

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate agreed to S. Con. Res. 3, Budget Resolution.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S223–S295

Measures Introduced: Thirteen bills were introduced, as follows: S. 94–106. **Page S276**

Measures Passed:

Budget Resolution: By 51 yeas to 48 nays (Vote No. 26), Senate agreed to S. Con. Res. 3, setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2017 and setting forth the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2018 through 2026, after taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto: **Pages S224–72**

Rejected:

By 46 yeas to 52 nays (Vote No. 20), Klobuchar/Sanders Amendment No. 178, to establish a deficit-neutral reserve fund relating to lowering prescription drug prices for Americans by importing drugs from Canada. **Pages S261–62**

Withdrawn:

Corker Amendment No. 106, to set an appropriate date for the reporting of a reconciliation bill in the Senate. **Pages S257–58, S263**

Klobuchar/Sanders Amendment No. 172, to establish a deficit-neutral reserve fund relating to lowering prescription drug prices for Americans by importing drugs from Canada and other countries. **Pages S249–51, S263**

Sanders (for Manchin) Amendment No. 63, to create a point of order against legislation that would reduce access to substance use disorder treatment and worsen the opioid abuse epidemic. **Pages S249–51, S263**

Sanders (for Stabenow) Amendment No. 94, to create a point of order against legislation that would reduce or eliminate access to mental health care. **Pages S249–51, S263**

Sanders (for Cantwell) Amendment No. 143, to create a point of order against any changes to the Medicare program, the Medicaid program, or the number of Americans enrolled in private health in-

surance coverage, in a manner that would result in reduced revenue to hospitals, health care centers, and physicians and other health care providers, thereby reducing their investments in health care delivery system reforms that improve patient health outcomes and reduce costs. **Pages S253–54, S263**

Sanders (for Coons) Amendment No. 126, to create a point of order against legislation that would permit lifetime limits on health care coverage. **Pages S253–54, S263**

During consideration of this measure today, Senate also took the following action:

By 47 yeas to 51 nays (Vote No. 7), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn not having voted in the affirmative, Senate rejected the motion to waive section 305(b)(2) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 with respect to Sanders (for Nelson) Amendment No. 13, to create a point of order against legislation that would repeal health reforms that closed the prescription drug coverage gap under Medicare. Subsequently, the point of order that the amendment was in violation of Section 305(b)(2) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 was sustained, and thus the amendment fell. **Pages S249–51, S251–52**

By 48 yeas to 50 nays (Vote No. 8), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn not having voted in the affirmative, Senate rejected the motion to waive section 305(b)(2) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 with respect to Sanders (for King) Amendment No. 60, to create a point of order against legislation that would reduce health insurance access and affordability for individuals based on their occupation. Subsequently, the point of order that the amendment was in violation of Section 305(b)(2) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 was sustained, and thus the amendment fell. **Pages S249–51, S252**

By 51 yeas to 47 nays (Vote No. 9), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn not having voted in the affirmative, Senate rejected the motion to waive all applicable sections of the Congressional

Budget Act of 1974, and applicable budget resolutions, with respect to Enzi (for Barrasso) Amendment No. 173, to establish a deficit-neutral reserve fund relating to rural health and repealing and replacing the Affordable Care Act. Subsequently, the point of order that the amendment was in violation of Section 305(b)(2) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 was sustained, and thus the amendment fell.

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By 51 yeas to 47 nays (Vote No. 10), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn not having voted in the affirmative, Senate rejected the motion to waive section 305(b)(2) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 with respect to Sanders (for Manchin) Amendment No. 64, to create a point of order against legislation that would harm rural hospitals and health care providers. Subsequently, the point of order that the amendment was in violation of Section 305(b)(2) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 was sustained, and thus the amendment fell.

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By 51 yeas to 47 nays (Vote No. 11), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn not having voted in the affirmative, Senate rejected the motion to waive all applicable sections of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, and applicable budget resolutions, with respect to Enzi (for Heller) Amendment No. 167, to establish a deficit-neutral reserve fund relating to strengthening Social Security and repealing the Affordable Care Act, and replacing it with patient-centered, step-by-step health reforms that provide access to quality, affordable private health care coverage for all Americans and their families by increasing competition, State flexibility and individual choice, and safeguarding consumer protections that Americans support. Subsequently, the point of order that the amendment was in violation of Section 305(b)(2) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 was sustained, and thus the amendment fell.

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By 48 yeas to 50 nays (Vote No. 12), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn not having voted in the affirmative, Senate rejected the motion to waive section 305(b)(2) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 with respect to Sanders (for Baldwin) Amendment No. 81, to create a point of order against legislation relating to the health of young people. Subsequently, the point of order that the amendment was in violation of Section 305(b)(2) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 was sustained, and thus the amendment fell.

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By 50 yeas to 48 nays (Vote No. 13), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn not having voted in the affirmative, Senate rejected the motion to waive all applicable sections of the Congressional

Budget Act of 1974 with respect to Enzi (for Flake) Amendment No. 176, to establish a deficit-neutral reserve fund relating to enhancing health care and housing for veterans and their dependents by repealing the Affordable Care Act, facilitating medical facility leases, and prohibiting the Secretary of Veterans Affairs from employing individuals who have been convicted of a felony and medical personnel who have ever had their medical licenses or credentials revoked or suspended. Subsequently, the point of order that the amendment was in violation of Section 305(b)(2) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 was sustained, and thus the amendment fell.

Pages S254, S256

By 48 yeas to 50 nays (Vote No. 14), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn not having voted in the affirmative, Senate rejected the motion to waive section 305(b)(2) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 with respect to Sanders (for Tester) Amendment No. 104, to create a point of order against legislation that would limit veterans' ability to choose VA health care. Subsequently, the point of order that the amendment was in violation of Section 305(b)(2) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 was sustained, and thus the amendment fell.

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By 49 yeas to 49 nays (Vote No. 15), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn not having voted in the affirmative, Senate rejected the motion to waive section 305(b)(2) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 with respect to Sanders (for Casey) Amendment No. 61, to create a point of order against legislation relating to people with disabilities and chronic conditions. Subsequently, the point of order that the amendment was in violation of Section 305(b)(2) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 was sustained, and thus the amendment fell.

Pages S249–51, S257

By 47 yeas to 51 nays (Vote No. 16), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn not having voted in the affirmative, Senate rejected the motion to waive all applicable sections of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, and applicable budget resolutions, with respect to Enzi (for Barrasso) Amendment No. 181, to establish a deficit-neutral reserve fund relating to strengthening Social Security and repealing the Affordable Care Act and replacing it with patient-centered, step-by-step health reforms that provide access to quality, affordable private health care coverage for all Americans, including people with disabilities and chronic conditions, and their families, by increasing competition, State flexibility, and individual choice, and safeguarding consumer protections, such as a ban on lifetime limits, that Americans support. Subsequently, the point of order that the amendment was in violation of Section

305(b)(2) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 was sustained, and thus the amendment fell.

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By 51 yeas to 47 nays (Vote No. 17), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn not having voted in the affirmative, Senate rejected the motion to waive all applicable sections of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, with respect to Enzi (for Hatch) Amendment No. 179, to establish a deficit-neutral reserve fund relating to reforming housing and Medicaid without prioritizing able-bodied adults over the disabled or raiding Medicare Trust Funds to pay for new government programs. Subsequently, the point of order that the amendment was in violation of Section 305(b)(2) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 was sustained, and thus the amendment fell.

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By 48 yeas to 50 nays (Vote No. 18), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn not having voted in the affirmative, Senate rejected the motion to waive all applicable sections of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, with respect to Sanders (for Menendez) Amendment No. 83, to create a point of order against legislation that would eliminate or reduce Federal funding to States under the Medicaid expansion. Subsequently, the point of order that the amendment was in violation of Section 305(b)(2) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 was sustained, and thus the amendment fell.

Pages S249–51, S260

By 49 yeas to 49 nays (Vote No. 19), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn not having voted in the affirmative, Senate rejected the motion to waive all applicable sections of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, and applicable budget resolutions, with respect to Alexander Amendment No. 174, to strengthen Social Security and Medicare without raiding them to pay for new government programs, to reform Medicaid without prioritizing able-bodied adults over the disabled, and to ensure that any importation does not increase risk to public health according to the Secretary of Health and Human Services. Subsequently, the point of order that the amendment was in violation of Section 305(b)(2) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 was sustained, and thus the amendment fell.

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By 47 yeas to 51 nays (Vote No. 21), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn not having voted in the affirmative, Senate rejected the motion to waive section 305(b)(2) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 with respect to Wyden Amendment No. 188, to create a point of order against legislation that does not lower drug prices. Subsequently, the point of order that the amendment was in violation of Section 305(b)(2) of the Congressional

Budget Act of 1974 was sustained, and thus the amendment fell.

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By 52 yeas to 46 nays (Vote No. 22), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn not having voted in the affirmative, Senate rejected the motion to waive all applicable sections of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, and applicable budget resolutions, with respect to Fischer Amendment No. 184, to establish a deficit-neutral reserve fund relating to strengthening Social Security or health care for women, which may include strengthening community health centers, and repealing and replacing the Affordable Care Act. Subsequently, the point of order that the amendment was in violation of Section 305(b)(2) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 was sustained, and thus the amendment fell.

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By 49 yeas to 49 nays (Vote No. 23), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn not having voted in the affirmative, Senate rejected the motion to waive section 305(b)(2) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 with respect to Sanders (for Gillibrand) Amendment No. 82, to create a point of order against legislation relating to women's health. Subsequently, the point of order that the amendment was in violation of Section 305(b)(2) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 was sustained, and thus the amendment fell.

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By 51 yeas to 47 nays (Vote No. 24), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn not having voted in the affirmative, Senate rejected the motion to waive all applicable sections of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, with respect to Enzi (for Hatch) Amendment No. 180, to establish a deficit-neutral reserve fund relating to strengthening Social Security and repealing and replacing the Affordable Care Act with reforms that strengthen Medicaid and the Children's Health Insurance Program without prioritizing able-bodied adults over the disabled or children and lead to patient-centered, step-by-step health reforms that provide access to quality, affordable private health care coverage for all Americans and their families by increasing competition, State flexibility, and individual choice, and safeguarding consumer protections that Americans support. Subsequently, the point of order that the amendment was in violation of Section 305(b)(2) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 was sustained, and thus the amendment fell.

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By 49 yeas to 49 nays (Vote No. 25), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn not having voted in the affirmative, Senate rejected the motion to waive section 305(b)(2) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 with respect to Sanders (for Brown) Amendment No. 86, to create a point of order against legislation that would undermine the

historic coverage gains the United States has made in children's health, which have resulted in the lowest uninsured rate for children in the Nation's history. Subsequently, the point of order that the amendment was in violation of Section 305(b)(2) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 was sustained, and thus the amendment fell. **Pages S253–54, S265**

Message from the President: Senate received the following message from the President of the United States:

Transmitting, pursuant to law, the 2016 National Drug Control Strategy; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. (PM–1) **Pages S273–74**

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Record Votes: Twenty record votes were taken today. (Total—26)

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 12 noon on Wednesday, January 11, 2017 and adjourned at 1:36 a.m. on Thursday, January 12, 2017, until 12:30 p.m. on the same day. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S295.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

NOMINATION

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the

nomination of Elaine L. Chao, to be Secretary of Transportation, after the nominee, who was introduced by Senators McConnell and Paul, testified and answered questions in her own behalf.

NOMINATION

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nomination of Rex Wayne Tillerson, of Texas, to be Secretary of State, after the nominee, who was introduced by Senators Cornyn and Cruz, and former Senator Sam Nunn, testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee ordered favorably reported protocol to the North Atlantic Treaty of 1949 on the Accession of Montenegro (Treaty Doc. 114–12).

NOMINATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nomination of Jeff Sessions, of Alabama, to be Attorney General, Department of Justice, after receiving testimony from Senator Booker; Representatives John Lewis and Richmond; Michael B. Mukasey, former Attorney General, and Larry Thompson, former Deputy Attorney General, both of the Department of Justice, Chuck Canterbury, Fraternal Order of Police, David Cole, American Civil Liberties Union, and William Smith, former Chief Counsel, Administrative Oversight and the Courts Subcommittee, Senate Judiciary Committee, all of Washington, D.C.; Peter Kirsanow, United States Commission on Civil Rights, Cleveland, Ohio; Amita Swadhin, Mirror Memoirs, Los Angeles, California; Jayann Sepich, DNA Saves, Carlsbad, New Mexico; Cornell William Brooks, National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, Baltimore, Maryland; Willie Huntley, former Assistant United States Attorney, Southern District of Alabama, Mobile; Jesse Seroyer, former United States Marshal, Middle District of Alabama, Montgomery; and Oscar Vazquez, Fort Worth, Texas.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 30 public bills, H.R. 431–460; 1 private bill, H.R. 461; and 2 resolutions, H. Res. 44–45, were introduced.

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Additional Cosponsors: **Page H392**

Reports Filed: There were no reports filed today.

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Fleischmann to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H303**

Recess: The House recessed at 11:29 a.m. and reconvened at 12 noon. **Page H312**

Securities and Exchange Commission Regulatory Accountability Act and Commodity End-User Relief Act—Rule for consideration: The House agreed to H. Res. 40, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 78) to improve the consideration by the Securities and Exchange Commission of the costs and benefits of its regulations and orders; and providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 238) to reauthorize the Commodity Futures Trading Commission, to better protect futures customers, to provide end-users with market certainty, to make basic reforms to ensure transparency and accountability at the Commission, to help farmers, ranchers, and end-users manage risks, and to help keep consumer costs low, by a recorded vote of 233 ayes to 170 noes, Roll No. 33, after the previous question was ordered by a yea-and-nay vote of 232 yeas to 168 nays, Roll No. 32. **Pages H316–22**

Suspension—Proceedings Resumed: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measure which was debated on Tuesday, January 10th:

Tested Ability to Leverage Exceptional National Talent Act of 2017: H.R. 39, to amend title 5, United States Code, to codify the Presidential Innovation Fellows Program, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yea-and-nay vote of 386 yeas to 17 nays, Roll No. 34. **Pages H322–23**

Regulatory Accountability Act of 2017: The House passed H.R. 5, to reform the process by which Federal agencies analyze and formulate new regulations and guidance documents, to clarify the nature of judicial review of agency interpretations, and to ensure complete analysis of potential impacts on small entities of rules, by a yea-and-nay vote of 238 yeas to 183 nays, Roll No. 45. **Pages H323–72**

Rejected the Demings motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on the Judiciary with instructions to report the same back to the House forthwith with an amendment, by a recorded vote of 190 ayes to 233 noes, Roll No. 44. **Pages H370–71**

Agreed to:

Chaffetz amendment (No. 2 printed in part A of H. Rept. 115–2) that establishes a timeline by which the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs must issue guidelines under title I of the bill; **Pages H347–48**

Chabot amendment (No. 3 printed in part A of H. Rept. 115–2) that requires an agency to include an economic assessment or a summary of it when an agency certifies that a proposed rule will not have a “significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities” under the Regulatory Flexibility Act; this will ensure an agency’s decision to certify a rule and not conduct a full regulatory flexibility analysis is supported by data; **Pages H348–49**

Graves (LA) amendment (No. 6 printed in part A of H. Rept. 115–2) that provides agency account-

ability of major rules by requiring retrospective review and report; **Pages H352–54**

Young (IA) amendment (No. 7 printed in part A of H. Rept. 115–2) that allows for sufficient time (at least 90 days) for affected entities to take steps to comply with issued guidance; **Pages H354–55**

Posey amendment (No. 16 printed in part A of H. Rept. 115–2) that requires federal agencies to report on influential scientific information and associated peer reviews disseminated or to be disseminated in a rulemaking proceeding; **Pages H362–64**

Goodlatte amendment (No. 1 printed in part A of H. Rept. 115–2) that revises section 2 of title II of the bill to restrain unwarranted interpretation of ambiguous statutes to find implied delegations of legislative rulemaking authority, and of ambiguous statutes and regulations to expansively extend agency authority (by a recorded vote of 237 ayes to 185 noes, Roll No. 35); and **Pages H344–47, H364**

Peterson amendment (No. 5 printed in part A of H. Rept. 115–2) that prohibits agencies from impartially communicating with the public in order to generate support or opposition to a proposed rule (by a recorded vote of 260 ayes to 161 noes, Roll No. 36). **Pages H351–52, H364–65**

Rejected:

Velázquez amendment (No. 4 printed in part A of H. Rept. 115–2) that sought to strike Title III of the bill and replaces it with alternative language that reforms the Regulatory Flexibility Act to reduce the burden of regulations on small businesses; **Pages H349–51**

Castor (FL) amendment (No. 8 printed in part A of H. Rept. 115–2) that sought to ensure that any rule intended to protect public health and welfare is exempted from the requirements of this act (by a recorded vote of 189 ayes to 231 noes, Roll No. 37); **Pages H355–56, H365–66**

Cicilline amendment (No. 9 printed in part A of H. Rept. 115–2) that sought to provide for the prevention of the transmission of foodborne illness or to meet preventive-control requirements for food safety (by a recorded vote of 190 ayes to 232 noes, Roll No. 38); **Pages H356–57, H366**

Johnson (GA) amendment (No. 10 printed in part A of H. Rept. 115–2) that sought to exempt rules that significantly improve the employment, retention, and wages of workforce participants, especially those with significant barriers to employment, such as persons with disabilities or limited English proficiency (by a recorded vote of 188 ayes to 234 noes, Roll No. 39); **Pages H357–58, H366–67**

Ruiz amendment (No. 11 printed in part A of H. Rept. 115–2) that sought to exempt rules pertaining to the safety of children’s products or toys (by a recorded vote of 190 ayes to 233 noes, Roll No. 40); **Pages H358–59, H367–68**

Scott (VA) amendment (No. 12 printed in part A of H. Rept. 115–2) that sought to exempt from this bill a rule which pertains to workplace health and

safety and that is necessary to prevent or reduce the incidence of traumatic injury, cancer or irreversible lung disease at mining facilities which are subject to the Federal Mine Safety and Health Act of 1977 (30 USC 801, et seq.) or workplaces which are subject to the Occupational Safety and Health Act (29 USC 651 et seq.) (by a recorded vote of 195 ayes to 227 noes, Roll No. 41); **Pages H359–60, H368**

Tonko amendment (No. 13 printed in part A of H. Rept. 115–2) that sought to ensure that any rules made under the “Frank R. Lautenberg Chemical Safety for the 21st Century Act,” are exempted from this act (by a recorded vote of 188 ayes to 235 noes, Roll No. 42); and **Pages H360–61, H368–69**

Grijalva amendment (No. 14 printed in part A of H. Rept. 115–2) that sought to strike language that would require the Forest Service and the Bureau of Land Management to perform regulatory flexibility analyses for forest and land management plans (by a recorded vote of 185 ayes to 236 noes, Roll No. 43). **Pages H361–62, H369–70**

H. Res. 33, the rule providing for consideration of the bills (H.R. 5) and (H.R. 79) was agreed to yesterday, January 10th.

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence—Appointment: The Chair announced that the Speaker’s appointment of members of the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence on January 6, 2017, without objection, is made notwithstanding the requirement of clause 11(a)(4)(A) of rule X. **Page H372**

Committee Elections: The House agreed to H. Res. 45, electing Members to certain standing committees of the House of Representatives. **Page H372–73**

Presidential Message: Read a message from the President wherein he transmitted the 2016 National Drug Control Strategy—referred to the Committees on the Judiciary, Energy and Commerce, Foreign Affairs, Education and the Workforce, Transportation and Infrastructure, Armed Services, Ways and Means, Oversight and Government Reform, Veterans’ Affairs, Natural Resources, Agriculture, Financial Services, Homeland Security, and the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence and ordered to be printed (H. Doc. 115–5). **Page H374**

Quorum Calls—Votes: Three yea-and-nay votes and eleven recorded votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H321–22, H322, H322–23, H364, H365, H365–66, H366, H367, H367–68, H368, H369, H369–70, H371, and H371–72. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 8:19 p.m.

Committee Meetings

ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

Committee on House Administration: Full Committee held an organizational meeting for the 115th Congress. The committee adopted its rules, oversight and authorization plan, and parking plan for the 115th Congress.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, JANUARY 12, 2017

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Armed Services: to hold hearings to examine the nomination of James N. Mattis, to be Secretary of Defense; to be immediately followed by a business meeting to consider legislation to provide for an exception to a limitation against appointment of persons as Secretary of Defense within seven years of relief from active duty as a regular commissioned officer of the Armed Forces, 9:30 a.m., SD–G50.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Benjamin Carson, of Michigan, to be Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, 10 a.m., SD–538.

Committee on Foreign Relations: business meeting to consider S. Res. 6, objecting to United Nations Security Council Resolution 2334 and to all efforts that undermine direct negotiations between Israel and the Palestinians for a secure and peaceful settlement, 12 noon, S–116, Capitol.

Select Committee on Intelligence: business meeting to consider the Intelligence Authorization Act of Fiscal Year 2017, Time to be announced, S–216, Capitol.

Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Mike Pompeo, of Kansas, to be Director of the Central Intelligence Agency, 10 a.m., SH–216.

Full Committee, to hold closed hearings to examine the nomination of Mike Pompeo, of Kansas, to be Director of the Central Intelligence Agency, 1 p.m., SH–219.

House

Committee on Armed Services, Full Committee, organizational meeting for the 115th Congress; hearing on consideration of General James N. Mattis, USMC, Ret., for a legal exception for appointment as the U.S. Secretary of Defense; and markup on H.R. 393, to provide for an exception to a limitation against appointment of persons as Secretary of Defense within seven years of relief from active duty as a regular commissioned officer of the Armed Forces, 1 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Committee on Ways and Means, Full Committee, organizational meeting for the 115th Congress, 3 p.m., 1100 Longworth.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

12:30 p.m., Thursday, January 12

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

10 a.m., Thursday, January 12

Senate Chamber

Program for Thursday: Senate will be in a period of morning business.

House Chamber

Program for Thursday: Consideration of H.R. 238—Commodity End-User Relief Act. Consideration of H.R. 78—SEC Regulatory Accountability Act.

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