

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

See Résumé of Congressional Activity.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S817–S840

Measures Introduced: Thirteen bills were introduced, as follows: S. 316–328. **Pages S831–32**

Measures Passed:

Providing for the State of the Union: Senate agreed to H. Con. Res. 9, providing for a joint session of Congress to receive a message from the President. **Page S839**

Measures Considered:

Strengthening America’s Security in the Middle East Act—Agreement: Senate resumed consideration of S. 1, to make improvements to certain defense and security assistance provisions and to authorize the appropriation of funds to Israel, to reauthorize the United States-Jordan Defense Cooperation Act of 2015, and to halt the wholesale slaughter of the Syrian people, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto: **Pages S819–30**

Adopted:

Menendez Amendment No. 96 (to McConnell Amendment No. 65), to clarify that the amendment shall not be construed as a declaration of war or an authorization of the use of military force. **Pages S820–29**

By 70 yeas to 26 nays (Vote No. 14), McConnell Amendment No. 65, to express the sense of the Senate that the United States faces continuing threats from terrorist groups operating in Syria and Afghanistan and that the precipitous withdrawal of United States forces from either country could put at risk hard-won gains and United States national security. **Pages S820–29**

Pending:

Risch Amendment No. 97, to clarify the deadline for the reporting requirement relating to the establishment of a Jordan Enterprise Fund. **Page S830**

Menendez (for Risch) Amendment No. 98 (to Amendment No. 97), to provide for a classified

annex to be submitted with the report on the cooperation of the United States and Israel with respect to countering unmanned aerial systems. **Page S830**

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

By 72 yeas to 24 nays (Vote No. 15), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, having voted in the affirmative, Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the bill. **Pages S829–30**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that notwithstanding the provisions of Rule XXII, all post-cloture time on the bill be considered expired at 3:30 p.m., on Tuesday, February 5, 2019. **Page S839**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill, post-cloture, at approximately 10 a.m., on Tuesday, February 5, 2019; and that all time during recess, adjournment, morning business, and Leader remarks count post-cloture on the bill. **Page S839**

Measures Placed on the Calendar: **Page S830**

Executive Communications: **Pages S830–31**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages S832–33**

Statements on Introduced Bills/Resolutions: **Pages S833–35**

Amendments Submitted: **Pages S835–36**

Privileges of the Floor: **Pages S836–37**

Record Votes: Two record votes were taken today. (Total—15) **Pages S829–30**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 3 p.m. and adjourned at 7:37 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Tuesday, February 5, 2019. (For Senate’s program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today’s Record on page S839.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 16 public bills, H.R. 946–951; and 7 resolutions, H.J. Res. 41; H. Con. Res. 12–13; and H. Res. 95–98, were introduced. **Pages H1348–49**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages H1350–512**

Reports Filed: There were no reports filed today.

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein she appointed Representative Raskin to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H1345**

Senate Message: Message received from the Senate by the Clerk and subsequently presented to the House today appears on page H1345.

Quorum Calls—Votes: There were no yea-and-nay votes, and there were no recorded votes. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 11:30 a.m. and adjourned at 11:33 a.m.

Committee Meetings

No hearings were held.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2019

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Military Construction and Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine an implementation update on the Department of Veterans Affairs' electronic health record modernization, 10:30 a.m., SD–124.

Committee on Armed Services: to hold hearings to examine the United States Central Command in review of the Defense Authorization Request for fiscal year 2020 and the Future Years Defense Program, 9:30 a.m., SH–216.

Full Committee, to receive a closed briefing on the United States Central Command in review of the Defense Authorization Request for fiscal year 2020 and the Future Years Defense Program, 2:15 p.m., SVC–217.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: organizational business meeting to consider committee rules, subcommittee assignments, and an original resolution authorizing expenditures by the committee for the 116th Congress, 9:45 a.m., SD–366.

Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the outlook for energy and minerals markets in the 116th Congress, 10 a.m., SD–366.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: business meeting to consider committee rules, an original resolution authorizing expenditures by the committee for the 116th Congress, S. 268, to reauthorize the Partners for Fish and Wildlife Program and certain wildlife conservation funds, to establish prize competitions relating to the prevention of wildlife poaching and trafficking, wildlife conservation, the management of invasive species, and the protection of endangered species, to amend the Marine Turtle Conservation Act of 2004 to modify the protections provided by that Act, S. 163, to prevent catastrophic failure or shutdown of remote diesel power engines due to emission control devices, S. 94, to amend the Pittman-Robertson Wildlife Restoration Act to facilitate the establishment of additional or expanded public target ranges in certain States, S. 310, to amend the Neotropical Migratory Bird Conservation Act to reauthorize the Act, the nominations of Andrew Wheeler, of Virginia, to be Administrator, and Peter C. Wright, of Michigan, to be Assistant Administrator, Office of Solid Waste, both of the Environmental Protection Agency, Nicole R. Nason, of New York, to be Administrator of the Federal Highway Administration, Department of Transportation, John Fleming, of Louisiana, to be Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Economic Development, John L. Ryder, of Tennessee, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Tennessee Valley Authority, and 6 General Services Administration resolutions, 10 a.m., SD–406.

Committee on Finance: organizational business meeting to consider committee rules, subcommittee assignments, designation of members to serve on the Joint Committee on Taxation, designation of members to serve as Congressional Trade Advisors on Trade Policy and Negotiations, an original resolution authorizing expenditures by the