

**CORRECTION**

# Daily Digest

## Senate

### Chamber Action

*Routine Proceedings, pages S4037–S4106*

**Measures Introduced:** Seventeen bills and four resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1262–1278, S. Res. 214–216, and S. Con. Res. 24.

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#### Measures Reported:

S. 1145, to amend title 18, United States Code, to clarify and expand Federal criminal jurisdiction over Federal contractors and employees outside the United States, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

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#### Measures Passed:

*National Cytomegalovirus Awareness Month:* Senate agreed to S. Res. 215, designating the month of June 2011 as “National Cytomegalovirus Awareness Month”.

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#### Measures Considered:

**Presidential Appointment Efficiency and Streamlining Act—Agreement:** Senate continued consideration of S. 679, to reduce the number of executive positions subject to Senate confirmation, and taking action on the following amendments proposed there-to:

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##### Rejected:

By 47 yeas to 51 nays (Vote No. 95), Vitter Amendment No. 499, to end the appointments of presidential Czars who have not been subject to the advice and consent of the Senate and to prohibit funds for any salaries and expenses for appointed Czars. (A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the amendment, having failed to achieve 60 affirmative votes, the amendment was not agreed to.)

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By 41 yeas to 57 nays (Vote No. 96), DeMint Amendment No. 510, to strike the provision relating to the Director, Bureau of Justice Statistics. (A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the amendment, having failed to achieve 60 affirmative votes, the amendment was not agreed to.)

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##### Withdrawn:

Coburn Amendment No. 500, to prevent the creation of duplicative and overlapping Federal programs.

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##### Pending:

DeMint Amendment No. 501, to repeal the authority to provide certain loans to the International Monetary Fund, the increase in the United States quota to the Fund, and certain other related authorities, and rescind related appropriated amounts.

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DeMint Amendment No. 511, to enhance accountability and transparency among various Executive agencies.

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Portman Amendment No. 509, to provide that the provisions relating to the Assistant Secretary (Comptroller) of the Navy, the Assistant Secretary (Comptroller) of the Army, and the Assistant Secretary (Comptroller) of the Air Force, the chief financial officer positions, and the Controller of the Office of Management and Budget shall not take effect.

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Cornyn Amendment No. 504, to strike the provisions relating to the Comptroller of the Army, the Comptroller of the Navy, and the Comptroller of the Air Force.

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Toomey/Vitter Amendment No. 514, to strike the provision relating to the Governors and alternate governors of the International Monetary Fund and the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development.

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Carper Amendment No. 517, to provide that the Government Accountability Office shall conduct a study and submit a report on presidentially appointed positions to Congress and the President.

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Kirk (for McCain) Amendment No. 493, to preserve congressional oversight into the budget overruns of the Office of Navajo and Hopi Relocation.

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Sanders (for Akaka) Amendment No. 512, to preserve Senate confirmation of the Commissioner of the Administration for Native Americans.

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Sessions (for Paul) Amendment No. 502, to strike the provision relating to the Treasurer of the United States.

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Sessions (for Paul) Amendment No. 503, to strike the provision relating to the Director of the Mint.

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A unanimous-consent-time agreement was reached providing that when the Senate considers S. Res. 116, to provide for expedited Senate consideration of certain nominations subject to advice and consent, it be in order for Senator Coburn to offer his duplication amendment to the resolution; that there be up to one hour of debate on the amendment, equally divided between Senator Coburn and the Majority Leader, or their designees; that the amendment be subject to a two-thirds threshold; that the amendment not be divisible; that no amendments, motions or points of order be in order prior to any vote in relation to the Coburn amendment other than budget points of order and the applicable motions to waive; and all other provisions of the previous order with respect to the resolution remain in effect.

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**Messages from the President:** Senate received the following messages from the President of the United States:

Transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on the continuation of the national emergency that was originally declared in Executive Order 13466 of June 26, 2008, with respect to the current existence and risk of the proliferation of weapons-usable fissile material on the Korean Peninsula; which was referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. (PM–12)

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Transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on the continuation of the national emergency that was originally declared in Executive Order 13219 of June 26, 2001, with respect to the Western Balkans; which was referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. (PM–13)

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**Nominations—Agreement:** A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that at 10 a.m., on Tuesday, June 28, 2011, Senate begin consideration of the nominations of James Michael Cole, of the District of Columbia, to be Deputy Attorney General, Virginia A. Seitz, of the District of Columbia, to be an Assistant Attorney General, and Lisa O. Monaco, of the District of Columbia, to be an Assistant Attorney General, with all other provisions of the previous unanimous-consent agreement remaining in effect.

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**Nominations Received:** Senate received the following nominations:

Jennifer Guerin Zipp, of Arizona, to be United States District Judge for the District of Arizona.

Rosemary Marquez, of Arizona, to be United States District Judge for the District of Arizona.

Steven R. Frank, of Pennsylvania, to be United States Marshal for the Western District of Pennsylvania for the term of four years.

Martin J. Pane, of Pennsylvania, to be United States Marshal for the Middle District of Pennsylvania for the term of four years.

David Blake Webb, of Pennsylvania, to be United States Marshal for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania for the term of four years.

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**Record Votes:** Two record votes were taken today. (Total—96) **Pages S4049, S4055**

**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 5:55 p.m., until 2 p.m. on Monday, June 27, 2011. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S4106.)

## *Committee Meetings*

*(Committees not listed did not meet)*

### **FARM BILL ACCOUNTABILITY**

*Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine farm bill accountability, focusing on the importance of measuring performance, while eliminating duplication and waste, after receiving testimony from Dallas Tonsager, Under Secretary for Rural Development, Michael T. Scuse, Acting Under Secretary for Farm and Foreign Agricultural Services, Harris Sherman, Under Secretary for Natural Resources and Environment, Kevin W. Concannon, Under Secretary for Food, Nutrition, and Consumer Services, Joe Leonard, Jr., Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights, and Phyllis K. Fong, Inspector General, Office of Inspector General, all of the Department of Agriculture;

Masouda Omar, Colorado Housing and Finance Authority, Denver; and Brett Blankenship, Washtucna, Washington.

#### **NATIONAL FLOOD INSURANCE PROGRAM**

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine reauthorization of the National Flood Insurance Program, after receiving testimony from Orice Williams Brown, Managing Director, Financial Markets and Community Investment, Government Accountability Office; Chad Berginnis, Association of State Floodplain Managers, Inc., Madison, Wisconsin; Adam Kolton, National Wildlife Federation, on behalf of the Smarter Safer Coalition, and Travis Plunkett, Consumer Federation of America, both of Washington, D.C.; Barry Rutenberg, National Association of Home Builders, Gainesville, Florida; and Scott Richardson, Heartland Institute, Columbia, South Carolina.

#### **U.S. COAST GUARD BUDGET AND OVERSIGHT**

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* Subcommittee on Oceans, Atmosphere, Fisheries, and Coast Guard concluded a hearing to examine U.S. Coast Guard budget and oversight, after receiving testimony from Robert J. Papp, Jr., Commandant, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security.

#### **WATER AND POWER BILLS**

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* Subcommittee on Water and Power concluded a hearing to examine S. 500, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain Federal features of the electric distribution system to the South Utah Valley Electric Service District, S. 715, to reinstate and transfer certain hydroelectric licenses and extend the deadline for commencement of construction of certain hydroelectric projects, S. 802, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to allow the storage and conveyance of nonproject water at the Norman project in Oklahoma, S. 997, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to extend a water contract between the United States and the East Bench Irrigation District, S. 1033, to amend the Reclamation Wastewater and Groundwater Study and Facilities Act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to participate in the City of Hermiston, Oregon, water recycling and reuse project, S. 1047, to amend the Reclamation Projects Authorization and Adjustment of 1992 to require the Secretary of the Interior, acting through the Bureau of Reclamation, to take actions to improve environmental conditions in the vicinity of the Leadville Mine Drainage Tunnel in Lake County, Colorado, S. 1224, to amend Public

Law 106–392 to maintain annual base funding for the Upper Colorado and San Juan fish recovery program through fiscal year 2023, and S. 1225, to transfer certain facilities, easements, and rights-of-way to Fort Sumner Irrigation District, New Mexico, after receiving testimony from Senator Blumenthal; Grayford F. Payne, Deputy Commissioner for Policy, Administration and Budget, Bureau of Reclamation, Department of the Interior; John Katz, Deputy Associate General Counsel, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission; and Richard J. Barlow, Town of Canton First Selectman, Collinsville, Connecticut.

#### **HEALTH CARE ENTITLEMENTS**

*Committee on Finance:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine health care entitlements, focusing on the road forward, after receiving testimony from Massachusetts Governor Deval L. Patrick, Boston; former Kentucky Governor Ernest Lee Fletcher, Alton Healthcare, Lexington, Kentucky; Bruce C. Vladeck, Nexera, New York, New York; and Douglas Holtz-Eakin, former Director of the Congressional Budget Office, Washington, D.C.

#### **BUSINESS MEETING**

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of William J. Burns, of Maryland, to be Deputy Secretary, Gary Locke, of Washington, to be Ambassador to the People's Republic of China, and Ryan C. Crocker, of Washington, to be Ambassador to the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan, all of the Department of State.

#### **PROGRESS IN AFGHANISTAN AND PAKISTAN**

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine evaluating goals and progress in Afghanistan and Pakistan, after receiving testimony from Hillary R. Clinton, Secretary of State.

#### **REBUILDING HAITI IN THE MARTELLY ERA**

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* Subcommittee on Western Hemisphere, Peace Corps and Global Narcotics Affairs with the Subcommittee on International Development and Foreign Assistance, Economic Affairs and International Environmental Protection concluded a joint hearing to examine rebuilding Haiti in the Martelly era, after receiving testimony from Major Joseph M. Bernadel, U.S. Army (Ret.), Interim Haiti Reconstruction Commission (IHRC), Boynton Beach, Florida; Regine Barjon, BioTek Solutions/BioTek Haiti SA, Tampa, Florida; and Georges Barau Sassine, Association Des Industries D'Haiti (ADIH), and Gary Shaye, Save the Children, both of Port-Au-Prince, Haiti.

**FEDERAL REGULATION**

*Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine Federal regulation, focusing on S. 128, to amend title 44 of the United States Code, to provide for the suspension of fines under certain circumstances for first-time paperwork violations by small business concerns, S. 299, to amend chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, to provide that major rules of the executive branch shall have no force or effect unless a joint resolution of approval is enacted into law, S. 358, to codify and modify regulatory requirements of Federal agencies, S. 602, to require regulatory reform, S. 1030, to reform the regulatory process to ensure that small businesses are free to compete and to create jobs, and S. 1189, to amend the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act of 1995 (2 U.S.C. 1501 et seq.) to provide for regulatory impact analyses for certain rules, consideration of the least burdensome regulatory alternative, after receiving testimony from Senators Snowe, Roberts, Vitter, and Warner; and Cass R. Sunstein, Administrator, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget.

**MIDDLE CLASS FAMILIES**

*Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine middle class families, after receiving testimony from Jared Bernstein, Center on Budget and Policy Priorities, Washington, D.C.; Amanda Greubel, Central Community Schools Family Resource Center, DeWitt, Iowa; Thomas Clements, Oilfield CNC Machining LLC, Broussard, Louisiana; and Susan M. Sippelle, Englewood, New Jersey.

**INDIAN REORGANIZATION ACT**

*Committee on Indian Affairs:* Committee concluded an oversight hearing to examine the “Indian Reorganization Act” 75 years later, focusing on restoring

tribal homelands and promote self-determination, after receiving testimony from Frederick E. Hoxie, University of Illinois, Champaign; G. William Rice, University of Tulsa College of Law Native American Law Center, Tulsa, Oklahoma; Carole Goldberg, University of California Los Angeles School of Law; Steven J.W. Heeley, Akin, Gump, Strauss, Hauer and Feld LLP, and Jefferson Keel, National Congress of American Indians, both of Washington, D.C.; Richard Monette, University of Wisconsin Law School, Madison; John Echohawk, Native American Rights Fund, Boulder, Colorado; and Michael Finley, Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation, Nespelem, Washington.

**BUSINESS MEETING**

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

S.1145, to amend title 18, United States Code, to clarify and expand Federal criminal jurisdiction over Federal contractors and employees outside the United States, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute; and

The nominations of Major General Marilyn A. Quagliotti, USAF (Ret.), of Virginia, to be Deputy Director for Supply Reduction, Office of National Drug Control Policy, Executive Office of the President, and Alfred Cooper Lomax, to be United States Marshal for the Western District of Missouri, and David L. McNulty, to be United States Marshal for the Northern District of New York, both of the Department of Justice.

**NOMINATION**

*Select Committee on Intelligence:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nomination of David H. Petraeus, of New Hampshire, to be Director of the Central Intelligence Agency, after the nominee, who was introduced by Senator Lieberman, testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

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# House of Representatives

**Chamber Action**

**Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced:** 43 public bills, H.R. 2305–2347; and 4 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 62; and H. Res. 327, 329–330 were introduced. **Pages H4525–28**

**Additional Cosponsors:** **Pages H4529–30**

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

H. Res. 328, providing for consideration of the joint resolution (H.J. Res. 68) authorizing the limited use of the United States Armed Forces in support of the NATO mission in Libya; and providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 2278) to limit the use of funds appropriated to the Department of Defense for United States Armed Forces in support of

North Atlantic Treaty Organization Operation Unified Protector with respect to Libya, unless otherwise specifically authorized by law (H. Rept. 112–114);

H.R. 828, to amend title 5, United States Code, to provide that persons having seriously delinquent tax debts shall be ineligible for Federal employment, with an amendment (Rept. 112–115);

H.R. 1470, to amend title 5, United States Code, to extend the probationary period applicable to appointments in the civil service, and for other purposes, with an amendment (Rept. 112–116); and

H.J. Res. 1, proposing a balanced budget amendment to the Constitution of the United States, with an amendment (Rept. 112–117). **Page H4525**

**Speaker:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Fitzpatrick to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H4463**

**Recess:** The House recessed at 11:12 a.m. and reconvened at 12 noon. **Page H4471**

**Journal:** The House agreed to the Speaker's approval of the Journal by voice vote. **Pages H4472, H4505–06**

**Member Resignation:** Read a letter from Cesar A. Perales, Secretary of State, State of New York, wherein he notified the House that he received the resignation of Anthony D. Weiner as New York's Ninth Congressional District Representative in the United States House of Representatives. **Page H4472**

**Whole Number of the House:** The Speaker announced to the House that, in light of the resignation of the gentleman from New York, Mr. Weiner, the whole number of the House is 432. **Page H4472**

**America Invents Act:** The House passed H.R. 1249, to amend title 35, United States Code, to provide for patent reform, by a recorded vote of 304 ayes to 117 noes, Roll No. 491. Consideration of the measure began yesterday, June 22nd. **Pages H4480–H4505**

Rejected the Miller (NC) motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on the Judiciary with instructions to report the same back to the House forthwith with an amendment, by a recorded vote of 172 ayes to 251 noes, Roll No. 490. **Pages H4503–05**

Agreed to:

Smith (TX) Manager's amendment (No. 1 printed in part B of H. Rept. 112–111) that was debated on June 22nd that makes technical edits and necessary changes to more substantive issues, such as prior user rights and an additional oversight requirement for the PTO (by a recorded vote of 283 ayes to 140 noes, Roll No. 481); **Pages H4480–81**

Moore amendment (No. 4 printed in part B of H. Rept. 112–111) that directs the USPTO to develop methods for studying the diversity of patent applicants, including those applicants who are minorities,

women, or veterans. Any results of the study shall not be used for preferential treatment in the patent process; **Page H4484**

Jackson Lee (TX) amendment (No. 5 printed in part B of H. Rept. 112–111) that adds a sense of Congress that it is important to protect the rights of small businesses and inventors from predatory behavior that could result in cutting off innovation and may provide an undue advantage to large financial institutions and high-tech firms; **Pages H4484–86**

Luján amendment (No. 6 printed in part B of H. Rept. 112–111) that adds requirements to the satellite office location selection process to ensure that (1) the purposes, as described in the bill, of establishing satellite offices are achieved, (2) recruitment costs are minimized by considering the availability of knowledgeable personnel in the region, and (3) the economic impact to the region is considered; **Page H4486**

Peters amendment (No. 7 printed in part B of H. Rept. 112–111) that mandates a USPTO-led study on what USPTO, SBA, and other agencies can do to help small businesses obtain, maintain, and enforce foreign patents; **Pages H4486–87**

Speier amendment (No. 10 printed in part B of H. Rept. 112–111) that directs the PTO to prescribe a requirement that parties provide sufficient evidence to prove and rebut a claim of derivation; and **Pages H4490–91**

Conyers amendment (No. 9 printed in part B of H. Rept. 112–111) that restores language for calculation of 60-day period for application of patent term extension that the manager's amendment strikes (by a recorded vote of 223 ayes 198 noes, Roll No. 485. Agreed by unanimous consent that the earlier roll call vote taken on the Conyers amendment No. 9 be vacated). **Pages H4489–90, H4500**

Rejected:

Polis amendment (No. 8 printed in part B of H. Rept. 112–111) that sought to clarify that the new legislation would apply only to new tax planning patents, not already filed patents which would disclose patent information leaving the applicants vulnerable; **Pages H4487–89**

Conyers amendment (No. 2 printed in part B of H. Rept. 112–111) that sought to insert language to move the United States to a first to file system only upon a Presidential finding that other major patent authorities have adopted a similar one-year grace period (by a recorded vote of 105 ayes to 316 noes, Roll No. 482); **Pages H4481–82, H4498–99**

Baldwin amendment (No. 3 printed in part B of H. Rept. 112–111) that sought to strike Section 5, the "prior user rights" language, and conform H.R. 1249 to H.R. 1908, as passed by the U.S. House of Representatives on September 7, 2007, and S. 23, as

passed by the U.S. Senate on March 8, 2011 (by a recorded vote of 81 ayes to 342 noes, Roll No. 483);

**Pages H4482–84, H4499–H4500**

Sensenbrenner amendment (No. 12 printed in part B of H. Rept. 112–111) that sought to strike Section 3 of the legislation, which would convert the U.S. patent system from “first-to-invent” to “first-to-file” (by a recorded vote of 129 ayes to 295 noes, Roll No. 486);

**Pages H4491–93, H4501**

Manzullo amendment (No. 13 printed in part B of H. Rept. 112–111) that sought to eliminate the ability of the Director of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) to set fees, retaining that authority for Congress (by a recorded vote of 92 ayes to 329 noes, Roll No. 487);

**Pages H4493–94, H4501–02**

Rohrabacher amendment (No. 14 printed in part B of H. Rept. 112–111) that sought to eliminate the burden of post-grant reviews and reexaminations on individual inventors and small businesses with 100 or fewer employees (by a recorded vote of 81 ayes to 342 noes, Roll No. 488); and

**Pages H4494–95, H4502**

Schock amendment (No. 15 printed in part B of H. Rept. 112–111) that sought to strike section 18 of the bill, the Transitional program for covered business method patents (by a recorded vote of 158 ayes to 262 noes with 1 voting “present”, Roll No. 489).

**Pages H4495–98, H4503**

Withdrawn:

Watt amendment (No. 11 printed in part B of H. Rept. 112–111) that was offered and subsequently withdrawn that would have added a severability clause protecting the remainder of the bill if the Supreme Court determines that certain sections or provisions are unconstitutional.

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Agreed that the Clerk be authorized to make technical and conforming changes to reflect the actions of the House.

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H. Res. 316, the rule providing for consideration of the bills (H.R. 2021) and (H.R. 1249), was agreed to yesterday, June 22nd.

**Department of Defense Appropriations Act, 2012:** The House began consideration of H.R. 2219, making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2012. Further consideration was postponed.

**Pages H4476–80, H4506–11**

H. Res. 320, the rule providing for consideration of the bill, was agreed to by a recorded vote of 251 ayes to 173 noes, Roll No. 480, after the previous question was ordered by a yea-and-nay vote of 247 yeas to 168 noes, Roll No. 479.

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**Presidential Messages:** Read a message from the President wherein he notified Congress that the national emergency declared with respect to North

Korea is to continue in effect beyond June 26, 2011—referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs and ordered printed (H. Doc. 112–40).

**Page H4475**

Read a message from the President wherein he notified Congress that the national emergency declared with respect to the Western Balkans is to continue in effect beyond June 26, 2011—referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs and ordered printed (H. Doc. 112–41).

**Pages H4475–76**

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** One yea-and-nay vote and eleven recorded votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H4479, H4479–80, H4480–81, H4498, H4499, H4500, H4501, H4501–02, H4502, H4503, H4504–05, H4505. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 8:44 p.m.

## Committee Meetings

### MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

*Committee on Agriculture:* Full Committee held a markup to approve the Activity Report of the Committee on Agriculture for the 1st Quarter of the 112th Congress as required by House Rule XI, clause d(1). The report was agreed to as amended.

### OPPORTUNITIES AND BENEFITS OF AGRICULTURAL BIOTECHNOLOGY

*Committee on Agriculture:* Subcommittee on Rural Development, Research, Biotechnology, and Foreign Agriculture held a hearing to review opportunities and benefits of agricultural biotechnology. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

*Committee on Appropriations:* Full Committee held a markup of the FY 2012 Financial Services Bill. The bill was ordered reported, as amended.

### AFGHANISTAN AND THE PROPOSED DRAWDOWN OF U.S. FORCES

*Committee on Armed Services:* Full Committee held a hearing on Recent Developments in Afghanistan and the Proposed Drawdown of U.S. Forces. Testimony was heard from Michèle Flournoy, Undersecretary of Defense for Policy, Department of Defense; and ADM Michael G. Mullen, USN, Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff.

### CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE'S LONG-TERM BUDGET OUTLOOK

*Committee on the Budget:* Full Committee held a hearing entitled “The Congressional Budget Office’s Long-Term Budget Outlook.” Testimony was heard from Douglas W. Elmendorf, Director, CBO.

## ACCOUNTABILITY IN NATIONAL SERVICE PROGRAMS

*Committee on Education and the Workforce:* Subcommittee on Higher Education and Workforce Training held a hearing entitled “Demanding Accountability in National Service Programs.” Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

## MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

*Committee on Energy and Commerce:* Full Committee held a markup of the following: the Semi-Annual Committee Activity Report; and H.R. 1938, the “North American-Made Energy Security Act.” The Semi-Annual Committee Activity Report was agreed to as amended. H.R. 1938 was ordered reported, as amended.

## LEGISLATIVE PROPOSALS TO REFORM THE HOUSING CHOICE VOUCHER PROGRAM

*Committee on Financial Services:* Subcommittee on Insurance, Housing and Community Opportunity held a hearing entitled “Legislative Proposals to Reform the Housing Choice Voucher Program.” Testimony was heard from Sandra B. Henriquez, Assistant Secretary, Office of Public and Indian Housing, Department of Housing and Urban Development; and public witnesses.

## LEGISLATIVE MEASURES

*Committee on Financial Services:* Subcommittee on Domestic Monetary Policy and Technology held a hearing entitled “Investigating the Gold: H.R. 1495, the Gold Reserve Transparency Act of 2011 and the Oversight of United States Gold Holdings.” Testimony was heard from Eric M. Thorson, Inspector General, Department of the Treasury; Gary T. Engel, Director, Financial Management and Assurance, GAO; and public witnesses.

## IRAN AND SYRIA: NEXT STEPS

*Committee on Foreign Affairs:* Full Committee held a hearing on Iran and Syria: Next Steps. Testimony was heard from John Bolton, former U.S. permanent representative to the United Nations and former Under Secretary of State for Arms Control and International Security; and public witnesses.

Prior to the hearing the Committee held a markup of the Semiannual Committee Report on Legislative Review and Oversight Activities. The report was agreed to without amendment.

## ALZHEIMER’S DISEASE

*Committee on Foreign Affairs:* Subcommittee on Africa, Global Health, and Human Rights held a hearing on Global Strategies to Combat the Devastating Health and Economic Impacts of Alzheimer’s Disease. Testimony was heard from Richard Hodes, Director, Na-

tional Institute on Aging, National Institutes of Health; and public witnesses.

## TRANSITIONING AUTHORITY AND IMPLEMENTING THE STRATEGIC FRAMEWORK IN IRAQ

*Committee on Foreign Affairs:* Subcommittee on the Middle East and South Asia held a hearing on Preserving Progress: Transitioning Authority and Implementing the Strategic Framework in Iraq. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

## LEGISLATIVE MEASURES

*Committee on Homeland Security:* Subcommittee on Cybersecurity, Infrastructure Protection and Security Technologies and the Subcommittee on Emergency Preparedness, Response and Communications held a joint hearing entitled “H.R. \_\_, the ‘WMD Prevention and Preparedness Act of 2011.’” Testimony was heard from Rep. Pascrell; Jim Talent; former Senator and Vice Chairman, WMD Center; Robert P. Kadlec, former Special Assistant to the President for Biodefense; and Richard H. Berdnik, Sheriff, Passaic County, New Jersey.

## MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Full Committee held a markup of the following: H.R. 1741, the “Secure Visas Act”; H.R. 1933, to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to modify the requirements for admission of nonimmigrant nurses in health professional shortage areas; and the Committee Activities Report. Both H.R. 1741 and H.R. 1933 were ordered reported, as amended. The Committee Activities report was agreed to without amendment.

## LEGISLATIVE MEASURES

*Committee on Natural Resources:* Subcommittee on Water and Power held a hearing on the following bills: H.R. 461, the South Utah Valley Electric Conveyance Act; H.R. 795, the Small-Scale Hydropower Enhancement Act of 2011; and H.R. 2060, the Central Oregon Jobs and Water Security Act. Testimony was heard from Robert Quint, Senior Advisor and Chief of Staff to the Commissioner, Bureau of Reclamation; Steve Forrester, City Manager, City of Prineville, Oregon; Richard Moore, Mayor, Payson, Utah; and public witnesses.

## LEGISLATIVE MEASURES

*Committee on Natural Resources:* Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources held a hearing on the following bills: H.R. 2170, the Cutting Federal Red Tape to Facilitate Renewable Energy Act; H.R. 2171, the Exploring for Geothermal Energy on Federal Lands Act; H.R. 2172, the Utilizing America’s Federal Lands for Wind Energy Act; and H.R. 2173,



the Advancing Offshore Wind Production Act. Testimony was heard from Mike Pool, Deputy Director, Bureau of Land Management; Joel Holtrop, Deputy Chief, U.S. Forest Service; and public witnesses.

#### **OVERSIGHT AND ACCOUNTABILITY IN FEDERAL GRANT PROGRAMS**

*Committee on Oversight and Government Reform:* Subcommittee on Technology, Information Policy, Intergovernmental Relations and Procurement Reform held a hearing entitled “Improving Oversight and Accountability in Federal Grant Programs.” Testimony was heard from Sen. Coburn; Jeanette Franzel, Managing Director of Financial Management, Assurance Team, GAO; Cynthia Schnedar, Acting Inspector General, Department of Justice; Natalie Keegan, Analyst in American Federalism and Emergency, Management Policy, Congressional Research Service; and Danny Werfel, Controller, Office of Federal Financial Management, Office of Management and Budget.

#### **AUTHORIZING THE LIMITED USE OF THE UNITED STATES ARMED FORCES IN SUPPORT OF THE NATO MISSION IN LIBYA; AND TO LIMIT THE USE OF FUNDS APPROPRIATED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE FOR UNITED STATES ARMED FORCES IN SUPPORT OF NORTH ATLANTIC TREATY ORGANIZATION OPERATION UNIFIED PROTECTOR WITH RESPECT TO LIBYA, UNLESS OTHERWISE SPECIFICALLY AUTHORIZED BY LAW**

*Committee on Rules:* The Committee granted, by record vote of 7 to 3, a closed rule for H.J. Res. 68. The rule provides one hour of debate on H.J. Res. 68 with 40 minutes equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Foreign Affairs and 20 minutes equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Armed Services. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of H.J. Res. 68. The rule provides that H.J. Res. 68 shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against provisions in H.J. Res. 68. The rule provides one motion to recommit H.J. Res. 68.

The resolution further provides a closed rule for H.R. 2278. The rule provides one hour of debate on H.R. 2278 equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Armed Services. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of H.R. 2278. The rule provides that H.R. 2278 shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against provisions in H.R. 2278. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit H.R. 2278.

No testimony was given.

#### **INSOURCING GONE AWRY: OUTSOURCING SMALL BUSINESS JOBS**

*Committee on Small Business:* Subcommittee on Contracting and Workforce held a hearing entitled “Insourcing Gone Awry: Outsourcing Small Business Jobs.” Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

#### **MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES**

*Committee on Small Business:* Full Committee held a markup of the Semiannual Report on the Activity of the Committee on Small Business. The report was agreed to without amendment.

#### **GPS RELIABILITY: A REVIEW OF AVIATION INDUSTRY PERFORMANCE, SAFETY ISSUES, AND AVOIDING POTENTIAL NEW AND COSTLY GOVERNMENT BURDENS**

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure:* Subcommittee on Aviation and the Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation held a joint hearing entitled “GPS Reliability: A Review of Aviation Industry Performance, Safety Issues, and Avoiding Potential New and Costly Government Burdens.” Testimony was heard from Roy Kienitz, Under Secretary for Policy, Department of Transportation; Teri Takai, Acting Assistant Secretary for Networks and Information Integration, Chief Information Officer, Department of Defense; Rear Admiral Robert E. Day, Jr., Assistant Commandant for Command, Control, Communications, Computers and Information, Technology and Chief Information Officer, United States Coast Guard; Department of Homeland Security; and public witnesses.

#### **ARLINGTON NATIONAL CEMETERY**

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs:* Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs held a hearing entitled “Arlington National Cemetery: An Update from the New Administration.” Testimony was heard from Kathryn A. Condon, Executive Director, Army National Cemeteries Program, Office of the Secretary of the Army, Department of the Army, Department of Defense; Patrick K. Hallinan, Superintendent, Arlington National Cemetery, Office of the Secretary of the Army, Department of the Army, Department of Defense; and public witnesses.

#### **IMPORTANCE OF FOREIGN DIRECT INVESTMENT (FDI) TO THE U.S. ECONOMY**

*Committee on Ways and Means:* Subcommittee on Select Revenue Measures held a hearing on the importance of foreign direct investment (FDI) to the U.S. economy and how tax reform might affect foreign-headquartered businesses that invest and create jobs



in the United States. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### **SOCIAL SECURITY'S CURRENT REVENUE STREAMS**

*Committee on Ways and Means:* Subcommittee on Social Security held a hearing on Social Security's current revenue streams, proposed changes to those structures and the impact they would have on the program, beneficiaries, workers and the economy. Testimony was heard from Thomas A. Barthold, Chief of Staff, Joint Committee on Taxation; Stephen C. Goss, Chief Actuary, Office of the Chief Actuary, Social Security Administration; Mark J. Warshawsky, former Assistant Secretary for Economic Policy, Department of the Treasury; and public witnesses.

### **USD(I) QUARTERLY UPDATE; AND MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES**

*House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence:* Full Committee held a briefing on USD(I) Quarterly Update.

Prior to the hearing the full Committee met to markup the Semiannual Committee Activity Report. The report was agreed to without amendment.

#### **Joint Meetings**

No joint committee meetings were held.

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### **COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY, JUNE 24, 2011**

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

#### **Senate**

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

#### **House**

*Committee on Agriculture,* Subcommittee on General Farm Commodities and Risk Management, hearing on Agricultural Program Audit: Examination of Crop Insurance Programs, 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

*Committee on Energy and Commerce,* Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled "OMB's Role in the DOE Loan Guarantee Process." 9:30 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Environment and the Economy, hearing entitled "NRC Repository Safety Division—Staff Per-

spective on Yucca License Review." 9 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

*Committee on Financial Services,* Subcommittee on Capitol Markets and Government Sponsored Enterprises, hearing entitled "Oversight of the Mutual Fund Industry: Ensuring Market Stability and Investor Confidence." 9:30 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

*Committee on Foreign Affairs,* Subcommittee on the Western Hemisphere, Subcommittee on the Middle East and South Asia, and Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, Subcommittee on National Security, Homeland Defense and Foreign Operations, joint hearing on Venezuela's Sanctionable Activity, 9 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

*Committee on Homeland Security,* Subcommittee on Cybersecurity, Infrastructure Protection and Security Technologies, hearing entitled "Examining the Homeland Security Impact of the Obama Administration's Cybersecurity Proposal." 10 a.m., 311 Cannon.

*Committee on the Judiciary,* Subcommittee on the Constitution, hearing on H.R. 963, the "See Something, Say Something Act of 2011." 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

*Committee on Natural Resources,* Full Committee, markup of the semi-annual 112th Congress Report on Legislative and Oversight Activities, 9 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Subcommittee on Fisheries, Wildlife, Oceans, and Insular Affairs, hearing entitled "Why We Should Care About Bats: Devastating Impact White-Nose Syndrome is Having on One of Nature's Best Pest Controllers." 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

*Committee on Oversight and Government Reform,* Subcommittee on District of Columbia, Census and National Archives, hearing entitled "Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority: Is There a Security Gap?" 9:30 a.m., 2247 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on National Security, Homeland Defense and Foreign Operations; and the Committee on Foreign Affairs' Subcommittees on the Western Hemisphere and the Middle East and South Asia, joint hearing entitled, "Venezuela's Sanctionable Activity." 9 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure,* Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment, hearing entitled "Running Roughshod Over States and Stakeholders: EPA's Nutrients Policies." 10:30 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs,* Full Committee, markup of the Activities Report for the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, 9:30 a.m., 334 Cannon.

*Committee on Ways and Means,* Full Committee, markup of the "Report on the Legislative and Oversight Activities of the Committee on Ways and Means during the 112th Congress as of May 31, 2011." 9 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

## Next Meeting of the SENATE

2:00 p.m., Monday, June 27

## Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

9 a.m., Friday, June 24

## Senate Chamber

**Program for Monday:** Senate will be in a period of morning business until 6 p.m., with Senator Sanders being recognized at 4 p.m. for up to 90 minutes.

## House Chamber

**Program for Friday:** Consideration of H.J. Res. 68—Authorizing the limited use of the United States Armed Forces in support of the NATO mission in Libya and H.R. 2278—To limit the use of funds appropriated to the Department of Defense for United States Armed Forces in support of North Atlantic Treaty Organization Operation Unified Protector with respect to Libya, unless otherwise specifically authorized by law (Subject to a Rule).

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