

# Daily Digest

## HIGHLIGHTS

See Résumé of Congressional Activity.

## Senate

### Chamber Action

*Routine Proceedings, pages S2973–S2999*

**Measures Introduced:** Twelve bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2987–2998, and S. Res. 532–534. **Page S2991**

#### Measures Reported:

S. 2987, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2019 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year. (S. Rept. No. 115–262)

S. 754, to support meeting our Nation’s growing cybersecurity workforce needs by expanding the cybersecurity education pipeline, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 115–263)

S. 1520, to expand recreational fishing opportunities through enhanced marine fishery conservation and management, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 115–264)

Report to accompany S. 2283, to amend the Small Business Act to strengthen the Office of Credit Risk Management within the Small Business Administration. (S. Rept. No. 115–265) **Page S2991**

#### Measures Passed:

*Authorizing the Use of the Capitol Grounds:* Senate agreed to H. Con. Res. 113, authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds for the Greater Washington Soap Box Derby. **Page S2997**

*Hemp History Week:* Senate agreed to S. Res. 532, designating the week of June 4 through June 10, 2018, as “Hemp History Week”. **Page S2997**

*USS Manchester:* Senate agreed to S. Res. 533, commemorating the commissioning of the USS *Manchester*. **Pages S2997–98**

*National Travel and Tourism Week:* Senate agreed to S. Res. 534, supporting the goals and ideals of “National Travel and Tourism Week” and

honoring the valuable contributions of travel and tourism to the United States. **Page S2998**

*Small Business 7(a) Lending Oversight Reform Act:* Senate passed H.R. 4743, to amend the Small Business Act to strengthen the Office of Credit Risk Management within the Small Business Administration. **Page S2998**

*Small Business Investment Opportunity Act:* Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 2333, to amend the Small Business Investment Act of 1958 to increase the amount of leverage made available to small business investment companies, and the bill was then passed. **Page S2998**

**Message from the President:** Senate received the following message from the President of the United States:

Transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on the revision of the deferral of certain budget authority; pursuant to the order of January 30, 1975 as modified by the order of April 11, 1986, referred jointly to the Committees on Appropriations; Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs; the Budget; Commerce, Science, and Transportation; Energy and Natural Resources; Environment and Public Works; Finance; Foreign Relations; Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions; and the Judiciary. (PM–42) **Pages S2990–91**

**Axon Nomination—Agreement:** Senate resumed consideration of the nomination of Annemarie Carney Axon, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Alabama. **Pages S2982–88**

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

By 84 yeas to 11 nays (Vote No. 116), Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the nomination. **Pages S2981–82**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that notwithstanding the provisions of Rule XXII, Senate vote on confirmation of the nomination at 11 a.m., on Wednesday, June 6, 2018. **Page S2988**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the nomination, post-cloture, at approximately 10 a.m., on Wednesday, June 6, 2018. **Page S2998**

**Nominations Confirmed:** Senate confirmed the following nominations:

By a unanimous vote of 95 yeas (Vote No. EX. 113), Robert Earl Wier, of Kentucky, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Kentucky. **Pages S2974–78, S2999**

By a unanimous vote of 96 yeas (Vote No. EX. 115), Fernando Rodriguez, Jr., of Texas, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Texas. **Pages S2978–81, S2978, S2999**

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

By 94 yeas to 1 nay (Vote No. 114), Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the nomination. **Page S2978**

**Nomination Received:** Senate received the following nomination:

1 Marine Corps nomination in the rank of general. **Page S2999**

**Messages from the House:** **Page S2991**

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**Record Votes:** Four record votes were taken today. (Total—116) **Page S2978, S2981–82**

**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 6:28 p.m., until 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, June 6, 2018. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S2998.)

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

### APPROPRIATIONS: DOT AND HUD

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies approved for full committee consideration an original bill making appropriations for the Department of Transportation, Department of

Housing and Urban Development, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2019.

### APPROPRIATIONS: DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and Related Agencies concluded a hearing to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2019 for the Department of Education, after receiving testimony from Betsy DeVos, Secretary of Education.

### APPROPRIATIONS: MILCON/VA

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Military Construction and Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies approved for full committee consideration an original bill making appropriations for military construction, the Department of Veterans Affairs, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2019.

### APPROPRIATIONS: CFTC AND SEC

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Financial Services and General Government concluded a hearing to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2019 for the Commodity Futures Trading Commission and the Securities and Exchange Commission, after receiving testimony from J. Christopher Giancarlo, Chairman, Commodity Futures Trading Commission; and Jay Clayton, Chairman, Securities and Exchange Commission.

### DIGITAL COAST PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* Subcommittee on Oceans, Atmosphere, Fisheries, and Coast Guard concluded a hearing to examine a decade of the Digital Coast Partnership Program, focusing on successes and opportunities, after receiving testimony from Nicole LeBoeuf, Deputy Assistant Administrator, National Ocean Service, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Department of Commerce; David Millar, Fugro, Houston, Texas; Paul Barnes, Harrison County, Missouri, on behalf of the National Association of Counties; and Tyson Fettes, Racine County, Wisconsin.

### PREVENTING ABUSE IN OLYMPIC AND AMATEUR ATHLETICS

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* Subcommittee on Consumer Protection, Product Safety, Insurance, and Data Security concluded a hearing to examine preventing abuse in Olympic and amateur athletics, focusing on ensuring a safe and secure environment for our athletes, after receiving testimony from Lou Anna Simon, Michigan State University,