

Pending:

Reid motion to concur in the amendment of the House to the amendment of the Senate to the bill.

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Reid motion to concur in the amendment of the House to the amendment of the Senate to the bill, with Reid Amendment No. 3984 (to the amendment of the House to the amendment of the Senate to the bill), to change the enactment date.

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Reid Amendment No. 3985 (to Amendment No. 3984), of a perfecting nature.

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Reid motion to refer the message of the House on the bill to the Committee on Armed Services, with instructions, Reid Amendment No. 3986, to change the enactment date.

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Reid Amendment No. 3987 (to (the instructions) Amendment No. 3986), of a perfecting nature.

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Reid Amendment No. 3988 (to Amendment No. 3987), of a perfecting nature.

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A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the motion to concur in the amendment of the House to the amendment of the Senate to the bill at approximately 9:30 a.m., on Thursday, December 11, 2014.

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**Retiring Senators Tributes—Agreement:** A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the tributes to retiring Senators be printed as a Senate document and that Senators be permitted to submit tributes until December 23, 2014.

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**Bill Referral—Agreement:** A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs be discharged from further consideration of H.R. 5471, to amend the Commodity Exchange Act and the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 to specify how clearing requirements apply to certain affiliate transactions, and the bill be referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

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**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 9:30 a.m. and adjourned at 7:55 p.m., until 9:30 a.m. on Thursday, December 11, 2014. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S6581.)

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

### COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION

*Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the Commodity Futures Trading Commission, focusing on the effective enforcement and the future of derivatives regulation, after receiving testimony from Timothy Massad, Chairman, Commodity Futures Trading Commission.

### CYBERSECURITY

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* Committee concluded an oversight hearing to examine cybersecurity, focusing on enhancing coordination to protect the financial sector, after receiving testimony from Brian Peretti, Director, Office of Critical Infrastructure Protection and Compliance Policy, and Valerie Abend, Senior Critical Infrastructure Officer, Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, both of the Department of the Treasury; Phyllis Schneck, Deputy Undersecretary for Cybersecurity, National Protection and Programs Directorate, and William Noonan, Deputy Special Agent in Charge, Secret Service, Criminal Investigation Division, Cyber Operations Branch, both of the Department of Homeland Security; and Joseph M. Demarest, Jr., Assistant Director, Cyber Division, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Department of Justice.

### PASSENGER RAIL

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* Subcommittee on Surface Transportation and Merchant Marine Infrastructure, Safety, and Security concluded a hearing to examine passenger rail, focusing on investing in our nation's future, after receiving testimony from Peter M. Rogoff, Under Secretary of Transportation for Policy; Anthony R. Coscia, Amtrak, New Brunswick, New Jersey; John Previsich, SMART—Transportation Division, North Olmsted, Ohio; and Ray B. Chambers, Association of Independent Passenger Rail Operators, Washington, DC.

### EBOLA EPIDEMIC

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* Subcommittee on African Affairs concluded a hearing to examine the Ebola

epidemic, focusing on the keys to success for the international response, after receiving testimony from Liberia President Ellen Johnson Sirleaf, Monrovia; Paul Farmer, Partners in Health, Boston, Massachusetts; E. Anne Peterson, World Vision, Washington, DC; Pape Gaye, IntraHealth International, Chapel Hill, North Carolina; and Javier Alvarez, Mercy Corps, Portland, Oregon.

## NOMINATIONS

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Michelle K. Lee, of California, to be Under Secretary of Commerce for Intellectual Property and Director of the United States Patent and Trademark Office, and Daniel Henry Marti, of Virginia, to be Intellectual Property Enforcement Coordinator, Executive Office

of the President, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

## PRESIDENT'S EXECUTIVE ACTION ON IMMIGRATION

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the President's executive action on immigration and the need to pass comprehensive reform, including S. 744, to provide for comprehensive immigration reform, after receiving testimony from Elizabeth H. Shuler, AFL-CIO, Washington, DC; Christopher H. Schroeder, Duke University Program in Public Law, Durham, North Carolina; John C. Eastman, Chapman University's Dale E. Fowler School of Law, Orange, California; Jan C. Ting, Temple University Beasley School of Law, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; and Astrid Silva, Las Vegas, Nevada.

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# House of Representatives

## Chamber Action

**Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced:** 24 public bills, H.R. 1, 5825–5847; and 6 resolutions, H.J. Res. 130; H. Con. Res. 122–124; and H. Res. 777–778 were introduced. **Pages H9043–45**

**Additional Cosponsors:** **Page H9045**

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

H. Res. 776, providing for consideration of the Senate amendment to the bill (H.R. 83) to require the Secretary of the Interior to assemble a team of technical, policy, and financial experts to address the energy needs of the insular areas of the United States and the Freely Associated States through the development of energy action plans aimed at promoting access to affordable, reliable energy, including increasing use of indigenous clean-energy resources, and for other purposes; waiving a requirement of clause 6(a) of rule XIII with respect to consideration of certain resolutions reported from the Committee on Rules; and for other purposes (H. Rept. 113–655). **Page H9043**

**Speaker:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Jolly to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H8933**

**Recess:** The House recessed at 11:19 a.m. and reconvened at 12 noon. **Page H8942**

**Guest Chaplain:** The prayer was offered by the Guest Chaplain, Reverend Aaron McEmrys, Uni-

tarian Universalist Church of Arlington, Arlington, Virginia. **Page H8942**

**Journal:** The House agreed to the Speaker's approval of the Journal by a yea-and-nay vote of 261 yeas to 155 nays with 1 voting "present", Roll No. 556. **Page H8968**

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

**Border Patrol Agent Pay Reform Act of 2014:** S. 1691, to amend title 5, United States Code, to improve the security of the United States border and to provide for reforms and rates of pay for border patrol agents; **Pages H8945–51**

**Intelligence Authorization Act for Fiscal Years 2014 and 2015:** Concurred in the Senate amendment to H.R. 4681, to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 2014 and 2015 for intelligence and intelligence-related activities of the United States Government, the Community Management Account, and the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement and Disability System, by a  $\frac{2}{3}$  yea-and-nay vote of 325 yeas to 100 nays, Roll No. 558; **Pages H8951–62, H8991–92**

**Transportation Security Acquisition Reform Act:** Concurred in the Senate amendment to H.R. 2719, to require the Transportation Security Administration to implement best practices and improve transparency with regard to technology acquisition programs, by a  $\frac{2}{3}$  yea-and-nay vote of 425 yeas with none voting "nay", Roll No. 559; **Pages H8968–73, H8992–93**