

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S8181–S8196

Measures Introduced: Three bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 2332–2334, and S. Res. 322. **Page S8191**

Measures Reported:

S. 1611, to authorize appropriations for the Coast Guard for fiscal years 2016 and 2017, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 114–168)

S. 1115, to close out expired, empty grant accounts, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 114–169)

S. 2093, to provide that the Secretary of Transportation shall have sole authority to appoint Federal Directors to the Board of Directors of the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority. (S. Rept. No. 114–170)

S. 2128, to require the Council of Inspectors General on Integrity and Efficiency to submit to Congress a report on Inspector General mandates, with an amendment. (S. Rept. No. 114–171) **Page S8191**

Measures Passed:

Treatment of Certain Payments in Eugenics Compensation Act: Senate passed S. 1698, to exclude payments from State eugenics compensation programs from consideration in determining eligibility for, or the amount of, Federal public benefits. **Page S8195**

Recognizing Rosa Louise Parks: Senate agreed to S. Res. 322, recognizing the 60th anniversary of the refusal of Rosa Louise Parks to give up her seat on a bus on December 1, 1955. **Page S8195**

Message from the President: Senate received the following message from the President of the United States:

Transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to an alternative plan for pay increases for civilian Federal employees covered by the General Schedule and certain other pay systems in January 2016; which was referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs. (PM–33) **Page S8191**

Tai-Ching Kan Nomination—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the Secretary of the Senate be authorized to request the return of the papers with respect to Derek Tai-Ching Kan, of California, to be a Director of the Amtrak Board of Directors for a term of five years; and that when the Senate receives the papers, the Senate’s action with respect to the nomination on Thursday, November 19, 2015, be vitiated. **Page S8181**

Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

By 79 yeas to 7 nays (Vote No. EX. 310), Gayle Smith, of Ohio, to be Administrator of the United States Agency for International Development. **Pages S8195–96**

- 1 Air Force nomination in the rank of general.
- 1 Army nomination in the rank of general.
- 5 Coast Guard nominations in the rank of admiral.
- 1 Navy nomination in the rank of admiral.
- Routine lists in the Air Force, Army, and Navy. **Pages S8193–96**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Steven Nathan Berk, of the District of Columbia, to be an Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia for the term of fifteen years.

Elizabeth Carroll Wingo, of the District of Columbia, to be an Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia for the term of fifteen years.

- 36 Air Force nominations in the rank of general. **Page S8196**

Messages from the House: **Page S8191**

Measures Placed on the Calendar: **Pages S8181, S8191**

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Additional Statements: **Page S8190**

Record Votes: One record vote was taken today. (Total—310) **Pages S8195–96**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 3 p.m. and adjourned at 6:14 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Tuesday, December 1, 2015. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S8196.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

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Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 11 public bills, H.R. 4127–4137; 2 and resolutions, and H. Res. 540–541 were introduced. **Pages H8644–45**

Additional Cosponsors: **Page H8646**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 3490, to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to authorize the National Computer Forensics Institute, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 114–345, Part 2);

H.R. 1755, to amend title 36, United States Code, to make certain improvements in the congressional charter of the Disabled American Veterans (H. Rept. 114–350);

H.R. 3279, to amend titles 5 and 28, United States Code, to require annual reports to Congress on, and the maintenance of databases on, awards of fees and other expenses to prevailing parties in certain administrative proceedings and court cases to which the United States is a party, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 114–351);

H.R. 526, to amend title 11 of the United States Code to require the public disclosure by trusts established under section 524(g) of such title, of quarterly reports that contain detailed information regarding the receipt and disposition of claims for injuries based on exposure to asbestos; and for other purposes (H. Rept. 114–352);

H. Res. 539, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 8) to modernize energy infrastructure, build a 21st century energy and manufacturing workforce, bolster America's energy security and diplomacy, and promote energy efficiency and government accountability, and for other purposes; providing for consideration of the joint resolution (S.J. Res. 23) providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of a rule submitted by the Environmental Protection Agency relating to "Standards of Performance for Greenhouse Gas Emissions from New, Modified, and Reconstructed Stationary Sources: Electric Utility Generating Units"; and providing for consideration of the joint resolution (S.J. Res. 24) providing for

congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of a rule submitted by the Environmental Protection Agency relating to "Carbon Pollution Emission Guidelines for Existing Stationary Sources: Electric Utility Generating Units" (H. Rept. 114–353); and

Conference report on S. 1177, to reauthorize the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 to ensure that every child achieves (H. Rept. 114–354).

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Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Denham to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H8417**

Recess: The House recessed at 2:07 p.m. and reconvened at 4 p.m. **Page H8418**

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

Grassroots Rural and Small Community Water Systems Assistance Act: S. 611, to amend the Safe Drinking Water Act to reauthorize technical assistance to small public water systems; **Pages H8418–20**

Strengthening State and Local Cyber Crime Fighting Act: H.R. 3490, amended, to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to authorize the National Computer Forensics Institute; **Pages H8420–23**

Open Book on Equal Access to Justice Act: H.R. 3279, amended, to amend titles 5 and 28, United States Code, to require annual reports to Congress on, and the maintenance of databases on, awards of fees and other expenses to prevailing parties in certain administrative proceedings and court cases to which the United States is a party; **Pages H8423–26**

Amending title 36, United States Code, to make certain improvements in the congressional charter of the Disabled American Veterans: H.R. 1755, amended, to amend title 36, United States Code, to make certain improvements in the congressional charter of the Disabled American Veterans;

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Removing the use restrictions on certain land transferred to Rockingham County, Virginia: H.R.