

# House of Representatives

## Chamber Action

**Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced:** 48 public bills, H.R. 6116–6163; and 11 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 160–161; and H. Res. 882–890 were introduced. **Pages H5862–66**

**Additional Cosponsors:** **Pages H5866–67**

**Reports Filed:** Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 6004, to modernize Government information technology, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 114–783, Part 1);

H.R. 954, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to exempt from the individual mandate certain individuals who had coverage under a terminated qualified health plan funded through the Consumer Operated and Oriented Plan (CO-OP) program, with an amendment (H. Rept. 114–784); and

H.R. 5303, to provide for improvements to the rivers and harbors of the United States, to provide for the conservation and development of water and related resources, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 114–785, Part 1). **Page H5862**

**Speaker:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Webster (FL) to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H5803**

**Recess:** The House recessed at 11:29 a.m. and reconvened at 12 noon. **Page H5814**

**Consideration of Presidential Veto Message:** Agreed by unanimous consent that, notwithstanding the order of the House of July 25, 2016, further consideration of the veto message and the bill, H.R. 1777, is postponed until the legislative day of December 9, 2016. **Page H5833**

**Recess:** The House recessed at 2:19 p.m. and reconvened at 4:25 p.m. **Page H5833**

**Empowering Employees through Stock Ownership Act:** The House passed H.R. 5719, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to modify the tax treatment of certain equity grants, by a yeas-and-nays vote of 287 yeas to 124 nays, Roll No. 544. **Pages H5822–30, H5834–35**

Pursuant to the Rule, the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Ways and Means now printed in the bill shall be considered as adopted. **Page H5822**

H. Res. 875, the rule providing for consideration of the bills (H.R. 3438) and (H.R. 5719) was agreed to yesterday, September 21st.

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

*Modernizing Government Technology Act of 2016:* H.R. 6004, amended, to modernize Government information technology; **Pages H5830–33**

*Amending the San Luis Rey Indian Water Rights Settlement Act to clarify certain settlement terms:* H.R. 1296, amended, to amend the San Luis Rey Indian Water Rights Settlement Act to clarify certain settlement terms; and **Pages H5841–42**

*Redesignating the small triangular property located in Washington, DC, and designated by the National Park Service as reservation 302 as “Robert Emmet Park”:* H.R. 4564, to redesignate the small triangular property located in Washington, DC, and designated by the National Park Service as reservation 302 as “Robert Emmet Park”. **Pages H5842–44**

**Recess:** The House recessed at 7:47 p.m. and reconvened at 8:46 p.m. **Page H5856**

**Prohibiting Future Ransom Payments to Iran Act:** The House passed H.R. 5931, to provide for the prohibition on cash payments to the Government of Iran, by a recorded vote of 254 yeas to 163 nays, Roll No. 554. **Pages H5818 22, H5833–34, H5844–58**

Pursuant to the Rule, the amendment in the nature of a substitute consisting of the text of Rules Committee Print 114–64 shall be considered as an original bill for the purpose of amendment under the five-minute rule, in lieu of the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Foreign Affairs now printed in the bill. **Page H5848**

Agreed to:

Royce amendment (No. 1 printed in H. Rept. 114–781) that clarifies prohibited forms of payment to Iran, to include monetary instruments and precious metals; **Pages H5849–50**

Pompeo amendment (No. 2 printed in H. Rept. 114–781) that prohibits the U.S. government from making ransom payments; **Pages H5850–52**

Pompeo amendment (No. 3 printed in H. Rept. 114–781), as modified, that imposes sanctions on Iranians involved in kidnapping or unjustly detaining US citizens; and **Pages H5852–53**

Duffy amendment (No. 4 printed in H. Rept. 114–781) that prohibits cash and precious metal payments to designated state sponsors of terrorism and North Korea in addition to Iran. **Pages H5853–54**

Rejected:

Engel amendment (No. 5 printed in H. Rept. 114–781) that sought to require the President to notify Congress of a payment made to any State Sponsor of Terrorism or North Korea pursuant to a settlement or judgment against the United States; requires the President to report on pending claims before the Iran-US Claims Tribunal (by a recorded vote of 176 ayes to 238 noes, Roll No. 553).

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Agreed that the Clerk be authorized to make technical and conforming changes to reflect the actions of the House.

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H. Res. 879, the rule providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 5931) was agreed to by a recorded vote of 236 ayes to 178 noes, Roll No. 543, after the previous question was ordered by a ye-and-nay vote of 236 yeas to 175 nays, Roll No. 542.

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**Suspensions—Proceedings Resumed:** The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures which were debated on Tuesday, September 20th:

***Social Security Must Avert Identity Loss (MAIL) Act of 2016:*** H.R. 5320, amended, to restrict the inclusion of social security account numbers on documents sent by mail by the Social Security Administration, by a  $\frac{2}{3}$  ye-and-nay vote of 414 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 545;

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***United States Appreciation for Olympians and Paralympians Act:*** H.R. 5946, amended, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to exclude from gross income any prizes or awards won in competition in the Olympic Games or the Paralympic Games, by a  $\frac{2}{3}$  ye-and-nay vote of 415 yeas to 1 nay, Roll No. 546;

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***Prevent Trafficking in Cultural Property Act:*** H.R. 2285, amended, to improve enforcement against trafficking in cultural property and prevent stolen or illicit cultural property from financing terrorist and criminal networks, by a  $\frac{2}{3}$  ye-and-nay vote of 415 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 547;

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***Clyde-Hirsch-Sowers Restraining Excessive Seizure of Property through the Exploitation of Civil Asset Forfeiture Tools Act:*** H.R. 5523, amended, to amend title 31, United States Code, to prohibit the Internal Revenue Service from carrying out seizures relating to a structuring transaction unless the property to be seized derived from an illegal source or the funds were structured for the purpose of concealing the violation of another criminal law or regulation, and to require notice and a post-seizure hear-

ing for such seizures, by a  $\frac{2}{3}$  ye-and-nay vote of 415 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 548;

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***Modernizing Government Travel Act:*** H.R. 5625, amended, to provide for reimbursement for the use of modern travel services by Federal employees traveling on official Government business, by a  $\frac{2}{3}$  ye-and-nay vote of 415 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 549;

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***Program Management Improvement Accountability Act:*** S. 1550, amended, to amend title 31, United States Code, to establish entities tasked with improving program and project management in certain Federal agencies, by a  $\frac{2}{3}$  ye-and-nay vote of 404 yeas to 11 nays, Roll No. 550;

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***District of Columbia Judicial Financial Transparency Act:*** H.R. 4419, amended, to update the financial disclosure requirements for judges of the District of Columbia courts, by a  $\frac{2}{3}$  ye-and-nay vote of 414 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 551;

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Agreed to amend the title so as to read: “To update the financial disclosure requirements for judges of the District of Columbia courts and to make other improvements to the District of Columbia courts.”

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***Supporting Youth Opportunity and Preventing Delinquency Act of 2016:*** H.R. 5963, amended, to reauthorize and improve the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act of 1974, by a  $\frac{2}{3}$  ye-and-nay vote of 382 yeas to 29 nays, Roll No. 552;

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***District of Columbia Courts and Public Defender Service Voluntary Separation Incentive Payments Act:*** H.R. 5037, amended, to authorize the establishment of a program of voluntary separation incentive payments for nonjudicial employees of the District of Columbia courts and employees of the District of Columbia Public Defender Service, by a  $\frac{2}{3}$  ye-and-nay vote of 413 yeas to 1 nay, Roll No. 555; and

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***Designating the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1101 Davis Street in Evanston, Illinois, as the “Abner J. Mikva Post Office Building”:*** H.R. 5798, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1101 Davis Street in Evanston, Illinois, as the “Abner J. Mikva Post Office Building”, by a  $\frac{2}{3}$  ye-and-nay vote of 392 yeas to 22 nays with one answering “present”, Roll No. 556.

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**Meeting Hour:** Agreed by unanimous consent that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 12 noon on Monday, September 26th for Morning Hour debate.

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**Senate Message:** Message received from the Senate today appears on page H5841.

**Senate Referrals:** S. 1878 was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce. S. 2683 was held at the desk. **Page H5860**

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** Twelve yea-and-nay votes and three recorded votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H5833–34, H5834, H5835, H5835–36, H5836, H5837, H5837–38, H5838–39, H5839, H5839–40, H5840–41, H5856–57, H5857 58, H5858 and H5858–59. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 9:44 p.m.

## *Committee Meetings*

### **REHABILITATION OF THE CHESAPEAKE BAY: HEALING IN THE BAY THE VOLUNTARY WAY**

*Committee on Agriculture:* Subcommittee on Conservation and Forestry held a hearing entitled “Rehabilitation of the Chesapeake Bay: Healing in the Bay the Voluntary Way”. Testimony was heard from Jason Weller, Chief, Natural Resources Conservation Service, Department of Agriculture; and Russell Redding, Secretary, Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture.

### **DISCUSSION DRAFT TO MODERNIZE MULTIEMPLOYER PENSIONS**

*Committee on Education and the Workforce:* Subcommittee on Health, Employment, Labor, and Pensions held a hearing entitled “Discussion Draft to Modernize Multiemployer Pensions”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### **MIDTERM REVIEW AND UPDATE ON THE CORPORATE AVERAGE FUEL ECONOMY PROGRAM AND GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS STANDARDS FOR MOTOR VEHICLES**

*Committee on Energy and Commerce:* Subcommittee on Commerce, Manufacturing, and Trade; and Subcommittee on Energy and Power, held a joint hearing entitled “Midterm Review and Update on the Corporate Average Fuel Economy Program and Greenhouse Gas Emissions Standards for Motor Vehicles”. Testimony was heard from Paul Hemmersbaugh, Chief Counsel, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration; Janet McCabe, Acting Assistant Administrator, Office of Air and Radiation, Environmental Protection Agency; and public witnesses.

### **MODERNIZING THE TELEPHONE CONSUMER PROTECTION ACT**

*Committee on Energy and Commerce:* Subcommittee on Communications and Technology held a hearing entitled “Modernizing the Telephone Consumer Protection Act”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### **THE ANNUAL REPORT OF THE FINANCIAL STABILITY OVERSIGHT COUNCIL**

*Committee on Financial Services:* Full Committee held a hearing entitled “The Annual Report of the Financial Stability Oversight Council”. Testimony was heard from Jacob J. Lew, Secretary, Department of the Treasury.

### **EXAMINING THE AGENDA OF REGULATORS, SROS, AND STANDARDS-SETTERS FOR ACCOUNTING, AUDITING, AND MUNICIPAL SECURITIES**

*Committee on Financial Services:* Subcommittee on Capital Markets and Government Sponsored Enterprises held a hearing entitled “Examining the Agenda of Regulators, SROs, and Standards-Setters for Accounting, Auditing, and Municipal Securities”. Testimony was heard from Wesley R. Bricker, Interim Chief Accountant, Office of the Chief Accountant, Securities and Exchange Commission; Jessica Kane, Director, Office of Municipal Securities, Securities and Exchange Commission; and public witnesses.

### **DIPLOMACY AND SECURITY IN THE SOUTH CHINA SEA: AFTER THE TRIBUNAL**

*Committee on Foreign Affairs:* Subcommittee on Asia and the Pacific held a hearing entitled “Diplomacy and Security in the South China Sea: After the Tribunal”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### **MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES**

*Committee on Foreign Affairs:* Subcommittee on Africa, Global Health, Global Human Rights, and International Organizations held a markup on H.R. 2189, the “Walter Patterson and Werner Foerster Justice and Extradition Act”; and H.R. 3833, to require a regional strategy to address the threat posed by Boko Haram. H.R. 2189 and H.R. 3833 were forwarded to the full committee, without amendment.

### **IDENTIFYING THE ENEMY: RADICAL ISLAMIST TERROR**

*Committee on Homeland Security:* Subcommittee on Oversight and Management Efficiency held a hearing entitled “Identifying the Enemy: Radical Islamist Terror”. Testimony was heard from George Selim, Director, Office of Community Partnerships, Department of Homeland Security; former Representative Hoekstra; and public witnesses.