

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 10 public bills, H.R. 4886–4895; and 4 resolutions, H. Res. 715–718 were introduced. **Pages H676–77**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages H677–78**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 2255, to clarify that nonprofit organizations may accept donated mortgage appraisals, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 115–528);

H.R. 4792, to amend the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 to expand access to capital for small businesses affected by hurricanes or other natural disasters, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 115–529);

H.R. 1426, to amend the Home Owners' Loan Act to allow Federal savings associations to elect to operate as national banks, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 115–530);

H.R. 4281, to amend the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 to expand access to capital for rural-area small businesses, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 115–531);

H.R. 219, to correct the Swan Lake hydroelectric project survey boundary and to provide for the conveyance of the remaining tract of land within the corrected survey boundary to the State of Alaska (H. Rept. 115–532);

H.R. 2711, to designate a National Memorial to Fallen Educators at the National Teachers Hall of Fame in Emporia, Kansas, with an amendment (H. Rept. 115–533);

H.R. 3058, to redesignate the Jefferson National Expansion Memorial in the State of Missouri as the "Gateway Arch National Park" (H. Rept. 115–534);

H.R. 443, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to study the suitability and feasibility of designating the James K. Polk Home in Columbia, Tennessee, as a unit of the National Park System, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 115–535);

H.R. 2630, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain land to La Paz County, Arizona, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 115–536); and

H. Res. 714, providing for consideration of the Senate amendments to the bill (H.R. 695) to amend the National Child Protection Act of 1993 to establish a national criminal history background check system and criminal history review program for certain individuals who, related to their employment, have access to children, the elderly, or individuals with disabilities, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 115–537). **Page H676**

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Johnson (LA) to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H631**

Recess: The House recessed at 12:05 p.m. and reconvened at 2 p.m. **Page H632**

Recess: The House recessed at 2:08 p.m. and reconvened at 5 p.m. **Page H633**

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

Protecting Young Victims from Sexual Abuse Act: S. 534, amended, to prevent the sexual abuse of minors and amateur athletes by requiring the prompt reporting of sexual abuse to law enforcement authorities, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeas-and-nays vote of 406 yeas to 3 nays, Roll No. 45; **Pages H633–43, H652–53**

Making Online Banking Initiation Legal and Easy Act: H.R. 1457, amended, to establish requirements for use of a driver's license or personal identification card by certain financial institutions for opening an account or obtaining a financial product or service, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeas-and-nays vote of 397 yeas to 8 nays, Roll No. 46; **Pages H644–45, H653–54**

Federal Savings Association Charter Flexibility Act: H.R. 1426, to amend the Home Owners' Loan Act to allow Federal savings associations to elect to operate as national banks; **Pages H645–47**

Housing Opportunities Made Easier Act: H.R. 2255, amended, to clarify that nonprofit organizations may accept donated mortgage appraisals; and **Pages H647–50**

Small Business Access to Capital After a Natural Disaster Act: H.R. 4792, to amend the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 to expand access to capital for small businesses affected by hurricanes or other natural disasters. **Pages H654–55**

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

Financial Institution Living Will Improvement Act: H.R. 4292, amended, to reform the living will process under the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act. **Pages H650–52**

Congressional Award Board—Appointment Withdrawal: The Chair announced the Speaker's withdrawal of the appointment of the following individual to the Congressional Award Board on January 25, 2018: Mr. Steve Hart of Washington, DC. **Page H657**

Senate Referral: S. 1873 was referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs. **Page H674**

Senate Messages: Message received from the Senate and message received from the Senate by the Clerk and subsequently presented to the House today appear on pages H633 and H661.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Two yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H652–53 and H653. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 12 noon and adjourned at 9:56 p.m.

Committee Meetings

SENATE AMENDMENTS TO THE CHILD PROTECTION IMPROVEMENTS ACT OF 2017

Committee on Rules: Full Committee held a hearing on Senate amendments to H.R. 695, the “Child Protection Improvements Act of 2017” [Department of Defense Appropriations Act, 2018]. The Committee granted, by record vote of 8–4, a rule providing for the consideration of the Senate amendments to H.R. 695. The rule makes in order a single motion offered by the chair of the Committee on Appropriations or his designee that the House concur in the Senate amendment to the title and concur in the Senate amendment to the text with an amendment consisting of the text of Rules Committee Print 115–56. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the motion and provides that it shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question. The rule provides that the Senate amendments 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. Testimony was heard from Representatives Granger, Visclosky, and Polis.

BUSINESS MEETING

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Full Committee held a business meeting to consider pending Committee business and other matters. A vote to call to the attention of the entire House, classified executive session material passed; amendments were considered and voted on; and a vote to publicly disclose the material contained in a classified executive session memo, as made available to the entire House of Representatives on January 18, 2018, passed. This meeting was closed.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY, JANUARY 30, 2018

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Armed Services: to hold hearings to examine the situation on the Korean Peninsula and United States strategy in the Indo-Pacific region, 10 a.m., SH–216.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: to hold hearings to examine the Financial Stability Oversight Council Annual Report to Congress, 10 a.m., SD–538.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: to hold hearings to examine opportunities to support domestic seafood through aquaculture, 10 a.m., SR–253.

Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the American Innovation and Competitiveness Act one year later, 2:30 p.m., SR–253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: business meeting to consider subcommittee assignments for the Second Session of the 115th Congress, and the nominations of Melissa F. Burnison, of Kentucky, to be an Assistant Secretary of Energy (Congressional and Intergovernmental Affairs), Susan Combs, of Texas, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Interior, Ryan Douglas Nelson, of Idaho, to be Solicitor of the Department of the Interior, and Anne Marie White, of Michigan, to be an Assistant Secretary of Energy (Environmental Management); to be immediately followed an oversight hearing to examine the role of the Geological Survey and the Forest Service in preparing for and responding to natural hazard events, as well as the current status of mapping and monitoring systems, 10 a.m., SD–366.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: to hold an oversight hearing to examine testimony from the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, 10 a.m., SD–406.

Committee on Foreign Relations: to hold hearings to examine the economic relationship between the United States, Canada, and Mexico, 2:30 p.m., SD–419.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: to hold hearings to examine reauthorizing the Higher Education Act, focusing on accountability and risk to taxpayers, 10 a.m., SD–430.

Subcommittee on Primary Health and Retirement Security, to hold hearings to examine small business health plans, 3:30 p.m., SD–430.

Select Committee on Intelligence: to receive a closed briefing on certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH–219.

House

Committee on Armed Services, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Readying the U.S. Military for Future Warfare”, 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Committee on the Budget, Full Committee, hearing entitled “CBO Oversight: Organizational and Operational Structure”, 10 a.m., 1334 Longworth.