

on Homeland Security now printed in the bill shall be considered as adopted in the House and in the Committee of the Whole. **Page H1485**

H. Res. 877, the rule providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 1140) was agreed to by a yea-and-nay vote of 220 yeas to 192 nays, Roll No. 84, after the previous question was ordered by a yea-and-nay vote of 219 yeas to 194 nays, Roll No. 83.

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Recess: The House recessed at 2:45 p.m. and reconvened at 4 p.m. **Page H1494**

Suspension—Proceedings Resumed: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measure. Consideration began Tuesday, March 3rd.

Taiwan Allies International Protection and Enhancement Initiative (TAIPEI) Act: S. 1678, amended, to express United States support for Taiwan's diplomatic alliances around the world, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yea-and-nay vote of 415 yeas with none voting "nay", Roll No. 85. **Pages H1494–95**

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

Coronavirus Preparedness and Response Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2020: H.R. 6074, making emergency supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2020, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yea-and-nay vote of 415 yeas to 2 nays, Roll No. 86.

Pages H1489–94, H1495–96

Meeting Hour: Agreed by unanimous consent that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 9 a.m. tomorrow, March 5th. **Page H1496**

Presidential Message: Read a message from the President wherein he notified Congress that the national emergency with respect to Zimbabwe that was declared in Executive Order 13288 of March 6, 2003 is to continue in effect beyond March 6, 2020—referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs and ordered to be printed (H. Doc. 116–104). **Page H1489**

Senate Referral: S. 1869 was referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

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Senate Message: Message received from the Senate by the Clerk and subsequently presented to the House today appears on page 1499.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Four yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H1483–84, H1484, H1494–95, and H1495. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 5:55 p.m.

Committee Meetings

THE STATE OF THE RURAL ECONOMY WITH AGRICULTURE SECRETARY SONNY PERDUE

Committee on Agriculture: Full Committee held a hearing entitled "The State of the Rural Economy with Agriculture Secretary Sonny Perdue". Testimony was heard from Sonny Perdue, Secretary, Department of Agriculture.

APPROPRIATIONS—ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies held a budget hearing on the Environmental Protection Agency. Testimony was heard from David Bloom, Acting Chief Financial Officer, Environmental Protection Agency; and Andrew Wheeler, Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency.

APPROPRIATIONS—DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Financial Services and General Government held a budget hearing on the Department of the Treasury. Testimony was heard from Steven Mnuchin, Secretary, Department of the Treasury.

APPROPRIATIONS—NATIONAL INSTITUTES OF HEALTH

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies held a budget hearing on the National Institutes of Health. Testimony was heard from the following National Institutes of Health officials: Diana Bianchi, Director, Eunice Kennedy Shriver National Institute of Child Health and Human Development; Francis Collins, Director; Anthony Fauci, Director, National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases; Gary Gibbons, Director, National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute; Ned Sharpless, Director, National Cancer Institute; and Nora Volkow, Director, National Institute on Drug Abuse.

APPROPRIATIONS—DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on the Departments of Transportation, and Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies held a budget hearing on the Department of Housing and Urban Development. Testimony was heard from Ben Carson, Secretary, Department of Housing and Urban Development.

APPROPRIATIONS—DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies held a budget hearing on the Department of Veterans Affairs. Testimony was heard from the following Department of Veterans Affairs officials: Paul R. Lawrence, Under Secretary for Benefits; Jon Rychalski, Assistant Secretary for Management and Chief Financial Officer; Richard A. Stone, Executive in Charge, Veterans Health Administration; and Robert Wilkie, Secretary.

APPROPRIATIONS—U.S. NAVY AND MARINE CORPS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Defense held a budget hearing on the U.S. Navy and Marine Corps. Testimony was heard from General David H. Berger, Commandant of the Marine Corps; Admiral Michael M. Gilday, Chief of Naval Operations; and Thomas B. Modly, Acting Secretary of the Navy.

MEMBER DAY

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Legislative Branch held a hearing entitled “Member Day”. Testimony was heard from Chairman Kilmer, and Representatives Rodney Davis of Illinois, Fitzpatrick, Golden, and Graves of Georgia.

APPROPRIATIONS—EXPORT AND FINANCE AGENCIES

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs held a budget hearing on the Export and Finance Agencies. Testimony was heard from Adam Boehler, Chief Executive Officer, U.S. International Development Finance Corporation; Thomas Hardy, Acting Director, U.S. Trade and Development Agency; and Kimberly Reed, President and Chairman, Export-Import Bank of the United States.

MEMBER DAY

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies held a hearing entitled “Member Day”. Testimony was heard from Representatives Danny K. Davis of Illinois, Gonzalez of Ohio, González-Colón of Puerto Rico, Hill, Jackson Lee, Kennedy, Perlmutter, Schneider, Visclosky, and Yoho.

APPROPRIATIONS—DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY NATIONAL NUCLEAR SECURITY ADMINISTRATION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development, and Related Agencies held a budget on the Department of Energy National Nuclear Security Administration. Testimony was

heard from the following National Nuclear Security Administration officials: Admiral James Caldwell, Deputy Administrator, Naval Reactors; Lisa E. Gordon-Hagerty, Administrator; Brent K. Park, Deputy Administrator, Defense Nuclear Nonproliferation; and Charles P. Verdon, Deputy Administrator, Defense Programs.

PUBLIC WITNESS DAY

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Legislative Branch held a hearing entitled “Public Witness Day”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

U.S. SPACE FORCE ORGANIZATIONAL PLAN

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Defense held a hearing entitled “U.S. Space Force Organizational Plan”. Testimony was heard from Major General Clinton E. Crosier, Director, Space Force Planning, Office of the Chief of Space Operations; and Lieutenant General David D. Thompson, Vice Commander, U.S. Space Force.

THE FISCAL YEAR 2021 NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION BUDGET REQUEST FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE

Committee on Armed Services: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “The Fiscal Year 2021 National Defense Authorization Budget Request for the Department of the Air Force”. Testimony was heard from Barbara Barrett, Secretary of the Air Force, Department of the Air Force; General David Goldfein, Chief of Staff, Department of the Air Force; and General John Raymond, Chief of Space Operations, U.S. Space Force.

DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY FISCAL YEAR 2021 BUDGET REQUEST FOR SEAPOWER AND PROJECTION FORCES

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Seapower and Projection Forces held a hearing entitled “Department of the Navy Fiscal Year 2021 Budget Request for Seapower and Projection Forces”. Testimony was heard from James F. Geurts, Assistant Secretary of the Navy, Research Development and Acquisition, Department of the Navy; Vice Admiral James W. Kilby, Deputy Chief of Naval Operations, Warfighting Requirements and Capabilities (N9), Department of the Navy; and Lieutenant General Eric M. Smith, Deputy Commandant, Combat Development and Integration, Headquarters, U.S. Marine Corps.

THE FISCAL YEAR 2021 BUDGET REQUEST FOR U.S. CYBER COMMAND AND OPERATIONS IN CYBERSPACE

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Intelligence and Emerging Threats and Capabilities held a hearing entitled “The Fiscal Year 2021 Budget Request for U.S. Cyber Command and Operations in Cyberspace”. Testimony was heard from Kenneth P. Rapuano, Assistant Secretary of Defense for Homeland Defense and Global Security, and Principal Cyber Advisor to the Secretary of Defense, Department of Defense; and General Paul M. Nakasone, U.S. Army, Commander, U.S. Cyber Command, and Director, National Security Agency, Department of Defense.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES FY 2021 BUDGET

Committee on the Budget: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Department of Health and Human Services FY 2021 Budget”. Testimony was heard from Eric D. Hargan, Deputy Secretary, Department of Health and Human Services.

REAUTHORIZING THE NATIONAL APPRENTICESHIP ACT: STRENGTHENING AND GROWING APPRENTICESHIPS FOR THE 21ST CENTURY

Committee on Education and Labor: Subcommittee on Higher Education and Workforce Investment held a hearing entitled “Reauthorizing the National Apprenticeship Act: Strengthening and Growing Apprenticeships for the 21st Century”. Testimony was heard from Tiffany P. Robinson, Secretary, Maryland Department of Labor; and public witnesses.

BUYER BEWARE: FAKE AND UNSAFE PRODUCTS

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Consumer Protection and Commerce held a hearing entitled “Buyer Beware: Fake and Unsafe Products”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

REDUCE, REUSE, RECYCLE, REFORM: ADDRESSING AMERICA’S PLASTIC WASTE CRISIS

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Environment and Climate Change held a hearing entitled “Reduce, Reuse, Recycle, Reform: Addressing America’s Plastic Waste Crisis”. Testimony was heard from Enrique C. Zaldivar, General Manager, Los Angeles Sanitation and Environment Bureau, City of Los Angeles, California; and public witnesses.

THE TRAFFICKERS’ ROADMAP: HOW BAD ACTORS EXPLOIT FINANCIAL SYSTEMS TO FACILITATE THE ILLICIT TRADE IN PEOPLE, ANIMALS, DRUGS, AND WEAPONS

Committee on Financial Services: Subcommittee on National Security, International Development, and Monetary Policy held a hearing entitled “The Traffickers’ Roadmap: How Bad Actors Exploit Financial Systems to Facilitate the Illicit Trade in People, Animals, Drugs, and Weapons”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

DRIVERS OF DISCRIMINATION: AN EXAMINATION OF UNFAIR PREMIUMS, PRACTICES, AND POLICIES IN THE AUTO INSURANCE INDUSTRY

Committee on Financial Services: Subcommittee on Housing, Community Development, and Insurance held a hearing entitled “Drivers of Discrimination: An Examination of Unfair Premiums, Practices, and Policies in the Auto Insurance Industry”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Full Committee held a markup on H. Res. 512, calling for the global repeal of blasphemy, heresy, and apostasy laws; H.R. 5408, the “Ukraine Religious Freedom Support Act”; H. Res. 742, recognizing the continued success of the Food for Peace Act; H.R. 5664, the “LIFT Act”; H. Res. 720, expressing the sense of House of Representatives that the International Olympic Committee should correct Jim Thorpe’s Olympic records for his unprecedented accomplishments during the 1912 Olympic Games; H.R. 2166, the “Global Health Security Act”; H.R. 2847, the “No Passport Fees for Heroes’ Families Act”; H. Res. 723, encouraging all nations to end sexual violence against girls through in-country data-driven reforms as demonstrated by multiple African nations; H. Res. 809, expressing the importance of the United States alliance with the Republic of Korea and the contributions of Korean Americans in the United States; H. Res. 458, reaffirming the strong partnership between Tunisia and the United States and supporting the people of Tunisia in their continued pursuit of democratic reforms; and H.R. 1611, the “Robert Levinson Hostage Recovery and Hostage-Taking Accountability Act”. H. Res. 512, H.R. 5408, H. Res. 742, H.R. 5664, H.R. 2166, H.R. 2847, H. Res. 723, H. Res. 809, H. Res. 458, and H.R. 1611 were ordered reported, as amended. H. Res. 720 was ordered reported, without amendment.

CONFRONTING THE CORONAVIRUS: PERSPECTIVES ON THE RESPONSE TO A PANDEMIC THREAT

Committee on Homeland Security: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Confronting the Coronavirus: Perspectives on the Response to a Pandemic Threat”. Testimony was heard from Ngozi O. Ezike, M.D., Director, Illinois Department of Public Health; and public witnesses.

EXAMINING THE DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR’S SPENDING PRIORITIES AND THE PRESIDENT’S FISCAL YEAR 2021 BUDGET PROPOSAL

Committee on Natural Resources: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Examining the Department of the Interior’s Spending Priorities and the President’s Fiscal Year 2021 Budget Proposal”. Testimony was heard from Susan Combs, Assistant Secretary of Policy, Management and Budget, Department of the Interior.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Oversight and Reform: Full Committee held a markup on H.R. 4894 the “Congressional Budget Justification Transparency Act”; H.R. 6020, a bill requiring a GAO Study on Minor League Baseball; H.R. 3870, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 511 West 165th Street in New York, New York, as the “Normandia Maldonado Post Office Building”; H.R. 4875, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 2201 E. Maple Street in North Canton, Ohio, as the “Lance Cpl. Stacy ‘Annie’ Dryden Post Office”; H.R. 4971, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 15 East Market Street in Leesburg, Virginia, as the “Norman Duncan Post Office Building”; H.R. 5307, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 115 Nicol Avenue in Thomasville, Alabama, as the “Postmaster Robert Ingram Sr. Post Office”; H.R. 5317, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 315 Addicks Howell Road in Houston, Texas, as the “Deputy Sandeep Singh Dhaliwal Post Office Building”; H.R. 5597, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 305 Northwest 5th Street in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, as the “Clara Luper Post Office Building”; H.R. 5954, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 108 West Maple Street in Holly, Michigan, as the “Holly Veterans Memorial Post Office”; H.R. 5987, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 909 West Holiday Drive in Fate, Texas, as the “Ralph Hall Post Office”; H.R. 5988, to designate the facility of

the United States Postal Service located at 2600 Wesley Street in Greenville, Texas, as the “Audie Murphy Post Office Building”. H.R. 4894, H.R. 6020, and H.R. 5307 were ordered reported, as amended. H.R. 3870, H.R. 4875, H.R. 4971, H.R. 5317, H.R. 5597, H.R. 5954, H.R. 5987, and H.R. 5988 were ordered reported, without amendment.

MAKING IT A PRIORITY FOR THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

Committee on Oversight and Reform: Subcommittee on Government Operations held a hearing entitled “Making IT a Priority for The Federal Government”. Testimony was heard from Anil Cheriyan, Director, Technology Transformation Services, General Services Administration; Carol C. Harris, Director, Information Technology and Cybersecurity, Government Accountability Office; and Bill Zielinski, Assistant Commissioner, Office of Information Technology Category, General Services Administration.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Science, Space, and Technology: Subcommittee on Environment held a markup on H.R. 5519, the “Atmospheric Climate Intervention Research Act”; H.R. 4656, the “Background Ozone Research Act”; and H.R. 3297, the “Harmful Algal Bloom Essential Forecasting Act”. H.R. 4656 and H.R. 3297 were forwarded to the full Committee, as amended. H.R. 5519 was forwarded to the full Committee, without amendment.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Small Business: Full Committee held a business meeting on the Committee’s Budget Views and Estimates for Fiscal Year 2021. The Budget and Views Estimates were approved, without amendment.

BUILDING BLOCKS OF CHANGE: THE BENEFITS OF BLOCKCHAIN TECHNOLOGY FOR SMALL BUSINESSES

Committee on Small Business: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Building Blocks of Change: The Benefits of Blockchain Technology for Small Businesses”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

FUNDING A ROBUST FREIGHT AND PASSENGER RAIL NETWORK

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Railroads, Pipelines, and Hazardous Materials held a hearing entitled “Funding a Robust Freight and Passenger Rail Network”. Testimony was heard from Sandra Bury, Mayor, Village of Oak Lawn, Illinois; Kevin Corbett, President and Chief Operating Officer, NJ TRANSIT Corporation; and public witnesses.

EXAMINING THE IMPACT OF THE TAX CODE ON NATIVE AMERICAN TRIBES

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Select Revenue Measures held a hearing entitled “Examining the Impact of the Tax Code on Native American Tribes”. Testimony was heard from Representatives Davids of Kansas, Haaland, and Mullin; and public witnesses.

Joint Meetings

VFW LEGISLATIVE PRESENTATION

Committee on Veterans’ Affairs: Senate Committee concluded a joint hearing with the House Committee on Veterans’ Affairs to examine the legislative presentation of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States, after receiving testimony from William J. Schmitz, B.J. Lawrence, Ryan Gallucci, Carlos Fuentes, and Ronald Rusakiewicz, all of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States, Washington, D.C.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D225)

H.J. Res. 80, approving the request of the Secretary of Veterans Affairs for a waiver under section 1703E(f) of title 38, United States Code. Signed on March 3, 2020. (Public Law 116–120)

S. 394, to amend the Presidential Transition Act of 1963 to improve the orderly transfer of the executive power during Presidential transitions. Signed on March 3, 2020. (Public Law 116–121)

S. 2107, to increase the number of CBP Agriculture Specialists and support staff in the Office of Field Operations of U.S. Customs and Border Protection. Signed on March 3, 2020. (Public Law 116–122)

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, MARCH 5, 2020

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2021 for the Department of Commerce, 10 a.m., SD–192.

Subcommittee on Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2021 for the Department of Education, 10 a.m., SD–124.

Committee on Armed Services: to hold hearings to examine the posture of the Navy in review of the Defense Authorization Request for fiscal year 2021 and the Future Years Defense Program, 9:30 a.m., SD–G50.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: to hold hearings to examine threats posed by state-owned and state-supported enterprises to public transportation, 10 a.m., SD–538.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: to hold hearings to examine the latest developments and longer-term prospects for global energy markets, with a special focus on the United States, from the perspective of the International Energy Agency, 9:30 a.m., SD–366.

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on State Department and USAID Management, International Operations, and Bilateral International Development, to hold hearings to examine the Global Engagement Center, focusing on leading the United States Government’s fight against global disinformation threat, 10 a.m., SD–419.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: to hold hearings to examine the Federal interagency response to the Coronavirus and preparing for future global pandemics, 9:30 a.m., SD–342.

Committee on the Judiciary: business meeting to consider the nominations of Fernando L. Aenlle-Rocha, Stanley Blumenfeld, and Mark C. Scarsi, each to be a United States District Judge for the Central District of California, John Charles Hinderaker, to be United States District Judge for the District of Arizona, John Leonard Badalamenti, to be United States District Judge for the Middle District of Florida, William Scott Hardy, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Pennsylvania, John F. Heil III, to be United States District Judge for the Northern, Eastern and Western Districts of Oklahoma, David Cleveland Joseph, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Louisiana, Anna M. Manasco, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Alabama, Drew B. Tipton, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Texas, and Grace Karaffa Obermann, of Virginia, Stephen Sidney Schwartz, of Virginia, Kathryn C. Davis, of Maryland, and Edward Hulvey Meyers, of Maryland, each to be a Judge of the United States Court of Federal Claims, 10 a.m., SD–226.

House

Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Defense, hearing entitled “Defense Health Program (DHP)”, 9 a.m., 2359 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Legislative Branch, budget hearing on the Architect of the Capitol, 10 a.m., HT–2 Capitol.

Subcommittee on Legislative Branch, budget hearing on the Government Publishing Office, 11 a.m., HT–2 Capitol.

Committee on Armed Services, Subcommittee on Tactical Air and Land Forces, hearing entitled “The Fiscal Year 2021 Army and Marine Corps Ground Modernization Programs”, 9:30 a.m., 2212 Rayburn.