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Record Votes: One record vote was taken today. (Total—20)

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 7:02 p.m., until 9:30 a.m. on Thursday, February 11, 2016. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S832.)

Committee Meetings*(Committees not listed did not meet)***APPROPRIATIONS: AIR FORCE**

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Department of Defense concluded a hearing to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2017 for the Air Force, after receiving testimony from Deborah Lee James, Secretary, and General Mark A. Welsh III, Chief of Staff, both of the Air Force, Department of Defense.

WATER RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT ACT

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Committee concluded an oversight hearing to examine the importance of enacting a new Water Resources Development Act, after receiving testimony from Robert W. Portiss, Tulsa Port of Catoosa, Catoosa, Oklahoma; John Swearingen, Marathon Petroleum Corporation, Findlay, Ohio; Rob Roberson, Nucor Corporation, Charlotte, North Carolina; Norma Jean Mattei, American Society of Civil Engineers, Washington, D.C.; and Kyle Makarios, North Central States Regional Council of Carpenters, St. Paul, Minnesota.

BUDGET

Committee on Finance: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2017, after receiving testimony from Jacob J. Lew, Secretary of the Treasury.

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BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. Res. 99, calling on the Government of Iran to fulfill its promises of assistance in the case of Robert

Levinson, the longest held United States civilian in our Nation's history, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. Res. 361, urging robust funding for humanitarian relief for Syria, with amendments; and

S. Res. 330, congratulating the Tunisian National Dialogue Quartet for winning the 2015 Nobel Peace Prize.

U.S. POLICY IN CENTRAL AFRICA

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded a hearing to examine United States policy in Central Africa, focusing on the imperative of good governance, after receiving testimony from Linda Thomas-Greenfield, Assistant Secretary, Bureau of African Affairs, and Thomas Perriello, Special Envoy for the Great Lakes of Africa, both of the Department of State; Roger Meece, former Ambassador and former United Nations Special Representative to the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Seattle, Washington; and Sarah Margon, Human Rights Watch, Washington, D.C.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 2517, to require a report on United States strategy to combat terrorist use of social media, with an amendment;

H.R. 1656, to provide for additional resources for the Secret Service, and to improve protections for restricted areas, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 2509, to improve the Government-wide management of Federal property, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 2522, to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to build partnerships to prevent violence by extremists, with an amendment;

S. 1526, to amend title 10 and title 41, United States Code, to improve the manner in which Federal contracts for construction and design services are awarded, to prohibit the use of reverse auctions for design and construction services procurements, to amend title 31 and 41, United States Code, to improve the payment protections available to construction contractors, subcontractors, and suppliers for work performed, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 236, to amend the Pay-As-You-Go Act of 2010 to create an expedited procedure to enact recommendations of the Government Accountability Office for consolidation and elimination to reduce duplication, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 1411, to amend the Act of August 25, 1958, commonly known as the “Former Presidents Act of 1958”, with respect to the monetary allowance payable to a former President, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 795, to enhance whistleblower protection for contractor and grantee employees, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 2450, to amend title 5, United States Code, to address administrative leave for Federal employees, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 2418, to authorize the Secretary of Homeland Security to establish university labs for student-developed technology-based solutions for countering online recruitment of violent extremists, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 2340, to require the Director of the Office of Management and Budget to issue a directive on the management of software licenses, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

H.R. 3361, to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to establish the Insider Threat Program, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. Res. 104, to express the sense of the Senate regarding the success of Operation Streamline and the importance of prosecuting first time illegal border crossers;

An original resolution directing the Senate Legal Counsel to bring civil action to enforce a subpoena of the Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations; and

The nomination of Beth F. Cobert, of California, to be Director of the Office of Personnel Management.

MENTAL HEALTH AND THE JUSTICE SYSTEM

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded a hearing to examine mental health and the justice system, including S. 2002, to strengthen our mental health system and improve public safety, after receiving testimony from William M. Ward, Minnesota Public Defender, Minneapolis; W. David Guice, North Carolina Department of Public Safety Division of Adult Correction and Juvenile Justice, Raleigh; Susan Pamerleau, Bexar County Sheriff, San Antonio, Texas; Fred C. Osher, The Council of State Governments Justice Center, Johns Island, South Carolina; and Pete Earley, Fairfax, Virginia.

NEW SCAMS TARGETING SENIORS

Special Committee on Aging: Committee concluded a hearing to examine a new scam by global drug traffickers perpetrated against our nation’s seniors, after receiving testimony from Alan Scott Brown, Acting Assistant Director for Investigative Programs, Homeland Security Investigations, Immigration and Customs Enforcement, Department of Homeland Security; Jill Steinberg, Senior Counsel to the Deputy Attorney General, Department of Justice; Andy Martin, Henderson, Nevada; and Daniel Seibert, Green Valley, Arizona.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 18 public bills, H.R. 4514–4531 and 1 resolution, H. Con. Res. 114 were introduced. **Pages H708–09**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages H710–11**

Report Filed: A report was filed today as follows:

H. Res. 611, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 2017) to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to improve and clarify certain disclosure requirements for restaurants and similar retail food establishments, and to amend the authority to bring proceedings under section 403A, and providing for proceedings during the period from February 15, 2016, through February 22, 2016 (H. Rept. 114–421). **Page H708**

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Jody B. Hice (GA) to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H653**

Recess: The House recessed at 10:58 a.m. and reconvened at 12 noon. **Page H659**

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

Safe Drinking Water Act Improved Compliance Awareness Act: H.R. 4470, amended, to amend the Safe Drinking Water Act with respect to the requirements related to lead in drinking water, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yea-and-nay vote of 416 yeas to 2 nays, Roll No. 67. **Pages H662–68, H676–77**

Scientific Research in the National Interest Act: The House passed H.R. 3293, to provide for greater accountability in Federal funding for scientific research, to promote the progress of science in the