

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S667–S792

Measures Introduced: Fifteen bills and five resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2387–2401, and S. Res. 395–399. **Pages S703–04**

Measures Reported:

S. 1621, to require the Federal Communications Commission to establish a methodology for the collection by the Commission of information about commercial mobile service and commercial mobile data service. (S. Rept. No. 115–206) **Page S703**

Measures Passed:

National Trafficking and Modern Slavery Prevention Month: Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 385, supporting the observation of “National Trafficking and Modern Slavery Prevention Month” during the period beginning on January 1, 2018, and ending on February 1, 2018, to raise awareness of, and opposition to, human trafficking and modern slavery, and the resolution was then agreed to. **Page S697**

National School Counseling Week: Senate agreed to S. Res. 397, designating the week of February 5 through 9, 2018, as “National School Counseling Week”. **Pages S697–98**

National Girls & Women in Sports Day: Senate agreed to S. Res. 398, supporting the observation of “National Girls & Women in Sports Day” on February 7, 2018, to raise awareness of and celebrate the achievements of girls and women in sports. **Pages S697–98**

Congratulating the Philadelphia Eagles: Senate agreed to S. Res. 399, congratulating the Philadelphia Eagles on their triumph in Super Bowl LII. **Pages S697–98**

House Messages:

Department of Defense Appropriations Act—Agreement: Senate continued consideration of the amendment of the House to the amendment of the Senate to H.R. 695, to amend the National Child Protection Act of 1993 to establish a voluntary 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, taking action of the following motions and amendments proposed thereto:

Pending:

McConnell motion to concur in the amendment of the House to the amendment of the Senate to the bill. **Pages S667–97, S698–99**

McConnell motion to refer the message of the House on the bill to the Committee on the Appropriations, with instructions, McConnell Amendment No. 1922, to change the enactment date. **Page S667**

McConnell Amendment No. 1923 (to (the instructions) Amendment No. 1922), of a perfecting nature. **Page S667**

McConnell Amendment No. 1924 (to Amendment No. 1923), of a perfecting nature. **Page S667**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the House Message to accompany the bill at approximately 10:30 a.m., on Thursday, February 8, 2018, with the time until the vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the motion to concur in the amendment of the House to the amendment of the Senate to the bill equally divided between the two Leaders, or their designees. **Page S792**

Honoring Hometown Heroes Act—Cloture: Senate began consideration of the amendment of the House to the amendment of the Senate to H.R. 1892, to amend title 4, United States Code, to provide for the flying of the flag at half-staff in the event of the death of a first responder in the line of duty, taking action of the following motions and amendments proposed thereto:

Pending:

McConnell motion to concur in the amendment of the House to the amendment of the Senate to the bill, with Amendment No. 1930, in the nature of a substitute. **Page S699**

McConnell Amendment No. 1931 (to Amendment No. 1930), to change the enactment date. **Page S700**

McConnell motion to refer the message of the House on the bill to the Committee on the Appropriations, with instructions, McConnell Amendment No. 1932, to change the enactment date. **Page S700**

McConnell Amendment No. 1933 (to (the instructions) Amendment No. 1932), of a perfecting nature. **Page S700**

McConnell Amendment No. 1934 (to Amendment No. 1933), of a perfecting nature. **Page S700**

A motion was entered to close further debate on the motion to concur in the amendment of the House to the amendment of the Senate to the bill, with Amendment No. 1930, in the nature of a substitute, and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on cloture will occur on Friday, February 9, 2018. **Page S699**

During consideration of this measure today, Senate also took the following action:

Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to consideration of the House Message to accompany the bill. **Page S699**

Appointments:

National Council on Disability: The Chair announced, on behalf of the Democratic Leader, pursuant to the provisions of Public Law 93–112, as amended by Public Law 112–166, and further amended by Public Law 113–128, the appointment of the following to serve as a member of the National Council on Disability: Andres J. Gallegos of Illinois vice Bob Brown. **Page S792**

Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

Barbara Stewart, of Illinois, to be Chief Executive Officer of the Corporation for National and Community Service.

Brett Giroir, of Texas, to be Medical Director in the Regular Corps of the Public Health Service, subject to the qualifications therefor as provided by law and regulations, and to be an Assistant Secretary of Health and Human Services. **Pages S697, S792**

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 11:30 a.m. and adjourned at 11:44 p.m., until 10:30 a.m. on Thursday, February 8, 2018. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S792.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

COUNTERING WEAPONS OF MASS DESTRUCTION

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Emerging Threats and Capabilities concluded a hearing to examine defending the homeland, focusing on Department of Defense's role in countering weapons of mass destruction, after receiving testimony from Kenneth P. Rapuano, Assistant Secretary for Homeland Defense and Global Security, and Lieutenant General Joseph L. Osterman, USMC, Deputy Commander, United States Special Operations Command, both of the Department of Defense.

ARMY MODERNIZATION

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Airland concluded a hearing to examine Army modernization, after receiving testimony from Lieutenant General Joseph Anderson, USA, Deputy Chief of Staff, G–3/5/7, Lieutenant General John M. Murray, USA, Deputy Chief of Staff, G–8, Lieutenant General Paul A. Ostrowski, USA, Principal Military Deputy to the Assistant Secretary of the Army (Acquisition, Logistics and Technology), and Director of the Army Acquisition Corps, and Major General Robert M. Dyess Jr., USA, Acting Director, Army Capabilities Integration Center, all of the Department of Defense.

PUBLIC LANDS LEGISLATION

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Public Lands, Forests, and Mining concluded a hearing to examine S. 414 and H.R. 1107, bills to promote conservation, improve public land management, and provide for sensible development in Pershing County, Nevada, S. 441, to designate the Organ Mountains and other public land as components of the National Wilderness Preservation System in the State of New Mexico, S. 507, to sustain economic development and recreational use of National Forest System land in the State of Montana, to add certain land to the National Wilderness Preservation System, to designate new areas for recreation, S. 612 and H.R. 1547, bills to provide for the unencumbering of title to non-Federal land owned by the city of Tucson, Arizona, for purposes of economic development by conveyance of the Federal reversionary interest to the City, S. 1046, to facilitate certain pinyon-juniper related projects in Lincoln