

**Speaker:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Emmer (MN) to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H377**

**Recess:** The House recessed at 12:01 p.m. and reconvened at 2 p.m. **Page H377**

**Recess:** The House recessed at 2:04 p.m. and reconvened at 3:14 p.m. **Pages H377–378**

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

**Fair Investment Opportunities for Professional Experts Act:** H.R. 2187, amended, to direct the Securities and Exchange Commission to revise its regulations regarding the qualifications of natural persons as accredited investors, by a 2/3 yeas-and-nays vote of 347 yeas to 8 nays, Roll No. 46;

**Pages H378–379, H401**

**SEC Small Business Advocate Act:** H.R. 3784, amended, to amend the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 to establish an Office of the Advocate for Small Business Capital Formation and a Small Business Capital Formation Advisory Committee;

**Pages H379–382**

**Small Business Capital Formation Enhancement Act:** H.R. 4168, to amend the Small Business Investment Incentive Act of 1980 to require an annual review by the Securities and Exchange Commission of the annual government-business forum on capital formation that is held pursuant to such Act, by a 2/3 yeas-and-nays vote of 390 yeas to 1 nay, Roll No. 47;

**Pages H382–384, H402**

**Requiring the appropriate Federal banking agencies to treat certain municipal obligations as level 2A liquid assets:** H.R. 2209, to require the appropriate Federal banking agencies to treat certain municipal obligations as level 2A liquid assets;

**Pages H384–387**

**International Megan's Law to Prevent Demand for Child Sex Trafficking:** Concur in the Senate amendments to H.R. 515, to protect children from exploitation, especially sex trafficking in tourism, by providing advance notice of intended travel by registered child-sex offenders outside the United States to the government of the country of destination, and requesting foreign governments to notify the United States when a known child-sex offender is seeking to enter the United States;

**Pages H387–394**

**Trafficking Prevention in Foreign Affairs Contracting Act:** H.R. 400, amended, to require the Secretary of State and the Administrator of the United States Agency for International Development to submit reports on definitions of placement and recruitment fees for purposes of enabling compliance

with the Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000;

**Pages H394–396**

**Electrify Africa Act:** S. 2152, to establish a comprehensive United States Government policy to encourage the efforts of countries in sub-Saharan Africa to develop an appropriate mix of power solutions, including renewable energy, for more broadly distributed electricity access in order to support poverty reduction, promote development outcomes, and drive economic growth; and

**Pages H396–H400**

**Coast Guard Authorization Act:** Concur in the Senate amendment to H.R. 4188, to authorize appropriations for the Coast Guard for fiscal years 2016 and 2017.

**Pages H402–420**

**Recess:** The House recessed at 5:24 p.m. and reconvened at 6:29 p.m.

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**Presidential Message:** Read a message from the President wherein he transmitted an Agreement on Social Security between the United States of America and Hungary?referred to the Committee on Ways and Means and ordered to be printed (H. Doc. 114–95).

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**Quorum Calls—Votes:** Two yeas-and-nays votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H401 and H402. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 12 noon and adjourned at 8:27 p.m.

## Committee Meetings

### HOUSING OPPORTUNITY THROUGH MODERNIZATION ACT OF 2015

**Committee on Rules:** Full Committee held a hearing on H.R. 3700, the “Housing Opportunity Through Modernization Act of 2015”. The committee granted, by voice vote, a structured rule for H.R. 3700. The rule provides one hour of general debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Financial Services. 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 114–42 and provides that it shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against that amendment in the nature of a substitute. The rule makes in order only those further amendments printed in the Rules Committee report. Each such amendment may be offered only in the order printed in the report, may be offered only by a Member designated in the report, 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, shall not be subject to amendment, and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question. The rule waives all points of order against the amendments printed in the report. The rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Representatives Luetkemeyer and Maxine Waters of California.

## BUSINESS MEETING

*Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence:* Full Committee held a business meeting on Budget Views and Estimates. The Budget Views and Estimates passed.

## Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

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## NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D25)

S. 142, to require special packaging for liquid nicotine containers. Signed on January 28, 2016. (Public Law 114–116)

S. 1115, to close out expired grants. Signed on January 28, 2016. (Public Law 114–117)

S. 1629, to revise certain authorities of the District of Columbia courts, the Court Services and Offender Supervision Agency for the District of Columbia, and the Public Defender Service for the District of Columbia. Signed on January 28, 2016. (Public Law 114–118)

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## COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 2016

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

### Senate

*Committee on Armed Services:* to hold hearings to examine the implementation of the decision to open all ground combat units to women, 10 a.m., SD–G50.

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* to receive a closed briefing on Russia, the European Union, and American foreign policy, 5 p.m., SVC–217.

*Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:* to hold hearings to examine frontline response to terrorism in America, 10:15 a.m., SD–342.

*Committee on the Judiciary:* to hold hearings to examine the future of the EB–5 regional center program, 10 a.m., SD–226.

Subcommittee on Antitrust, Competition Policy and Consumer Rights, to hold hearings to examine occupational licensing and the state action doctrine, 2 p.m., SD–226.

*Select Committee on Intelligence:* to hold closed hearings to examine certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH–219.

### House

*Committee on Agriculture,* Full Committee, business meeting to consider the Budget Views and Estimates Letter of the Committee on Agriculture for the agencies and programs under the jurisdiction of the Committee for fiscal year 2017, 9:30 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

Subcommittee on Biotechnology, Horticulture and Research, hearing entitled “Opportunities and Challenges in Direct Marketing—A View from the Field”, 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

*Committee on Armed Services,* Full Committee, hearing entitled “Afghanistan in 2016: The Evolving Security Situation and U.S. Policy, Strategy, and Posture”, 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

*Committee on Education and the Workforce,* Full Committee, markup on H.R. 4293, the “Affordable Retirement Advice Protection Act”; and H.R. 4294, the “Strengthening Access to Valuable Education and Retirement Support Act of 2015”, 10 a.m., HVC–210.

*Committee on Energy and Commerce,* Subcommittee on Energy and Power, hearing entitled “Legislative Hearing on Eight Energy Infrastructure Bills”, 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Communications and Technology, hearing entitled “Status of the Public Safety Broadband Network”, 10:15 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

*Committee on Financial Services,* Full Committee, business meeting on Committee’s views and estimates on the budget, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled “Unsustainable Federal Spending and the Debt Limit”, 2 p.m., 2128 Rayburn.

*Committee on Homeland Security,* Full Committee, markup on the “National Strategy to Combat Terrorist Travel Act of 2016”; “Counterterrorism Advisory Board Act of 2016”; the “Enhancing Overseas Traveler Vetting Act”; the “Foreign Fighter Review Act of 2016”; the “Amplifying Local Efforts to Root out Terror Act of 2016”; the “Terrorist and Foreign Fighter Travel Exercise Act of 2016”; H.R. 4383, the “DHS Human Trafficking Prevention Act of 2016”; and the “DHS Acquisition Documentation Integrity Act of 2016”, 2 p.m., 311 Cannon.

*Committee on the Judiciary,* Full Committee, hearing entitled “FISA Amendments Act”, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn. This hearing will be closed.

Subcommittee on Courts, Intellectual Property, and the Internet, hearing on H.R. 1057, the “Promoting Automotive Repair, Trade, and Sales Act of 2015”, 2 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

*Committee on Natural Resources,* Subcommittee on Water, Power and Oceans, hearing on H.R. 3070, the “EEZ Clarification Act”; and H.R. 4245, to exempt importation and exportation of sea urchins and sea cucumbers from licensing requirements under the Endangered Species Act of 1973, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Subcommittee on Indian, Insular and Alaska Native Affairs, hearing entitled “The Need for the Establishment of a Puerto Rico Financial Stability and Economic Growth Authority”, 11 a.m., 1334 Longworth.

Full Committee, markup on H.R. 482, the “Ocmulgee Mounds National Historical Park Boundary Revision Act