# Daily Digest

# Senate

# Chamber Action

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Measures Introduced: Fifteen bills and six resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 359–373, S.J. Res. 6, S. Res. 55–58, and S. Con. Res. 6.

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# Measures Reported:

- S. Res. 56, authorizing expenditures by the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
- S. Res. 57, authorizing expenditures by the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
- S. Res. 58, authorizing expenditures by the Committee on the Budget.
- S. 365, to make a technical amendment to the Education Sciences Reform Act of 2002. Page S791

#### Measures Passed:

National Association for the Advancement of Colored People 102nd Anniversary: Senate agreed to S. Con. Res. 6, commending the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People on the occasion of its 102nd anniversary. Pages S803-04

## Measures Considered:

FAA Air Transportation Modernization and Safety Improvement Act—Agreement: Senate continued consideration of S. 223, to modernize the air traffic control system, improve the safety, reliability, and availability of transportation by air in the United States, provide modernization of the air traffic control system, reauthorize the Federal Aviation Administration, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto:

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Adopted:

Rockefeller (for Baucus) Further Modified Amendment No. 75, of a perfecting nature. Pages \$770–77 Pending:

Rockefeller (for Wyden) Amendment No. 27, to increase the number of test sites in the National Airspace System used for unmanned aerial vehicles and to require one of those test sites to include a significant portion of public lands.

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Inhofe Modified Amendment No. 7, to provide for an increase in the number of slots available at Ronald Reagan Washington National Airport.

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Rockefeller (for Ensign) Amendment No. 32, to improve provisions relating to certification and flight standards for military remotely piloted aerial systems in the National Airspace System.

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McCain Amendment No. 4, to repeal the essential air service program. Page S768

Rockefeller (for Leahy) Amendment No. 50, to amend title 1 of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 to include nonprofit and volunteer ground and air ambulance crew members and first responders for certain benefits, and to clarify the liability protection for volunteer pilots that fly for public benefit.

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Reid Amendment No. 54, to allow airports that receive airport improvement grants for the purchase of land to lease the land and develop the land in a manner compatible with noise buffering purposes.

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Udall (NM) Modified Amendment No. 49, to authorize Dona Ana County, New Mexico, to exchange certain land conveyed to the County for airport purposes.

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Udall (NM) Modified Amendment No. 51, to require that all advanced imaging technology used as a primary screening method for passengers be equipped with automatic target recognition software.

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Paul Amendment No. 18, to strike the provisions relating to clarifying a memorandum of understanding between the Federal Aviation Administration and the Occupational Safety and Health Administration.

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Hutchison Further Modified Amendment No. 93 (to Modified Amendment No. 7), of a perfecting nature.

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A unanimous-consent-time agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill at approximately 9:30 a.m., on Thursday, February 17, 2011; that there then be 2 hours for debate prior to the cloture vote on Inhofe Modified Amendment No. 7 (listed above), with the time equally divided and controlled between the proponents and opponents,

and that the filing deadline for second-degree amendments to the bill be 10 a.m. Page S804

# Appointments:

Joint Committee on Taxation: The Chair, announced on behalf of the Committee on Finance, pursuant to section 8002 of title 26, U.S. Code, the designation of the following Senators as members of the Joint Committee on Taxation: Senator Baucus, Senator Rockefeller, Senator Conrad, Senator Hatch, and Senator Grassley.

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Senator Coats—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that at 1:30 p.m., on Thursday, February 17, 2011, Senator Coats be recognized for up to 30 minutes.

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Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Timothy M. Cain, of South Carolina, to be United States District Judge for the District of South Carolina.

Scott Wesley Skavdahl, of Wyoming, to be United States District Judge for the District of Wyoming.

2 Army nominations in the rank of general. Routine lists in the Army and Marine Corps.

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 6:26 p.m., until 9:30 a.m. on Thursday, February 17, 2011. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S804.)

# Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

### **BUSINESS MEETING**

Committee on the Budget: Committee ordered favorably reported an original resolution authorizing expenditures by the committee.

Also, committee adopted its rules of procedure for the 112th Congress.

# NATIONWIDE NETWORK FOR FIRST RESPONDERS

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee concluded a hearing to examine safe-guarding our future, focusing on building a nation-wide network for first responders, after receiving testimony from Representative King (NY); Delaware Governor Jack Markell, Dover, on behalf of the National Governors Association; Raymond W. Kelly, New York City Police Commissioner, New York, New York; Al H. Gillespie, North Las Vegas Fire Department Chief, Las Vegas, Nevada, on behalf of the International Association of Fire Chiefs (IAFC); and Joseph L. Hanna, Directions, Garland, Texas.

# DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY BUDGET

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2012 for the Department of Energy, after receiving testimony from Steven Chu, Secretary of Energy.

# **BUSINESS MEETING**

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee ordered favorably reported an original resolution authorizing expenditures by the committee.

Also, committee adopted its rules of procedure for the 112th Congress and announced the following subcommittee assignments:

Subcommittee on Energy: Senators Cantwell (Chair), Wyden, Johnson (SD), Landrieu, Sanders, Udall (CO), Shaheen, Franken, Manchin, Coons, Risch, Barrasso, Lee, Paul, Coats, Portman, Hoeven, and Corker.

Subcommittee on Public Lands and Forests: Senators Wyden (Chair), Johnson (SD), Landrieu, Cantwell, Udall (CO), Shaheen, Franken, Coons, Barrasso, Risch, Lee, Paul, Portman, and Hoeven.

Subcommittee on National Parks: Senators Udall (CO) (Chair), Landrieu, Sanders, Stabenow, Franken, Manchin, Coons, Burr, Barrasso, Paul, Coats, Portman, and Corker.

Subcommittee on Water and Power: Senators Shaheen (Chair), Wyden, Johnson (SD), Cantwell, Sanders, Stabenow, Manchin, Lee, Risch, Coats, Hoeven, and Corker.

Senators Bingaman and Murkowski are ex officio members of each subcommittee.

# CALL TO ACTION ON TRANSPORTATION

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Committee concluded a hearing to examine national leaders' call to action on transportation, after receiving testimony from Thomas J. Donohue, U.S. Chamber of Commerce, and Richard Trumka, American Federation of Labor and Congress of Industrial Organizations (AFL–CIO), both of Washington, D.C.

#### **BUDGET**

Committee on Finance: Committee concluded hearings to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2012, after receiving testimony from Timothy F. Geithner, Secretary of the Treasury.

# **BUSINESS MEETING**

Committee on Finance: Committee adopted its rules of procedure for the 112th Congress and announced the following subcommittee assignments:

Subcommittee on Health Care: Senators Rockefeller (Chair), Bingaman, Kerry, Wyden, Stabenow, Cantwell, Menendez, Carper, Cardin, Ensign, Grassley, Kyl, Roberts, Enzi, Cornyn, and Coburn.

Subcommittee on Taxation and IRS Oversight: Senators Conrad (Chair), Baucus, Kerry, Schumer, Wyden, Cantwell, Nelson (FL), Menendez, Carper, Cardin, Kyl, Snowe, Crapo, Roberts, Ensign, Enzi, Cornyn, and Thune.

Subcommittee on Energy, Natural Resources, and Infrastructure: Senators Bingaman (Chair), Rockefeller, Conrad, Kerry, Cantwell, Nelson (FL), Carper, Cornyn, Grassley, Roberts, Enzi, and Thune.

Subcommittee on International Trade, Customs, and Global Competitiveness: Senators Wyden (Chair), Rockefeller, Kerry, Schumer, Stabenow, Nelson (FL), Menendez, Thune, Hatch, Grassley, Crapo, and Roberts.

Subcommittee on Social Security, Pensions, and Family Policy: Senators Stabenow (Chair), Rockefeller, Schumer, Cardin, Coburn, Hatch, and Kyl.

Subcommittee on Fiscal Responsibility and Economic Growth: Senators Nelson (FL) (Chair), Baucus, Conrad, Bingaman, Crapo, Ensign, and Coburn.

Senators Baucus and Hatch are ex officio members of each subcommittee.

# D.C. OPPORTUNITY SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine saving the D.C. Opportunity Scholarship Program, including S. 206, to reauthorize the DC Opportunity Scholarship Program, after receiving testimony from Mayor Vincent C. Gray, Kwame R. Brown, Chair-

man, Council of the District of Columbia, Kevin P. Chavous, Black Alliance for Educational Options, and Virginia Walden Ford, D.C. Parents for School Choice, all of Washington, D.C.; and Patrick J. Wolf, University of Arkansas, Fayetteville.

## IMPROVING FEDERAL EMPLOYMENT

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Subcommittee on Oversight of Government Management, the Federal Workforce, and the District of Columbia concluded a hearing to examine improving Federal employment of people with disabilities, focusing on barriers to the employment of people with disabilities in the federal workforce and leading practices that could be used to overcome these barriers, after receiving testimony from Yvonne Jones, Director, Strategic Issues, Government Accountability Office; Christine Griffin, Deputy Director, Office of Personnel Management; Kathleen Martinez, Assistant Secretary of Labor for Disability Employment Policy; and Chai Feldblum, Commissioner, Equal Employment Opportunity Commission.

## **BUSINESS MEETING**

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: Committee ordered favorably reported an original resolution authorizing expenditures by the committee during the 112th Congress, an original bill entitled, "Technical Amendment to the Education Sciences Reform Act", and Public Health Service nominations.

Also, committee adopted its rules of procedure for the 112th Congress.

## **BUSINESS MEETING**

Committee on Indian Affairs: Committee ordered favorably reported an original resolution authorizing expenditures by the committee.

Also, committee adopted its rules of procedure for the 112th Congress.

# WEBSITES DEDICATED TO STEALING AMERICAN INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded a hearing to examine targeting websites dedicated to stealing American intellectual property, after receiving testimony from Tom Adams, Rosetta Stone Inc., and Thomas M. Dailey, Verizon Communications Inc., both of Arlington, Virginia; Scott Turow, Authors Guild, New York, New York; Christine Jones, The Go Daddy Group, Inc., Scottsdale, Arizona; and Denise Yee, Visa Inc., San Francisco, California.

## **NOMINATIONS**

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Jimmie V. Reyna, of Maryland, to be United States Circuit

Judge for the Federal Circuit, who was introduced by Senators Cardin and Cornyn, John A. Kronstadt, to be United States District Judge for the Central District of California, who was introduced by Senator Feinstein, Vincent L. Briccetti, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of New York, and Arenda L. Wright Allen, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Virginia, and Michael Francis Urbanski, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Virginia, who were both introduced by Senators Webb and Warner, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

### WORLDWIDE THREAT

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the worldwide threat, after receiving testimony from James R. Clapper, Director of National Intelligence; Robert S. Mueller, Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Department of Justice; Michael Leiter, Director, National Counterterrorism Center; Leon Panetta, Director, Central Intelligence Agency; Lieutenant General Ronald L. Burgess, Jr., Director, Defense Intelligence Agency; and Philip Goldberg, Assistant Secretary of State for Intelligence and Research.

# House of Representatives

# Chamber Action

**Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced:** 18 public bills, H.R. 733–750; and 6 resolutions, H.J. Res. 37–40; and H. Res. 95–96 were introduced.

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Additional Cosponsors:

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Reports Filed: There were no reports filed today.

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Nunnelee to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

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Recess: The House recessed at 11:25 a.m. and reconvened at 12 noon.

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Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the guest chaplain, Reverend Bill Shuler, Capital Life Church, Washington, DC.

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Extending expiring provisions of the USA PATRIOT Improvement and Reauthorization Act of 2005—Rule for Consideration: The House agreed to H. Res. 93, the rule providing for consideration of the Senate amendment to H.R. 514, to extend expiring provisions of the USA PATRIOT Improvement and Reauthorization Act of 2005 and Intelligence Reform and Terrorism Prevention Act of 2004 relating to access to business records, individual terrorists as agents of foreign powers, and roving wiretaps until December 8, 2011. Pages H951–57

Board of Visitors to the United States Military Academy—Appointment: The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of the following Member of the House to the Board of Visitors to the United States Military Academy: Representative Shimkus.

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Full-Year Continuing Appropriations Act, 2011: The House resumed consideration of H.R. 1, making appropriations for the Department of Defense and the other departments and agencies of the Govern-

ment for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2011. Consideration is expected to resume tomorrow, February 17th.

Pages H1043-68

Agreed to:

Rooney amendment (No. 2 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that was debated on February 15th that reduces Research, Development, Test, and Evaluation, Navy by \$225,000,000 and reduces Research, Development, Test, and Evaluation, Air Force by \$225,000,000 and increases Defense by \$450,000,000 (by a recorded vote of 233 ayes to 198 noes with 1 voting "present", Roll No. 46);

Pages H957-58

Michaud amendment (No. 153 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that was debated on February 15th that increases funding, by offset, for the Department of Commerce, Economic Development Administration, Economic Development Assistance Programs by \$80,000,000 (by a recorded vote of 305 ayes to 127 noes, Roll No. 50);

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Flake amendment (No. 368 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that was debated on February 15th that eliminates funding for the National Drug Intelligence Center (by a recorded vote of 262 ayes to 169 noes, Roll No. 51);

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Weiner amendment (No. 125 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011), as modified, that was debated on February 15th that increases funding, by offset, for the Department of Justice, Community Oriented Policing Services by \$298,000,000 (by a recorded vote of 228 ayes to 203 noes, Roll No. 53); Pages H962-63

Pascrell amendment (No. 223 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that was debated on February 15th that increases funding, by offset, for the Department of Homeland Security, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Firefighter

Assistance Grants by \$510,000,000 (by a recorded vote of 318 ayes to 113 noes, Roll No. 60);

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Burton (IN) amendment (No. 30 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that reduces funding for the Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management, Management of Lands and Resources by \$2,000,000; Pages H968-70

Pompeo amendment (No. 84 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that reduces funding for the Environmental Protection Agency, Environmental Programs and Management by \$8,458,000 (by a recorded vote of 239 ayes to 185 noes, Roll No. 64); Pages H988–89, H996

Reed amendment (No. 379 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that reduces funding for the Environmental Protection Agency, State and Tribal Assistance Grants by \$10,000,000 (by a recorded vote of 228 ayes to 203 noes, Roll No. 65);

Pages H989–90, H997

Whitfield amendment (No. 108 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that reduces the funding for greening of the Capitol by \$1,500,000; and Pages H1045-51

McClintock amendment (No. 291 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that reduces funding for the Department of the Treasury, Debt Restructuring by \$20,000,000. Pages H1056–57

Rejected:

Jones amendment (No. 95 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that was debated on February 15th that sought to eliminate funding for the Afghanistan Infrastructure Fund (by a recorded vote of 135 ayes to 294 noes, Roll No. 47);

Pages H958–59

Holt amendment (No. 237 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that was debated on February 15th that sought to eliminate funding for the Iraq Security Forces Fund (by a recorded vote of 133 ayes to 299 noes, Roll No. 48);

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DeFazio amendment (No. 97 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that was debated on February 15th that sought to increase funding, by offset, for the Organic Transition Program by \$5,000,000 (by a recorded vote of 136 ayes to 296 noes, Roll No. 49);

Pages H959-60

Latta amendment (No. 260 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that was debated on February 15th that sought to reduce funding for the Department of Commerce, National Institute of Standards and Technology, Construction of Research Facilities by \$10,000,000 (by a recorded vote of 184 ayes to 247 noes, Roll No. 52);

Pages H961-62

Duncan (SC) amendment (No. 110 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that was debated on February 15th that sought to reduce funding for the Legal Services Corporation by

\$324,400,000 (by a recorded vote of 171 ayes to 259 noes, Roll No. 54); Page H963

Biggert amendment (No. 192 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that was debated on February 15th that sought to reduce funding for the Department of Energy, Energy Programs, Advanced Research Projects Agency—Energy by \$50,000,000 (by a recorded vote of 170 ayes to 262 noes, Roll No. 55);

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Inslee amendment (No. 395 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that was debated on February 15th that sought to increase funding, by offset, for the Department of Energy, Energy Programs, Advanced Research Projects Agency—Energy by \$20,000,000 (by a recorded vote of 159 ayes to 273 noes, Roll No. 56);

Pages H964-65

Tonko amendment (No. 4 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that was debated on February 15th that sought to strike the prohibition on Weatherization and State Energy Program funding (by a recorded vote of 208 ayes to 223 noes, Roll No. 57);

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Latta amendment (No. 259 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that was debated on February 15th that sought to reduce funding for Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy by \$70,000,000 (by a recorded vote of 137 ayes to 293 noes, Roll No. 58);

Pages H965–66

DeFazio amendment (No. 98 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that was debated on February 15th that sought to eliminate the funding for the Selective Service System (by a recorded vote of 130 ayes to 301 noes, Roll No. 59);

Pages H966-67

McClintock amendment (No. 295 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that sought to reduce funding for the Department of the Interior, United States Fish and Wildlife Service, Resource Management by \$7,537,000; Pages H981-82

Lummis amendment (No. 193 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that sought to reduce funding for land acquisition under Title VII—Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies by \$35,055,000 (by a recorded vote of 213 ayes to 216 noes, Roll No. 61); Pages H976–81, H994–95

Moran amendment (No. 338 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that sought to increase, by offset, the United States Fish and Wildlife Service, North American Wetlands Conservation Fund by \$50,000,000 (by a recorded vote of 73 ayes to 352 noes with 2 voting "present", Roll No. 62);

Pages H982-84, H995

Flake amendment (No. 376 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that sought to reduce funding for the Environmental Protection Agency, Science and Technology by \$64,100,000 (by a recorded vote of 199 ayes to 230 noes, Roll No. 63); and Pages H986–87, H995–96

Polis amendment (No. 68 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that sought to

create an exception for TIFIA projects within ARRA reductions.

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Withdrawn:

Barletta amendment (No. 111 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that was offered and subsequently withdrawn that would have increased funding, by offset, for Low Income Home Energy Assistance by \$42,676,000 and

Pages H1014-20

Franks (AZ) amendment (No. 481 printed in the Congressional Record of February 15, 2011) that was offered and subsequently withdrawn that would have added language regarding the fulfillment of the Egypt-Israel treaty.

Pages H1060-63

Point of Order sustained against:

Pearce amendment (No. 556 printed in the Congressional Record of February 15, 2011), as modified, that sought to reduce funding for construction and land acquisition under Title VII—Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies by \$239,045,000;

Pages H970-76

Lummis amendment (No. 194 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that sought to change the date for the final rule published by the Secretary of the Interior with respect to the endangered status of wolves;

Pages H984–86

Hall amendment (No. 407 printed in the Congressional Record of February 15, 2011) that sought to direct the EPA to enter into a contract with the National Academy of Sciences to perform a comprehensive review of non-mercury hazardous air pollutants emitted by electric generating units and industrial boilers;

Pages H987–88

Edwards amendment (No. 415 printed in the Congressional Record of February 15, 2011) that sought to increase funding for the Environmental Protection Agency, State and Tribal Assistance Grants by \$2,816,446,000;

Pages H990–92

Braley (IA) amendment (No. 521 printed in the Congressional Record of February 15, 2011) that sought to add language stating that the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency shall not be prohibited from implementing or enforcing section 211(o) of the Clean Air Act; Pages H992-94

Markey amendment (No. 160 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that sought to increase Low Income Home Energy Assistance by \$390,328,000 and add new sections at the end of the bill;

Pages H1007-14

Chu amendment (No. 490 printed in the Congressional Record of February 15, 2011) that sought to increase the funding level in the bill for Pell Grants to \$4,860;

Pages H1024-25

Jackson Lee amendment (No. 239 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that sought to increase the funding level in the bill for Pell Grants to \$4,860;

Pages H1025-28

Blumenauer amendment (No. 436 printed in the Congressional Record of February 15, 2011) that

sought to provide funding for the Corporation for Public Broadcasting;

Pages H1028-31

Tonko amendment (No. 15 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that sought to strike section 1844 which provides a limitation on Administrative Expenses for the Social Security Administration;

Pages H1032-33

Tonko amendment (No. 16 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that sought to strike section 1846 which provides a limitation on Administrative Expenses for the Social Security Administration;

Pages H1033-36

Lee (CA) amendment (No. 221 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that sought to add a new section regarding rules related to additional weeks of first-tier emergency unemployment compensation; and

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Nadler amendment (No. 511 printed in the Congressional Record of February 15, 2011) that sought to add back all transportation funding.

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Proceedings Postponed:

Pompeo amendment (No. 85 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that seeks to reduce funding for the Department of Agriculture, Forest Service, State and Private Forestry by \$7,400,000; Pages H999–H1001

Walberg amendment (No. 196 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that seeks to reduce funding for the National Foundation on the Arts and the Humanities, National Endowment for the Arts, Grants and Administration by \$20,594,000; Pages H1001-02

Canseco amendment (No. 249 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that seeks to reduce funding for National Capital Arts and Cultural Affairs by \$4,500,000; Pages H1002-03

Reed amendment (No. 381 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that seeks to eliminate the Presidio Trust Fund; Pages H1003-07

Bass (NH) amendment (No. 565 printed in the Congressional Record of February 15, 2011) that seeks to reduce funding for Department of Health and Human Services, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services by \$98,000,000;

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Flake amendment (No. 457 printed in the Congressional Record of February 15, 2011) that seeks to reduce funding for making payments under the Community Service Block Grant Act by \$100,000,000; Pages H1016–20

McMorris Rodgers amendment (No. 276 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that seeks to increase IDEA state grants to FY 2010 levels and reduce school improvement grants and teacher quality grants by necessary amounts to fully offset outlays;

Pages H1020-23

Young (AK) amendment (No. 532 printed in the Congressional Record of February 15, 2011) that

seeks to restore the education funding authority for Alaskan and Hawaiian Native Americans;

Pages H1023-24

Price (GA) amendment (No. 410 printed in the Congressional Record of February 15, 2011) that seeks to eliminate funding for the National Labor Relations Board;

Pages H1031-32

Weiner amendment (No. 100 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that seeks to reduce funding for the United States Institute of Peace by \$42,676,000;

Pages H1051-56

Canseco amendment (No. 248 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that seeks to reduce funding for the East-West Center by \$10,716,000; Pages H1055-56

Heller amendment (No. 29 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that seeks to reduce funding under Title XI—State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs by \$211,244,700; and Pages H1057-60

Sessions amendment (No. 43 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that seeks to reduce funding for Amtrak by \$446,900,000.

Pages H1064-67

H. Res. 92, the rule providing for consideration of the bill, was agreed to yesterday, February 15th. **Meeting Hour:** Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 9 a.m. today.

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Amendment: Amendment ordered printed pursuant to the rule appears on page H1071.

Quorum Calls—Votes: One yea-and-nay vote and twenty recorded votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H956–57, H957–58, H958–59, H959, H959–60, H960–61, H961, H961–62, H962–63, H963, H963–64, H964–65, H965, H965–66, H966–67, H967, H994–95, H995, H995–96, H996 and H997. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 3:43 a.m. on Thursday, February 17th.

# Committee Meetings REGULATORY BURDENS

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on Nutrition and Horticulture and the Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment of the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure held a joint hearing to consider reducing the regulatory burdens posed by the case National Cotton Council v. EPA (6th Cir. 2009) and to review related draft legislation. Testimony was heard from Steven Bradbury, Director, Office of Pesticide Programs, EPA; and public witnesses.

## NATIONAL DEFENSE FY 2012 BUDGET

Committee on Armed Services: Held a hearing on the Fiscal Year 2012 national defense authorization budget request from the Department of Defense.

Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Defense: Robert M. Gates, Secretary; and ADM Michael G. Mullen, USN, Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff.

# TREASURY FY 2012 BUDGET

Committee on the Budget: Held a hearing on the Department of the Treasury Fiscal Year 2012 Budget. Testimony was heard from Timothy F. Geithner, Secretary of the Treasury.

# DEPARTMENT OF LABOR POLICIES AND PRIORITIES

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Held a hearing on Policies and Priorities at the U.S. Department of Labor. Testimony was heard from Hilda L. Solis, Secretary of Labor.

# NET NEUTRALITY AND INTERNET REGULATION

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Communications and Technology, held a hearing entitled "Network Neutrality and Internet Regulation: Warranted or More Economic Harm Than Good?" Testimony was heard from the following officials of the FCC: Julius Genachowski, Chairman; Mignon Clyburn; Michael J. Copps; Meredith Attwell Baker; and Robert M. McDowell, all Commissioners.

# HEALTH CARE AND THE CENTER FOR CONSUMER INFORMATION AND INSURANCE

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing entitled "Health Care Issues Involving the Center for Consumer Information and Insurance Oversight." Testimony was heard from the following officials of Department of Health and Human Services: Jay Angoff, Senior Advisor, Office of the Secretary; and Steve Larsen, Deputy Administrator and Director, Center for Consumer Information and Insurance Oversight, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services.

# FINANCIAL CRISIS INQUIRY COMMISSION

Committee on Financial Services: Held a hearing entitled "The Final Report of the Financial Crisis Inquiry Commission." Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Financial Crisis Inquiry Commission: Phil Angelides, Chairman; Bill Thomas, Vice Chairman; Douglas Holtz-Eakin, Commissioner; Brooksley Born, Commissioner; Peter Wallison, Commissioner; and Bryon Georgiou, Commissioner.

# HOUSING MARKET RECOVERY

Committee on Financial Services: Subcommittee on Insurance, Housing and Community Opportunity held a hearing entitled "Are There Government Barriers to the Housing Market Recovery?" Testimony was

heard from David Stevens, Assistant Secretary, Housing and Commissioner of the Federal Housing Administration, Department of Housing and Urban Development; Theodore "Ted" Tozer, President, Government National Mortgage Association (Ginnie Mae); Phyllis Caldwell, Chief, Homeownership Preservation Office, Department of the Treasury; Douglas Holtz-Eakin, former Director, CBO; and public witnesses

## **HEALTH CARE ACT OF 2011**

Committee on the Judiciary: Ordered reported, as amended, H.R. 5, Help Efficient, Accessible, Lowcost, Timely Healthcare (HEALTH) Act of 2011.

# CONSTITUTIONALITY OF THE INDIVIDUAL MANDATE

Committee on the Judiciary: Held a hearing on the Constitutionality of the Individual Mandate. Testimony was heard from Kenneth T. Cuccinelli, II, Attorney General, Virginia; and public witnesses.

# FEDERAL FINANCIAL REPORTING MODEL

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform: Subcommittee on Government Organizations, Efficiency and Financial Management, hearing on Making Sense of the Numbers: Improving the Federal Financial Reporting Model. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

## THE STIMULUS: TWO YEARS LATER

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, Subcommittee on Regulatory Affairs, Stimulus Oversight and Government Spending held a hearing on the Stimulus: Two Years Later. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

# FAA FY 2012 RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT BUDGET

Committee on Science, Space, and Technology: Subcommittee on Space and Aeronautics held a hearing on a review of the Federal Aviation Administration's Research and Development Budget for Fiscal Year 2012. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Transportation: Victoria Cox, Air Traffic Organization, FAA; and Calvin Scovel, III, Inspector General; and public witnesses.

## PUTTING AMERICANS BACK TO WORK

Committee on Small Business: Held a hearing entitled "Putting Americans Back to Work: The State of the Small Business Economy." Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

# MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Ordered reported the following bills: H.R. 362, to redesignate the Federal building and United States Courthouse located at 200 East Wall Street in Midland, Texas, as the "George H.W. Bush and George W. Bush United States Courthouse and George Mahon Federal Building;" H.R. 658, amended, FAA Reauthorization and Reform Act of 2011; H.R. 690,

amended, Federal Trade Commission and National Gallery of Art Facility Consolidation, Savings, and Efficiency Act of 2011; and H.R. 662, Surface Transportation Act of 2011.

The Committee also approved a Committee resolution to reduce facility costs by consolidating the National Gallery of Art and Federal Trade Commission operations in the District of Columbia.

## PRESIDENT'S FY 2012 BUDGET PROPOSAL

Committee on Ways and Means: Continued hearings on the President's Fiscal Year 2012 Budget Proposal. Testimony was heard from Kathleen Sebelius, Secretary of Health and Human Services; and Jacob J. Lew, Director, OMB.

# Joint Meetings

# LITHUANIA'S LEADERSHIP OF THE OSCE

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe: Commission concluded a hearing to examine Lithuania's leadership of the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe (OSCE), focusing on the challenges that the Lithuanian chairmanship faces, after receiving testimony from Audronius Azubalis, Minister of Foreign Affairs of Lithuania and OSCE Chair-in-Office for 2011, Vilnius.

# COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2011

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

### Senate

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: To hold hearings to examine agriculture and growing America's economy; to be immediately followed by an organizational business meeting to consider committee rules, and an original resolution authorizing expenditures by the committee during the 112th Congress, 2:30 p.m., SR–328A.

Committee on Armed Services: To hold hearings to examine the Defense Authorization request for fiscal year 2012 and the Future Years Defense Program, 9:30 a.m., SD-G50.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Organizational business meeting to consider committee rules, subcommittee assignments, and an original resolution authorizing expenditures by the committee during the 112th Congress; to be immediately followed by an oversight hearing to examine the Dodd-Frank implementation, focusing on a progress report by the regulators at the half-year mark, 10 a.m., SD-538.

Committee on the Budget: To hold hearings to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2012 and revenue proposals, 10 a.m., SD-608.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Organizational business meeting to consider committee rules, and an original resolution authorizing expenditures by the committee during the 112th Congress, 10 a.m., SR-253.

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on Western Hemisphere, Peace Corps and Global Narcotics Affairs, to hold hearings to examine United States policy toward Latin America, 2 p.m., SD–419.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: To hold hearings to examine President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2012 for the Department of Homeland Security, 2:30 p.m., SD–342.

Committee on the Judiciary: Organizational business meeting to consider committee rules, subcommittee membership and jurisdiction, an original resolution authorizing expenditures by the committee during the 112th Congress, S. 193, to extend the sunset of certain provisions of the USA PATRIOT Act, S. 49, to amend the Federal antitrust laws to provide expanded coverage and to eliminate exemptions from such laws that are contrary to the public interest with respect to railroads, and the nominations of Sue E. Myerscough, and James E. Shadid, both to be a United States District Judge for the Central District of Illinois, Susan L. Carney, of Connecticut, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Second Circuit, Michael H. Simon, to be United States District Judge for the District of Oregon, and Mae A. D'Agostino, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of New York, and Timothy J. Feighery, of New York, to be Chairman of the Foreign Claims Settlement Commission of the United States, Department of Justice, 10 a.m., SD-226.

Committee on Rules and Administration: Organizational business meeting to consider an original resolution authorizing expenditures for the 112th Congress; to be immediately followed by a hearing to examine Senate committees that have presented budgets above guidelines for the 112th Congress, 3:30 p.m., SR–301.

Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship: Organizational business meeting to consider committee rules, and an original resolution authorizing expenditures by the committee during the 112th Congress, Time to be announced, Room to be announced.

Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine reauthorization of the SBIR and STTR programs, 10 a.m., SR–428A.

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

#### House

Committee on Agriculture, hearing on reviewing the state of the farm economy, 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

Committee on Armed Services, hearing on the Fiscal Year 2012 national defense authorization budget request from the Department of the Air Force, 1 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, Subcommittee on Commerce, Manufacturing, and Trade, hearing entitled "A Review of CPSIA and CPSC Resources," 10 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Health, hearing entitled "Impact of Medical Device Regulation on Jobs and Patients," 9:30 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Credit, hearing entitled "Understanding the Federal Reserve's Proposed Rule on Interchange Fees: Implications and Consequences of the Durbin Amendment," 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Homeland Security, hearing entitled "The President's FY 2012 Budget Request for the Department of Homeland Security," 10 a.m., 311 Cannon.

Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security, hearing on the Going Dark: Lawful Electronic Surveillance in the Face of New Technologies, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, hearing on Waste and Abuse: The Refuse of the Federal Spending Binge, 9:30 a.m., 210–HVC.

Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, hearing on An Overview of the Administration's Federal Research and Development Budget for Fiscal Year 2012, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, Sub-committee on Railroads, Pipelines, and Hazardous Materials, hearing on Sitting on Our Assets: Rehabilitating and Improving our Nation's Rail Infrastructure, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs, hearing on Department of Veterans' Affairs Budget Request for Fiscal Year 2012, 9:30 a.m., 334 Cannon.

Committee on Ways and Means, to mark up the following measures: H.R. 4, Small Business Paperwork Mandate Elimination Act of 2011; and the Comprehensive 1099 Taxpayer Protection and Repayment of Exchange Subsidy Overpayments Act of 2011.

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, hearing on FY 2011 Budget Overview, 10 a.m., 304–HVC.

Next Meeting of the SENATE 9:30 a.m., Thursday, February 17

# Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 9 a.m., Thursday, February 17

#### Senate Chamber

Program for Thursday: Senate will continue consideration of S. 223, FAA Air Transportation Modernization and Safety Improvement Act, and after a period of debate, vote on the motion to invoke cloture on Inhofe Modified Amendment No. 7, at approximately 11:30 a.m.

#### House Chamber

Program for Thursday: Continue consideration of H.R. 1—Full-Year Continuing Appropriations Act, 2011.



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