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Record Votes: One record vote was taken today. (Total—398) Page S7042

Adjournment: Senate convened at 3 p.m. and adjourned at 6:48 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Tuesday, December 17, 2019. (For Senate’s program, see the re-

marks of the Majority Leader in today’s Record on page S7058.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Rules and Administration: Committee ordered favorably reported the nomination of J. Brett Blanton, of Virginia, to be Architect of the Capitol.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 9 public bills, H.R. 5434–5443; and 1 resolution, H.J. Res. 81, were introduced. Pages H10305–06

Additional Cosponsors: Pages H10306–07

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 2474, to amend the National Labor Relations Act, the Labor Management Relations Act, 1947, and the Labor-Management Reporting and Disclosure Act of 1959, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 116–347);

H.R. 2647, to adopt a certain California flammability standard as a Federal flammability standard to protect against the risk of upholstered furniture flammability, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 116–348);

H.R. 4227, to prohibit the submission to the Federal Communications Commission of broadband internet access service coverage information or data for the purposes of compiling an inaccurate broadband coverage map (H. Rept. 116–349);

H.R. 4229, to require the Federal Communications Commission to issue rules relating to the collection of data with respect to the availability of broadband services, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 116–350);

H.R. 4779, to extend the Undertaking Spam, Spyware, And Fraud Enforcement With Enforcers beyond Borders Act of 2006, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 116–351);

H.R. 4998, to prohibit certain Federal loans, grants, and subsidies from being used to purchase communications equipment or services posing national security risks, to provide for the establishment of a reimbursement program for the replacement of communications equipment or services posing such

risks, and for other purposes, with amendments (H. Rept. 116–352); and

H. Res. 765, providing for consideration of the Senate amendment to the bill (H.R. 1158) to authorize cyber incident response teams at the Department of Homeland Security, and for other purposes; providing for consideration of the Senate amendment to the bill (H.R. 1865) to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint a coin in commemoration of the opening of the National Law Enforcement Museum in the District of Columbia, and for other purposes; and providing for the adoption of the resolution (H. Res. 761) permitting individuals to be admitted to the Hall of the House in order to obtain footage of the House in session for inclusion in the orientation film to be shown to visitors at the Capitol Visitor Center (H. Rept. 116–353). Page H10305

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein she appointed Representative McCollum to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. Page H10269

Recess: The House recessed at 12 noon and reconvened at 2 p.m. Page H10269

Order of Business—Consideration of H.R. 5430: Agreed by unanimous consent that it be in order at any time without intervention of any point of order to consider in the House the bill (H.R. 5430), to implement the Agreement between the United States of America, the United Mexican States, and Canada attached as an Annex to the Protocol Replacing the North American Free Trade Agreement, that the bill be considered as read, that the bill be debatable for two hours equally divided and controlled by the Majority Leader and the Minority Leader or their respective designees, and that, pursuant to section 151 of the Trade Act of 1974, the previous question

be considered as ordered on the bill to final passage without intervening motion. **Page H10269**

Recess: The House recessed at 2:04 p.m. and reconvened at 2:45 p.m. **Pages H10269–70**

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

Department of Veterans Affairs Contracting Preference Consistency Act: H.R. 4920, to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for an exception to certain small business contracting requirements applicable to the Department of Veterans Affairs procurement of certain goods and services covered under the Ability One program; **Pages H10270–71**

Small Airport Mothers' Rooms Act of 2019: H.R. 3362, to amend title 49, United State Code, to require small hub airports to construct areas for nursing mothers; **Pages H10280–82**

Secure and Trusted Communications Networks Act of 2019: H.R. 4998, amended, to prohibit certain Federal loans, grants, and subsidies from being used to purchase communications equipment or services posing national security risks, to provide for the establishment of a reimbursement program for the replacement of communications equipment or services posing such risks; **Pages H10282–86**

Agreed to amend the title so as to read: "To prohibit certain Federal subsidies from being used to purchase communications equipment or services posing national security risks, to provide for the establishment of a reimbursement program for the replacement of communications equipment or services posing such risks, and for other purposes."

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Extending the Undertaking Spam, Spyware, And Fraud Enforcement With Enforcers beyond Borders Act of 2006: H.R. 4779, amended, to extend the Undertaking Spam, Spyware, And Fraud Enforcement With Enforcers beyond Borders Act of 2006; **Pages H10286–87**

Broadband Deployment Accuracy and Technological Availability Act: H.R. 4229, amended, to require the Federal Communications Commission to issue rules relating to the collection of data with respect to the availability of broadband services; **Pages H10287–91**

Mapping Accuracy Promotes Services Act: H.R. 4227, to prohibit the submission to the Federal Communications Commission of broadband internet access service coverage information or data for the purposes of compiling an inaccurate broadband coverage map; **Pages H10291–92**

Safer Occupancy Furniture Flammability Act: H.R. 2647, amended, to adopt a certain California

flammability standard as a Federal flammability standard to protect against the risk of upholstered furniture flammability; **Pages H10292–94**

Safe Sleep for Babies Act of 2019: H.R. 3172, amended, to prohibit the manufacture for sale, offer for sale, distribution in commerce, or importation into the United States of any inclined sleeper for infants; **Pages H10294–95**

Agreed to amend the title so as to read: "To provide that inclined sleepers for infants and crib bumpers shall be considered banned hazardous products under section 8 of the Consumer Product Safety Act, and for other purposes."; **Page H10295**

Grant Reporting Efficiency and Agreements Transparency Act of 2019: Concurred in the Senate amendment to H.R. 150, to modernize Federal grant reporting; **Pages H10295–98**

Spokane Tribe of Indians of the Spokane Reservation Equitable Compensation Act: S. 216, to provide for equitable compensation to the Spokane Tribe of Indians of the Spokane Reservation for the use of tribal land for the production of hydropower by the Grand Coulee Dam; **Pages H10298–H10300**

Columbia River In-Lieu and Treaty Fishing Access Sites Improvement Act: S. 50, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to assess sanitation and safety conditions at Bureau of Indian Affairs facilities that were constructed to provide affected Columbia River Treaty tribes access to traditional fishing grounds and expend funds on construction of facilities and structures to improve those conditions; and **Pages H10301–02**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Historic Lands Reacquisition Act: H.R. 453, amended, to take certain Federal lands in Tennessee into trust for the benefit of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians. **Pages H10302–04**

Recess: The House recessed at 5:46 p.m. and reconvened at 12:46 a.m. **Pages H10304–05**

Suspensions—Proceedings Postponed: The House debated the following measures under suspension of the rules. Further proceedings were postponed.

Identifying Barriers and Best Practices Study Act: H.R. 4183, amended, to direct the Comptroller General of the United States to conduct a study on disability and pension benefits provided to members of the National Guard and members of reserve components of the Armed Forces by the Department of Veterans Affairs; **Pages H10271–72**

Improving Confidence in Veterans' Care Act: H.R. 3530, amended, to amend title 38, United

States Code, to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to enforce the licensure requirement for medical providers of the Department of Veterans Affairs;

Pages H10272–75

Banning Smoking on Amtrak Act of 2019: H.R. 2726, to amend title 49, United States Code, to prohibit smoking on Amtrak trains; Pages H10275–76

Hazard Eligibility and Local Projects Act: H.R. 2548, amended, to modify eligibility requirements for certain hazard mitigation assistance programs;

Pages H10276–80

Funding Instruction for Safety, Health, and Security Avoids Fishing Emergencies Act: H.R. 4719, amended, to amend the Federal share of the fishing safety standards grants; and

Pages H10278–80

Miracle Mountain Designation Act: H.R. 722, to designate a mountain in the State of Utah as “Miracle Mountain”.

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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 12 noon and adjourned at 12:48 a.m.

Committee Meetings

RESTORING TAX FAIRNESS FOR STATES AND LOCALITIES ACT; SENATE AMENDMENT TO THE DHS CYBER HUNT AND INCIDENT RESPONSE TEAMS ACT OF 2019; SENATE AMENDMENT TO THE NATIONAL LAW ENFORCEMENT MUSEUM COMMEMORATIVE COIN ACT

Committee on Rules: Full Committee held a hearing on H.R. 5377, the “Restoring Tax Fairness for States and Localities Act”, Senate Amendment to H.R. 1158, the “DHS Cyber Hunt and Incident Response Teams Act of 2019” [Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2020]; and Senate Amendment to H.R. 1865, the “National Law Enforcement Museum Commemorative Coin Act” [Further Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2020]. The Committee granted, by nonrecord vote, a rule providing for consideration of the Senate Amendment to H.R. 1158, the “DHS Cyber Hunt and Incident Response Teams Act of 2019” [Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2020], and the Senate Amendment to H.R. 1865, the “National Law Enforcement Museum Commemorative Coin Act” [Further Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2020]. The rule provides for consideration of the Senate amendment to H.R. 1158, the “DHS Cyber Hunt and Incident Response Teams Act of 2019” [Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2020]. The rule makes in order a motion offered by the chair of the

Committee on Appropriations or her designee that the House concur in the Senate amendment with an amendment consisting of the text of Rules Committee Print 116–43. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the motion. The rule provides that the Senate amendment and the motion shall be considered as read. The rule provides one hour of debate on the motion equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropriations. The rule also provides for the consideration of the Senate amendment to H.R. 1865, the “National Law Enforcement Museum Commemorative Coin Act”. The rule makes in order a motion offered by the chair of the Committee on Appropriations or her designee that the House concur in the Senate amendment with an amendment consisting of the text of Rules Committee Print 116–44, modified by the amendment printed in the report of the Committee on Rules accompanying this resolution. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the motion and provides that it shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question. The rule provides that the Senate amendment and the motion shall be considered as read. The rule provides one hour of debate on the motion equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropriations. The rule provides that the chair of the Committee on Appropriations may insert in the Congressional Record not later than December 17, 2019, such material as she may deem explanatory of the Senate amendments and the motions specified in the first two sections of the rule. The rule provides that House Resolution 761 is hereby adopted. Testimony was heard from Chairman Lowey, and Representatives Rogers of Kentucky, Kaptur, Simpson, Visclosky, Calvert, Aderholt, DeLauro, Cole, Price of North Carolina, Diaz-Balart, Roybal-Allard, Fleischmann, Bishop of Georgia, McCollum, Joyce of Ohio, Ryan, and Herrera Beutler.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D1341)

H.R. 887, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 877 East 1200 South in Orem, Utah, as the “Jerry C. Washburn Post Office Building”. Signed on December 12, 2019. (Public Law 116–79)