

A motion was entered to close further debate on the nomination, and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on cloture will occur upon disposition of the nomination of Vivek Hallegere Murthy, of Florida, to be Medical Director in the Regular Corps of the Public Health Service, subject to qualifications therefor as provided by law and regulations, and to be Surgeon General of the Public Health Service.

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Prior to the consideration of this nomination, Senate took the following action:

Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to Legislative Session.

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Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to Executive Session to consider the nomination.

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Turk Nomination—Cloture: Senate began consideration of the nomination of David Turk, of Maryland, to be Deputy Secretary of Energy.

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Adeyemo Nomination—Cloture: Senate began consideration of the nomination of Adewale O. Adeyemo, of California, to be Deputy Secretary of the Treasury.

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Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

By 50 yeas to 49 nays (Vote No. EX. 125), Xavier Becerra, of California, to be Secretary of Health and Human Services.

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William Joseph Burns, of Maryland, to be Director of the Central Intelligence Agency.

Brian P. McKeon, of the District of Columbia, to be Deputy Secretary of State for Management and Resources.

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Record Votes: Two record votes were taken today. (Total—126) Pages S1631, S1635

Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 3:35 p.m., until 3 p.m. on Monday, March 22, 2021. (For Senate’s program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today’s Record on page S1657.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

DOD PLANNING, PROGRAMMING, BUDGET AND EXECUTION PROCESS

Committee on Armed Services: Committee received a closed briefing on the planning, programming, budget, and execution process of the Department of Defense from Brendan W. McGarry, Defense Budget Analyst, Pat Towell, Defense Policy and Budget Specialist, and Lawrence Kapp, Military Personnel Policy Specialist, all of the Congressional Research Service, Library of Congress.

21ST CENTURY ECONOMY: FINANCIAL SYSTEM AND CLIMATE CHANGE

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the 21st century economy, focusing on protecting the financial system from risks associated with climate change, including S. 563, to amend the Federal Reserve Act to prohibit certain financial service providers who deny fair access to financial services from using taxpayer funded discount window lending programs, after receiving testimony from Gregory Gelzinis, Center for American Progress, and Benjamin Zycher, American Enterprise Institute, both of Washington, D.C.; Nathaniel Keohane, Environmental Defense Fund, New York, New York; Marilyn Waite, The William and Flora Hewlett Foundation, Menlo Park, California; and John

Cochrane, Stanford University Hoover Institution, Stanford, California.

FIGHTING FORCED LABOR

Committee on Finance: Committee concluded a hearing to examine fighting forced labor, focusing on closing loopholes and improving customs enforcement to mandate clean supply chains and protect workers, after receiving testimony from Joe Wrona, United Steelworkers, Buffalo, New York; Martina E. Vandenberg, The Human Trafficking Legal Center, and Julia K. Hughes, U.S. Fashion Industry Association, both of Washington, D.C.; and Leonardo Bonanni, Sourcemap Inc., New York, New York.

SOLARWINDS SUPPLY CHAIN ATTACK

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the SolarWinds supply chain attack, focusing on the Federal perspective, after receiving testimony from Christopher J. DeRusha, Federal Chief Information Security Officer, Office of Management and Budget; Brandon Wales, Acting Director, Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency, Department of Homeland Security; and Tonya Ugoretz, Acting Assistant Director, Cyber Division, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Department of Justice.

COVID-19 FEDERAL RESPONSE UPDATE

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the COVID-19 response, focusing on an update from Federal officials, after receiving testimony from Anthony Fauci, Director, National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases, National Institutes of Health, David Kessler, Chief Science Officer, COVID Response, Peter Marks, Director, Center for Biologics Evaluation and Research, Food and Drug Administration, and Rochelle Walensky, Director, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, all of the Department of Health and Human Services.

COVID-19 HEALTH CARE NEEDS

Special Committee on Aging: Committee concluded a hearing to examine COVID-19 one year later, focusing on addressing health care needs for at-risk Americans, after receiving testimony from Anand S. Iyer, University of Alabama at Birmingham, Birmingham; Amy Houtrow, University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; Anthony Jackson, Roper St. Francis Healthcare, Charleston, South Carolina; and Sandra Harris, AARP Massachusetts, Boston.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 79 public bills, H.R. 1996–2074; and 6 resolutions, H. Res. 251–256, were introduced. **Pages H1578–82**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages H1584–85**

Reports Filed: There were no reports filed today.

American Dream and Promise Act of 2021: The House passed H.R. 6, to authorize the cancellation of removal and adjustment of status of certain aliens, by a yea-and-nay vote of 228 yeas to 197 nays, Roll No. 91. **Pages H1507–27, H1567–68**

Rejected the Jordan motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on the Judiciary by a yea-and-nay vote of 203 yeas to 216 nays, Roll No. 90. **Pages H1526, H1567**

Pursuant to the Rule, an amendment in the nature of a substitute consisting of the text of Rules Committee Print 117–4 shall be considered as adopted. **Page H1507**

H. Res. 233, the rule providing for consideration of the bills (H.R. 1620), (H.R. 6), (H.R.1603),

(H.R.1868), and the joint resolution (H.J. Res. 17) was agreed to Tuesday, March 16th.

Farm Workforce Modernization Act of 2021: The House passed H.R. 1603, to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to provide for terms and conditions for nonimmigrant workers performing agricultural labor or services, by a yea-and-nay vote of 247 yeas to 174 nays, Roll No. 93. **Pages H1527–60, H1569–70**

Rejected the Fischbach motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on the Judiciary by a yea-and-nay vote of 204 yeas to 218 nays, Roll No. 92. **Pages H1560, H1569**

Pursuant to the Rule, the amendment printed in part C of H. Rept. 117–12 shall be considered as adopted. **Page H1527**

H. Res. 233, the rule providing for consideration of the bills (H.R. 1620), (H.R. 6), (H.R. 1603), (H.R. 1868), and the joint resolution (H.J. Res. 17) was agreed to Tuesday, March 16th.

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