

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

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Measures Introduced: Two bills were introduced, as follows: S. 1897–1898. **Page S132**

Measures Reported:

S. 267, to prevent, deter, and eliminate illegal, unreported and unregulated fishing through port State measures. (S. Rept. No. 113–132)

S. 1068, to reauthorize and amend the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration Commissioned Officer Corps Act of 2002, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 113–133) **Page S132**

Measures Passed:

Neil A. Armstrong Flight Research Center and Hugh L. Dryden Aeronautical Test Range: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 667, to redesignate the Dryden Flight Research Center as the Neil A. Armstrong Flight Research Center and the Western Aeronautical Test Range as the Hugh L. Dryden Aeronautical Test Range, and the bill was then passed. **Page S185**

Controlled Substances Act: Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of S. 1171, to amend the Controlled Substances Act to allow a veterinarian to transport and dispense controlled substances in the usual course of veterinary practice outside of the registered location, and the bill was then passed. **Page S185**

Measures Considered:

Unemployment Benefits Extension—Agreement: Senate continued consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 1845, to provide for the extension of certain unemployment benefits.

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A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that at 12 noon, on Thursday, January 9, 2014, all post-cloture time be considered expired on the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill.

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 6:35 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Thursday, January 9, 2014. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S186.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

GOVERNMENT SUPPORT FOR BANK HOLDING COMPANIES

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Protection concluded a hearing to examine the Government Accountability Office report on government support for bank holding companies, including S. 798, to address equity capital requirements for financial institutions, bank holding companies, subsidiaries, and affiliates, after receiving testimony from Lawrence L. Evans, Jr., Director, Financial Markets and Community Investment, Government Accountability Office; Luigi Zingales, University of Chicago Booth School of Business, Chicago, Illinois; Simon Johnson, Massachusetts Institute of Technology Sloan School of Management, Washington, DC; Harvey Rosenblum, Southern Methodist University Cox School of Business, Dallas, Texas; and Allan H. Meltzer, Carnegie Mellon University Tepper School of Business, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

NOMINATION

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the

nomination of John Roth, of Michigan, to be Inspector General, Department of Homeland Security, after the nominee testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of John P. Carlin, of New York, and Debo P. Adegbile, of New York, who was introduced by Senator Leahy, both to be an Assistant Attorney General, Department of Justice, who were both introduced by Senator Schumer, James D. Peterson, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Wisconsin, who was introduced by Senators Baldwin and Johnson

(WI), Nancy J. Rosenstengel, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Illinois, who was introduced by Senator Durbin, and Indira Talwani, to be United States District Judge for the District of Massachusetts, who was introduced by Senator Warren, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

INTELLIGENCE

Select Committee on Intelligence: On Tuesday, January 7, 2014, Committee held closed hearings on intelligence matters, receiving testimony from officials of the intelligence community.

Committee recessed subject to the call.

House of Representatives

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Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 5 public bills, H.R. 3818–3822; 1 private bill, H.R. 3823; and 2 resolutions, H. Res. 453–454 were introduced.

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Additional Cosponsors:

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Report Filed: A report was filed today as follows:

H. Res. 455, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 2279) to amend the Solid Waste Disposal Act relating to review of regulations under such Act and to amend the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980 relating to financial responsibility for classes of facilities; providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 3362) to amend the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act to require transparency in the operation of American Health Benefit Exchanges; and providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 3811) to require notification of individuals of breaches of personally identifiable information through Exchanges under the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (H. Rept. 113–322).

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

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Recess: The House recessed at 10:56 a.m. and reconvened at 12 noon.

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

Amending the Clean Air Act to remove the requirement for dealer certification of new light-duty motor vehicles: H.R. 724, to amend the Clean

Air Act to remove the requirement for dealer certification of new light-duty motor vehicles, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeas-and-nays vote of 405 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 2;

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Poison Center Network Act: H.R. 3527, amended, to amend the Public Health Service Act to reauthorize the poison center national toll-free number, national media campaign, and grant program, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeas-and-nays vote of 388 yeas to 18 nays, Roll No. 3; and

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Transportation Reports Elimination Act: H.R. 3628, to eliminate certain unnecessary reporting requirements and consolidate or modify others, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeas-and-nays vote of 406 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 4.

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Recess: The House recessed at 1:12 p.m. and reconvened at 2:51 p.m.

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Oath of Office—First Congressional District of Alabama: Representative-elect Bradley Byrne presented himself in the well of the House and was administered the Oath of Office by the Speaker. Earlier, the Clerk of the House transmitted a copy of the Certificate of Election received from the Honorable Robert Bentley, Governor of Alabama and the Honorable Jim Bennett, Secretary of State of Alabama, indicating that, at the Special Election held on December 17, 2013, the Honorable Bradley Byrne was elected Representative to Congress for the First Congressional District, State of Alabama.

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Whole Number of the House: The Speaker announced to the House that, in light of the administration of the oath to the gentleman from Alabama, Mr. Byrne, the whole number of the House is 433.

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Moment of Silence: The House observed a moment of silence in honor of the victims of the shooting in Tucson, Arizona on January 8, 2011.

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Committee Election: The House agreed to H. Res. 453, electing a Member to certain standing committees of the House of Representatives.

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Committee Election: The House agreed to H. Res. 454, electing a Member to a certain standing committee of the House of Representatives.

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Governing Board of the Office of Congressional Ethics—Resignation: Read a letter from Bill Frenzel, wherein he resigned from the Governing Board of the Office of Congressional Ethics.

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Governing Board of the Office of Congressional Ethics—Resignation: Read a letter from Yvonne B. Burke, wherein she resigned from the Governing Board of the Office of Congressional Ethics.

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Governing Board of the Office of Congressional Ethics—Appointments: The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of the following individuals to serve on the Governing Board of the Office of Congressional Ethics, pursuant to section 4(d) of H. Res. 5, 113th Congress, and the order of the House of January 3, 2013: Nominated by the Speaker with the concurrence of the Minority Leader: Ms. Judy Biggert of Illinois, Alternate, for the remainder of the term of Mr. Bill Frenzel. Nominated by the Minority Leader with the concurrence of the Speaker: Brigadier General (retired) Belinda Pinckney of Virginia, for the remainder of the term of Mrs. Yvonne Brathwaite Burke.

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Quorum Calls—Votes: Three yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H41–42, H43, and H44. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Committee Meetings

REDUCING EXCESSIVE DEADLINE OBLIGATIONS ACT OF 2013; EXCHANGE INFORMATION DISCLOSURE ACT; AND HEALTH EXCHANGE SECURITY AND TRANSPARENCY ACT OF 2014

Committee on Rules: Full Committee held a hearing on H.R. 2279, the “Reducing Excessive Deadline Obligations Act of 2013”; H.R. 3362, the “Exchange In-

formation Disclosure Act”; and H.R. 3811, the “Health Exchange Security and Transparency Act of 2014”. The Committee granted a structured rule for H.R. 2279. The rule provides one hour of general debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Energy and Commerce. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule makes in order as original text for the purpose of amendment an amendment in the nature of a substitute consisting of the text of Rules Committee Print 113–30 and provides that it shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against that amendment in that nature of a substitute. The rule makes in order only those further amendments to H.R. 2279 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. Additionally, the rule granted a closed rule for H.R. 3362. The rule provides one hour of debate with 40 minutes equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Energy and Commerce and 20 minutes equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Ways and Means. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule provides that the amendment to H.R. 3362 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 provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Lastly, the rule granted a closed rule for H.R. 3811. The rule provides one hour of debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Energy and Commerce. 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. Testimony was heard from Representatives Terry, Pallone, Johnson (OH), and Tonko.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY,
JANUARY 9, 2014

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Foreign Relations: to hold hearings to examine the situation in South Sudan, 10:15 a.m., SD-419.

Committee on the Judiciary: business meeting to consider S. 619, to amend title 18, United States Code, to prevent unjust and irrational criminal punishments, S. 1410, to focus limited Federal resources on the most serious offenders, S. 1675, to reduce recidivism and increase public safety, and the nominations of Carolyn B. McHugh, of Utah, and Nancy L. Moritz, of Kansas, both to be a United States Circuit Judge for the Tenth Circuit, John B. Owens, of California, and Michelle T. Friedland, of California, both to be a United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit, David Jeremiah Barron, of Massachusetts, to be United States Circuit Judge for the First Circuit, Jeffrey Alker Meyer, to be United States District Judge for the District of Connecticut, Timothy L. Brooks, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Arkansas, James Donato, Beth Labson Freeman, and Vince Girdhari Chhabria, all to be a United States District Judge for the Northern District of California, Pedro A. Delgado Hernandez, to be United States District Judge for the District of Puerto Rico, Pamela L. Reeves, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Tennessee, James Maxwell Moody, Jr., to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Arkansas, Matthew Frederick Leitman, Judith Ellen Levy, Laurie J. Michelson, and Linda Vivienne Parker, all to be a United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Michigan, Christopher Reid Cooper, to be United States District Judge for the District of Columbia, M. Douglas Harpool, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Missouri, Gerald Austin McHugh, Jr., and Edward G. Smith, both to be a United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, Sheryl H. Lipman, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Tennessee, Stanley Allen Bastian, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Washington, Manish S. Shah, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Illinois, Daniel D. Crabtree, to be United States District Judge for the

District of Kansas, Cynthia Ann Bashant, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of California, Jon David Levy, to be United States District Judge for the District of Maine, Theodore David Chuang, and George Jarrod Hazel, both to be a United States District Judge for the District of Maryland, and Peter Joseph Kadzik, of New York, to be an Assistant Attorney General, Gary Blankinship, to be United States Marshal for the Southern District of Texas, Robert L. Hobbs, to be United States Marshal for the Eastern District of Texas, Amos Rojas, Jr., to be United States Marshal for the Southern District of Florida, and Peter C. Tobin, to be United States Marshal for the Southern District of Ohio, all of the Department of Justice, 9:30 a.m., SD-226.

Select Committee on Intelligence: to hold closed hearings to examine certain intelligence matters, 2 p.m., SH-219.

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Committee on Energy and Commerce, Subcommittee on Health, hearing entitled “The Extenders Policies: What Are They and How Should They Continue Under a Permanent SGR Repeal Landscape?”, 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, Subcommittee on Monetary Policy and Trade, hearing entitled “International Impacts of the Federal Reserve’s Quantitative Easing Program”, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Foreign Affairs, Subcommittee on Africa, Global Health, Global Human Rights, and International Organizations, hearing entitled “Will there be an African Economic Community?”, 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on the Constitution and Civil Justice, hearing on H.R. 7, the “No Taxpayer Funding for Abortion Act”, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Natural Resources, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Obama Administration’s War on Coal: The Recent Report by the Office of the Inspector General”, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Waste in Government: What’s Being Done?”, 9:30 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, Subcommittee on Research and Technology, hearing entitled “Private Sector Programs that Engage Students in STEM”, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

10 a.m., Thursday, January 9

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

10 a.m., Thursday, January 9

Senate Chamber

Program for Thursday: After the transaction of any morning business (not to extend beyond 12 noon), all post-cloture time on the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 1845, Unemployment Benefits Extension, be considered expired.

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Program for Thursday: Consideration of H.R. 2279—Reducing Excessive Deadline Obligations Act (Subject to a Rule).

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