The House met at 11 a.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. DOLD).

DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE
The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Speaker:

WASHINGTON, DC,

I hereby appoint the Honorable ROBERT J. DOLD to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

PAUL D. RYAN,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

PRAYER
The Chaplain, the Reverend Patrick J. Conroy, offered the following prayer:

God of the universe, we give You thanks for giving us another day. As the Members of the people’s House return to the Capitol in anticipation of a new Congress, we gather in this last hour of the 114th to ask Your continued blessing on our Nation.

May the work of the 114th Congress issue forth to the benefit of our Nation and its citizens, and where the efforts of this Congress have fallen short, we ask Your forgiveness and the forgiveness of all Americans.

Bless as well those who labor in these Halls and offices even while Congress is in adjournment or recess. Without their steady and faithful service, the work of Congress would not be possible.

May all that is done this day be for Your greater honor and glory. Amen.

THE JOURNAL
The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 2(a) of House Resolution 944, the Journal of the last day’s proceedings is approved.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
The SPEAKER pro tempore. Will the gentleman from Tennessee (Mr. DUNCAN) come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. DUNCAN of Tennessee led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE.
The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under clause 5(d) of rule XX, the Chair announces to the House that, in light of the resignation of the gentlewoman from Michigan (Mrs. MILLER), the whole number of the House is 433.

RECESS
The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 12(a) of rule I, the Chair declares the House in recess until approximately 11:55 a.m. today.

Accordingly (at 11 o’clock and 2 minutes a.m.), the House stood in recess.

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AFTER RECESS
The recess having expired, the House was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. DOLD) at 11 o’clock and 55 minutes a.m.

SINE DIE ADJOURNMENT
The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the 26th amendment to the Constitution of the United States, the Chair declares the 114th Congress adjourned sine die.

Thereupon (at 11 o’clock and 56 minutes a.m.), the House adjourned.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.
Under clause 2 of rule XIV, executive communications were taken from the Speaker’s table and referred as follows:

8156. A letter from the Under Secretary, Comptroller, Department of Defense, transmitting a letter reporting multiple violations of the Antideficiency Act, Army case number 15-03, involving FY 2004 through 2005 Operations and Maintenance, and Other Procurement funds, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 1351; Public Law 97-258; (96 Stat. 926); to the Committee on Appropriations.

8157. A letter from the Under Secretary, Comptroller, Department of Defense, transmitting the Department’s semiannual report titled, “Acceptance of contributions for defense programs, projects, and activities; Defense Cooperation Account,” for the period ending September 30, 2016, pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 2606(e); Public Law 105-103, Sec. 262(a)(1) (as amended by Public Law 112-81, Sec. 1064(7)); (125 Stat. 1587); to the Committee on Armed Services.

8158. A letter from the Director, Office of Management and Budget, transmitting a report on discretionary appropriations legislation within seven calendar days of enactment for Division B of Public Law 114-254 Security Assistance Appropriations Act, 2017, pursuant to 2 U.S.C. 901(a)(7)(B); Public Law 99-177, Sec. 251(a)(7)(B) (as amended by Public Law 114-113, Sec. 1003); (129 Stat. 3055); to the Committee on the Budget.

8159. A letter from the Director, Director of Whistleblower Protection Programs, Occupational Safety and Health Administration, transmitting the Administration’s final rule — Procedures for Handling Retaliation Complaints Under Section 31307 of the Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act (MAP-21) (Docket No.: OSHA-2015-0021) (RIN: 1218-AC88) received December 22, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

8160. A letter from the Director, Regulations Policy and Management Staff, FDA, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department’s final rule — Amendments to Accreditation of Third-Party Certification Bodies to Conduct Food Safety Audits and to Issue Certifications to Provide for the User Fee Program (Docket...
transmitting the Department’s final rule — Metropolitan Planning Organization Coordination and Planning Area Reform (Docket No.: FHWA-2016-0016) (RIN: 2125-AF68) received December 22, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

8186. A letter from the Assistant Chief Counsel for Regulatory Affairs, Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department’s interim final rule — Pipeline Safety: Safety of Underground Natural Gas Storage Facilities (Docket No.: PHMSA-2016-0016; Amdt. No.: 191-24; 192-122) (RIN:2137-AF22) received December 22, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

8187. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency’s final rule — Propiconazole; Extension of Tolerance for Emergency Exemptions [EPA-HQ-OPP-2016-0682; FRL-9956-54 OCSPP] received December 28, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce and Agriculture.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES ON PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XIII, reports of committees were delivered to the Clerk for printing and reference to the proper calendar, as follows:

[Submitted on January 2, 2017]
Mr. ROGERS of Kentucky: Committee on Appropriations. Committee on Appropriations House of Representatives Report of Committee Activities 114th Congress January 6, 2015 through January 2, 2017 (Rept. 114-902). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. HENSARLING: Committee on Financial Services. Report on the Activity of the Committee on Financial Services of the United States House of Representatives for the 114th Congress (Rept. 114-903). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. KLINE: Committee on Education and the Workforce. Report on the Activities of the Committee on Education and the Workforce for the 114th Congress (Rept. 114-904). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. SESSIONS: Committee on Rules. Survey of Activities of the House Committee on Rules for the 114th Congress (Rept. 114-905). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

[Submitted on January 3, 2017]
Mr. UPTON: Committee on Energy and Commerce. Activity Report of the Committee on Energy and Commerce of the House of Representatives for the 114th Congress (Rept. 114-906). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. McCaul: Committee on Homeland Security. Report on Legislative and Oversight Activities of the House Committee on Homeland Security 114th Congress (Rept. 114-907). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. UPTON: Committee on Energy and Commerce. H.R. 1770. A bill to require certain entities who collect and maintain personal information of individuals to secure such information and to provide notice to such individuals in the case of a breach of security involving such information, and for other purposes; with an amendment (Rept. 114-908). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. CHAFFETZ: Committee on Oversight and Government Reform. Activities of the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, 114th Congress (Rept. 114-909). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. DENT: Committee on Ethics. Summary of Activities 114th Congress (Rept. 114-910). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

ADDITIONAL SPONSORS

Under clause 7 of rule XII, sponsors were added to public bills and resolutions, as follows:

H. Res. 957: Mr. Smith of Texas and Mr. Meadows.
The Senate met at 11:55 and 4 seconds a.m. and was called to order by the Honorable Patrick J. Toomey, a Senator from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will please read a communication to the Senate from the President pro tempore (Mr. Hatch).

The legislative clerk read the following letter:

U.S. SENATE, PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable Patrick J. Toomey, a Senator from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, to perform the duties of the Chair.

Orrin G. Hatch, President pro tempore.

Mr. TOOMEY thereupon assumed the Chair as Acting President pro tempore.

ADJOURNMENT SINE DIE

The ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE. The Senate stands adjourned sine die.

Thereupon, the Senate, at 11:55 and 36 seconds a.m., adjourned sine die.

NOMINATIONS RETURNED TO THE PRESIDENT

Tuesday, January 3, 2017

The following nominations transmitted by the President of the United States to the Senate during the second session of the 114th Congress, and upon which no action was had at the time of the sine die adjournment of the Senate, failed of confirmation under the provisions of rule XXXI, paragraph 6, of the Standing Rules of the Senate.

ADMINISTRATIVE CONFERENCE OF THE UNITED STATES

Matthew Lee Winn, of Virginia, to be Chairman of the Administrative Conference of the United States for the term of five years.

AFRICAN DEVELOPMENT BANK

Marcia Denise Ocoeny, of the District of Columbia, to be United States Representative Director of the African Development Bank for a term of five years.

AMTRAK BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Seth Harris, of New York, to be a Director of the Amtrak Board of Directors for a term of five years.

BROADCASTING BOARD OF GOVERNORS

Richard Stengel, of the District of Columbia, to be a Member of the Broadcasting Board of Governors for a term expiring August 12, 2017.

CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE

Shirley Woodward, of Virginia, to be Inspector General, Central Intelligence Agency.

CHEMICAL SAFETY AND HAZARD INVESTIGATION BOARD

Rachel A. Meidl, of Wisconsin, to be a Member of the Chemical Safety and Hazard Investigation Board for a term of five years.

COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION


Corporation for National and Community Service

Heidi Niel, of Oregon, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for National and Community Service for a term expiring October 3, 2017.

Corporation for Public Broadcasting

Jannette Lake Dater, of Maryland, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for Public Broadcasting for a term expiring January 31, 2017.

Department of Defense

Elizabeth Slotkin, of the District of Columbia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Defense.

Joseph Atkin, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Defense.

Daniel F. Pedres, of the District of Columbia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Defense.

Robert F. Golic, of Maryland, to be Inspector General, Department of Defense.

Department of Education

Matthew Lehman, of Massachusetts, to be Assistant Secretary for Elementary and Secondary Education.

Antonia Whalen, of Illinois, to be Assistant Secretary for Elementary and Secondary Education.

Department of Energy


Daniel P. Feehan, of the District of Columbia, to be Assistant Administrator for the Federal Acquisition Service, Department of Energy.

Department of Health and Human Services

Mariia Concepcion, of Wisconsin, to be Assistant Secretary for Family Support, Department of Health and Human Services.

Andrea Miller Slavitt, of Minnesota, to be Administrator of the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services.

Mary Katherine Wakefield, of North Dakota, to be Deputy Secretary for Health and Human Services.

Department of Justice

Channing D. Phillips, of the District of Columbia, to be United States Attorney for the District of Columbia for the term of four years.

Randolph J. Seiler, of South Dakota, to be United States Attorney for the District of South Dakota for the term of four years.

J. Patricia Wilson Smoot, of Maryland, to be a Commissioner of the United States Parole Commission for a term of six years.

Department of State

Jennifer Anne Haukland, of Indiana, to be Assistant Secretary of State for Oceans and


DEFENSE NUCLEAR FACILITIES SAFETY BOARD

BRAZIL, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE DEFENSE NUCLEAR FACILITIES SAFETY BOARD FOR A TERM EXPIRING OCTOBER 12, 2018.

JERSEY, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE DEFENSE NUCLEAR FACILITIES SAFETY BOARD FOR A TERM EXPIRING OCTOBER 12, 2018.

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Elissa Slotkin, of the District of Columbia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Defense.

Richard Stengel, of the District of Columbia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Defense.

Susan Fay Board, of Maryland, to be Inspector General of the Department of Energy.

DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMY

Maria Renghi, of Illinois, to be Assistant Secretary for Economic Development.

Anita Schans, of New York, to be Assistant Secretary for Economic Development.

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Matthew Lehman, of Massachusetts, to be Assistant Secretary for Planning, Evaluation, and Policy Development.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

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INTERNATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL AND SCIENTIFIC AFFAIRS.

MARK CAIRNS APONTE, OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, TO BE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF THE UNITED STATES TO THE INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL RESOURCES FOR DEVELOPMENT WITH THE RANK AND STATUS OF AMBASSADOR.


JUAN MANUEL CASTILLO, OF MEXICO, A CAREER MEMBER OF THE SENIOR FOREIGN SERVICE, CLASS OF MINISTER-COUNSELLOR, TO BE DIRECTOR FOR ECONOMIC AFFAIRS IN THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE.

TULINDO ZALAMU MUSINGI, OF VIETNAM, A CAREER MEMBER OF THE SENIOR FOREIGN SERVICE, CLASS OF MINISTER-COUNSELLOR, TO BE DIRECTOR FOR ECONOMIC AFFAIRS IN THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE.

JONATHAN K. WALKER, OF IOWA, TO BE INSPECTOR GENERAL, EXPORT-IMPORT BANK.


FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION.

JESICA ROSENWORCHEL, OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION FOR A TERM OF FIVE YEARS FROM JULY 1, 2032.

FEDERAL HOSPITAL INSURANCE TRUST FUND.

JACOB SCHERMERHORN, OF MARYLAND, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE FEDERAL HOSPITAL INSURANCE TRUST FUND FOR A TERM OF FOUR YEARS.

ROBERT D. REISCHAUER, OF MARYLAND, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE FEDERAL HOSPITAL INSURANCE TRUST FUND FOR A TERM OF FOUR YEARS.

FEDERAL LABOR RELATIONS AUTHORITY.

CAROL WALLES POPE, OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE FEDERAL LABOR RELATIONS AUTHORITY FOR A TERM OF FIVE YEARS EXPIRING JULY 1, 2025.

FEDERAL MINE SAFETY AND HEALTH REVIEW COMMISSION.

MARC R. MILAN, OF WASHINGTON, D.C., TO BE A MEMBER OF THE FEDERAL MINE SAFETY AND HEALTH REVIEW COMMISSION FOR A TERM OF THREE YEARS EXPIRING NOVEMBER 3, 2024.

PATRICK K. NAKAMURA, OF ALABAMA, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE FEDERAL MINE SAFETY AND HEALTH REVIEW COMMISSION FOR A TERM OF SEVEN YEARS EXPIRING NOVEMBER 3, 2026.

FEDERAL OLD-AGE AND SURVIVORS INSURANCE TRUST FUND.

CHARLES F. BLAIR, JR., OF MARYLAND, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE FEDERAL OLD-AGE AND SURVIVORS INSURANCE TRUST FUND FOR A TERM OF FOUR YEARS.

ROBERT D. REISCHAUER, OF MARYLAND, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE FEDERAL OLD-AGE AND SURVIVORS INSURANCE TRUST FUND FOR A TERM OF FOUR YEARS.

FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM.


ALLAN R. LANDON, OF UTAH, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF THE FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM FOR A TERM OF FOURTEEN YEARS FROM JANUARY 1, 2024.

KATHRYN M. DOMINGUEZ, OF MICHIGAN, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF THE FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM FOR A TERM OF FOURTEEN YEARS FROM JANUARY 1, 2025.

FEDERAL SUPPLEMENTARY MEDICAL INSURANCE TRUST FUND.

CHARLES P. BLAIR, JR., OF MARYLAND, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE FEDERAL SUPPLEMENTARY MEDICAL INSURANCE TRUST FUND FOR A TERM OF FOUR YEARS.

ROBERT R. BOWEN, OF MARYLAND, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE FEDERAL SUPPLEMENTARY MEDICAL INSURANCE TRUST FUND FOR A TERM OF FOUR YEARS.

FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION.

EDDIE RAMIREZ, OF CALIFORNIA, TO BE A FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSIONER FOR A TERM OF SEVEN YEARS FROM SEPTEMBER 26, 2015.

HARRY S TRUMAN SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION.

EDUARDO CASTELL, OF NEW YORK, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE HARRY S TRUMAN SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION FOR A TERM OF FOUR YEARS.

STEVEN H. COHN, OF ILLINOIS, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE HARRY S TRUMAN SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION FOR AN UNEXPIRED TERM.


VICKI MILES-LAGHANJ, OF OKLAHOMA, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE HARRY S TRUMAN SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION FOR A TERM EXPIRING DECEMBER 31, 2024.

INTER-AMERICAN DEVELOPMENT BANK.

MILEYDI GUILAITE, OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE INTER-AMERICAN DEVELOPMENT BANK FOR A TERM OF FIVE YEARS.

INTERNATIONAL MONETARY FUND.

JANET L. VELLEN, OF CALIFORNIA, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE INTERNATIONAL MONETARY FUND FOR A TERM OF FIVE YEARS.

MARK SOBOL, OF VIRGINIA, TO BE UNITED STATES EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE INTERNATIONAL MONETARY FUND FOR A TERM OF THREE YEARS.

LEGAL SERVICES CORPORATION.


MARINE MAMMAL COMMISSION.


MERIT SYSTEMS PROTECTION BOARD.


MAYOR, OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA FOR A TERM EXPIRING JUNE 30, 2022.

INTERNATIONAL MONETARY FUND.

MARK M. MURPHY, OF MICHIGAN, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF THE INTERNATIONAL MONETARY FUND FOR A TERM OF TWO YEARS.

METROPOLITAN WASHINGTON AIRPORTS AUTHORITY.


NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF REGISTERED AGENTS AND BROKERS.

RAYMOND G. FARMER, OF SOUTH CAROLINA, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF REGISTERED AGENTS AND BROKERS FOR A TERM OF TWO YEARS.

THOMAS MCLEAN, OF ILLINOIS, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF REGISTERED AGENTS AND BROKERS FOR A TERM OF TWO YEARS.

ROBERT L. RUSSELL, JR., OF MINNESOTA, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF REGISTERED AGENTS AND BROKERS FOR A TERM OF TWO YEARS.

MARGARET CRISTINE SUGG, OF VIRGINIA, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF REGISTERED AGENTS AND BROKERS FOR A TERM OF TWO YEARS.

NATIONAL CREDIT UNION ADMINISTRATION.


NATIONAL FOUNDATION ON THE ARTS AND THE HUMANITIES.


Ariel Reboyras, of Illinois, to be a member of the board of directors of the national association of registered agents and brokers for a term of one year.

John R. Smitherman, of Texas, to be a member of the board of directors of the export-import bank of the united states for a term expiring january 20, 2026.


GESNER B. POMERantz, OF RHode ISland, TO BE unITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE FOR THE DISTRICT OF RHode ISland.

PAUL, LEWIS ABBRAMS, OF CALIFORNIA, TO BE unITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE FOR THE CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA.

ROBERT JOHN COLVILLE, OF PENNSYLVANIA, TO BE unITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA.

ELIZABETH J. DRAKE, OF MARYLAND, TO BE unITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA.

THOMAS NICHOLS LEDERER, OF MASSACHUSETTS, TO BE unITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE FOR THE DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS.

GARY RICHARD BROWN, OF NEW YORK, TO BE unITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK.

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PHILIP R. LAMMENS, OF FLORIDA, TO BE united STATES DISTRICT JUDGE FOR THE DISTRICT OF IDAHO.

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KAREN GREY SCHOLLER, OF TEXAS, TO BE unITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS.

LUCYtuu RICARDO KASH, OF CALIFORNIA, TO BE unITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE FOR THE DISTRICT OF RHODE ISLAND.

LISA BETH TAYLOR HUGERS, OF KENTUCKY, TO BE unITED STATES CIRCUIT JUDGE FOR THE SIXTH CIRCUIT.

JAMES WESLEY HENDRIX, OF TEXAS, TO BE unITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS.

ISAAC RAMIREZ, OF TEXAS, TO BE unITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS.

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PAUL MILTON YOUNGE, OF PENNSYLVANIA, TO BE united STATES DISTRICT JUDGE FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA.

ROBERT M. RYAN, OF NEW YORK, TO BE united STATES DISTRICT JUDGE FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA.
ANNIE RACHEL TRAUM, OF NEVADA, TO BE A UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEVADA.

FRANCES MARIE TYDINGGO-GATWOOD, OF GUAM, TO BE A JUDGE FOR THE DISTRICT COURT OF GUAM FOR THE TERM OF TEN YEARS.

JASON D. TULLAE, OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, TO BE AN ASSOCIATE JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA FOR THE TERM OF TEN YEARS.

ABD RIAQ GURESHI, OF MARYLAND, TO BE A UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.

DIANA GUARATI, OF NEW YORK, TO BE A UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK.

JULIE REBECCA BRESLAW, OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, TO BE AN ASSOCIATE JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA FOR THE TERM OF FIFTEEN YEARS.

DEBORAH J. ISRAEL, OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, TO BE AN ASSOCIATE JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA FOR THE TERM OF FIFTEEN YEARS.

CARMEN GUERRICAGOITIA MCLEAN, OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, TO BE AN ASSOCIATE JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA FOR THE TERM OF FIFTEEN YEARS.

RAINEY RANSOM BRANDT, OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, TO BE AN ASSOCIATE JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.

UNITED NATIONS

VALERIE RIBEN OWENS, OF DELAWARE, TO BE AN ALTERNATE REPRESENTATIVE OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE SEVENTY-FIRST SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE UNITED NATIONS.

CYNTHIA RYAN, OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, TO BE AN ALTENATE REPRESENTATIVE OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE SEVENTY-FIRST SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE UNITED NATIONS.

UNITED STATES ADVISORY COMMISSION ON PUBLIC DIPLOMACY

DOUGLAS BARRY WILSON, OF DELAWARE, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE UNITED STATES ADVISORY COMMISSION ON PUBLIC DIPLOMACY.

GRANT T. HARRIS, OF CALIFORNIA, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE UNITED STATES ADVISORY COMMISSION ON PUBLIC DIPLOMACY.

UNITED STATES INSTITUTE OF PEACE

GRANT T. HARRIS, OF CALIFORNIA, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE UNITED STATES INSTITUTE OF PEACE.

UNITED STATES PAROLE COMMISSION

ALMO J. CARTER, OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, TO BE A COMMISSIONER OF THE UNITED STATES PAROLE COMMISSION FOR A TERM OF SIX YEARS.

UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE

DAVID S. SHAPIRA, OF PENNSYLVANIA, TO BE A GOVERNOR OF THE UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE FOR A TERM EXPIRING DECEMBER 8, 2021.

DAVID MICHAEL BENNITT, OF NORTH CAROLINA, TO BE A GOVERNOR OF THE UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE FOR A TERM EXPIRING DECEMBER 8, 2021.

MICKY D. BARNES, OF NEW MEXICO, TO BE A GOVERNOR OF THE UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE FOR A TERM EXPIRING DECEMBER 8, 2021.

STEPHEN CRAWFORD, OF MARYLAND, TO BE A GOVERNOR OF THE UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE FOR A TERM EXPIRING DECEMBER 8, 2021.
EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. BRAD R. WENSTRUP
OF OHIO
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Tuesday, January 3, 2017

Mr. WENSTRUP. Mr. Speaker, I missed three votes on December 8. If I were present, I would have voted on the following:
Thursday, December 8, 2016:
Rolcall No. 617: On Ordering the Previous Question. "yea."
Rolcall No. 618: On Passage of H. Res. 949, "nay."
Rolcall No. 619: On Passage of H.R. 4919, "nay."

STAFF FAREWELL

HON. MICHAEL G. FITZPATRICK
OF PENNSYLVANIA
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Tuesday, January 3, 2017

Mr. FITZPATRICK. Mr. Speaker, I rise today, for the last time, to express my gratitude for the honor of serving in the United States House of Representatives. To the people of Pennsylvania's 8th Congressional district, I am indebted for the confidence, trust and support you've shown me throughout my tenure as your representative. Six years ago, I pledged to uphold a self-imposed term limit. And today, Mr. Speaker, my time serving in this distinguished body is drawing to a close.

I want to thank those who have shared this moment with me: my family and friends, my dedicated staff and colleagues. In particular, I would like to thank my wife and children for their support, appreciation and understanding of public service.

I have been blessed with a hardworking and committed staff who have been present, in my personal office and on the Financial Services Committee. I am truly grateful for their faithful service, good work, and perseverance.

My staff in Washington represented the best of Bucks and Montgomery counties. They served as ambassadors to our nation's capital. They aided me in crafting legislation, driven by the issues affecting our constituents. They led the effort in Congress on medical device reform and advocated daily for thousands of women throughout the county who have been harmed by certain dangerous medical devices. They worked on legislation designed to combat the illicit financing of terrorist and criminal networks, and promoted international peace and liberty as proponents of a free Ukraine.

And I would not have been returned to office to continue serving were it not for the exemplar constituent service and outreach provided by my Bucks County district staff. Constituents often thanked me for the attention and assistance they received from my staff. Whether it's solving a Social Security or Medicare issue, or serving one of the 50,000 veterans in our district, or responding to every constituent who contacted their congressman, my staff was there. They embraced a shared commitment to servant leadership, ensuring that our citizens' concerns were relayed to the appropriate federal agency and followed.

I know a congressional representative cannot do outstanding work on behalf of his constituents without a great staff. And my staff was knowledgeable and hard-working, often working nights and weekends to help me be a better representative. Whether attending an Eagle Scout Court of Honor, visiting a small business, or meeting with constituents in far-flung areas of our district, my staff was there.

Mr. Speaker, I want to include each and every one of their names, so that the names of these servant leaders can be enshrined in the history of the United States House of Representatives.

My sincere thanks go to:
Those who have served as my Chief of Staff: Patrick Lyden, Athan Koutsourioumbs, Kyle Whatley and Paul Ritacco. Their skill and insight have been invaluable to me and to the collective benefit of my constituents.

My two Deputy Chiefs: Justin Rusk for his steady leadership over legislative matters and initiatives in Washington, D.C., as well as for his service in our nation's armed forces; and Stacey Mulholland for her dedication to Pennsylvania and my District and her insight as a passionate municipal supervisor.

My dedicated Director of Constituent Services, Kelly McGinty, for her careful attention and assistance to those constituents seeking redress from the federal government and her extraordinary management of the constituent advocates working for the benefit of our citizens. Special thanks to our advocates: Jennifer Miller nee Nawalinski, Gina Seiler, Jim Pomeroy, Al Sigafoos, Eric Eklund, Jennifer McClure, and Mallory Menta.

My outreach and communications team for their proactive engagement with the diverse communities of our district, ensuring that every voice is heard. Many thanks for the faithful service of Joseph Hogan IV, Sam Bolstein, Patricia Wandling, Aaron Clark, Patrick Long, Matthew LaPalombara, and Mike Dillion.

My legislative staff for their meticulous attention to detail on the bills before the House and for crafting legislation to improve the lives of all in our nation. I am thankful for the reliable efforts of Chris Mataranagas, Anna Marie DiMascia, Anthony Nisivoccia, Mark McDonald, Katie Brown, Casey Verrichia, and Alex Petrucci.
HIGHLIGHTS
Second Session of the 114th Congress adjourned sine die.

Senate

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Measures Reported:
Reported on Tuesday, December 20, 2016, during the adjournment:
- Report to accompany S. 1378, to strengthen employee cost savings suggestions programs within the Federal Government. (S. Rept. No. 114–406)
- Report to accompany S. 2972, to amend title 31, United States Code, to provide transparency and require certain standards in the award of Federal grants. (S. Rept. No. 114–407)
- Report to accompany S. 1756, to help small businesses take advantage of energy efficiency. (S. Rept. No. 114–408)
- Report to accompany S. 1811, to require the Administrator of the Small Business Administration to establish a program to make loans to certain businesses, homeowners, and renters affected by Superstorm Sandy. (S. Rept. No. 114–409)
- Report to accompany S. 1866, to establish the veterans’ business outreach center program, to improve the programs for veterans of the Small Business Administration. (S. Rept. No. 114–410)
- Report to accompany S. 1870, to amend the Small Business Act to require the Administrator of the Small Business Administration to carry out a pilot program on issuing grants to eligible veterans to start or acquire qualifying businesses. (S. Rept. No. 114–411)
- Report to accompany S. 2116, to improve certain programs of the Small Business Administration to better assist small business customers in accessing broadband technology. (S. Rept. No. 114–412)
- Report to accompany S. 2126, to reauthorize the women’s business center program of the Small Business Administration. (S. Rept. No. 114–413)
- Report to accompany S. 2136, to establish the Regional SBIR State Collaborative Initiative Pilot Program. (S. Rept. No. 114–414)
- Report to accompany S. 2138, to amend the Small Business Act to improve the review and acceptance of subcontracting plans. (S. Rept. No. 114–415)
- Report to accompany S. 2139, to amend the Small Business Act to prohibit the use of reverse auctions for the procurement of covered contracts. (S. Rept. No. 114–416)
- Report to accompany S. 2812, to amend the Small Business Act to reauthorize and improve the Small Business Innovation Research Program and the Small Business Technology Transfer Program. (S. Rept. No. 114–417)
- Report to accompany S. 2838, to improve the HUBZone program. (S. Rept. No. 114–418)
- Report to accompany S. 2846, to amend the Small Business Act to expand intellectual property education and training for small businesses. (S. Rept. No. 114–419)
- Report to accompany S. 2847, to require greater transparency for Federal regulatory decisions that impact small businesses. (S. Rept. No. 114–420)
- Report to accompany S. 2992, to amend the Small Business Act to strengthen the Office of Credit Risk Management of the Small Business Administration. (S. Rept. No. 114–421)
- Report to accompany S. 3009, to support entrepreneurs serving in the National Guard and Reserve. (S. Rept. No. 114–422)
- Report to accompany S. 3024, to improve cybersecurity for small businesses. (S. Rept. No. 114–423)
- Report to accompany S. Res. 252, expressing the sense of the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship of the Senate relating to easing the burden of Federal tax compliance on small businesses. (S. Rept. No. 114–424)
- Report to accompany S. 421, to amend the Communications Act of 1934 to provide for greater...
transparency and efficiency in the procedures followed by the Federal Communications Commission.  
(S. Rept. No. 114–425)

Report to accompany S. 1182, to exempt application of JSA attribution rule in case of existing agreements. (S. Rept. No. 114–426)

Report to accompany S. 2555, to provide opportunities for broadband investment. (S. Rept. No. 114–427)

Report to accompany S. 2658, to amend title 49, United States Code, to authorize appropriations for the Federal Aviation Administration for fiscal years 2016 through 2017. (S. Rept. No. 114–428)

Report to accompany S. 3270, to prevent elder abuse and exploitation and improve the justice system’s response to victims in elder abuse and exploitation cases. (S. Rept. No. 114–430)

S. 2916, to provide that the pueblo of Santa Clara may lease for 99 years certain restricted land. (S. Rept. No. 114–431)

Nominations Returned to the President: The following nominations were returned to the President failing of confirmation under Senate rule XXXI at the time of the sine die adjournment of the 114th Congress:

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.

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.

Walter Hood, of California, to be a Member of the National Council on the Arts for a term expiring September 3, 2020.

Kristen Joan Sarri, of Michigan, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Interior.

Marisa Lago, of New York, to be a Deputy United States Trade Representative, with the rank of Ambassador.

Jennifer Ann Haverkamp, of Indiana, to be Assistant Secretary of State for Oceans and International Environmental and Scientific Affairs.

Walter A. Barrows, of Ohio, to be a Member of the Railroad Retirement Board for a term expiring August 28, 2019.

David S. Shapira, of Pennsylvania, to be a Governor of the United States Postal Service for a term expiring December 8, 2019.

John E. Mendez, of California, to be a Director of the Securities Investor Protection Corporation for a term expiring December 31, 2015.

John E. Mendez, of California, to be a Director of the Securities Investor Protection Corporation for a term expiring December 31, 2018.

Richard T. Julius, of North Carolina, to be a Member of the Internal Revenue Service Oversight Board for a term expiring September 14, 2019.

Albert Stanley Meiburg, of Georgia, to be Deputy Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency.

Janet L. Yellen, of California, to be United States Alternate Governor of the International Monetary Fund for a term of five years.

Maria Cancian, of Wisconsin, to be Assistant Secretary for Family Support, Department of Health and Human Services.

Deborah Willis, of New York, to be a Member of the National Council on the Humanities for a term expiring January 26, 2020.

Ann Elizabeth Dunkin, of California, to be an Assistant Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency.

Jane Toshiko Nishida, of Maryland, to be an Assistant Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency.

David Michael Bennett, of North Carolina, to be a Governor of the United States Postal Service for a term expiring December 8, 2018.

Amias Moore Gerety, of Connecticut, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Treasury.

Mickey D. Barnett, of New Mexico, to be a Governor of the United States Postal Service for a term expiring December 8, 2020.

Andrew LaMont Eanes, of Kansas, to be Deputy Commissioner of Social Security for the term expiring January 19, 2019.

Mileydi Guilarte, of the District of Columbia, to be United States Alternate Executive Director of the Inter-American Development Bank.

Marcia Denise Occomy, of the District of Columbia, to be United States Director of the African Development Bank for a term of five years.
Mary Barzee Flores, of Florida, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Florida.

Julien Xavier Neals, of New Jersey, to be United States District Judge for the District of New Jersey.

Mark Sobel, of Virginia, to be United States Executive Director of the International Monetary Fund for a term of two years.

Edward L. Ayers, of Virginia, to be a Member of the National Council on the Humanities for a term expiring January 26, 2020.

Stephen Crawford, of Maryland, to be a Governor of the United States Postal Service for the remainder of the term expiring December 8, 2015.

Stephen Crawford, of Maryland, to be a Governor of the United States Postal Service for a term expiring December 8, 2022.

James C. Miller, III, of Virginia, to be a Governor of the United States Postal Service for a term expiring December 8, 2017.

Andrew J. Read, of North Carolina, to be a Member of the Marine Mammal Commission for a term expiring May 13, 2016.

Thomas A. Burke, of Maryland, to be an Assistant Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency.

Carol Waller Pope, of the District of Columbia, to be a Member of the Federal Labor Relations Authority for a term of five years expiring July 1, 2019.

Linda Struyk Millsaps, of North Carolina, to be a Member of the Internal Revenue Service Oversight Board for a term expiring September 14, 2018.

Adam J. Szubin, of the District of Columbia, to be Under Secretary for Terrorism and Financial Crimes.

Todd Sunhwae Kim, of the District of Columbia, to be an Associate Judge of the District of Columbia Court of Appeals for the term of fifteen years.

Elizabeth Ann Copeland, of Texas, to be a Judge of the United States Tax Court for a term of fifteen years.

Karen Bollinger DeSalvo, of Louisiana, to be an Assistant Secretary of Health and Human Services.

Leslie E. Bains, of New York, to be a Director of the Securities Investor Protection Corporation for a term expiring December 31, 2015.

Leslie E. Bains, of New York, to be a Director of the Securities Investor Protection Corporation for a term expiring December 31, 2018.

Akhil Reed Amar, of Connecticut, to be a Member of the National Council on the Humanities for a term expiring January 26, 2020.

Robert P. Zimmerman, of New York, to be a Member of the National Council on the Humanities for a term expiring January 26, 2018.

Jessica Rosenworcel, of the District of Columbia, to be a Member of the Federal Communications Commission for a term of five years from July 1, 2015.

Edward L. Stanton III, of Tennessee, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Tennessee.

Mary L. Kendall, of Minnesota, to be Inspector General, Department of the Interior.

Janet Garvin McCabe, of the District of Columbia, to be an Assistant Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency.

Anthony G. Collins, of New York, to be a Member of the Advisory Board of the Saint Lawrence Seaway Development Corporation.

Mari Carmen Aponte, of the District of Columbia, to be Permanent Representative of the United States of America to the Organization of American States, with the rank of Ambassador.

Mark Philip Cohen, of Maryland, to be a Member of the Merit Systems Protection Board for the term of seven years expiring March 1, 2021.

John Maeda, of Massachusetts, to be a Member of the National Council on the Arts for a term expiring September 3, 2016.

Matthew Rhett Jeppson, of Florida, to be Director of the Mint for a term of five years.

Andrew Miller Slavitt, of Minnesota, to be Administrator of the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services.

Mary Katherine Wakefield, of North Dakota, to be Deputy Secretary of Health and Human Services.

Jessie Hill Roberson, of Alabama, to be a Member of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission for the term of five years expiring June 30, 2020.

Mark A. Young, of California, to be United States District Judge for the Central District of California.

Kathryn M. Dominguez, of Michigan, to be a Member of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System for the unexpired term of fourteen years from February 1, 2004.

Victoria Marie Baecher Wassmer, of Illinois, to be Under Secretary of Energy.

Michael F. Suarez, of Virginia, to be a Member of the National Council on the Humanities for a term expiring January 26, 2020.

Elissa Slotkin, of the District of Columbia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Defense.

Susan Paradise Baxter, of Pennsylvania, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Pennsylvania.

Inga S. Bernstein, of Massachusetts, to be United States District Judge for the District of Massachusetts.
Gary Richard Brown, of New York, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of New York.

Robert John Colville, of Pennsylvania, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Pennsylvania.

Elizabeth J. Drake, of Maryland, to be a Judge of the United States Court of International Trade.

Marilyn Jean Horan, of Pennsylvania, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Pennsylvania.


Charles P. Blahous, III, of Maryland, to be a Member of the Board of Trustees of the Federal Supplementary Medical Insurance Trust Fund for a term of four years.

Charles P. Blahous, III, of Maryland, to be a Member of the Board of Trustees of the Federal Old-Age and Survivors Insurance Trust Fund and the Federal Disability Insurance Trust Fund for a term of four years.

Robert D. Reischauer, of Maryland, to be a Member of the Board of Trustees of the Federal Supplementary Medical Insurance Trust Fund for a term of four years.

Robert D. Reischauer, of Maryland, to be a Member of the Board of Trustees of the Federal Old-Age and Survivors Insurance Trust Fund and the Federal Disability Insurance Trust Fund for a term of four years.

Amos J. Hochstein, of the District of Columbia, to be an Assistant Secretary of State (Energy Resources).

Lisa M. Fairfax, of Maryland, to be a Member of the Securities and Exchange Commission for a term expiring June 5, 2020.

Channing D. Phillips, of the District of Columbia, to be United States Attorney for the District of Columbia for the term of four years.

Randolph J. Seiler, of South Dakota, to be United States Attorney for the District of South Dakota for the term of four years.

Amos J. Hochstein, of the District of Columbia, to be an Assistant Secretary of State (Energy Resources).

Vik Edwin Stoll, of Missouri, to be a Judge of the United States Tax Court for a term of fifteen years.

Beth F. Cobert, of California, to be Director of the Office of Personnel Management for a term of four years.

Hester Maria Peirce, of Ohio, to be a Member of the Securities and Exchange Commission for a term expiring June 5, 2021.

Harry R. Hoglander, of Massachusetts, to be a Member of the National Mediation Board for a term expiring July 1, 2017.

Patrick Pizzella, of Virginia, to be a Member of the Federal Labor Relations Authority for a term of five years expiring July 1, 2020.
Charlotte P. Kessler, of Ohio, to be a Member of the National Council on the Arts for a term expiring September 3, 2018.

Esperanza Emily Spalding, of Oregon, to be a Member of the National Council on the Arts for a term expiring September 3, 2020.

Alan J. Kreczko, of Connecticut, to be a Member of the Internal Revenue Service Oversight Board for a term expiring September 14, 2019.

James R. White, of Maryland, to be a Member of the Internal Revenue Service Oversight Board for a term expiring September 14, 2020.

Edith Ramirez, of California, to be a Federal Trade Commissioner for the term of seven years from September 26, 2015.

Paul Lewis Abrams, of California, to be United States District Judge for the Central District of California.

Suzanne Mitchell, of Oklahoma, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Oklahoma.

Scott L. Palk, of Oklahoma, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Oklahoma.

Ronald G. Russell, of Utah, to be United States District Judge for the District of Utah.

Dain Borges, of Puerto Rico, to be a Member of the National Council on the Humanities for a term expiring January 26, 2020.

Thavolia Glymph, of North Carolina, to be a Member of the National Council on the Humanities for a term expiring January 26, 2020.

Deborah Wong, of California, to be a Member of the National Council on the Humanities for a term expiring January 26, 2020.

Raymond G. Farmer, of South Carolina, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the National Association of Registered Agents and Brokers for a term of two years.

Thomas McLeary, of Illinois, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the National Association of Registered Agents and Brokers for a term of two years.

Michael J. Rothman, of Minnesota, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the National Association of Registered Agents and Brokers for a term of two years.

Heather Ann Steinmiller, of Pennsylvania, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the National Association of Registered Agents and Brokers for a term of two years.

Nelson Reyneri, of Washington, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Overseas Private Investment Corporation for a term expiring December 17, 2018.

John Mark McWatters, of Texas, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Export-Import Bank of the United States for a term expiring January 20, 2019.

Donald Karl Schott, of Wisconsin, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Seventh Circuit.

Myra C. Selby, of Indiana, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Seventh Circuit.

Winfield D. Ong, of Indiana, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Indiana.

Jennifer Klemetsrud Puhl, of North Dakota, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Eighth Circuit.

Terrence J. Campbell, of Kansas, to be United States District Judge for the District of Kansas.

Stephanie A. Finley, of Louisiana, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Louisiana.

Claude J. Kelly III, of Louisiana, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Louisiana.

Abdul K. Kallon, of Alabama, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Eleventh Circuit.

Donald W. Beatty, of South Carolina, to be United States District Judge for the District of South Carolina.

Donald C. Coggins, Jr., of South Carolina, to be United States District Judge for the District of South Carolina.

Lucy Haeran Koh, of California, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit.

Susan Louise Castaneda, of California, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the National Association of Registered Agents and Brokers for a term of one year.

Roberto R. Herencia, of Illinois, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Overseas Private Investment Corporation for a term expiring December 17, 2018.

Christopher James Brummer, of the District of Columbia, to be a Commissioner of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission for the remainder of the term expiring June 19, 2016.


Walter David Counts, III, of Texas, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Texas.

E. Scott Frost, of Texas, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Texas.
Rebecca Ross Haywood, of Pennsylvania, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Third Circuit.

James Wesley Hendrix, of Texas, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Texas.

Irma Carrillo Ramirez, of Texas, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Texas.

Danny C. Reeves, of Kentucky, to be a Member of the United States Sentencing Commission for a term expiring October 31, 2019.

Karen Gren Scholer, of Texas, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Texas.

Kathleen Marie Sweet, of New York, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of New York.

Merrick B. Garland, of Maryland, to be an Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States.

Douglas Barry Wilson, of Delaware, to be a Member of the United States Advisory Commission on Public Diplomacy for a term expiring July 1, 2017.

Heidi Neel Biggs, of Oregon, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for National and Community Service for a term expiring October 6, 2017.

Westley Watende Omari Moore, of Maryland, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for National and Community Service for a term expiring October 6, 2016.

Westley Watende Omari Moore, of Maryland, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for National and Community Service for a term expiring October 6, 2021.

Jeffrey A. Rosen, of Virginia, to be a Governor of the United States Postal Service for a term expiring December 8, 2021.


Larry T. Glenn, of the Virgin Islands, to be a Commissioner of the United States Parole Commission for a term of six years.

Lisabeth Tabor Hughes, of Kentucky, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Sixth Circuit.

James Xavier Dempsey, of California, to be a Member of the Privacy and Civil Liberties Oversight Board for a term expiring January 29, 2022.

David C. Nye, of Idaho, to be United States District Judge for the District of Idaho.

Dimitri Frank Kusnezov, of California, to be Deputy Administrator for Defense Programs, National Nuclear Security Administration.

Matthew Lehrich, of Massachusetts, to be Assistant Secretary for Communications and Outreach, Department of Education.

Amy McIntosh, of New York, to be Assistant Secretary for Planning, Evaluation, and Policy Development, Department of Education.

Antonia Whalen, of Illinois, to be Assistant Secretary for Elementary and Secondary Education, Department of Education.

Beth M. Andrus, of Washington, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Washington.

J. Michael Diaz, of Washington, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Washington.

Kathleen M. O'Sullivan, of Washington, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Washington.

Susan Faye Beard, of Maryland, to be Inspector General of the Department of Energy.

David V. Brewer, of Oregon, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the State Justice Institute for a term expiring September 17, 2016.

Gayle A. Nachtigal, of Oregon, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the State Justice Institute for a term expiring September 17, 2018.

Annette Adele Evans Smith, of Alaska, to be a Member of the National Council on the Arts for a term expiring September 3, 2020.

Angela L. Kokosko Ripley, of Maryland, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the National Association of Registered Agents and Brokers for a term of two years.

Leslie Greene Bowman, of Virginia, to be a Member of the National Council on the Humanities for a term expiring January 26, 2022.

George Sanchez, of California, to be a Member of the National Council on the Humanities for a term expiring January 26, 2022.

Gail H. Marcus, of Maryland, to be a Member of the Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board for a term expiring October 18, 2018.

Kent Yoshiho Hirozawa, of New York, to be a Member of the National Labor Relations Board for the term of five years expiring August 27, 2021.

Patricia D. Barksdale, of Florida, to be United States District Judge for the Middle District of Florida.


William F. Jung, of Florida, to be United States District Judge for the Middle District of Florida.

Philip R. Lammens, of Florida, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Florida.

Florence Y. Pan, of the District of Columbia, to be United States District Judge for the District of Columbia.
Regina M. Rodriguez, of Colorado, to be United States District Judge for the District of Colorado.

Patricia Ann Timmons-Goodson, of North Carolina, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of North Carolina.

Anne Rachel Traum, of Nevada, to be United States District Judge for the District of Nevada.

Kathleen Marie Marshall, of Nevada, to be a Member of the Election Assistance Commission for a term expiring December 12, 2019.

Robert M. Tobias, of the District of Columbia, to be a Member of the Internal Revenue Service Oversight Board for a term expiring September 14, 2020.

J. Patricia Wilson Smoot, of Maryland, to be a Commissioner of the United States Parole Commission for a term of six years.

Frances Marie Tydingco-Gatewood, of Guam, to be Judge for the District Court of Guam for the term of ten years.

Ysaye M. Barnwell, of the District of Columbia, to be a Member of the National Council on the Arts for a term expiring September 3, 2022.

Marguerite Salazar, of Colorado, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the National Association of Registered Agents and Brokers for a term of two years.

Thomas Atkin, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Defense.

Daniel P. Feehan, of the District of Columbia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Defense.

Daniel J. Becker, of Utah, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the State Justice Institute for a term expiring September 17, 2016.

Christopher E. O’Connor, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Veterans Affairs (Congressional and Legislative Affairs).

Bonnie A. Barsamian Dunn, of New York, to be a Director of the Securities Investor Protection Corporation for a term expiring December 31, 2017.

Shirley Woodward, of Virginia, to be Inspector General, Central Intelligence Agency.

Valerie Martinez, of New Mexico, to be a Member of the National Council on the Arts for a term expiring September 3, 2022.

Thomas G. Kotarac, of Illinois, to be a Member of the Railroad Retirement Board for a term expiring August 28, 2017.

Debra Satz, of California, to be a Member of the National Council on the Humanities for a term expiring January 26, 2022.

Jason D. Tulley, of the District of Columbia, to be an Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia for the term of fifteen years.

John M. Huff, of Missouri, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the National Association of Registered Agents and Brokers for a term of one year.

Robert P. Suglia, of Rhode Island, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the National Association of Registered Agents and Brokers for a term of one year.

Lori K. Wing-Heier, of Alaska, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the National Association of Registered Agents and Brokers for a term of two years.

Kimberly J. Walker, of Iowa, to be Inspector General, Export-Import Bank.

Grant T. Harris, of California, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the United States Institute of Peace for a term of four years.

Benjamin Osorio, of Pennsylvania, to be a Member of the National Council on the Arts for a term expiring September 3, 2022.

Mary Ellen Barbera, of Maryland, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the State Justice Institute for a term expiring September 17, 2018.

John D. Minton, Jr., of Kentucky, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the State Justice Institute for a term expiring September 17, 2016.

Jannette Lake Dates, of Maryland, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for Public Broadcasting for a term expiring January 31, 2022.

Constance Smith Barker, of Alabama, to be a Member of the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission for a term expiring July 1, 2021.

John A. Herrera, of North Carolina, to be a Member of the National Credit Union Administration Board for a term expiring April 10, 2021.

David V. Brewer, of Oregon, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the State Justice Institute for a term expiring September 17, 2019.

C. Peter Mahurin, of Kentucky, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Tennessee Valley Authority for a term expiring May 18, 2021.

Michael McWherter, of Tennessee, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Tennessee Valley Authority for a term expiring May 18, 2021.

Joe H. Ritch, of Alabama, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Tennessee Valley Authority for a term expiring May 18, 2021.

Abid Riaz Qureshi, of Maryland, to be United States District Judge for the District of Columbia.

David J. Arroyo, of New York, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for Public Broadcasting for a term expiring January 31, 2022.

Matthew Lee Wiener, of Virginia, to be Chairman of the Administrative Conference of the United States for the term of five years.
Valerie Biden Owens, of Delaware, to be an Alternate Representative of the United States of America to the Seventy-first Session of the General Assembly of the United Nations.

Cynthia Ryan, of the District of Columbia, to be an Alternate Representative of the United States of America to the Seventy-first Session of the General Assembly of the United Nations.

Diane Gujarati, of New York, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of New York.

Markos Kounalakis, of California, to be a Member of the United States Advisory Commission on Public Diplomacy for a term expiring July 1, 2017.

Gail O’Connor Mellow, of New York, to be a Member of the National Council on the Humanities for a term expiring January 26, 2022.

Dana A. Williams, of Maryland, to be a Member of the National Council on the Humanities for a term expiring January 26, 2022.

Claudia Slacik, of New York, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Export-Import Bank of the United States for a term expiring January 20, 2019.

Tina S. Kaidanow, of Maryland, a career Member of the Senior Foreign Service, Class of Minister-Counselor, to be an Assistant Secretary of State (Political-Military Affairs).

Justin H. Siberell, of Maryland, to be Coordinator for Counterterrorism, with the rank and status of Ambassador at Large.

Elizabeth A. Field, of the District of Columbia, to be Inspector General, Office of Personnel Management.

Nathan Bruce Duthu, of Vermont, to be a Member of the National Council on the Humanities for a term expiring January 26, 2022.

Chase Rogers, of Connecticut, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the State Justice Institute for a term expiring September 17, 2018.

Tulinabo Salama Mushangi, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Senegal, and to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador to the Republic of Guinea-Bissau.

Julie Rebecca Breslow, of the District of Columbia, to be an Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia for the term of fifteen years.

Deborah J. Israel, of the District of Columbia, to be an Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia for the term of fifteen years.

Carmen Guerricagoitia McLean, of the District of Columbia, to be an Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia for the term of fifteen years.

Jane Marie Doggett, of Montana, to be a Member of the National Council on the Humanities for a term expiring January 26, 2022.

Diane Suzette Harris, of Utah, to be a Member of the National Council on the Humanities for a term expiring January 26, 2022.

Virginia Johnson, of New York, to be a Member of the National Council on the Arts for a term expiring September 3, 2020.

Sylvia Orozco, of Texas, to be a Member of the National Council on the Arts for a term expiring September 3, 2022.

Wilfredo Martinez, of Florida, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the State Justice Institute for a term expiring September 17, 2019.

Glenn Fine, of Maryland, to be Inspector General, Department of Defense.

Brent Franklin Nelsen, of South Carolina, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for Public Broadcasting for a term expiring January 31, 2022.

Jeffrey DeLaurentis, of New York, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Cuba.

Raineys Ransom Brandt, of the District of Columbia, to be an Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia.

Joseph Bruce Hamilton, of Texas, to be a Member of the Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board for a term expiring October 18, 2021.

Seth Harris, of New York, to be a Director of the Amtrak Board of Directors for a term of five years.

Jeffrey R. Moreland, of Texas, to be a Director of the Amtrak Board of Directors for a term of five years.

Rachel A. Meidl, of Wisconsin, to be a Member of the Chemical Safety and Hazard Investigation Board for a term of five years.

Michael P. Leary, of Pennsylvania, to be Inspector General, Social Security Administration.

Richard Stengel, of the District of Columbia, to be a Member of the Broadcasting Board of Governors for a term expiring August 13, 2017.

Richard Stengel, of the District of Columbia, to be Chairman of the Broadcasting Board of Governors.

Patrick K. Nakamura, of Alabama, to be a Member of the Federal Mine Safety and Health Review Commission for a term of six years expiring August 30, 2022.

Robert P. Storch, of the District of Columbia, to be Inspector General of the National Security Agency.

Richard A. Kennedy, of Pennsylvania, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority for a term expiring May 30, 2022.
Rebecca Emily Rapp, of Wisconsin, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Legal Services Corporation for a term expiring July 13, 2019.

Thomas J. Murphy, of Colorado, to be Under Secretary for Benefits of the Department of Veterans Affairs.

72 Air Force nominations in the rank of general.
5 Army nominations in the rank of general.
2 Navy nominations in the rank of admiral.

Messages from the House:

Enrolled Bills Presented:

Adjournment: Senate convened at 11:55:04 a.m. and adjourned sine die at 11:55:36 a.m., until 12 noon, on the same day, for the convening of the 115th Congress.

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: There were no public bills nor resolutions introduced.

Additional Cosponsors:

Reports Filed: Reports were filed on January 2, 2016 as follows:

Committee on Appropriations House of Representatives Report of Committee Activities 114th Congress January 6, 2015 through January 2, 2017 (H. Rept. 114–902);

Report on the Activity of the Committee on Financial Services of the United States House of Representatives for the 114th Congress (H. Rept. 114–904);

Report on the Activities of the Committee on Education and the Workforce for the 114th Congress (H. Rept. 114–903);

Survey of Activities of the House Committee on Rules for the 114th Congress (H. Rept. 114–906);

Activity Report of the Committee on Energy and Commerce of the House of Representatives for the 114th Congress (H. Rept. 114–907);

H.R. 1770, to require certain entities who collect and maintain personal information of individuals to secure such information and to provide notice to such individuals in the case of a breach of security involving such information, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 114–908);

Activities of the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, 114th Congress (H. Rept. 114–909); and

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Dold to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

Whole Number of the House: The Chair announced to the House that, in light of the resignation of the gentlewoman from Michigan, Mrs. Miller, the whole number of the House is 433.

Recess: The House recessed at 11:02 a.m. and reconvened at 11:55 a.m.

Quorum Calls—Votes: There were no yea-and-nay votes, and there were no recorded votes. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 11 a.m. and at 11:56 a.m. the Chair declared the One Hundred Fourteenth Congress adjourned sine die, pursuant to the 20th Amendment to the Constitution of the United States.

Committee Meetings

No hearings were held.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D1127)

H.R. 2028, making appropriations for energy and water development and related agencies for the fiscal
year ending September 30, 2016, and for other purposes. Signed on December 10, 2016. (Public Law 114–254)

H.R. 34, to authorize and strengthen the tsunami detection, forecast, warning, research, and mitigation program of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, and for other purposes. Signed on December 13, 2016. (Public Law 114–255)

H.R. 3471, to amend title 38, United States Code, to make certain improvements in the provision of automobiles and adaptive equipment by the Department of Veterans Affairs. Signed on December 14, 2016. (Public Law 114–256)

H.R. 4419, 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. Signed on December 14, 2016. (Public Law 114–257)

H.R. 5111, to prohibit the use of certain clauses in form contracts that restrict the ability of a consumer to communicate regarding the goods or services offered in interstate commerce that were the subject of the contract, and for other purposes. Signed on December 14, 2016. (Public Law 114–258)

H.R. 5509, to name the Department of Veterans Affairs temporary lodging facility in Indianapolis, Indiana, as the “Dr. Otis Bowen Veteran House”. Signed on December 14, 2016. (Public Law 114–259)

H.R. 5995, to strike the sunset on certain provisions relating to the authorized protest of a task or delivery order under section 4106 of title 41, United States Code. Signed on December 14, 2016. (Public Law 114–260)

S. 795, to enhance whistleblower protection for contractor and grantee employees. Signed on December 14, 2016. (Public Law 114–261)

S. 817, to provide for the addition of certain real property to the reservation of the Siletz Tribe in the State of Oregon. Signed on December 14, 2016. (Public Law 114–262)

S. 818, to amend the Grand Ronde Reservation Act to make technical corrections, and for other purposes. Signed on December 14, 2016. (Public Law 114–263)

S. 1550, to amend title 31, United States Code, to establish entities tasked with improving program and project management in certain Federal agencies, and for other purposes. Signed on December 14, 2016. (Public Law 114–264)

S. 1555, to award a Congressional Gold Medal, collectively, to the Filipino veterans of World War II, in recognition of the dedicated service of the veterans during World War II. Signed on December 14, 2016. (Public Law 114–265)

S. 1632, to require a regional strategy to address the threat posed by Boko Haram. Signed on December 14, 2016. (Public Law 114–266)

S. 1808, to require the Secretary of Homeland Security to conduct a Northern Border threat analysis, and for other purposes. Signed on December 14, 2016. (Public Law 114–267)

S. 1915, to direct the Secretary of Homeland Security to make anthrax vaccines available to emergency response providers, and for other purposes. Signed on December 14, 2016. (Public Law 114–268)

S. 2234, to award the Congressional Gold Medal, collectively, to the members of the Office of Strategic Services (OSS) in recognition of their superior service and major contributions during World War II. Signed on December 14, 2016. (Public Law 114–269)

S. 2873, to require studies and reports examining the use of, and opportunities to use, technology-enabled collaborative learning and capacity building models to improve programs of the Department of Health and Human Services, and for other purposes. Signed on December 14, 2016. (Public Law 114–270)

S. 2974, to ensure funding for the National Human Trafficking Hotline, and for other purposes. Signed on December 14, 2016. (Public Law 114–271)

S. 3028, to redesignate the Olympic Wilderness as the Daniel J. Evans Wilderness. Signed on December 14, 2016. (Public Law 114–272)

S. 3076, to amend title 38, United States Code, to authorize the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to furnish caskets and urns for burial in cemeteries of States and tribal organizations of veterans without next of kin or sufficient resources to provide for caskets or urns, and for other purposes. Signed on December 14, 2016. (Public Law 114–273)

S. 3183, to prohibit the circumvention of control measures used by Internet ticket sellers to ensure equitable consumer access to tickets for any given event, and for other purposes. Signed on December 14, 2016. (Public Law 114–274)

S. 3395, to require limitations on prescribed burns. Signed on December 14, 2016. (Public Law 114–275)

S. 3492, to designate the Traverse City VA Community-Based Outpatient Clinic of the Department of Veterans Affairs in Traverse City, Michigan, as the “Colonel Demas T. Craw VA Clinic”. Signed on December 14, 2016. (Public Law 114–276)

H.R. 710, to require the Secretary of Homeland Security to prepare a comprehensive security assessment of the transportation security card program, and for other purposes. Signed on December 16, 2016. (Public Law 114–278)

H.R. 875, to provide for alternative financing arrangements for the provision of certain services and the construction and maintenance of infrastructure at land border ports of entry, and for other purposes. Signed on December 16, 2016. (Public Law 114–279)

H.R. 960, to designate the Department of Veterans Affairs community-based outpatient clinic in Newark, Ohio, as the Daniel L. Kinnard VA Clinic. Signed on December 16, 2016. (Public Law 114–280)

H.R. 1150, to amend the International Religious Freedom Act of 1998 to improve the ability of the United States to advance religious freedom globally through enhanced diplomacy, training, counterterrorism, and foreign assistance efforts, and through stronger and more flexible political responses to religious freedom violations and violent extremism worldwide, and for other purposes. Signed on December 16, 2016. (Public Law 114–281)

H.R. 2726, to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint commemorative coins in recognition of the 50th anniversary of the first manned landing on the moon. Signed on December 16, 2016. (Public Law 114–282)

H.R. 3218, designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1221 State Street, Suite 12, Santa Barbara, California, as the “Special Warfare Operator Master Chief Petty Officer (SEAL) Louis ‘Lou’ J. Langlais Post Office Building”. Signed on December 16, 2016. (Public Law 114–283)


H.R. 3842, to improve homeland security, including domestic preparedness and response to terrorism, by reforming Federal Law Enforcement Training Centers to provide training to first responders, and for other purposes. Signed on December 16, 2016. (Public Law 114–285)

H.R. 4352, to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to carry out a pilot program establishing a patient self-scheduling appointment system, and for other purposes. Signed on December 16, 2016. (Public Law 114–286)

H.R. 4465, to decrease the deficit by consolidating and selling Federal buildings and other civilian real property, and for other purposes. Signed on December 16, 2016. (Public Law 114–287)

H.R. 4618, to designate the Federal building and United States courthouse located at 121 Spring Street SE in Gainesville, Georgia, as the “Sidney Oslin Smith, Jr. Federal Building and United States Courthouse”. Signed on December 16, 2016. (Public Law 114–288)

H.R. 4680, to prepare the National Park Service for its Centennial in 2016 and for a second century of promoting and protecting the natural, historic, and cultural resources of our National Parks for the enjoyment of present and future generations, and for other purposes. Signed on December 16, 2016. (Public Law 114–289)

H.R. 4887, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 23523 Shelby Road in Shelby, Indiana, as the “Richard Allen Cable Post Office”. Signed on December 16, 2016. (Public Law 114–290)

H.R. 4939, to increase engagement with the governments of the Caribbean region, the Caribbean diaspora community in the United States, and the private sector and civil society in both the United States and the Caribbean, and for other purposes. Signed on December 16, 2016. (Public Law 114–291)

H.R. 5015, to restore amounts improperly withheld for tax purposes from severance payments to individuals who retired or separated from service in the Armed Forces for combat-related injuries, and for other purposes. Signed on December 16, 2016. (Public Law 114–292)

H.R. 5065, to direct the Administrator of the Transportation Security Administration to notify air carriers and security screening personnel of the Transportation Security Administration of such Administration’s guidelines regarding permitting baby formula, breast milk, purified deionized water, and juice on airplanes, and for other purposes. Signed on December 16, 2016. (Public Law 114–293)

H.R. 5099, to establish a pilot program on partnership agreements to construct new facilities for the Department of Veterans Affairs. Signed on December 16, 2016. (Public Law 114–294)

H.R. 5150, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 3031 Veterans Road West in Staten Island, New York, as the “Leonard Montalto Post Office Building”. Signed on December 16, 2016. (Public Law 114–295)

H.R. 5309, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 401 McElroy Drive in Oxford, Mississippi, as the “Army First Lieutenant Donald C. Carwile Post Office Building”. Signed on December 16, 2016. (Public Law 114–296)
H.R. 5356, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 14231 TX–150 in Coldspring, Texas, as the “E. Marie Youngblood Post Office”. Signed on December 16, 2016. (Public Law 114–297)

H.R. 5591, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 810 N US Highway 83 in Zapata, Texas, as the “Zapata Veterans Post Office”. Signed on December 16, 2016. (Public Law 114–298)

H.R. 5612, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 2886 Sandy Plains Road in Marietta, Georgia, as the “Marine Lance Corporal Squire ‘Skip’ Wells Post Office Building”. Signed on December 16, 2016. (Public Law 114–299)

H.R. 5676, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 6300 N. Northwest Highway in Chicago, Illinois, as the “Officer Joseph P. Cali Post Office Building”. Signed on December 16, 2016. (Public Law 114–300)

H.R. 5687, to eliminate or modify certain mandates of the Government Accountability Office. Signed on December 16, 2016. (Public Law 114–301)

H.R. 5790, to provide adequate protections for whistleblowers at the Federal Bureau of Investigation. Signed on December 16, 2016. (Public Law 114–302)

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”. Signed on December 16, 2016. (Public Law 114–303)

H.R. 5877, to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 and the United States-Israel Strategic Partnership Act of 2014 to promote cooperative homeland security research and antiterrorism programs relating to cybersecurity, and for other purposes. Signed on December 16, 2016. (Public Law 114–304)

H.R. 5889, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1 Chalan Kanoa VLG in Saipan, Northern Mariana Islands, as the “Segundo T. Sablan and CNMI Fallen Military Heroes Post Office Building”. Signed on December 16, 2016. (Public Law 114–305)

H.R. 5948, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 830 Kuhn Drive in Chula Vista, California, as the “Jonathan ‘J.D.’ De Guzman Post Office Building”. Signed on December 16, 2016. (Public Law 114–306)

H.R. 6014, to allow the Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration to enter into reimbursable agreements for certain airport projects. Signed on December 16, 2016. (Public Law 114–307)

H.R. 6130, to provide the victims of Holocaust-era persecution and their heirs a fair opportunity to recover works of art confiscated or misappropriated by the Nazis. Signed on December 16, 2016. (Public Law 114–308)

H.R. 6138, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 560 East Pleasant Valley Road, Port Hueneme, California, as the U.S. Naval Construction Battalion “Seabees” Fallen Heroes Post Office Building. Signed on December 16, 2016. (Public Law 114–309)

H.R. 6282, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 2024 Jerome Avenue, in Bronx, New York, as the “Dr. Roscoe C. Brown, Jr. Post Office Building”. Signed on December 16, 2016. (Public Law 114–310)

H.R. 6302, to provide an increase in premium pay for protective services during 2016, and for other purposes. Signed on December 16, 2016. (Public Law 114–311)

H.R. 6304, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 501 North Main Street in Florence, Arizona, as the “Adolfo ‘Harpo’ Celaya Post Office”. Signed on December 16, 2016. (Public Law 114–312)

H.R. 6323, to name the Department of Veterans Affairs health care system in Long Beach, California, the “Tibor Rubin VA Medical Center”. Signed on December 16, 2016. (Public Law 114–313)

H.R. 6400, to revise the boundaries of certain John H. Chafee Coastal Barrier Resources System units in New Jersey. Signed on December 16, 2016. (Public Law 114–314)

H.R. 6416, to amend title 38, United States Code, to make certain improvements in the laws administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes. Signed on December 16, 2016. (Public Law 114–315)

H.R. 6431, to ensure United States jurisdiction over offenses committed by United States personnel stationed in Canada in furtherance of border security initiatives. Signed on December 16, 2016. (Public Law 114–316)

H.R. 6450, to amend the Inspector General Act of 1978 to strengthen the independence of the Inspectors General, and for other purposes. Signed on December 16, 2016. (Public Law 114–317)

H.R. 6451, to improve the Government-wide management of Federal property. Signed on December 16, 2016. (Public Law 114–318)

H.R. 6477, to amend chapter 97 of title 28, United States Code, to clarify the exception to foreign sovereign immunity set forth in section
1605(a)(3) of such title. Signed on December 16, 2016. (Public Law 114–319)

S. 8, to provide for the approval of the Agreement for Cooperation Between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Kingdom of Norway Concerning Peaceful Uses of Nuclear Energy. Signed on December 16, 2016. (Public Law 114–320)

S. 546, to establish the Railroad Emergency Services Preparedness, Operational Needs, and Safety Evaluation (RESPONSE) Subcommittee under the Federal Emergency Management Agency’s National Advisory Council to provide recommendations on emergency responder training and resources relating to hazardous materials incidents involving railroads, and for other purposes. Signed on December 16, 2016. (Public Law 114–321)

S. 612, to designate the Federal building and United States courthouse located at 1300 Victoria Street in Laredo, Texas, as the “George P. Kazen Federal Building and United States Courthouse”. Signed on December 16, 2016. (Public Law 114–322)

S. 1635, to authorize the Department of State for fiscal year 2016, and for other purposes. Signed on December 16, 2016. (Public Law 114–323)

S. 2577, to protect crime victims’ rights, to eliminate the substantial backlog of DNA and other forensic evidence samples to improve and expand the forensic science testing capacity of Federal, State, and local crime laboratories, to increase research and development of new testing technologies, to develop new training programs regarding the collection and use of forensic evidence, to provide post-conviction testing of DNA evidence to exonerate the innocent, to support accreditation efforts of forensic science laboratories and medical examiner offices, to address training and equipment needs, to improve the performance of counsel in State capital cases, and for other purposes. Signed on December 16, 2016. (Public Law 114–324)


S. 2971, to authorize the National Urban Search and Rescue Response System. Signed on December 16, 2016. (Public Law 114–326)

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY, JANUARY 3, 2017

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate
No meetings/hearings scheduled.

House
No hearings are scheduled.
Next Meeting of the SENATE
12 p.m., Tuesday, January 3

Senate Chamber

Program for Tuesday: Senate will convene the first session of the 115th Congress.

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Tuesday, January 3

House Chamber

Program for Tuesday: House will convene the First Session of the One Hundred Fifteenth Congress.

Extensions of Remarks, as inserted in this issue

Fitzpatrick, Michael G., Pa., E1743
Wenstrup, Brad R., Ohio, E1743