

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S889–S928

Measures Introduced: Eight bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2417–2424, and S. Res. 404–405. **Page S907**

Measures Considered:

Broader Options for Americans Act—Agreement: Senate continued consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of H.R. 2579, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow the premium tax credit with respect to unsubsidized COBRA continuation coverage.

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A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill, post-cloture, at approximately 10 a.m., on Wednesday, February 14, 2018, and vote on the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill. **Page S927**

Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

Adam J. Sullivan, of Iowa, to be an Assistant Secretary of Transportation.

Ronald L. Batory, of New Jersey, to be Administrator of the Federal Railroad Administration.

Raymond Martinez, of New Jersey, to be Administrator of the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration. **Pages S904, S928**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Brent K. Park, of Tennessee, to be Deputy Administrator for Defense Nuclear Nonproliferation, National Nuclear Security Administration.

Jeffrey Nadaner, of Maryland, to be an Assistant Secretary of Commerce.

Charles P. Rettig, of California, to be Commissioner of Internal Revenue for the term expiring November 12, 2022.

Jonathan R. Cohen, of California, to be Deputy Representative of the United States of America to the United Nations, with the rank and status of Ambassador, and the Deputy Representative of the

United States of America in the Security Council of the United Nations.

Jonathan R. Cohen, of California, to be Representative of the United States of America to the Sessions of the General Assembly of the United Nations, during his tenure of service as Deputy Representative of the United States of America to the United Nations.

Harry B. Harris, Jr., of Florida, to be Ambassador to the Commonwealth of Australia.

Christopher Krebs, of Virginia, to be Under Secretary for National Protection and Programs, Department of Homeland Security.

Emory A. Rounds III, of Maine, to be Director of the Office of Government Ethics for a term of five years.

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 6:36 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Wednesday, February 14, 2018. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S927.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION REQUEST AND FUTURE YEARS DEFENSE PROGRAM

Committee on Armed Services: Committee concluded a closed hearing to examine the United States Special

Operations Command in review of the Defense Authorization Request for fiscal year 2019 and the Future Years Defense Program, after receiving testimony from Owen O. West, Assistant Secretary, Special Operations and Low-Intensity Conflict, and General Raymond A. Thomas III, USA, Commander, Special Operations Command, both of the Department of Defense.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Armed Services: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Paul C. Ney, Jr., of Tennessee, to be General Counsel, Kevin Fahey, of Massachusetts, to be an Assistant Secretary, and Thomas E. Ayres, of Pennsylvania, to be General Counsel of the Department of the Air Force, all of the Department of Defense, and Lisa Gordon-Hagerty, of Virginia, to be Under Secretary of Energy for Nuclear Security.

PROTECTING DEMOCRATIC ELECTIONS

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Cybersecurity concluded a hearing to examine the Department of Defense's role in protecting democratic elections, after receiving testimony from Robert J. Butler, Cyber Strategies, LLC; Heather A. Conley, Center for Strategic and International Studies; Richard J. Harknett, University of Cincinnati; and Michael L. Sulmeyer, Harvard University Belfer Center for Science and International Affairs.

BUDGET

Committee on the Budget: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2019, after receiving testimony from Mick Mulvaney, Director, Office of Management and Budget.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Committee announced the following subcommittee assignments for the 115th Congress:

Subcommittee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Senators Inhofe (Chair), Capito, Boozman, Wicker, Fischer, Moran, Ernst, Sullivan, Shelby, Cardin, Sanders, Whitehouse, Merkley, Gillibrand, Markey, Duckworth, and Booker.

Subcommittee on Clean Air and Nuclear Safety: Senators Capito (Chair), Inhofe, Boozman, Wicker, Fischer, Moran, Ernst, Shelby, Whitehouse, Cardin, Sanders, Merkley, Gillibrand, Markey, and Duckworth.

Subcommittee on Fisheries, Water, and Wildlife: Senators Boozman (Chair), Inhofe, Capito, Wicker, Fischer, Rounds, Sullivan, Shelby, Duckworth, Cardin, Whitehouse, Merkley, Gillibrand, Markey, and Van Hollen.

Subcommittee on Superfund, Waste Management, and Regulatory Oversight: Senators Rounds (Chair), Moran, Ernst, Sullivan, Booker, Sanders, and Van Hollen.

Senators Barrasso and Carper serve as ex officio members of each subcommittee.

FDA ANIMAL DRUG USER FEES REAUTHORIZATION

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: Committee concluded a hearing to examine improving animal health, focusing on reauthorization of Food and Drug Administration Animal Drug User Fees, after receiving testimony from Steven Solomon, Director, Center for Veterinary Medicine, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services.

WORLDWIDE THREATS

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee concluded a hearing to examine worldwide threats, after receiving testimony from former Senator Daniel R. Coats, Director of National Intelligence; former Representative Michael Pompeo, Director, Central Intelligence Agency; Admiral Michael Rogers, USN, Director, National Security Agency, Lieutenant General Robert Ashley, USA, Director, Defense Intelligence Agency, and Robert Cardillo, Director, National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency, all of the Department of Defense; and Chris Wray, Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Department of Justice.

INTELLIGENCE

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee held closed hearings on worldwide threats, receiving testimony from officials of the intelligence community.

Committee recessed subject to the call.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 13 public bills, H.R. 4997–5009; 1 private bill, H.R. 5010; and 2 resolutions, H. Res. 736, 737, were introduced. **Pages H1125–26**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages H1127–28**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 2948, to amend the S.A.F.E. Mortgage Licensing Act of 2008 to provide a temporary license for loan originators transitioning between employers, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 115–552);

H.R. 4768, to require the President to develop a national strategy to combat the financial networks of transnational organized criminals, and for other purposes, with amendments (H. Rept. 115–553);

H.R. 4675, to amend the Energy Policy Act of 2005 to provide for a low-dose radiation basic research program, with an amendment (H. Rept. 115–554);

H.R. 4377, to direct the Secretary of Energy to carry out an upgrade to research equipment and construct research user facilities, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 115–555);

H.R. 4376, to direct the Secretary of Energy to carry out certain upgrades to research equipment and the construction of a research user facility, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 115–556);

H.R. 4378, to direct the Secretary of Energy to carry out the construction of a versatile reactor-based fast neutron source, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 115–557);

H.R. 3397, to direct the National Science Foundation to support STEM education research focused on early childhood, with an amendment (H. Rept. 115–558); and

H. Res. 736, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 620) to amend the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 to promote compliance through education, to clarify the requirements for demand letters, to provide for a notice and cure period before the commencement of a private civil action, and for other purposes; providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 3299) to amend the Revised Statutes, the Home Owners' Loan Act, the Federal Credit Union Act, and the Federal Deposit Insurance Act to require the rate of interest on certain loans remain unchanged—after transfer of the loan, and for other purposes; providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 3978) to amend the Real Estate Settlement Procedures Act of 1974 to modify requirements related to mortgage disclosures, and for other pur-

poses; and providing for proceedings during the period from February 16, 2018, through February 23, 2018 (H. Rept. 115–559). **Page H1125**

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Meadows to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H1077**

Recess: The House recessed at 12:09 p.m. and reconvened at 2 p.m. **Page H1078**

Recess: The House recessed at 2:20 p.m. and reconvened at 3:30 p.m. **Page H1081**

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

Designating the health care system of the Department of Veterans Affairs in Lexington, Kentucky, as the “Lexington VA Health Care System” and to make certain other designations: H.R. 4533, amended, to designate the health care system of the Department of Veterans Affairs in Lexington, Kentucky, as the “Lexington VA Health Care System” and to make certain other designations, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeas-and-nays vote of 402 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 70; **Pages H1081–83, H1103–04**

Low-Dose Radiation Research Act: H.R. 4675, amended, to amend the Energy Policy Act of 2005 to provide for a low-dose radiation basic research program; **Pages H1090–92**

Accelerating American Leadership in Science Act: H.R. 4377, amended, to direct the Secretary of Energy to carry out an upgrade to research equipment and construct research user facilities;

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Agreed to amend the title so as to read: “To direct the Secretary of Energy to carry out certain upgrades to research equipment and construct research user facilities, and for other purposes”; **Page H1094**

Nuclear Energy Research Infrastructure Act: H.R. 4378, amended, to direct the Secretary of Energy to carry out the construction of a versatile reactor-based fast neutron source; **Page H1094–95**

Department of Energy Research Infrastructure Act: H.R. 4376, amended, to direct the Secretary of Energy to carry out certain upgrades to research equipment and the construction of a research user facility; **Pages H1095–97**

Building Blocks of STEM Act: H.R. 3397, amended, to direct the National Science Foundation to support STEM education research focused on early childhood; and **Pages H1097–H1100**

Extending the Generalized System of Preferences and to make technical changes to the competitive need limitations provision of the program: H.R. 4979, amended, to extend the Generalized System of Preferences and to make technical changes to the competitive need limitations provision of the program, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yea-and-nay vote of 400 yeas to 2 nays, Roll No. 71. **Pages H1100–03, H1104–05**

Recess: The House recessed at 6:03 p.m. and reconvened at 6:30 p.m. **Page H1103**

Suspensions—Proceedings Postponed: The House debated the following measures under suspension of the rules. Further proceedings were postponed.

Hamas Human Shields Prevention Act: H.R. 3542, amended, to impose sanctions against Hamas for gross violations of internationally recognized human rights by reason of the use of civilians as human shields; and **Pages H1083–87**

Calling on the Department of Defense, other elements of the Federal Government, and foreign governments to intensify efforts to investigate, recover, and identify all missing and unaccounted-for personnel of the United States: H. Res. 129, amended, calling on the Department of Defense, other elements of the Federal Government, and foreign governments to intensify efforts to investigate, recover, and identify all missing and unaccounted-for personnel of the United States. **Pages H1087–90**

Presidential Messages: Read a message from the President wherein he notified Congress that the national emergency with respect to Libya that was declared in Executive Order 13566 of February 25, 2011 is to continue in effect beyond February 25, 2018—referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs and ordered to be printed (H. Doc. 115–93).

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Read a message from the President wherein he submitted designations pursuant to the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985—referred to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered to be printed (H. Doc. 115–94).

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Read a message from the President wherein he transmitted to Congress his Budget of the United States Government for Fiscal Year 2019—referred to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered to be printed (H. Doc. 115–88).

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Read a message from the President wherein he transmitted to Congress his framework for rebuilding infrastructure in America—referred to the Committees on Agriculture, Education and the Workforce, Energy and Commerce, the Judiciary, Natural Resources, Oversight and Government Reform, Transportation and Infrastructure, Veterans' Affairs,

and Ways and Means and ordered to be printed (H. Doc. 115–95). **Page H1103**

Quorum Calls—Votes: Two yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H1103–04 and H1104–05. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 12 noon and adjourned at 9:02 p.m.

Committee Meetings

Committee on Rules: Full Committee held a hearing on H.R. 3978, the “TRID Improvement Act of 2017”; H.R. 3299, the “Protecting Consumers’ Access to Credit Act of 2017”; and H.R. 620, the “ADA Education and Reform Act of 2017”. The Committee granted, by record vote of 7–4, a structured rule for H.R. 620. The rule provides one hour of general debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on the Judiciary. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule provides that the bill shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against provisions in the bill. The rule makes in order only those amendments printed in part A of the Rules Committee report. Each such amendment may be offered only in the order printed in the report, may be offered only by a Member designated in the report, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, shall not be subject to amendment, and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question. The rule waives all points of order against the amendments printed in part A of the report. The rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. In section 2, the rule provides for consideration of H.R. 3299 closed rule. The rule provides one hour of debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Financial Services. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule provides that the bill shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against provisions in the bill. The rule provides one motion to recommit. In section 3, the rule provides for consideration of H.R. 3978 under a structured rule. The rule provides one hour of debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Financial Services. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule provides that an amendment in the nature of a substitute consisting of the text of Rules Committee Print 115–59, modified by the amendment printed in part B of the Rules Committee report, shall be considered

as adopted and the bill, as amended, shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against provisions in the bill, as amended. The rule makes in order only the further amendment printed in part C of the Rules Committee report, if offered by the Member designated in the report, which shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, shall not be subject to amendment, and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question. The rule waives all points of order against the amendment printed in part C of the report. The rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. In section 4, the rule provides that on any legislative day during the period from February 16, 2018, through February 23, 2018: the Journal of the proceedings of the previous day shall be considered as approved; and the Chair may at any time declare the House adjourned to meet at a date and time to be announced by the Chair in declaring the adjournment. In section 5, the rule provides that the Speaker may appoint Members to perform the duties of the Chair for the duration of the period addressed by section 4. Testimony was heard from Representatives Hill, Maxine Waters of California, Marino, Nadler, Poe of Texas, and Langevin.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2018

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Readiness and Management Support, to hold hearings to examine the current readiness of United States forces, 2:30 p.m., SR-222.

Subcommittee on Personnel, to hold hearings to examine military and civilian personnel programs and military family readiness, 3 p.m., SR-232A.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Joseph Simons, of Virginia, Christine S. Wilson, of Virginia, Noah Joshua Phillips, of Maryland, and Rohit Chopra, of New York, each to be a Federal Trade Commissioner, 9:30 a.m., SH-216.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on National Parks, to hold hearings to examine S. 400, to establish the Susquehanna National Heritage Area in the State of Pennsylvania, S. 966, to establish a program to accurately document vehicles that were significant in the history of the United States, S. 1160, to include Livingston County, the city of Jonesboro in Union County,

and the city of Freeport in Stephenson County, Illinois, to the Lincoln National Heritage Area, S. 1260 and H.R. 2615, bills to authorize the exchange of certain land located in Gulf Islands National Seashore, Jackson County, Mississippi, between the National Park Service and the Veterans of Foreign Wars, S. 1335, to establish the Ste. Genevieve National Historic Site in the State of Missouri, S. 1446 and H.R. 1135, bills to reauthorize the Historically Black Colleges and Universities Historic Preservation program, S. 1472, to reauthorize the Tennessee Civil War Heritage Area, S. 1573, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture to place signage on Federal land along the trail known as the "American Discovery Trail", S. 1602, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a study to assess the suitability and feasibility of designating certain land as the Finger Lakes National Heritage Area, S. 1645, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a special resource study of P.S. 103 in West Baltimore, Maryland, S. 1646, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a special resource study of President Station in Baltimore, Maryland, S. 1692, to authorize the National Emergency Medical Services Memorial Foundation to establish a commemorative work in the District of Columbia and its environs, S. 1956 and H.R. 2897, bills to authorize the Mayor of the District of Columbia and the Director of the National Park Service to enter into cooperative management agreements for the operation, maintenance, and management of units of the National Park System in the District of Columbia, S. 2102, to clarify the boundary of Acadia National Park, S. 2213 and H.R. 4300, bills to authorize Pacific Historic Parks to establish a commemorative display to honor members of the United States Armed Forces who served in the Pacific Theater of World War II, S. 2225, to reauthorize the Blue Ridge National Heritage Area, S. 2238, to amend the Ohio & Erie Canal National Heritage Canalway Act of 1996 to repeal the funding limitation, H.R. 1397, to authorize, direct, facilitate, and expedite the transfer of administrative jurisdiction of certain Federal land, and H.R. 1500, to redesignate the small triangular property located in Washington, DC, and designated by the National Park Service as reservation 302 as "Robert Emmet Park", 3 p.m., SD-366.

Committee on Finance: to hold hearings to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2019, 10:30 a.m., SD-215.

Full Committee, business meeting to consider the nominations of Dennis Shea, of Virginia, to be a Deputy United States Trade Representative (Geneva Office), with the rank of Ambassador, and C. J. Mahoney, of Kansas, to be a Deputy United States Trade Representative (Investment, Services, Labor, Environment, Africa, China, and the Western Hemisphere), with the rank of Ambassador; to be immediately followed by a hearing to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2019, 2:30 p.m., SD-215.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: business meeting to consider S. 2221, to repeal the multi-State plan program, S. 2296, to increase access to agency guidance documents, S. 2400, to eliminate or

modify certain audit mandates of the Government Accountability Office, S. 2113, to amend title 41, United States Code, to improve the manner in which Federal contracts for design and construction services are awarded, to prohibit the use of reverse auctions for design and construction services procurements, S. 2349, to direct the Director of the Office of Management and Budget to establish an interagency working group to study Federal efforts to collect data on sexual violence and to make recommendations on the harmonization of such efforts, S. 2413, to provide for the appropriate use of bridge contracts in Federal procurement, S. 2178, to require the Council of Inspectors General on Integrity and Efficiency to make open recommendations of Inspectors General publicly available, H.R. 2229, to amend title 5, United States Code, to provide permanent authority for judicial review of certain Merit Systems Protection Board decisions relating to whistleblowers, S. 931, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 4910 Brighton Boulevard in Denver, Colorado, as the “George Sakato Post Office”, S. 2040, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 621 Kansas Avenue in Atchison, Kansas, as the “Amelia Earhart Post Office Building”, H.R. 294, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 2700 Cullen Boulevard in Pearland, Texas, as the “Endy Nddiobong Ekpanya Post Office Building”, H.R. 452, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 324 West Saint Louis Street in Pacific, Missouri, as the “Specialist Jeffrey L. White, Jr. Post Office”, H.R. 1207, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 306 River Street in Tilden, Texas, as the “Tilden Veterans Post Office”, H.R. 1208, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 9155 Schaefer Road, Converse, Texas, as the “Converse Veterans Post Office Building”, H.R. 1858, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 4514 Williamson Trail in Liberty, Pennsylvania, as the “Staff Sergeant Ryan Scott Ostrom Post Office”, H.R. 1988, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1730 18th Street in Bakersfield, California, as the “Merle Haggard Post Office Building”, H.R. 2254, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 2635 Napa Street in Vallejo, California, as the “Janet Capello Post Office Building”, H.R. 2302, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 259 Nassau Street, Suite 2 in Princeton, New Jersey, as the “Dr. John F. Nash, Jr. Post Office”, H.R. 2464, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 25 New Chardon Street Lobby in Boston, Massachusetts, as the “John Fitzgerald Kennedy Post Office”, H.R. 2672, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 520 Carter Street in Fairview, Illinois, as the “Sgt. Douglas J. Riney Post Office”, H.R. 2815, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 30 East Somerset Street in Raritan, New Jersey, as the “Gunnery Sergeant John Basilone Post Office”, H.R. 2873, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 207 Glenside Avenue in Wyncote, Pennsylvania, as the “Staff Sergeant Peter Taub

Post Office Building”, H.R. 3109, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1114 North 2nd Street in Chillicothe, Illinois, as the “Sr. Chief Ryan Owens Post Office Building”, H.R. 3369, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 225 North Main Street in Spring Lake, North Carolina, as the “Howard B. Pate, Jr. Post Office”, H.R. 3638, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1100 Kings Road in Jacksonville, Florida, as the “Rutledge Pearson Post Office Building”, H.R. 3655, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1300 Main Street in Belmar, New Jersey, as the “Dr. Walter S. McAfee Post Office Building”, H.R. 3821, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 430 Main Street in Clermont, Georgia, as the “Zach T. Addington Post Office”, H.R. 3893, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 100 Mathe Avenue in Interlachen, Florida, as the “Robert H. Jenkins, Jr. Post Office”, H.R. 4042, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1415 West Oak Street, in Kissimmee, Florida, as the “Borinqueneers Post Office Building”, H.R. 4285, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 123 Bridgeton Pike in Mullica Hill, New Jersey, as the “James C. ‘Billy’ Johnson Post Office Building”, and the nominations of Jeff Tien Han Pon, of Virginia, to be Director, and Michael Rigas, of Massachusetts, to be Deputy Director, both of the Office of Personnel Management, 10 a.m., SD-342.

Committee on Indian Affairs: business meeting to consider S. 995, to provide for equitable compensation to the Spokane Tribe of Indians of the Spokane Reservation for the use of tribal land for the production of hydropower by the Grand Coulee Dam, and S. 1953, to amend the Tribal Law and Order Act of 2010 and the Indian Law Enforcement Reform Act to provide for advancements in public safety services to Indian communities; to be immediately followed by an oversight hearing to examine Native Americans and the 2020 Census, 2:30 p.m., SD-628.

Committee on the Judiciary: to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Joel M. Carson III, of New Mexico, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Tenth Circuit, Colm F. Connolly, and Maryellen Noreika, both to be a United States District Judge for the District of Delaware, William F. Jung, to be United States District Judge for the Middle District of Florida, and Ryan T. Holte, of Ohio, to be a Judge of the United States Court of Federal Claims, 10 a.m., SD-226.

Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship: to hold hearings to examine the nominations of David Christian Tryon, of Ohio, to be Chief Counsel for Advocacy, and Hannibal Ware, of the Virgin Islands, to be Inspector General, both of the Small Business Administration, 3:30 p.m., SR-428A.

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Committee on Armed Services, Full Committee, hearing entitled “The Military and Security Challenges and Posture in the Indo-Pacific Region”, 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Readiness, hearing entitled “Air Force Readiness Posture”, 3:30 p.m., 2212 Rayburn.

Committee on the Budget, Full Committee, hearing entitled “The President’s Fiscal Year 2019 Budget”, 10 a.m., 1334 Longworth.

Committee on Education and the Workforce, Subcommittee on Early Childhood, Elementary, and Secondary Education, hearing entitled “Examining the Government’s Management of Native American Schools”, 10 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, Subcommittee on Digital Commerce and Consumer Protection, hearing entitled “Oversight of the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration”, 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled “Examining the Impact of Health Care Consolidation”, 10:15 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Environment, hearing entitled “New Source Review Permitting Challenges for Manufacturing and Infrastructure”, 2 p.m., 2322 Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, markup on H.R. 3477, the “Ceiling Fan Energy Conservation Harmonization Act”; H.R. 1876, the “Good Samaritan Health Professionals Act of 2017”; and H.R. 4986, the “FCC Reauthorization Act of 2018”, 3:30 p.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Credit, hearing entitled “Examining the Current Data Security and Breach Notification Regulatory Regime”, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Capital Markets, Securities, and Investment, hearing entitled “Legislative Proposals Regarding Derivatives”, 2 p.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Foreign Affairs, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Modernizing Food Aid: Improving Effectiveness and Saving Lives”, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on the Middle East and North Africa, hearing entitled “Israel, the Palestinians, and the Administration’s Peace Plan”, 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on the Western Hemisphere, hearing entitled “Advancing U.S. Interests Through the Organization of American States”, 2 p.m., 2200 Rayburn.

Committee on Natural Resources, Full Committee, markup on H.R. 835, to update the map of, and modify the maximum acreage available for inclusion in, the Florissant Fossil Beds National Monument; H.R. 4134, the “Cecil D. Andrus-White Clouds Wilderness Redesignation Act”; and H.R. 4895, the “Medgar Evers National Monument Act”, 10:15 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Subcommittee on Water, Power and Oceans, hearing entitled “The State of the Nation’s Water and Power Infrastructure”, 2 p.m., 1324 Longworth.

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, Subcommittee on Information Technology, hearing entitled “Game Changers: Artificial Intelligence Part I”, 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, Subcommittee on Oversight; and Subcommittee on Research and Technology, joint hearing entitled “Beyond Bitcoin: Emerging Applications for Blockchain Technology”, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Small Business, Full Committee, markup on the Committee’s budget views and estimates for fiscal year 2019, 10:45 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

Full Committee, hearing entitled “Job Creation, Competition, and Small Business’ Role in the United States Economy”, 11 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, Full Committee, markup on fiscal year 2019 budget views and estimates; H.R. 4921, the “STB Information Security Improvement Act”; and H.R. 4925, the “FRA Safety Data Improvement Act”, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Committee on Ways and Means, Full Committee, hearing entitled “The Department of Health and Human Services’ Fiscal Year 2019 Budget Request”, 10 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

10 a.m., Wednesday, February 14

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

10 a.m., Wednesday, February 14

Senate Chamber

Program for Wednesday: Senate will continue consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of H.R. 2579, Broader Options for Americans Act, post-cloture, and vote on the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill.

House Chamber

Program for Wednesday: Consideration of H.R. 3978—TRID Improvement Act (Subject to a Rule), H.R. 3299—Protecting Consumers' Access to Credit Act (Subject to a Rule), and begin consideration of H.R. 620—ADA Education and Reform Act (Subject to a Rule).

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