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**Record Votes:** Two record votes were taken today. (Total—325) **Pages S8235–36**

**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 10:01 a.m. and adjourned at 10:02 p.m., until 11 a.m. on Saturday, December 23, 2017. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S8280.)

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

No committee meetings were held.

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# House of Representatives

## Chamber Action

**Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced:** 28 public bills, H.R. 4706–4733; and 2 resolutions, H. Res. 671–672 were introduced. **Pages H10418–19**

**Additional Cosponsors:** **Page H10421**

**Reports Filed:** Reports were filed today as follows:

H. Res. 670, providing for consideration of the Senate amendment to the bill (H.R.1370) to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to require the Secretary of Homeland Security to issue Department of Homeland Security-wide guidance and develop training programs as part of the Department of Homeland Security Blue Campaign, and for other purposes; providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 4667) making further supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2018, for disaster assistance for Hurricanes Harvey, Irma, and Maria, and calendar year 2017 wildfires, and for other purposes; and providing for proceedings during the period from December 22, 2017, through January 7, 2018 (H. Rept. 115–477);

H.R. 3168, to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide continued access to specialized Medicare Advantage plans for special needs individuals, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 115–478, Part 1);

H.R. 3726, to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to create alternative sanctions for technical noncompliance with the Stark rule under Medicare, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 115–479, Part 1);

H.R. 3727, to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to include additional telehealth services for purposes of MA organization bids, and for other

purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 115–480, Part 1);

H.R. 3729, to amend titles XI and XVIII of the Social Security Act to facilitate provider and supplier cost reporting of ambulance services under the Medicare program, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 115–481, Part 1); and

Committee on Ethics. In the Matter Regarding the Arrests of Members of the House During a Protest Outside the United States Capitol on December 6, 2017 (H. Rept. 115–482). **Page H10418**

**Journal:** The House agreed to the Speaker's approval of the Journal by a yea-and-nay vote of 225 yeas to 187 nays with one answering "present", Roll No. 707. **Pages H10347, H10361**

**Recess:** The House recessed at 9:09 a.m. and reconvened at 12:21 p.m. **Page H10348**

**Suspensions—Proceedings Resumed:** The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures. Consideration began Tuesday, December 19th.

**Jobs for Our Heroes Act:** S. 1393, to streamline the process by which active duty military, reservists, and veterans receive commercial driver's licenses, by a  $\frac{2}{3}$  yea-and-nay vote of 418 yeas with none voting "nay", Roll No. 706; and **Pages H10360–61**

**No Human Trafficking on Our Roads Act:** S. 1532, to disqualify from operating a commercial motor vehicle for life an individual who uses a commercial motor vehicle in committing a felony involving human trafficking, by a  $\frac{2}{3}$  yea-and-nay vote of 393 yeas with none voting "nay", Roll No. 710.

**Pages H10404–05**

**Frederick Douglass Bicentennial Commission—Appointment:** The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of the following Member on the part of the House to the United States Capitol Preservation Commission: Representative Harris. And from private life: Ms. Sylvia Quinton of Mardela Springs, Maryland, and Dr. C. James Trotman of West Chester, Pennsylvania. **Page H10361**

**Authorizing the use of the rotunda of the Capitol for a ceremony to award the Congressional Gold Medal to Bob Dole:** The House agreed to take from the Speaker's table and agree to S. Con. Res. 31, authorizing the use of the rotunda of the Capitol for a ceremony to award the Congressional Gold Medal to Bob Dole. **Pages H10361–62**

**Authorizing the President to award the Medal of Honor to John L. Canley for acts of valor during the Vietnam War while a member of the Marine Corps:** The House agreed to discharge from committee and pass H.R. 4641, to authorize the President to award the Medal of Honor to John L. Canley for acts of valor during the Vietnam War while a member of the Marine Corps. **Page H10362**

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

*Sexual Assault Forensic Evidence Reporting Act of 2017:* S. 1766, to reauthorize the SAFER Act of 2013. **Pages H10362–64, H10405**

**Question of Consideration:** The Chair announced that the bill (H.R. 4667) making further supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2018, for disaster assistance for Hurricanes Harvey, Irma, and Maria, and calendar year 2017 wildfires, contained an emergency designation pursuant to section 4(g)(1) of the Statutory Pay-As-You-Go Act of 2010. Subsequently, the House agreed to consider H.R. 4667 by voice vote. **Page H10364**

**Department of Homeland Security Blue Campaign Authorization Act of 2017:** The House agreed to the motion to concur in the Senate amendment to H.R. 1370, to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to require the Secretary of Homeland Security to issue Department of Homeland Security-wide guidance and develop training programs as part of the Department of Homeland Security Blue Campaign, with an amendment consisting of the text of Rules Committee Print 115–52, by a yea-and-nay vote of 231 yeas to 188 nays, Roll No. 708. **Pages H10349–60, H10394–H10403**

H. Res. 670, the rule providing for consideration of the Senate amendment to the bill (H.R. 1370) and providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 4667) was agreed to by a recorded vote of 228 yeas

to 188 noes, Roll No. 705, after the previous question was ordered by a yea-and-nay vote of 232 yeas to 188 nays, Roll No. 704. **Pages H10359–60**

**Further Additional Supplemental Appropriations for Disaster Relief Requirements, 2017:** The House passed H.R. 4667, making further supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2018, for disaster assistance for Hurricanes Harvey, Irma, and Maria, and calendar year 2017 wildfires, by a yea-and-nay vote of 251 yeas to 169 nays, Roll No. 709. **Pages H10364–94, H10403–04**

Pursuant to the Rule, the amendments printed in H. Rept. 115–477 shall be considered as adopted. **Page H10364**

H. Res. 670, the rule providing for consideration of the Senate amendment to the bill (H.R. 1370) and providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 4667) was agreed to by a recorded vote of 228 yeas to 188 noes, Roll No. 705, after the previous question was ordered by a yea-and-nay vote of 232 yeas to 188 nays, Roll No. 704. **Pages H10359–60**

**Meeting Hour:** Agreed by unanimous consent that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 2 p.m. tomorrow, December 22nd. **Page H10405**

**Presidential Message:** Read a message from the President wherein he notified Congress of a national emergency with respect to the unusual and extraordinary threat to the national security, foreign policy, and economy of the United States posed by serious human rights abuse and corruption around the world—referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs and the Committee on the Judiciary and ordered to be printed (H. Doc. 115–83). **Page H10405**

**Senate Referrals:** S. Con. Res. 31 was held at the desk. S. 117 was referred to the Committee on Natural Resources. S. 501 was referred to the Committee on Natural Resources. **Page H10416**

**Senate Message:** Message received from the Senate by the Clerk and subsequently presented to the House today appears on page H10348.

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** Six yea-and-nay votes and one recorded vote developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H10359, H10359–60, H10360, H10361, H10403, H10403–04, and H10404–05. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 9 a.m. and adjourned at 7:19 p.m.

## Committee Meetings

### MAKING FURTHER SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2018, FOR DISASTER ASSISTANCE FOR HURRICANES HARVEY, IRMA, AND MARIA, AND CALENDAR YEAR 2017 WILDFIRES, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES; SENATE AMENDMENT TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY BLUE CAMPAIGN AUTHORIZATION ACT OF 2017

*Committee on Rules:* Full Committee held a hearing on H.R. 4667, making further supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2018, for disaster assistance for Hurricanes Harvey, Irma, and Maria, and calendar year 2017 wildfires, and for other purposes; and concluded a hearing on the Senate amendment to H.R. 1370, the “Department of Homeland Security Blue Campaign Authorization Act of 2017” [Further Continuing Resolution]. The Committee granted, by record vote of 8–4, a rule providing for the consideration of the Senate amendment to H.R. 1370. The rule makes in order a motion offered by the chair of the Committee on Appropriations or his designee that the House concur in the Senate amendment with an amendment consisting of the text of Rules Committee Print 115–52. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the motion. The rule provides that the Senate amendment and the motion shall be considered as read. The rule provides one hour of debate on the motion equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropriations. In section 2, the rule provides for consideration of H.R. 4667 under a closed rule. The rule provides one hour of debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropriations. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill and provides that it shall be considered as read. The rule provides that the amendments printed in the Rules Committee report 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 that clause 2(e) of rule XXI shall not apply during consideration of the bill. The rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. In section 3, the rule provides that on any legislative day of the first session of the 115th Congress after December 21, 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 4, the rule provides that on any legislative day of the second session of the 115th Congress before January 8, 2018: the Speaker may dispense with organizational and legislative business; the Journal of the proceedings of the previous day shall be considered as approved if applicable; 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 5, the rule provides that the Speaker may appoint Members to perform the duties of the Chair for the duration of the period addressed by sections 3 and 4. In section 6, the rule provides that each day during the period addressed by sections 3 and 4 of the resolution shall not constitute calendar days for the purposes of section 7 of the War Powers Resolution (50 U.S.C. 1546). In section 7, the rule provides that each day during the period addressed by sections 3 and 4 of the resolution shall not constitute a legislative day for the purposes of clause 7 of rule XIII (resolutions of inquiry). Testimony was heard from Representatives Pelosi, Hoyer, Michelle Lujan Grisham of New Mexico, Polis, and Weber of Texas.

## Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

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### NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D1350)

S. 1266, to authorize the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to enter into contracts with nonprofit organizations to investigate medical centers of the Department of Veterans Affairs. Signed on December 20, 2017. (Public Law 115–95)

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### COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY, DECEMBER 22, 2017

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

#### Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

#### House

No hearings are scheduled.