

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S2259–S2279

Measures Introduced: Ten bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1007–1016, S. Res. 140–141, and S. Con. Res. 13. **Page S2272**

Measures Reported:

Special Report entitled “Activities of the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs During the 113th Congress”. (S. Rept. No. 114–33) **Page S2272**

Measures Passed:

Authorizing the Use of Emancipation Hall: Senate agreed to H. Con. Res. 34, authorizing the use of Emancipation Hall in the Capitol Visitor Center for a ceremony to present the Congressional Gold Medal to the American Fighter Aces. **Pages S2276–77**

Take Our Daughters and Sons To Work Day: Senate agreed to S. Res. 141, supporting the goals and ideals of Take Our Daughters and Sons To Work Day. **Page S2277**

Measures Considered:

Justice for Victims of Trafficking Act—Agreement: Senate resumed consideration of S. 178, to provide justice for the victims of trafficking, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto: **Pages S2260–62**

Pending:

McConnell (for Cornyn) Amendment No. 1120, to strengthen the Justice for Victims of Trafficking Act by incorporating additional bipartisan amendments. **Pages S2260–62**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill at approximately 11 a.m., on Tuesday, April 21, 2015. **Page S2277**

Nomination Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nomination:

By a unanimous vote of 91 yeas (Vote No. EX. 155), George C. Hanks, Jr., of Texas, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Texas. **Pages S2263–65, S2279**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

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

Jeffrey J. Hawkins, Jr., of California, to be Ambassador to the Central African Republic.

5 Air Force nominations in the rank of general.

5 Army nominations in the rank of general.

2 Marine Corps nominations in the rank of general.

1 Navy nomination in the rank of admiral.

Routine lists in the Air Force, Army, and Navy.

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Record Votes: One record vote was taken today. (Total—155) **Page S2265**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 2 p.m. and adjourned at 6:43 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Tuesday, April 21, 2015. (For Senate’s program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today’s Record on page S2277.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

2020 CENSUS

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the 2020 Census, focusing on challenges facing the bureau for a modern, cost-effective survey, including

recommended actions to be implemented before potential cost savings can be realized, after receiving testimony from John Thompson, Director, Census Bureau, Department of Commerce; and Robert

Goldenkoff, Director, Strategic Issues, and Carol Cha, Director, Information Technology Acquisition Management Issues, both of the Government Accountability Office.

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Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 3 public bills, H.R. 1894–1896, were introduced. **Page H2318**

Additional Cosponsors: **Page H2318**

Report Filed: A report was filed today as follows:

H.R. 152, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to enter into an agreement to provide for management of the free-roaming wild horses in and around the Currituck National Wildlife Refuge (H. Rept. 114–84);

H.R. 471, to improve enforcement efforts related to prescription drug diversion and abuse, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 114–85, Part 1);

H. Con. Res. 21, authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds for the Greater Washington Soap Box Derby (H. Rept. 114–86); and

H. Con. Res. 25, authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds for the National Peace Officers Memorial Service and the National Honor Guard and Pipe Band Exhibition (H. Rept. 114–87). **Page H2318**

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Smith (NE) to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H2317**

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 2 p.m. and adjourned at 2:03 p.m.

Committee Meetings

No hearings were held.

Joint Meetings

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION ON THE BUDGET CONFERENCE

Conferees met to resolve the differences between the Senate and House adopted versions of S. Con. Res. 11, setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2016 and setting forth the appropriate budgetary levels for fis-

cal years 2017 through 2025, but did not complete action thereon.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D371)

H.R. 2, to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to repeal the Medicare sustainable growth rate and strengthen Medicare access by improving physician payments and making other improvements, to reauthorize the Children's Health Insurance Program. Signed on April 16, 2015. (Public Law 114–10)

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY, APRIL 21, 2015

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: to hold hearings to examine opportunities and challenges for agriculture trade with Cuba, 10 a.m., SR–328A.

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Military Construction and Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2016 and fiscal year 2017 for the Department of Veterans Affairs, 2:30 p.m., SD–124.

Committee on Armed Services: to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Peter Levine, of Maryland, to be Deputy Chief Management Officer of the Department of Defense, 9:30 a.m., SH–216.

Subcommittee on Emerging Threats and Capabilities, to hold open and closed hearings to examine Department of Defense policy and programs to counter threats to the United States from terrorism and irregular warfare, 2:30 p.m., SR–222.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: to hold hearings to examine surface transportation reauthorization, focusing on building on the success of the Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act (MAP–21) to deliver safe, efficient and effective public transportation services and projects, 10 a.m., SD–538.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Communications, Technology, Innovation,

and the Internet, to hold hearings to examine advancing telehealth through connectivity, 10 a.m., SR–253.

Subcommittee on Aviation Operations, Safety, and Security, to hold hearings to examine Federal Aviation Administration reauthorization, focusing on certification and U.S. aviation manufacturing competitiveness, 2:30 p.m., SR–253.

Committee on Finance: to resume hearings to examine Congress and United States tariff policy, 10 a.m., SD–215.

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on State Department and USAID Management, International Operations, and Bilateral International Development, to hold hearings to examine improving the efficiency and effectiveness of the Department of State, 10 a.m., SD–419.

Committee on the Judiciary: to hold hearings to examine improving accountability and oversight of juvenile justice grants, 10 a.m., SD–226.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: to hold hearings to examine fulfilling the promise to women veterans, 2:30 p.m., SR–418.

Select Committee on Intelligence: to hold closed hearings to examine certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH–219.

House

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, Full Committee, markup on H.J. Res. 43, disapproving the action of the District of Columbia Council in approving the Reproductive Health Non-Discrimination Amendment Act of 2014, 5 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on Rules, Full Committee, hearing on H.R. 1560, the “Protecting Cyber Networks Act”; and H.R. 1731, the “National Cybersecurity Protection Advancement Act of 2015”, 5 p.m., H–313 Capitol.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, markup on H.R. 571, the “Veterans Affairs Retaliation Prevention Act of 2015”; H.R. 1015, the “Protecting Business Opportunities for Veterans Act of 2015”; H.R. 1016, the “Biological Implant Tracking and Veteran Safety Act of 2015”; and H.R. 1017, the “Veterans Information Security Improvement Act”, 4 p.m., 334 Cannon.

CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of April 21 through April 24, 2015

Senate Chamber

On *Tuesday*, at approximately 11 a.m., Senate will continue consideration of S. 178, Justice for Victims of Trafficking Act.

During the balance of the week, Senate may consider any cleared legislative and executive business.

Senate Committees

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: April 21, to hold hearings to examine opportunities and challenges for agriculture trade with Cuba, 10 a.m., SR–328A.

Committee on Appropriations: April 21, Subcommittee on Military Construction and Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2016 and fiscal year 2017 for the Department of Veterans Affairs, 2:30 p.m., SD–124.

April 22, Subcommittee on Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2016 for the Department of Transportation, 10 a.m., SD–138.

April 22, Subcommittee on Department of Defense, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2016 for defense innovation and research, 10:30 a.m., SD–192.

April 22, Subcommittee on Department of Homeland Security, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2016 for Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), 2 p.m., SD–138.

April 22, Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development, to hold hearings to examine the United States without nuclear power, 3 p.m., SD–192.

April 23, Subcommittee on Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2016 for the Department of Health and Human Services, 10 a.m., SD–124.

April 23, Subcommittee on Military Construction and Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2016 for Department of Defense military construction and military family housing programs, 10:30 a.m., SD–138.

Committee on Armed Services: April 21, to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Peter Levine, of Maryland, to be Deputy Chief Management Officer of the Department of Defense, 9:30 a.m., SH–216.

April 21, Subcommittee on Emerging Threats and Capabilities, to hold open and closed hearings to examine Department of Defense policy and programs to counter threats to the United States from terrorism and irregular warfare, 2:30 p.m., SR–222.

April 22, Subcommittee on Readiness and Management Support, to hold hearings to examine reform of the defense acquisition system in review of the Defense Authorization Request for fiscal year 2016 and the Future Years Defense Program, 2:30 p.m., SR–232A.

April 22, Subcommittee on Strategic Forces, to hold hearings to examine Air Force and Navy nuclear programs and the implementation of nuclear enterprise review recommendations in review of the Defense Authorization Request for fiscal year 2016 and the Future Years Defense Program, 2:30 p.m., SR–222.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: April 21, to hold hearings to examine surface transportation reauthorization, focusing on building on the success of the Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act (MAP–21) to deliver safe, efficient and effective public transportation services and projects, 10 a.m., SD–538.

April 23, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine surface transportation reauthorization, focusing on building on the successes of the Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act (MAP-21) to deliver safe, efficient, and effective public transportation services and projects, 10 a.m., SD-538.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: April 21, Subcommittee on Communications, Technology, Innovation, and the Internet, to hold hearings to examine advancing telehealth through connectivity, 10 a.m., SR-253.

April 21, Subcommittee on Aviation Operations, Safety, and Security, to hold hearings to examine Federal Aviation Administration reauthorization, focusing on certification and U.S. aviation manufacturing competitiveness, 2:30 p.m., SR-253.

April 22, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine how to better communicate weather to enhance commerce and safety, 10 a.m., SR-253.

April 23, Subcommittee on Aviation Operations, Safety, and Security, to hold hearings to examine Federal Aviation Administration reauthorization, focusing on airport issues and infrastructure financing, 10 a.m., SR-253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: April 22, to hold hearings to examine reauthorization of and potential reforms to the Land and Water Conservation Fund, 10 a.m., SD-366.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: April 22, to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Vanessa Lorraine Allen Sutherland, of Virginia, to be a Member and Chairperson of the Chemical Safety and Hazard Investigation Board, 9:30 a.m., SD-406.

Committee on Finance: April 21, to resume hearings to examine Congress and United States tariff policy, 10 a.m., SD-215.

April 22, Full Committee, business meeting to consider S. 995, to establish congressional trade negotiating objectives and enhanced consultation requirements for trade negotiations, to provide for consideration of trade agreements, an original bill relating to extension of the trade adjustment assistance program, and amending the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend and modify the credit for health insurance costs of certain eligible individuals, an original bill to extend the African Growth and Opportunity Act, the Generalized System of Preferences, the preferential duty treatment program for Haiti, and an original bill to reauthorize trade facilitation and trade enforcement functions and activities, 10:45 a.m., SD-G50.

April 23, Subcommittee on Health Care, to hold hearings to examine the impact of the medical device tax on jobs, innovation, and patients, 10 a.m., SD-215.

April 23, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Anne Elizabeth Wall, of Illinois, to be a Deputy Under Secretary of the Treasury, Brodi L. Fontenot, of Louisiana, to be Chief Financial Officer, Department of the Treasury, and Rafael J. Lopez, of California, to be Commissioner on Children, Youth, and Families, Department of Health and Human Services, 2 p.m., SD-215.

Committee on Foreign Relations: April 21, Subcommittee on State Department and USAID Management, International Operations, and Bilateral International Development, to hold hearings to examine improving the efficiency and effectiveness of the Department of State, 10 a.m., SD-419.

April 22, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine State Department reauthorization, focusing on ensuring effective United States diplomacy within a reasonable budget, 9:30 a.m., SD-419.

April 23, Subcommittee on Africa and Global Health Policy, to hold hearings to examine the Africa Growth and Opportunity Act (AGOA), 10 a.m., SD-419.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: April 22, to hold hearings to examine securing the border, focusing on understanding threats and strategies for the northern border, 9:30 a.m., SD-342.

Committee on Indian Affairs: April 22, to hold an oversight hearing on tribal transportation, focusing on pathways to safer roads in Indian country; to be immediately followed by a business meeting to consider S. 710, to reauthorize the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act of 1996, 2:30 p.m., SD-628.

Committee on the Judiciary: April 21, to hold hearings to examine improving accountability and oversight of juvenile justice grants, 10 a.m., SD-226.

April 23, Full Committee, business meeting to consider S. 993, to increase public safety by facilitating collaboration among the criminal justice, juvenile justice, veterans treatment services, mental health treatment, and substance abuse systems, and the nominations of Sally Quillian Yates, of Georgia, to be Deputy Attorney General, Department of Justice, Kara Fernandez Stoll, of Virginia, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Federal Circuit, and Roseann A. Ketchmark, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Missouri, 10 a.m., SD-226.

April 23, Subcommittee on Immigration and the National Interest, to hold hearings to examine the Administration's Central American minors refugee/parole program, 2:30 p.m., SD-226.

Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship: April 23, business meeting to consider S. 552, to amend the Small Business Investment Act of 1958 to provide for increased limitations on leverage for multiple licenses under common control, S. 957, to increase access to capital for veteran entrepreneurs to help create jobs, S. 958, to amend the Small Business Act to provide for team and joint venture offers for certain contracts, S. 966, to extend the low-interest refinancing provisions under the Local Development Business Loan Program of the Small Business Administration, S. 967, to require the Small Business Administration to make information relating to lenders making covered loans publicly available, S. 999, to amend the Small Business Act to provide for improvements to small business development centers, S. 1001, to establish authorization levels for general business loans for fiscal years 2015 and 2016, and an original bill entitled, "SCORE for Small Business Act of 2015", 10 a.m., SR-428A.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: April 21, to hold hearings to examine fulfilling the promise to women veterans, 2:30 p.m., SR-418.

Select Committee on Intelligence: April 21, to hold closed hearings to examine certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

April 23, Full Committee, to receive a closed briefing on certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

House Committees

Committee on Agriculture, April 22, Subcommittee on General Farm Commodities and Risk Management, hearing to review reauthorization of the U.S. Grain Standards Act, 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

April 22, Subcommittee on Livestock and Foreign Agriculture, hearing to review reauthorization of the Livestock Mandatory Reporting Act, 1:30 p.m., 1300 Longworth.

Committee on Appropriations, April 22, Full Committee, markup on Energy and Water Appropriations Bill, FY 2016; Military Construction and Veterans Affairs Appropriations Bill, FY 2016; and Report on the Suballocation of Budget Allocations for FY 2016, 10:45 a.m., 2359 Rayburn.

April 23, Subcommittee on Homeland Security, hearing on United States Customs and Border Protection budget, 8 a.m., B-308 Rayburn.

April 23, Subcommittee on Legislative Branch, markup on appropriations bill, FY 2016, 9:30 a.m., HT-2 Capitol.

April 23, Subcommittee on Homeland Security, hearing on Federal Emergency Management Agency budget, 10 a.m., B-308 Rayburn.

April 23, Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, hearing on programs supporting Native Americans budget, 10 a.m., 2358-C Rayburn.

Committee on Armed Services, April 22, Subcommittee on Emerging Threats and Capabilities, markup on H.R. 1735, the "National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2016", 2:30 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

April 22, Subcommittee on Readiness, markup on H.R. 1735, the "National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2016", 4 p.m., 2212 Rayburn.

April 23, Subcommittee on Tactical Air and Land Forces, markup on H.R. 1735, the "National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2016", 9 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

April 23, Subcommittee on Military Personnel, markup on H.R. 1735, the "National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2016", 9:30 a.m., 2212 Rayburn.

April 23, Subcommittee on Seapower and Projection Forces, markup on H.R. 1735, the "National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2016", 10:30 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

April 23, Subcommittee on Strategic Forces, markup on H.R. 1735, the "National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2016", 12 p.m., 2212 Rayburn.

Committee on Education and the Workforce, April 22, Subcommittee on Early Childhood, Elementary, and Secondary Education, hearing entitled "Examining the Chal-

lenges Facing Native American Schools", 10 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

April 23, Subcommittee on Workforce Protections, hearing entitled "Protecting America's Workers: An Enforcement Update from the Mine Safety and Health Administration", 9 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, April 22, Subcommittee on Energy and Power, markup on the "Ratepayer Protection Act", 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

April 22, Subcommittee on Commerce, Manufacturing, and Trade, markup on the "Targeting Rogue and Opaque Letters (TROL) Act", 12 p.m., 2123 Rayburn.

April 23, Subcommittee on Energy and Power, hearing entitled "Title II: 21st Century Workforce", 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

April 23, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled "Combatting the Opioid Abuse Epidemic: Professional and Academic Perspectives", 10:15 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, April 22, Task Force to Investigate Terrorism Financing, hearing entitled "A Survey of Global Terrorism and Terrorist Financing", 10 a.m., HVC-210.

April 23, Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Credit, hearing entitled "Examining Regulatory Burdens—Regulator Perspective", 9:15 a.m., HVC-210.

Committee on Foreign Affairs, April 22, Full Committee, hearing entitled "Nuclear Agreement with Iran: Can't Trust, Can We Verify?", 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

April 22, Subcommittee on Africa, Global Health, Global Human Rights, and International Organizations, hearing entitled "Accountability and Transformation: Tier Rankings in the Fight Against Human Trafficking", 1:30 p.m., 2200 Rayburn.

April 22, Subcommittee on Terrorism, Nonproliferation, and Trade, hearing entitled "Poaching and Terrorism: A National Security Challenge", 3 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

April 23, Full Committee, markup on H.R. 237, the "FTO Passport Revocation Act of 2015"; H.R. 907, the "United States-Jordan Defense Cooperation Act of 2015"; H.R. 1493, the "Protect and Preserve International Cultural Property Act"; H.R. 1567, the "Global Food Security Act of 2015"; and H. Res. 50, calling for the release of Ukrainian fighter pilot Nadiya Savchenko, who was captured by Russian forces in Eastern Ukraine and has been held illegally in a Russian prison since July 2014, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

April 23, Subcommittee on Asia and the Pacific, hearing entitled "The U.S. Rebalance in East Asia: Budget Priorities for FY 2016", 1 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on Homeland Security, April 22, Subcommittee on Emergency Preparedness, Response, and Communications, hearing entitled "Strategic Perspectives on the Bio-terrorism Threat", 10 a.m., 311 Cannon.

April 22, Subcommittee on Oversight and Management Efficiency, hearing entitled "Acquisition Oversight: How Effectively Is DHS Safeguarding Taxpayer Dollars?", 2 p.m., 311 Cannon.

Committee on Natural Resources, April 22, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Innovations in Safety Since the 2010 Macondo Incident”, 9:30 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

April 22, Subcommittee on Indian, Insular, and Alaska Native Affairs, hearing entitled “The Obama Administration’s Part 83 Revisions and How They May Allow the Interior Department To Create Tribes, not Recognize Them”, 4 p.m., 1324 Longworth.

April 23, Subcommittee on Federal Lands, hearing entitled “The Devastating Impacts of Wildland Fires and the Need to Better Manage our Overgrown, Fire-prone National Forests”, 9 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, April 22, Subcommittee on the Interior, hearing entitled “Examining the Department of Energy’s Excess Uranium Management Plan”, 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

April 22, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Enhancing Cybersecurity of Third-Party Contractors and Vendors”, 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, April 22, Full Committee, markup on H.R. 1806, the “America COMPETES Reauthorization Act of 2015”, 10:15 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

April 23, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Hydraulic Fracturing: Banning Proven Technologies on Possibilities Instead of Probabilities”, 9 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Small Business, April 22, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Small Business, Big Threat: Protecting Small Businesses from Cyber Attacks”, 11 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, April 22, Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment, hearing entitled “A Review of the President’s Fiscal Year 2016 Budget Request for the United States Army Corps of Engineers and Tennessee Valley Authority”, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Committee on Veterans’ Affairs, April 22, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Philadelphia and Oakland: Sys-

temic Failures and Mismanagement”, 10:30 a.m., 334 Cannon.

April 23, Subcommittee on Health, hearing on draft legislation to improve reproductive treatment provided to certain disabled veterans; draft legislation to direct the Department of Veterans Affairs to submit an annual report on the Veterans Health Administration; H.R. 1769, the “Toxic Exposure Research Act of 2015”; H.R. 271, the “COVER Act”; H.R. 627, to amend title 38, United States Code, to expand the definition of homeless veteran for purposes of benefits under the laws administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs; H.R. 1369, the “Veterans Access to Extended Care Act of 2015”; and H.R. 1575, to amend title 38, United States Code, to make permanent the pilot program on counseling in retreat settings for women veterans newly separated from service in the Armed Forces, 10 a.m., 334 Cannon.

Committee on Ways and Means, April 22, Subcommittee on Oversight, hearing on the 2015 tax filing season and general operations at the Internal Revenue Service, 10 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

April 22, Full Committee, hearing on the expanding American trade with accountability and transparency, 3 p.m., 1100 Longworth.

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, April 22, Subcommittee on Department of Defense Intelligence and Overhead Architecture, hearing on USDI budget, 2 p.m., HVC-304. This hearing will be closed.

April 23, Subcommittee on Emerging Threats, hearing on Department of Energy and Department of Homeland Security budget, 9 a.m., HVC-304. This hearing will be closed.

Joint Meetings

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe: April 23, to hold hearings to examine the Armenian genocide and the ongoing quest for justice, 2 p.m., 2175, Rayburn Building.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

10 a.m., Tuesday, April 21

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

12 noon, Tuesday, April 21

Senate Chamber

Program for Tuesday: After the transaction of any morning business (not to extend beyond one hour), Senate will continue consideration of S. 178, Justice for Victims of Trafficking Act.

(Senate will recess from 12:30 p.m. until 2:15 p.m. for their respective party conferences.)

House Chamber

Program for Tuesday: Consideration of H.R. 1195—Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection Advisory Boards Act (Subject to a Rule). Consideration of the following measures under suspension of the rules: 1) H.R. 471—Ensuring Patient Access and Effective Drug Enforcement Act of 2015, 2) S. 535—Energy Efficiency Improvement Act of 2015, 3) H. Con. Res. 21—Authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds for the Greater Washington Soap Box Derby, and 4) H. Con. Res. 25—Authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds for the National Peace Officers Memorial Service and the National Honor Guard and Pipe Band Exhibition.

Extensions of Remarks, as inserted in this issue

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