

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 41 public bills, H.R. 2528–2568 and 4 resolutions, H. Res. 355–356 and 358–359 were introduced.

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Additional Cosponsors:

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Report Filed: A report was filed today as follows:

H. Res. 357, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 986) to provide that certain guidance related to waivers for State innovation under the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act shall have no force or effect, and providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 2157) making supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2019, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 116–51).

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

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Recess: The House recessed at 12:26 p.m. and reconvened at 2 p.m.

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Journal: The House agreed to the Speaker's approval of the Journal by voice vote.

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Recess: The House recessed at 2:09 p.m. and reconvened at 4 p.m.

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

Taiwan Assurance Act of 2019: H.R. 2002, to foster security in Taiwan;

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Reaffirming the United States commitment to Taiwan and to the implementation of the Taiwan Relations Act: H. Res. 273, reaffirming the United States commitment to Taiwan and to the implementation of the Taiwan Relations Act, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeas-and-nay vote of 414 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 185; and

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Championing American Business Through Diplomacy Act of 2019: H.R. 1704, to foster commercial relations with foreign countries and support United States economic and business interests abroad in the conduct of foreign policy, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeas-and-nay vote of 400 yeas to 16 nays, Roll No. 186.

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Recess: The House recessed at 4:29 p.m. and reconvened at 6:30 p.m.

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Senate Referral: S. 693 was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

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Senate Message: Message received from the Senate by the Clerk and subsequently presented to the House today appears on page H3455.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Two yeas-and-nays votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H3461 and H3462. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 12 noon and adjourned at 8:46 p.m.

Committee Meetings

APPROPRIATIONS—DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies held a budget hearing on the Department of the Interior. Testimony was heard from David Bernhardt, Secretary, Department of the Interior.

SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2019; PROTECTING AMERICANS WITH PREEXISTING CONDITIONS ACT OF 2019

Committee on Rules: Full Committee held a hearing on H.R. 2157, the “Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2019”; and H.R. 986, the “Protecting Americans with Preexisting Conditions Act of 2019”. The Committee granted, by record vote of 9–4, a rule providing for consideration of H.R. 986, the “Protecting Americans with Preexisting Conditions Act of 2019”, and H.R. 2157, the “Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2019”. Section 1 of the rule provides for consideration of 986, the “Protecting Americans with Preexisting Conditions Act of 2019”, under a structured rule. The rule provides one hour of general debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Energy and Commerce. 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 waives all points of order against provisions in the bill. The rule makes in order only those amendments printed in part A the Rules Committee report accompanying the resolution. Each such amendment may be offered only in the order printed in the report, may be offered only by a Member designated in the report, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, shall not be subject to amendment, and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question. The rule waives all points of order against the amendments printed in

Part A of the report. The rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Section 2 of the rule provides for consideration of H.R. 2157, the “Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2019”, under a structured rule. The rule provides one hour of general debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropriations. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule provides that an amendment in the nature of a substitute consisting of the text of Rules Committee Print 116–12, modified by the amendment printed in part B of the Rules Committee report, shall be considered as adopted and the bill, as amended, shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against provisions in the bill, as amended. The rule provides that clause 2(e) of Rule XXI shall not apply during consideration of the bill. The rule makes in order only those further amendments printed in part C of the Rules Committee report. Each such amendment may be offered only in the order printed in the report, may be offered only by a Member designated in the report, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, shall not be subject to amendment, and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question. The rule waives all points of order against the amendments printed in part C of the report. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Chairman Scott of Virginia, and Representatives Pallone, Griffith, King of Iowa, Rodney Davis of Illinois, Dunn, Graves of Louisiana, Radewagen, and Austin Scott of Georgia.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, MAY 8, 2019

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Financial Services and General Government, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2020 for the Commodity Futures Trading Commission and the Securities and Exchange Commission, Time to be announced, SD–124.

Subcommittee on Department of Defense, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2020 for the Department of Defense, 10 a.m., S–128, Capitol.

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Strategic Forces, to hold hearings to examine the Department of Energy’s atomic defense activities and programs in review of the Defense Authorization Request for fiscal year 2020, 2:30 p.m., SR–222.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: to hold hearings to examine new entrants in the national airspace, focusing on policy, technology, and security issues for Congress, 9:30 a.m., SD–G50.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: to hold an oversight hearing to examine the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers’ Civil Works program, 10 a.m., SD–406.

Committee on Finance: to hold hearings to examine Medicare physician payment reform after two years, focusing on Medicare Access and CHIP Reauthorization Act implementation and the road ahead, 10:15 a.m., SD–215.

Committee on Foreign Relations: to hold hearings to examine the President’s proposed budget request for fiscal year 2020 for the United States Agency for International Development, 10 a.m., SD–419.

Committee on Indian Affairs: to hold hearings to examine the President’s proposed budget request for fiscal year 2020 for Indian programs, 2:30 p.m., SD–628.

Committee on Judiciary: Subcommittee on Border Security and Immigration, to hold hearings to examine the humanitarian and security crisis at our southern border, 2:30 p.m., SD–226.

Special Committee on Aging: to hold hearings to examine the Older Americans Act, focusing on protecting and supporting seniors as they age, 2:30 p.m., SD–562.

House

Committee on Appropriations, Full Committee, markup on the Report on the Suballocation of Budget Allocations for FY 2020; and the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies Appropriations Bill, FY 2020, 10:30 a.m., 2359 Rayburn.

Committee on Armed Services, Subcommittee on Strategic Forces, hearing entitled “FY20 Priorities for Missile Defense and Missile Defeat Programs”, 2 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Committee on Education and Labor, Full Committee, markup on H.R. 2480, the “Stronger Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act”, 10:15 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Health, Employment, Labor, and Pensions, hearing entitled “The Protecting the Right to Organize Act: Deterring Unfair Labor Practices”, 2 p.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, Subcommittee on Environment and Climate Change, hearing entitled “Ban Asbestos Now: Taking Action to Save Lives and Livelihoods”, 10 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Consumer Protection and Commerce, hearing entitled “Oversight of the Federal Trade Commission: Strengthening Protections for Americans’ Privacy and Data Security”, 10:30 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, Subcommittee on Housing, Community Development and Insurance, hearing entitled “A Review of the State of and Barriers to Minority Homeownership”, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.