

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

### WITHDRAWAL OF U.S. FORCES FROM SYRIA

*Committee on Armed Services:* Committee received a closed briefing on President Trump's recent decision

to withdraw United States forces from Syria from John C. Rood, Under Secretary for Policy, and Lieutenant General Richard D. Clarke, USA, Director for Strategy, Plans, and Policy, J5, and Major General Michael S. Groen, USMC, Director of Intelligence, J2, both of the Joint Staff, all of the Department of Defense.

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# House of Representatives

## Chamber Action

**Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced:** 64 public bills, H.R. 424–487, and 3 resolutions; H.J. Res. 25, and H. Res. 35 and 36; were introduced.

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**Additional Cosponsors:** Page H465

**Reports Filed:** There were no reports filed today.

**Speaker:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein she appointed Representative Swalwell (CA) to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. Page H363

**Recess:** The House recessed at 11:18 a.m. and reconvened at 12 noon. Page H371

**Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2019:** The House passed H.R. 267, making appropriations for the Department of Transportation, and Housing and Urban Development, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2019, by a yeas-and-nays vote of 244 yeas to 180 nays, Roll No. 23. Page H438

Rejected the Diaz-Balart motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Appropriations with instructions to report the same back to the House forthwith with an amendment, by a yeas-and-nays vote of 193 yeas to 228 nays, Roll No. 22. Pages H437–38

H. Res. 28, the rule providing for consideration of the bills (H.R. 264), (H.R. 265), (H.R. 266), and (H.R. 267) was agreed to yesterday, January 9th.

**Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2019:** The House passed H.R. 265, making appropriations for Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2019, by a yeas-and-nays vote of 243 yeas to 183 nays, Roll No. 25. Pages H439–40

Rejected the Aderholt motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Appropriations with in-

structions to report the same back to the House forthwith with amendments, by a yeas-and-nays vote of 197 yeas to 229 nays, Roll No. 24. Page H439

H. Res. 28, the rule providing for consideration of the bills (H.R. 264), (H.R. 265), (H.R. 266), and (H.R. 267) was agreed to yesterday, January 9th.

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

**Protecting Diplomats from Surveillance Through Consumer Devices Act:** H.R. 115, to require the Department of State to establish a policy regarding the use of location-tracking consumer devices by employees at diplomatic and consular facilities; Pages H429–30

**United States-Mexico Economic Partnership Act:** H.R. 133, to promote economic partnership and cooperation between the United States and Mexico; and Pages H430–32

**Trans-Sahara Counterterrorism Partnership Act:** H.R. 192, to establish an interagency program to assist countries in North and West Africa to improve immediate and long-term capabilities to counter terrorist threats. Pages H432–34

**Joint Economic Committee—Appointment:** The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of the following Member on the part of the House to the Joint Economic Committee: Representative Carolyn B. Maloney (NY). Page H440

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

**Special Envoy to Monitor and Combat Anti-Semitism Act:** H.R. 221, to amend the State Department Basic Authorities Act of 1956 to monitor and combat anti-Semitism globally. Pages H434–37

**Senate Referral:** S. 24 was held at the desk.

**Senate Message:** Message received from the Senate today appears on page H454.