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# House of Representatives

## Chamber Action

**Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced:** 15 public bills, H.R. 5073–5087; and 2 resolutions, H. Res. 707–708 were introduced. **Page H2065**

**Additional Cosponsors:** **Pages H2067–68**

**Report Filed:** A report was filed today as follows:

H. Res. 706, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 4901) to reauthorize the Scholarships for Opportunity and Results Act, and for other purposes; providing for consideration of the joint resolution (H.J. Res. 88) disapproving the rule submitted by the Department of Labor relating to the definition of the term “Fiduciary”; and providing for proceedings during the period May 2, 2016, through May 9, 2016 (H. Rept. 114–533). **Page H2065**

**Speaker:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Jenkins (WV) to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H1999**

**Recess:** The House recessed at 10:51 a.m. and reconvened at 12 noon. **Page H2005**

**Guest Chaplain:** The prayer was offered by the Guest Chaplain, Reverend Dr. Wade Stevenson, Gideon Missionary Baptist Church, Waukegan, Illinois. **Page H2005**

**Helping Angels Lead Our Startups Act:** The House passed H.R. 4498, to clarify the definition of general solicitation under Federal securities law, by a ye-and-nay vote of 325 yeas to 89 nays, Roll No. 171. **Pages H2008–14, H2037–46**

Rejected:

Maxine Waters (CA) amendment (No. 1 printed in H. Rept. 114–530) that sought to limit the types of fees “demo day” sponsors can collect, limit attendance at “demo days” to only individuals with financial sophistication, and require an issuer to be a real business (by a ye-and-nay vote of 139 yeas to 272 nays, Roll No. 170). **Pages H2044–45**

H. Res. 701, the rule providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 4498) was agreed to by a recorded vote of 240 yeas to 177 noes, Roll No. 169, after the previous question was ordered by a ye-and-nay vote of 238 yeas to 181 nays, Roll No. 168.

**Pages H2036–37**

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

**American Manufacturing Competitiveness Act of 2016:** H.R. 4923, amended, to establish a process for the submission and consideration of petitions for temporary duty suspensions and reductions, by a  $\frac{2}{3}$  ye-and-nay vote of 415 yeas to 2 nays, Roll No. 166; **Pages H2014–19, H2035**

**No Fly for Foreign Fighters Act:** H.R. 4240, amended, to require an independent review of the operation and administration of the Terrorist Screening Database (TSDB) maintained by the Federal Bureau of Investigation and subsets of the TSDB;

**Pages H2019–22**

**Email Privacy Act:** H.R. 699, amended, to amend title 18, United States Code, to update the privacy protections for electronic communications information that is stored by third-party service providers in order to protect consumer privacy interests while meeting law enforcement needs, by a  $\frac{2}{3}$  ye-and-nay vote of 419 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 167; and **Pages H2022–28, H2035–36**

**Defend Trade Secrets Act of 2016:** S. 1890, to amend chapter 90 of title 18, United States Code, to provide Federal jurisdiction for the theft of trade secrets, by a  $\frac{2}{3}$  ye-and-nay vote of 410 yeas to 2 nays, Roll No. 172. **Pages H2028–30, H2046–47**

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** Six ye-and-nay votes and one recorded vote developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H2035, H2035–36, H2036–37, H2037, H2045, H2046, H2046–47. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 8:16 p.m.

## Committee Meetings

### FOCUS ON THE FARM ECONOMY: FACTORS IMPACTING COST OF PRODUCTION

**Committee on Agriculture:** Subcommittee on Biotechnology, Horticulture, and Research held a hearing entitled “Focus on the Farm Economy: Factors Impacting Cost of Production”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

**MISCELLANEOUS MEASURE**

*Committee on Armed Services:* Full Committee began a markup on H.R. 4909, the “National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2017”.

**THE PERSUADER RULE: THE ADMINISTRATION’S LATEST ATTACK ON EMPLOYER FREE SPEECH AND WORKER FREE CHOICE**

*Committee on Education and the Workforce:* Subcommittee on Health, Employment, Labor, and Pensions held a hearing entitled “The Persuader Rule: The Administration’s Latest Attack on Employer Free Speech and Worker Free Choice”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

**MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES**

*Committee on Energy and Commerce:* Full Committee continued a markup on H.R. 4978, the “Nurturing and Supporting Healthy Babies Act”; H.R. 4641, to provide for the establishment of an inter-agency task force to review, modify, and update best practices for pain management and prescribing pain medication, and for other purposes; H.R. 3680, the “Co-Prescribing to Reduce Overdoses Act of 2015”; H.R. 3691, the “Improving Treatment for Pregnant and Postpartum Women Act”; H.R. 1818, the “Veteran Emergency Medical Technician Support Act of 2015”; H.R. 4981, the “Opioid Use Disorder Treatment Expansion and Modernization Act”; H.R. 3250, the “DXM Abuse Prevention Act of 2015”; H.R. 4969, the “John Thomas Decker Act of 2016”; H.R. 4586, the “Lali’s Law”; H.R. 4599, the “Reducing Unused Medications Act of 2016”; H.R. 4976, the “Opioid Review Modernization Act of 2016”; H.R. 4982, the “Examining Opioid Treatment Infrastructure Act of 2016”; H.R. 4889, the “Kelsey Smith Act of 2016”; H.R. 4167, the “Kari’s Law Act of 2015”; H.R. 4111, the “Rural Health Care Connectivity Act of 2015”; H.R. 4190, the “Spectrum Challenge Prize Act of 2015”; H.R. 3998, the “Securing Access to Networks in Disasters Act”; H.R. 2031, the “Anti-Swatting Act of 2015”; H.R. 2589, to amend the Communications Act of 1943 to require the Federal Communications Commission to publish on its Internet website changes to the rules of the Commission not later than 24 hours after adoption; H.R. 2592, to amend the Communications Act of 1934 to require the Federal Communications Commission to publish on the website of the Commission documents to be voted on by the Commission; H.R. 2593, to amend the Communications Act of 1934 to require identification and description on the website of the Federal Communications Commission of items to be decided on authority delegated by the Commission; and H.R. 5050,

the “Pipeline Safety Act of 2016”. The following bills were ordered reported, as amended: H.R. 5050, H.R. 4641, H.R. 4978, H.R. 1818, H.R. 4981, H.R. 4969, H.R. 4599, and H.R. 4982. The following bills were ordered reported, without amendment: H.R. 4976 and H.R. 3250.

**HOW CAN THE U.S. MAKE DEVELOPMENT BANKS MORE ACCOUNTABLE?**

*Committee on Financial Services:* Subcommittee on Monetary Policy and Trade held a hearing entitled “How Can the U.S. Make Development Banks More Accountable?”. Testimony was heard from Nathan Sheets, Under Secretary for International Affairs, Department of the Treasury.

**ADVANCING U.S. INTERESTS: EXAMINING THE PRESIDENT’S FY 2017 BUDGET PROPOSAL FOR AFGHANISTAN AND PAKISTAN**

*Committee on Foreign Affairs:* Subcommittee on the Middle East and North Africa; and Subcommittee on Asia and the Pacific, held a joint hearing entitled “Advancing U.S. Interests: Examining the President’s FY 2017 Budget Proposal for Afghanistan and Pakistan”. Testimony was heard from Richard Olson, Special Representative for Afghanistan and Pakistan, Department of State; and Donald L. Sampler, Jr., Assistant to the Administrator, Office of Afghanistan and Pakistan Affairs, U.S. Agency for International Development.

**EXAMINING FY 2017 FUNDING PRIORITIES IN THE WESTERN HEMISPHERE**

*Committee on Foreign Affairs:* Subcommittee on the Western Hemisphere held a hearing entitled “Examining FY 2017 Funding Priorities in the Western Hemisphere”. Testimony was heard from Francisco Palmieri, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Western Hemisphere Affairs, Department of State; Luis Arreaga, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary, Bureau of International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Affairs, Department of State; and Elizabeth Hogan, Acting Assistant Administrator, Bureau for Latin America and the Caribbean, U.S. Agency for International Development.

**SOUTH SUDAN’S PROSPECTS FOR PEACE AND SECURITY**

*Committee on Foreign Affairs:* Subcommittee on Africa, Global Health, Global Human Rights, and International Organizations held a hearing entitled “South Sudan’s Prospects for Peace and Security”. Testimony was heard from Donald Booth, Special Envoy to Sudan and South Sudan, Department of State; Bob Leavitt, Deputy Assistant Administrator, Bureau for Democracy, Conflict, and Humanitarian

Assistance, U.S. Agency for International Development; and public witnesses.

### **ISIS IN THE PACIFIC: ASSESSING TERRORISM IN SOUTHEAST ASIA AND THE THREAT TO THE HOMELAND**

*Committee on Homeland Security:* Subcommittee on Counterterrorism and Intelligence held a hearing entitled “ISIS in the Pacific: Assessing Terrorism in Southeast Asia and the Threat to the Homeland”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### **MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES**

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Full Committee held a markup on H.R. 5046, the “Comprehensive Opioid Abuse Reduction Act of 2016”; H.R. 5052, the “Opioid Program Evaluation Act”; H.R. 2137, the “Federal Law Enforcement Self-Defense and Protection Act of 2015”; H.R. 5048, to require a study by the Comptroller General of the United States on Good Samaritan laws that pertain to treatment of opioid overdoses, and for other purposes; and H.R. 3394, the “Clarifying Amendment to Provide Terrorism Victims Equity (CAPTIVE) Act”. The following bills were ordered reported, without amendment: H.R. 5046, H.R. 5052, H.R. 2137, and H.R. 5048. H.R. 3394 was ordered reported, as amended.

### **BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT’S REGULATORY OVERREACH INTO METHANE EMISSIONS REGULATION**

*Committee on Natural Resources:* Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources held a hearing entitled “Bureau of Land Management’s Regulatory Overreach into Methane Emissions Regulation”. Testimony was heard from Shawn Bolton, Commissioner, Rio Blanco County, Colorado; Lynn D. Helms, Director, North Dakota Department of Mineral Resources; Gwen Lachelt, Commissioner, La Plata County, Colorado; Amanda Leiter, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Land and Minerals Management, Department of the Interior; and Mark Watson, Oil and Gas Supervisor, Wyoming Oil and Gas Conservation Commission.

### **REALIZING THE POTENTIAL OF HYDROPOWER AS A CLEAN, RENEWABLE AND DOMESTIC ENERGY RESOURCE**

*Committee on Natural Resources:* Subcommittee on Water, Power and Oceans held a hearing entitled “Realizing the Potential of Hydropower as a Clean, Renewable and Domestic Energy Resource”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### **EXAMINING MANAGEMENT PRACTICES AND MISCONDUCT AT TSA: PART I**

*Committee on Oversight and Government Reform:* Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Examining Management Practices and Misconduct at TSA: Part I”. Testimony was heard from the following Transportation Security Administration officials: Jay Brainard, Federal Security Director—Kansas, Office of Security Operations; Mark Livingston, Program Manager, Office of the Chief Risk Officer; and Andrew Rhoades, Assistant Federal Security Director, Office of Security Operations.

### **THE BEST AND WORST PLACES TO WORK IN THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT**

*Committee on Oversight and Government Reform:* Subcommittee on Government Operations held a hearing entitled “The Best and Worst Places to Work in the Federal Government”. Testimony was heard from Lauren Leo, Chief Human Capital Officer, National Aeronautics and Space Administration; Angela Bailey, Chief Human Capital Officer, Department of Homeland Security; Sydney Rose, Chief Human Capital Officer, Department of Labor; Towanda Brooks, Chief Human Capital Officer, Department of Housing and Urban Development; and a public witness.

### **SOAR REAUTHORIZATION ACT; HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION DISAPPROVING THE RULE SUBMITTED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR RELATING TO THE DEFINITION OF THE TERM “FIDUCIARY”**

*Committee on Rules:* Full Committee held a hearing on H.R. 4901, the “SOAR Reauthorization Act”; and H.J. Res. 88, disapproving the rule submitted by the Department of Labor relating to the definition of the term “Fiduciary”. The committee granted, by record vote of 7–4, a structured rule for H.R. 4901. The rule provides one hour of debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule provides that the bill shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against provisions in the bill. The rule provides one motion to recommit. Additionally, the rule grants a closed rule for H.J. Res. 88. The rule provides one hour of debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Education and the Workforce. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the joint resolution. The rule provides that the joint resolution shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against provisions in the joint resolution. The rule provides

one motion to recommit. In section 3, the rule provides that on any legislative day during the period from May 2, 2016, through May 9, 2016: the Journal of the proceedings of the previous day shall be considered as approved; and the Chair may at any time declare the House adjourned to meet at a date and time to be announced by the Chair in declaring the adjournment. In section 4, the rule provides that the Speaker may appoint Members to perform the duties of the Chair for the duration of the period addressed by section 3. Finally, in section 5 the rule provides that the Committee on Armed Services may, at any time before 5 p.m. on Wednesday, May 4, 2016, file a report to accompany H.R. 4909. Testimony was heard from Chairman Chaffetz and Representatives Norton, Roe of Tennessee, and Scott of Virginia.

### MISCELLANEOUS MEASURE

*Committee on Science, Space, and Technology:* Full Committee held a markup on H.R. 5049, the “NSF Major Research Facility Reform Act of 2016”. H.R. 5049 was ordered reported, as amended.

### S IS FOR SAVINGS: PRO-GROWTH BENEFITS OF EMPLOYEE-OWNED S CORPORATIONS

*Committee on Small Business:* Full Committee held a hearing entitled “S is for Savings: Pro-Growth Benefits of Employee-Owned S Corporations”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

## Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

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### COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, APRIL 28, 2016

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

#### Senate

*Committee on Armed Services:* to hold hearings to examine counter-ISIL (Islamic State of Iraq and the Levant) operations and Middle East strategy, 9:30 a.m., SH–216.

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* Subcommittee on Public Lands, Forests, and Mining, to hold hearings to examine the impacts of invasive species on the productivity, value, and management of land and water resources; to conduct oversight on the National Invasive Species Council’s new framework for early detection and rapid response; to examine improved cooperative tools for control and management, including S. 2240, to improve the control and management of invasive species that threaten and harm Federal land under the jurisdiction of the Secretary of Agriculture and the Secretary of the Interior, 2:30 p.m., SD–366.

*Committee on Environment and Public Works:* business meeting to consider S. 2848, to provide for the conserva-

tion and development of water and related resources, to authorize the Secretary of the Army to construct various projects for improvements to rivers and harbors of the United States, S. 2808, to amend the John F. Kennedy Center Act to authorize appropriations for the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts, S. 2824, to designate the Federal building housing the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives Headquarters located at 99 New York Avenue N.E., Washington, D.C., as the “Ariel Rios Federal Building”, Army Corps of Engineers Study Resolutions, and General Services Administration resolutions, 9 a.m., SD–406.

*Committee on Finance:* to hold hearings to examine mental health in America, 2 p.m., SD–215.

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* business meeting to consider proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 2017 for the Department of State, H.R. 2494, to support global anti-poaching efforts, strengthen the capacity of partner countries to counter wildlife trafficking, designate major wildlife trafficking countries, S. 2845, to extend the termination of sanctions with respect to Venezuela under the Venezuela Defense of Human Rights and Civil Society Act of 2014, S. Res. 442, condemning the terrorist attacks in Brussels and honoring the memory of the United States citizens murdered in those attacks, and offering thoughts and prayers for all the victims, condolences to their families, resolve to support the Belgian people, and the pledge to defend democracy and stand in solidarity with the country of Belgium and all our allies in the face of continuing terrorist attacks on freedom and liberty, S. Res. 340, expressing the sense of Congress that the so-called Islamic State in Iraq and al-Sham (ISIS or Da’esh) is committing genocide, crimes against humanity, and war crimes, and calling upon the President to work with foreign governments and the United Nations to provide physical protection for ISIS’ targets, to support the creation of an international criminal tribunal with jurisdiction to punish these crimes, and to use every reasonable means, including sanctions, to destroy ISIS and disrupt its support networks, S. Res. 418, recognizing Hafsat Abiola, Khanim Latif, Yoani Sanchez, and Akanksha Hazari for their selflessness and dedication to their respective causes, S. Res. 394, recognizing the 195th anniversary of the independence of Greece and celebrating democracy in Greece and the United States, S. Res. 436, supporting the goals and ideals of World Malaria Day, S. Res. 381, honoring the memory and legacy of Michael James Riddering and condemning the terrorist attacks in Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso on January 15, 2016, and the nominations of Swati A. Dandekar, of Iowa, to be United States Director of the Asian Development Bank, with the rank of Ambassador, R. David Harden, of Maryland, to be an Assistant Administrator of the United States Agency for International Development, and Christine Ann Elder, of Kentucky, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Liberia, Kelly Keiderling-Franz, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Oriental Republic of Uruguay, Elizabeth Holzhall Richard, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Lebanese Republic, Stephen Michael Schwartz, of Maryland, to be Ambassador to the Federal Republic of Somalia, Adam H. Sterling, of Virginia, to