

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 18 public bills, H.R. 4616–4633; 1 private bill, H.R. 4634; and 6 resolutions, H. Res. 656–661, were introduced. **Page H9844–45**

Additional Cosponsors: **Page H9846**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 2872, to amend the Federal Power Act to promote hydropower development at existing non-powered dams, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 115–461, Part 1);

H. Res. 657, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 2396) to amend the Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act to update the exception for certain annual notices provided by financial institutions, and providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 4015) to improve the quality of proxy advisory firms for the protection of investors and the U.S. economy, and in the public interest, by fostering accountability, transparency, responsiveness, and competition in the proxy advisory firm industry (H. Rept. 115–462); and

H. Res. 658, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 1638) to require the Secretary of the Treasury to submit a report to the appropriate congressional committees on the estimated total assets under direct or indirect control by certain senior Iranian leaders and other figures, and for other purposes, and providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 4324) to require the Secretary of the Treasury to make certifications with respect to United States and foreign financial institutions' aircraft-related transactions involving Iran, and, for other purposes (H. Rept. 115–463). **Page H9844**

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Marshall to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H9791**

Recess: The House recessed at 10:53 a.m. and reconvened at 12 noon. **Page H9797**

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

Directing the Secretary of Energy to review and update a report on the energy and environmental benefits of the re-refining of used lubricating oil: H.R. 1733, to direct the Secretary of Energy to review and update a report on the energy and environmental benefits of the re-refining of used lubricating oil; **Pages H9808–09**

Promoting Hydropower Development at Existing Nonpowered Dams Act: H.R. 2872, amended, to

amend the Federal Power Act to promote hydropower development at existing nonpowered dams;

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Promoting Closed-Loop Pumped Storage Hydropower Act: H.R. 2880, amended, to amend the Federal Power Act to promote closed-loop pumped storage hydropower; **Pages H9812–14**

Amending title 5, United States Code, to extend the authority to conduct telework travel expenses test programs: H.R. 4171, amended, to amend title 5, United States Code, to extend the authority to conduct telework travel expenses test programs;

Pages H9814–15

Designating the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 9155 Schaefer Road, Converse, Texas, as the “Converse Veterans Post Office Building”: H.R. 1208, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 9155 Schaefer Road, Converse, Texas, as the “Converse Veterans Post Office Building”;

Pages H9815–16

Designating the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1100 Kings Road in Jacksonville, Florida, as the “Rutledge Pearson Post Office Building”: H.R. 3638, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1100 Kings Road in Jacksonville, Florida, as the “Rutledge Pearson Post Office Building”;

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Designating the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1300 Main Street in Belmar, New Jersey, as the “Dr. Walter S. McAfee Post Office Building”: H.R. 3655, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1300 Main Street in Belmar, New Jersey, as the “Dr. Walter S. McAfee Post Office Building”;

Pages H9819–20

Designating the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 123 Bridgeton Pike in Mullica Hill, New Jersey, as the “James C. ‘Billy’ Johnson Post Office Building”: H.R. 4285, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 123 Bridgeton Pike in Mullica Hill, New Jersey, as the “James C. ‘Billy’ Johnson Post Office Building”;

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Condemning the persecution of Christians around the world: H. Res. 407, amended, condemning the persecution of Christians around the world;

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Reaffirming a strong commitment to the United States-Mexico partnership: H. Res. 336, reaffirming

a strong commitment to the United States-Mexico partnership; and **Pages H9824–26**

Reaffirming the strategic partnership between the United States and Canada, recognizing bilateral cooperation that advances United States national interests, and urging increased bilateral cooperation on security, economic issues, and energy: H. Res. 357, amended, reaffirming the strategic partnership between the United States and Canada, recognizing bilateral cooperation that advances United States national interests, and urging increased bilateral cooperation on security, economic issues, and energy. **Page H9826–28**

United States-China Economic and Security Review Commission—Reappointment: Read a letter from Representative Pelosi, Minority Leader, in which she reappointed the following individuals to the United States-China Economic and Security Review Commission, effective January 1, 2018: Ms. Carolyn Bartholomew of Washington, D.C. and Mr. Michael R. Wessel of Falls Church, Virginia. **Page H9828**

Recess: The House recessed at 4:08 p.m. and reconvened at 4:34 p.m. **Page H9828**

Community Institution Mortgage Relief Act of 2017: The House passed H.R. 3971, to amend the Truth in Lending Act and the Real Estate Settlement Procedures Act of 1974 to modify the requirements for community financial institutions with respect to certain rules relating to mortgage loans, by a yea-and-nay vote of 294 yeas to 129 nays, Roll No. 675. **Pages H9799–H9808, H9829–30**

Rejected the Titus motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Financial Services with instructions to report the same back to the House forthwith with an amendment, by a yea-and-nay vote of 190 yeas to 233 nays, Roll No. 674. **Pages H9807–08, H9828–29**

Pursuant to the Rule, an amendment in the nature of a substitute consisting of the text of Rules Committee Print 115–44 shall be considered as adopted. **Page H9799**

Agreed to:

Sherman amendment (No. 1 printed in part B of H. Rept. 115–443) that lowers the amount of consolidated assets of a creditor eligible for the safe harbor from escrow requirements in the bill from \$25,000,000,000 or less to \$10,000,000,000 or less; lowers the number of loans that a mortgage servicer eligible for exemptions and adjustments from the Bureau can service annually from 30,000 or fewer mortgage loans to 20,000 or fewer mortgage loans. **Page H9806**

H. Res. 647, the rule providing for consideration of the bills (H.R. 477) and (H.R. 3971) and the

joint resolution (H.J. Res. 123) was agreed to Thursday, December 7th.

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

Designating the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 30 East Somerset Street in Raritan, New Jersey, as the “Sergeant John Basilone Post Office”: H.R. 2815, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 30 East Somerset Street in Raritan, New Jersey, as the “Sergeant John Basilone Post Office”; and **Pages H9816–18**

Designating the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1415 West Oak Street, in Kissimmee, Florida, as the “Borinqueneers Post Office Building”: H.R. 4042, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1415 West Oak Street, in Kissimmee, Florida, as the “Borinqueneers Post Office Building”. **Pages H9818–19**

Senate Referral: S. 447 was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs. **Page H9843**

Senate Message: Message received from the Senate by the Clerk and subsequently presented to the House today appears on page H9799.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Two yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H9828–29 and H9829–30. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 7:24 p.m.

Committee Meetings

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURE

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Full Committee began a markup on H.R. 4508, the “Promoting Real Opportunity, Success, and Prosperity through Education Reform Act”.

UPDATE ON THE CORPORATE AVERAGE FUEL ECONOMY PROGRAM (CAFE) AND GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS STANDARDS FOR MOTOR VEHICLES

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Environment; and Subcommittee on Digital Commerce and Consumer Protection held a joint hearing entitled “Update on the Corporate Average Fuel Economy Program (CAFE) and Greenhouse Gas Emissions Standards for Motor Vehicles”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.