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**Record Votes:** Three record votes were taken today. (Total—389)

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**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 6:30 p.m., until 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday, December 11, 2019. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S6956.)

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

### BUSINESS MEETING

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Mitchell A. Silk, of New York, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Treasury, Brian D. Montgomery, of Texas, to be Deputy Secretary, and David Carey Woll, Jr., of Connecticut, and John Bobbitt, of Texas, both to be an Assistant Secretary, all of the Department of Housing and Urban Development, and Peter J. Coniglio, of Virginia, to be Inspector General, Export-Import Bank.

### SEC OVERSIGHT

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* Committee concluded an oversight hearing to examine the Securities and Exchange Commission, including S. 945, to amend the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 to require certain issuers to disclose to the Securities and Exchange Commission information regarding foreign jurisdictions that prevent the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board from performing inspections under that Act, after receiving testimony from Jay Clayton, Chairman, Securities and Exchange Commission.

### IMO 2020 MARINE SULFUR STANDARD

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the upcoming implementation of the International Maritime Organization's new global sulfur standard for marine fuels, which is set to take effect on January 1, 2020, after receiving testimony from Linda Capuano, Administrator, Energy Information Agency, Department of Energy; and John W. Butler, World Shipping Council, Derrick Morgan, American Fuel and Petrochemical Manufacturers, Neelesh Nerurkar, ClearView Energy Partners, LLC, and Jamie Webster, Boston Consulting Group, all of Washington, D.C.

### ENCRYPTION AND LAWFUL ACCESS

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine encryption and lawful access, focusing on evaluating benefits and risks to public safety and privacy, after receiving testimony from Cyrus R. Vance, Jr., New York County District Attorney, New York, New York; Matt Tait, University of Texas Lyndon B. Johnson School of Public Affairs, Austin; Erik Neuenschwander, Apple Inc., Cupertino, California; and Jay Sullivan, Facebook, Menlo Park, California.

### U.S. COPYRIGHT OFFICE OVERSIGHT

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on Intellectual Property concluded an oversight hearing to examine modernization of the United States Copyright Office, after receiving testimony from Carla Hayden, Librarian of Congress, and Bernard A. Barton, Jr., Chief Information Officer, both of the Library of Congress; and Jody A. Harry, Chief Financial Officer and Acting Chief of Operations, United States Copyright Office.

### INTELLIGENCE

*Select Committee on Intelligence:* Committee held closed hearings on intelligence matters, receiving testimony from officials of the intelligence community.

Committee recessed subject to the call.

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# House of Representatives

## Chamber Action

**Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced:** 15 public bills, H.R. 5374–5388; and 4 resolutions, H. Res. 755–757, 759 were introduced. Pages H10015–16

**Additional Cosponsors:**

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**Report Filed:** A report was filed today as follows:

H. Res. 758, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 3) to establish a fair price negotiation program, protect the Medicare program from excessive price increases, and establish an out-of-pocket maximum for Medicare part D enrollees, and for other

purposes; providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 5038) to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to provide for terms and conditions for nonimmigrant workers performing agricultural labor or services, and for other purposes; and providing for consideration of the conference report to accompany the bill (S. 1790) to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2020 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 116–334).

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

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**Recess:** The House recessed at 10:15 a.m. and reconvened at 12 noon.

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

**Television Viewer Protection Act of 2019:** H.R. 5035, amended, to amend the Communications Act of 1934 to extend expiring provisions relating to the retransmission of signals of television broadcast stations; and

**Pages H9960–61**

**Fostering Undergraduate Talent by Unlocking Resources for Education Act:** H.R. 5363, amended, to reauthorize mandatory funding programs for historically Black colleges and universities and other minority-serving institutions, by a 2/3 yea-and-nay vote of 319 yeas to 96 nays, Roll No. 659.

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**Recess:** The House recessed at 12:51 p.m. and reconvened at 12:59 p.m.

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**Tribal Coastal Resiliency Act:** The House passed H.R. 729, to amend the Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972 to authorize grants to Indian Tribes to further achievement of Tribal coastal zone objectives, by a yea-and-nay vote of 262 yeas to 151 nays, Roll No. 667.

**Pages H9956–60, H9969–H10005**

Pursuant to the Rule, an amendment in the nature of a substitute consisting of the text of Rules Committee Print 116–40 shall be considered as adopted in the House and in the Committee of the Whole.

**Pages H9978–89**

Agreed to:

Huizenga amendment (No. 6 printed in H. Rept. 116–330) that requires no less than 10 percent of the funds awarded under the Living Shoreline grant program be available to projects located within the Great Lakes;

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Katko amendment (No. 8 printed in H. Rept. 116–330) that adds research on harmful algal bloom

development to U.S. Geological Survey research conducted under H.R. 729;

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Katko amendment (No. 9 printed in H. Rept. 116–330) that provides grant eligibility under H.R. 729 to projects that assess the impact of water level regulating practices on the Great Lakes on coastal resiliency;

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Case en bloc amendment No. 1 consisting of the following amendments printed in H. Rept. 116–330: Hastings (No. 1) that expands the list of eligible activities for the award of Coastal Climate Change Adaptation Project Implementation Grants to include projects to address the immediate and long-term degradation or loss of coral and coral reefs; Hastings (No. 2) that includes coral reefs as eligible under the National Fish Habitat Conservation Through Partnerships program; Morelle (No. 3) that ensure that up to 5 percent of the funds appropriated under this section will be used by the Secretary to provide technical assistance, which will help accelerate early-stage resources and planning assistance for communities; McEachin (No. 5) that includes communities that may not have the resources necessary to prepare for or respond to coastal hazards to the list of priority areas the NOAA Administrator shall consider when determining living shoreline projects to receive federal grants; these communities include low-income communities, communities of color, Tribal communities, and rural communities; Lipinski (No. 7) that requires that climate change adaptation plans for Great Lakes coastal states shall include adaptive management strategies for Great Lakes ecosystems and resources; Moore (No. 10) that amends the Climate Change Adaptation program to add invasive species as a target of the adaptive management strategies to be included in the plans and to require such proposals to describe how they will involve and address concerns regarding the impact of climate change in coastal communities on nearby tribes and low-income and low-resource communities; Moore (No. 11) that amends the Living Shoreline Grant Program to require plans to include an education and outreach component for the community stakeholders most affected by the proposal and to add tribes and tribal organizations to the list that the Administrator may consult with in developing program standards; Higgins (NY) (No. 13) that directs USGS research to include the impacts of harmful algal blooms, nutrient pollution, and dead zones on Great Lakes fisheries; Speier (No. 15) that specifies that “built and natural environments” in terms of infrastructure would include sea walls and living shorelines; Bonamici (No. 16) that adds studying coastal acidification and hypoxia as allowable activities through the Coastal Climate Change Adaptation Project Implementation Grant program;

Bonamici (No. 17) that directs NOAA to enter into an agreement with the National Academy of Sciences to assess the need for and feasibility of establishing an Advanced Research Projects Agency-Oceans (ARPA-O); Kildee (No. 18) that requires NOAA to update the Environmental Sensitivity Index for the Great Lakes every seven years; Plaskett (No. 19) that permits a waiver of certain non-Federal contribution requirements for a fish habitat conservation project at the discretion of the Secretary; Jayapal (No. 20) that amends the legislation to increase the membership of the Fish Habitat Board by one seat to provide an additional seat for tribal representation; Jayapal (No. 21) that amends the legislation to ensure that grant funds awarded through the Living Shoreline Grant Program may be used to incentivize landowners to engage in living shoreline projects; Jayapal (No. 22) that amends the legislation to ensure that in developing minimum standards to be used in selecting eligible entities to receive grants under the Living Shoreline Grant Program, the Administrator considers entities with systems to disburse funding from a single grant to support multiple small-scale projects; Levin (MI) (No. 24) that specifies avian habitat protection and restoration projects as eligible activities to be considered for the Coastal Climate Change Adaptation Project Implementation grants in this bill; Rouda (No. 27) that adds a new section to the bill for a prize competition to stimulate innovation to advance coastal risk and resilience measures; and Rouda (No. 28) that adds a new section to the bill that would require the development of a catalog of research on applicable coastal risk reduction and resilience measures (by a recorded vote of 249 ayes to 166 noes, Roll No. 660);

**Pages H9989–92, H10000**

Brown (MD) amendment (No. 4 printed in H. Rept. 116–330) that authorizes the NOAA Administrator to award grants to eligible entities for collaborative research projects on the conservation, restoration, or management of oysters in the Chesapeake Bay (by a recorded vote of 235 ayes to 179 noes, Roll No. 661);

**Pages H9992–93, H10000–01**

Crist amendment (No. 12 printed in H. Rept. 116–330) that clarifies that Section 323, the Climate Change Adaptation Preparedness and Response Program, includes projects to address harmful algal blooms (by a recorded vote of 297 ayes to 121 noes, Roll No. 662);

**Pages H9995–96, H10001–02**

Panetta amendment (No. 14 printed in H. Rept. 116–330) that adds a finding that collaborations and partnerships between institutions of higher education and Federal agencies help ensure digital data focused on coastal management issues are communicated ef-

fectively between such entities (by a recorded vote of 389 ayes to 29 noes, Roll No. 663);

**Pages H9996, H10002**

Mucarsel-Powell amendment (No. 23 printed in H. Rept. 116–330) that ensures that corals are included as a natural element eligible for grants provided for by the Living Shoreline Grant Program (by a recorded vote of 285 ayes to 134 noes, Roll No. 664); and

**Pages H9996–97, H10002–03**

Luria amendment (No. 26 printed in H. Rept. 116–330) that directs NOAA to consider the potential of a living shoreline project to support the resiliency of military communities when developing criteria for grant applications (by a recorded vote of 368 ayes to 51 noes, Roll No. 665).

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Rejected:

Johnson (LA) amendment (No. 29 printed in H. Rept. 116–330) that sought to amend the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972 to limit the scope of the moratorium on taking and importing marine mammals and marine mammal products, and revises the requirements for obtaining an authorization for incidentally taking by harassment marine mammals (by a recorded vote of 160 ayes to 259 noes, Roll No. 666).

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H. Res. 748, the rule providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 729) was agreed to by a yeas-and-nays vote of 226 yeas to 189 nays, Roll No. 658, after the previous question was ordered by a yeas-and-nays vote of 226 yeas to 188 nays, Roll No. 657.

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**Tribal Coastal Resiliency Act—Motion to Reconsider:** Representative Himes moved to reconsider the vote on passage of H.R. 729, to amend the Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972 to authorize grants to Indian Tribes to further achievement of Tribal coastal zone objectives. Representative McCollum moved to table the motion to reconsider. Further proceedings were postponed.

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**Recess:** The House recessed at 7:16 p.m. and reconvened at 9:04 p.m.

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**Quorum Calls—Votes:** Four yeas-and-nays votes and seven recorded votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H9968, H9968–69, H9969, H10000, H10000–01, H10001–02, H10002, H10002–03, H10003, H10004, and H10004–05. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 9:05 p.m.

## Committee Meetings

### THE IMPLEMENTATION OF FARM BILL INTERNATIONAL FOOD ASSISTANCE AND DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS

*Committee on Agriculture:* Subcommittee on Livestock and Foreign Agriculture held a hearing entitled “The Implementation of Farm Bill International Food Assistance and Development Programs”. Testimony was heard from Ken Isley, Administrator, Foreign Agricultural Service, Department of Agriculture; and Trey Hicks, Director, Office of Food for Peace, U.S. Agency for International Development.

### DIVERSITY IN RECRUITING AND RETENTION: INCREASING DIVERSITY IN THE MILITARY—WHAT THE MILITARY SERVICES ARE DOING

*Committee on Armed Services:* Subcommittee on Military Personnel held a hearing entitled “Diversity in Recruiting and Retention: Increasing Diversity in the Military—What the Military Services are Doing”. Testimony was heard from Lieutenant General Thomas C. Seamands, Deputy Chief of Staff, G-1, U.S. Army; Vice Admiral John B. Nowell, Jr., Chief of Naval Personnel, U.S. Navy; Lieutenant General Brian T. Kelly, Deputy Chief of Staff for Manpower, Personnel and Services, U.S. Air Force; and Lieutenant General Michael A. Rocco, Deputy Commandant for Manpower and Reserve Affairs, U.S. Marine Corps.

### SECURING THE U.S. DRUG SUPPLY CHAIN: OVERSIGHT OF FDA’S FOREIGN INSPECTION PROGRAM

*Committee on Energy and Commerce:* Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing entitled “Securing the U.S. Drug Supply Chain: Oversight of FDA’s Foreign Inspection Program”. Testimony was heard from Mary Denigan-Macauley, Director, Health Care, Government Accountability Office; and Janet Woodcock, M.D., Director, Center for Drug Evaluation and Research, U.S. Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services.

### PROPOSALS TO ACHIEVE UNIVERSAL HEALTH CARE COVERAGE

*Committee on Energy and Commerce:* Subcommittee on Health held a hearing entitled “Proposals to Achieve Universal Health Care Coverage”. Testimony was heard from Representatives Jayapal, DeLauro, Higgins of New York, Delgado, and Malinowski; and public witnesses.

## MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

*Committee on Financial Services:* Full Committee began a markup on H.R. 1731, the “Cybersecurity Disclosure Act of 2019”; H.R. 2445, the “Self-Employed Mortgage Access Act of 2019”; H.R. 4545, the “Private Loan Disability Discharge Act of 2019”; H.R. 5287, the “Fair Student Loan Debt Collection Practices Act”; H.R. 5294, the “Student Borrowers Protections Act”; H.R. 5332, the “Protecting Your Credit Score Act of 2019”; H.R. 5330, the “Consumer Protections for Medical Debt Collections Act”; H.R. 5322, the “Ensuring Diversity in Community Banking Act of 2019”; H.R. 5315, the “Expanding Opportunities for Minority Depository Institutions (MDIs) Act”; a resolution electing majority members to the Subcommittee on Investor Protection, Entrepreneurship, and Capital Markets; a resolution establishing the Task Force on Artificial Intelligence; and a resolution establishing the Task Force on Financial Technology.

### HAITI ON THE BRINK: ASSESSING U.S. POLICY TOWARD A COUNTRY IN CRISIS

*Committee on Foreign Affairs:* Subcommittee on the Western Hemisphere, Civilian Security, and Trade held a hearing entitled “Haiti on the Brink: Assessing U.S. Policy Toward a Country in Crisis”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### AUTHORITARIANISM WITH CHINESE CHARACTERISTICS: POLITICAL AND RELIGIOUS HUMAN RIGHTS CHALLENGES IN CHINA

*Committee on Foreign Affairs:* Subcommittee on Asia, the Pacific, and Nonproliferation held a hearing entitled “Authoritarianism with Chinese Characteristics: Political and Religious Human Rights Challenges in China”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### THE WAY FORWARD IN IRAQ

*Committee on Foreign Affairs:* Subcommittee on the Middle East, North Africa, and International Terrorism held a hearing entitled “The Way Forward in Iraq”. Testimony was heard from Joey Hood, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Near Eastern Affairs, Department of State.

### EXAMINING THE NEED FOR COMPREHENSIVE NATIONAL PAID FAMILY AND MEDICAL LEAVE

*Committee on Oversight and Reform:* Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Examining the Need for Comprehensive National Paid Family and Medical Leave”. Testimony was heard from Representative DeLauro; Robert Asaro-Angelo, Commissioner, New Jersey Department of Labor and Workforce Development; and public witnesses.