

**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 3 p.m. and adjourned at 6:11 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Tuesday, November 7, 2017. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S7030.)

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

No committee meetings were held.

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# House of Representatives

## Chamber Action

**Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced:** 9 public bills, H.R. 4254–4262, were introduced. **Page H8522**

**Additional Cosponsors:** **Page H8523**

**Reports Filed:** Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 3122, to protect individuals who are eligible for increased pension under laws administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs on the basis of need of regular aid and attendance from dishonest, predatory, or otherwise unlawful practices, and for other purposes, with amendments (H. Rept. 115–385);

H.R. 3562, to amend title 38, United States Code, to authorize the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to furnish assistance for adaptations of residences of veterans in rehabilitation programs under chapter 31 of such title, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 115–386);

H.R. 3656, to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for a consistent eligibility date for provision of Department of Veterans Affairs memorial headstones and markers for eligible spouses and dependent children of veterans whose remains are unavailable, with an amendment (H. Rept. 115–387);

H.R. 3657, to amend title 38, United States Code, to authorize the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to provide headstones and markers for the graves of spouses and children of veterans who are buried in tribal cemeteries, with amendments (H. Rept. 115–388);

H.R. 1066, to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to submit to the Committees on Veterans' Affairs of the Senate and the House of Representatives a report regarding the organizational structure of the Department of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 115–389);

H.R. 918, to amend title 38, United States Code, to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to furnish mental health care to certain former members of the Armed Forces who are not otherwise eligible to receive such care, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 115–390);

H. Res. 607, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 3043) to modernize hydropower policy, and for other purposes, and providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 3441) to clarify the treatment of two or more employers as joint employers under the National Labor Relations Act and the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 (H. Rept. 115–391); and

H.R. 2148, to amend the Federal Deposit Insurance Act to clarify capital requirements for certain acquisition, development, or construction loans, with amendments (H. Rept. 115–392). **Pages H8521–22**

**Speaker:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Comer to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H8499**

**Recess:** The House recessed at 12:06 p.m. and reconvened at 2 p.m. **Page H8500**

**Journal:** The House agreed to the Speaker's approval of the Journal by a yea-and-nay vote of 222 yeas to 169 nays with 3 answering "present", Roll No. 609.

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**Recess:** The House recessed at 2:19 p.m. and reconvened at 4:30 p.m. **Page H8502**

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

*Amending title 38, United States Code, to authorize the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to furnish assistance for adaptations of residences of veterans in rehabilitation programs under chapter 31 of such title:* H.R. 3562, to amend title 38, United States Code, to authorize the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to furnish assistance for adaptations of residences of veterans in rehabilitation programs under chapter 31 of such title, by a  $\frac{2}{3}$  yea-and-nay vote of 400 yeas with none voting "nay", Roll No. 607;

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*Veterans Affairs Management Alignment Act of 2017:* H.R. 1066, to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to submit to the Committees on Veterans' Affairs of the Senate and the House of Representatives a report regarding the organizational structure of the Department of Veterans Affairs, by a  $\frac{2}{3}$  yea-

and-nay vote of 399 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 608; **Pages H8504–05, H8510**

**Veterans Care Financial Protection Act of 2017:** H.R. 3122, amended, to protect individuals who are eligible for increased pension under laws administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs on the basis of need of regular aid and attendance from dishonest, predatory, or otherwise unlawful practices;

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Agreed to amend the title so as to read: “To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to include on the internet website of the Department of Veterans Affairs a warning regarding dishonest, predatory, or otherwise unlawful practices targeting individuals who are eligible for increased pension on the basis of need of regular aid and attendance, and for other purposes.”.

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**Amending title 38, United States Code, to provide for a consistent eligibility date for provision of Department of Veterans Affairs memorial headstones and markers for eligible spouses and dependent children of veterans whose remains are unavailable:** H.R. 3656, amended, to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for a consistent eligibility date for provision of Department of Veterans Affairs memorial headstones and markers for eligible spouses and dependent children of veterans whose remains are unavailable; and

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**Amending title 38, United States Code, to authorize the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to provide headstones and markers for the graves of spouses and children of veterans who are buried in tribal cemeteries:** H.R. 3657, amended, to amend title 38, United States Code, to authorize the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to provide headstones and markers for the graves of spouses and children of veterans who are buried in tribal cemeteries;

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Agreed to amend the title so as to read: “To amend title 38, United States Code, to authorize the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to provide certain burial benefits for spouses and children of veterans who are buried in tribal cemeteries, and for other purposes.”.

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**Recess:** The House recessed at 5:15 p.m. and reconvened at 6:30 p.m.

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**Moment of Silence:** The House observed a moment of silence in memory of the victims of the attack in Sutherland Springs, Texas.

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**Presidential Messages:** Read a message from the President wherein he notified Congress that the national emergency with respect to Burundi that was declared in Executive Order 13712 of November 22, 2015 is to continue in effect beyond November 22,

2017—referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs and ordered to be printed (H. Doc. 115–76).

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Read a message from the President wherein he notified Congress that the national emergency with respect to Iran that was declared in Executive Order 12170 of November 14, 1979 is to continue in effect beyond November 14, 2017—referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs and ordered to be printed (H. Doc. 115–77).

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Read a message from the President wherein he notified Congress that the national emergency with respect to the proliferation of weapons of mass destruction that was declared in Executive Order 12938 of November 14, 1994 is to continue in effect beyond November 14, 2017—referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs and ordered to be printed (H. Doc. 115–78).

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**Quorum Calls—Votes:** Three yeas-and-nays votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H8509, H8510, and H8510–11. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 12 noon and adjourned at 8:29 p.m.

## Committee Meetings

### HYDROPOWER POLICY MODERNIZATION ACT OF 2017; SAVE LOCAL BUSINESS ACT

**Committee on Rules:** Full Committee held a hearing on H.R. 3043, the “Hydropower Policy Modernization Act of 2017”; and H.R. 3441, the “Save Local Business Act”. The Committee granted, by record vote of 9–2, a structured rule for H.R. 3043. The rule provides one hour of general debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Energy and Commerce. 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 the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Energy and Commerce now printed in the bill 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