

# Daily Digest

## Senate

### Chamber Action

*Routine Proceedings, pages S149–S163*

#### Measures Considered:

**Strengthening America’s Security in the Middle East Act—Agreement:** Senate continued consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 1, to make improvements to certain defense and security assistance provisions and to authorize the appropriation of funds to Israel, to reauthorize the United States-Jordan Defense Cooperation Act of 2015, and to halt the wholesale slaughter of the Syrian people. **Pages S149–62**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that notwithstanding the provisions of Rule XXII, the motion to invoke cloture on the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill ripen at 5:30 p.m., on Monday, January 14, 2019. **Page S159**

#### Appointments:

**United States-China Economic and Security Review Commission:** The Chair announced, on behalf of the Democratic Leader, pursuant to the provisions of Public Law 106–398, as amended by Public Law 108–7, and in consultation with the Ranking Members of the Senate Committee on Armed Services and

the Senate Committee on Finance, the appointment of the following individual to serve as a member of the United States-China Economic and Security Review Commission: Ken Lewis, of Oregon, for a term expiring December 31, 2020. **Page S163**

**Signing Authority—Agreement:** A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that Senator Murkowski be authorized to sign duly enrolled bills or joint resolutions, Friday, January 11, 2019, through Monday, January 14, 2019. **Page S159**

**Messages from the House:** **Page S162**

**Measures Referred:** **Page S162**

**Measures Placed on the Calendar:** **Page S162**

**Additional Cosponsors:** **Pages S162–63**

**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 1:04 p.m., until 3 p.m. on Monday, January 14, 2019. (For Senate’s program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today’s Record on page S159.)

### Committee Meetings

*(Committees not listed did not meet)*

No committee meetings were held.

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## House of Representatives

### Chamber Action

**Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced:** 39 public bills, H.R. 488–526, and 4 resolutions, H.J. Res. 26 and H. Res. 37–39, were introduced. **Pages H517–19**

**Additional Cosponsors:** **Page H520**

**Reports Filed:** There were no reports filed today.

**Speaker:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein she appointed Representative Blunt Rochester to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H467**

**Department of the Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2019:** The House passed H.R. 266, making appropriations for the Department of the Interior, environment, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2019, by a yea-and-nay vote of 240 yeas to 179 nays, Roll No. 27. **Page H503**

Rejected the Calvert motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Appropriations with instructions to report the same back to the House forthwith with amendments, by a yea-and-nay vote of 190 yeas to 229 nays, Roll No. 26. **Pages H502–03**

H. Res. 28, the rule providing for consideration of the bills (H.R. 264), (H.R. 265), (H.R. 266), and (H.R. 267) was agreed to Wednesday, January 9th.

**Suspension:** The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measure:

*Government Employee Fair Treatment Act of 2019:* S. 24, to provide for the compensation of Federal and other government employees affected by lapses in appropriations, by a  $\frac{2}{3}$  ye-a-and-nay vote of 411 yeas to 7 nays, Roll No. 28. **Pages H498–H504**

**Suspension—Proceedings Resumed:** The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measure. Consideration began Thursday, January 10th.

*Special Envoy to Monitor and Combat Anti-Semitism Act:* H.R. 221, to amend the State Department Basic Authorities Act of 1956 to monitor and combat anti-Semitism globally, by a  $\frac{2}{3}$  ye-a-and-nay vote of 411 yeas to 1 nay, Roll No. 29.

**Pages H504–05**

**Meeting Hour:** Agreed by unanimous consent that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 12 noon on Monday, January 14th for Morning Hour debate. **Page H510**

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** Four ye-a-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H502–03, H503, H503–04, and H504–05. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 9 a.m. and adjourned at 2:22 p.m.

## Committee Meetings

No hearings were held.

## Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

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## COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR MONDAY, JANUARY 14, 2019

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

### Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

### House

No hearings are scheduled.

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## CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of January 14 through January 18, 2019

### Senate Chamber

On Monday, *Senate* will vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 1, Strengthening America's Security in the Middle East Act, at 5:30 p.m.

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 Appropriations:* January 16, Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development, to hold hearings to examine the future of nuclear power, focusing on advanced reactors, 2:30 p.m., SD–138.

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* January 16, organizational business meeting to consider committee rules for the 116th Congress, 10 a.m., SD–106.

*Committee on Environment and Public Works:* January 16, to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Andrew Wheeler, of Virginia, to be Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, 10 a.m., SD–406.

*Committee on the Judiciary:* January 15, to hold hearings to examine the nomination of William Pelham Barr, of Virginia, to be Attorney General, Department of Justice, 9:30 a.m., SH–216.

January 16, Full Committee, to continue hearings to examine the nomination of William Pelham Barr, of Virginia, to be Attorney General, Department of Justice, 9:30 a.m., SH–216.

*Select Committee on Intelligence:* January 15, closed business meeting to consider pending intelligence matters; to be immediately followed by a closed hearing to examine certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH–219.

January 16, Full Committee, to hold closed hearings to examine certain intelligence matters, 10 a.m., SH–219.

*Special Committee on Aging:* January 16, to hold hearings to examine fighting elder fraud, focusing on progress made and work to be done, 9:30 a.m., SD–562.

### House Committees

*Committee on Rules,* January 15, Full Committee, hearing on H.R. 268, the "Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2019", 3 p.m., H–313 Capitol.

*Next Meeting of the SENATE*

3 p.m., Monday, January 14

*Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES*

12 noon, Monday, January 14

## Senate Chamber

**Program for Monday:** Senate will vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 1, Strengthening America's Security in the Middle East Act, at 5:30 p.m.

## House Chamber

**Program for Monday:** To be announced.

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