

Thursday, July 16, 2020

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

The Senate met at 10:32:15 a.m. in pro forma session, and adjourned at 10:32:57 a.m. until 3 p.m., on Monday, July 20, 2020.

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 50 public bills, H.R. 7615, 7618–7666; and 7 resolutions, H. Res. 1046–1052 were introduced. **Pages H3088–90**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages H3091–93**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed on Tuesday, July 14 as follows:

H.R. 7611, making appropriations for the Legislative Branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2021, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 116–447); and

H.R. 7612, making appropriations for the Department of the Interior, environment, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2021, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 116–448).

Reports were filed on Wednesday, July 15 as follows:

H.R. 7613, making appropriations for energy and water development and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2021, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 116–449); and

H.R. 7614, making appropriations for the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2021, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 116–450).

Reports were filed today as follows:

Committee on Ethics. In the Matter of Allegations Relating to Representative Lori Trahan (H. Rept. 116–451);

Supplemental report on H.R. 6395, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2021 for military ac-

tivities of the Department of Defense and for military construction, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 116–442, Part 2);

H.R. 7616, making appropriations for the Departments of Transportation, and Housing and Urban Development, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2021, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 116–452);

H.R. 7617, making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2021, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 116–453);

Committee on Appropriations. Revised Suballocation of Budget Allocations for Fiscal Year 2021 (H. Rept. 116–454); and

H.R. 7667, making appropriations for the Departments of Commerce and Justice, Science, and Related Agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2021, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 116–455). **Page H3088**

Guest Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the Guest Chaplain, Rev. Gary Studniewski, St. Peter's Catholic Church Washington, DC. **Page H3087**

Permission to File Report: Agreed by unanimous consent that the Committee on Armed Services be authorized to file a supplemental report on H.R. 6395, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2021 for military activities of the Department of Defense and for military construction, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year. **Page H3087**

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 12:02 p.m.

Committee Meetings

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Appropriations: On July 14, 2020, Full Committee held a markup on the FY 2021 Defense Appropriations Bill; the FY 2021 Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies Appropriations Bill; and the FY 2021 Departments of Transportation, and Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies Appropriations Bill. The FY 2021 Defense Appropriations Bill; the FY 2021 Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies Appropriations Bill; and the FY 2021 Departments of Transportation, and Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies Appropriations Bill were ordered reported, as amended.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Appropriations: On July 15, 2020, Full Committee held a markup on the FY 2021 Department of Homeland Security Appropriations Bill; the FY 2021 Financial Services and General Government Appropriations Bill; and the Report on the Revised Suballocation of Budget Allocations for FY 2021. The FY 2021 Department of Homeland Security Appropriations Bill; and the FY 2021 Financial Services and General Government Appropriations Bill were ordered reported, as amended. The Report on the Revised Suballocation of Budget Allocations for FY 2021 was approved.

SOFTWARE UPDATE REQUIRED: COVID-19 EXPOSES NEED FOR FEDERAL INVESTMENTS IN TECHNOLOGY

Committee on the Budget: On July 15, 2020, Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Software Update Required: COVID-19 Exposes Need for Federal Investments in Technology”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT OF DOE DURING THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC

Committee on Energy and Commerce: On July 14, 2020, Subcommittee on Energy held a hearing entitled “Oversight of DOE During the COVID-19 Pandemic”. Testimony was heard from Dan Brouillette, Secretary, Department of Energy.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Energy and Commerce: On July 15, 2020, Full Committee held a markup on H.R. 1426, the

“Timely Review of Infrastructure Act”; H.R. 3079, the “Energy Savings Through Public-Private Partnerships Act of 2019”; H.R. 3361, the “Reliable Investment in Vital Energy Reauthorization Act”; H.R. 5541, the “Tribal Power Act”; H.R. 5758, the “Ceiling Fan Improvement Act of 2020”; H.R. 2477, the “BENES Act of 2019”; H.R. 3935, the “Protecting Patients Transportation to Care Act”; H.R. 5201, the “Telemental Health Expansion Act of 2019”; H.R. 5534, the “Comprehensive Immunosuppressive Drug Coverage for Kidney Transplant Patients Act”; H.R. 7539, the “Strengthening Behavioral Health Parity Act”; H.R. 1646, the “HERO Act of 2019”; H.R. 2117, the “FASTER Act of 2019”; H.R. 2271, the “Scarlett’s Sunshine on Sudden Unexpected Death Act”; H.R. 2468, the “School-Based Allergies and Asthma Management Program Act”; H.R. 4564, the “Suicide Prevention Lifeline Improvement Act of 2019”; H.R. 4585, the “Campaign to Prevent Suicide Act”; H.R. 4712, the “Fairness in Orphan Drug Exclusivity Act”; H.R. 4866, the “National Centers of Excellence in Continuous Pharmaceutical Manufacturing Act of 2019”; H.R. 5619, the “Suicide Prevention Act”; H.R. 5663, the “Safeguarding Therapeutics Act”; H.R. 5668, the “MODERN Labeling Act of 2020”; H.R. 7574, the “Strengthening America’s Strategic National Stockpile Act of 2020”; H.R. 451, the “Don’t Break Up the T-Band Act of 2019”; H. Res. 549, a resolution reaffirming the commitment of the House of Representatives to media diversity and pledging to work with media entities and diverse stakeholders to develop common ground solutions to eliminate barriers to media diversity; H.R. 4194, the “National Suicide Hotline Designation Act of 2019”; H.R. 5567, the “MEDIA Diversity Act of 2020”; H.R. 5918, a bill to direct the Federal Communications Commission to issue reports after activation of the Disaster Information Reporting System and to make improvements to network outage reporting; H.R. 6096, the “READI Act”; H.R. 6624, the “USA Telecommunications Act”; and H.R. 7310, the “Spectrum IT Modernization Act of 2020”. H.R. 1426, H.R. 3079, H.R. 3361, H.R. 5758, H.R. 4564, H. Res. 549, H.R. 5567, H.R. 6096, H.R. 6624, and H.R. 7310 were ordered reported, without amendment. H.R. 5541, H.R. 2477, H.R. 3935, H.R. 5201, H.R. 5534, H.R. 7539, H.R. 1646, H.R. 2117, H.R. 2271, H.R. 2468, H.R. 4585, H.R. 4712, H.R. 4866, H.R. 5619, H.R. 5663, H.R. 5668, H.R. 7574, H.R. 451, H.R. 4194, and H.R. 5918 were ordered reported, as amended.