

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed H.R. 3237, Emergency Security Supplemental to Respond to January 6th Appropriations Act, as amended.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S5147–S5195

Measures Introduced: Forty-three bills and five resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2528–2570, S. Res. 328–331, and S. Con. Res. 11.

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Measures Passed:

Emergency Security Supplemental to Respond to January 6th Appropriations Act: By a unanimous vote of 98 yeas (Vote No. 287), Senate passed H.R. 3237, making emergency supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2021, by the order of the Senate of Thursday, July 29, 2021, 60 Senators having voted in the affirmative, and after taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto: **Pages S5154–56**

Adopted:

Shelby (for Cotton) Amendment No. 2124, to require a report to Congress on the health of the Afghan special immigrant visa program. **Page S5155**

Leahy/Shelby Amendment No. 2123, in the nature of a substitute. **Page S5155**

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

By 72 yeas to 26 nays (Vote No. 286), Senate agreed to the motion to waive all applicable sections of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 and any other applicable budget point of order for purposes of Leahy/Shelby Amendment No. 2123 (listed above). Subsequently, the point of order that the amendment would make new budget authority available for fiscal year 2021, was not sustained, and thus the point of order fell. **Page S5155**

PFAS Act: Senate passed S. 231, to direct the Administrator of the Federal Emergency Management Agency to develop guidance for firefighters and other emergency response personnel on best practices to protect them from exposure to PFAS and to limit

and prevent the release of PFAS into the environment, after withdrawing the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, and agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto: **Pages S5189–90**

Heinrich (for Peters) Amendment No. 2125, in the nature of a substitute. **Page S5190**

PRICE Act: Senate passed S. 583, to promote innovative acquisition techniques and procurement strategies, after agreeing to the committee amendments. **Pages S5190–92**

Gold Star Children's Day: Senate agreed to S. Res. 328, designating August 1, 2021, as "Gold Star Children's Day". **Pages S5192–93**

Senate Employee Child Care Center: Senate agreed to S. Res. 329, amending the eligibility criteria for the Senate Employee Child Care Center. **Page S5193**

Death of Former Senator Mike Enzi: Senate agreed to S. Res. 330, relating to the death of the Honorable Mike Enzi, former Senator for the State of Wyoming. **Page S5193**

Hip Hop Recognition: Senate agreed to S. Res. 331, designating August 11, 2021, as "Hip Hop Celebration Day", designating August 2021 as "Hip Hop Recognition Month", and designating November 2021 as "Hip Hop History Month". **Page S5193**

Measures Considered:

Invest in America Act—Agreement: Senate continued consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of H.R. 3684, to authorize funds for Federal-aid highways, highway safety programs, and transit programs. **Pages S5149–54**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill, post-cloture, at approximately 10:30 a.m., on Friday, July 30, 2021;

and that all post-cloture time on the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill expire at 11:30 a.m.

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Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

- 6 Air Force nominations in the rank of general.
 - 33 Army nominations in the rank of general.
 - 3 Marine Corps nominations in the rank of general.
 - 5 Navy nominations in the rank of admiral.
 - 1 Space Force nomination in the rank of general.
- Routine lists in the Air Force, Army, Foreign Service, Marine Corps, Navy, and Space Force.

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Frank A. Rose, of Massachusetts, to be Principal Deputy Administrator, National Nuclear Security Administration.

Deborah G. Rosenblum, of the District of Columbia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Defense.

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Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

- Thea D. Rozman Kendler, of Maryland, to be an Assistant Secretary of Commerce.
- 2 Air Force nominations in the rank of general.
- 2 Army nominations in the rank of general.
- 1 Marine Corps nomination in the rank of general.
- 1 Navy nomination in the rank of admiral.
- 2 Space Force nominations in the rank of general.

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Record Votes: Two record votes were taken today. (Total—287) Pages S5155–56

Adjournment: Senate convened at 10:30 a.m. and adjourned, as a further mark of respect to the memory of the late Senator Mike Enzi, in accordance with S. Res. 330, at 6:02 p.m., until 10:30 a.m. on Friday, July 30, 2021. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S5193.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Xochitl Torres Small, of New Mexico, to be Under Secretary for Rural Development, who was introduced by Senator Luján, and Robert Farrell Bonnie, of Virginia, to be Under Secretary for Farm Production and Conservation, both of the Department of Agriculture, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

KOREAN PENINSULA

Committee on Armed Services: Committee received a closed briefing on the security situation on the Korean Peninsula from national security briefers.

PROTECTING AMERICANS FROM DEBT TRAPS

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine protecting Americans from debt traps by extending the military's 36% interest rate cap to everyone, including S. 2508, to amend the Truth in Lending Act to extend the consumer credit protections provided to members of the Armed Forces and their dependents under title 10, United States Code, to all consumers, after receiving testimony from Representatives Grothman, Garcia (IL), and Loudermilk; Hollister K. Petraeus, former Assistant Director for Servicemember Affairs, Consumer Financial Protection Bureau, William M. Himpler, American Financial Services Association, and David Pommerehn, Consumer Bankers Association, all of Washington, D.C.; Ashley C. Harrington, Center for Responsible Lending, Durham, North Carolina; Richard Williams, Essential Federal Credit Union, Baton Rouge, Louisiana; and Thomas Miller, Jr., Mississippi State University, Mississippi.

PROMESA

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee concluded a hearing to examine S. 375 and H.R. 1192, bills to impose requirements on the payment of compensation to professional persons employed in voluntary cases commenced under title III of the Puerto Rico Oversight Management and Economic Stability Act (commonly known as "PROMESA"), after receiving testimony from Senator Menendez; Arthur J. Gonzalez, New York University School of Law, New York, New York; Stephen J. Lubben, Seton Hall Law School, Newark, New Jersey; and Anthony Suarez, Suarez Law Group, Orlando, Florida.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Subcommittee on Chemical Safety, Waste Management, Environmental Justice, and Regulatory Oversight concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Stephen A. Owens, of Arizona, Jennifer Beth Sass, of Maryland, and Sylvia E. Johnson, of North Carolina, each to be a Member of the Chemical Safety and Hazard Investigation Board, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 1425, to enable the Federal Trade Commission to deter filing of sham citizen petitions to cover an attempt to interfere with approval of a competing generic drug or biosimilar, to foster competition,

and facilitate the efficient review of petitions filed in good faith to raise legitimate public health concerns;

S. 1428, to prohibit brand name drug companies from compensating generic drug companies to delay the entry of a generic drug into the market, and to prohibit biological product manufacturers from compensating biosimilar and interchangeable companies to delay the entry of biosimilar biological products and interchangeable biological products, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 1388, to require the Federal Trade Commission to study the role of intermediaries in the pharmaceutical supply chain and provide Congress with appropriate policy recommendations; and

S. 1435, to amend the Federal Trade Commission Act to prohibit product hopping, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 77 public bills, H.R. 4785–4861; and 7 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 43–45; and H. Res. 571–574 were introduced. **Pages H4289–93**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages H4295–97**

Reports Filed: There were no reports filed today.

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein she appointed Representative Clark (MA) to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H4253**

Recess: The House recessed at 10:47 a.m. and reconvened at 12 noon. **Page H4258**

Recess: The House recessed at 12:17 p.m. and reconvened at 1 p.m. **Page H4260**

Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2022: The House passed H.R. 4502, making appropriations for the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2022, by a yea-and-nay vote of 219 yeas to 208 nays, Roll No. 247. Subsequently, Representative Pallone moved to reconsider the vote, and Representative DeLauro moved to table the motion to reconsider, which was agreed to by a yea-and-nay vote of 219 yeas to 209 nays, Roll No. 248.

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Rejected the Cole motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Appropriations, by a yea-and-nay vote of 208 yeas to 217 nays, Roll No. 246.

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Agreed to:

DeLauro en bloc amendment No. 5 consisting of the following amendments printed in part B of H. Rept. 117–109 that was debated on July 27th, 2021: Beatty (No. 110) that increases and decreases \$20 from the Department of Treasury with the intent to instruct the printing of \$20 Federal Notes which prominently feature the abolitionist, Harriet Tubman, and a public release of its draft; Cawthorn (No. 111) that increases FCC funding by \$1 million for mapping; Crow (No. 112) that increases SBA Entrepreneurial Development Programs (specifically for SCORE) by \$8.2 million, decreases GSA rental of space by the same amount; Dean (No. 113) that increases CDFI Program Integration for Individuals with Disabilities dedicated funding by \$2,000,000, to increase financial and technical assistance; Gomez (No. 116) that increases by \$5,000,000 funding for Small Business Development Centers to provide robust support for small businesses during their recovery from the pandemic; decreases GSA building operations by the same amount; Graves (LA) (No. 120) that increases and decreases the funds made available to ODA under this act by \$1 million to urge the SBA Administrator to consider a disaster loan recipient's eligibility for duplication of benefits relief under section 312(b)(4) of the Stafford Act before

pursuing enforcement actions; Huizenga (No. 125) that prohibits funds to nominate or approve PCAOB board members until the Commission issues rules for the Holding Foreign Companies Accountable Act; Jackson (No. 126) that prohibits the IRS from targeting people or groups for regulatory scrutiny based on their political beliefs; Keller (No. 128) that increases and decreases by \$5 million the operating expenses for the NPRC; Langevin (No. 129), as modified, that increases funding for the Office of the National Cyber Director by \$6.25 million in line with the recommendation of the Cyberspace Solarium Commission offset by a reduction to GSA—rental of space; Sean Patrick Maloney (NY) (No. 131) that increases and decreases the Financial Services and General Government Division by \$1,000,000 to highlight the need to improve information technology systems to provide real-time status updates for SBA loan applicants and recipients; Velázquez (No. 140) that increases the program level for SBA's 504/CDC loan program by \$750 million; Barragán (No. 142) that transfers \$1,000,000 from the Department of Interior Departmental Operations to the Environmental Protection Agency's Targeted Airshed Grant Program; also reflected in the topline for State and Tribal Assistance Grants Program, which increases by \$1,000,000; Buchanán (No. 144) that transfers \$2,000,000 to the United States Fish and Wildlife Service to study and submit to Congress a report on the current causes of and measures to prevent future deaths of the West Indian manatee in Florida, offset with a reduction to DOI Office of the Secretary; González-Colón (No. 151) that increases and decreases by \$650,000 funding for the U.S. Geological Survey's (USGS) Surveys, Investigations, and Research account to highlight the need to accelerate updating the seismic hazard model for Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands in an effort to save lives; Hudson (No. 155) that increases and decreases funding by \$153,302,000 to highlight public safety concerns of roads within the Uwharrie National Forest and the need to pave the roads; Johnson (No. 158) that increases U.S. Forest Service hazardous fuels management funding by \$2,000,000; reduces funding to capital improvements and maintenance by \$3,000,000; McCarthy (No. 160) that increases and decreases funding by \$13.05 million in the National Forest System account to support recovery and mitigation work following the SQF Complex Fire in the Sequoia National Forest; McKinley (No. 162) that increases and decreases funding for capitalization grants under Drinking Water State Revolving Funds by \$8,804,000 to emphasize an amount to be used; Nadler (No. 164) that decreases and increases funds by \$3,000,000 with the intent to support the 9/11 Memorial Act Grant Program; Napolitano (No. 165)

that increases and decreases funds by \$2 million for EPA Environmental Programs and Management to support water quality protection integrated planning activities under Section 402(s) of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act; Neguse (No. 166) that increases funding for Wildland Fire Management accounts at DOI and USDA by \$2 million and decreases funding for the DOI Office of the Secretary Departmental Operations by the same amount, to support fire preparedness and suppression, fire science and research, emergency rehabilitation, fuels management activities, and rural fire assistance; O'Halleran (No. 169) that increases and decreases funding for the Bureau of Indian Education—Education Construction account by \$5,000,000 to highlight the importance of funding to build and improve schools on tribal lands; Raskin (No. 174) that increases funding for the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum by \$2,000,000 and decreases the Working Capital Fund by the same amount; Salazar (No. 176) that increases and decreases funds by \$5 million to highlight the U.S. Geological Survey's National Land Level Change (NLLC) Map to allow USGS to move forward with a ground subsidence program which will leverage satellite imagery and the related data, services, and expertise from surveying, mapping, and geospatial professions; Schrier (No. 177) that increases funding by \$2,000,000 for the Office of Wildland Fire for the specific purpose of the Wildland Fire Leadership Council providing recommendations on addressing interjurisdictional fire reimbursement challenges, including the barriers small municipalities face in receiving funds; decreases funding for the Secretary of the Interior, Departmental Operations, by the same amount; Schweikert (No. 178) that increases and decreases funding by \$1 million to highlight advances in sensor technology for mobile air quality monitoring and to encourage EPA to focus on continuing to integrate this technology into their data quality information; Sherrill (No. 179) that provides an additional \$2,000,000 for the United States Geological Survey to be used to perform surveys, investigations, and research for harmful algal blooms, offset with a reduction to DOI Office of the Secretary; Slotkin (No. 180) that increases and decreases funding for the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum by \$1,000,000 to ensure that the Museum can continue to support Holocaust education and understanding in state and local communities by developing and disseminating curricula, lesson plans, workshops, and other educational resources to other Holocaust organizations, teachers, and other educational centers; Swalwell (No. 183) that increases funding for the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) by \$2,000,000 and decreases funding for the Secretary of the Interior,

Departmental Operations, by the same amount; Walberg (No. 184) that increases funding for EPA's Science and Technology program by \$2 million for research on Polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) and toxins resulting from harmful algal blooms and decreases funding for the Office of the Secretary by \$2 million; Barr (No. 186) that transfers \$5,000,000 from the VHA's Medical Community of Care Account to the VHA's Medical Services account for the explicit use of equine assisted therapy within the VA's Adaptive Sports Grant (ASG) Program; Buchanan (No. 187) that transfers \$2,000,000 to Medical and Prosthetic Research for the Department of Veterans Affairs to study and report to Congress on the deaths of veterans who died by suicide during the last five years; offset by a reduction to Veterans Benefits Administration General Operating Expenses; Carbajal (No. 188) that increases and decreases funding by \$5,000,000 with the intent to direct the Secretary to change the phone system to have local Community Based Outpatient Centers answer calls rather than routing calls to the major VA Medical Centers in an effort to reduce wait times for veterans on the phone and to provide more timely health services; Escobar (No. 189) that increases and decreases funding to make clear that States must disburse all funds under this division in accordance with Congressional intent and not for purposes not otherwise outlined in the corresponding report and bill text; Green (TN) (No. 190) that increases and decreases funding for Army barracks by \$90,200,000 to stress that improving housing for our military servicemembers must be a top priority for the Department of Defense; Hartzler (No. 192) that increases and decreases by \$5 million the Veterans Health Administration Medical Services account with the intent to support non-profit post traumatic growth organizations as a treatment for Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD); Hill (No. 193) that increases the VA's Office of General Counsel by \$1 million to support training for state-level Veteran Service Officers, offset by a decrease to Information Technology Systems pay and associated costs; Horsford (No. 194) that increases and decreases funding by \$2,000,000 for Military Construction, Air Force with the intent to support the study, planning, design, and architect and engineer services for the construction of Child Development Centers at Air Force installations without an existing dedicated, on-installation facility; Horsford (No. 195) that increases and decreases funding by \$5,000,000 for Military Construction, Army National Guard with the intent to support the construction of automated multipurpose machine gun ranges for Army National Guard use on Active-Duty Air Force installations; Latta (No. 196) that increases and decreases funding

by \$1,000,000 with the intent to urge the Department of Veterans Affairs to consult with the Department of Defense to identify, and refer for recruitment, separating Members of the Armed Forces who occupy a health care position; McCarthy (No. 197) that increases and decreases funding by \$45 million in the Readjustment Benefits account (Division F) to support full funding at the current authorized level for the Veteran Employment Through Technology Education Courses (VET TEC) program; Panetta (No. 198) that increases and decreases funding by \$4,000,000 for Military Construction, Army National Guard with the intent to support barrack improvement construction projects on Training Installation and Contingency Mobilization Force Generation Installations; Panetta (No. 199) that increases and decreases funding by \$1,000,000 for Military Construction, Army National Guard with the intent to support projects on military installations to improve and modernize wastewater treatment facilities; Pfluger (No. 200) that decreases and increases funding for Air Force MILCON account by \$45,000,000 to support for dormitory projects at Air Force training installations; Sherrill (No. 201) that increases and decreases funding for Medical Services within the Department of Veterans Affairs by \$10,000,000 to support the construction of nine additional Vet Centers, which provide much-needed mental health care for veterans; Sherrill (No. 202) that increases funding for the Burn Pits Center of Excellence, which does critical research into toxic exposure, by \$1,000,000, offset by a decrease to VA General Administration; Speier (No. 203) that increases and decreases funding in Army Military Construction by \$15 billion with the intent to express great displeasure with the Defense Department's failure to prioritize fixing poor and failing military child development center facilities projects in its budget request and its failure to request sufficient funds to be on track to modernize all substandard barracks within 10 years; Steil (No. 204) that decreases and increases the Veterans Affairs Office of Inspector General account by \$1 million to express Congressional intent that at least \$1 million be provided for the oversight of veteran long term care facilities; Adams (No. 205), as modified, that decreases by \$2 million the HUD Administrative Support Offices (Office of the Assistant Secretary for Administration) and increase by \$2 million Self-Sufficiency Programs (\$1 million to JobsPlus and Resident Opportunity Self-Sufficiency [ROSS] respectively); Allred (No. 206) that increases and decreases funds by \$1,000,000 to express the intent that the Secretary of Transportation shall waive repayment of any Federal-aid highway funds expended on the construction of high occupancy vehicle lanes constructed on US 75 in

Dallas County and Collin County; Cicilline (No. 209) that increases and decreases by \$55 million the Highway Infrastructure Programs account for the purpose of encouraging the Secretary of Transportation to issue a request for nominations under the National Scenic Byways Program; Kahele (No. 223) that prohibits funding for the new foreign air carrier permits that are not in compliance with public interest standards; Sean Patrick Maloney (NY) (No. 224) that increases and decreases funds by \$2,000,000 with the intent of reserving funds in the HUD SHOP account specifically for providing grants to facilitate the abatement and removal of environmental hazards in homes being rehabilitated to national and regional organizations and consortia that have experience in providing for or facilitating the abatement of environmental hazards from homes; Norton (No. 225) that increases and decreases by \$1 the FAA Operations budget with the intent to urge the FAA to prioritize efforts to combat airplane and helicopter noise; Schrier (No. 227) that increases and decreases by \$1 the Salaries and Expenses budget of the Federal Maritime Commission (FMC) with the intent to urge FMC to enhance assistance provided to U.S. exporters and importers and other domestic supply chain participants; and Sherrill (No. 228) that increases and decreases funding for Amtrak's Northeast Corridor by \$5 million, in order to highlight the critical need for rail project financing (by a yea-and-nay vote of 371 yeas to 55 nays, Roll No. 244); and

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DeLauro en bloc amendment No. 6 consisting of the following amendments printed in part B of H. Rept. 117–109 that was debated on July 27, 2021: Escobar (No. 114) that increases and decreases funding to make clear that States must disburse all funds under this division in accordance with Congressional intent and not for purposes not otherwise outlined in the corresponding report and bill text; Gomez (No. 115) that increases and decreases by \$1,000,000 funding for the Community Volunteer Income Tax Assistance Matching Grants Program with the intent to ensure greater support is available to help people in underserved communities claim the enhanced Child Tax Credit, Earned Income Tax Credit, and other tax relief provided by the American Rescue Plan Act; Hoyer (No. 124) that increases and decreases the Election Security Grants account by \$4,000,000 with the intent to support the Help America Vote College Poll Worker Program; Jayapal (No. 127) that increases and decreases funding for the IRS by \$1,000,000,000 with the intent to ensure the agency reviews that flagged suspicious activity for credit mailings like economic impact payments or the child tax credit are not flagged due to the volume of mailings being sent to a homeless

service providers, like shelters, receiving mail for unhoused individuals; Levin (MI) (No. 130) that increases and decreases by \$1 million funding for the United States Postal Service to highlight that a mailbox should not be installed within the premises of or in close proximity to a facility, factory, warehouse, or other work location during, or within 30 days, of a union representation election conducted under section 9 of the National Labor Relation Act; McGovern (No. 132) that transfers \$2,500,000 to OMB for the purpose of convening a White House Conference on Food, Nutrition, Hunger and Health, and for the purpose of conducting a government-wide review and report in preparation for the Conference; Norton (No. 133) that prohibits the Securities and Exchange Commission from using funds to enter directly into leases for a headquarters; Omar (No. 134) that increases and decreases funds at the Office of Macroeconomic Analysis (under the Office of Economic Policy) by \$1 million with the intent of studying the Genuine Progress Indicator and other alternative economic measures that could help supplement GDP calculations on the federal level; Omar (No. 135) that increases and decreases funds at FinCEN by \$1,000,000 to support studying access to remittances to fragile countries and how shifts in remittance flows to non-banking channels is affecting Treasury's ability to monitor financial crimes and money transmitters' and charities' abilities to remit or transfer funds from the United States to such countries; Blumenauer (No. 143) that increase Bureau of Indian Affairs' Operation of Indian Programs account by \$1,200,000 to fully fund the operations and maintenance needs of the Columbia River In-Lieu and Treaty Fishing Access Sites offset with a decrease to DOI Office of the Secretary—Departmental Operations; Escobar (No. 149) that increases and decreases funding to make clear that States must disburse all funds under this division in accordance with Congressional intent and not for purposes not otherwise outlined in the corresponding report and bill text; Jackson Lee (No. 157) that increases and decreases funding for Environmental Programs and Management by \$5 million to highlight the need to support culturally competent federal, state, and local public health and environmental protection efforts to address cancer clusters impacting overburdened communities in the gulf coast region; McNerney (No. 163) that increases and decreases by \$15,000,000 the Department of Interior's United States Geological Survey (USGS) budget for the purposes of emphasizing the role of USGS in providing technical assistance in the development and implementation of science-based, sustainable groundwater management plans, especially in drought-afflicted areas; Omar (No. 170) that increases and decreases

funds by \$1,000,000 to ensure the NEA reserves grant funding for the preservation of public art related to civil rights protests; Ross (No. 175) that prohibits the use of funds to implement the withdrawal of certain areas of the outer continental shelf from offshore wind leasing activities off the coasts of Florida, Georgia, South Carolina, and North Carolina; Speier (No. 181) that increases funding for EPA Geographic Programs by \$5 million with the intent of increasing funding for the San Francisco Bay estuary from \$25 million to \$30 million; Strickland (No. 182) that decreases and increases funding in the Environmental Protection Agency Science and Technology Account by \$1 million to fund research into 6PPD-quinone, the toxic chemical in tires and recycled rubber causing ongoing harm to coho salmon in the Pacific Northwest, and to study its effects on other fish species; Bush (No. 207) that transfers \$2.4 million from the Office of the Secretary at the Department of Transportation to the Zero Emissions Bus program; Bush (No. 208) that provides an additional \$5 million in funding for the HUD incremental voucher program to support survivors of domestic violence and unhoused individuals and families; reduces administrative and other expenses of public housing agencies in administering section 8 by \$5 million; Escobar (No. 210) that increases and decreases the grants-in-aid for airports program to emphasize the need for funding to projects addressing climate change and airports across the country; Escobar (No. 211) that increases funding for the Low-No Emission Bus Grant account to ensure economically disadvantaged communities benefit from this program; Escobar (No. 212) that increases funding for the Climate Resilience and Adaptation Competitive Grants account to ensure economically disadvantaged communities will benefit from this program; Escobar (No. 213) that increases and decreases funding to make clear that States must disburse all funds under this division in accordance with Congressional intent and not for purposes not otherwise outlined in the corresponding report and bill text; Gottheimer (No. 214) that increases and decreases by \$1,000,000 the Federal Highway Administration obligation limitation account to emphasize the importance of federal money not being used for the construction of an artificial wall between mile posts 1.04 and 1.45 along Interstate 80 in Knowlton and Hardwick Townships, New Jersey; Jackson Lee (No. 216) that prohibits the Department of Transportation from using funds for Section 106 Transportation construction projects in urban areas that have not been determined to meet the statutory obligations of the National Historic Preservation Act; Jackson Lee (No. 217) that increases by \$1,000,000 the Office of Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity

to address the fairness in the use of Community Development Block Grant Disaster funding to repair or replace single family homes damaged during Hurricane Harvey to ensure that multigenerational homes can house the family at documented pre-disaster capacity, offset by a decrease to the Office of Community Planning and Development; Jackson Lee (No. 218) that provides \$1,000,000 in assistance to address challenges faced by communities impacted by persistent poverty and are not included in decision making when major highway construction threatens their homes, businesses, and culturally significant structures; Jackson Lee (No. 219) that increases and decreases by \$1 million the Federal Rail Administration Safety and Operation's account to emphasize the need to provide dedicated funding to address community engagement on safety issues related railroad crossings in urban areas; Jackson Lee (No. 220) that increases and decreases the National Infrastructure Investments account by \$1,000,000 to emphasize support for urban bicycle and pedestrian safety programs; Jayapal (No. 221) that increases and decreases Homeless Assistance Grants account by \$3,420,000,000 with the intent to clarify that funds provided under the division can be used to safeguard or protect the life-sustaining activities of sleeping, resting, and eating among persons experiencing unsheltered homelessness; Jones (No. 222) that increases and decreases funding by \$1,000,000 for the Thriving Communities program to emphasize the need to eliminate persistent transportation barriers in historically underserved and under-resourced communities and support prioritizing projects that enhance connections to places of employment and economic activity; and Omar (No. 226) that increases and decreases funds at the Office of Manufactured Housing Programs for the purposes of studying the COVID-related economic barriers faced by manufactured homeowners and how federal housing assistance could better serve this population (by a yea-and-nay vote of 221 yeas to 206 nays, Roll No. 245).

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H. Res. 555, the rule providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 4502) was agreed to Tuesday, July 27th.

Agreed that in the engrossment of the bill, the clerk be authorized to correct section numbers, punctuation, spelling, and cross-references, and to make such other technical and conforming changes as may be necessary to reflect the actions of the House.

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Motion to Adjourn: Rejected the Roy motion to adjourn by a yea-and-nay vote of 173 yeas to 242 nays, Roll No. 249.

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

Emergency Security Supplemental to Respond to January 6th Appropriations Act, 2021: Senate amendment to H.R. 3237, making emergency supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2021, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yea-and-nay vote of 416 yeas to 11 nays, Roll No. 250.

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Suspensions—Proceedings Resumed: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measure. Consideration began Monday, July 26th.

Authorizing the Secretary of the Interior to designate the September 11th National Memorial Trail: H.R. 2278, amended, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to designate the September 11th National Memorial Trail, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yea-and-nay vote of 423 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 251. Subsequently, Representative Stanton moved to reconsider the vote, and Representative DeLauro moved to table the motion to reconsider, which was agreed to by a yea-and-nay vote of 239 yeas to 181 nays, Roll No. 252;

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Agreed to amend the title so as to read: “To designate the September 11th National Memorial Trail Route, and for other purposes.”;

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Amache National Historic Site Act: H.R. 2497, amended, to establish the Amache National Historic Site in the State of Colorado as a unit of the National Park System, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yea-and-nay vote of 416 yeas to 2 nays, Roll No. 253;

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Agreed to amend the title so as to read: “To establish the Amache National Historic Site in the State of Colorado as a Unit of the National Park System, and for other purposes.”;

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Alexander Lofgren Veterans in Parks (VIP) Act: H.R. 4300, amended, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to make free National Parks and Federal Recreational Lands Passes available to members of the Armed Forces, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yea-and-nay vote of 420 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 254; and

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Agreed to amend the title so as to read: “To direct the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture to make free National Parks and Federal Recreational Lands Passes available to members of the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.”.

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Senate Message: Message received from the Senate today appears on page H4264.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Eleven yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H4260–61, H4261–62, H4262–63,

H4263, H4264, H4268, H4269–70, H4270, H4271, H4271–72, and H4272–73.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 8:28 p.m.

Committee Meetings

1ST CENTURY FOOD SYSTEMS: CONTROLLED ENVIRONMENT AGRICULTURE'S ROLE IN PROTECTING DOMESTIC FOOD SUPPLY CHAINS AND INFRASTRUCTURE

Committee On Agriculture: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “21st Century Food Systems: Controlled Environment Agriculture’s Role in Protecting Domestic Food Supply Chains and Infrastructure”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURE

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Tactical Air and Land Forces held a markup on H.R. 4350, the “National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2022”. H.R. 4350 was forwarded to the full Committee, without amendment.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURE

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Readiness held a markup on H.R. 4350, the “National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2022”. H.R. 4350 was forwarded to the full Committee, without amendment.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURE

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Intelligence and Special Operations held a markup on H.R. 4350, the “National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2022”. H.R. 4350 was forwarded to the full Committee, without amendment.

KEEPING THE PELL GRANT PROMISE: INCREASING ENROLLMENT, SUPPORTING SUCCESS

Committee on Education and Labor: Subcommittee on Higher Education and Workforce Investment, hearing entitled “Keeping the Pell Grant Promise: Increasing Enrollment, Supporting Success”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

THE PATH FORWARD: ADVANCING TREATMENTS AND CURES FOR NEURODEGENERATIVE DISEASES

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Health, hearing entitled “The Path Forward: Advancing Treatments and Cures for Neurodegenerative Diseases”. Testimony was heard from the following Department of Health and Human Services officials: Patrizia Cavazzoni, M.D., Director, Center for Drug

Evaluation and Research, U.S. Food and Drug Administration; Richard J. Hodes, M.D., Director, National Institute on Aging; and Walter J. Koroshetz, M.D., Director, National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke, National Institute of Health; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Financial Services: Full Committee concluded a markup on H.R. 4590, the “Promoting New and Diverse Depository Institutions Act”; H.R. 3332, the “Manufactured Housing Community Preservation Act of 2021”; H.R. 4616, the “Adjustable Interest Rate Act of 2021”; H.R. 4618, the “Short Sale Transparency and Market Fairness Act”; H.R. 4685, to require the Government Accountability Office to carry out a study on the impact of the gamification, psychological nudges, and other design techniques used by online trading platforms, and for other purposes; H.R. 4617, to amend the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 to prohibit payment for order flow; H.R. 935, the “Small Business Mergers, Acquisitions, Sales, and Brokerage Simplification Act of 2021”; H.R. 4620, to amend the Investment Advisers Act of 1940 to limit the exemption provided for family offices from the definition of an investment adviser to those family offices with less than \$750,000,000 in assets under management and for other purposes; H.R. 4619, to amend the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 to prohibit trading ahead by market makers, and for other purposes; H.R. 3555, the “Voters on the Move Registration Act”; and H.R. 2265, the “Financial Exploitation Prevention Act of 2021”. H.R. 4590, H.R. 4618, H.R. 4619, H.R. 4685, H.R. 4620, H.R. 3555, H.R. 3332, H.R. 4617, H.R. 2265, H.R. 4616, and H.R. 935 were ordered reported, as amended.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Full Committee concluded a markup on H.R. 4589, the “Diversity and Inclusion at the State Department Act”; H.R. 4693, the “Global Malnutrition Prevention and Treatment Act of 2021”; H.R. 1199, the “STEM Diplomacy Act”; H. Res. 496, supporting the continued work of the United States African Development Foundation as it creates pathways to prosperity for underserved communities on the African Continent through community-led development; H.R. 2946, the “Reinforcing Nicaragua’s Adherence to Conditions for Electoral Reform Act of 2021”; H.R. 4250, the “War Crimes Rewards Expansion Act”; H. Res. 497, condemning the murder of Alireza Fazeli Monfared and the practice of so-called “honor killings” in Iran, and for other purposes; H.R. 4526, the “City and State Diplomacy Act”; H. Res. 549, condemning the assassination of the Haitian Presi-

dent, and urging United States and global support of Haitian-led solutions; H. Res. 547, calling for the continued support of Afghan women and girls after the drawdown of American troops; H. Res. 376, condemning Turkey for its illegal occupation of Cyprus; and H.R. 4686, the “Cambodia Democracy Act of 2021”. H. Res. 549, H. Res. 547, H.R. 4686, H.R. 4589, H. Res. 496 were ordered reported, as amended. H.R. 4693, H.R. 1199, H.R. 2946, H.R. 4250, H. Res. 497, and H.R. 4526 were ordered reported, without amendment.

LEBANON: ASSESSING POLITICAL PARALYSIS, ECONOMIC CRISIS AND CHALLENGES FOR U.S. POLICY

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on the Middle East, North Africa, and Global Counterterrorism held a hearing entitled “Lebanon: Assessing Political Paralysis, Economic Crisis and Challenges for U.S. Policy”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

RENEWABLE ENERGY TRANSITION: A CASE STUDY OF HOW INTERNATIONAL COLLABORATION ON OFFSHORE WIND TECHNOLOGY BENEFITS AMERICAN WORKERS

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on Europe, Energy, the Environment, and Cyber held a hearing entitled “Renewable Energy Transition: A Case Study of How International Collaboration on Offshore Wind Technology Benefits American Workers”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

THE CYBER TALENT PIPELINE: EDUCATING A WORKFORCE TO MATCH TODAY’S THREATS

Committee on Homeland Security: Subcommittee on Cybersecurity, Infrastructure Protection, and Innovation held a hearing entitled “The Cyber Talent Pipeline: Educating a Workforce to Match Today’s Threats”. Testimony was heard from Ralph Ley, Department Manager, Workforce Development and Training Infrastructure Assurance and Analysis Division, National and Homeland Security, Idaho National Laboratory, Department of Energy; and public witnesses.

LEGISLATIVE MEASURES

Committee on Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Water, Oceans, and Wildlife held a hearing on H.R. 273, the “Prevention of Escapement of Genetically Altered Salmon in the United States Act”; H.R. 274, the “Keep Finfish Free Act”; H.R. 1569, the “Critically Endangered Animals Conservation Act of 2021”; H.R. 1983, the “MONARCH Act of 2021”; H.R. 2026, the “Global Amphibian Protection Act

of 2021”; H.R. 2325, the “Bear Protection Act of 2021”; H.R. 2773, the “Recovering America’s Wildlife Act of 2021”; H.R. 2793, the “Highlands Conservation Reauthorization Act of 2021”; H.R. 2848, the “Marine Mammal Research and Response Act of 2021”; H.R. 2872, the “SAFE Act”; H.R. 3075, the “Illegal Fishing and Forced Labor Prevention Act”; H.R. 3128, the “American Fisheries Advisory Committee Act of 2021”; H.R. 3135, the “Captive Primate Safety Act”; H.R. 3396, the “Extinction Prevention Act of 2021”; and H.R. 4458, the “KELP Act”. Testimony was heard from Representatives Young, Panetta, Dingell, Murphy of Florida, and Blumenauer; Janet Coit, Assistant Administrator, National Marine Fisheries Service, Acting Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Oceans and Atmosphere, and Deputy National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration Administrator, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Department of Commerce; Stephen Guertin, Deputy Director for Policy, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior; and public witnesses.

DEMOCRACY IN DANGER: THE ASSAULT ON VOTING RIGHTS IN TEXAS

Committee on Oversight and Reform: Subcommittee on Civil Rights and Civil Liberties held a hearing entitled “Democracy in Danger: The Assault on Voting Rights in Texas”. Testimony was heard from the following Texas State Representatives: Senfronia Thompson, Nicole Collier, Diego Bernal, and Travis Clardy; and a public witness.

ENABLING MISSION SUCCESS FROM THE GROUND UP: ADDRESSING NASA’S URGENT INFRASTRUCTURE NEEDS

Committee on Science, Space, and Technology: Subcommittee on Space and Aeronautics held a hearing entitled “Enabling Mission Success from the Ground Up: Addressing NASA’s Urgent Infrastructure Needs”. Testimony was heard from Robert Gibbs, Associate Administrator for the Mission Support Directorate, National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Small Business: Full Committee held a markup on H.R. 4256, the “Investing in Main Street Act”; H.R. 4481, the “Small Business 7(a) Loan Agent Transparency Act”; H.R. 4531, the “7(a) Loan Agent Oversight Act”, H.R. 3469, “Veteran Entrepreneurship Training Act of 2021”; H.R. 3462, the “SBA Cyber Awareness Act”; H.R. 4515, the “Small Business Development Center Cyber Training Act of 2021”; and H.R. 4513, the “Small Business Advanced Cybersecurity Enhancements Act of 2021”. H.R. 4256, H.R. 4481, H.R. 4531, H.R.

3469, H.R. 3462, H.R. 4515, and H.R. 4513 were ordered reported, without amendment.

ASSESSING THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT’S COVID–19 RELIEF AND RESPONSE EFFORTS AND ITS IMPACT

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Assessing the Federal Government’s COVID–19 Relief and Response Efforts and its Impact”. Testimony was heard from Michael E. Horowitz, Chair, Pandemic Response Accountability Committee, Council of the Inspectors General on Integrity and Efficiency; Heather Krause, Director, Physical Infrastructure Issues, Government Accountability Office; Chris Currie, Director, Homeland Security and Justice Issues, Government Accountability Office; Eric J. Soskin, Inspector General, Department of Transportation; James Izzard, Assistant Inspector General for Investigations, Department of Homeland Security; and public witnesses.

FINANCING CLIMATE SOLUTIONS AND JOB CREATION

Select Committee on the Climate Crisis: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Financing Climate Solutions and Job Creation”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING; THE NATURE AND CONSEQUENCES OF AMERICAN ECONOMIC DISPARITY

Select Committee on Economic Disparity and Fairness in Growth: Full Committee held an organizational meeting, and a hearing entitled “The Nature and Consequences of American Economic Disparity”. The Committee adopted its Rules for the 117th Congress. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

BUSINESS MEETING

Select Committee on the Modernization of Congress: Full Committee held a business meeting to consider proposed recommendations to Improve Staff Recruitment, Diversity, Retention, and Compensation and Benefits; Professionalize Internships and Fellowships; and Improve Accessibility. Proposed recommendations to Improve Staff Recruitment, Diversity, Retention, and Compensation and Benefits; Professionalize Internships and Fellowships; and Improve Accessibility were adopted.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D822)

S. 957, to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to ensure that certain medical facilities of the Department of Veterans Affairs have physical locations for the disposal of controlled substances medications. Signed on July 29, 2021. (Public Law 117–29)

S. 1910, to authorize major medical facility projects of the Department of Veterans Affairs for fiscal year 2021. Signed on July 29, 2021. (Public Law 117–30)

**COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY,
JULY 30, 2021**

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

House

No hearings are scheduled.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

10:30 a.m., Friday, July 30

Senate Chamber

Program for Friday: Senate will continue consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of H.R. 3684, INVEST in America Act, post-cloture, and vote on the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill at 11:30 a.m.

Following disposition of the motion to proceed to consideration of H.R. 3684, Senate will vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the nomination of Ur Mendoza Jaddou, of California, to be Director of the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services, Department of Homeland Security. If cloture is invoked on the nomination, there will be up to two hours of debate and Senate will then vote on confirmation thereon.

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

9 a.m., Friday, July 30

House Chamber

Program for Friday: To be announced.

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