

Message to accompany H.R. 240, making appropriations for the Department of Homeland Security for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2015, taking action on the following motion proposed thereto:

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Pending:

McConnell Motion to insist upon the Senate amendment, agree to the request by the House of Representatives for a conference, and authorize the Presiding Officer to appoint conferees. Page S1206

Appointments:

Senate National Security Working Group: The Chair, on behalf of the Democratic Leader, pursuant to the provisions of S. Res. 64, adopted March 5, 2013, hereby notifies the Senate of an amendment to the Minority membership appointments made in the Senate on February 12, 2015, to the Senate National Security Working Group for the 114th Congress: Senator Reed. Page S1206

Signing Authority—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that during this adjournment of the Senate, the Majority Leader, and the junior Senator from West Virginia be authorized to sign duly enrolled bills or joint resolutions. Page S1206

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Amendments Submitted: Pages S1204–05

Record Votes: Five record votes were taken today. (Total—63) Pages S1190–92

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m. and adjourned at 8:23 p.m., until 2 p.m. on Monday, March 2, 2015. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S1206.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Armed Services: Committee ordered favorably reported 881 nominations in the Army, Navy, Air Force, and Marine Corps.

Committee on the Budget: Committee adopted its rules of procedure for the 114th Congress.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 41 public bills, H.R. 1147–1187, were introduced.

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Additional Cosponsors: Pages H1501–02

Reports Filed: There were no reports filed today.

Journal: The House agreed to the Speaker's approval of the Journal by a recorded vote of 226 ayes to 186 noes with one answering "present", Roll No. 103.

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Director of the Congressional Budget Office—Appointment: The Chair announced the joint appointment by the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the President Pro Tempore of the Senate of Dr. Homer Keith Hall as Director of the Congressional Budget Office for the term expiring January 3, 2019. Page H1375

Recess: The House recessed at 9:19 a.m. and reconvened at 9:25 a.m. Page H1377

Making further continuing appropriations for fiscal year 2015: The House failed to pass H.J. Res. 35, making further continuing appropriations for fiscal year 2015, by a yea-and-nay vote of 203 yeas to 224 nays, Roll No. 104. Pages H1492–94

A point of order was sustained against the Roybal-Allard motion to recommit with instructions to the Committee on Appropriations with instructions to report the same back to the House forthwith with an amendment. Pages H1492–94

H. Res. 129, the rule providing for consideration of the joint resolution (H.J. Res. 35) was agreed to by a yea-and-nay vote of 228 yeas to 191 nays, Roll No. 102, after the previous question was ordered. Pages H1377–H1484

Student Success Act: The House resumed consideration of H.R. 5, to support State and local accountability for public education, protect State and local authority, and inform parents of the performance of their children's schools. Further proceedings were postponed. Pages H1393–H1483

Proceedings Postponed:

Thompson (MS) amendment (No. 43 printed in part B of H. Rept. 114–29) that seeks to require that The Student Success Act shall not go into effect until the Secretary of Education determines that its enactment will not reduce the college and career readiness of racial or ethnic minority students, students with disabilities, English learners, and low-income students and provides written notification to Congress on such determination; and **Pages H1393–94**

Scott (VA) amendment (No. 44 printed in part B of H. Rept. 114–29) that seeks to repeal H.R. 5 and replace the bill text with a substitute amendment that provides robust funding levels, replaces the mandates of No Child Left Behind, and maintains civil rights and equity protections that ensure all students graduate from high school college- and career-ready. **Pages H1394–H1483**

H. Res. 125, the rule providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 5) was agreed to on February 26th.

Recess: The House recessed at 12:51 p.m. and reconvened at 2:16 p.m. **Page H1483**

Department of Homeland Security Appropriations Act, 2015: The House disagreed to the Senate amendment and requested a conference on H.R. 240, making appropriations for the Department of Homeland Security for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2015, by a yea-and-nay vote of 228 yeas to 191 nays, Roll No. 102. **Pages H1483–84**

Failed to agree to the Roybal-Allard motion to instruct conferees by a yea-and-nay vote of 201 yeas to 218 nays, Roll No. 105. **Pages H1494–95**

Investigative Subcommittees of the Committee on Ethics—Appointment: The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of the following Members of the House to be available to serve on investigative subcommittees of the Committee on Ethics for the 114th Congress: Representatives Blackburn, Collins (GA), Comstock, Forbes, Hultgren, Katko, Latta, Olson, Ratcliffe, and Roby. **Page H1495**

Investigative Subcommittees of the Committee on Ethics—Minority Leader Appointment: The Chair announced the Minority Leaders appointment of the following Members of the House to be available to serve on investigative subcommittees of the Committee on Ethics for the 114th Congress: Representatives Carney, Connolly, Hahn, Higgins, Jeffries, Keating, Perlmutter, Sewell (AL), Speier, and Titus. **Page H1495**

Advisory Committee on the Records of Congress—Reappointment: The Chair announced the Minority Leader's reappointment of the following individual on the part of the House to the Advisory

Committee on the Records of Congress: Mr. John A. Lawrence of Washington, DC. **Page H1495**

Recess: The House recessed at 5:27 p.m. and reconvened at 9:30 p.m. **Page H1495**

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

Protecting Volunteer Firefighters and Emergency Responders Act: Concur in the Senate amendment to H.R. 33, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to ensure that emergency services volunteers are not taken into account as employees under the shared responsibility requirements contained in the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, by a 2/3 recorded vote of 357 yeas to 60 noes, Roll No. 106. **Pages H1495–97**

Meeting Hour: Agreed by unanimous consent that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 12 noon on Monday, March 2nd for Morning Hour debate. **Page H1497**

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 H1375, H1393, H1483, and H1495.

Senate Referral: S. 527 was held at the desk.

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Quorum Calls—Votes: Five yea-and-nay votes and two recorded votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H1385–86, H1386, H1484, H1484–85, H1493–94, H1494–95, and H1496–97. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 9 a.m. and adjourned at 10:04 p.m.

Committee Meetings

APPROPRIATIONS—UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Defense held a hearing on United States Air Force budget. Testimony was heard from Deborah Lee James, Secretary, United States Air Force; and General Mark A. Welsh III, Chief of Staff, United States Air Force.

APPROPRIATIONS—DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, UNDER SECRETARY FOR NATURAL RESOURCES AND THE ENVIRONMENT, NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION SERVICE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies held a hearing on