

health plans may continue to operate under existing state and federal law. **Pages H2327–28**

H. Res. 210, the rule providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 1101) was agreed to yesterday, March 21st.

Suspension: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measure:

Securing our Agriculture and Food Act: H.R. 1238, to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to make the Assistant Secretary of Homeland Security for Health Affairs responsible for coordinating the efforts of the Department of Homeland Security related to food, agriculture, and veterinary defense against terrorism, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ ye-a-and-nay vote of 406 yeas to 6 nays, Roll No. 187.

Pages H2304–07, H2330–31

Meeting Hour: Agreed by unanimous consent that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 9 a.m. tomorrow, March 23. **Page H2331**

Congressional Award Board—Reappointment: Read a letter from Representative Pelosi, Minority Leader, in which she reappointed the following Member to the Congressional Award Board: Representative Dingell. **Page H2331**

Suspensions—Proceedings Postponed: The House debated the following measures under suspension of the rules. Further proceedings were postponed.

Terrorist and Foreign Fighter Travel Exercise Act of 2017: H.R. 1302, to require an exercise related to terrorist and foreign fighter travel; and

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Department of Homeland Security Acquisition Innovation Act: H.R. 1365, amended, to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to require certain acquisition innovation. **Pages H2307–08**

Recess: The House recessed at 6:11 p.m. and reconvened at 11:52 p.m. **Page H2346**

Presidential Message: Read a message from the President wherein he notified Congress that the national emergency declared with respect to South Sudan is to continue in effect beyond April 3, 2017—referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs and ordered to be printed (H. Doc. 115–25). **Page H2331**

Senate Messages: Messages received from the Senate by the Clerk and subsequently presented to the House today appear on pages H2302–03.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Four ye-a-and-nay votes and two recorded votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H2310–11, H2311, H2311–12, H2329, H2330, and H2330–31. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 11:53 p.m.

Committee Meetings

THE NEXT FARM BILL: DAIRY POLICY

Committee on Agriculture: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “The Next Farm Bill: Dairy Policy”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

VETERANS AFFAIRS OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies held an oversight hearing on the Veterans Affairs Office of Inspector General. Testimony was heard from Michael J. Missal, Inspector General, Department of Veterans Affairs.

THE EVOLUTION OF HYBRID WARFARE AND KEY CHALLENGES

Committee on Armed Services: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “The Evolution of Hybrid Warfare and Key Challenges”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

THE CURRENT STATE OF THE U.S. AIR FORCE

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Readiness held a hearing entitled “The Current State of the U.S. Air Force”. Testimony was heard from Major General Scott D. West, Director of Current Operations and Deputy Chief of Staff for Operations, U.S. Air Force Headquarters; Lieutenant General Maryanne Miller, Chief, U.S. Air Force Reserve; and Lieutenant General L. Scott Rice, Director, U.S. Air National Guard.

LEGISLATIVE MEASURE

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Environment held a hearing on H.R. 806, the “Ozone Standards Implementation Act of 2017”. Testimony was heard from Sean Alteri, Director, Division of Air Quality, Kentucky Department of Environmental Protection; Marc A. R. Cone, Director, Bureau of Air Quality, Maine Department of Environmental Protection; Nancy Vehr, Air Quality Administrator, Wyoming Department of Environmental Quality; Kurt Karperos, Deputy Executive Officer, California Air Resources Board; Seyed Sadredin, Executive Director/Air Pollution Control Officer, San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District; and a public witness.

EXAMINING FDA'S PRESCRIPTION DRUG USER FEE PROGRAM

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Health held a hearing entitled "Examining FDA's Prescription Drug User Fee Program". Testimony was heard from Janet Woodcock, Director, Center for Drug Evaluation and Research, Food and Drug Administration; and public witnesses.

ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

Committee on Ethics: Full Committee held an organizational meeting for the 115th Congress. The committee adopted its rules for the 115th Congress.

EXAMINING RESULTS AND ACCOUNTABILITY AT THE WORLD BANK

Committee on Financial Services: Subcommittee on Monetary Policy and Trade held a hearing entitled "Examining Results and Accountability at the World Bank". Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

THE JOBS ACT AT FIVE: EXAMINING ITS IMPACT AND ENSURING THE COMPETITIVENESS OF THE U.S. CAPITAL MARKETS

Committee on Financial Services: Subcommittee on Capital Markets, Securities, and Investment held a hearing entitled "The JOBS Act at Five: Examining Its Impact and Ensuring the Competitiveness of the U.S. Capital Markets". Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

ANTI-SEMITISM ACROSS BORDERS

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on Africa, Global Health, Global Human Rights, and International Organizations held a hearing entitled "Anti-Semitism Across Borders". Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

U.S. POLICY TOWARD THE BALTIC STATES

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on Europe, Eurasia, and Emerging Threats held a hearing entitled "U.S. Policy Toward the Baltic States". Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

A BORDERLESS BATTLE: DEFENDING AGAINST CYBER THREATS

Committee on Homeland Security: Full Committee held a hearing entitled "A Borderless Battle: Defending Against Cyber Threats". Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on the Judiciary: Full Committee held a markup on H.R. 1393, the "Mobile Workforce State Income Tax Simplification Act of 2017"; H.R. 695,

the "Child Protection Improvements Act of 2017"; H.R. 883, the "Targeting Child Predators Act of 2017"; and H.R. 1188, the "Adam Walsh Reauthorization Act of 2017". H.R. 1393 and H.R. 883 were ordered reported, without amendment. H.R. 695 and H.R. 1188 were ordered reported, as amended.

THE STATUS OF THE PUERTO RICO ELECTRIC POWER AUTHORITY RESTRUCTURING SUPPORT AGREEMENT

Committee on Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Indian, Insular, and Alaska Native Affairs held a hearing entitled "The Status of the Puerto Rico Electric Power Authority Restructuring Support Agreement". Testimony was heard from Ricardo Rosselló, Governor, Puerto Rico; José B. Carrión III, Chairman, Financial Oversight and Management Board for Puerto Rico; Luis Benítez Hernández, Chairman, Puerto Rico Electric Power Authority Governing Board; Ana J. Matosantos, Member, Financial Oversight and Management Board for Puerto Rico; and public witnesses.

LAW ENFORCEMENT'S USE OF FACIAL RECOGNITION TECHNOLOGY

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform: Full Committee held a hearing entitled "Law Enforcement's Use of Facial Recognition Technology". Testimony was heard from Kimberly Del Greco, Deputy Assistant Director, Criminal Justice Information Services Division, Federal Bureau of Investigation; Diana Maurer, Director, Homeland Security and Justice Issues, Government Accountability Office; Charles Romine, Director, Information Technology Lab, National Institute of Standards and Technology; and public witnesses.

EXAMINING THE IMPACT OF VOLUNTARY RESTRICTED DISTRIBUTION SYSTEMS IN THE PHARMACEUTICAL SUPPLY CHAIN

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform: Subcommittee on Healthcare, Benefits, and Administrative Rules held a hearing entitled "Examining the Impact of Voluntary Restricted Distribution Systems in the Pharmaceutical Supply Chain". Testimony was heard from Janet Woodcock, Director, Center for Drug Evaluation and Research, Food and Drug Administration; and public witnesses.

**AMERICAN HEALTH CARE ACT OF 2017;
HOUSE RESOLUTION WAIVING A
REQUIREMENT OF CLAUSE 6(A) OF RULE
XIII WITH RESPECT TO CONSIDERATION
OF CERTAIN RESOLUTIONS REPORTED
FROM THE COMMITTEE ON RULES, AND
PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF
MOTIONS TO SUSPEND THE RULES**

Committee on Rules: Full Committee began a hearing on the “American Health Care Act of 2017”; and held a hearing on a house resolution waiving a requirement of clause 6(a) of rule XIII with respect to consideration of certain resolutions reported from the Committee on Rules, and providing for consideration of motions to suspend the rules. The Committee granted, by record vote of 9–3, a rule that waives clause 6(a) of rule XIII (requiring a two-thirds vote to consider a rule on the same day it is reported from the Rules Committee) against any resolution reported through the legislative day of March 27, 2017. In section 2, the rule provides that it shall be in order at any time through the calendar day of March 26, 2017, for the Speaker to entertain motions that the House suspend the rules and that the Speaker or his designee shall consult with the Minority Leader or her designee on the designation of any matter for consideration pursuant to this section.

**THE ISS AFTER 2024: OPTIONS AND
IMPACTS**

Committee on Science, Space, and Technology: Subcommittee on Space held a hearing entitled “The ISS after 2024: Options and Impacts”. Testimony was heard from William Gerstenmaier, Associate Administrator for Human Exploration and Operations, National Aeronautics and Space Administration; and public witnesses.

**MAKING WASHINGTON WORK FOR
AMERICA’S SMALL BUSINESSES**

Committee on Small Business: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Making Washington Work For America’s Small Businesses”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

**HEALTHY HIRING: ENABLING VA TO
RECRUIT AND RETAIN QUALITY
PROVIDERS**

Committee on Veterans’ Affairs: Subcommittee on Health held a hearing entitled “Healthy Hiring: Enabling VA to Recruit and Retain Quality Providers”. Testimony was heard from Robert Goldenkoff, Director, Strategic Issues, Government Accountability Office; Steve Young, Deputy Under Secretary for Health for Operations and Management, Veterans

Health Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs; and public witnesses.

**EXAMINING THE SOCIAL SECURITY
ADMINISTRATION’S REPRESENTATIVE
PAYEE PROGRAM: WHO PROVIDES HELP**

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Oversight and Subcommittee on Social Security held a joint hearing entitled “Examining the Social Security Administration’s Representative Payee Program: Who Provides Help”. Testimony was heard from Marianna LaCanfora, Acting Deputy Commissioner, Office of Retirement and Disability Policy, Social Security Administration; Gale Stallworth Stone, Acting Inspector General, Social Security Administration; David Slayton, Administrative Director, Office of Court Administration, Texas Judicial Branch; and public witnesses.

Joint Meetings

**VETERANS SERVICE ORGANIZATIONS
LEGISLATIVE PRESENTATIONS**

Joint Hearing: Senate Committee on Veterans’ Affairs concluded a joint hearing with the House Committee on Veterans’ Affairs to examine the legislative presentation of multiple veterans service organizations, after receiving testimony from Colonel Carl A. Singer, USA (Ret.), Jewish War Veterans of the United States of America, Passaic, New Jersey; Donald Larson, Fleet Reserve Association, Ingleside, Texas; Chief Master Sergeant Mark Stevenson, (Ret.), Air Force Sergeants Association, Bowie, Maryland; Hershel W. Gober, Military Order of the Purple Heart of the U.S.A., Palm Coast, Florida; Charles Susino, Jr., American Ex-Prisoners of War, Metuchen, New Jersey; Robert D. Stamper, Blinded Veterans Association, Hayden, Idaho; Master Sergeant John Adams, USAF (Ret.), The Retired Enlisted Association, Colorado Springs, Colorado; and Lieutenant Colonel Aniela Szymanski, USMCR, Military Officers Association of America, and Allison Jaslow, Iraq and Afghanistan Veterans of America, both of Washington, D.C.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D297)

S. 442, to authorize the programs of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration. Signed on March 21, 2017. (Public Law 115–10)