

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S3289–S3365

Measures Introduced: Twenty-two bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1059–1080, S.J. Res. 15–16, and S. Res. 199.

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Measures Passed:

Honoring the Service and Sacrifice of Members of the United States Armed Forces: Committee on Armed Services was discharged from further consideration of S. Con. Res. 13, honoring the service and sacrifice of members of the United States Armed Forces who are serving in, or have served in, Operation Enduring Freedom, Operation Iraqi Freedom, and Operation New Dawn, and the resolution was then agreed to.

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Measures Considered:

House Passed Budget: By 40 yeas to 57 nays (Vote No. 77), Senate did not agree to the motion to proceed to consideration of H. Con. Res. 34, establishing the budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2012 and setting forth appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2013 through 2021.

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Budget: By a unanimous vote of 97 yeas (Vote No. 78), Senate did not agree to the motion to proceed to consideration of S. Con. Res. 18, setting forth the President's budget request for the United States Government for fiscal year 2012, and setting forth the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2013 through 2021.

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Budget: By 42 yeas to 55 nays (Vote No. 79), Senate did not agree to the motion to proceed to consideration of S. Con. Res. 21, setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2012 and setting forth the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2013 through 2021.

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Budget: By 7 yeas to 90 nays (Vote No. 80), Senate did not agree to the motion to proceed to consideration of S. Con. Res. 20, setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for

fiscal year 2012 and setting forth the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2013 through 2016.

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House Message:

Small Business Additional Temporary Extension Act—Agreement: Senate continued consideration of the amendment of the House of Representatives to S. 990, to provide for an additional temporary extension of programs under the Small Business Act and the Small Business Investment Act of 1958, taking action on the following motions and amendments proposed thereto:

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Pending:

Reid motion to concur in the amendment of the House to the bill, with Reid Amendment No. 347, of a perfecting nature.

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Reid Amendment No. 348 (to Amendment No. 347), to change the enactment date.

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Reid motion to refer the message of the House on the bill to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship with instructions, Reid Amendment No. 349, to change the enactment date.

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Reid Amendment No. 350 (to (the instructions) Amendment No. 349), of a perfecting nature.

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Reid Amendment No. 351 (to Amendment No. 350), of a perfecting nature.

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A unanimous-consent-time agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the motion to concur in the amendment of the House to the bill, with Reid Amendment No. 347, at approximately 9:30 a.m., on Thursday, May 26, 2011, with the time until 10 a.m. equally divided and controlled between the two Leaders, or their designees; that the mandatory quorum under rule 22 be waived, and that the cloture vote on the motion to concur in the amendment of the House to the bill, with Reid Amendment No. 347, occur at 10 a.m., without intervening action or debate; and that if cloture is invoked the time post-cloture be counted from 1 a.m., Thursday, May 26, 2011; provided further, that the filing deadline for second-degree amendments be at 9:40 a.m. on Thursday, May 26, 2011.

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Appointments:

Advisory Committee on the Records of Congress: The Chair announced, on behalf of the Republican Leader, pursuant to Public Law 101-509, the re-appointment of Terry Birdwhistell, of Kentucky, to the Advisory Committee on the Records of Congress.

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Messages from the House:

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Measures Placed on the Calendar:

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Record Votes: Four record votes were taken today.
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Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 7:44 p.m., until 9:30 a.m. on Thursday, May 26, 2011. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S3365.)

Committee Meetings*(Committees not listed did not meet)***PROTECTING AMERICAN JOBS**

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Department of Homeland Security concluded a hearing to examine protecting American jobs, focusing on strengthening trade enforcement including anti-dumping and maritime laws, and past initiatives to improve anti-dumping and countervailing duty collection and additional options for improving anti-dumping and countervailing duty collection, after receiving testimony from Allen Gina, Assistant Commissioner, Office of International Trade, U.S. Customs and Border Protection; J. Scott Ballman, Jr., Deputy Assistant Director, Homeland Security Investigations, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, Department of Homeland Security; Ronald K. Lorentzen, Deputy Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Import Administration; Loren Yager, Director, International Affairs and Trade, Govern-

ment Accountability Office; Edward T. Hayes, Leake and Andersson LLP, and Kristen M. Baumer, Paul Piazza and Sons, Inc., both of New Orleans, Louisiana; Jim Adams, Offshore Marine Service Association, Harahan, Louisiana; and Keith E. Busse, Steel Dynamics, Inc., Fort Wayne, Indiana.

CREATING JOBS AND TRANSFORMING COMMUNITIES

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Financial Service and General Government concluded a hearing to examine creating jobs and transforming communities, focusing on funding for the Small Business Administration and the Community Development Financial Institutions Fund, after receiving testimony from Karen G. Mills, Administrator, U.S. Small Business Administration; Donna J. Gambrell, Director, Community Development Financial Institutions Fund, Department of the Treasury; Warner Cruz, J.C. Restoration, Inc., Rolling Meadows, Illinois; Calvin L. Holmes, Chicago Community Loan Fund (CCFL), Chicago, Illinois; and Ray Moncrief, Kentucky Highlands Investments Corporation, London.

APPROPRIATIONS: MISSILE DEFENSE AGENCY

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Department of Defense concluded a hearing to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2012 for the Missile Defense Agency, after receiving testimony from Lieutenant General Patrick J. O'Reilly, USA, Director, Missile Defense Agency, Department of Defense.

DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION REQUEST AND FUTURE YEARS DEFENSE PROGRAM

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on SeaPower concluded a hearing to examine Navy shipbuilding programs in review of the Defense Authorization Request for fiscal year 2012 and the Future Years Defense Program, after receiving testimony from Sean J. Stackley, Assistant Secretary of the Navy for Research, Development and Acquisition, Vice Admiral Kevin M. McCoy, Commander, Naval Sea Systems Command, and Captain William J. Galinis, Supervisor of Shipbuilding (SUPSHIP), Gulf Coast, all of the Department of Defense.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Armed Services: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Michael E. Guest, of South Carolina, Ana Margarita Guzman, of Texas, and Christopher B. Howard, of Virginia, all to be a Member of the National Security Education Board, and 3,463 nominations in the Army, Navy, Air Force, and Marine Corps.

DERIVATIVES CLEARINGHOUSES

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Subcommittee on Securities, Insurance and Investment concluded a hearing to examine derivatives clearinghouses, focusing on opportunities and challenges, after receiving testimony from Christopher Edmonds, ICE Trust, and Terrence A. Duffy, CME Group Inc., both of Chicago, Illinois; Benn Steil, Council on Foreign Relations, Don Thompson, JPMorgan Chase and Co., and James Cawley, Javelin Capital Markets, all of New York, New York; Chester Spatt, Carnegie Mellon University Tepper School of Business, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; and Clifford Lewis, State Street Global Markets, Singer Island, Florida.

PUBLIC LANDS AND FORESTS BILLS

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Public Lands and Forests concluded a hearing to examine S. 233, to withdraw certain Federal land and interests in that land from location, entry, and patent under the mining laws and disposition under the mineral and geothermal leasing laws, S. 268, to sustain the economic development and recreational use of National Forest System land and other public land in the State of Montana, to add certain land to the National Wilderness Preservation System, to release certain wilderness study areas, to designate new areas for recreation, S. 375, to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture and the Secretary of the Interior to enter into cooperative agreements with State foresters authorizing State foresters to provide certain forest, rangeland, and watershed restoration and protection services, S. 714, to reauthorize the Federal Land Transaction Facilitation Act, and S. 730, to provide for the settlement of certain claims under the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act, after receiving testimony from Senators Baucus, Tester, and Begich; Harris Sherman, Under Secretary of Agriculture for Natural Resources and Environment; Marcilynn A. Burke, Deputy Director, Bureau of Land Management, Department of the Interior; Byron Mallott, and Jaleen Araujo, both of the Sealaska Corporation, Juneau, Alaska; Sherman Anderson, Sun Mountain Lumber, Deer Lodge, Montana; Walter E. Congdon, Montana Cattlemen's Association, Dell; and Myla Poelstra, Edna Bay, Alaska.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of William Charles Ostendorff, of Virginia, to be a Member of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, who was introduced by Senator Webb, Richard C. Howorth, of Mississippi, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Tennessee Valley Author-

ity, who was introduced by Senators Cochran and Wicker, and Lieutenant General Thomas P. Bostick, to be Chief of Engineers, and Commanding General, United States Army Corps of Engineers, Department of Defense, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

UNITED STATES-PANAMA TRADE PROMOTION AGREEMENT

Committee on Finance: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the United States-Panama Trade Promotion Agreement, after receiving testimony from Miriam Sapiro, Deputy United States Trade Representative; Jason Speer, Quality Float Works, Inc., Schaumburg, Illinois; and Garry Niemeyer, National Corn Growers Association, Auburn, Illinois.

SPREAD OF TAX FRAUD BY IDENTITY THEFT

Committee on Finance: Subcommittee on Fiscal Responsibility and Economic Growth concluded a hearing to examine the spread of tax fraud by identity theft, focusing on a threat to taxpayers, a drain on the public treasury, and the status of Internal Revenue Service initiatives to help victimized taxpayers, after receiving testimony from Nina E. Olson, National Taxpayer Advocate, and Beth Tucker, Deputy Commissioner, Operations Support, both of the Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury; James R. White, Director, Strategic Issues, Government Accountability Office; Sharon Hawa, Bronx, New York; and Terry D. McClung, Jr., Finksburg, Maryland.

DUPLICATION IN FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine how to save taxpayer dollars, focusing on case studies of duplication in the Federal government, after receiving testimony from Gene L. Dodaro, Comptroller General of the United States, Government Accountability Office; and Daniel I. Gordon, Administrator, Federal Procurement Policy, and Vivek Kundra, Federal Chief Information Officer, Administrator, E-Government and Information Technology, both of the Office of Management and Budget.

EFFORTS TO ELIMINATE IMPROPER PAYMENTS

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Subcommittee on Federal Financial Management, Government Information, Federal Services, and International Security concluded a hearing to examine assessing efforts to eliminate improper payments, after receiving testimony from Daniel I. Werfel, Controller, Officer of Management and Budget; Richard L. Gregg, Fiscal Assistant Secretary

of the Treasury; Robert F. Hale, Under Secretary of Defense (Comptroller); Calvin L. Scovell III, Vice Chairman, Recovery Accountability and Transparency Board; and Kelly Croft, Deputy Commissioner for Systems, Social Security Administration.

HOLDING CRIMINALS ACCOUNTABLE

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded a hearing to examine holding criminals accountable, focusing on extending criminal jurisdiction to government contractors and employees abroad, after receiving testimony from Lanny A. Breuer, Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division, Department of Justice; Tara Lee, DLA Piper LLP (US), and Michael J. Edney, Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher LLP, both of Washington, D.C.; and Geoffrey S. Corn, South Texas College of Law, Houston.

VETERANS TRANSITION

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine a seamless transition, focusing on meeting the needs of service members and veterans, after receiving testimony from Antonette Zeiss, Acting Deputy Chief Officer, Mental Health Services, and Deborah Amdur, Chief Consultant Care Management and Social Work, both of the Office of Patient Care Services, Shane McNamee, Chief of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation, Hunter Holmes

McGuire Veterans Affairs Medical Center, and Janet E. Kemp, National Suicide Prevention Coordinator, all of the Veterans Health Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs; George Taylor, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Force Health Protection and Readiness, and Philip Burdette, Principal Director, Wounded Warrior Care and Transition, Policy Office, both of the Department of Defense; Steven A. Bohn, Wounded Warrior Project, Salem, Massachusetts; James R. Lorraine, Wounded Warrior Care Project, Augusta, Georgia; and Lance Corporal Tim Horton (Ret.), San Antonio, Texas.

DRUG VIOLENCE IN CENTRAL AMERICA

United States Senate Caucus on International Narcotics Control: Caucus concluded a hearing to examine combating drug violence in Central America, focusing on United States efforts to enhance security throughout Central America, after receiving testimony from Thomas M. Harrigan, Assistant Administrator and Chief of Operations, Drug Enforcement Administration, Department of Justice; Roberta Jacobson, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary of State, Bureau of Western Hemisphere Affairs; and Cynthia J. Arnson, Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars, Kevin Casas-Zamora, Brookings Institution, and Ray Walser, Heritage Foundation Center for Foreign Policy Studies, all of Washington, D.C.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 22 public bills, H.R. 1978–1999; and 3 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 55; and H. Res. 278–279 were introduced. **Pages H3644–45**

Additional Cosponsors: **Page H3646**

Report Filed: A report was filed today as follows:

H.R. 1315, to amend the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act to strengthen the review authority of the Financial Stability Oversight Council of regulations issued by the Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection, with an amendment (H. Rept. 112–89). **Page H3644**

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Webster to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H3413**

Recess: The House recessed at 11:08 a.m. and reconvened at 12 noon. **Page H3420**

Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the guest chaplain, Reverend Gene Mills, Louisiana Family Forum, Baton Rouge, Louisiana. **Pages H3420–21**

Resignation of the Chaplain of the House of Representatives: Read a letter from the Reverend Daniel P. Coughlin in which he submitted his resignation as Chaplain of the House of Representatives, effective April 30, 2011. **Page H3430**

Privileged Resolution: The House agreed to H. Res. 278, Electing the Chaplain of the House of Representatives. **Page H3430**

Administration of the Oath of Office to an Officer of the House: The Speaker administered the Oath of Office to Father Patrick J. Conroy of the State of Oregon, Chaplain of the House of Representatives. **Page H3432**

Amending the Public Health Service Act to convert funding for graduate medical education in

qualified teaching health centers from direct appropriations to an authorization of appropriations: The House passed H.R. 1216, to amend the Public Health Service Act to convert funding for graduate medical education in qualified teaching health centers from direct appropriations to an authorization of appropriations, by a recorded vote of 234 ayes to 185 noes, Roll No. 340. Consideration began yesterday, May 24th. **Pages H3430–31, H3432–34**

Rejected the Clyburn motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Energy and Commerce with instructions to report the same to the House forthwith with an amendment, by a recorded vote of 184 ayes to 236 noes, Roll No. 339. **Pages H3432–34**

Agreed to:

Foxx amendment (No. 7 printed in the Congressional Record of May 23, 2011) that was debated on May 24th that prohibits the use of funds provided for graduate medical education from being used to provide abortion or training in the provision of abortion. Additionally, funds will not be provided to a teaching health center if the institution discriminates against individual health care entities that refuse to provide abortion, undergo training in the provision of abortion, or offer referral for abortion services (by a recorded vote of 234 ayes to 182 noes, Roll No. 338). **Page H3431**

H. Res. 269, the rule providing for consideration of the bills (H.R. 1216) and (H.R. 1540) was agreed to yesterday, May 24th.

Meeting Hour: Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 9 a.m. tomorrow, May 26th. **Page H3436**

National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2012: The House resumed consideration of H.R. 1540, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2012 for military activities of the Department of Defense and for military construction, to prescribe military personnel strengths for fiscal year 2012. Consideration of the measure began yesterday, May 24th. **Pages H3423–30, H3434–36, H3436–3621, H3621–30, H3630–43, H3649–80**

Pursuant to the rule, the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Armed Services now printed in the bill shall be considered as an original bill for the purpose of amendment under the five-minute rule.

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Agreed to:

Wittman amendment (No. 1 printed in H. Rept. 112–88) that allows the Secretary of the Navy to enter into multiyear contracts for the start of major construction of the Ford-class aircraft carriers designated CVN 79 and CVN 80 and for the construction of major components, modules, or other struc-

tures related to such carriers subject to appropriations; **Pages H3595–97**

McKeon en bloc amendment No. 1 that consists of the following amendments printed in H. Rept. 112–88: Tonko amendment (No. 3) that encourages the Medical Research program to use RNA technology when conducting research for breast and prostate cancer, battlefield infectious diseases, and rare diseases; Hayworth amendment (No. 4) that express the sense of Congress that active matrix organic light emitting diode (OLED) technology displays are an integral factor in reducing the size, weight, and energy consumption of both dismounted and mounted system of the Armed Forces, and that OLED technology is a Defense-critical manufacturing capability; Miller (MI) amendment (No. 7) that designates the Chief of the National Guard Bureau as a member of the Joint Chiefs of Staff; Schock amendment (No. 8) that allows a service member with a minor dependent to request a deferment of a deployment to a combat zone if their spouse is currently deployed to a combat zone; Baca amendment (No. 9) that directs the Secretary of Defense to coordinate with each military department to enhance current suicide prevention information sharing services for members of the Armed Forces; Cohen amendment (No. 10) that adds the text of H.R. 1046, the Honor the Written Intent of Our Servicemember Heroes (HONOR the WISH) Act, to the bill; Becerra amendment (No. 11) that provides funding for the United States Military Academy, United States Naval Academy, and the United States Air Force Academy for diversity recruitment activities; McNerney amendment (No. 13) that expresses the Sense of Congress that the Secretary of Defense should work with the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau to ensure coordination with the Office of Service Member Affairs to provide financial counseling for service members and their families; McNerney amendment (No. 14) that strikes and replaces section 591 of the bill, which makes it more difficult for Guard and Reserve components to engage in military training missions that also provide assistance to local communities; King (NY) amendment (No. 15) that directs the Secretary of Defense to provide for a program under which members of the Armed Forces of the United States on active duty and serving in Iraq or Afghanistan or hospitalized at a facility under the jurisdiction of the Armed Forces as a result of a disease or injury incurred as a result of service in Iraq or Afghanistan would receive one-free postal voucher per month to be transferred to loved ones to send packages to the soldiers at no cost; Ruppertsberger amendment (No. 16) that authorizes the Secretary of Defense to extend United

States Central Command Rest and Recuperation benefits to U.S. Armed Forces assigned to the Egypt Multi-National Force and Observers Mission; Carter amendment (No. 17) that deems Members of the Armed Forces, and DoD civilian employees, who were killed or wounded in the November 5th, 2009 Fort Hood attack to have been killed or wounded in a combat zone as the result of an action of an enemy of the United States; Sessions amendment (No. 21) that creates a pilot program for treatment outside of military facilities for members of the armed forces and veterans affected by traumatic brain injury and post-traumatic stress disorder; Waters amendment (No. 29) that provides a preference for potential DOD contractors that carry out certain investment and philanthropic activities to bolster education and training in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) disciplines; Hayworth amendment (No. 34), as modified, that adds a Sense of Congress that the Department of Defense shall not convert from private sector to public sector performance any functions or positions that are not inherently governmental in nature; Cuellar amendment (No. 35) that expresses the sense of Congress that the Department of Defense should continue to share intelligence and technology with the Department of Homeland Security to address national security threats on the southwest border from transnational criminal organizations; Hunter amendment (No. 36), as modified, that directs the Secretary of the Navy to name the next available ship after Marine Corps Sergeant Rafael Peralta; and Schiff amendment (No. 5), as modified, that requires the Secretary of Defense to submit health assessment reports to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and House of Representatives when waste is disposed of in open-air burn pits;

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Carter amendment (No. 6 printed in H. Rept. 112–88) that expands existing military whistleblower protections, from retaliatory personnel actions, to include communications by Armed Forces Members of ideologically based threats or actions of another Member that the reporting Member reasonably believes could be counterproductive or detrimental to United States interests or security;

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Carson amendment (No. 19 printed in H. Rept. 112–88) that directs the Department of Defense to provide mental health assessments to service members during deployment;

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McKeon en bloc amendment No. 2 that consists of the following amendments printed in H. Rept. 112–88: Hanabusa amendment (No. 44) that limits past, present, and future detainees from rights afforded under Compact of Free Association; Hanabusa amendment (No. 45) that directs the Secretary of

Defense and the OMB to identify programs within the DoD budget that are ineffective, redundant or unused; Rogers (MI) amendment (No. 51) that requires the Department of Defense to repatriate, identify and honor with a military funeral the remains of 13 American Sailors killed during the First Barbary War in 1804; Campbell amendment (No. 52) that terminates the Joint Safety Climate Assessment System of the Department of Defense; Garrett amendment (No. 58) that clarifies that the United States Congress has not authorized military actions in Libya upon adoption of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2012; Young (AK) amendment (No. 68), as modified, that requires the Secretary of Defense to submit a report and assessment on the infrastructure needs of Department of Defense designated ports; McKeon manager's amendment (No. 73), as modified, that makes conforming changes in the bill; Braley amendment (No. 75) that requires a report from the President, in consultation with the Secretaries of Defense, State and Veterans Affairs, on the long-term costs of military operations in Iraq, Afghanistan and Libya; Bishop (UT) amendment (No. 76) that clears title to a 2.7 acre of formerly utilized defense land in Ogden Utah which was BRAC'd in 1995 so that the locally recognized municipal redevelopment authority may proceed to redevelop the property consistent with BRAC redevelopment authorities; Bishop (UT) amendment (No. 77) that clarifies certain terms in military depot statute, modifies the DoD's existing reporting requirements to include the 3 previous fiscal years' record of performance at each covered military depot in a table format, and adds the Tooele Army Depot, Utah, onto the list of depots for which annual reporting is required; Bishop (NY) amendment (No. 78) that expresses the Sense of Congress urging the Department of Defense to pursue all feasible efforts to recover, identify, and return the bodies of the crew of the Navy Flying Boat George 1 from Thurston Island, Antarctica; Bishop (NY) amendment (No. 79) that requires the Secretary of Defense to submit a report on establishing an active registry for each incidence of a member of the Armed Forces being exposed to occupational and chemical hazards, including waste disposal, during contingency operations; Bishop (NY) amendment (No. 80) that expresses the Sense of Congress regarding the efforts by the Department of Defense to keep America safe from terrorist attacks since September 11th; Blumenauer amendment (No. 81) that requires the Secretary of Defense to notify the congressional defense committees and the Committees on the Budget, within 90 days, when entering into or modifying

an indemnification agreement; Blumenauer amendment (No. 82), as modified, that modifies the Department of Defense's Operational Energy Report criteria to include an evaluation by the Department of practices used in contingency operations to reduce vulnerabilities associated with fuel convoys and a heavy reliance on fossil fuels in the field; Boren amendment (No. 83) that prohibits the unauthorized use of names and images of living and deceased military service members on merchandise and retail products without first obtaining permission from the service member or, if deceased, their family; DeLauro amendment (No. 98) that broadens the definition of entities prevented from receiving Department of Defense contracts to include all entities owned or controlled by, directed by or from, operating with delegated authority from, or affiliated with the Government of the People's Republic of China; and Donnelly amendment (No. 99) that improves DoD oversight of private security contractors funded by the DoD by requiring a standard Quality Assurance Surveillance Plan that sets out standards for oversight of all private security contracts; **Pages H3609–15**

Cole amendment (No. 27 printed in H. Rept. 112–88) that precludes an executive agency from requiring an entity submitting an offer for a Federal contract to disclose political contributions as a condition of participation (by a recorded vote of 261 ayes to 163 noes, Roll No. 347);

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Flake amendment (No. 39 printed in H. Rept. 112–88) that adds a Sense of Congress indicating that the deployment of National Guard personnel along the southwestern border should continue through the end of fiscal year 2011; and

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Edwards (MD) amendment (No. 100 printed in H. Rept. 112–88) that requires that the effects on local businesses, neighborhoods, and local governments be included in the analysis of the impacts on transportation infrastructure related to consideration and selection of military installations for closure or realignment (BRAC).

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Rejected:

Woolsey amendment (No. 2 printed in H. Rept. 112–88) that sought to eliminate the availability of funds for procurement of the Navy and Air Force V–22 Osprey aircraft (by a recorded vote of 83 ayes to 334 noes, Roll No. 343); **Pages H3630–31**

Hunter amendment (No. 12 printed in H. Rept. 112–88) that sought to create a five-year pilot program to provide opportunity scholarships to dependent children with special education needs (by a recorded vote of 203 ayes to 213 noes, Roll No. 344);

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Sarbanes amendment (No. 24 printed in H. Rept. 112–88) that sought to strike Section 937 of the bill relating to Modification of Temporary Suspension of Public-Private Competitions for Conversion of Department of Defense Functions to Contractor Performance (by a recorded vote of 198 ayes to 225 noes, Roll No. 345); **Pages H3615–16, H3632**

Murphy (CT) amendment (No. 25 printed in H. Rept. 112–88) that sought to give manufacturers the opportunity to provide information to DoD regarding how their bid for a contract will affect domestic employment (by a recorded vote of 208 ayes to 212 noes, Roll No. 346); **Pages H3616–18, H3632–33**

Garamendi amendment (No. 28 printed in H. Rept. 112–88) that sought to require the Secretary to ensure that each contractor of the Department of Defense performing a prime contract at a military installation in the United States to set aside 40 percent, by dollar value, of its subcontracting work under the contract for local qualified subcontractors (by a recorded vote of 168 ayes to 256 noes, Roll No. 348); **Pages H3619–21, H3634**

Maloney amendment (No. 26 printed in H. Rept. 112–88) that sought to require public disclosure of information submitted under Section 847 of this act (by a recorded vote of 176 ayes to 248 noes, Roll No. 349); **Pages H3621–22, H3634–35**

Himes amendment (No. 30 printed in H. Rept. 112–88) that sought to require any savings as a result of shifting to civilian employees from contractors within the Department of Defense be directed towards deficit reduction (by a recorded vote of 184 ayes to 240 noes, Roll No. 350);

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Jackson Lee (TX) amendment (No. 31 printed in H. Rept. 112–88) that sought to require the Secretary of Defense, prior to awarding of defense contracts to private contractors, to conduct an outreach program to benefit minority and women-owned businesses (by a recorded vote of 191 ayes to 232 noes, Roll No. 351); **Pages H3624–26, H3636**

Andrews amendment (No. 32 printed in H. Rept. 112–88) that sought to temporarily suspend the implementation and enforcement of workforce management and sourcing policies pursuant to the DOD's efficiency initiative (by a recorded vote of 178 ayes to 246 noes, Roll No. 352); **Pages H3627–28, H3636–37**

Richmond amendment (No. 37 printed in H. Rept. 112–88) that sought to prevent the payment of certain incentives with respect to a Navy shipyard in Avondale, Louisiana, saving the Department of Defense up to \$310 million (by a recorded vote of 177 ayes to 246 noes, Roll No. 353); and

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Schakowsky amendment (No. 41 printed in H. Rept. 112–88) that sought to freeze Department of

Defense funding at current levels until the Pentagon can successfully pass an audit. The amendment contained a national security waiver and exceptions for overseas contingency operations, defense personnel, and wounded warrior accounts. **Pages H3639–41**

Withdrawn:

Lee (CA) amendment (No. 33 printed in H. Rept. 112–88) that was offered and subsequently withdrawn that would have returned Defense Department spending to the 2008 level, with exemptions for personnel and health accounts and **Pages H3627–28**

Rohrabacher amendment (No. 59 printed in H. Rept. 112–88) that was offered and subsequently withdrawn that would have removed satellites and satellite components from the Munitions List and make them available to foreign nations. The amendment would have also continued the ban on sending such items and technology to China, its allies or terrorist-supporting states as under current law. **Pages H3668–69**

Proceedings Postponed:

Mica amendment (No. 38 printed in H. Rept. 112–88) that seeks to require that the rules of engagement allow any military service personnel assigned to duty in a designated hostile fire area to have rules of engagement that fully protects their right to proactively defend themselves from hostile actions; **Pages H3629–30**

Flake amendment (No. 40 printed in H. Rept. 112–88) that seeks to repeal the establishment of the National Drug Intelligence Center; **Pages H3638–39**

Smith (WA) amendment (No. 42 printed in H. Rept. 112–88) that seeks to amend Section 1039 to allow transfer of detainees to the U.S. to testify in federal court. The amendment strikes language barring transfer of detainees held abroad to the U.S. requires certification by the Attorney General prior to transfer; **Page H3641, H3649–50**

Buchanan amendment (No. 43 printed in H. Rept. 112–88) that seeks to require all foreign terrorists, with links to terrorist networks, who attack the United States or the Government be considered enemy combatants to be tried by military tribunals, not in the civilian court system; **Pages H3650–51**

Maloney amendment (No. 47 printed in H. Rept. 112–88) that seeks to clarify that the exemption from Freedom of Information Act for Data Files of the Military Flight Operations Quality Assurance Systems of the Military Departments is for “information contained in data files of the military flight operations quality assurance system of a military department that would reveal flight patterns or tactical techniques or tactical procedures from disclosure under section”; **Pages H3651–52**

Mack amendment (No. 48 printed in H. Rept. 112–88) that seeks to make changes to the language

of the Sunken Military Craft Act of H.R. 1540, the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2012. Would clarify the language of the Sunken Military Craft Act to restore its original intent, and would specify that a sunken military craft would be defined as a vessel only when on military non-commercial service when it sank; **Pages H3652–53**

Langevin amendment (No. 49 printed in H. Rept. 112–88) that seeks to coordinate federal information security policy through the creation of a National Office for Cyberspace, updating information security management practices, and establishing measures for the protection of critical infrastructure from cyberattacks; **Pages H3653–60**

Amash amendment (No. 50 printed in H. Rept. 112–88) that seeks to strike section 1034 of the bill, relating to the authorization for use of military force; **Pages H3660–63**

Campbell amendment (No. 53 printed in H. Rept. 112–88) that seeks to terminate the Human, Social, and Culture Behavior (HSCB) Modeling program at the Department of Defense; **Pages H3664–65**

Campbell amendment (No. 54 printed in H. Rept. 112–88) that seeks to reduce the baseline number of civilian employees at the Department of Defense by 1% every year for the next five years; **Pages H3665–66**

Chaffetz amendment (No. 56 printed in H. Rept. 112–88) that seeks to require U.S. ground troops to withdraw from Afghanistan, leaving just those who are involved in small, targeted counter-terrorism operations. The amendment would further require the Secretary of Defense to submit a withdrawal plan to Congress within 60 days of enactment; **Pages H3666–68**

Polis amendment (No. 60 printed in H. Rept. 112–88) that seeks to reduce the amount of troops stationed in Europe to 30,000 and would cut overall end strength levels by 10,000 a year over the next five years; **Pages H3669–73**

Conyers amendment (No. 61 printed in H. Rept. 112–88) that seeks to prevent funds authorized in the Act from being used to deploy, establish, or maintain the presence of Members of the Armed Forces or private security contractors on the ground in Libya unless the purpose of the presence is to rescue a Member of the Armed Forces from imminent danger; **Pages H3673–74**

Flake amendment (No. 62 printed in H. Rept. 112–88) that seeks to eliminate funds for the Mission Force Enhancement Transfer Fund; **Pages H3674–75**

Ellison amendment (No. 63 printed in H. Rept. 112–88) that seeks to strike section 1604, Budget Item Relating to LHA—7 Ship Program; and **Pages H3675–78**

Loretta Sanchez amendment (No. 64 printed in H. Rept. 112–88) that seeks to reduce the funding for Ground-based Midcourse Defense systems by \$100,000,000. **Pages H3678–79**

H. Res. 276, the rule providing for further consideration of the bill (H.R. 1540), was agreed to by a recorded vote of 243 ayes to 170 noes, Roll No. 342. **Pages H3435–36**

Agreed to the Bishop (UT) amendment to the rule by voice vote, after agreeing to order the previous question by a yea-and-nay vote of 239 yeas to 181 nays, Roll No. 341. **Page H3435**

A point of order was raised against the consideration of H. Res. 276 and it was agreed to proceed with consideration of the resolution by voice vote. **Page H3424**

Meeting Hour: Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 10 a.m. tomorrow, May 26th. **Page H3680**

Senate Message: Message received from the Senate today appears on page H3413.

Quorum Calls—Votes: One yea-and-nay vote and fifteen recorded votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H3431, H3433–34, H3434, H3435, H3435–36, H3630–31, H3631, H3632, H3632–33, H3633, H3634, H3634–35, H3635, H3636, H3636–37, H3637. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 11:06 p.m.

Committee Meetings

HARMONIZING GLOBAL DERIVATIVES REFORM

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on General Farm Commodities and Risk Management held a hearing on Harmonizing Global Derivatives Reform: Impact on U.S. Competitiveness and Market Stability. Testimony was heard from the following Commodity Futures Trading Commission officials: Jill E. Sommers, Commissioner; and Bart Chilton, Commissioner; and public witnesses.

TRANSPORTATION AND HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT— APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Transportation and Housing and Urban Development and Related Agencies held a hearing on the Office of Public and Indian Housing (HUD) FY 2012 Budget Oversight. Testimony was heard from Sandra Henriquez, Assistant Secretary, Public and Indian Housing, HUD.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Full Committee held a markup of H.R. 1891, the Setting New Priorities in Education Spending Act. The bill was ordered reported, as amended.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Full Committee began markup of the following: H.R. 908, the Full Implementation of the Chemical Facility Anti-Terrorism Standards (CFATS) Act; and H.R. 1939, Enhancing CPSC Authority and Discretion Act of 2011. This markup will continue on May 26, 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

EXPANDING HEALTH CARE OPTIONS

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Health held a hearing entitled “Expanding Health Care Options: Allowing Americans to Purchase Affordable Coverage Across State Lines.” Testimony was heard from Steve Larsen, Director, Center for Consumer Information and Insurance Oversight, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services; and public witnesses.

PUBLIC SAFETY NETWORK

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Communications and Technology held a hearing entitled “Creating an Interoperable Public Safety Network.” Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

FUTURE ROLE OF FHA, RHS AND GNMA IN THE SINGLE- AND MULTI-FAMILY MORTGAGE MARKETS

Committee on Financial Services: Subcommittee on Insurance, Housing and Community Opportunity held a hearing entitled “Legislative Proposals to Determine the Future Role of FHA, RHS and GNMA in the Single- and Multi-Family Mortgage Markets.” Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

TRANSPARENCY, TRANSITION AND TAXPAYER PROTECTION: MORE STEPS TO END THE GSE BAILOUT

Committee on Financial Services: Subcommittee on Capital Markets and Government Sponsored Enterprises held a hearing entitled “Transparency, Transition and Taxpayer Protection: More Steps to End the GSE Bailout.” Testimony was heard from Edward J. DeMarco, Acting Director, Federal Housing Finance Agency; and public witnesses.

WAR POWERS

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Full Committee held a hearing on War Powers, United States Operations in Libya, and Related Legislation. Testimony was heard from Rep. Amash; Rep. Gibson; and Rep. Rooney.

UN CLIMATE TALKS AND POWER POLITICS

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing on UN Climate Talks and Power Politics: It's Not about the Temperature. Testimony was heard from Todd D. Stern, Special Envoy for Climate Change, Department of State; and public witnesses.

THREATS TO THE AMERICAN HOMELAND AFTER KILLING BIN LADEN

Committee on Homeland Security: Full Committee held a hearing entitled "Threats to the American Homeland after Killing Bin Laden: An Assessment." Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on House Administration: Full Committee held a markup of the following: H.R. 672, to Terminate the Election Assistance Commission, and for other purposes; and H.R. 1934, to Improve Certain Administrative Operations of the Library of Congress, and for other purposes. H.R. 672 was ordered reported, as amended. H.R. 1934 was ordered reported, without amendment.

CYBERSECURITY

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Intellectual Property, Competition and the Internet held a hearing entitled "Cybersecurity: Innovative Solutions to Challenging Problems." Testimony was heard from James A. Baker, Associate Deputy Attorney General, Department of Justice; Greg Schaffer, Assistant Secretary, Cybersecurity and Communications (CS&C); Department of Homeland Security; Ari Schwartz, Senior Internet Policy Advisor, National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST), Department of Commerce; and public witnesses.

LEGISLATIVE HEARING

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Courts, Commercial and Administrative Law held a hearing on H.R. 1864, the Mobile Workforce State Income Tax Simplification Act of 2011. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES AND GASOLINE PRICES

Committee on Natural Resources: Full Committee held a markup of the following: H.R. 290, War Memorial Protection Act; and H.R. 1670, the Sikes Act Amendments Act. H.R. 290 was ordered reported, without amendment. H.R. 1671 was ordered reported, as amended. Following the markup a hearing was held on Harnessing American Resources to Create Jobs and Address Rising Gasoline Prices—Part III: Impacts on Seniors, Working Families and Me-

morial Day Vacations. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

OFFICE OF INFORMATION AND REGULATORY AFFAIRS

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform: Subcommittee on Technology, Information Policy, Intergovernmental Relations and Procurement Reform held a hearing entitled "Unfunded Mandates, Regulatory Burdens and the Role of the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs." Testimony was heard from Cass R. Sunstein, Administrator, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, OMB.

CYBERSECURITY

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform: Subcommittee on National Security, Homeland Defense and Foreign Operations held a hearing entitled "Cybersecurity: Assessing the Immediate Threat to the United States." Testimony was heard from Sean McGurk, Director, Control Systems Security Program, National Cyber Security Division, Department of Homeland Security; and public witnesses.

HOW FEDERAL RESERVE POLICIES ADD TO HARD TIMES AT THE PUMP

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform: Subcommittee on Regulatory Affairs, Stimulus Oversight and Government Spending held a hearing entitled "How Federal Reserve Policies Add to Hard Times at the Pump." Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

PROTECTING INFORMATION IN THE DIGITAL AGE

Committee on Science, Space, and Technology: Subcommittee on Research and Science Education; and Subcommittee on Technology and Innovation held a joint hearing on Protecting Information in the Digital Age: Federal Cybersecurity Research and Development Efforts. Testimony was heard from George Strawn, Director, National Coordination Office, Networking and Information Technology Research and Development Program; Farnam Jahanian, Assistant Director, Directorate for Computer and Information Science and Engineering, National Science Foundation; Cita Furlani, Director, Information Technology Laboratory, National Institute of Standards and Technology; and Rear Admiral Michael A. Brown, Director, Cybersecurity Coordination, Department of Homeland Security.

DECREASING DUPLICATION AT SBA

Committee on Small Business: Full Committee held a hearing entitled "Promoting Entrepreneurship and Job Creation by Decreasing Duplication at SBA." Testimony was heard from William B. Shear, Director, Financial Markets and Community Investment, GAO; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings, and Emergency Management held a markup of H.R. 1734, the Civilian Property Realignment Act. The bill was forwarded, as amended.

IMPROPER TAX PAYMENTS IN THE ADMINISTRATION OF REFUNDABLE TAX CREDITS

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Oversight held a hearing on improper tax payments in the administration of refundable tax credits. Testimony was heard from Steven Miller, Deputy Commissioner for Services and Enforcement, IRS; J. Russell George, Treasury Inspector General for Taxpayer Administration, Department of the Treasury; Michael Brostek, Director, Tax Policy and Administration, Strategic Issues, GSA; Nina E. Olson, National Taxpayer Advocate, IRS.

Joint Meetings

DRIVING INNOVATION AND JOB GROWTH

Joint Economic Committee: Committee concluded a hearing to examine driving innovation and job growth through the life sciences industry, after receiving testimony from Steve Tang, University City Science Center, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; Thomas R. Kowalski, Texas Healthcare and Bioscience Institute, Austin; Arthur Sands, Lexicon Pharmaceuticals, Inc., Woodlands, Texas, on behalf of the Biotechnology Industry Organization (BIO); and Mark G. Heesen, National Venture Capital Association (NVCA), Arlington, Virginia.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, MAY 26, 2011

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry, to hold hearings to examine the role, risks, and challenges for American agriculture and the next farm bill in meeting the demands of a growing world, 10 a.m., SH-216.

Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Department of Defense, to receive a closed briefing on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2012 for United States Central Command and United States Africa Command, 10:30 a.m., SVC-217.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs, business meeting to consider the nomination of Timothy G. Massad, of Connecticut, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Treasury; to be immediately followed by a hearing to

examine public proposals for the future of the housing finance system, part II, 10 a.m., SD-538.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, business meeting to consider S. 630, to promote marine and hydrokinetic renewable energy research and development, an original bill to provide for the conduct of an analysis of the impact of energy development and production on the water resources of the United States, and for other purposes, an original bill to promote the domestic development and deployment of clean energy technologies, and for other purposes, an original bill to amend the Federal Power Act to protect the bulk-power system and electric infrastructure critical to the defense of the United States against cybersecurity and other threats and vulnerabilities, S. 699, to authorize the Secretary of Energy to carry out a program to demonstrate the commercial application of integrated systems for long-term geological storage of carbon dioxide, S. 757, to provide incentives to encourage the development and implementation of technology to capture carbon dioxide from dilute sources on a significant scale using direct air capture technologies, S. 916, to facilitate appropriate oil and gas development on Federal land and waters, to limit dependence of the United States on foreign sources of oil and gas, and S. 917, to amend the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act to reform the management of energy and mineral resources on the Outer Continental Shelf, 10 a.m., SD-366.

Committee on Finance, to hold hearings to examine the United States-Korea Free Trade Agreement, 10 a.m., SD-215.

Committee on Foreign Relations, to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Gary Locke, of Washington, to be Ambassador to the People's Republic of China, Department of State, 10:15 a.m., SD-419.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, business meeting to consider S. 792, to authorize the waiver of certain debts relating to assistance provided to individuals and households since 2005, 2:30 p.m., SD-342.

Committee on Indian Affairs, to hold an oversight hearing to examine expanding the success of native language and culture-based education, 2:15 p.m., SD-628.

Committee on the Judiciary, business meeting to consider S. 968, to prevent online threats to economic creativity and theft of intellectual property, S. 978, to amend the criminal penalty provision for criminal infringement of a copyright, and the nominations of John Andrew Ross, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Missouri, Timothy M. Cain, to be United States District Judge for the District of South Carolina, Nannette Jolivet Brown, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Louisiana, Nancy Torresen, to be United States District Judge for the District of Maine, and William Francis Kuntz, II, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of New York, 10 a.m., SD-226.

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

Special Committee on Aging, to hold hearings to examine meals, rides, and caregivers, focusing on the "Older American Act", 2 p.m., SD-106.

House

Committee on Education and the Workforce, Subcommittee on Health, Employment, Labor and Pensions, hearing entitled “Corporate Campaigns and the NLRB: The Impact of Union Pressure on Job Creation.” 10 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, Full Committee, continued markup of the following: H.R. 908, the Full Implementation of the Chemical Facility Anti-Terrorism Standards (CFATS) Act; and H.R. 1939, Enhancing CPSC Authority and Discretion Act of 2011. 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Credit, hearing entitled “FDIC Oversight: Examining and Evaluating the Role of the Regulator During the Financial Crisis and Today,” 9:30 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Cybersecurity, Infrastructure Protection and Security Technologies, hearing entitled “Unlocking the SAFETY Act’s Potential to Promote Technology and Combat Terrorism.” 10 a.m., 311 Cannon.

Committee on House Administration, Subcommittee on Oversight, hearing on Inspector General Audit of the House’s F.Y. 2009 Financial Statements, 9:30 a.m., 1310 Longworth.

Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on Intellectual Property, Competition and the Internet, hearing entitled “How Will the Proposed Merger Between AT&T and T-Mobile Affect Wireless Telecommunications Competition?” 10:30 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Natural Resources, Subcommittee on Indian and Alaska Native Affairs, hearing on H.R. 1408, to pro-

vide for the settlement of certain claims under the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act, and for other purposes, 11 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Subcommittee on Fisheries, Wildlife, Oceans, and Insular Affairs, hearing on “Buying More Land When We Can’t Maintain What We Already Own: The National Wildlife Refuge System’s Operations and Maintenance Backlog Story!” 1 p.m., 1334 Longworth.

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, Subcommittee on Federal Workforce, U.S. Postal Service and Labor Policy, hearing entitled “Rightsizing the Federal Workforce.” 9:30 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on Rules, Full Committee, hearing on H.R. 1745, Jobs, Opportunity, Benefits & Services (JOBS) Act of 2011, 10 a.m., H-313 Capitol.

Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, Subcommittee on Space and Aeronautics, hearing on NASA’s Commercial Cargo Providers: Are They Ready to Supply the Space Station in the Post-Shuttle Era? 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Small Business, Subcommittee on Contracting and Workforce, hearing entitled “Defer No More: The Need to Repeal the 3% Withholding Provision.” 10 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Opening the Northeast Corridor to Private Competition for the Development of High-Speed Rail.” 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, Full Committee, hearing on H.R. 1892, Intelligence Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2012, 10 a.m., HVC-304 Capitol. Hearing will begin as an open hearing and then proceed to a closed hearing.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

9:30 a.m., Thursday, May 26

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

10 a.m., Thursday, May 26

Senate Chamber

Program for Thursday: Senate will continue consideration of the motion to concur in the amendment of the House to S. 990, Small Business Additional Temporary Extension Act, with Reid Amendment No. 347, and vote on the motion to invoke cloture thereon at approximately 10 a.m.

House Chamber

Program for Thursday: Resume consideration of H.R. 1540—National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2012.



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