

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S2901–S2948

Measures Introduced: Nineteen bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 3938–3956, and S. Res. 614–616. **Page S2932**

Measures Passed:

Honoring Pulse nightclub victims: Senate agreed to S. Res. 614, honoring the memory of the victims of the heinous attack at the Pulse nightclub on June 12, 2016. **Pages S2910–11**

Activist Jose Daniel Ferrer: Senate agreed to S. Res. 454, calling for the immediate release of Cuban democracy activist Jose Daniel Ferrer and commending the efforts of Jose Daniel Ferrer to promote human rights and fundamental freedoms in Cuba, after agreeing to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Pages S2921–22**

Greece Independence 199th Anniversary: Senate agreed to S. Res. 523, recognizing the 199th anniversary of the independence of Greece and celebrating democracy in Greece and the United States. **Page S2922**

Commending Department of State Career Professionals: Senate agreed to S. Res. 567, commending career professionals at the Department of State for their extensive efforts to repatriate United States citizens and legal permanent residents during the COVID–19 pandemic. **Page S2922**

Measures Considered:

Taxpayer First Act—Agreement: Senate continued consideration of H.R. 1957, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to modernize and improve the Internal Revenue Service, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto:

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Pending:

McConnell (for Gardner) Amendment No. 1617, in the nature of a substitute. **Page S2903**

McConnell Amendment No. 1626 (to Amendment No. 1617), to change the enactment date. **Page S2903**

McConnell Amendment No. 1627 (to Amendment No. 1626), of a perfecting nature. **Page S2903**

McConnell Amendment No. 1628 (to the language proposed to be stricken by Amendment No. 1617), to change the enactment date. **Page S2903**

McConnell Amendment No. 1629 (to Amendment No. 1628), of a perfecting nature. **Page S2903**

McConnell motion to commit the bill to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, with instructions, McConnell Amendment No. 1630, to change the enactment date. **Page S2903**

McConnell Amendment No. 1631 (to (the instructions) Amendment No. 1630), of a perfecting nature. **Page S2903**

McConnell Amendment No. 1632 (to Amendment No. 1631), of a perfecting nature. **Page S2903**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill at approximately 12:01 a.m., on Friday, June 12, 2020. **Page S2948**

Nomination Received: Senate received the following nomination:

Anthony J. Tata, of Virginia, to be Under Secretary of Defense for Policy. **Page S2948**

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 9 p.m., until 12:01 a.m. on Friday, June 12, 2020. (For Senate’s program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today’s Record on page S2948.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on the Budget: Committee ordered favorably reported the nomination of Russell Vought, of Virginia, to be Director of the Office of Management and Budget.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee ordered favorably reported an authorization for subpoenas relating to the Crossfire Hurricane investigation, and the

nomination of Cory T. Wilson, of Mississippi, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Fifth Circuit.

SOCIAL ISOLATION AND LONELINESS DURING COVID-19

Special Committee on Aging: Committee concluded a hearing to examine combating social isolation and loneliness during the COVID-19 pandemic, after receiving testimony from Carla Perissinotto, the University of California School of Medicine, San Francisco; Peter Reed, University of Nevada School of Medicine, Reno; Betsy Sawyer-Manter, SeniorsPlus, Lewiston, Maine; and Najja Orr, Philadelphia Corporation for Aging, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 50 public bills, H.R. 2, 7147–7195; and 8 resolutions, H.J. Res. 90; H. Con. Res. 102; and H. Res. 995–1000, were introduced. **Pages H2387–89**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages H2391–92**

Report Filed: A report was filed today as follows:

H.R. 3250, to require the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a special resource study of the sites associated with the life and legacy of the noted American philanthropist and business executive Julius Rosenwald, with a special focus on the Rosenwald Schools, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 116–431). **Page H2387**

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein she appointed Representative Brown (MD) to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H2379**

Independent Mexico Labor Expert Board—Appointment: The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of the following individuals on the part of the House to the Independent Mexico Labor Expert Board for a term of 6 years: Ms. Catherine Feingold of Takoma Park, Maryland, and Mr. Frederick Gibson Ross of Berkeley, California. **Page H2379**

For the relief of Maria Carmen Castro Ramirez and J. Refugio Carreno Rojas: The House passed H.R. 1548, for the relief of Maria Carmen Castro Ramirez and J. Refugio Carreno Rojas. **Pages H2379–80**

Quorum Calls—Votes: There were no Yea and Nay votes, and there were no Recorded votes. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 9 a.m. and adjourned at 9:03 a.m.

Committee Meetings

INDIAN HEALTH SERVICE COVID-19 RESPONSE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies held a hearing entitled “Indian Health Service Covid-19 Response”. Testimony was heard from Rear Admiral Michael D. Weahkee, Director, Indian Health Service, Department of Health and Human Services; and public witnesses.

INCLUSIVE BANKING DURING A PANDEMIC: USING FEDACCOUNTS AND DIGITAL TOOLS TO IMPROVE DELIVERY OF STIMULUS PAYMENTS

Committee on Financial Services: Task Force on Financial Technology held a hearing entitled “Inclusive Banking During a Pandemic: Using FedAccounts and Digital Tools to Improve Delivery of Stimulus Payments”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

THE IMPACT OF COVID-19 ON VOTING RIGHTS AND ELECTION ADMINISTRATION: ENSURING SAFE AND FAIR ELECTIONS

Committee on House Administration: Subcommittee on Elections held a hearing entitled “The Impact of COVID-19 on Voting Rights and Election Administration: Ensuring Safe and Fair Elections”. Testimony was heard from Representatives Kaptur and Moore; R. Kyle Ardoin, Secretary of State, Louisiana;

John H. Merrill, Secretary of State, Alabama; and public witnesses.

PROMESA IMPLEMENTATION DURING THE CORONAVIRUS PANDEMIC

Committee on Natural Resources: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “PROMESA Implementation during the Coronavirus Pandemic”. Testimony was heard from Natalie Jaresko, Executive Director, Financial Oversight and Management Board for Puerto Rico; and Omar Marrero, Executive Director, Puerto Rico Fiscal Agency and Financial Advisory Authority.

ASSESSING VA’S RESPONSE TO THE COVID–19 PANDEMIC: 90 DAYS LATER

Committee on Veterans’ Affairs: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Assessing VA’s Response to the COVID–19 Pandemic: 90 Days Later”. Testimony was heard from Richard Stone, Executive in Charge, Veterans Health Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

**COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY,
JUNE 12, 2020**

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

House

Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, Full Committee, hearing entitled “The Role of AFG and SAFER Grants in COVID–19 Response”, 12:30 p.m., Webex.

Joint Meetings

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe: to receive a briefing on George Floyd, focusing on a time for transformation at home and abroad, 10 a.m., WEBEX.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

12:01 a.m., Friday, June 12

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

3 p.m., Monday, June 15

Senate Chamber

Program for Friday: Senate will continue consideration of H.R. 1957, Taxpayer First Act (the legislative vehicle for the Great American Outdoors Act), and vote on the motion to invoke cloture on McConnell (for Gardner) Amendment No. 1617, in the nature of a substitute, at approximately 1:01 a.m.

House Chamber

Program for Monday: House will meet in Pro Forma session at 3 p.m.

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