

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S27–S68

Measures Introduced: Eighty-one bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 38–118, S. Res. 21–22, and S. Con. Res. 1. **Pages S57–59**

Measures Passed:

Majority Party Appointments: Senate agreed to S. Res. 21, making majority party appointments for the 114th Congress. **Page S67**

Minority Party Committee Membership: Senate agreed to S. Res. 22, to constitute the minority party's membership on certain committees for the One Hundred Fourteenth Congress, or until their successors are chosen. **Pages S67–68**

Appointments:

Library of Congress Trust Fund Board: The Chair announced, on behalf of the Democratic Leader, pursuant to the provisions of Public Law 95–277, as amended by the appropriate provisions of Public Law 102–246, and in consultation with the Majority Leader, the appointment of the following individual to serve as a member of the Library of Congress Trust Fund Board for a five year term: George Marcus of California vice Elaine Wynn. **Page S68**

Migratory Bird Conservation Commission: The Chair announced, on behalf of the Democratic Leader, pursuant to Public Law 70–770, the appointment of the following individual to the Migratory Bird Conservation Commission: Senator Heinrich. **Page S68**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Ashton B. Carter, of Massachusetts, to be Secretary of Defense.

Allan R. Landon, of Utah, to be a Member of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System for the unexpired term of fourteen years from February 1, 2002.

Allan R. Landon, of Utah, to be a Member of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System for the term of fourteen years from February 1, 2016.

Loretta E. Lynch, of New York, to be Attorney General.

Jeanne E. Davidson, of Maryland, to be a Judge of the United States Court of International Trade.

Armando Omar Bonilla, of the District of Columbia, to be a Judge of the United States Court of Federal Claims for a term of fifteen years.

Nancy B. Firestone, of Virginia, to be a Judge of the United States Court of Federal Claims for a term of fifteen years.

Thomas L. Halkowski, of Pennsylvania, to be a Judge of the United States Court of Federal Claims for a term of fifteen years.

Patricia M. McCarthy, of Maryland, to be a Judge of the United States Court of Federal Claims for a term of fifteen years.

Jeri Kaylene Somers, of Virginia, to be a Judge of the United States Court of Federal Claims for a term of fifteen years.

Luis Felipe Restrepo, of Pennsylvania, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Third Circuit.

Kara Farnandez Stoll, of Virginia, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Federal Circuit.

Ann Donnelly, of New York, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of New York.

Dale A. Drozd, of California, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of California.

LaShann Moutique DeArcy Hall, of New York, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of New York.

George C. Hanks, Jr., of Texas, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Texas.

Roseann A. Ketchmark, of Missouri, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Missouri.

Travis Randall McDonough, of Tennessee, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Tennessee.

Jose Rolando Olvera, Jr., of Texas, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Texas.

Jill N. Parrish, of Utah, to be United States District Judge for the District of Utah.

Alfred H. Bennett, of Texas, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Texas.

Michael Greco, of New York, to be United States Marshal for the Southern District of New York for the term of four years.

Ronald Lee Miller, of Kansas, to be United States Marshal for the District of Kansas for the term of four years.

31 Air Force nominations in the rank of general.

A routine list in the Army. **Page S68**

Messages from the House: **Page S54**

Measures Placed on the Calendar: **Pages S27, S54**

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Additional Statements:

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m. and adjourned at 5:56 p.m., until 11 a.m. on Thursday, January 8, 2015. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S68.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

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Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 23 public bills, H.R. 181–203 and 5 resolutions, H.J. Res. 10; and H. Res. 18, 20–22 were introduced.

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Additional Cosponsors: **Page H105**

Reports Filed: A report was filed on January 2, 2015 as follows:

Activities of the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, One Hundred Thirteenth Congress (H. Rept. 113–734).

A report was filed today as follows:

H. Res. 19, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 3) to approve the Keystone XL Pipeline, and providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 30) to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to repeal the 30-hour threshold for classification as a full-time employee for purposes of the employer mandate in the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act and replace it with 40 hours (H. Rept. 114–1).

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Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Thompson (PA) to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

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Recess: The House recessed at 10:34 a.m. and reconvened at 12 noon.

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Administration of the Oath of Office: Representatives-elect Crowley, Engel, Higgins, Lowey, Carolyn B. Maloney (NY), Sean Patrick Maloney (NY), Meeks, Meng, Nadler, Rangel, Tonko, and Velázquez presented themselves in the well of the

House and were administered the Oath of Office by the Speaker. **Page H55**

Clerk Designations: Read a letter from the Clerk wherein she designated Robert Reeves, Deputy Clerk, and Kirk D. Boyle, Legal Counsel, to sign any and all papers and do all other acts in case of her temporary absence or disability. **Page H55**

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

Terrorism Risk Insurance Program Reauthorization Act of 2015: H.R. 26, to extend the termination date of the Terrorism Insurance Program established under the Terrorism Risk Insurance Act of 2002, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yea-and-nay vote of 416 yeas to 5 nays with one answering “present”, Roll No. 8;

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Low-Dose Radiation Research Act of 2015: H.R. 35, to increase the understanding of the health effects of low doses of ionizing radiation; **Pages H82–83**

National Windstorm Impact Reduction Act Reauthorization of 2015: H.R. 23, to reauthorize the National Windstorm Impact Reduction Program, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yea-and-nay vote of 381 yeas to 39 nays, Roll No. 10; and **Pages H83–87, H94**

Tsunami Warning, Education, and Research Act of 2015: H.R. 34, to authorize and strengthen the tsunami detection, forecast, warning, research, and mitigation program of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration. **Pages H87–92**

Suspension—Failed: The House failed to agree to suspend the rules and pass the following measure: