

Brandon J. Fremin, of Louisiana, to be United States Attorney for the Middle District of Louisiana for the term of four years.

Robert K. Hur, of Maryland, to be United States Attorney for the District of Maryland for the term of four years.

Ryan K. Patrick, of Texas, to be United States Attorney for the Southern District of Texas for the term of four years.

McGregor W. Scott, of California, to be United States Attorney for the Eastern District of California for the term of four years. **Page S7004**

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**Record Votes:** Three record votes were taken today. (Total—261) **Pages S6982, S6989**

**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 9:30 a.m. and adjourned at 4:35 p.m., until 3 p.m. on Monday, November 6, 2017. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S7004.)

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

### NOMINATIONS

*Committee on Armed Services:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Mark T. Esper, of Virginia, to be Secretary of the Army, Robert L. Wilkie, of North Carolina, to be Under Secretary for Personnel and Readiness, who was introduced by Senator Tillis, Joseph Kernan, of Florida,

to be Under Secretary for Intelligence, and Guy B. Roberts, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary, all of the Department of Defense, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

### ARCTIC NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the potential for oil and gas exploration and development in the non-wilderness portion of the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge, known as the "1002 Area" or Coastal Plain, to raise sufficient revenue pursuant to the Senate reconciliation instructions included in H. Con Res. 71, after receiving testimony from Senator Sullivan; Representative Don Young; Alaska Governor Bill Walker, and Alaska Lieutenant Governor Byron Mallott, both of Juneau; Greg Sheehan, Principal Deputy Director, Fish and Wildlife Service, and Pat Pourchot, former Special Assistant to the Secretary for Alaska Affairs, both of the Department of the Interior; Sam Alexander, Gwich'in Nation, and Aaron Schutt, Doyon, Limited, both of Fairbanks, Alaska; Matthew Rexford, Native Village of Kaktovik, Kaktovik, Alaska; Lois N. Epstein, The Wilderness Society, and Richard K. Glenn, Arctic Slope Regional Corporation, both of Anchorage, Alaska; and Matthew Cronin, Bozeman, Montana.

### BUSINESS MEETING

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 807, to provide anti-retaliation protections for antitrust whistleblowers; and

The nominations of Matthew G. T. Martin, to be United States Attorney for the Middle District of North Carolina, and Christina E. Nolan, to be United States Attorney for the District of Vermont, both of the Department of Justice.

### INTELLIGENCE

*Select Committee on Intelligence:* Committee met in closed session to receive a briefing on certain intelligence matters from officials of the intelligence community.

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# House of Representatives

## Chamber Action

**Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced:** 18 public bills, H.R. 1, 4219–4235; and 2 resolutions, H. Res. 603, 604 were introduced. **Pages H8443–44**

**Additional Cosponsors:**

**Pages H8444–45**

**Reports Filed:** There were no reports filed today.

**Speaker:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Mimi Walters (CA) to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H8389**

**Recess:** The House recessed at 10:32 a.m. and reconvened at 12 noon. **Page H8392**

**Guest Chaplain:** The prayer was offered by the Guest Chaplain, Pastor Kenneth Codner, Grace Baptist Church, Bellefonte, PA. **Page H8392**

**Providing for a correction in the enrollment of S. 782:** The House agreed to take from the Speaker's table and agree to S. Con. Res. 28, providing for a correction in the enrollment of S. 782. **Page H8393**

**Recess:** The House recessed at 1:56 p.m. and reconvened at 2:55 p.m. **Page H8410**

**Community Health And Medical Professionals Improve Our Nation Act of 2017—Rule for consideration:** The House agreed to H. Res. 601, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 3922) to extend funding for certain public health programs, by a ye-and-nay vote of 231 yeas to 192 nays, Roll No. 603, after the previous question was ordered by a ye-and-nay vote of 230 yeas to 191 nays, Roll No. 602. **Pages H8402–10, H8412, H8413**

**Moment of Silence:** The House observed a moment of silence in memory of the victims of the terrorist attack in New York. **Page H8412**

**Recess:** The House recessed at 3:40 p.m. and reconvened at 3:43 p.m. **Page H8413**

**Official Photograph of the House in Session:** The official photograph of the House in session was taken pursuant to the provisions of H. Res. 350. **Page H8413**

**Protecting Seniors Access to Medicare Act:** The House passed H.R. 849, to repeal the provisions of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act providing for the Independent Payment Advisory Board, by a ye-and-nay vote of 307 yeas to 111 nays, Roll No. 604. **Pages H8413–21**

Pursuant to the Rule, the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Ways and Means now printed in the bill shall be considered as adopted. **Page H8413**

H. Res. 600, the rule providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 849) was agreed to by a ye-and-nay vote of 240 yeas to 178 nays, Roll No. 601, after the previous question was ordered by a ye-and-nay vote of 230 yeas to 193 nays, Roll No. 600. **Pages H8395–H8402, H8411–12**

**Protecting Patient Access to Emergency Medications Act of 2017:** The House agreed to take from the Speaker's table and concur in the Senate amendment to H.R. 304, to amend the Controlled Sub-

stances Act with regard to the provision of emergency medical services. **Pages H8421–22**

**Board of Visitors to the United States Naval Academy—Appointment:** The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of the following Members on the part of the House to the Board of Visitors to the United States Naval Academy: Representative Gallagher, to fill the existing vacancy thereon; Representatives Cummings and Ruppertsberger. **Page H8422**

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** Five ye-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H8411, H8411–12, H8412, H8413, and H8420–21. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 8:12 p.m.

## *Committee Meetings*

### **THE 2017 HURRICANE SEASON: A REVIEW OF EMERGENCY RESPONSE AND ENERGY INFRASTRUCTURE RECOVERY EFFORTS**

*Committee on Energy and Commerce:* Subcommittee on Energy held a hearing entitled “The 2017 Hurricane Season: A Review of Emergency Response and Energy Infrastructure Recovery Efforts”. Testimony was heard from Ray Alexander, Director of Contingency Operations, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers; Robert Corbin, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Office of Petroleum Reserves, Department of Energy; Patricia Hoffman, Acting Under Secretary for Science and Energy, and Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary, Office of Electricity Delivery and Energy Reliability, Department of Energy; Julio Rhymer, Executive Director, Virgin Islands Water and Power Authority; Frank Rusco, Director, Natural Resources and Environment, Government Accountability Office; DeAnn Walker, Chairman, Public Utility Commission of Texas; and public witnesses.

### **CONCERNS OVER FEDERAL SELECT AGENT PROGRAM OVERSIGHT OF DANGEROUS PATHOGENS**

*Committee on Energy and Commerce:* Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing entitled “Concerns Over Federal Select Agent Program Oversight of Dangerous Pathogens”. Testimony was heard from Mary Denigan-Macauley, Acting Director, Health Care, Government Accountability Office; Samuel S. Edwin, Director, Division of Select Agents and Toxins, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention; and Freeda E. Isaac, Director, Agriculture Select Agent Services, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service.