

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 39 public bills, H.R. 5848–5886; and 3 resolutions, H. Res. 779–781 were introduced. **Pages H9302–04**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages H9304–05**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 2612, to amend title 40, United States Code, to improve the functioning and management of the Public Buildings Service (H. Rept. 113–656);

H.R. 5233, to amend chapter 90 of title 18, United States Code, to provide Federal jurisdiction for the theft of trade secrets, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 113–657);

H.R. 5402, to amend the Clayton Act and the Federal Trade Commission Act to provide that the Federal Trade Commission shall exercise authority with respect to mergers only under the Clayton Act and only in the same procedural manner as Attorney General exercises such authority (H. Rept. 113–658);

Second Annual Report of the Activities of the Committee on Veterans' Affairs of the House of Representatives During the One Hundred Thirteenth Congress (H. Rept 113–659);

H.R. 2751, to amend the Small Business Act to prohibit the use of reverse auctions for design and construction services procurements (H. Rept 113–660);

H.R. 2452, to amend the Small Business Act with respect to the procurement program for women-owned small business concerns, and for other purposes (H. Rept 113–661);

H.R. 2882, to amend the Small Business Act and title 38, United States Code to provide for a consolidated definition of a small business concern owned and controlled by veterans, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 113–662, Part 1);

In the Matter of Allegations Relating to Representative Alcee L. Hastings (H. Rept. 113–663);

In the Matter of Allegations Relating to Representative Phil Gingrey (H. Rept. 113–664);

In the Matter of Allegations Relating to Representative Judy Chu (H. Rept. 113–665); and

In the Matter of Allegations Relating to Representative Tom Petri (H. Rept. 113–666).

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Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Kingston to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H9047**

Journal: The House agreed to the Speaker's approval of the Journal by a voice vote. **Page H9048**

Filing Authority: Agreed by unanimous consent that all committees have until 5 p.m. on December 30, 2014, to file reports to accompany measures. **Pages H9049–50**

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

Soledad Canyon Settlement Act: H.R. 5742, to provide to the Secretary of the Interior a mechanism to cancel contracts for the sale of materials CA–20139 and CA–22901; **Pages H9050–53**

Protecting and Securing Chemical Facilities from Terrorist Attacks Act of 2014: Concurred in the Senate amendment to H.R. 4007, to recodify and reauthorize the Chemical Facility Anti-Terrorism Standards Program; **Pages H9053–60**

Critical Infrastructure Research and Development Advancement Act of 2014: Concurred in the Senate amendments to H.R. 2952, to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to make certain improvements in the laws relating to the advancement of security technologies for critical infrastructure protection; and **Pages H9060–62**

National Cybersecurity and Communications Integration Center Act of 2014: S. 2519, to codify an existing operations center for cybersecurity. **Pages H9062–65**

Suspension—Proceedings Failed: The House failed to agree to suspend the rules and pass the following measure which was debated on Wednesday, December 10th:

Supporting America's Charities Act: H.R. 5806, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to modify and make permanent certain expiring provisions related to charitable contributions, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeas-and-nays vote of 275 yeas to 149 nays, Roll No. 562. **Page H9075**

Recess: The House recessed at 2:07 p.m. and reconvened at 8:56 p.m. **Page H9284**

Consolidated and Further Continuing Appropriations Act, 2015: The House agreed to the motion to concur in the Senate amendment with an amendment consisting of the text of Rules Committee Print 113–59, modified by the amendment printed in H. Rept. 113–655, to H.R. 83, to require the Secretary of the Interior to assemble a team of technical, policy, and financial experts to address the energy needs of the insular areas of the United States and the Freely Associated States through the development of action plans aimed at reducing reliance on

imported fossil fuels and increasing use of indigenous clean-energy resource, by a yea-and-nay vote of 219 yeas to 206 nays, Roll No. 563.

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H. Res. 776, the rule providing for consideration of the Senate amendment to the bill (H.R. 83), was agreed to by a yea-and-nay vote of 214 yeas to 212 nays, Roll No. 561, after the previous question was ordered.

Pages H9074–75

Pursuant to H. Res. 776, H. Con. Res. 122 was adopted.

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Suspension—Proceedings Resumed: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measure which was debated on Tuesday, December 9th:

John Muir National Historic Site Expansion Act: H.R. 5699, amended, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to acquire approximately 44 acres of land in Martinez, California, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yea-and-nay vote of 361 yeas to 39 nays, Roll No. 564.

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Making further continuing appropriations for fiscal year 2015: The House agreed to discharge from committee and pass H.J. Res. 130, making further continuing appropriations for fiscal year 2015.

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Announcement from the Chair: Pursuant to House Resolution 676, the Chair announced that a civil action was initiated on November 21, 2014, in the United States District Court for the District of Columbia relating to the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act.

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Requiring the Secretary of the Interior to assemble a team of technical, policy, and financial experts to address the energy needs of the insular areas of the United States: The House agreed to discharge from committee and pass H.R. 5803, to require the Secretary of the Interior to assemble a team of technical, policy, and financial experts to address the energy needs of the insular areas of the United States and the Freely Associated States through the development of energy action plans aimed at promoting access to affordable, reliable energy, including increasing use of indigenous clean-energy resources.

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Amending certain provisions of the FAA Modernization and Reform Act of 2012: The House agreed to discharge from committee and pass H.R. 2591, to amend certain provisions of the FAA Modernization and Reform Act of 2012.

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Central Oregon Jobs and Water Security Act: The House agreed to take from the Speaker's table and concur in the Senate amendment to H.R. 2640, to amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to adjust

the Crooked River boundary, to provide water certainty for the City of Prineville, Oregon.

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Alaska Safe Families and Villages Act of 2014: The House agreed to take from the Speaker's table and pass S. 1474, to amend the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act of 1974 to eliminate the use of valid court orders to secure lockup of status offenders.

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Cybersecurity Act: The House agreed to take from the Speaker's table and pass S. 1353, to provide for an ongoing, voluntary public-private partnership to improve cybersecurity and to strengthen cybersecurity research and development, workforce development and education, and public awareness and preparedness.

Pages H9294–99

Enhancing the ability of community financial institutions to foster economic growth: The House agreed to take from the Speaker's table and concur in the Senate amendment to H.R. 3329, to enhance the ability of community financial institutions to foster economic growth and serve their communities, boost small businesses, and increase individual savings.

Pages H10303–04

Imposing sanctions with respect to the Russian Federation and providing additional assistance to Ukraine: The House agreed to discharge from committee and pass H.R. 5859, to impose sanctions with respect to the Russian Federation and to provide additional assistance to Ukraine.

Pages H10305–10

Meeting Hour: Agreed by unanimous consent that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 3 p.m. tomorrow, December 12.

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Senate Messages: Messages received from the Senate by the Clerk and subsequently presented to the House today and messages received from the Senate today appear on pages H9075–76, H9291–92, H9294.

Senate Referrals: S. 2822, S. 2785, S. 2828, and S. 1535 were held at the desk.

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Quorum Calls—Votes: Four yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H9074–75, H9075, H9290 and H9291. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 9 a.m. and adjourned at 10:27 p.m.

Committee Meetings

THE ENERGY POLICY AND CONSERVATION ACT OF 1975: ARE WE POSITIONING AMERICA FOR SUCCESS IN AN ERA OF ENERGY ABUNDANCE?

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Energy and Power held a hearing entitled “The Energy Policy and Conservation Act of 1975: Are We Positioning America for Success in an Era of Energy Abundance?”. Testimony was heard from Adam Sieminski, Administrator, U.S. Energy Information Administration; and public witnesses.

THE FUTURE OF NUCLEAR ENERGY

Committee on Science, Space, and Technology: Subcommittee on Energy held a hearing entitled “The Future of Nuclear Energy”. Testimony was heard from Peter Lyons, Assistant Secretary, Office of Nuclear Energy, Department of Energy; and public witnesses.

BUSINESS MEETING; EVALUATING FEDERAL AND COMMUNITY EFFORTS TO ELIMINATE VETERAN HOMELESSNESS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Full Committee held a business meeting to approve the second annual ac-

tivities report for the 113th Congress and a hearing entitled “Evaluating Federal and Community Efforts to Eliminate Veteran Homelessness”. The second annual activities report for the 113th Congress was adopted. Testimony was heard from Lisa Pape, Executive Director, Homeless Programs, Veterans Health Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs; Jennifer Ho, Senior Advisor on Housing and Services to the Secretary, Department of Housing and Urban Development; Keith Kelly, Assistant Secretary of Labor, Veterans' Employment and Training Service, Department of Labor; and public witnesses.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY, DECEMBER 12, 2014

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

House

No hearings are scheduled.