

**Suspension—Proceedings Postponed:** The House debated the following measure under suspension of the rules. Further proceedings were postponed.

**Federal CIO Authorization Act of 2018:** H.R. 6901, amended, to amend chapter 36 of title 44, United States Code, to make certain changes relating to electronic Government services. **Pages H9723–25**

**Senate Message:** Message received from the Senate by the Clerk and subsequently presented to the House today appears on pages H9699–H9700 and H9703.

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** Two yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H9729–30 and H9730. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

## Committee Meetings

### U.S. POLICY TOWARD SYRIA (PART II)

*Committee on Foreign Affairs:* Subcommittee on the Middle East and North Africa held a hearing entitled “U.S. Policy Toward Syria (Part II)”. Testimony was heard from James F. Jeffrey, Special Representative for Syria Engagement, Department of State; and Robert Jenkins, Deputy Assistant Administrator, Bureau for Democracy, Conflict, and Humanitarian Assistance, U.S. Agency for International Development.

### EVALUATING FEDERAL DISASTER RESPONSE AND RECOVERY EFFORTS

*Committee on Oversight and Government Reform:* Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Evaluating Federal Disaster Response and Recovery Efforts”. Testimony was heard from William B. Long, Administrator, Federal Emergency Management Agency; Major General Scott A. Spellmon, Deputy Commanding General for Civil and Emergency Operations, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers; and a public witness.

### REVIEW OF RECENT GAO REPORTS ON ICEBREAKER ACQUISITION AND THE NEED FOR A NATIONAL MARITIME STRATEGY

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure:* Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation held a hearing entitled “Review of Recent GAO Reports on Icebreaker Acquisition and the Need for a National Maritime Strategy”. Testimony was heard from Rear Admiral Michael J. Haycock, Assistant Commandant for Acquisition and Chief Acquisition Officer, U.S. Coast Guard; Rear Admiral

Mark H. Buzby, U.S. Navy (Ret.), Administrator, Maritime Administration; Marie A. Mak, Director of Acquisition and Sourcing Management, Government Accountability Office; Andrew Von Ah, Director of Physical Infrastructure Issues, Government Accountability Office; and Ronald O’Rourke, Specialist in Naval Affairs, Congressional Research Service, Library of Congress.

### VA’S DEVELOPMENT AND IMPLEMENTATION OF POLICY INITIATIVES

*Committee on Veterans’ Affairs:* Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs held a hearing entitled “VA’s Development and Implementation of Policy Initiatives”. Testimony was heard from Paul R. Lawrence, Under Secretary for Benefits, Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs; Michael J. Missal, Inspector General, Office of Inspector General, Department of Veterans Affairs; and public witnesses.

## Joint Meetings

### BUDGET AND APPROPRIATIONS PROCESS REFORM

*Joint Select Committee on Budget and Appropriations Process Reform:* Committee concluded a markup of the Committee’s report, recommendations, and legislative language. The bill and accompanying report were not agreed to.

### COMPUTATIONAL PROPAGANDA

*Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe:* Commission received a briefing on how to defeat computational propaganda from Matt Chessen, Acting Deputy Science and Technology Advisor to the Secretary of State; and Karen Kornbluh, German Marshall Fund of the United States, and Nina Jankowicz, Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars Kennan Institute, both of Washington, D.C.

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### COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 30, 2018

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

#### Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

#### House

No hearings are scheduled.