

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate agreed to the motion to concur in the amendment of the House to S. 140, Frank LoBiondo Coast Guard Authorization Act, with a further amendment.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S6937–S6968

Measures Introduced: Thirteen bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 3615–3627, and S. Res. 687. **Pages S6963–64**

Measures Reported:

S. 2861, to prosecute, as a Federal crime, the assault or intimidation of a passenger train crew member to the same extent as such actions against aircraft crew members are prosecuted, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 115–356)

S. 2941, to improve the Cooperative Observer Program of the National Weather Service, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 115–357)

S. 1012, to provide for drought preparedness measures in the State of New Mexico, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 115–358)

S. 3001, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain land and facilities of the Central Valley Project, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 115–359)

H.R. 2156, to provide for the establishment of a national memorial and national monument to commemorate those killed by the collapse of the Saint Francis Dam on March 12, 1928, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 115–360)

H.R. 4446, to amend the Virgin Islands of the United States Centennial Commission Act to extend the expiration date of the Commission. (S. Rept. No. 115–361)

H.R. 6040, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain land and facilities of the Central Valley Project. (S. Rept. No. 115–362)

H.R. 5317, to repeal section 2141 of the Revised Statutes to remove the prohibition on certain alcohol manufacturing on Indian lands. (S. Rept. No. 115–363)

S. 884, to amend the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1993 to require the Bureau of Land Management to provide a claimant of a small miner waiver from claim maintenance fees with a period of 60 days after written receipt of 1 or more defects is provided to the claimant by registered mail to cure the 1 or more defects or pay the claim maintenance fee, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 115–364)

H.R. 2630, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain land to La Paz County, Arizona, with amendments. (S. Rept. No. 115–365)

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House Messages:

Frank LoBiondo Coast Guard Authorization Act: By 94 yeas to 6 nays (Vote No. 241), Senate agreed to the motion to concur in the amendment of the House to S. 140, to amend the White Mountain Apache Tribe Water Rights Quantification Act of 2010 to clarify the use of amounts in the WMAT Settlement Fund, with a further amendment proposed thereto: **Page S6940**

McConnell (for Thune) Modified Amendment No. 4054, in the nature of a substitute. **Page S6940**

Appointments:

National Security Commission on Artificial Intelligence: The Chair, pursuant to Public Law 115–232, on behalf of the Majority Leader of the Senate and the Chairman of the Select Committee on Intelligence, appointed the following individual as a member of the National Security Commission on Artificial Intelligence: Jason Matheny, of the District of Columbia. **Page S6967**

United States-China Economic and Security Review Commission: The Chair announced, on behalf of the Majority Leader, pursuant to the provisions of Public Law 106–398, as amended by Public Law 108–7, and in consultation with the Chairmen of the Senate Committee on Armed Services and the Senate Committee on Finance, the re-appointment of the following individual to serve as a member of the United States-China Economic and Security Review Commission: Robin Cleveland, of Virginia, for a term expiring December 31, 2020. **Page S6967**

Certain Defense Articles and Services to the Government of the Kingdom of Bahrain—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that at approximately 11 a.m., on Thursday, November 15, 2018, and notwithstanding the provisions of Rule XXII, Senator Paul be recognized under the order of Tuesday, November 13, 2018, in relation to S.J. Res. 65, relating to the disapproval of the proposed export to the Government of the Kingdom of Bahrain of certain defense articles and services, and that the time in relation to the motion to discharge be equally divided between the proponents and opponents until 12:15 p.m., and Senate vote on or in relation to the motion at that time. **Page S6967**

Bowman Nomination—Agreement: Senate resumed consideration of the nomination of Michelle Bowman, of Kansas, to be a Member of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System. **Pages S6941–58**

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

By 63 yeas to 36 nays (Vote No. EX. 242), Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the nomination. **Pages S6940–41**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that notwithstanding the provisions of Rule XXII, following disposition of the motion to discharge S.J. Res. 65, relating to the disapproval of the proposed export to the Government of the Kingdom of Bahrain of certain defense articles and services, Senate continue consideration of the nomination, post-cloture, with all post-cloture time on the nomination expiring at 1:45 p.m. **Page S6967**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Joseph V. Cuffari, of Arizona, to be Inspector General, Department of Homeland Security.

Neomi J. Rao, of the District of Columbia, to be United States Circuit Judge for the District of Columbia Circuit.

1 Coast Guard nomination in the rank of admiral. Routine lists in the Air Force, Army, Coast Guard, and Marine Corps. **Page S6968**

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Record Votes: Two record votes were taken today. (Total—242)	Pages S6940–41
Adjournment: Senate convened at 2 p.m. and adjourned at 7:23 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Thursday, November 15, 2018. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S6967.)	

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

DOD CYBERSECURITY ACQUISITION AND PRACTICES

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Cybersecurity concluded a hearing to examine the Department of Defense's cybersecurity acquisition and practices from the private sector, after receiving testimony from Dmitri Alperovitch, CrowdStrike Inc.; Major General John Davis, USA (Ret.), Palo Alto Networks; Francis Landolf, Core Consulting, LLC; and Ronald Nielsen, Parsons Corporation.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Patricia Mahoney, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Benin, Richard Carlton Paschall III, of North Carolina, to be Ambassador to the Republic of The Gambia, and Susan N. Stevenson, of Washington, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Equatorial Guinea, all of the Department of State, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Indian Affairs: Committee ordered favorably reported S. 1942, to direct the Attorney General to review, revise, and develop law enforcement and justice protocols appropriate to address missing and murdered Indians, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

INDIAN AFFAIRS LEGISLATION

Committee on Indian Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine S. 2788, to repeal the Act entitled “An Act to confer jurisdiction on the State of North Dakota over offenses committed by or against Indians on the Devils Lake Indian Reservation”, H.R. 2606, to amend the Act of August 4, 1947 (commonly known as the Stigler Act), with respect to restrictions applicable to Indians of the Five Civilized Tribes of Oklahoma, and H.R. 4032, to confirm undocumented Federal rights-of-way or ease-

ments on the Gila River Indian Reservation, clarify the northern boundary of the Gila River Indian Community’s Reservation, to take certain land located in Maricopa County and Pinal County, Arizona, into trust for the benefit of the Gila River Indian Community, after receiving testimony from Darryl LaCounte, Acting Director, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior; James R. Floyd, Muscogee (Creek) Nation, Okmulgee, Oklahoma; Douglas Yankton, Spirit Lake Tribe, Fort Totten, North Dakota; and Barney B. Enos, Jr., Gila River Indian Community, Sacaton, Arizona.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 10 public bills, H.R. 7124–7133; 2 private bills, H.R. 7134–7135; and 2 resolutions, H. Res. 1146–1147, were introduced.

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Additional Cosponsors:

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 2069, to provide priority under certain federally assisted housing programs to assist youths who are aging out of foster care, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 115–1023);

H.R. 2570, to amend the Truth in Lending Act to clarify that the points and fees in connection with a mortgage loan do not include certain compensation amounts already taken into account in setting the interest rate on such loan, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 115–1024);

H.R. 2683, to amend the Fair Credit Reporting Act to delay the inclusion in consumer credit reports and to establish requirements for debt collectors with respect to medical debt information of veterans due to inappropriate or delayed billing payments or reimbursements from the Department of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 115–1025);

H.R. 1511, to amend the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act to meet the needs of homeless children, youth, and families, and honor the assessments and priorities of local communities, with amendments (H. Rept. 115–1026, Part 1);

H.R. 3288, to amend title 40, United States Code, to promote regional economic and infrastructure development, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 115–1027, Part 1); and

H.R. 4177, to enhance the Federal Government’s planning and preparation for extreme weather and

the Federal Government’s dissemination of best practices to respond to extreme weather, thereby increasing resilience, improving regional coordination, and mitigating the financial risk to the Federal Government from such extreme weather, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 115–1028, Part 1).

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Guest Chaplain: The prayer was offered by Jason Smith, Deputy Parliamentarian, U.S. House of Representatives, Washington, D.C.

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Recess: The House recessed at 12:12 p.m. and reconvened at 3:46 p.m.

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Manage our Wolves Act—Rule for consideration: The House agreed to H. Res. 1142, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 6784) to provide for removal of the gray wolf in the contiguous 48 States from the List of Endangered and Threatened Wildlife published under the Endangered Species Act of 1973, by a yea-and-nay vote of 201 yeas to 187 nays, Roll No. 418.

Pages H9514–22

Suspension—Proceedings Resumed: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measure. Consideration began Tuesday, November 13th.

Authorizing the Secretary of the Interior to grant to States and local governments easements and rights-of-way over Federal land within Gateway National Recreation Area for construction, operation, and maintenance of projects for control and prevention of flooding and shoreline erosion: H.R. 6666, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to grant to States and local governments easements and rights-of-way over Federal land within Gateway National Recreation Area for construction, operation, and maintenance of projects for control and prevention of flooding and shoreline erosion.

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Quorum Calls—Votes: One yea-and-nay vote developed during the proceedings of today and appears on pages H9521–22. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 12 noon and adjourned at 5:27 p.m.

Committee Meetings

INTERAGENCY CYBER COOPERATION: ROLES, RESPONSIBILITIES AND AUTHORITIES OF THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE AND THE DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Emerging Threats and Capabilities; and Subcommittee on Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Protection of the House Committee on Homeland Security held a joint hearing entitled “Interagency Cyber Cooperation: Roles, Responsibilities and Authorities of the Department of Defense and the Department of Homeland Security”. Testimony was heard from Jeanette Manfra, Assistant Secretary for the Office of Cybersecurity and Communications, Department of Homeland Security; Kenneth Rapuano, Assistant Secretary of Defense for Homeland Defense and Global Security, and Principal Cyber Advisor, Department of Defense; and Lieutenant General Bradford J. Shwedo, Director for Command, Control, Communications and Computers /Cyber, Chief Information Officer, Joint Chiefs of Staff. A portion of this hearing was closed.

SEMI-ANNUAL TESTIMONY ON THE FEDERAL RESERVE’S SUPERVISION AND REGULATION OF THE FINANCIAL SYSTEM

Committee on Financial Services: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Semi-Annual Testimony on the Federal Reserve’s Supervision and Regulation of the Financial System”. Testimony was heard from Randal Quarles, Vice Chairman for Supervision, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System.

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE COUNTERTERRORISM BUREAU: ENSURING RESOURCES MATCH OBJECTIVES

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on Terrorism, Nonproliferation, and Trade held a hearing entitled “U.S. Department of State Counterterrorism Bureau: Ensuring Resources Match Objectives”. Testimony was heard from Nathan Alexander Sales, Coordinator for Counterterrorism, Bureau of Counterterrorism and Countering Violent Extremism, Department of State.

180-DAY REVIEW OF THE ELECTRONIC HEALTH RECORD MODERNIZATION PROGRAM

Committee on Veterans’ Affairs: Subcommittee on Technology Modernization held a hearing entitled “180-Day Review of the Electronic Health Record Modernization Program”. Testimony was heard from John Windom, Executive Director, Office of Electronic Health Record Modernization, Department of Veterans Affairs; and a public witness.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 2018

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: to hold hearings to examine the semiannual testimony on the Federal Reserve’s supervision and regulation of the financial system, 10 a.m., SD–538.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Rita Baranwal, of Pennsylvania, to be an Assistant Secretary of Energy (Nuclear Energy), Bernard L. McNamee, of Virginia, to be a Member of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, and Raymond David Vela, of Texas, to be Director of the National Park Service, Department of the Interior, 10 a.m., SD–366.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: to hold hearings to examine funding needs for wildlife conservation, recovery, and management, 10 a.m., SD–406.

Committee on Finance: business meeting to consider the nominations of Andrew M. Saul, of New York, to be Commissioner of Social Security for the term expiring January 19, 2019, and Gail S. Ennis, of Maryland, to be Inspector General, both of the Social Security Administration, and Gordon Hartogensis, of Connecticut, to be Director of the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation, 10 a.m., SD–215.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Ronald D. Vitiello, of Illinois, to be an Assistant Secretary of Homeland Security, and Richard S. Tischner, of Virginia, to be Director of the Court Services and Offender Supervision Agency for the District of Columbia, 10 a.m., SD–342.

Committee on the Judiciary: business meeting to consider S. 2432, to amend the charter of the Future Farmers of America, H.R. 4100, to amend title 36, United States Code, to revise the Federal charter for the Foundation of the Federal Bar Association, S. 3339 and H.R. 3996, bills to amend title 28, United States Code, to permit other courts to transfer certain cases to United States Tax

Court, and the nominations of Bridget S. Bade, of Arizona, and Eric D. Miller, of Washington, both to be a United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit, Eric E. Murphy, of Ohio, and Chad A. Readler, of Ohio, both to be a United States Circuit Judge for the Sixth Circuit, Allison Jones Rushing, of North Carolina, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Fourth Circuit, Rossie David Alston, Jr., to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Virginia, Thomas P. Barber, and Wendy Williams Berger, both to be a United States District Judge for the Middle District of Florida, Pamela A. Barker, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Ohio, Karin J. Immergut, to be United States District Judge for the District of Oregon, Corey Landon Maze, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Alabama, Sarah Daggett Morrison, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Ohio, Rodney Smith, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Florida, T. Kent Wetherell II, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Florida, Richard A. Hertling, of Maryland, to be a Judge of the United States Court of Federal Claims, and Kim Gaffney, to be United States Marshal for the Western District of Wisconsin, Bradley Jay LaRose, to be United States Marshal for the District of Vermont, and Douglas J. Strike, to be United States Marshal for the Northern District of Iowa, all of the Department of Justice, 10 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 Natural Resources, Full Committee, markup on H.R. 3593, the “Securing Our Borders and Wilder-

ness Act”; H.R. 5025, to amend the Western and Central Pacific Fisheries Convention Implementation Act to limit the imposition of penalties against a person fishing on a United States flag fishing vessel in certain areas of the Pacific Ocean based on a report by an observer on such a vessel; H.R. 6507, the “Oil Region National Heritage Area Reauthorization Act”; H.R. 6602, to reauthorize the New Jersey Coastal Heritage Trail Route, and for other purposes; H.R. 6652, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain facilities, easements, and rights-of-way to the Kennewick Irrigation District, and for other purposes; H.R. 6939, the “Restoring Local Input and Access to Public Lands Act of 2018”; S. 245, the “Indian Tribal Energy Development and Self-Determination Act Amendments of 2017”; and S. 669, the “Columbia River In-Lieu and Treaty Fishing Access Sites Improvement Act”, 9:30 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Examining Misconduct and Retaliation at the U.S. Forest Service”, 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on Veterans’ Affairs, Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs, hearing entitled “Exploring VA’s Oversight of Contract Disability Examinations”, 10:30 a.m., 334 Cannon.

Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity, hearing entitled “A Continued Review of GI Bill Payment Delays”, 4 p.m., 334 Cannon.

Joint Meetings

Joint Select Committee on Budget and Appropriations Process Reform: business meeting to markup the Committee’s report, recommendations, and legislative language, 10:30 a.m., 1334 Longworth Building.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

10 a.m., Thursday, November 15

Senate Chamber

Program for Thursday: After the transaction of any morning business (not to extend beyond 11 a.m.), Senator Paul will be recognized to make a motion to discharge S.J. Res. 65, relating to the disapproval of the proposed export to the Government of the Kingdom of Bahrain of certain defense articles and services, and Senate will vote on the motion at 12:15 p.m.

Following disposition of S.J. Res. 65, Senate will continue consideration of the nomination of Michelle Bowman, of Kansas, to be a Member of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, post-cloture, and vote on confirmation of the nomination at 1:45 p.m.

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

10 a.m., Thursday, November 15

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