

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

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Measures Considered:

Impeachment of President Trump: Senate, sitting as a Court of Impeachment, resumed consideration of the articles of impeachment against Donald John Trump, President of the United States.

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Senate will continue consideration of the articles of impeachment against President Trump, on Tuesday, January 28, 2020.

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 1:05 p.m. and adjourned at 9:02 p.m., until 1 p.m. on Tuesday, January 28, 2020. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S617.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

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Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 7 public bills, H.R. 5678–5684; and 4 resolutions, H. Res. 810, 812–814, were introduced.

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Additional Cosponsors:

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Reports Filed:

Reports were filed today as follows: H.R. 964, to amend the Presidential Transition Act of 1963 to require the development of ethics plans for certain transition teams, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 116–382); and

H. Res. 811, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 3621) to amend the Fair Credit Reporting Act to remove adverse information for certain defaulted or delinquent private education loan borrowers who demonstrate a history of loan repayment, and for other purposes, and providing for consideration of the Senate amendment to the bill (H.R. 550) to award a Congressional Gold Medal, collectively, to the United States Merchant Mariners of World War II, in recognition of their dedicated and vital service during World War II (H. Rept. 116–383).

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Recess: The House recessed at 2:12 p.m. and reconvened at 4:45 p.m.

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

Never Again Education Act: H.R. 943, amended, to authorize the Secretary of Education to award grants to eligible entities to carry out educational programs about the Holocaust, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeas-and-nay vote of 393 yeas to 5 nays, Roll No. 23;

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Agreed to amend the title so as to read: "To authorize the Director of the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum to support Holocaust education programs, and for other purposes.";

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Merchant Mariners of World War II Congressional Gold Medal Act of 2020: H.R. 5671, to award a Congressional Gold Medal, collectively, to the United States Merchant Mariners of World War II, in recognition of their dedicated and vital service during World War II;

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Advancing Research to Prevent Suicide Act: H.R. 4704, amended, to direct the Director of the National Science Foundation to support multidisciplinary research on the science of suicide, and to advance the knowledge and understanding of issues that may be associated with several aspects of suicide including intrinsic and extrinsic factors related to

areas such as wellbeing, resilience, and vulnerability, by a 2/3 yeas-and-nays vote of 385 yeas to 8 nays, Roll No. 24; and

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Supporting Veterans in STEM Careers Act: S. 153, to promote veteran involvement in STEM education, computer science, and scientific research.

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Recess: The House recessed at 6:06 p.m. and reconvened at 6:25 p.m.

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Moment of Silence: The House observed a moment of silence in memory of the late Honorable Michael Fitzpatrick.

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Quorum Calls—Votes: Two yeas-and-nays votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H553–54 and H554–55. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 2 p.m. and adjourned at 8:37 p.m.

Committee Meetings

STUDENT BORROWER CREDIT IMPROVEMENT ACT; SENATE AMENDMENT TO THE MERCHANT MARINERS OF WORLD WAR II CONGRESSIONAL GOLD MEDAL ACT OF 2019

Committee on Rules: Full Committee held a hearing on H.R. 3621, the “Student Borrower Credit Improvement Act” [Comprehensive CREDIT Act of 2020]; and Senate Amendment to H.R. 550, the “Merchant Mariners of World War II Congressional Gold Medal Act of 2019” [No War Against Iran Act; To repeal the Authorization for Use of Military Force Against Iraq Resolution of 2002]. The Committee granted, by record vote of 8–4, a rule providing for consideration of H.R. 3621, the “Student Borrower Credit Improvement Act” [Comprehensive CREDIT Act of 2020], and the Senate Amendment to H.R. 550, the “Merchant Mariners of World War II Congressional Gold Medal Act of 2019” [No War Against Iran Act; To repeal the Authorization for Use of Military Force Against Iraq Resolution of 2002]. The rule provides for consideration of H.R. 3621, the “Comprehensive CREDIT Act of 2020”, 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 Financial Services. 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 116–47, modified by the amendment printed in Part A 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 makes in order only those further amendments printed in Part B 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 B of the report. The rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. The rule provides for the consideration of the Senate amendment to H.R. 550. The rule makes in order a motion offered by the chair of the Committee on Foreign Affairs or his designee that the House concur in the Senate amendment with two House amendments: Amendment #1 consisting of the text of Rules Committee Print 116–48, the “No War Against Iran Act”; and Amendment #2 consisting of the text of Rules Committee Print 116–49, to repeal the Authorization for Use of Military Force Against Iraq Resolution of 2002. The rule provides one hour of debate on each House amendment, equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Foreign Affairs. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the motion and provides that the Senate amendment and the motion shall be considered as read. The rule provides that the question shall be divided between the two House amendments, that no further division of the question is in order, and that the divided question shall be considered in the order specified by the chair. The rule provides that if only one amendment is adopted, that amendment shall be engrossed as an amendment in the nature of a substitute to the Senate amendment to H.R. 550. Testimony was heard from Chairman Waters, and Representatives Levin of Michigan, Chabot, and McHenry.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D66)

H.R. 2476, to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to provide funding to secure nonprofit facilities from terrorist attacks. Signed on January 24, 2020. (Public Law 116–108)