

Meeting Hour: Agreed by unanimous consent that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 9 a.m. tomorrow, November 21st. **Page H9102**

Senate Referrals: S. 1838 was held at the desk. S. 2710 was held at the desk.

Senate Message: Message received from the Senate by the Clerk and subsequently presented to the House today appears on page H9068.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Five yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H9098, H9098–99, H9099–H9100, H9100, and H9100–01. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Committee Meetings

THE DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY'S ROLE IN ADDRESSING CLIMATE CHANGE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development, and Related Agencies held a hearing entitled “The Department of Energy’s Role in Addressing Climate Change”. Testimony was heard from Vi Lyles, Mayor, Charlotte, North Carolina; and public witnesses.

REEXAMINING THE ECONOMIC COSTS OF DEBT

Committee on the Budget: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Reexamining the Economic Costs of Debt”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

EXAMINING THE POLICIES AND PRIORITIES OF THE LABOR DEPARTMENT'S APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAM

Committee on Education and Labor: Subcommittee on Higher Education and Workforce Investment held a hearing entitled “Examining the Policies and Priorities of the Labor Department’s Apprenticeship Program”. Testimony was heard from John Pallasch, Assistant Secretary of Labor for Employment and Training, Department of Labor.

BUILDING A 100 PERCENT CLEAN ECONOMY: THE CHALLENGES FACING FRONTLINE COMMUNITIES

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Environment and Climate Change held a hearing entitled “Building a 100 Percent Clean Economy: The Challenges Facing Frontline Communities”. Testimony was heard from Alfredo Gomez, Director, Natural Resources and Environment, Government Accountability Office; Lilian Sotolongo Dorka, Direc-

tor, External Civil Rights Compliance Office, Environmental Protection Agency; Helena Wooden-Aguilar, Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Environmental Protection Agency; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Full Committee concluded a markup on H.R. 3432, the “SAFER Pipeline Act of 2019”; H.R. 2339, the “Reversing the Youth Tobacco Epidemic Act of 2019”; H.R. 4995, the “Maternal Health Quality Improvement Act of 2019”; H.R. 4996, the “Helping Medicaid Offer Maternity Services Act of 2019”; H.R. 1603, the “Alan Reinstein Ban Asbestos Now Act of 2019”; H.R. 535, the “PFAS Action Act of 2019”; H.R. 2699, the “Nuclear Waste Policy Amendments Act of 2019”; H.R. 3851, the “Brand USA Extension Act”; H.R. 4779, to extend the Undertaking Spam, Spyware, And Fraud Enforcement With Enforcers beyond Borders Act of 2006, and for other purposes; H.R. 4229, the “Broadband Deployment Accuracy and Technological Availability Act”; H.R. 4227, the “Mapping Accuracy Promotes Services Act”; H.R. 5000, the “SHARE Act”; H.R. 4998, the “Secure and Trusted Communications Networks Act”; H.R. 4461, the “Network Security Information Sharing Act of 2019”; H.R. 2881, the “Secure 5G and Beyond Act of 2019”; H.R. 4500, the “Promoting United States Wireless Leadership Act of 2019”; H. Res. 575, expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that all stakeholders in the deployment of 5G communications infrastructure should carefully consider and adhere to the recommendation of “The Prague Proposals”; and H.R. 5035, the “Television Viewer Protection Act”. H.R. 3432, H.R. 1603, H.R. 4995, H.R. 2339, H.R. 5035, H.R. 2699, H.R. 535, H.R. 4996, H.R. 4229, H.R. 5000, H.R. 4998, H.R. 4461, H.R. 2881, H.R. 4500, H. Res. 575, and H.R. 3851 were ordered reported, as amended. H.R. 4779 and H.R. 4227 were ordered reported, without amendment.

AN EXAMINATION OF REGULATORS' EFFORTS TO PRESERVE AND PROMOTE MINORITY DEPOSITORY INSTITUTIONS

Committee on Financial Services: Subcommittee on Consumer Protection and Financial Institutions held a hearing entitled “An Examination of Regulators’ Efforts to Preserve and Promote Minority Depository Institutions”. Testimony was heard from Beverly Cole, Deputy Comptroller for the Northeastern District and Designated Federal Officer for the Minority Depository Institutions Advisory Committee, Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, Department of the Treasury; Betty J. Rudolph, National Director, Minority and Community Development Banking,

Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation; Arthur W. Lindo, Deputy Director, Division of Supervision and Regulation, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System; and Martha Ninichuk, Director of the Office of Credit Union Resources and Expansion, National Credit Union Administration.

SAFE AND DECENT? EXAMINING THE CURRENT STATE OF RESIDENTS' HEALTH AND SAFETY IN HUD HOUSING

Committee on Financial Services: Subcommittee on Housing, Community Development, and Insurance held a hearing entitled "Safe and Decent? Examining the Current State of Residents' Health and Safety in HUD Housing". Testimony was heard from Susan Rollins, Executive Director, Housing Authority of St. Louis County, Missouri; Margaret Salazar, Executive Director, Oregon Housing and Community Services Department; and public witnesses.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Homeland Security: Full Committee held a business meeting on A Resolution Offered by Chairman Bennie G. Thompson Authorizing Issuance of Subpoena on documents related to U.S. Customs and Border Protection Operations. A Resolution Offered by Chairman Bennie G. Thompson Authorizing Issuance of Subpoena on documents related to U.S. Customs and Border Protection Operations was agreed to, as amended.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on the Judiciary: Full Committee began a markup on H.R. 5038, the "Farm Workforce Modernization Act of 2019"; H.R. 3884, the "Marijuana Opportunity Reinvestment and Expungement Act of 2019"; H.R. 5140, the "Satellite Television Community Protection and Promotion Act of 2019"; H.R. 3991, the "Affordable Prescriptions for Patients Through Improvements to Patent Litigation Act of 2019"; and H.R. 5133, the "Affordable Prescriptions for Patients Through Promoting Competition Act of 2019".

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Natural Resources: Full Committee held a markup H.R. 307, the "Preserving America's Battlefields Act"; H.R. 1708, the "Rim of the Valley Corridor Preservation Act"; H.R. 2199, the "Central Coast Heritage Protection Act"; H.R. 2215, the "San Gabriel Mountains Foothills and Rivers Protection Act"; H.R. 2250, the "Northwest California Wilderness, Recreation, and Working Forests Act"; H.R. 2546, the "Colorado Wilderness Act of 2019"; H.R. 2854, the "Protect Our Refuges Act of 2019"; H.R. 3794, the "Public Land Renewable Energy Development Act of 2019"; and S. 216, the "Spokane

Tribe of Indians of the Spokane Reservation Equitable Compensation Act". H.R. 307, H.R. 2854, and S. 216 were ordered reported, without amendment. H.R. 1708, H.R. 2199, H.R. 2215, H.R. 2250, H.R. 2546, and H.R. 3794 were ordered reported, as amended.

FIGHTING FLU, SAVING LIVES: VACCINE SCIENCE AND INNOVATION

Committee on Science, Space, and Technology: Full Committee held a hearing entitled "Fighting Flu, Saving Lives: Vaccine Science and Innovation". Testimony was heard from Daniel B. Jernigan, M.D., Director, Influenza Division, National Center for Immunization and Respiratory Diseases, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Department of Health and Human Services; Anthony S. Fauci, M.D., Director, National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Disease, National Institutes of Health, Department of Health and Human Services; and public witnesses.

A TASK OF EPIC PROPORTIONS: RECLAIMING U.S. LEADERSHIP IN WEATHER MODELING AND PREDICTION

Committee on Science, Space, and Technology: Subcommittee on Environment held a hearing entitled "A Task of EPIC Proportions: Reclaiming U.S. Leadership in Weather Modeling and Prediction". Testimony was heard from Neil Jacobs, Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Environmental Observation and Prediction, performing the duties of Under Secretary of Commerce for Oceans and Atmosphere, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Small Business: Full Committee held a markup on H.R. 5078, the "Prison to Proprietorship Act"; H.R. 5065, the "Prison to Proprietorship for Formerly Incarcerated Act"; H.R. 5130, the "Capturing All Small Businesses Act of 2019"; and H.R. 5146, the "Unlocking Opportunities for Small Businesses Act of 2019". H.R. 5078, H.R. 5065, H.R. 5130, and H.R. 5146 were ordered reported, without amendment.

BUSINESS MEETING; MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Full Committee held a business meeting on adoption of Subcommittee Membership assignments; and a markup on H.R. 5120, the "SAFER Pipelines Act of 2019"; H.R. 5047, to require the Administrator of General Services to conduct an annual audit of properties leased to private parties, and for other purposes; H.R. 5139, the "Stop Sexual Assault and Harassment in Transportation Act"; and H.R. 5119, to

amend title 49, United States Code, to require certain air carriers to provide reports with respect to maintenance, preventative maintenance, or alterations, and for other purposes. Subcommittee Membership assignments were approved. H.R. 5119 and H.R. 5047 were ordered reported, without amendment. H.R. 5120 and H.R. 5139 were ordered reported, as amended.

LEGISLATIVE MEASURES

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Full Committee held a hearing on H.R. 3495, the "Improve Well-Being for Veterans Act"; and legislation to establish a pilot program for the issuance of grants to eligible entities. Testimony was heard from Robert Wilkie, Secretary, Department of Veterans Affairs; and public witnesses.

GO-LIVE MARCH 2020: THE STATUS OF EHRM READINESS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Subcommittee on Technology Modernization held a hearing entitled "Go-Live March 2020: The Status of EHRM Readiness". Testimony was heard from James Byrne, Deputy Secretary, Department of Veterans Affairs.

U.S.-JAPAN TRADE AGREEMENTS

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Trade held a hearing entitled "U.S.-Japan Trade Agreements". Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

IMPEACHMENT INQUIRY: AMBASSADOR SONDLAND

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Full Committee held a hearing entitled "Impeachment Inquiry: Ambassador Sondland". Testimony was heard from Gordon Sondland, U.S. Ambassador to the European Union.

IMPEACHMENT INQUIRY: MS. COOPER AND MR. HALE

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Full Committee held a hearing entitled "Impeachment Inquiry: Ms. Cooper and Mr. Hale". Testimony was heard from Laura Cooper, Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Russian, Ukrainian, and Eurasian Affairs, Department of Defense; and David Hale, Under Secretary of State for Political Affairs, Department of State.

CREATING A CLIMATE RESILIENT AMERICA: REDUCING RISKS AND COSTS

Select Committee on the Climate Crisis: Full Committee held a hearing entitled "Creating a Climate Resilient America: Reducing Risks and Costs". Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

Joint Meetings

CONNECTING MORE PEOPLE TO WORK

Joint Economic Committee: Committee concluded a hearing to examine connecting more people to work, after receiving testimony from Veronique de Rugy, George Mason University Mercatus Center, Arlington, Virginia; Oren M. Cass, Manhattan Institute for Policy Research, and Jose Ortiz, Jr., New York City Employment and Training Coalition, both of New York, New York; and Jay C. Shambaugh, Brookings Institution, Washington, D.C.

RUSSIAN INFLUENCE IN BELARUS

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe: Commission concluded a hearing to examine Russian influence in Belarus, after receiving testimony from Andrei Yeliseyev, International Strategic Action Network for Security, Warsaw, Poland; Sofya Orlosky, Freedom House, and Brian Whitmore, Center for European Policy Analysis, both of Washington, D.C.; and Franak Viacorka, U.S. Agency for Global Media, Belarus.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 2019

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Financial Services and General Government, to hold an oversight hearing examine the Federal Communications Commission, focusing on the spectrum auctions program, 11 a.m., SD-138.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: to hold hearings to examine Federal payments to local governments provided through the Secure Rural Schools and Payments in Lieu of Taxes programs, including S. 430, to extend the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act of 2000, S. 1643, to amend title 36, United States Code, to grant a Federal charter to the Forest and Refuge County Foundation, to provide for the establishment of the Natural Resources Permanent Fund, and S. 2108, to amend section 6903 of title 31, United States Code, to provide for additional population tiers, 10 a.m., SD-366.

Committee on the Judiciary: business meeting to consider the nominations of Patrick J. Bumatay, of California, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit, Lawrence VanDyke, of Nevada, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit, Philip M. Halpern, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of New York, Bernard Maurice Jones II, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Oklahoma, Barbara Bailey Jongbloed, to be United States District Judge for the District of Connecticut, and Thomas Michael O'Connor, to be United States Marshal for the