

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate confirmed the nomination of Isabella Casillas Guzman, of California, to be Administrator of the Small Business Administration.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S1531–S1575

Measures Introduced: Thirty-two bills and four resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 752–783, and S. Res. 115–118. **Pages S1569–70**

Measures Passed:

Honoring Army Chaplain Emil J. Kapaun: Senate agreed to S. Res. 118, honoring Army chaplain Emil J. Kapaun. **Page S1571**

Tai Nomination—Agreement: Senate resumed consideration of the nomination of Katherine C. Tai, of the District of Columbia, to be United States Trade Representative, with the rank of Ambassador. **Pages S1541–51**

During consideration of this nomination today, Senate also took the following action:

By a unanimous vote of 98 yeas (Vote No. EX. 122), Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the nomination. **Page S1541**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the nomination at approximately 10:30 a.m., on Wednesday, March 17, 2021; that the post-cloture time expire at 11:30 a.m. **Page S1575**

Nomination Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nomination:

By 81 yeas 17 nays (Vote No. EX. 121), Isabella Casillas Guzman, of California, to be Administrator of the Small Business Administration. **Pages S1531–41, S1575**

During consideration of this nomination today, Senate also took the following action:

By 80 yeas to 18 nays (Vote No. EX. 120), Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the nomination. **Page S1539**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Janie Simms Hipp, of Arkansas, to be General Counsel of the Department of Agriculture.

Leslie B. Kiernan, of Maryland, to be General Counsel of the Department of Commerce.

Christopher Charles Fonzzone, of Pennsylvania, to be General Counsel of the Office of the Director of National Intelligence.

Todd Sunhwae Kim, of the District of Columbia, to be an Assistant Attorney General. **Page S1575**

Executive Communications: **Pages S1568–69**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages S1570–71**

Statements on Introduced Bills/Resolutions: **Pages S1571–74**

Additional Statements: **Page S1568**

Authorities for Committees to Meet: **Page S1571**

Record Votes: Three record votes were taken today. (Total—122) **Pages S1539, S1541**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m. and recessed at 5:53 p.m., until 10:30 a.m. on Wednesday, March 17, 2021. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S1575.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION REQUEST AND FUTURE YEARS DEFENSE PROGRAM

Committee on Armed Services: Committee concluded a hearing to examine United States Southern Command and United States Northern Command in review of the Defense Authorization Request for fiscal year 2022 and Future Years Defense program, after receiving testimony from Admiral Craig S. Faller, USN, Commander, United States Southern Command, and General Glen VanHerck, USAF, Commander, United States Northern Command and

North American Aerospace Defense Command, both of the Department of Defense.

HOUSING IN AMERICA

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the state of housing in America, after receiving testimony from Christopher Herbert, Harvard Joint Center for Housing Studies, Cambridge, Massachusetts; Diane Yentel, National Low Income Housing Coalition, and Edward J. Pinto, AEI Housing Center, both of Washington, D.C.; Nikitra Bailey, Center for Responsible Lending, Durham, North Carolina; and Edward J. DeMarco, Housing Policy Council, Notre Dame, Indiana.

TRANSPORTATION TECHNOLOGIES

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee concluded a hearing to examine ways to strengthen research and development in innovative transportation technologies with a focus on solutions that decrease emissions, reduce our reliance on foreign supply chains, and increase manufacturing in the United States, after receiving testimony from Kelly Speakes-Backman, Acting Assistant Secretary, Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, Department of Energy; E. Adam Muellerweiss, Clarios, Milwaukee, Wisconsin; Janvier Desire Nkurunziza, United Nations Conference on Trade and Development Division on International Trade and Commodities, Geneva, Switzerland; Tony Satterthwaite, Cummins Inc., Columbus, Indiana; and Robert Wimmer, Toyota Motor North America, Inc., Gaithersburg, Maryland.

DOMESTIC MANUFACTURING

Committee on Finance: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the effect of the U.S. tax code on domestic manufacturing, after receiving testimony from George Davis, Intel Corporation, Santa Clara, California; Jonathan Jennings, Ford Motor Company, Dearborn, Michigan; Jay Timmons, National Association of Manufacturers, Washington, D.C.; Michelle Hanlon, Massachusetts Institute of Technology Sloan School of Management, Cambridge; and Donnie Blatt, United Steelworkers, Columbus, Ohio.

NOMINATION

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nomination of Julie A. Su, of California, to be Deputy Secretary of Labor, after the nominee, who was introduced by Senator Padilla, testified and answered questions in her own behalf.

BUSINESS MEETING

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee met in closed session to consider pending intelligence matters.

Committee recessed subject to the call.

INTELLIGENCE

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee met in closed session to receive a briefing on certain intelligence matters from officials of the intelligence community.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 58 public bills, H.R. 1895–1952; and 11 resolutions, H.J. Res. 31; and H. Res. 232, 345–353, were introduced.

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Additional Cosponsors:

Pages H1414–16

Report Filed: A report was filed today as follows:

H. Res. 233, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 1620) to reauthorize the Violence Against Women Act of 1994, and for other purposes; providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 6) to authorize the cancellation of removal and adjustment of status of certain aliens, and for other purposes; providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 1603) to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to pro-

vide for terms and conditions for nonimmigrant workers performing agricultural labor or services, and for other purposes; providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 1868) to prevent across-the-board direct spending cuts, and for other purposes; providing for consideration of the joint resolution (H.J. Res. 17) removing the deadline for the ratification of the equal rights amendment; and for other purposes (H. Rept. 117–12)

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Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein she appointed Representative Tlaib to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

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Recess: The House recessed at 12:19 p.m. and reconvened at 2 p.m.

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