

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

The Senate was not in session and stands adjourned until 9:30 a.m. on Thursday, February 6, 2014.

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 14 public bills, H.R. 20, 3992–4004; and 1 resolution, H. Res. 474 were introduced. **Pages H1657–59**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages H1659–60**

Report Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 3683, to amend the Energy Independence and Security Act of 2007 to improve United States-Israel energy cooperation, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 113–341, Pt. 1) and

H.R. 3448, to amend the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 to provide for an optional pilot program allowing certain emerging growth companies to increase the tick sizes of their stocks, with an amendment (H. Rept. 113–342). **Page H1657**

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Ribble to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H1595**

Recess: The House recessed at 10:27 a.m. and reconvened at 12 noon. **Page H1598**

Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the guest chaplain, Reverend Dr. Andrew Chaney, First and Calvary Presbyterian Church, Springfield, Missouri. **Page H1598**

Journal: The House agreed to the Speaker's approval of the Journal by voice vote. **Page H1598**

Sportsmen's Heritage And Recreational Enhancement Act: The House passed H.R. 3590, to protect and enhance opportunities for recreational hunting, fishing, and shooting, by a yea-and-nay vote of 268

yeas to 154 nays, Roll No. 41. Consideration of the measure began yesterday, February 4th.

Pages H1611–15

Rejected the Sean Patrick Maloney (NY) motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Natural Resources with instructions to report the same back to the House forthwith with an amendment, by a recorded vote of 187 ayes to 231 noes, Roll No. 40.

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Rejected:

DeFazio amendment (No. 6 printed in H. Rept. 113–339) that was debated on February 4th that sought to strike the National Environmental Policy Act waivers in the bill (by a recorded vote of 185 ayes to 237 noes, Roll No. 38) and **Pages H1611–12**

Holt amendment (No. 10 printed in H. Rept. 113–339) that was debated on February 4th that sought to promote the Secretary of the Interior's authority to consider climate change when making decisions related to recreation and conservation on public lands (by a recorded vote of 181 ayes to 242 noes, Roll No. 39). **Page H1612**

H. Res. 470, the rule providing for consideration of the bill, was agreed to yesterday, February 4th.

Sacramento-San Joaquin Valley Emergency Water Delivery Act: The House passed H.R. 3964, to address certain water-related concerns in the Sacramento-San Joaquin Valley, by a recorded vote of 229 ayes to 191 noes, Roll No. 50.

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Rejected the Garamendi motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Natural Resources with instructions to report the same back to the House

forthwith with an amendment, by a recorded vote of 191 ayes to 231 noes, Roll No. 49. **Pages H1646–47**

Pursuant to the rule, an amendment in the nature of a substitute consisting of the text of Rules Committee Print 113–34 shall be considered as an original bill for the purpose of amendment under the five-minute rule. **Page H1624**

Agreed to:

DeFazio amendment (No. 5 printed in part B of H. Rept. 113–340) that establishes the Governor of California’s emergency drought declaration, issued January 17, 2014, as a formal request to the Secretary of Commerce to issue a determination, using her authority under Section 312 of the Magnuson-Stevens Act, that a fishery resource disaster has occurred for fisheries that originate in the State of California. **Pages H1636–37**

Rejected:

Napolitano amendment (No. 1 printed in part B of H. Rept. 113–340) that sought to remove the subsidy to agricultural loans and require that interest be repaid on the capital costs of a project. Currently, agriculture has 40 years to repay capital cost, interest free. Other constituencies, such as municipal entities, are required by law to pay interest (by a recorded vote of 179 ayes to 239 noes, Roll No. 42);

Pages H1631–32, H1641–42

Matsui amendment (No. 2 printed in part B of H. Rept. 113–340) that sought to explain that Section 107 will not suspend “b2” water (800,000 acre feet) that was allocated in the 1992 Central Valley Project Improvement Act. Senior water rights holders in the Delta or north of Delta shall not be responsible for the project yield allocation or B2 water (by a recorded vote of 193 ayes to 228 noes, Roll No. 43);

Pages H1632–34, H1642

Bera amendment (No. 3 printed in part B of H. Rept. 113–340) that sought to delay implementation of the act until it is determined that it will not have a negative impact on the quantity, quality, and safety of drinking water in the California Delta region (by a recorded vote of 194 ayes to 226 noes, Roll No. 44);

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Capps amendment (No. 4 printed in part B of H. Rept. 113–340) that sought to require GAO to conduct a study on the resiliency and adaptability of all Bureau of Reclamation projects and facilities to any ongoing or forecasted changes to the quality, quantity, or reliability of water resources (by a recorded vote of 194 ayes to 227 noes, Roll No. 45);

Pages H1635–36, H1643–44

Huffman amendment (No. 6 printed in part B of H. Rept. 113–340) that sought to prevent provisions of the bill from taking effect until it has been determined that it will not interfere with the State of California’s Delta and water management reform and

funding Acts of 2009, including SB7x–1, SB7x–2, SB7x–6, and SB7x–7 (by a recorded vote of 189 ayes to 231 noes, Roll No. 46); **Pages H1637–38, H1644**

McNerney amendment (No. 7 printed in part B of H. Rept. 113–340) that sought to prevent several provisions of the Act from taking effect until it is determined that it will not harm water quality or water availability for agricultural producers in California’s Delta region (Contra Costa, Sacramento, San Joaquin, Solano, and Yolo Counties) (by a recorded vote of 193 ayes to 230 noes, Roll No. 47); and

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Peters (CA) amendment (No. 8 printed in part B of H. Rept. 113–340) that sought to stipulate that the bill cannot go into effect until the Secretary confirms that the act does not adversely affect any community’s water supply or water budget (by a recorded vote of 192 ayes to 231 noes, Roll No. 48).

Pages H1639–41, H1645

H. Res. 472, the rule providing for consideration of the bills (H.R. 2954) and (H.R. 3964), was agreed to by a recorded vote of 229 ayes to 190 noes, Roll No. 37, after the previous question was ordered by a yea-and-nay vote of 226 yeas to 196 nays, Roll No. 36.

Pages H1602–11

Meeting Hour: Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 9 a.m. tomorrow, February 6th. **Page H1648**

Quorum Calls—Votes: Two yea-and-nay votes and 13 recorded votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H1610, H1610–11, H1611–12, H1612, H1614, H1614–15, H1641–42, H1642, H1642–43, H1643–44, H1644, H1644–45, H1645, H1647 and H1648. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Committee Meetings

CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE’S BUDGET AND ECONOMIC OUTLOOK

Committee on the Budget: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “The Congressional Budget Office’s Budget and Economic Outlook”. Testimony was heard from Douglas W. Elmendorf, Director, Congressional Budget Office.

FOUNDATION FOR SUCCESS: DISCUSSING EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION AND CARE IN AMERICA

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Foundation for Success: Discussing Early Childhood Education and Care in America”. Testimony was heard from Kay E.