

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

See Résumé of Congressional Activity.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S1295–S1323

Measures Introduced: Thirteen bills and five resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2477–2489, and S. Res. 419–423. **Page S1316**

Measures Passed:

Rural Wireless Access Act: Senate passed 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. **Page S1320**

Department of Veterans Affairs memorial headstones and markers: Committee on Veterans' Affairs was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 3656, to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for a consistent eligibility date for provision of Department of Veterans Affairs memorial headstones and markers for eligible spouses and dependent children of veterans whose remains are unavailable, and the bill was then passed. **Pages S1320–21**

Tribal Cemeteries burial benefits: Committee on Veterans' Affairs was discharged from further consideration of S. 2248, to amend title 38, United States Code, to authorize the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to provide certain burial benefits for spouses and children of veterans who are buried in tribal cemeteries, and the bill was then passed. **Page S1321**

Veterans Cemetery Benefit Correction Act: Committee on Veterans' Affairs was discharged from further consideration of S. 2372, to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide outer burial receptacles for remains buried in National Parks, and the bill was then passed. **Page S1321**

National Eating Disorders Awareness Week: Senate agreed to S. Res. 419, designating the week of February 26 through March 4, 2018, as "National

Eating Disorders Awareness Week" and supporting the goals and ideals of raising awareness and understanding of eating disorders. **Page S1321**

World Wildlife Day: Senate agreed to S. Res. 420, designating March 3, 2018, as "World Wildlife Day". **Page S1321**

Condemning the horrific attack in Parkland, Florida: Senate agreed to S. Res. 421, condemning the horrific attack in Parkland, Florida, and expressing support and prayers for all those impacted by that tragedy. **Page S1321**

Read Across America Day: Senate agreed to S. Res. 422, designating March 2, 2018, as "Read Across America Day". **Page S1321**

Rare Disease Day: Senate agreed to S. Res. 423, designating February 28, 2018, as "Rare Disease Day". **Page S1321**

Measures Considered:

Economic Growth, Regulatory Relief, and Consumer Protection Act—Cloture: Senate began consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 2155, to promote economic growth, provide tailored regulatory relief, and enhance consumer protections. **Pages S1307–09**

A motion was entered to close further debate on the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill, and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on cloture will occur on Tuesday, March 6, 2018. **Page S1307**

Prior to the consideration of this measure, Senate took the following action:

Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to Legislative Session. **Page S1307**

Scholar Nomination—Agreement: By 96 yeas to 1 nay (Vote No. 43), Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the nomination of Karen Gren Scholer, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Texas. **Pages S1304–05**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that at approximately 3 p.m., on Monday, March 5, 2018, Senate resume consideration of the nomination, under the order of Wednesday, February 28, 2018. **Page S1321**

Self Nomination: Senate resumed consideration of the nomination of Tilman Eugene Self III, to be United States District Judge for the Middle District of Georgia. **Page S1305**

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

By 85 yeas to 12 nays (Vote No. 44), Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the nomination. **Page S1305**

Doughty Nomination: Senate resumed consideration of the nomination of Terry A. Doughty, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Louisiana. **Page S1307**

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

By 94 yeas to 2 nays (Vote No. 45), Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the nomination. **Page S1307**

Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

By 69 yeas to 28 nays (Vote No. EX. 42), A. Marvin Quattlebaum, Jr., of South Carolina, to be United States District Judge for the District of South Carolina. **Page S1304**

Gregory Doud, of Kansas, to be Chief Agricultural Negotiator, Office of the United States Trade Representative, with the rank of Ambassador.

Jason Kearns, of Colorado, to be a Member of the United States International Trade Commission for the term expiring December 16, 2024.

Dennis Shea, of Virginia, to be a Deputy United States Trade Representative (Geneva Office), with the rank of Ambassador.

C.J. Mahoney, of Kansas, to be a Deputy United States Trade Representative (Investment, Services, Labor, Environment, Africa, China, and the Western Hemisphere), with the rank of Ambassador. **Page S1322**

34 Air Force nominations in the rank of general.
2 Army nominations in the rank of general.
3 Marine Corps nominations in the rank of general.

2 Navy nominations in the rank of admiral.
Routine lists in the Air Force, Army, Marine Corps, and Navy. **Pages S1322–23**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Henry E. Hudson, of Virginia, to be a Member of the United States Sentencing Commission for a term expiring October 31, 2021.

William Graham Otis, of Virginia, to be a Member of the United States Sentencing Commission for a term expiring October 31, 2021.

William H. Pryor, Jr., of Alabama, to be a Member of the United States Sentencing Commission for a term expiring October 31, 2023.

William H. Pryor, Jr., of Alabama, to be Chair of the United States Sentencing Commission.

Luis Felipe Restrepo, of Pennsylvania, to be a Member of the United States Sentencing Commission for a term expiring October 31, 2019. **Pages S1321–22**

Nomination Discharged: The following nomination were discharged from further committee consideration and placed on the Executive Calendar:

Anne Marie White, of Michigan, to be an Assistant Secretary of Energy (Environmental Management), which was sent to the Senate on January 8, 2018, from the Senate Committee on Armed Services. **Page S1322**

Messages from the House: **Page S1313**

Measures Placed on the Calendar: **Pages S1295, S1313**

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Authorities for Committees to Meet: **Pages S1319–20**

Record Votes: Four record votes were taken today. (Total—45) **Pages S1304, S1305, S1307**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 4:58 p.m., until 3 p.m. on Monday, March 5, 2018. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S1321.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Armed Services: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Lieutenant General Paul M. Nakasone, USA, to be general and Director, National Security Agency/Chief, Central Security Service/Commander, United States Cyber Command, Department of Defense, and Brent K. Park, of Tennessee, to be Deputy Administrator for