

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

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Senate

Chamber Action

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Measures Introduced: Two bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 3248–3249, and S. Res. 489–490. **Page S810**

Measures Reported:

S. 2353, to direct the Administrator of the Federal Emergency Management Agency to develop guidance for firefighters and other emergency response personnel on best practices to protect them from exposure to PFAS and to limit and prevent the release of PFAS into the environment. (S. Rept. No. 116–211) **Page S810**

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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Pursuant to S. Res. 488, to provide for related procedures concerning the articles of impeachment against Donald John Trump, President of the United States, Senate will resume consideration of the articles of impeachment against President Trump, at 4 p.m., on Wednesday, February 5, 2020.

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the order of Friday, January 31, 2020, be modified to allow Senators to have until Wednesday, February 26, 2020, to have printed statements and opinions in the *Congressional Record*, if they

choose, explaining their votes and include those in the documentation of the impeachment proceedings; and that the two page rule be waived. **Page S805**

Escort Committee—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the Presiding Officer of the Senate be authorized to appoint a committee on the part of the Senate to join with a like committee on the part of the House of Representatives to escort the President of the United States into the House Chamber for the joint session to be held at 9 p.m., on Tuesday, February 4, 2020.

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 11:05 a.m. and adjourned at 6:55 p.m., until 9:30 a.m. on Tuesday, February 4, 2020. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S812.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 8 public bills, H.R. 5741–5748; and 2 resolutions, H. Res. 826–827, were introduced. **Page H752**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages H752–53**

Reports Filed: There were no reports filed today.

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein she appointed Representative Matsui to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H751**

Advisory Committee on the Records of Congress—Appointment: Read a letter from Representative McCarthy, Minority Leader, in which he appointed the following member to the Advisory Committee on the Records of Congress: Mr. Gunter Waibel of Oakland, California. **Page H751**

United States-China Economic Security and Review Commission—Appointment: Read a letter from Representative McCarthy, Minority Leader, in which he appointed the following member to the United States-China Economic Security and Review Commission: Mr. Robert Borochoff of Houston, Texas. **Pages H751–52**

Commission on International Religious Freedom—Appointment: The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of the following individual on the part of the House to the Commission on International Religious Freedom for a term ending May 14, 2020, to fill the existing vacancy thereon: Dr. James W. Carr of Searcy, Arkansas, to succeed Ms. Kristina Arriaga of Alexandria, Virginia. **Page H752**

Senate Messages: Messages received from the Senate by the Clerk and subsequently presented to the House today appear on page H751.

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 1:30 p.m. and adjourned at 1:35 p.m.

Committee Meetings

No hearings were held.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 2020

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Transportation and Safety, to hold hearings to examine stakeholder perspectives on trucking in America, 10 a.m., SH–216.

Select Committee on Intelligence: to receive a closed briefing on certain intelligence matters; to be immediately followed by a closed hearing to examine certain intelligence matters, 9 a.m., SH–219.

House

No hearings are scheduled.

CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of February 4 through February 7, 2020

Senate Chamber

On *Tuesday*, Senate will meet in joint session with the House of Representatives to receive the President's State of the Union message.

On *Wednesday*, Senate will continue consideration of the articles of impeachment against President Trump.

During the balance of the week, Senate may consider any cleared legislative and executive business.

Senate Committees

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Committee on Armed Services: February 6, to hold hearings to examine United States Special Operations Command and United States Cyber Command in review of the Defense Authorization Request for fiscal year 2021 and the Future Years Defense Program, 10 a.m., SD–G50.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: February 4, Subcommittee on Transportation and Safety, to hold hearings to examine stakeholder perspectives on trucking in America, 10 a.m., SH–216.

February 5, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine athlete safety and the integrity of U.S. Sport, 10 a.m., SH–216.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: February 5, to hold an oversight hearing to examine the Fish and Wildlife Service, 10 a.m., SD–406.

Committee on Finance: February 5, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Kipp Kranbuhl, of Ohio, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Treasury, Sarah C. Arbes, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Health and Human Services, and Jason J. Fichtner, of the District of

Columbia, to be a Member of the Social Security Advisory Board, 10 a.m., SD-215.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs, February 5, to hold hearings to examine the VA MISSION Act, focusing on the implementation of the Community Care Network, 9:30 a.m., SR-418.

Select Committee on Intelligence, February 4, to receive a closed briefing on certain intelligence matters; to be immediately followed by a closed hearing to examine certain intelligence matters, 9 a.m., SH-219.

February 5, Full Committee, to receive a closed briefing on certain intelligence matters, 10 a.m., SH-219.

House Committees

Committee on Armed Services, February 5, Future of Defense Task Force, hearing entitled "Supercharging the Innovation Base", 9 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

February 5, Subcommittee on Military Personnel, hearing entitled "Exceptional Family Member Program—Are the Military Services Really Taking Care of Family Members?", 2 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

February 5, Subcommittee on Seapower and Projection Forces; and Subcommittee on Readiness, joint hearing entitled "Update on Navy and Marine Corps Readiness in the Pacific in the Aftermath of Recent Mishaps", 2:30 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Committee on Appropriations, February 5, Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development, and Related Agencies, hearing entitled "Oversight Hearing on DOE's Role in Advancing Biomedical Sciences", 10:30 a.m., 2362-B Rayburn.

February 5, Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies, hearing entitled "Strengthening Community Recycling Programs: Challenges and Opportunities", 1 p.m., 2008 Rayburn.

February 6, Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies, hearing entitled "Non Tribal Public Witness Day", 9 a.m., 2008 Rayburn.

February 6, Subcommittee on Defense, hearing entitled "U.S. Strategic Command", 11 a.m., H-140 Capitol. This hearing is closed.

February 6, Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies, hearing entitled "Non Tribal Public Witness Day", 1 p.m., 2008 Rayburn.

Committee on Education and Labor, February 5, Subcommittee on Civil Rights and Human Services, hearing entitled "The Future of Work: Protecting Workers' Civil Rights in the Digital Age", 2 p.m., 2175 Rayburn.

February 6, Subcommittee on Early Childhood, Elementary and Secondary Education, hearing entitled "Solving America's Child Care Crisis: Supporting Parents, Children, and the Economy", 10:15 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, February 5, Subcommittee on Energy, hearing entitled "Modernizing the Natural Gas Act to Ensure it Works for Everyone", 10 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

February 5, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled "Vaping in America: E-Cigarette Manufacturers' Impact on Public Health", 10:30 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

February 6, Subcommittee on Environment and Climate Change, hearing entitled "Clearing the Air: Legislation to Promote Carbon Capture, Utilization and Storage", 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, February 5, Full Committee, hearing entitled "Rent-A-Bank Schemes and New Debt Traps: Assessing Efforts to Evade State Consumer Protections and Interest Rate Caps", 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

February 5, Subcommittee on Housing, Community Development, and Insurance, hearing entitled "A Future Without Public Housing? Examining the Trump Administration's Efforts to Eliminate Public Housing", 2 p.m., 2128 Rayburn.

February 6, Full Committee, hearing entitled "Protecting Consumers or Allowing Consumer Abuse? A Semi-Annual Review of the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau", 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

February 6, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled "Fake It Till They Make It: How Bad Actors Use Astroturfing to Manipulate Regulators, Disenfranchise Consumers and Subvert the Rulemaking Process", 2 p.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Foreign Affairs, February 5, Full Committee, hearing entitled "Unique Challenges Women Face in Global Health", 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

February 5, Subcommittee on Asia, the Pacific, and Nonproliferation, hearing entitled "The Wuhan Coronavirus: Assessing the Outbreak, the Response, and Regional Implications", 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on Homeland Security, February 5, Subcommittee on Transportation and Maritime Security, hearing entitled "The Northern Northern Border: Homeland Security Priorities in the Arctic, Part II", 10 a.m., 310 Cannon.

February 6, Full Committee, hearing entitled "About Face: Examining the Department of Homeland Security's Use of Facial Recognition and Other Biometric Technologies, Part II", 10 a.m., 310 Cannon.

Committee on House Administration, February 5, Full Committee, hearing entitled "Oversight of the Smithsonian Institution: Opportunities for Growth by Honoring Latino Americans and Asian Pacific Americans", 10 a.m., 1310 Longworth.

Committee on the Judiciary, February 5, Full Committee, hearing entitled "Oversight of the Federal Bureau of Investigation", 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

February 6, Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights, and Civil Liberties, hearing entitled "Citizens United at 10: The Consequences for Democracy and Potential Responses by Congress", 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Natural Resources, February 5, Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources, hearing on H.R. 5598, the "Boundary Waters Wilderness Protection and Pollution Prevention Act", 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

February 5, Subcommittee for Indigenous Peoples of the United States, hearing on H.R. 4059, to take certain lands in California into trust for the benefit of the Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians, and for other purposes;

H.R. 4495, to authorize the Secretary of Health and Human Services, acting through the Director of the Indian Health Service, to acquire private land to facilitate access to the Desert Sage Youth Wellness Center in Hemet, California, and for other purposes; H.R. 4888, to amend the Grand Ronde Reservation Act, and for other purposes; and H.R. 5153, the “Indian Buffalo Management Act”, 2 p.m., 1324 Longworth.

February 6, Full Committee, markup on a committee resolution authorizing issuance of subpoenas related to mismanagement, waste, fraud, abuse, and wrongful conduct in relation to functions within the jurisdiction of the Committee on Natural Resources, 9 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Committee on Oversight and Reform, February 5, Subcommittee on Government Operations, hearing entitled “A Threat to America’s Children? The Trump Administration’s Proposed Changes to the Poverty Line Calculation”, 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

February 5, Subcommittee on Civil Rights and Civil Liberties, hearing entitled “A Threat to America’s Children: The Trump Administration’s Proposal to Gut Fair Housing Accountability”, 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

February 6, Subcommittee on Economic and Consumer Policy, hearing entitled “A Threat to America’s Children: The Trump Administration’s Proposed Changes to Broad Based Categorical Eligibility for the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program”, 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

February 6, Subcommittee on Environment, hearing entitled “A Threat to America’s Children: The Trump Administration’s Proposal to Undermine Protections from Mercury Air Toxics Standards”, 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on Rules, February 5, Full Committee, hearing on H.R. 2474, the “Protecting the Right to Organize Act of 2019”; H.R. 5687, the “Emergency Supplemental Appropriations for Disaster Relief and Puerto Rico Disaster Tax Relief Act, 2020”; and H. Res. 826, expressing disapproval of the Trump administration’s harmful actions towards Medicaid, 3 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, February 5, Subcommittee on Investigations and Oversight; and Subcommittee on Energy, joint hearing entitled “Management and Spending Challenges within the Department of Energy’s Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy”, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

February 5, Subcommittee on Research and Technology, hearing entitled “America’s Seed Fund: A Review of SBIR and STTR”, 2 p.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Small Business, February 5, Full Committee, hearing entitled “SBA Management Review: Office of Credit Risk Management”, 11:30 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

February 6, Subcommittee on Rural Development, Agriculture, Trade, and Entrepreneurship, hearing entitled “Taking Care of Business: How Childcare is Important for Regional Economies”, 10 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, February 5, Subcommittee on Railroads, Pipelines, and Hazardous Materials, hearing entitled “Tracking Toward Zero: Improving Grade Crossing Safety and Addressing Community Concerns”, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

February 6, Subcommittee on Highways and Transit, hearing entitled “Assessing the Transportation Needs of Tribes, Federal Land Management Agencies, and U.S. Territories”, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Committee on Veterans’ Affairs, February 5, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations; and Women Veterans Task Force, joint hearing entitled “Examining How the Department of Veterans Affairs Supports Survivors of Military Sexual Trauma”, 10 a.m., HVC-210.

February 6, Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity, hearing on pending legislation, 10 a.m., HVC-210.

Committee on Ways and Means, February 5, Subcommittee on Health, hearing entitled “More Cures for More Patients: Overcoming Pharmaceutical Barriers”, 2 p.m., 1100 Longworth.

February 6, Subcommittee on Trade, hearing entitled “Trade Infrastructure for Global Competitiveness”, 10 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

Committee on the Climate Crisis, February 5, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Creating a Climate Resilient America: Overcoming the Health Risks of the Climate Crisis”, 9 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

Select Committee on the Modernization of Congress, February 5, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Article One: Fostering a More Deliberative Process in Congress”, 2 p.m., 210 Cannon.

Joint Meetings

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe: February 5, to hold hearings to examine the power and purpose of parliamentary diplomacy, focusing on inter-parliamentary initiatives and the United States contribution, 9:30 a.m., 210, Cannon Building.

Résumé of Congressional Activity

SECOND SESSION OF THE ONE HUNDRED SIXTEENTH CONGRESS

The first table gives a comprehensive résumé of all legislative business transacted by the Senate and House.

The second table accounts for all nominations submitted to the Senate by the President for Senate confirmation.

DATA ON LEGISLATIVE ACTIVITY

January 3 through January 31, 2020

	<i>Senate</i>	<i>House</i>	<i>Total</i>
Days in session	20	16	..
Time in session	112 hrs., 24'	66 hrs., 57'	..
Congressional Record:			
Pages of proceedings	772	749	..
Extensions of Remarks	..	115	..
Public bills enacted into law	1	7	8
Private bills enacted into law	..	..	..
Bills in conference	..	..	..
Measures passed, total	39	41	80
Senate bills	8	3	..
House bills	7	22	..
Senate joint resolutions	3	..	..
House joint resolutions	..	2	..
Senate concurrent resolutions	..	..	..
House concurrent resolutions	1	2	..
Simple resolutions	20	12	..
Measures reported, total	*8	19	27
Senate bills	6	..	..
House bills	2	13	..
Senate joint resolutions	..	..	..
House joint resolutions	..	1	..
Senate concurrent resolutions	..	..	..
House concurrent resolutions	..	..	..
Simple resolutions	..	5	..
Special reports	1	..	..
Conference reports	..	..	..
Measures pending on calendar	274	14	..
Measures introduced, total	136	260	396
Bills	99	203	..
Joint resolutions	7	3	..
Concurrent resolutions	4	4	..
Simple resolutions	26	50	..
Quorum calls	1	1	..
Yea-and-nay votes	32	24	..
Recorded votes	..	9	..
Bills vetoed	..	..	..
Veto overridden	..	..	..

DISPOSITION OF EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS

January 3 through January 31, 2020

Civilian nominees, totaling 129 (including 87 nominees carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	9
Unconfirmed	120
Other Civilian nominees, totaling 264 (including 1 nominee carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:	
Unconfirmed	264
Air Force nominees, totaling 117, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	8
Unconfirmed	109
Army nominees, totaling 114 (including 3 nominees carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	110
Unconfirmed	4
Navy nominees, totaling 7 (including 2 nominees carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	5
Unconfirmed	2
Marine Corps nominees, totaling 68, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	34
Unconfirmed	34
<i>Summary</i>	
Total nominees carried over from the First Session	93
Total nominees received this Session	606
Total confirmed	166
Total unconfirmed	533
Total withdrawn	0
Total returned to the White House	0

*These figures include all measures reported, even if there was no accompanying report. A total of 21 written reports have been filed in the Senate, 19 reports have been filed in the House.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

9:30 a.m., Tuesday, February 4

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

12 noon, Tuesday, February 4

Senate Chamber

Program for Tuesday: Senate will be in a period of morning business.

(Senators will gather in the Senate Chamber at 8:20 p.m. and proceed as a body to the Hall of the House of Representatives to receive a State of the Union Address from the President.)

House Chamber

Program for Tuesday: Joint Session with the Senate to receive the State of the Union Address from the President of the United States.

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