

## SOCIAL MEDIA INFLUENCE IN 2016 ELECTIONS

*Select Committee on Intelligence:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine social media influence in the

2016 United States elections, after receiving testimony from Colin Stretch, Facebook, Menlo Park, California; Sean J. Edgett, Twitter, Inc., San Francisco, California; and Kent Walker, Google, Mountain View, California.

# House of Representatives

## Chamber Action

**Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced:** 19 public bills, H.R. 4200–4218; and 3 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 89; and H. Res. 599, 602, were introduced. **Pages H8384–85**

**Additional Cosponsors:** **Pages H8386–87**

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

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, with an amendment (H. Rept. 115–379);

H.R. 3387, to amend the Safe Drinking Water Act to improve public water systems and enhance compliance with such Act, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 115–380);

H. Res. 600, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 849) to repeal the provisions of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act providing for the Independent Payment Advisory Board (H. Rept. 115–381);

H. Res. 601, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 3922) to extend funding for certain public health programs, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 115–382); and

H.R. 2201, to amend the Securities Act of 1933 to exempt certain micro-offerings from the registration requirements of such Act, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 115–383). **Page H8384**

**Speaker:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Marshall to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H8297**

**Recess:** The House recessed at 11:16 a.m. and reconvened at 12 noon. **Page H8306**

**Guest Chaplain:** The prayer was offered by the Guest Chaplain, Rev. Dr. Michael W. Waters, Joy Tabernacle AME Church, Dallas, TX. **Page H8306**

**Unanimous Consent Agreement:** Agreed by unanimous consent that it be in order at any time to consider House Resolution 599 in the House, if called up by the chair of the Committee on Foreign Affairs

or his designee; that the resolution be considered as read; that the previous question be considered as ordered on the resolution and preamble to adoption without intervening motion or demand for division of the question except for one hour of debate equally divided and controlled by Representative Royce and Representative Khanna or their respective designees; and that notwithstanding any previous order of the House, the provisions of section 7 of the War Powers Resolution shall not apply to House Concurrent Resolution 81. **Page H8318**

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

**Encouraging Public Offerings Act of 2017:** H.R. 3903, amended, to amend the Securities Act of 1933 to expand the ability to use testing the waters and confidential draft registration submissions, by a  $\frac{2}{3}$  yeas-and-nays vote of 419 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 599; **Pages H8318–20, H8361–62**

**Amending the Securities Act of 1933 to codify certain qualifications of individuals as accredited investors for purposes of the securities laws:** H.R. 1585, amended, to amend the Securities Act of 1933 to codify certain qualifications of individuals as accredited investors for purposes of the securities laws; **Pages H8320–23**

**Helium Extraction Act of 2017:** H.R. 3279, to amend the Mineral Leasing Act to provide that extraction of helium from gas produced under a Federal mineral lease shall maintain the lease as if the helium were oil and gas; **Page H8323**

**Repealing the Act entitled “An Act to confer jurisdiction on the State of Iowa over offenses committed by or against Indians on the Sac and Fox Indian Reservation”:** H.R. 1074, to repeal the Act entitled “An Act to confer jurisdiction on the State of Iowa over offenses committed by or against Indians on the Sac and Fox Indian Reservation”; **Pages H8323–24**

**Providing for the conveyance to the State of Iowa of the reversionary interest held by the United States in certain land in Pottawattamie**

**County, Iowa:** H.R. 2600, amended, to provide for the conveyance to the State of Iowa of the reversionary interest held by the United States in certain land in Pottawattamie County, Iowa; **Pages H8324–25**

**Indiana Dunes National Park Act:** H.R. 1488, amended, to retitle Indiana Dunes National Lakeshore as Indiana Dunes National Park; **Pages H8325–26**

**Foreign Terrorist Organizations Passport Revocation Act of 2017:** H.R. 425, amended, to authorize the revocation or denial of passports to individuals affiliated with foreign terrorist organizations; and **Pages H8363–65**

**Urging adherence to the “one country, two systems” policy as prescribed in the Joint Declaration between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and the Government of the People’s Republic of China on the Question of the Hong Kong:** H. Res. 422, amended, urging adherence to the “one country, two systems” policy as prescribed in the Joint Declaration between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and the Government of the People’s Republic of China on the Question of the Hong Kong; **Pages H8365–68**

Agreed to amend the title so as to read: “Urging adherence to the ‘one country, two systems’ policy as prescribed in the Joint Declaration between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and the Government of the People’s Republic of China on the Question of Hong Kong.”. **Page H8368**

**Recess:** The House recessed at 5:07 p.m. and reconvened at 5:16 p.m. **Page H8356**

**Resilient Federal Forests Act of 2017:** The House passed H.R. 2936, to expedite under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 and improve forest management activities on National Forest System lands, on public lands under the jurisdiction of the Bureau of Land Management, and on Tribal lands to return resilience to overgrown, fire-prone forested lands, by a recorded vote of 232 ayes to 188 noes, Roll No. 598. **Pages H8326–56, H8356**

Rejected the O’Halloran motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Natural Resources with instructions to report the same back to the House forthwith with amendments, by a recorded vote of 189 ayes to 230 noes, Roll No. 597. **Pages H8359–60**

Pursuant to the Rule, it shall be in order to consider as an original bill for the purpose of amendment under the five-minute rule an amendment in the nature of a substitute consisting of the text of Rules Committee Print 115–36, in lieu of the amendments in the nature of a substitute rec-

ommended by the Committees on Agriculture and Natural Resources now printed in the bill.

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Agreed to:

Schrader amendment (No. 1 printed in H. Rept. 115–378) that strikes “produce timber” as a forest management activity designated for Categorical Exclusion; **Page H8350**

Cárdenas amendment (No. 4 printed in H. Rept. 115–378) that requires the Secretary of Agriculture, in consultation with other relevant Departments, to conduct a study to evaluate the feasibility, safety and cost effectiveness of using unmanned aerial vehicles for the purposes of supporting wildfire response and suppression as well as forest restoration and management; **Page H8352**

DeFazio amendment (No. 5 printed in H. Rept. 115–378) that adds land exclusions to Sec. 913, including Yaquina Head Outstanding Natural Area, Wild and Scenic Rivers Act, Wilderness Act, lands managed under the National Trails System; and **Pages H8352–53**

Pearce amendment (No. 7 printed in H. Rept. 115–378) that establishes a pilot program to demonstrate effective tools and techniques for safeguarding natural resources (by a recorded vote of 236 ayes to 184 noes, Roll No. 596).

**Pages H8354–56, H8358–59**

Rejected:

Khanna amendment (No. 2 printed in H. Rept. 115–378) that sought to strike Subtitle B of Title III, the Forest Management Activity Arbitration Pilot Program, from the bill (by a recorded vote of 189 ayes to 232 noes, Roll No. 594); and **Pages H8350–51, H8357**

O’Halloran amendment (No. 3 printed in H. Rept. 115–378) that sought to strike sections 801 and 903 (by a recorded vote of 194 ayes to 226 noes, Roll No. 595). **Pages H8351–52, H8357–58**

Withdrawn:

LaMalfa amendment (No. 6 printed in H. Rept. 115–378) that was offered and subsequently withdrawn that would have directed OPM to create a “wildland firefighter” occupational series. **Pages H8353–54**

H. Res. 595, the rule providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 2936) was agreed to by a recorded vote of 232 ayes to 184 noes, Roll No. 593, after the previous question was ordered by a yea-and-nay vote of 232 yeas to 184 nays, Roll No. 592. **Pages H8309–18**

**Clerk to Correct Engrossment:** Agreed by unanimous consent that, in the engrossment of H.R. 3903, the Clerk be authorized to make such technical and conforming changes as may be necessary to

reflect the actions of the House in amending the bill. **Page H8362**

**Clerk to Correct Engrossment:** Agreed by unanimous consent that the Clerk be authorized to make technical corrections in the engrossment of H.R. 2936, to include corrections in spelling, punctuation, section numbering and cross-referencing, and the insertion of appropriate headings. **Page H8362**

**Providing official recognition of the massacre of 11 African-American soldiers of the 333rd Field Artillery Battalion of the United States Army who had been captured in Wereth, Belgium, during the Battle of the Bulge on December 17, 1944:** The House agreed to discharge from committee and agree to H. Con. Res. 43, providing official recognition of the massacre of 11 African-American soldiers of the 333rd Field Artillery Battalion of the United States Army who had been captured in Wereth, Belgium, during the Battle of the Bulge on December 17, 1944. **Page H8362**

**Senate Message:** Message received from the Senate by the Clerk and subsequently presented to the House today appears on page H8318.

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** Two yea-and-nay votes and six recorded votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H8316–17, H8317–18, H8357, H8357–58, H8358–59, H8360, H8360–61, and H8361–62. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 9:14 p.m.

## *Committee Meetings*

### ACCOUNTABLE SOFT POWER IN THE NATIONAL INTEREST

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs held an oversight hearing entitled “Accountable Soft Power in the National Interest”. Testimony was heard from Mark Green, Administrator, U.S. Agency for International Development.

### SECURING CONSUMERS’ CREDIT DATA IN THE AGE OF DIGITAL COMMERCE

*Committee on Energy and Commerce:* Subcommittee on Digital Commerce and Consumer Protection held a hearing entitled “Securing Consumers’ Credit Data in the Age of Digital Commerce”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### OVERSIGHT OF FIRSTNET: STATE PERSPECTIVES

*Committee on Energy and Commerce:* Subcommittee on Communications and Technology held a hearing en-

titled “Oversight of FirstNet: State Perspectives”. Testimony was heard from Brian Moran, Secretary of Public Safety and Homeland Security, Virginia; Michael Poth, CEO, First Responder Network Authority; John Stevens, Statewide Interoperability Coordinator, New Hampshire; and public witnesses.

### EXAMINING THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT-DISASTER RECOVERY PROGRAM

*Committee on Financial Services:* Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing entitled “Examining the Community Development Block Grant-Disaster Recovery Program”. Testimony was heard from Helen Albert, Acting Inspector General, Office of the Inspector General, Department of Housing and Urban Development.

### DATA SECURITY: VULNERABILITIES AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR IMPROVEMENT

*Committee on Financial Services:* Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Credit held a hearing entitled “Data Security: Vulnerabilities and Opportunities for Improvement”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### AN INSIDER’S LOOK AT THE NORTH KOREAN REGIME

*Committee on Foreign Affairs:* Full Committee held a hearing entitled “An Insider’s Look at the North Korean Regime”. Testimony was heard from a public witness.

### NET NEUTRALITY AND THE ROLE OF ANTITRUST

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on Regulatory Reform, Commercial and Antitrust Law held a hearing entitled “Net Neutrality and the Role of Antitrust”. Testimony was heard from Maureen Ohlhausen, Acting Chairman, Federal Trade Commission; Terrell McSweeney, Commissioner, Federal Trade Commission; and public witnesses.

### LEGISLATIVE MEASURE

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on the Constitution and Civil Justice held a hearing on H.R. 490, the “Heartbeat Protection Act of 2017”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### OVERSIGHT OF THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE FOR IMMIGRATION REVIEW

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on Immigration and Border Security held a hearing entitled “Oversight of the Executive Office for Immigration Review”. Testimony was heard from James McHenry, Acting Director, Executive Office for Immigration Review, Department of Justice.