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Senate

Chamber Action

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Measures Introduced: Five bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 1749–1753, and S. Res. 222. Page \$5008

Measures Considered:

Every Child Achieves Act—Agreement: Senate resumed consideration of S. 1177, to reauthorize the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 to ensure that every child achieves, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto:

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Adopted:

By a unanimous vote of 89 yeas (Vote No. 231), Alexander (for Hatch/Markey) Amendment No. 2080 (to Amendment No. 2089), to establish a committee on student privacy policy.

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Murray (for Kaine) Amendment No. 2118 (to Amendment No. 2089), to amend the State accountability system under section 1113(b)(3) regarding the measures used to ensure that students are ready to enter postsecondary education or the workforce without the need for postsecondary remediation.

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Pending:

Alexander/Murray Amendment No. 2089, in the nature of a substitute. Page \$4994

Murray (for Peters) Amendment No. 2095 (to Amendment No. 2089), to allow local educational agencies to use parent and family engagement funds for financial literacy activities.

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Murray (for Warren/Gardner) Amendment No. 2120 (to Amendment No. 2089), to amend section 1111(d) of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 regarding the cross-tabulation of student data.

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Alexander (for Kirk) Amendment No. 2161 (to Amendment No. 2089), to ensure that States measure and report on indicators of student access to critical educational resources and identify disparities in such resources.

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Alexander (for Scott) Amendment No. 2132 (to Amendment No. 2089), to expand opportunity by

allowing Title I funds to follow low-income children.

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Murray (for Franken) Amendment No. 2093 (to Amendment No. 2089), to end discrimination based on actual or perceived sexual orientation or gender identity in public schools.

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A motion was entered to close further debate on Alexander/Murray Amendment No. 2089 (listed above), and, in accordance with the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on cloture will occur on Wednesday, July 15, 2015.

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A motion was entered to close further debate on the bill, and, in accordance with the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on cloture will occur upon disposition of Alexander/Murray Amendment No. 2089. Page \$5002

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill at approximately 10 a.m., on Tuesday, July 14, 2015; and the filing deadline for first-degree amendments be at 2:30 p.m.

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Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

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.

Anthony Rosario Coscia, of New Jersey, to be a Director of the Amtrak Board of Directors for a term of five years.

Derek Tai-Ching Kan, of California, to be a Director of the Amtrak Board of Directors 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.

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Measures Placed on the Calendar: Page \$5005

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Additional Statements: Pages \$5003-04
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Privileges of the Floor: Page S5018

Record Votes: One record vote was taken today. (Total—231) Page S4998

Adjournment: Senate convened at 3 p.m. and adjourned at 7:08 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Tuesday, July 14, 2015. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page \$5019.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 15 public bills, H.R. 3033–3047; and 1 resolution, H. Con. Res. 61 were introduced. **Pages H5116–17**

Additional Cosponsors: Pages H5117-18

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows: H.R. 2898, to provide drought relief in the State of California, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 114–197, Part 1); and Revised Suballocation of Budget Allocations for Fiscal Year 2016 (H. Rept. 114–198).

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

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Recess: The House recessed at 12:23 p.m. and reconvened at 2 p.m. Page H5093

Recess: The House recessed at 2:11 p.m. and reconvened at 4 p.m. Page H5095

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

Small Business Investment Company Capital Act of 2015: H.R. 1023, to amend the Small Business Investment Act of 1958 to provide for increased limitations on leverage for multiple licenses under common control; Pages H5095–96

Superstorm Sandy Relief Act of 2015: H.R. 208, amended, 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; Pages H5096–99

Agreed to amend the title so as to read: "To improve the disaster assistance programs of the Small Business Administration.".

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Microloan Modernization Act of 2015: H.R. 2670, to amend the Small Business Act to provide for expanded participation in the microloan program;

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Veterans Entrepreneurship Act of 2015: H.R. 2499, amended, to amend the Small Business Act to increase access to capital for veteran entrepreneurs, and to help create jobs, by a ²/₃ yea-and-nay vote of 410 yeas to 1 nay, Roll No. 434;

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Economic Development Through Tribal Land Exchange Act: H.R. 387, to provide for certain land to be taken into trust for the benefit of Morongo Band of Mission Indians; and Pages H5103-04

Designating the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 14 3rd Avenue, NW, in Chisholm, Minnesota, as the "James L. Oberstar Memorial Post Office Building": S. 179, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 14 3rd Avenue, NW, in Chisholm, Minnesota, as the "James L. Oberstar Memorial Post Office Building". Pages H5105-07

Supplemental Report: Agreed that the Committee on Natural Resources be authorized to file a supplemental report on H.R. 2898, to provide drought relief in the State of California.

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Recess: The House recessed at 5:03 p.m. and reconvened at 6:30 p.m. **Page H5104**

Senate Message: Message received from the Senate by the Clerk and subsequently presented to the House today appears on page H5095.

Senate Referrals: S. 143 and S. 1180 were held at the desk. S. 1359 was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

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Quorum Calls— Votes: One yea-and-nay vote developed during the proceedings of today and appears on pages H5104–05. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 12 noon and adjourned at 8:39 p.m.

Committee Meetings

No hearings were held.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY, JULY 14, 2015

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Armed Services: to hold hearings to examine the nominations of General Paul J. Selva, USAF, to be Vice Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and General Darren W. McDew, USAF, to be commander of the U.S. Transportation Command, 9:30 a.m., SD–G50.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Space, Science, and Competitiveness, to hold hearings to examine unlocking the cures for America's most deadly diseases, 10 a.m., SR–253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: to hold an oversight hearing to examine islanded energy systems, focusing on energy and infrastructure challenges and opportunities in Alaska, Hawaii and the United States Territories, 10 a.m., SD–366.

Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship: to hold hearings to examine challenges and opportunities for small businesses engaged in energy development and energy intensive manufacturing, 2:30 p.m., SR-428A.

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

House

Committee on Agriculture, Full Committee, markup on H.R. 1599, the "Safe and Accurate Food Labeling Act of 2015", 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

Committee on Appropriations, Full Committee, markup on the Homeland Security Appropriations Bill for FY 2016, 10:15 a.m., 2359 Rayburn.

Committee on Energy And Commerce, Subcommittee on Energy and Power, hearing entitled "Oversight of Pipeline Safety, Regulatory Certainty, and Job Creation Act of 2011 and Related Issues", 10:15 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled "Medicare Part D: Measures Needed to Strengthen Program Integrity", 10 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled "Fed Oversight: Lack of Transparency and Accountability", 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Foreign Affairs, Full Committee, hearing entitled "Implications of a Nuclear Agreement with Iran: Part II", 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Europe, Eurasia, and Emerging Threats, hearing entitled "The European Union's Future", 2 p.m., 2200 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on the Middle East and North Africa, hearing entitled "Tunisia's Fragile Democratic Transition", 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Border and Maritime Security, hearing entitled "Securing the Maritime Border: The Future of CBP Air and Marine", 10 a.m., 311 Cannon.

Subcommittee on Cybersecurity, Infrastructure Protection, and Security Technologies; and Subcommittee on Emergency Preparedness, Response, and Communications, joint hearing entitled "Weapons of Mass Destruction: Bolstering DHS to Combat Persistent Threats to America", 2 p.m., 311 Cannon.

Committee on The Judiciary, Full Committee, hearing entitled "Oversight of the United States Department of Homeland Security", 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Natural Resources, Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources, hearing entitled "The Fundamental Role of Safe Seismic Surveying in OCS Energy Exploration and Development", 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Subcommittee on Federal Lands, hearing on H.R. 2270, the "Billy Frank Jr. Tell Your Story Act"; and a discussion draft of the "Lake Tahoe Restoration Act of 2015", 10:30 a.m., 1334 Longworth.

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, Full Committee, hearing entitled "Criminal Justice Reform, Part I", 9:45 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on Rules, Full Committee, hearing on H.R. 2898, the "Western Water and American Food Security Act of 2015", 3 p.m., H–313 Capitol.

Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, Subcommittee on Environment, hearing entitled "Advancing Commercial Weather Data: Collaborative Efforts to Improve Forecasts, Part II", 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs, Subcommittee on Health, hearing on H.R. 272, the "Medal of Honor Priority Care Act"; H.R. 353, the "Veterans' Access to Hearing Health Act of 2015"; H.R. 359, the "Veterans Dog Training Therapy Act"; H.R. 421, the "Classified Veterans Access to Care Act"; H.R. 423, the "Newborn Care Improvement Act"; H.R. 1356, the "Women Veterans Access to Quality Care Act of 2015"; H.R. 1688, to amend the Veterans Access, Choice, and Accountability Act of 2014 to designate 20 graduate medical education residency positions specifically for the study of optometry; H.R. 1862, the "Veterans' Credit Protection Act"; H.R. 2464, the "Demanding Accountability for Veterans Act of 2015"; H.R. 2914, the "Build a Better VA Act"; H.R. 2915, the "Female Veteran Suicide Prevention Act"; H.R. 3016, to amend title 38, United States Code, to clarify the role of podiatrists in the Department of Veterans Affairs; and draft legislation to authorize VA major medical facility construction projects for FY 2015 and to make certain improvements in the administration of VA medical facility construction projects, 10:30 a.m., 334 Cannon.

CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD Week of July 14 through July 17, 2015

Senate Chamber

On *Tuesday*, Senate will continue consideration of S. 1177, Every Child Achieves Act. The filing deadline for first-degree amendments is at 2:30 p.m.

On *Wednesday*, Senate will vote on the motion to invoke cloture on Alexander/Murray Amendment No. 2089 to S. 1177, Every Child Achieves Act. Upon disposition of Alexander/Murray Amendment No. 2089, Senate will vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the bill.

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: July 16, to hold hearings to examine pending Forest Service and forestry related bills, 10 a.m., SR-328A.

Committee on Armed Services: July 14, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of General Paul J. Selva, USAF, to be Vice Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and General Darren W. McDew, USAF, to be commander of the U.S. Transportation Command, 9:30 a.m., SD–G50.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: July 15, to hold hearings to examine the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau's semi-annual report to Congress, 10 a.m., SD-538.

July 16, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the semiannual monetary policy report to Congress, 2:30 p.m., SD-538.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: July 14, Subcommittee on Space, Science, and Competitiveness, to hold hearings to examine unlocking the cures for America's most deadly diseases, 10 a.m., SR–253.

July 15, Full Committee, business meeting to consider S. 1732, to authorize elements of the Department of Transportation, 10 a.m., SR-253.

July 15, Subcommittee on Consumer Protection, Product Safety, Insurance, and Data Security, to hold hearings to examine the governance and integrity of international soccer, 2:30 p.m., SR–253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: July 14, to hold an oversight hearing to examine islanded energy systems, focusing on energy and infrastructure challenges and opportunities in Alaska, Hawaii and the United States Territories, 10 a.m., SD–366.

July 16, Subcommittee on Public Lands, Forests, and Mining, to hold hearings to examine S. 132, to improve timber management on Oregon and California Railroad and Coos Bay Wagon Road grant land, S. 326, to amend the Healthy Forests Restoration Act of 2003 to provide

cancellation ceilings for stewardship end result contracting projects, and S. 1691, to expedite and prioritize forest management activities to achieve ecosystem restoration objectives, 2:45 p.m., SD–366.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: July 15, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Kristen Marie Kulinowski, of New York, to be a Member of the Chemical Safety and Hazard Investigation Board for a term of five years, and Gregory Guy Nadeau, of Maine, to be Administrator of the Federal Highway Administration, Department of Transportation, 9:30 a.m., SD–406.

Committee on Finance: July 16, to hold hearings to examine HealthCare.gov controls, 10 a.m., SD-215.

Committee on Foreign Relations: July 15, Subcommittee on Western Hemisphere, Transnational Crime, Civilian Security, Democracy, Human Rights, and Global Women's Issues, to hold hearings to examine United States policy towards Haiti prior to the elections; to be immediately followed by a full committee hearing to examine the nominations of Perry L. Holloway, of South Carolina, to be Ambassador to the Co-operative Republic of Guyana, Laura Farnsworth Dogu, of Texas, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Nicaragua, and Roberta S. Jacobson, of Maryland, to be Ambassador to the United Mexican States, 2:30 p.m., SD—419.

July 16, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine human rights around the world, focusing on corruption, Global Magnitsky, and modern slavery, 10 a.m., SD–419.

July 16, Subcommittee on Africa and Global Health Policy, to hold hearings to examine wildlife poaching, 2 p.m., SD–419.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: July 15, to hold hearings to examine securing the border, focusing on understanding threats and strategies for the maritime border, 10 a.m., SD–342.

July 16, Subcommittee on Regulatory Affairs and Federal Management, to hold hearings to examine the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs's role in the regulatory process, 2 p.m., SD–342.

Committee on Indian Affairs: July 15, to hold an oversight hearing to examine juvenile justice in Indian Country, focusing on challenges and promising strategies, 2:15 p.m., SD–628.

Committee on the Judiciary: July 16, business meeting to consider S. 1169, to reauthorize and improve the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act of 1974, and S. 1599, to provide anti-retaliation protections for antitrust whistleblowers, 10 a.m., SD–226.

Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship: July 14, to hold hearings to examine challenges and opportunities for small businesses engaged in energy development and energy intensive manufacturing, 2:30 p.m., SR–428A.

Select Committee on Intelligence: July 14, to hold closed hearings to examine certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH–219.

July 16, Full Committee, to hold closed hearings to examine certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

Special Committee on Aging: July 15, to hold hearings to examine diabetes research, focusing on improving lives on the path to a cure, 2:15 p.m., SD–G50.

House Committees

Committee on Agriculture, July 15, Full Committee, hearing on recognizing the continuing contributions of the 1890s Land-Grant Universities on the 125th Anniversary of the passage of the Second Morrill Act, 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

July 15, Subcommittee on Nutrition, hearing entitled "Past, Present, and Future of SNAP: Developing and Using Evidence-Based Solutions", 1:30 p.m., 1300 Longworth.

Committee on Financial Services, July 15, Full Committee, hearing entitled "Monetary Policy and the State of the Economy", 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Foreign Affairs, July 15, Subcommittee on Asia and the Pacific, hearing entitled "U.S. Economic and Military Alliances in Asia", 1 p.m., 2200 Rayburn.

July 16, Subcommittee on Asia and the Pacific; and Subcommittee on Terrorism, Nonproliferation, and Trade, joint hearing entitled "Reviewing the U.S.-China Civil Nuclear Cooperation Agreement", 9 a.m., 2172 Rayburn. July 16, Subcommittee on Africa, Global Health,

July 16, Subcommittee on Africa, Global Health, Global Human Rights, and International Organizations, hearing entitled "The Goldman Act to Return Abducted American Children: Ensuring Accurate Numbers and Administration Action", 10 a.m., 2200 Rayburn.

Committee on Homeland Security, July 15, Full Committee, hearing entitled "The Rise of Radicalization: Is the U.S. Government Failing to Counter International and Domestic Terrorism?", 10 a.m., 311 Cannon.

July 15, Full Committee, markup on H.R. 2899, the "Countering Violent Extremism Act of 2015", 11 a.m., 311 Cannon.

July 16, Subcommittee on Transportation Security, hearing entitled "Examining the Federal Air Marshal Service and Its Readiness to Meet the Evolving Threat", 10 a.m., 311 Cannon.

Committee on the Judiciary, July 15, Full Committee, markup on H.R. 1656, the "Secret Service Improvements Act of 2015", 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

July 15, Subcommittee on Regulatory Reform, Commercial and Antitrust Law, hearing entitled "Oversight Hearing on the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs", 3 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Natural Resources, July 15, Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources, hearing entitled "The Future of Hydraulic Fracturing on Federally Managed Lands", 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

July 15, Subcommittee on Indian, Insular and Alaska Native Affairs, hearing on H.R. 1028, the "Return of Certain Lands At Fort Wingate to The Original Inhabitants Act"; H.R. 2684, the "Alabama-Coushatta Tribe of Texas Equal and Fair Opportunity Settlement Act"; and H.R. 2733, the "Nevada Native Nations Lands Act", 2 p.m., 1324 Longworth.

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, July 15, Full Committee, hearing entitled "Criminal Justice Reform, Part II", 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

July 15, Subcommittee on Information Technology; and Subcommittee on the Interior, joint hearing entitled "Cybersecurity: The Department of the Interior", 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

July 16, Full Committee, hearing entitled "Export-Import Bank: Update", 9 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, July 15, Full Committee, hearing entitled "Investigating Contract Misconduct at the National Weather Service", 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Small Business, July 15, Full Committee, hearing entitled "Taking Flight: Small Business Utilization of Unmanned Aircraft", 11 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs, July 15, Full Committee, markup on H.R. 1994, the "VA Accountability Act of 2015"; hearing entitled "Exploring VA's Administration of Individual Unemployability Benefits", 10 a.m., 334 Cannon.

Committee on Ways and Means, July 15, Subcommittee on Human Resources, hearing on welfare reform proposals, specifically involving the reauthorization of the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) program, 10:30 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

Joint Meetings

Joint Economic Committee: July 15, to hold hearings to examine what lower labor force participation rates tell us about work opportunities and incentives, 2:30 p.m., SD–562.

Next Meeting of the SENATE 10 a.m., Tuesday, July 14

Senate Chamber

Program for Tuesday: Senate will continue consideration of S. 1177, Every Child Achieves Act, with the filing deadline for first-degree amendments at 2:30 p.m.

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

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 10 a.m., Tuesday, July 14

House Chamber

Program for Tuesday: Consideration of the following measures under suspension of the rules: 1) H.R. 251— Homes for Heroes Act of 2015, 2) H.R. 432—SBIC Advisers Relief Act, 3) H.R. 1047—Housing Assistance Efficiency Act, 4) H.R. 1334—Holding Company Registration Threshold Equalization Act of 2015, 5) H.R. 1408—Mortgage Servicing Asset Capital Requirements Act of 2015, 6) H.R. 1529—Community Institution Mortgage Relief Act of 2015, 7) H.R. 1675—Encouraging Employee Ownership Act of 2015, 8) H.R. 1723— Small Company Simple Registration Act of 2015, 9) H.R. 1847—Swap Data Repository and Clearinghouse Indemnification Correction Act of 2015, 10) H.R. 2064—Improving Access to Capital for Emerging Growth Companies Act, 11) H.R. 2354—Streamlining Excessive and Costly Regulations Review Act, 12) H.R. 2482—Preservation Enhancement and Savings Opportunity Act of 2015, 13) H.R. 2722—Breast Cancer Awareness Commemorative Coin Act, and 14) H.R. 2997—Private Investment in Housing Act of 2015.

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