

INTELLIGENCE

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee held closed hearings on intelligence matters, receiving testimony from officials of the intelligence community.

Committee recessed subject to the call.

BUSINESS MEETING

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee met in closed session to consider pending intelligence matters.

Committee recessed subject to the call.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 51 public bills, H.R. 3876–3926; and 7 resolutions, H. Res. 507–508, 510–514 were introduced.

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Additional Cosponsors:

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 2942, to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to carry out the Women's Health Transition Training pilot program through at least fiscal year 2020, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 116–166, Part 1);

H.R. 1307, to provide for an online repository for certain reporting requirements for recipients of Federal disaster assistance, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 116–167, Part 1);

H.R. 549, to designate Venezuela under section 244 of the Immigration and Nationality Act to permit nationals of Venezuela to be eligible for temporary protected status under such section, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 116–168);

H.R. 2938, to exempt from the calculation of monthly income certain benefits paid by the Department of Veterans Affairs and the Department of Defense (H. Rept. 116–169);

H.R. 3304, to exempt for an additional 4-year period, from the application of the means-test presumption of abuse under chapter 7, qualifying members of reserve components of the Armed Forces and members of the National Guard who, after September 11, 2001, are called to active duty or to perform a homeland defense activity for not less than 90 days (H. Rept. 116–170);

H.R. 3311, to amend chapter 11 of title 11, United States Code, to address reorganization of small businesses, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 116–171);

H.R. 3409, to authorize appropriations for the Coast Guard, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 116–172);

H.R. 3375, to amend the Communications Act of 1934 to clarify the prohibitions on making robocalls, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 116–173);

H.R. 2507, to amend the Public Health Service Act to reauthorize certain programs under part A of title XI of such Act relating to genetic diseases, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 116–174);

H.R. 2035, to amend title XXIX of the Public Health Service Act to reauthorize the program under such title relating to lifespan respite care, with an amendment (H. Rept. 116–175);

H.R. 776, to amend the Public Health Service Act to reauthorize the Emergency Medical Services for Children program (H. Rept. 116–176);

H.R. 1058, to reauthorize certain provisions of the Public Health Service Act relating to autism, and for other purposes, with amendments (H. Rept. 116–177); and

H. Res. 509, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 397) to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to create a Pension Rehabilitation Trust Fund, to establish a Pension Rehabilitation Administration within the Department of the Treasury to make loans to multiemployer defined benefit plans, and for other purposes; providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 3239) to require U.S. Customs and Border Protection to perform an initial health screening on detainees, and for other purposes; providing for proceedings during the period from July 29, 2019, through September 6, 2019; and for other purposes (H. Rept. 116–178).

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Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein she appointed Representative Dean to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

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Recess: The House recessed at 12:23 p.m. and reconvened at 2 p.m.

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Journal: The House agreed to the Speaker's approval of the Journal by voice vote.

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

Building Blocks of STEM Act: H.R. 1665, to direct the National Science Foundation to support STEM education research focused on early childhood;

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American Manufacturing Leadership Act: H.R. 2397, amended, to amend the National Institute of Standards and Technology Act to make changes to the implementation of the network for manufacturing innovation;

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Agreed to amend the title so as to read: “To amend the National Institute of Standards and Technology Act to make changes to the implementation of the Manufacturing USA Network, and for other purposes”;

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Expanding Findings for Federal Opioid Research and Treatment Act: H.R. 3153, to direct the Director of the National Science Foundation to support research on opioid addiction;

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Combating Sexual Harassment in Science Act of 2019: H.R. 36, amended, to provide for research to better understand the causes and consequences of sexual harassment affecting individuals in the scientific, technical, engineering, and mathematics workforce and to examine policies to reduce the prevalence and negative impact of such harassment;

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Vera Rubin Survey Telescope Designation Act: H.R. 3196, amended, to designate the Large Synoptic Survey Telescope as the “Vera Rubin Survey Telescope”;

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Agreed to amend the title so as to read: “To designate the Large Synoptic Survey Telescope as the ‘Vera C. Rubin Observatory’”;

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Energy and Water Research Integration Act of 2019: H.R. 34, amended, to ensure consideration of water intensity in the Department of Energy’s energy research, development, and demonstration programs to help guarantee efficient, reliable, and sustainable delivery of energy and clean water resources;

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Department of Energy Veterans’ Health Initiative Act: H.R. 617, amended, to authorize the Department of Energy to conduct collaborative research with the Department of Veterans Affairs in order to improve healthcare services for veterans in the United States;

Pages H7179–81

Opposing efforts to delegitimize the State of Israel and the Global Boycott, Divestment, and Sanctions Movement targeting Israel: H. Res. 246, amended, opposing efforts to delegitimize the State of Israel and the Global Boycott, Divestment, and Sanctions Movement targeting Israel, by a 2/3 ye-

and-nay vote of 398 yeas to 17 nays with five answering “present”, Roll No. 497;

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United States-Israel Cooperation Enhancement and Regional Security Act: H.R. 1837, amended, to make improvements to certain defense and security assistance provisions and to authorize assistance for Israel;

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Palestinian International Terrorism Support Prevention Act of 2019: H.R. 1850, amended, to impose sanctions with respect to foreign support for Palestinian terrorism;

Pages H7198–H7202

Calling on the Government of Cameroon and armed groups to respect the human rights of all Cameroonian citizens, to end all violence, and to pursue a broad-based dialogue without preconditions to resolve the conflict in the Northwest and Southwest regions: H. Res. 358, calling on the Government of Cameroon and armed groups to respect the human rights of all Cameroonian citizens, to end all violence, and to pursue a broad-based dialogue without preconditions to resolve the conflict in the Northwest and Southwest regions;

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Providing Benefits Information in Spanish and Tagalog for Veterans and Families Act: H.R. 2943, amended, to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to make all fact sheets of the Department of Veterans Affairs in English and Spanish;

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Agreed to amend the title so as to read: “To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to make all fact sheets of the Department of Veterans Affairs in English, Spanish, and Tagalog”;

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Directing the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to carry out the Women’s Health Transition Training pilot program through at least fiscal year 2020: H.R. 2942, amended, to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to carry out the Women’s Health Transition Training pilot program through at least fiscal year 2020;

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Ryan Kules Specially Adaptive Housing Improvement Act of 2019: H.R. 3504, amended, to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for improvements to the specially adapted housing program of the Department of Veterans Affairs;

Pages H7207–11

Honoring American Veterans in Extreme Need Act of 2019: H.R. 2938, amended, to exempt from the calculation of monthly income certain benefits paid by the Department of Veterans Affairs and the Department of Defense;

Pages H7215–16

National Guard and Reservists Debt Relief Extension Act of 2019: H.R. 3304, amended, to exempt for an additional 4-year period, from the application of the means-test presumption of abuse under chapter 7, qualifying members of reserve components of the Armed Forces and members of the National Guard who, after September 11, 2001, are called to active duty or to perform a homeland defense activity for not less than 90 days, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ ye-and-nay vote of 417 yeas to 1 nay, Roll No. 499;

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Small Business Reorganization Act of 2019: H.R. 3311, amended, to amend chapter 11 of title 11, United States Code, to address reorganization of small businesses; and

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Let Everyone Get Involved in Opportunities for National Service Act: S. 504, to amend title 36, United States Code, to authorize The American Legion to determine the requirements for membership in The American Legion.

Pages H7220–22

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

Venezuela TPS Act of 2019: H.R. 549, amended, to designate Venezuela under section 244 of the Immigration and Nationality Act to permit nationals of Venezuela to be eligible for temporary protected status under such section, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ ye-and-nay vote of 268 yeas to 154 nays, Roll No. 498.

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Announcement by the Chair: The Chair informed the House that, pursuant to H. Res. 497, the Speaker has certified to the United States Attorney for the District of Columbia the refusal of William P. Barr and Wilbur L. Ross, Jr., to produce documents to the Committee on Oversight and Reform. Page H7227

Senate Referral: S. 1199 was held at the desk.

Senate Messages: Message received from the Senate today and message received from the Senate by the Clerk and subsequently presented to the House today appear on pages H7181 and H7202–03.

Quorum Calls Votes: Three ye-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H7222, H7222–23 and H7223–24. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 12 noon and adjourned at 9:35 p.m.

Committee Meetings

RESTORING THE PARTNERSHIP: THE FUTURE OF FEDERALISM IN AMERICA

Committee on Oversight and Reform: Subcommittee on Government Operations held a hearing entitled “Re-

storing the Partnership: The Future of Federalism in America”. Testimony was heard from Representative Bishop of Utah; and public witnesses.

REHABILITATION FOR MULTIEMPLOYER PENSIONS ACT OF 2019; HUMANITARIAN STANDARDS FOR INDIVIDUALS IN CUSTOMS AND BORDER PROTECTION CUSTODY ACT

Committee on Rules: Full Committee held a hearing on H.R. 397, the “Rehabilitation for Multiemployer Pensions Act of 2019”; and H.R. 3239, the “Humanitarian Standards for Individuals in Customs and Border Protection Custody Act”. The Committee granted, by record vote of 9–4, a rule providing for consideration of H.R. 397, the “Rehabilitation for Multiemployer Pensions Act”, and H.R. 3239, the “Humanitarian Standards for Individuals in Customs and Border Protection Custody Act”. The rule provides for consideration of H.R. 397, the “Rehabilitation for Multiemployer Pensions Act”, under a structured rule. The rule provides one hour of debate equally divided among and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Education and Labor and the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Ways and Means. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule provides that an amendment in the nature of a substitute consisting of the text of Rules Committee Print 116–24 shall be considered as adopted and the bill, as amended, shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against provisions in the bill, as amended. The rule makes in order the further amendment printed in Part A of the report, if offered by the member designated in the report, which shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question. The rule waives all points of order against the amendment printed in part A of the report. The rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. The rule also provides for consideration of H.R. 3239, the “Humanitarian Standards for Individuals in Customs and Border Protection Custody Act”, under a structured rule. The rule provides one hour of general debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on the Judiciary. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule makes in order as original text for the purpose of amendment an amendment in the nature of a substitute consisting of the text of Rules Committee Print 116–26 modified by the amendment printed in Part B of the report, and provides that it