House Resolution 965.

5. Any committee report of activities submitted pursuant to clause 1(d)(1) of rule XI should include a list of proceedings conducted with remote participation.

G. Witnesses

1. Pursuant to section 4(c)(6) of House Resolution 965, witness counsel should be allowed access on the remote proceeding software platform if they are not in the physical presence of the witness. It is recommended that counsel facilitate a separate secure line of communication with the witness. A witness may not be unmuted by any other individual and should be allowed to use such secure line of communication while testifying to confer with counsel.

2. A witness may not allow an individual not invited to testify to speak on the platform when the witness is testifying remotely. A committee chair may provide exceptions on occasions where other individuals are necessary to facilitate the witness participation in the hearing (e.g. translators).

H. Depositions

1. Depositions conducted remotely shall continue to be subject to regulations, including supplemental regulations, submitted by the chair of the Committee on Rules pursuant to section 103(a)(2) of House Resolution 6.

I. Definitions

1. For purposes of section 4 of House Resolution 965 and these regulations, “proceedings” or “committee proceedings” refers to meetings, hearings, or depositions, as appropriate.

2. For purposes of section 4 of House Resolution 965 and these regulations, “remote” proceedings are proceedings conducted entirely through a software platform instead of at a physical location. “Remotely-attended” proceedings are proceedings in which one or more (or all) members are participating remotely. A member “participating remotely” is a member who is attending the proceeding using technology, and not in-person.

3. For purposes of these regulations, “mute” means to deactivate a microphone such that audio is not transmitted from the microphone to participants of the committee proceeding and “unmute” means to activate a microphone such that audio is transmitted from the microphone to participants of the committee proceeding.

ADJOURNMENT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 7(b) of House Resolution 891, the House stands adjourned until 10:30 a.m., on Tuesday, May 19, 2020.

Thereupon (at 9 o’clock and 38 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until Tuesday, May 19, 2020, at 10:30 a.m.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

Under clause 2 of rule XIV, executive communications were taken from the Speaker’s table and referred as follows:

4345. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting a letter on the approved retirement of Lieutenant General

John N.T. Shanahan, United States Air Force, and his advancement to the grade of lieutenant general on the retired list, pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 1370(c)(1); Public Law 96-513, Sec. 112 (as amended by Public Law 104-106, Sec. 502(b)); (110 Stat. 293); to the Committee on Armed Services.

4346. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting continuation of the national emergency with respect to securing the information and communications technology and services supply chain that was declared in Executive Order 13873 of May 15, 2019, is to continue in effect beyond May 15, 2020, pursuant to 50 U.S.C. 1622(d); Public Law 94-412, Sec. 202(d); (90 Stat. 1257) (H. Doc. No. 116—129); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs and ordered to be printed.

4347. A letter from the Under Secretary, Personnel and Readiness, Department of Defense, transmitting the Department's FY 2019 No FEAR Act report, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 2301 note; Public Law 107-174, 203(a) (as amended by Public Law 109-435, Sec. 604(f)); (120 Stat. 3242); to the Committee on Oversight and Reform.

PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XII, public bills and resolutions of the following titles were introduced and severally referred, as follows:

By Mr. RODNEY DAVIS of Illinois (for himself, Mr. MCCARTHY, Mr. SCALISE, Mr. NUNES, Mr. CALVERT, Mr. MCCLINTOCK, Mr. LAMALFA, Mr. COOK, Mr. WALKER, and Mr. LOUDERMILK):

H.R. 6882. A bill to amend the Help America Vote Act of 2002 to prohibit payments under such Act to States which permit ballot harvesting, and for other purposes; to the Committee on House Administration.

By Mrs. HARTZLER (for herself, Mr. ROUZER, Mr. MARSHALL, Mr. HAGEDORN, Mr. CRAWFORD, Mr. ALLEN, Mr. AUSTIN SCOTT of Georgia, Mr. KELLY of Mississippi, Mr. YOHO, Mr. EMMER, and Mr. CONAWAY):

H.R. 6883. A bill to provide liability protection for meat processing facilities during the COVID-19 outbreak, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. NEWHOUSE:

H.R. 6884. A bill to clarify for purposes of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 that receipt of coronavirus assistance does not affect the tax treatment of ordinary business expenses; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. FLORES:

H.R. 6885. A bill to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to prohibit the importation of a drug or device that was manufactured at a banned foreign facility, to create incentives for pharmaceutical or device companies to increase manufacturing capacity in the United States, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Ways and Means, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. ROY (for himself, Mr. PHILLIPS, Mr. EMMER, and Mr. UPTON):

H.R. 6886. A bill to amend the Small Business Act and the CARES Act to modify certain provisions related to the forgiveness of loans under the paycheck protection program, to allow recipients of loan forgiveness under the paycheck protection program to defer payroll taxes, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Small Business, and in

addition to the Committee on Ways and Means, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. CURTIS (for himself, Mr. GOSAR, Mr. BUDD, Mr. EMMER, Mr. GOHMERT, Mr. ROUZER, Mr. STEWART, Mr. BISHOP of North Carolina, Mr. PERRY, and Mr. WRIGHT):

H.R. 6887. A bill to amend the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985 to establish a disaster and emergency spending financial offset program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Budget, and in addition to the Committee on Rules, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Ms. ADAMS (for herself and Ms. WATERS):

H.R. 6888. A bill to modify requirements relating to the participation of community development financial institutions in the paycheck protection program of the Small Business Administration, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Small Business.

By Mr. AMODEI:

H.R. 6889. A bill to modernize the Fallon Range Training Complex in Churchill County, Nevada, through the withdrawal and reservation of additional public lands for military use, to allow for transfer of ownership of certain Federal parcels in Nevada, to allow for disposal of Federal lands in Nevada for economic development, to make technical corrections to existing law, for conservation, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Natural Resources, and in addition to the Committees on Veterans' Affairs, Agriculture, and Armed Services, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mrs. BEATTY:

H.R. 6890. A bill to authorize the use of certain homeless assistance amounts to rent hotel and motel rooms, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Financial Services.

By Mrs. BEATTY:

H.R. 6891. A bill to amend the Federal Reserve Act to require the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System to establish goals for the use of diverse investment advisers, brokers, and dealers in investment management agreements related to the Board of Governor's unusual and exigent circumstances authority, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Financial Services.

By Mrs. BEATTY:

H.R. 6892. A bill to amend the CARES Act to add requirements for the Main Street Lending Program related to non-profit organizations, small businesses, minority depository institutions, and community development financial institutions, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Financial Services.

By Mrs. BEATTY (for herself and Mr. GREEN of Texas):

H.R. 6893. A bill to amend the CARES Act and the Small Business Act to make certain adjustments to the paycheck protection program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Small Business.

By Mrs. BEATTY (for herself, Mr. KENNEDY, Ms. NORTON, Mrs. WATSON COLEMAN, Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi, Mr. HASTINGS, Mr. MICHAEL F. DOYLE of Pennsylvania, Ms. MOORE, Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia, Ms. FUDGE, Ms. BONAMICI, Ms. WILSON of Florida, Mr. ESPAILLAT, Mr. BLUMENAUER, Mr. CARSON of Indiana, Mr. TRONE, and Ms. HAALAND):

H.R. 6894. A bill to amend the Small Business Act to ensure that applicants with a criminal record are eligible for certain loans, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Small Business.

By Mr. BIGGS:

H.R. 6895. A bill to prevent agencies from using unmanned aerial vehicles to conduct surveillance of United States citizens, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. BUCK (for himself, Mr. CORREA, Mr. MCCAUL, Mr. ABRAHAM, Mr. BANKS, Mr. BIGGS, Mr. BUDD, Ms. CHENEY, Mr. CRAWFORD, Mr. CRENSHAW, Mr. DESJARLAIS, Mr. GAETZ, Mr. GOHMERT, Mr. GOSAR, Mr. HARRIS, Mrs. HARTZLER, Mr. NORMAN, Mr. PERRY, Mr. RESCHENTHALER, Mr. RICE of South Carolina, Mr. SPANO, Mr. STEUBE, Mr. TIPTON, Mr. WEBER of Texas, Mr. WRIGHT, Mr. YOHO, Mr. DUNN, Mrs. WALORSKI, Mr. SMITH of New Jersey, and Mr. STEWART):

H.R. 6896. A bill to prohibit certain individuals from downloading or using TikTok on any device issued by the United States or a government corporation; to the Committee on Oversight and Reform, and in addition to the Committee on House Administration, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. CICILLINE (for himself and Mr. SENSENBRENNER):

H.R. 6897. A bill to expand the waiver of affiliation rules for certain business concerns with more than 1 physical location, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Small Business.

By Mr. CICILLINE (for himself, Mr. RODNEY DAVIS of Illinois, Mr. LARSEN of Washington, Mr. YOUNG, and Mr. POSEY):

H.R. 6898. A bill to encourage the research and use of innovative materials and associated techniques in the construction and preservation of the domestic transportation and water infrastructure system, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, and in addition to the Committees on Science, Space, and Technology, and Energy and Commerce, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Ms. DEAN (for herself, Ms. WATERS, and Mr. DAVID SCOTT of Georgia):

H.R. 6899. A bill to require Federal agencies to develop and provide notice to tenants of housing relief provided by Federal actions to respond to the COVID-19 pandemic, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Financial Services, and in addition to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Ms. DEAN:

H.R. 6900. A bill to expand compassionate release authority and elderly home confinement access for offenders with heightened coronavirus risk; to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committees on Energy and Commerce, and the Budget, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Ms. ESHOO:

H.R. 6901. A bill to require the Secretary of Health and Human Services to provide updated information about COVID-19 testing to the public, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.