

Transportation Security Administration, Department of Homeland Security.

NATO ALLIANCE

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the value of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization alliance, after receiving testimony from Richard N. Haass, Council on Foreign Relations, New York, New York; R. Nicholas Burns, Harvard University John F. Kennedy School of Government Robert and Renee Belfer Center for Science and International Affairs, Cambridge, Massachusetts; and Stanley R. Sloan, Middlebury College, Middlebury, Vermont.

THE CHINA CHALLENGE

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on East Asia, the Pacific, and International Cybersecurity Policy concluded a hearing to examine the China challenge, focusing on security and military developments, after receiving testimony from Oriana Skylar Mastro, American Enterprise Institute, and Abraham M. Denmark, Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars, both of Washington, D.C.

IMPACT OF ZERO TARIFFS ON U.S. AUTOWORKERS

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the impact of zero tariffs on United States autoworkers, after receiving testimony from John Bozzella, Association of Global Automakers, Inc., on behalf of Here for America, Thea Mei Lee, Economic Policy

Institute, Stephen Moore, The Heritage Foundation, and Bryan Riley, National Taxpayers Union, all of Washington, D.C.

NOMINATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee held a hearing to examine the nomination of Brett M. Kavanaugh, of Maryland, to be an Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States. The nominee testified in his own behalf. Hearing recessed subject to the call and will meet again on Thursday, September 6, 2018.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Tamara Bonzanto, of New Jersey, to be an Assistant Secretary (Office of Accountability and Whistleblower Protection), and James Paul Gfrerer, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary (Information and Technology), both of the Department of Veterans Affairs, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

FOREIGN INFLUENCE OPERATIONS' USE OF SOCIAL MEDIA

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee concluded a hearing to examine foreign influence operations' use of social media platforms, after receiving testimony from Sheryl Sandberg, Facebook, Menlo Park, California; and Jack Dorsey, Twitter, Inc., San Francisco, California.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 11 public bills, H.R. 6702–6712 and 1 resolution, H. Res. 1050 were introduced. **Page H7870**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages H7870–71**

Report Filed: A report was filed today as follows:

H. Res. 1051, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 6691) to amend title 18, United States Code, to clarify the definition of “crime of violence”, and for other purposes, and providing for consideration of motions to suspend the rules (H. Rept. 115–920). **Page H7870**

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Weber (TX) to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H7827**

Recess: The House recessed at 10:45 a.m. and reconvened at 12 noon. **Page H7832**

Journal: The House agreed to the Speaker's approval of the Journal by voice vote. **Pages H7832–33, H7864**

Moment of Silence: The House observed a moment of silence in honor of those who have been killed or wounded in service to our country and all those who serve and their families. **Page H7833**

Recess: The House recessed at 12:49 p.m. and reconvened at 1:02 p.m. **Page H7838**

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

Improving Embassy Design and Security Act of 2018: H.R. 4969, amended, to improve the design and construction of diplomatic posts; **Pages H7840–43**

Cyber Deterrence and Response Act of 2018: H.R. 5576, amended, to address state-sponsored cyber activities against the United States; and

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Global Electoral Exchange Act: H.R. 5274, amended, to promote international exchanges on best election practices, cultivate more secure democratic institutions around the world.

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Recess: The House recessed at 3:44 p.m. and reconvened at 5:05 p.m.

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Oath of Office—Twelfth Congressional District of Ohio: Representative-elect Troy Balderson presented himself in the well of the House and was administered the Oath of Office by the Speaker. Earlier, the Clerk of the House transmitted a copy of a letter received from the Honorable Jon Husted, Ohio Secretary of State, indicating that, at the Special Election held on August 7, 2018, the Honorable Troy Balderson was elected Representative to Congress for the 12th Congressional District, State of Ohio.

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Whole Number of the House: The Speaker announced to the House that, in light of the administration of the oath to the gentleman from Ohio, Mr. Balderson, the whole number of the House is 430.

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Empowering Students Through Enhanced Financial Counseling Act: The House passed H.R. 1635, to amend the loan counseling requirements under the Higher Education Act of 1965, by a ye-and-nay vote of 406 yeas to 4 nays, Roll No. 385.

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Rejected the Lamb motion to recommit to the Committee on Education and the Workforce with instructions to report the same back to the House forthwith with an amendment, by a ye-and-nay vote of 187 yeas to 224 nays, Roll No. 384.

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Agreed to:

Stefanik amendment (No. 1 printed in part A of H. Rept. 115–919) that provides all students with an explanation of how to seek additional assistance from the financial aid office should they experience a change of financial circumstance; additionally, the amendment would specify that a borrower receives the loan amount they requested;

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Murphy (FL) amendment (No. 2 printed in part A of H. Rept. 115–919) that requires institutions of higher education, as part of the annual counseling process mandated by the bill, to inform a student borrower that the loan amounts the student uses during an academic term will count towards the student's aggregate loan amounts, regardless of whether the credits transfer;

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O'Halleran amendment (No. 3 printed in part A of H. Rept. 115–919) that requires counseling to disclose the anticipated monthly payment to borrowers for any income-driven repayment plan for which they are eligible, improving borrowers' awareness of income-driven repayment plan options;

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Lewis (MN) amendment (No. 4 printed in part A of H. Rept. 115–919) that clarifies all payment options for Parent PLUS loans and notifies Parent PLUS borrowers that their dependent may qualify for and should consider scholarships, grants, and federal work-study jobs prior to borrowing;

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Allen amendment (No. 5 printed in part A of H. Rept. 115–919) that provides that nothing prohibits institutions from providing additional financial counseling;

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Hartzler amendment (No. 6 printed in part A of H. Rept. 115–919) that encourages institutions of higher education to have students attend in-person loan counseling sessions; and

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Jayapal amendment (No. 7 printed in part A of H. Rept. 115–919) that adds requirement that student loan exit counseling includes a warning about illegitimate third-party debt relief companies, which offer services for a fee already provided to borrowers free of charge through loan servicers.

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H. Res. 1049, the rule providing for consideration of the bills (H.R. 1635) and (H.R. 4606) was agreed to a ye-and-nay vote of 224 yeas to 180 nays, Roll No. 383, after the previous question was ordered by a recorded vote of 221 yeas to 186 noes, Roll No. 382.

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Committee Elections: The House agreed to H. Res. 1050, electing a Member to certain standing committees of the House of Representatives.

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Senate Referrals: S. 186 was held at the desk. S. 994 was held at the desk. S. 2553 was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce and the Committee on Ways and Means. S. 3021 was referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

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Senate Message: Message received from the Senate by the Clerk and subsequently presented to the House today and appears on page H7833.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Three ye-and-nay votes and one recorded vote developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H7838–39, H7839, H7862, and H7863–64. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 6:34 p.m.

Committee Meetings

ON-THE-JOB: REBUILDING THE WORKFORCE THROUGH APPRENTICESHIP

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Subcommittee on Higher Education and Workforce Development held a hearing entitled “On-The-Job: Rebuilding the Workforce Through Apprenticeships”. Testimony was heard from B.J. Dernbach, Assistant Deputy Secretary, Department of Workforce Development, Wisconsin; and public witnesses.

OPPORTUNITIES TO IMPROVE HEALTH CARE

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Health held a hearing entitled “Opportunities to Improve Health Care”. Testimony was heard from Derek Schmidt, Attorney General, Kansas; and public witnesses.

TWITTER: TRANSPARENCY AND ACCOUNTABILITY

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Twitter: Transparency and Accountability”. Testimony was heard from a public witness.

THE FUTURE OF MONEY: COINS AND BANKNOTES

Committee on Financial Services: Subcommittee on Monetary Policy and Trade held a hearing entitled “The Future of Money: Coins and Banknotes”. Testimony was heard from Leonard R. Olijar, Director, Bureau of Engraving and Printing; and David J. Ryder, Director, United States Mint, Department of the Treasury.

THE COST OF REGULATION ON AFFORDABLE MULTIFAMILY DEVELOPMENT

Committee on Financial Services: Subcommittee on Housing and Insurance held a hearing entitled “The Cost of Regulation on Affordable Multifamily Development”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Natural Resources: Full Committee held a markup on H. Res. 418, urging the Secretary of the Interior to recognize the cultural significance of Rib Mountain by adding it to the National Register of Historic Places; H. Res. 460, requesting the Secretary of the Interior to recognize the rich history of the logging industry and the importance of lumberjack sports by adding the Lumberjack Bowl to the National Register of Historic Places; H.R. 5420, the “FDR Historic Preservation Act”; H.R. 5513, the

“Big Bear Land Exchange Act”; H.R. 6013, the “Migratory Bird Framework and Hunting Opportunities for Veterans Act”; H.R. 6287, the “9/11 Memorial Act”; H.R. 6299, the “Nevada Lands Bill Technical Corrections Act of 2018”; H.R. 6599, to modify the application of temporary limited appointment regulations to the National Park Service, and for other purposes; H.R. 6665, the “Offshore Wind for Territories Act”; H.R. 6678, the “Claude Moore Farm Land Conveyance Act”; H.R. 6687, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to manage the Point Reyes National Seashore in the State of California consistent with Congress’ longstanding intent to maintain working dairies and ranches on agricultural property as part of the seashore’s unique historic, cultural, scenic and natural values, and for other purposes; and S. 2857, the “National Nordic Museum Act”. H. Res. 418, H. Res. 460, H.R. 6287, H.R. 6599, H.R. 6665, H.R. 6678, and S. 2857 were ordered reported, without amendment. H.R. 5420, H.R. 5513, H.R. 6013, H.R. 6299, and H.R. 6687 were ordered reported, as amended.

LEGISLATIVE MEASURES

Committee on Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Water, Power, and Oceans held a hearing on H.R. 6583, the “Big Sand Wash Project Title Transfer Act”; and H.R. 6652, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain facilities, easements, and rights-of-way to the Kennewick Irrigation District, and for other purposes. Testimony was heard from Austin Ewell, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Water and Science, Department of the Interior; and public witnesses.

COMMUNITY SAFETY AND SECURITY ACT OF 2018

Committee on Rules: Full Committee held a hearing on H.R. 6691, the “Community Safety and Security Act of 2018”. The Committee granted, by record vote of 5–4, a rule providing for the consideration of H.R. 669 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 the Judiciary. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule provides that the bill shall be considered as read. The rule provides one motion to recommit. In section 2, the rule provides that it shall be in order at any time on the legislative day of September 13, 2018, for the Speaker to entertain motions that the House suspend the rules and that the Speaker or his designee shall consult with the Minority Leader or her designee on the designation of any matter for consideration pursuant to this section. Testimony was heard from Chairman Goodlatte and Representative Jackson Lee.