

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 20 public bills, H.R. 1848–1867; and 5 resolutions, H.J. Res. 93; and H. Res. 239, 243–245, were introduced. **Pages H2628–29**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages H2630–31**

Reports Filed: A report was filed on March 31, 2017 as follows:

H. Res. 184, resolution of inquiry requesting the President and directing the Attorney General to transmit, respectively, certain documents to the House of Representatives relating to communications with the government of Russia, with an amendment; adversely (H. Rept. 115–74).

Reports were filed today as follows:

H. Res. 240, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 1343) to direct the Securities and Exchange Commission to revise its rules so as to increase the threshold amount for requiring issuers to provide certain disclosures relating to compensatory benefit plans (H. Rept. 115–75);

H. Res. 241, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 1304) to amend the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, the Public Health Service Act, and the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to exclude from the definition of health insurance coverage certain medical stop-loss insurance obtained by certain plan sponsors of group health plans (H. Rept. 115–76); and

H. Res. 242, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 1219) to amend the Investment Company Act of 1940 to expand the investor limitation for qualifying venture capital funds under an exemption from the definition of an investment company, and providing for proceedings during the period from April 7, 2017, through April 24, 2017 (H. Rept. 115–77). **Pages H2627–28**

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Denham to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H2603**

Recess: The House recessed at 12:06 p.m. and reconvened at 2 p.m. **Page H2604**

Guest Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the Guest Chaplain, Rev. Dr. Dan C. Cummins, Skyline Wesleyan Church, San Diego, CA. **Page H2604**

Recess: The House recessed at 2:07 p.m. and reconvened at 5:04 p.m. **Page H2605**

Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Condemning North Korea's development of multiple intercontinental ballistic missiles: H. Res. 92, amended, condemning North Korea's development of multiple intercontinental ballistic missiles, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ ye-a-and-nay vote of 398 yeas to 3 nays, Roll No. 209; **Pages H2605–09, H2614–15**

Reaffirming the United States-Argentina partnership and recognizing Argentina's economic reforms: H. Res. 54, amended, reaffirming the United States-Argentina partnership and recognizing Argentina's economic reforms; and **Pages H2609–11**

North Korea State Sponsor of Terrorism Designation Act of 2017: H.R. 479, amended, to require a report on the designation of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea as a state sponsor of terrorism, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ ye-a-and-nay vote of 394 yeas to 1 nay, Roll No. 210. **Pages H2611–14, H2616–17**

Recess: The House recessed at 6:10 p.m. and reconvened at 6:30 p.m. **Page H2614**

Privileged Resolution—Intent to Offer: Representative Jeffries announced his intent to offer a privileged resolution. **Pages H2615–16**

Presidential Message: Read a message from the President wherein he transmitted Principles for Reforming the Military Selective Service Process—referred to the Committee on Armed Services and ordered to be printed (H. Doc. 115–27). **Page H2614**

Senate Referral: S. 544 was held at the desk.

Senate Messages: Messages received from the Senate by the Clerk and subsequently presented to the House today appear on pages H2604–05 and H2614.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Two ye-a-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H2614–15 and H2616–17. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 12 noon and adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Committee Meetings

ENCOURAGING EMPLOYEE OWNERSHIP ACT OF 2017; SUPPORTING AMERICA'S INNOVATORS ACT OF 2017; SELF-INSURANCE PROTECTION ACT

Committee on Rules: Full Committee held a hearing on H.R. 1343, the "Encouraging Employee Ownership Act of 2017"; H.R. 1219, the "Supporting America's Innovators Act of 2017"; and H.R. 1304, the "Self-Insurance Protection Act". The Committee

granted, by voice vote, a structured rule for H.R. 1343. The rule provides one hour of debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Financial Services. 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 115–11 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 makes in order only the further amendment printed in the Rules Committee report, if offered by the Member designated in the report, which 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 amendment printed in the report. The rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. The Committee granted, by record vote of 6–3, a closed rule for H.R. 1304. The rule provides one hour of debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Education and the Workforce. 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 the 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 motion to recommit with or without instructions. The Committee granted, by record vote of 6–3, a closed rule for H.R. 1219. The rule provides one hour of debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Financial Services. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. 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 one motion to recommit. In Section 2, the rule provides that on any legislative day during the period from April 7, 2017 through April 24, 2017: the Journal of the proceedings of the previous day shall be considered as approved; and the Chair may at any time declare the House adjourned to meet at a date and time to be announced by the Chair in declaring the adjournment. In Section 3, the rule provides that the Speaker may appoint Members to perform the duties of the Chair for the duration of the period addressed by section 2. In Section 4, the rule provides that each day dur-

ing the period addressed by section 2 of the resolution shall not constitute calendar days for the purposes of section 7 of the War Powers Resolution (50 U.S.C. 1546). Finally, in Section 5, the rule provides that each day during the period addressed by section 2 of the resolution shall not constitute a legislative day for purposes of clause 7 of rule XIII (resolutions of inquiry). Testimony was heard from Chairman Hensarling, Chairman Roe of Tennessee, and Representatives Kildee and Scott of Virginia.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D374)

H.R. 1362, to name the Department of Veterans Affairs community-based outpatient clinic in Pago Pago, American Samoa, the Faleomavaega Eni Fa'aua'a Hunkin VA Clinic. Signed on March 31, 2017. (Public Law 115–16)

H.J. Res. 42, disapproving the rule submitted by the Department of Labor relating to drug testing of unemployment compensation applicants. Signed on March 31, 2017. (Public Law 115–17)

S.J. Res. 1, approving the location of a memorial to commemorate and honor the members of the Armed Forces who served on active duty in support of Operation Desert Storm or Operation Desert Shield. Signed on March 31, 2017. (Public Law 115–18)

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY, APRIL 4, 2017

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine national water hazards and vulnerabilities, focusing on improved forecasting for responses and mitigation, 2:30 p.m., SD–192.

Committee on Armed Services: to hold hearings to examine United States Strategic Command programs, 9:30 a.m., SD–G50.

Subcommittee on Cybersecurity, to receive a closed briefing on cyber threats to the United States, 2:30 p.m., SVC–217.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: business meeting to consider the nomination of Jay Clayton, of New York, to be a Member of the Securities and Exchange Commission, 10 a.m., SD–538.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Surface Transportation and Merchant Marine Infrastructure, Safety and Security, to hold hearings