

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

The Senate was not in session and stands adjourned until 11 a.m., on Thursday, May 28, 2020.

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 20 public bills, H.R. 7022–7041, were introduced.

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Additional Cosponsors:

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 306, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a special resource study of the site of the Kettle Creek Battlefield in Wilkes County, Georgia, and adjacent property, and for other purposes, with amendments (H. Rept. 116–424);

H.R. 3349, to authorize the Daughters of the Republic of Texas to establish the Republic of Texas Legation Memorial as a commemorative work in the District of Columbia, and for other purposes, with an amendment; and

H. Res. 981, providing for consideration of the Senate amendments to the bill (H.R. 6172) to amend the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act of 1978 to prohibit the production of certain business records, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 116–426).

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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 10:51 a.m. and reconvened at 12 noon.

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

Uyghur Human Rights Policy Act of 2020: S. 3744, to condemn gross human rights violations of ethnic Turkic Muslims in Xinjiang, and calling for

an end to arbitrary detention, torture, and harassment of these communities inside and outside China, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeas-and-nays vote of 413 yeas to 1 nay, Roll No. 110;

Pages H2293–H2300, H2311–12

Law Enforcement Suicide Data Collection Act: S. 2746, to require the Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation to provide information on suicide rates in law enforcement; and

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Public Safety Officer Pandemic Response Act of 2020: H.R. 6509, amended, to amend the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 to provide public safety officer death and disability benefits for certain public safety officers who contract COVID-19.

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Recess: The House recessed at 1 p.m. and reconvened at 2:56 p.m.

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USA FREEDOM Reauthorization Act of 2020—Rule for Consideration: The House agreed to H.

Res. 981, providing for consideration of the Senate amendments to the bill (H.R. 6172) to amend the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act of 1978 to prohibit the production of certain business records, by a yeas-and-nays vote of 228 yeas to 189 nays, Roll No. 112, after the previous question was ordered by a yeas-and-nays vote of 232 yeas to 182 nays, Roll No. 111.

Pages H2300–11, H2312–14

Recess: The House recessed at 8:54 p.m. and reconvened at 9:09 p.m.

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Recess: The House recessed at 9:09 p.m. and reconvened at 9:24 p.m.

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Recess: The House recessed at 9:24 p.m. and reconvened at 9:37 p.m.

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Quorum Calls—Votes: Three yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H2311–12, H2312–13, and H2313–14. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 9:39 p.m.

Committee Meetings

SENATE AMENDMENTS TO THE USA FREEDOM REAUTHORIZATION ACT OF 2020

Committee on Rules: Full Committee held a hearing on Senate Amendments to H.R. 6172, the “USA FREEDOM Reauthorization Act of 2020”. The Committee granted, by record vote of 8–4, a rule providing for consideration of the Senate amendments to H.R. 6172, the “USA FREEDOM Reauthorization Act of 2020”. The rule makes in order a single motion offered by the chair of the Committee on the Judiciary or his designee that the House concur in the Senate amendments. 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 amendments and the motion shall be considered as read. The rule provides one hour of debate on the motion equally divided among and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on the Judiciary and the chair and ranking minority member of the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence. The rule provides that any motion pursuant to clause 4 of rule XXII relating to H.R. 6172 may be offered only by the Majority Leader or his designee. The rule provides that if a veto message is laid before the House on H.J. Res.

76, then after the message is read, further consideration of the veto message and the joint resolution shall be postponed until the legislative day of Wednesday, July 1, 2020; and on that legislative day, the House shall proceed to reconsideration and dispose of such question without intervening motion. Testimony was heard from Chairman Lofgren, and Representatives Raskin, Jordan, Davidson of Ohio, Gohmert, and Armstrong.

THE DISPROPORTIONATE IMPACT OF COVID–19 ON COMMUNITIES OF COLOR

Committee on Ways and Means: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “The Disproportionate Impact of COVID–19 on Communities of Color”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, MAY 28, 2020

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

House

Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies, hearing entitled “Department of Veterans Affairs—Response to COVID–19”, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Committee on Education and Labor, Subcommittee on Workforce Protections, hearing entitled “Examining the Federal Government’s Actions to Protect Workers from COVID–19”, 10:15 a.m., 2175 Rayburn and Webex.