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Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 5:10 p.m., until 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday, September 26, 2018. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S6311.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Armed Services: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of General Robert B. Abrams, USA, to be General, and to be Commander, United Nations Command/Combined Forces Command/United States Forces Korea, and Vice Admiral Craig S. Faller, USN, to be Admiral, and to be Commander, United States Southern Command, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Armed Services: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Alan Ray Shaffer, of Virginia, to be Deputy Under Secretary for Acquisition and Sustainment, Veronica Daigle, of Virginia, and Robert H. McMahon, of Georgia, both to be an Assistant Secretary, Casey Wardynski, of Alabama, and Alex A. Beehler, of Maryland, both to be an Assistant Secretary of the Army, and 2,781 nominations in the Army, Navy, Air Force, and Marine Corps, all of the Department of Defense.

QUANTUM INFORMATION SCIENCE

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the Department of Energy's efforts in the field of quantum information science, after receiving testimony from Paul M. Dabbar, Under Secretary for Science, Supratik Guha, Director, Center for Nanoscale Materials and Senior

Science Advisor, Argonne National Laboratory, and Irfan Siddiqi, Faculty Scientist, Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory, all of the Department of Energy; and Todd Holmdahl, Microsoft Corporation, Redmond, Washington.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Bonnie Glick, of Maryland, to be Deputy Administrator, and Michael T. Harvey, of Texas, and Mark Montgomery, of Virginia, both to be an Assistant Administrator, all of the United States Agency for International Development, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

EVERY STUDENT SUCCEEDS ACT

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the Every Student Succeeds Act, focusing on states leading the way, after receiving testimony from Matthew L. Blomstedt, Nebraska Commissioner of Education, Lincoln; Susan S. Bunting, Delaware Secretary of Education, Dover; Molly Spearman, South Carolina Superintendent of Education, Columbia; and Shavar Jeffries, Education Reform Now, Newark, New Jersey.

HEALTH CARE IN RURAL AMERICA

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: Subcommittee on Primary Health and Retirement Security concluded a hearing to examine health care in rural America, focusing on experiences and costs, after receiving testimony from Tom Glause, Wyoming Insurance Commissioner, Cheyenne; Morgan Reed, Connected Health Initiative, Washington, D.C.; Alan M. Levine, Ballad Health, Johnson City, Tennessee; and Deborah Richter, Vermont Healthcare for All, Cambridge.

INTELLIGENCE

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee met in closed session to receive a briefing on certain intelligence matters from officials of the intelligence community.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 28 public bills, H.R. 6867–6894; 1 private bill, H.R.

6895; and 6 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 137; and H. Res. 1076, 1078–1081 were introduced.

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Additional Cosponsors:**Pages H8886–87****Reports Filed:** Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 6620, to require the Department of Homeland Security to prepare a threat assessment relating to unmanned aircraft systems, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 115–960, Part 1);

H.R. 6735, to direct the Secretary of Homeland Security to establish a vulnerability disclosure policy for Department of Homeland Security internet websites, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 115–961);

H.R. 6740, to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to establish Border Tunnel Task Forces, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 115–962);

H.R. 6742, to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to ensure that appropriate officers and agents of U.S. Customs and Border Protection are equipped with secure radios or other two-way communication devices, supported by system interoperability, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 115–963, Part 1);

S. 1281, to establish a bug bounty pilot program within the Department of Homeland Security, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 115–964);

H.R. 6511, to authorize the Secretary of Energy to carry out a program to lease underutilized Strategic Petroleum Reserve facilities, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 115–965);

H.R. 6758, to direct the Under Secretary of Commerce for Intellectual Property and Director of the United States Patent and Trademark Office, in consultation with the Administrator of the Small Business Administration, to study and provide recommendations to promote the participation of women and minorities in entrepreneurship activities and the patent system, to extend by 8 years the Patent and Trademark Office's authority to set the amounts for the fees it charges, and for other purposes, with amendments (H. Rept. 115–966);

H.R. 6599, to modify the application of temporary limited appointment regulations to the National Park Service, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 115–967);

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' long-standing 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, with amendments (H. Rept. 115–968);

H.R. 6013, to amend the Migratory Bird Treaty Act to establish January 31 of each year as the Federal closing date for duck hunting season and to es-

tablish special duck hunting days for youths, veterans, and active military personnel, and for other purposes, with amendments (H. Rept. 115–969);

H.R. 5420, to authorize the acquisition of land for addition to the Home of Franklin D. Roosevelt National Historic Site in the State of New York, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 115–970);

H.R. 6299, to modify the process of the Secretary of the Interior for examining certain mining claims on Federal lands in Storey County, Nevada, to facilitate certain pinyon-juniper-related projects in Lincoln County, Nevada, to modify the boundaries of certain wilderness areas in the State of Nevada, to fully implement the White Pine County Conservation, Recreation, and Development Act, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 115–971, Part 1);

H.R. 4809, to increase access to agency guidance documents, with an amendment (H. Rept. 115–972);

H.R. 5896, to amend title 5, United States Code, to modify the authority for pay and work schedules of border patrol agents, and for other purposes, with amendments (H. Rept. 115–973);

H.R. 6398, to authorize the Department of Energy to conduct collaborative research with the Department of Veterans Affairs in order to improve healthcare services for veterans in the United States, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 115–974, Part 1);

H.R. 5509, to direct the National Science Foundation to provide grants for research about STEM education approaches and the STEM-related workforce, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 115–975);

H. Res. 1077, providing for consideration of the conference report to accompany the bill (H.R. 6157) making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2019, and for other purposes; providing for consideration of the resolution (H. Res. 1071) recognizing that allowing illegal immigrants the right to vote devalues the franchise and diminishes the voting power of United States citizens; and providing for consideration of motions to suspend the rules (H. Rept. 115–976);

H.R. 6229, to authorize the programs of the National Institute of Standards and Technology, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 115–977); and

H. Res. 1017, requesting the President, and directing the Secretary of State, to transmit to the House of Representatives copies of all documents, records, communications, transcripts, summaries,

notes, memoranda, and read-aheads in their possession referring or relating to certain communications between President Donald Trump and President Vladimir Putin; adversely (H. Rept. 115–978).

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Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Denham to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

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Recess: The House recessed at 12:04 p.m. and reconvened at 2 p.m.

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Cyberspace Solarium Commission—Appointment: Read a letter from Representative Pelosi, Minority Leader, in which she appointed the following Member to serve as a commissioner to the Cyberspace Solarium Commission: The Honorable James Langevin of Rhode Island. And from private life: The Honorable Patrick Murphy of Bristol, Pennsylvania.

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

Directing the Secretary of Homeland Security to establish a vulnerability disclosure policy for Department of Homeland Security internet websites: H.R. 6735, amended, to direct the Secretary of Homeland Security to establish a vulnerability disclosure policy for Department of Homeland Security internet websites;

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Border Tunnel Task Force Act: H.R. 6740, amended, to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to establish Border Tunnel Task Forces;

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Protecting Critical Infrastructure Against Drones and Emerging Threats Act: H.R. 6620, to require the Department of Homeland Security to prepare a threat assessment relating to unmanned aircraft systems;

Pages H8750–52

Secure Border Communications Act: H.R. 6742, to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to ensure that appropriate officers and agents of U.S. Customs and Border Protection are equipped with secure radios or other two-way communication devices, supported by system interoperability;

Pages H8752–53

Department of Veterans Affairs Expiring Authorities Act of 2018: S. 3479, to amend title 38, United States Code, to extend certain expiring provisions of law administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs;

Pages H8754–59

Pandemic and All-Hazards Preparedness and Advancing Innovation Act of 2018: H.R. 6378, amended, to reauthorize certain programs under the Public Health Service Act and the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act with respect to public

health security and all-hazards preparedness and response;

Pages H8759–89

Agreed to amend the title so as to read: “To reauthorize certain programs under the Pandemic and All-Hazards Preparedness Reauthorization Act.”.

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Nuclear Utilization of Keynote Energy Act: H.R. 1320, amended, to amend the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1990 related to Nuclear Regulatory Commission user fees and annual charges;

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Strategic Petroleum Reserve Reform Act: H.R. 6511, amended, to authorize the Secretary of Energy to carry out a program to lease underutilized Strategic Petroleum Reserve facilities;

Pages H8792–94

Reauthorizing the West Valley demonstration project: H.R. 2389, amended, to reauthorize the West Valley demonstration project;

Pages H8794–95

Patient Right to Know Drug Prices Act: S. 2554, to ensure that health insurance issuers and group health plans do not prohibit pharmacy providers from providing certain information to enrollees;

Pages H8795–99

Know the Lowest Price Act of 2018: S. 2553, to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to prohibit health plans and pharmacy benefit managers from restricting pharmacies from informing individuals regarding the prices for certain drugs and biologicals;

Pages H8799–H8801

Responsible Disposal Reauthorization Act of 2018: H.R. 2278, amended, to extend the authorization of the Uranium Mill Tailing Radiation Control Act of 1978 relating to the disposal site in Mesa County, Colorado;

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Agreed to amend the title so as to read: “To extend the authorization of the Uranium Mill Tailings Radiation Control Act of 1978 relating to the disposal site in Mesa County, Colorado.”.

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Small Business Access to Capital and Efficiency Act: H.R. 6348, to adjust the real estate appraisal thresholds under the section 504 program to bring them into line with the thresholds used by the Federal banking regulators;

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7(a) Real Estate Appraisal Harmonization Act: H.R. 6347, to adjust the real estate appraisal thresholds under the 7(a) program to bring them into line with the thresholds used by the Federal banking regulators;

Pages H8803–04

Small Business Advocacy Improvements Act of 2018: H.R. 6316, to clarify the primary functions and duties of the Office of Advocacy of the Small Business Administration;

Pages H8804–05

Small Business Runway Extension Act of 2018: H.R. 6330, to amend the Small Business Act to modify the method for prescribing size standards for business concerns; **Pages H8805–06**

Incentivizing Fairness in Subcontracting Act: H.R. 6367, amended, to amend the Small Business Act to specify what credit is given for certain subcontractors and to provide a dispute process for non-payment to subcontractors; **Pages H8806–08**

Encouraging Small Business Innovators: H.R. 6368, to encourage R&D small business set-asides, to encourage SBIR and STTR participants to serve as mentors under the Small Business Administration's mentor-protege program, to promote the use of interagency contracts, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yealand-nay vote of 389 yeas to 6 nays, Roll No. 400; **Pages H8808–10, H8820–21**

Expanding Contracting Opportunities for Small Businesses Act of 2018: H.R. 6369, amended, to amend the Small Business Act to eliminate the inclusion of option years in the award price for sole source contracts, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yealand-nay vote of 392 yeas to 5 nays, Roll No. 401; **Pages H8810–12, H8821**

Expanding Contracting Opportunities for Small Businesses Act of 2018: H.R. 6382, amended, to amend the Small Business Act to require the Administrator of the Small Business Administration to report certain information to the Congress and to the President; **Pages H8812–13**

Small Business Innovation Protection Act: S. 791, to amend the Small Business Act to expand intellectual property education and training for small businesses; **Pages H8813–15**

Study of Underrepresented Classes Chasing Engineering and Science Success Act of 2018: H.R. 6758, amended, to direct the Under Secretary of Commerce for Intellectual Property and Director of the United States Patent and Trademark Office, in consultation with the Administrator of the Small Business Administration, to study and provide recommendations to promote the participation of women and minorities in entrepreneurship activities and the patent system, to extend by 8 years the Patent and Trademark Office's authority to set the amounts for the fees it charges; **Pages H8815–17**

Agreed to amend the title so as to read: "To direct the Under Secretary of Commerce for Intellectual Property and Director of the United States Patent and Trademark Office, in consultation with the Administrator of the Small Business Administration, to study and provide recommendations to promote the participation of women, minorities, and veterans in entrepreneurship activities and the patent system, to extend by 8 years the Patent and Trademark Of-

fice's authority to set the amounts for the fees it charges, and for other purposes." **Page H8817**

Ashanti Alert Act of 2018: H.R. 5075, amended, to encourage, enhance, and integrate Ashanti Alert plans throughout the United States; **Pages H8817–20**

Adam Walsh Reauthorization Act of 2018: H.R. 6847, amended, to amend title 18, United States Code, to expand and strengthen Federal sex offenses, to reauthorize certain programs established by the Adam Walsh Child Protection and Safety Act of 2006; **Pages H8839–44**

Expressing the sense of Congress that child safety is the first priority of custody and visitation adjudications, and that State courts should improve adjudications of custody where family violence is alleged: H. Con. Res. 72, amended, expressing the sense of Congress that child safety is the first priority of custody and visitation adjudications, and that State courts should improve adjudications of custody where family violence is alleged; **Pages H8844–47**

Kerrie Orozco First Responders Family Support Act: H.R. 6580, amended, to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to provide for expedited naturalization processes for the alien spouses of first responders who die as a result of their employment; **Pages H8847–49**

Agreed to amend the title so as to read: "To amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to provide for naturalization processes for the immediate relatives of first responders who die as a result of their employment, and for other purposes." **Page H8849**

Reciprocal Access to Tibet Act: H.R. 1872, amended, to promote access for United States officials, journalists, and other citizens to Tibetan areas of the People's Republic of China; **Pages H8849–53**

Agreed to amend the title so as to read: "To promote access for United States diplomats and other officials, journalists, and other citizens to Tibetan areas of the People's Republic of China, and for other purposes." **Page H8853**

Migratory Bird Framework and Hunting Opportunities for Veterans Act: H.R. 6013, amended, to amend the Migratory Bird Treaty Act to establish January 31 of each year as the Federal closing date for duck hunting season and to establish special duck hunting days for youths, veterans, and active military personnel; **Pages H8853–54**

Agreed to amend the title so as to read: "To amend the Migratory Bird Treaty Act to establish January 31 of each year as the Federal framework

closing date for the duck hunting season and to establish special duck hunting days for youths, veterans, and active military personnel, and for other purposes.”. **Page H8854**

Nevada Lands Bill Technical Corrections Act of 2018: H.R. 6299, amended, to modify the process of the Secretary of the Interior for examining certain mining claims on Federal lands in Storey County, Nevada, to facilitate certain pinyon-juniper-related projects in Lincoln County, Nevada, to modify the boundaries of certain wilderness areas in the State of Nevada, to fully implement the White Pine County Conservation, Recreation, and Development Act;

Pages H8854–56

Directing the Secretary of the Interior to manage the Point Reyes National Seashore in the State of California consistent with Congress’ long-standing intent to maintain working dairies and ranches on agricultural property as part of the seashore’s unique historic, cultural, scenic and natural values: H.R. 6687, amended, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to manage the Point Reyes National Seashore in the State of California consistent with Congress’ long-standing intent to maintain working dairies and ranches on agricultural property as part of the seashore’s unique historic, cultural, scenic and natural values;

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Agreed to amend the title so as to read: “To direct the Secretary of the Interior to manage the Point Reyes National Seashore in the State of California consistently with Congress’ long-standing intent to continue to authorize working dairies and ranches on agricultural property as part of the seashore’s unique historic, cultural, scenic and natural values, and for other purposes.”. **Page H8858**

Modifying the application of temporary limited appointment regulations to the National Park Service: H.R. 6599, amended, to modify the application of temporary limited appointment regulations to the National Park Service;

Pages H8859–60

Extending the authorization for the Cape Cod National Seashore Advisory Commission: H.R. 5585, to extend the authorization for the Cape Cod National Seashore Advisory Commission.

Pages H8860–61

Innovations in Mentoring, Training, and Apprenticeships Act: H.R. 5509, amended, to direct the National Science Foundation to provide grants for research about STEM education approaches and the STEM-related workforce;

Pages H8862–65

National Institute of Standards and Technology Reauthorization Act of 2018: H.R. 6229, amended, to authorize the programs of the National Institute of Standards and Technology;

Pages H8865–68

Department of Energy Veterans’ Health Initiative Act: H.R. 6398, amended, to authorize the Department of Energy to conduct collaborative research with the Department of Veterans Affairs in order to improve healthcare services for veterans in the United States;

Pages H8868–72

Hizballah International Financing Prevention Amendments Act: S. 1595, amended, to amend the Hizballah International Financing Prevention Act of 2015 to impose additional sanctions with respect to Hizballah; and

Pages H8872–78

Hack Your State Department Act: H.R. 5433, amended, to require the Secretary of State to design and establish a Vulnerability Disclosure Program (VDP) to improve Department of State cybersecurity and a bug bounty program to identify and report vulnerabilities of internet-facing information technology of the Department of State.

Pages H8878–80

Designating the Mental Health Residential Rehabilitation Treatment Facility Expansion of the Department of Veterans Affairs Alvin C. York Medical Center in Murfreesboro, Tennessee, as the “Sergeant John Toombs Residential Rehabilitation Treatment Facility”: The House agreed to discharge from committee and pass H.R. 2634, to designate the Mental Health Residential Rehabilitation Treatment Facility Expansion of the Department of Veterans Affairs Alvin C. York Medical Center in Murfreesboro, Tennessee, as the “Sergeant John Toombs Residential Rehabilitation Treatment Facility”.

Pages H8753–54

Orrin G. Hatch Music Modernization Act: The House agreed to take from the Speaker’s table and concur in the Senate amendment to H.R. 1551, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to modify the credit for production from advanced nuclear power facilities.

Pages H8822–38

Directing the Clerk of the House of Representatives to make corrections in the enrollment of H.R. 1551: The House agreed to take from the Speaker’s table and agree to S. Con. Res. 48, directing the Clerk of the House of Representatives to make corrections in the enrollment of H.R. 1551.

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Marrakesh Treaty Implementation Act: The House agreed to discharge from committee and pass S. 2559, to amend title 17, United States Code, to implement the Marrakesh Treaty.

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Fort Ontario Study Act: The House agreed to take from the Speaker’s table and concur in the Senate amendment to H.R. 46, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a special resource study of Fort Ontario in the State of New York.

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Urging the Secretary of the Interior to recognize the cultural significance of Rib Mountain by adding it to the National Register of Historic Places: The House agreed to discharge from committee and agree to 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, as amended by Representative McClintock.

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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: The House agreed to discharge from committee and agree to 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, as amended by Representative McClintock.

Pages H8861–62

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

FDR Historic Preservation Act: H.R. 5420, amended, to authorize the acquisition of land for addition to the Home of Franklin D. Roosevelt National Historic Site in the State of New York.

Pages H8858–59

Senate Referral: S. Con. Res. 48 was held at the desk.

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Senate Message: Message received from the Senate and message received from the Senate by the Clerk and subsequently presented to the House today and appears on pages H8746 and H8810.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Two yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H8820–21 and H8821. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 12 noon and adjourned at 10:53 p.m.

Committee Meetings

HUD OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL REPORT: HUD'S OVERSIGHT OF THE ALEXANDER COUNTY (IL) HOUSING AUTHORITY

Committee on Financial Services: Subcommittee on Housing and Insurance held a hearing entitled “HUD Office of Inspector General Report: HUD's Oversight of the Alexander County (IL) Housing Authority”. Testimony was heard from Representative Bost; Senator Duckworth; and Jeremy Kirkland,

Acting Deputy Inspector General, Office of Inspector General, Department of Housing and Urban Development.

CONFERENCE REPORT TO ACCOMPANY DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2019; RECOGNIZING THAT ALLOWING ILLEGAL IMMIGRANTS THE RIGHT TO VOTE DEVALUES THE FRANCHISE AND DIMINISHES THE VOTING POWER OF UNITED STATES CITIZENS

Committee on Rules: Full Committee held a hearing on the Conference Report to accompany H.R. 6157, the “Department of Defense Appropriations Act, 2019” [Department of Defense and Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education Appropriations Act, 2019 and Continuing Appropriations Act, 2019]; and H. Res. 1071, recognizing that allowing illegal immigrants the right to vote devalues the franchise and diminishes the voting power of United States citizens. The Committee granted, by a record vote of 5–3, a rule providing for consideration of the Conference Report to accompany H.R. 6157. The rule waives all points of order against the conference report and against its consideration. The rule provides that the conference report shall be considered as read. The rule provides that the previous question shall be considered as ordered without intervention of any motion except one hour of debate and one motion to recommit if applicable. Debate on the conference report is divided pursuant to clause 8(d) of rule XXII. In section 2, the rule provides for the consideration of H. Res. 1071 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 resolution. The rule provides that the resolution shall be considered as read and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question. Finally, in section 3, the rule provides that it shall be in order at any time on the legislative day of September 27, 2018, or September 28, 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 Representatives Nadler, Granger, Cole, Harris, Visclosky, DeLauro, and Jordan.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.