

# Daily Digest

## Senate

### Chamber Action

*Routine Proceedings, pages S7367–S7505*

**Measures Introduced:** Five bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 2169–2173, and S. Res. 344. **Page S7405**

#### Measures Passed:

***Honoring the life and achievements of Dr. Robert Lawrence Jr.:*** Senate agreed to S. Res. 344, honoring the life and achievements of Dr. Robert Lawrence Jr. **Page S7490**

***Indian Employment, Training and Related Services Consolidation Act:*** Senate passed H.R. 228, to amend the Indian Employment, Training and Related Services Demonstration Act of 1992 to facilitate the ability of Indian tribes to integrate the employment, training, and related services from diverse Federal sources. **Page S7490**

***Esther Martinez Native American Languages Preservation Act:*** Senate passed S. 254, to amend the Native American Programs Act of 1974 to provide flexibility and reauthorization to ensure the survival and continuing vitality of Native American languages, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto: **Page S7490**

McConnell (for Hoeven) Amendment No. 1637, to amend the authorization of appropriations for the Native American languages grant program under section 803C of the Native American Programs Act of 1974. **Page S7490**

***John P. Smith Act:*** Senate passed S. 302, to enhance tribal road safety. **Pages S7490–91**

***Indian Tribal Energy Development and Self-Determination Act Amendments:*** Senate passed S. 245, to amend the Indian Tribal Energy Development and Self-Determination Act of 2005. **Pages S7491–97**

***RESPECT Act:*** Senate passed S. 343, to repeal certain obsolete laws relating to Indians. **Page S7497**

***Columbia River In-Lieu and Treaty Fishing Access Sites Improvement Act:*** Senate passed S. 669, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to assess sanitation and safety conditions at Bureau of Indian

Affairs facilities that were constructed to provide affected Columbia River Treaty tribes access to traditional fishing grounds and expend funds on construction of facilities and structures to improve those conditions, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto: **Pages S7497–98**

McConnell (for Hoeven) Amendment No. 1638, to authorize a study of the program to assess sanitation and safety conditions at Bureau of Indian Affairs facilities that were constructed to provide affected Columbia River Treaty tribes access to traditional fishing grounds and make related improvements. **Pages S7497–98**

***AMBER Alert in Indian Country Act:*** Senate passed S. 772, to amend the PROTECT Act to make Indian tribes eligible for AMBER Alert grants. **Page S7498**

***Southeast Alaska Regional Health Consortium Land Transfer Act:*** Senate passed S. 825, to provide for the conveyance of certain property to the Southeast Alaska Regional Health Consortium located in Sitka, Alaska, after agreeing to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Page S7498**

***Oregon Tribal Economic Development Act:*** Senate passed S. 1285, to allow the Confederated Tribes of Coos, Lower Umpqua, and Siuslaw Indians, the Confederated Tribes of the Grand Ronde Community of Oregon, the Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians of Oregon, the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs, the Cow Creek Band of Umpqua Tribe of Indians, the Klamath Tribes, and the Burns Paiute Tribes to lease or transfer certain lands, after agreeing to the committee amendments. **Page S7499**

#### Measures Considered:

***National Defense Authorization Act:*** Senate began consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 1519, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2018 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year. **Pages S7367–93**

***Tax Cuts and Jobs Act—Agreement:*** Senate began consideration of H.R. 1, to provide for reconciliation

pursuant to titles II and V of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2018, after agreeing to the motion to proceed, and taking action on the following motion and amendment proposed thereto: **Pages S7393–S7402, S7499–S7504**

Rejected:

By 48 yeas to 51 nays (Vote No. 285), Wyden motion to commit the bill to the Committee on Finance, with instructions. **Page S7402**

Pending:

McConnell (for Hatch/Murkowski) Amendment No. 1618, of a perfecting nature. **Page S7402**

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

By 52 yeas to 48 nays (Vote No. 284), Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill. **Pages S7393–94**

A unanimous-consent-time agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill at approximately 10:30 a.m., on Thursday, November 30, 2017, with one hour of debate remaining on McConnell (for Hatch/Murkowski) Amendment No. 1618 (listed above). **Page S7499**

#### Appointments:

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that a correction to appointments made on November 28, 2017 be printed in the *Record*. For the information of the Senate, this correction is clerical and does not change membership of the Frederick Douglass Bicentennial Commission made by the appointments. **Page S7490**

**Frederick Douglass Bicentennial Commission:** The Chair, on behalf of the Majority Leader, pursuant to the provisions of Public Law 115–77, appointed the following individuals to the Frederick Douglass Bicentennial Commission: Kay Cole James of Virginia, and Star Parker of California. **Page S7490**

**Nominations Received:** Senate received the following nominations:

Marvin Goodfriend, of Pennsylvania, to be a Member of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System for a term of fourteen years from February 1, 2016.

Joseph E. Macmanus, of New York, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Colombia.

2 Navy nominations in the rank of admiral.

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**Nomination Withdrawn:** Senate received notification of withdrawal of the following nomination:

1 Air Force nomination in the rank of general.

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**Messages from the House:**

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**Executive Reports of Committees:**

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**Amendments Submitted:**

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**Authorities for Committees to Meet:**

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**Privileges of the Floor:**

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**Record Votes:** Two record votes were taken today. (Total—285) **Pages S7393–94, S7402**

**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 12 noon and adjourned at 9:52 p.m., until 10:30 a.m. on Thursday, November 30, 2017. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S7499.)

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

### NOMINATION

**Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:** Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nomination of Barry Lee Myers, of Pennsylvania, to be Under Secretary of Commerce for Oceans and Atmosphere, after the nominee, who was introduced by Senator Toomey, testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

### BUSINESS MEETING

**Committee on Environment and Public Works:** Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

19 General Services Administration resolutions; and

The nominations of Kathleen Hartnett White, of Texas, to be a Member of the Council on Environmental Quality, and Andrew Wheeler, of Virginia, to be Deputy Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency.

### NOMINATION

**Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:** Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nomination of Alex Michael Azar II, of Indiana, to be Secretary of Health and Human Services, after the nominee, who was introduced by Senator Young, testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

### NOMINATIONS

**Committee on the Judiciary:** Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Stuart Kyle Duncan, of Louisiana, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Fifth Circuit, who was introduced by Senator Cassidy, David Ryan Stras, of Minnesota, to

be United States Circuit Judge for the Eighth Circuit, Fernando Rodriguez, Jr., to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Texas, and Andrei Iancu, of California, to be Under Secretary of Commerce for Intellectual Property and Director of the United States Patent and Trademark Office, who was introduced by Representative Mike Kelly, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

## BUSINESS MEETING

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs:* Committee ordered favorably reported an original bill entitled, "Caring for Our Veterans Act of 2017".

## INTELLIGENCE

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

Committee recessed subject to the call.

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# House of Representatives

## Chamber Action

**Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced:** 12 public bills, H.R. 4476–4487; and 1 resolution, H. Res. 634 were introduced. **Pages H9515–16**

**Additional Cosponsors:** **Pages H9516–17**

**Report Filed:** A report was filed today as follows:

H. Res. 635, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 4182) to amend title 5, United States Code, to modify probationary periods with respect to positions within the competitive service and the Senior Executive Service, and for other purposes, and providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 1699) to amend the Truth in Lending Act to modify the definitions of a mortgage originator and a high-cost mortgage, to amend the Secure and Fair Enforcement for Mortgage Licensing Act of 2008 to modify the definition of a loan originator, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 115–430). **Page H9515**

**Speaker:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Rice (SC) to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H9471**

**Recess:** The House recessed at 10:26 a.m. and reconvened at 12 noon. **Page H9474**

**Guest Chaplain:** The prayer was offered by the Guest Chaplain, Pastor Ron Dunn, New Hope Ministries, Akron, Michigan. **Page H9474**

**Committee Resignation:** Read a letter from Representative Bacon wherein he resigned from the Committee on Small Business. **Page H9478**

**Committee Election:** The House agreed to H. Res. 634, electing Members to certain standing committees of the House of Representatives. **Page H9478**

**Suspensions:** The House agreed to suspend the rules and agree to the following measure:

*Requiring each Member, officer, and employee of the House of Representatives to complete a program of training in workplace rights and responsibilities each session of each Congress:* H. Res. 630, requiring each Member, officer, and employee of the House of Representatives to complete a program of training in workplace rights and responsibilities each session of each Congress. **Pages H9491–98**

**Minnesota's Economic Rights in the Superior National Forest Act:** The House considered H.R. 3905, to require congressional approval of any mineral withdrawal or monument designation involving the National Forest System lands in the State of Minnesota, to provide for the renewal of certain mineral leases in such lands. Consideration is expected to resume tomorrow, November 30th. **Pages H9498–H9512**

Pursuant to the Rule, an amendment in the nature of a substitute consisting of the text of Rules Committee Print 115–41 shall be considered as adopted. **Page H9498**

Proceedings Postponed:

Grijalva amendment (No. 1 printed in H. Rept. 115–429) that seeks to increase the royalty rate by 16.66 percent for mineral leases in the Superior National Forest. **Pages H9510–12**

H. Res. 631, the rule providing for consideration of the bills (H.R. 3017) and (H.R. 3905) was agreed to by a recorded vote of 228 ayes to 186 noes, Roll No. 641, after the previous question was ordered by a yea-and-nay vote of 227 yeas to 189 nays, Roll No. 640. **Pages H9490–91**

**Recess:** The House recessed at 5:09 p.m. and reconvened at 5:14 p.m. **Page H9514**

**Senate Message:** Message received from the Senate today appears on page H9512.

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** One yea-and-nay vote and one recorded vote developed during the proceedings

of today and appear on pages H9490 and H9490–91. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 5:15 p.m.

## *Committee Meetings*

### **USDA'S ROLE IN DISASTER RECOVERY**

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies held a hearing entitled “USDA’s Role in Disaster Recovery”. Testimony was heard from the following Department of Agriculture officials: Rob Johansson, Acting Deputy Undersecretary for Farm Production and Conservation; Leonard Jordan, Acting Chief, Natural Resources Conservation Service; and Steve Peterson, Acting Administrator, Farm Service Agency.

### **U.S. FOREST SERVICE**

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies held an oversight hearing on the U.S. Forest Service. Testimony was heard from Tony Tooke, Chief, U.S. Forest Service.

### **U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS**

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development, and Related Agencies held an oversight hearing on the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. Testimony was heard from Ryan Fisher, Acting Assistant Secretary of the Army (Civil Works); and Major General Donald E. Jackson, Deputy Commanding General for Civil and Emergency Operations.

### **SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION AND GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION**

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Financial Services and General Government held an oversight hearing on the Small Business Administration and the General Services Administration. Testimony was heard from Timothy E. Gribben, Chief Financial Officer and Associate Administrator for Performance Management, Small Business Administration; and Timothy O. Horne, Acting Administrator, General Services Administration.

### **FINANCIAL CHALLENGES FACING THE PENSION BENEFIT GUARANTY CORPORATION: IMPLICATIONS FOR PENSION PLANS, WORKERS, AND RETIREES**

*Committee on Education and the Workforce:* Subcommittee on Health, Employment, Labor, and Pensions held a hearing entitled “Financial Challenges Facing the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation:

Implications for Pension Plans, Workers, and Retirees”. Testimony was heard from W. Thomas Reeder, Jr., Director, Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation.

### **POWERING AMERICA: EXAMINING THE ROLE OF FINANCIAL TRADING IN THE ELECTRICITY MARKETS**

*Committee on Energy and Commerce:* Subcommittee on Energy held a hearing entitled “Powering America: Examining the Role of Financial Trading in the Electricity Markets”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### **ALGORITHMS: HOW COMPANIES' DECISIONS ABOUT DATA AND CONTENT IMPACT CONSUMERS**

*Committee on Energy and Commerce:* Subcommittee on Communications and Technology; and Subcommittee on Digital Commerce and Consumer Protection held a joint hearing entitled “Algorithms: How Companies’ Decisions About Data and Content Impact Consumers”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### **SUSTAINABLE HOUSING FINANCE: THE ROLE OF GINNIE MAE IN THE HOUSING FINANCE SYSTEM**

*Committee on Financial Services:* Subcommittee on Housing and Insurance held a hearing entitled “Sustainable Housing Finance: The Role of Ginnie Mae in the Housing Finance System”. Testimony was heard from Michael R. Bright, Acting President, Government National Mortgage Association.

### **LEGISLATIVE MEASURES**

*Committee on Financial Services:* Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Credit; and Subcommittee on Terrorism and Illicit Finance held a joint hearing entitled “Legislative Proposals to Counter Terrorism and Illicit Finance”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### **THE LATEST DEVELOPMENTS IN SAUDI ARABIA AND LEBANON**

*Committee on Foreign Affairs:* Subcommittee on the Middle East and North Africa held a hearing entitled “The Latest Developments in Saudi Arabia and Lebanon”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### **A GLOBAL UPDATE ON ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE**

*Committee on Foreign Affairs:* Subcommittee on Africa, Global Health, Global Human Rights, and International Organizations held a hearing entitled “A Global Update on Alzheimer’s Disease”. Testimony was heard from Marie Bernard, M.D., Deputy Director, National Institute on Aging, National Institutes

of Health; Roger Glass, M.D., Director, Fogarty International Center, National Institutes of Health; and public witnesses.

### MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Full Committee held a markup on H.R. 38, the “Concealed Carry Reciprocity Act of 2017”; H.R. 4477, the “Fix NICS Act of 2017”; and H.R. 2666, the “AMBER Alert in Indian Country Act of 2017”. H.R. 38, H.R. 4477, and H.R. 2666 were ordered reported, as amended.

### MODERNIZING NEPA FOR THE 21ST CENTURY

*Committee on Natural Resources:* Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Modernizing NEPA for the 21st Century”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

*Committee on Natural Resources:* Full Committee began a markup on H.R. 1778, to provide that an order by the Secretary of the Interior imposing a moratorium on Federal coal leasing shall not take effect unless a joint resolution of approval is enacted, and for other purposes; H.R. 2630, the “La Paz County Land Conveyance Act”; H.R. 3117, the “Transparency and Honesty in Energy Regulations Act of 2017”; H.R. 3607, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to establish fees for medical services provided in units of the National Park System, and for other purposes; H.R. 3979, the “Keep America’s Refuges Operational Act”; H.R. 4299, to provide for the indefinite duration of certain military land withdrawals, to improve the management of lands currently subject to such withdrawals and to make the management of such lands more transparent, and for other purposes; and H.R. 4300, the “Admiral Lloyd R. ‘Joe’ Vasey Pacific War Commemorative Display Establishment Act”.

### REGULATORY REFORM TASK FORCES CHECK-IN: PART III

*Committee on Oversight and Government Reform:* Subcommittee on the Interior, Energy and Environment; and Subcommittee on Intergovernmental Affairs held a joint hearing entitled “Regulatory Reform Task Forces Check-In: Part III”. Testimony was heard from David Bernhardt, Deputy Secretary, Department of the Interior; Brittany Bolen, Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Environmental Protection Agency; and Daniel Simmons, Acting Assistant Secretary, Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, Department of Energy.

### CYBERSECURITY OF VOTING MACHINES

*Committee on Oversight and Government Reform:* Subcommittee on Information Technology; and Subcommittee on Intergovernmental Affairs held a joint hearing entitled “Cybersecurity of Voting Machines”. Testimony was heard from Christopher C. Krebs, Senior Official Performing the Duties of the Under Secretary, National Protection and Programs Directorate, Department of Homeland Security; Tom Schedler, Secretary of State of Louisiana; Edgardo Cortés, Commissioner, Virginia Department of Elections; and public witnesses.

### PRESERVING ACCESS TO MANUFACTURED HOUSING ACT OF 2017; ENSURING A QUALIFIED CIVIL SERVICE ACT OF 2017

*Committee on Rules:* Full Committee held a hearing on H.R. 1699, the “Preserving Access to Manufactured Housing Act of 2017”; and H.R. 4182, the “Ensuring a Qualified Civil Service Act of 2017”. The Committee granted, by record vote of 6–3, a structure rule for H.R. 4182. The rule provides one hour of general debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule provides that the bill shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against provisions in the bill. The rule makes in order only those amendments printed in 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 the report. The rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. In section 2, the rule provides for consideration of H.R. 1699 under a closed rule. The rule provides one hour of debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Financial Services. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule provides that an amendment in the nature of a substitute consisting of the text of Rules Committee Print 115–42 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. Testimony

was heard from Chairman Hensarling, and Representatives Comer, Connolly, and Maxine Waters of California.

### THE FUTURE OF WOTUS: EXAMINING THE ROLE OF STATES

*Committee on Science, Space, and Technology:* Subcommittee on Environment held a hearing entitled “The Future of WOTUS: Examining the Role of States”. Testimony was heard from Wesley Mehl, Deputy Commissioner, Arizona State Land Department; and public witnesses.

### UNMANNED AIRCRAFT SYSTEMS: EMERGING USES IN A CHANGING NATIONAL AIRSPACE

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure:* Subcommittee on Aviation held a hearing entitled “Unmanned Aircraft Systems: Emerging Uses in a Changing National Airspace”. Testimony was heard from Daniel K. Elwell, Deputy Administrator, Federal Aviation Administration; and public witnesses.

### EXAMINING VA’S FAILURE TO ADDRESS PROVIDER QUALITY AND SAFETY CONCERNS

*Committee on Veterans’ Affairs:* Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing entitled “Examining VA’s Failure to Address Provider Quality and Safety Concerns”. Testimony was heard from Gerard R. Cox, M.D., Acting Deputy Under Secretary for Health for Organizational Excellence, Department of Veterans Affairs; Randall Williamson, Director, Health Care, Government Accountability Office; and a public witness.

## Joint Meetings

### THE ECONOMIC OUTLOOK

*Joint Economic Committee:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the economic outlook, after receiving testimony from Janet L. Yellen, Chair, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System.

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### NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D1244)

H.R. 194, to ensure the effective processing of mail by Federal agencies. Signed on November 21, 2017. (Public Law 115–85)

H.R. 1545, to amend title 38, United States Code, to clarify the authority of the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to disclose certain patient information to State controlled substance monitoring programs. Signed on November 21, 2017. (Public Law 115–86)

H.R. 1679, to ensure that the Federal Emergency Management Agency’s current efforts to modernize its grant management system includes applicant accessibility and transparency. Signed on November 21, 2017. (Public Law 115–87)

H.R. 3243, to amend title 40, United States Code, to eliminate the sunset of certain provisions relating to information technology, to amend the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2015 to extend the sunset relating to the Federal Data Center Consolidation Initiative. Signed on November 21, 2017. (Public Law 115–88)

H.R. 3949, to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for the designation of State approving agencies for multi-State apprenticeship programs for purposes of the educational assistance programs of the Department of Veterans Affairs. Signed on November 21, 2017. (Public Law 115–89)

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### COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 30, 2017

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

#### Senate

*Committee on Armed Services:* to hold hearings to examine recommendations from outside experts for a future National Defense Strategy, 10:30 a.m., SD–G50.

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* to hold hearings to examine the nominations of M. Lee McClenney, of Washington, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Paraguay, Carlos Trujillo, of Florida, to be Permanent Representative to the Organization of American States, with the rank of Ambassador, and Kenneth J. Braithwaite, of Pennsylvania, to be Ambassador to the Kingdom of Norway, all of the Department of State, and Brock D. Bierman, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Administrator of the United States Agency for International Development, 10 a.m., SD–419.

*Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:* to hold hearings to examine the front lines of the opioid crisis, focusing on perspectives from states, communities, and providers, 10 a.m., SD–430.

*Committee on the Judiciary:* business meeting to consider the nominations of Leonard Steven Grasz, of Nebraska, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Eighth Circuit, James C. Ho, of Texas, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Fifth Circuit, Don R. Willett, of Texas, to be a Circuit Judge, United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit, Terry A. Doughty, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Louisiana, Terry Fitzgerald Moorer, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Alabama, Mark Saalfield Norris, Sr., to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Tennessee, Claria Horn Boom, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern and Western Districts of Kentucky, John W. Broomes, to be United States District Judge for the District of Kansas, Rebecca Grady Jennings, to be United States District Judge for

the Western District of Kentucky, and Robert Earl Wier, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Kentucky, 10:30 a.m., SD-226.

*Select Committee on Intelligence*: to receive a closed briefing on certain intelligence matters, 2 p.m., SH-219.

### House

*Committee on Appropriations*, Subcommittee on Homeland Security, oversight hearing on the Federal Emergency Management Agency, 10 a.m., 2359 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies, oversight hearing on the Department of the Interior, 9:30 a.m., 2007 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies, hearing entitled "Department of Transportation, Federal Highway Administration Emergency Relief", 3 p.m., 2358-A Rayburn.

*Committee on Energy and Commerce*, Subcommittee on Health, hearing entitled "Implementing the 21st Century Cures Act: An Update from FDA and NIH", 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled "Identity Verification in a Post-Breach World", 10:15 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Communications and Technology, hearing entitled "Latest Developments in Combating Online Sex Trafficking", 2 p.m., 2123 Rayburn.

*Committee on Financial Services*, Subcommittee on Capital Markets, Securities, and Investments, hearing entitled "Implementation and Cybersecurity Protocols of the Consolidated Audit Trail", 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Monetary Policy and Trade, hearing entitled "Evaluating the Effectiveness of U.S. Sanctions Programs", 2 p.m., 2128 Rayburn.

*Committee on Homeland Security*, Full Committee, hearing entitled "World Wide Threats: Keeping America Secure in the New Age of Terror", 10 a.m., HVC-210.

*Committee on the Judiciary*, Subcommittee on Courts, Intellectual Property, and the Internet, hearing entitled "The Role and Impact of Nationwide Injunctions by District Courts", 2 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

*Committee on Natural Resources*, Full Committee, continue markup on H.R. 1778, to provide that an order by the Secretary of the Interior imposing a moratorium on Federal coal leasing shall not take effect unless a joint resolution of approval is enacted, and for other purposes; H.R. 2630, the "La Paz County Land Conveyance Act"; H.R. 3117, the "Transparency and Honesty in Energy Regulations Act of 2017"; H.R. 3607, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to establish fees for medical services provided in units of the National Park System, and for other purposes; H.R. 3979, the "Keep America's Ref-

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Subcommittee on Water, Power and Oceans, hearing on H.R. 4419, the "Bureau of Reclamation and Bureau of Indian Affairs Water Project Streamlining Act", 2 p.m., 1324 Longworth.

Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources, hearing on H.R. 1675, the "National Landslide Preparedness Act"; H.R. 4033, the "National Geologic Mapping Act Reauthorization Act"; legislation to amend the Geothermal Steam Act of 1970 to promote timely exploration for geothermal resources under geothermal leases, and for other purposes; and legislation to provide for the establishment of the National Volcano Early Warning and Monitoring System, 2:30 p.m., 1334 Longworth.

*Committee on Oversight and Government Reform*, Full Committee, markup on H.R. 2623, the "Lessening Regulatory Costs and Establishing a Federal Regulatory Budget Act of 2017"; H.R. 4431, the "Correcting Miscalculations in Veterans' Pensions Act"; H.R. 3638, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1100 Kings Road in Jacksonville, Florida, as the "Rutledge Pearson Post Office Building"; H.R. 3655, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1300 Main Street in Belmar, New Jersey, as the "Dr. Walter S. McAfee Post Office Building"; H.R. 4042, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1415 West Oak Street, in Kissimmee, Florida, as the "Borinqueneers Post Office Building"; H.R. 4285, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 123 Bridgeton Pike in Mullica Hill, New Jersey, as the "James C. 'Billy' Johnson Post Office Building"; and H.R. 4301, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 201 Tom Hall Street in Fort Mill, South Carolina, as the "J. Elliott Williams Post Office Building", 1 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure*, Full Committee, markup on H.R. 4460, the "Disaster Recovery Reform Act of 2017"; H.R. 3814, the "No Human Trafficking on Our Roads Act"; and H.R. 3813, the "Combating Human Trafficking in Commercial Vehicles Act", 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

*Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence*, Full Committee, hearing entitled "Testimony of Erik Prince", 3 p.m., HVC-304. This hearing will be open in a closed space.

*Next Meeting of the SENATE*

10:30 a.m., Thursday, November 30

*Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES*

10 a.m., Thursday, November 30

## Senate Chamber

**Program for Thursday:** Senate will continue consideration of H.R. 1, Tax Cuts and Jobs Act, with one hour of debate remaining on McConnell (for Hatch/Murkowski) Amendment No. 1618.

## House Chamber

**Program for Thursday:** Complete consideration of H.R. 3905—Minnesota's Economic Rights in the Superior National Forest Act. Consideration of H.R. 3017—Brownfields Enhancement, Economic Redevelopment, and Reauthorization Act of 2017. Consideration of H.R. 4182—Ensuring a Qualified Civil Service Act of 2017 (Subject to a Rule). Consideration of H.R. 1699—Preserving Access to Manufactured Housing Act of 2017 (Subject to a Rule).

## Extensions of Remarks, as inserted in this issue

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