Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

The Senate met at 11:00:10 a.m. in pro forma session, and adjourned at 11:00:36 a.m. until 3 p.m., on Monday, October 31, 2011.

Committee Meetings

(Committee not listed did not meet)

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 12 public bills, H.R. 3269–3280; and 1 private bill, H.R. 3281 were introduced.

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Additional Cosponsors:

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Reports Filed: There were no reports filed today.

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

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Amending the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to repeal the imposition of 3 percent withholding on certain payments made to vendors by government entities: The House passed H.R. 674, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to repeal the imposition of 3 percent withholding on certain payments made to vendors by government entities, by a yea-and-nay vote of 405 yeas to 16 nays, Roll No. 815.

Pages H7139-43, H7149-51

Rejected the Andrews motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Ways and Means with instructions to report the same back to the House forthwith with an amendment, by a recorded vote of 183 ayes to 235 noes, Roll No. 814. Pages H7149–50

Pursuant to the rule, the amendment printed in H. Rept. 112–261 shall be considered as adopted.

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H. Res. 448, the rule providing for consideration of the bills (H.R. 2576) and (H.R. 674) was agreed to yesterday, October 26th.

Pursuant to section 3 of the rule, in the engrossment of H.R. 674 the Clerk shall (1) add the text

of H.R. 2576, as passed by the House, as new matter at the end of H.R. 674; (2) conform the title of H.R. 674 to reflect the addition of the text of H.R. 2576, as passed by the House, to the engrossment; (3) assign appropriate designations to provisions within the engrossment; and (4) conform provisions for short titles within the engrossment. Upon the addition of the text of H.R. 2576 to the engrossment of H.R. 674, H.R. 2576 shall be laid on the table.

Amending the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to modify the calculation of modified adjusted gross income for purposes of determining eligibility for certain healthcare-related programs: The House passed H.R. 2576, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to modify the calculation of modified adjusted gross income for purposes of determining eligibility for certain healthcare-related programs, by a yea-and-nay vote of 262 yeas to 157 nays, Roll No. 813.

Pages H7143–49

H. Res. 448, the rule providing for consideration of the bills (H.R. 2576) and (H.R. 674) was agreed to yesterday, October 26th.

Meeting Hour: Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 1 p.m. on Monday, October 31st.

Pages H7151, H7158

Quorum Calls—Votes: Two yea-and-nay votes and one recorded vote developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H7148–49, H7150, H7151. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 9 a.m. and adjourned at 12:58 p.m.

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Committee Meetings

DOD'S ENTERPRISE RESOURCE PLANNING

Committee on Armed Services: Panel on Defense Financial Management and Auditability Reform held a hearing on DOD's Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) system implementation efforts. Testimony was heard from Elizabeth McGrath, Deputy Chief Management Officer, Department of Defense; Mark Lewis, Deputy Chief Management Officer, U.S. Army; Eric Fanning, Deputy Undersecretary of the Navy and Deputy Chief Management Officer, U.S. Navy; David Tillotson Ill, Deputy Chief Management Officer, U.S. Air Force; and Asif A. Khan, Director, Financial Management and Assurance, Government Accountability Office.

READINESS IN THE AGE OF AUSTERITY

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Readiness held a hearing on readiness in the age of austerity. Testimony was heard from General Peter W. Chiarelli, Vice Chief of Staff, U.S. Army; Admiral Mark E. Ferguson Ill, Vice Chief of Naval Operations, U.S. Navy; General Joseph F. Dunford, Jr., Assistant Commandant of the Marine Corps, U.S. Marine Corps; and General Philip M. Breedlove, Vice Chief of Staff, U.S. Air Force.

NONRESIDENT ALIEN DEPOSIT INTEREST INCOME

Committee on Financial Services: Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Credit held a hearing entitled "Proposed Regulations to Require Reporting of Nonresident Alien Deposit Interest Income." Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

AFGHANISTAN AND PAKISTAN

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Full Committee held a hearing entitled "Afghanistan and Pakistan: Transition and the Way Forward." Testimony was heard from Hillary Rodham Clinton, Secretary, Department of State.

EUROZONE CRISIS

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on Europe and Eurasia held a hearing entitled "The Eurozone Crisis: Destabilizing the Global Economy." Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

TRAFFICKING IN PERSONS

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on Africa, Global Health, and Human Rights held a hearing entitled "The Trafficking in Persons Report 2011: Truth, Trends, and Tier Rankings." Testimony was heard from Luis CdeBaca, Ambassador-at-Large, Office to Monitor and Combat Trafficking in Persons, Department of State; Robert O. Blake, Assistant Sec-

retary of State, Bureau of South and Central Asian Affairs, Department of State; and Joseph Y. Yun, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary of State, Bureau of East Asian and Pacific Affairs, Department of State.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on the Judiciary: Full Committee held a markup of H.R. 3012, the "Fairness for High-Skilled Immigrants Act". The bill was ordered reported, as amended.

GULF COAST RECOVERY

Committee on Natural Resources: Full Committee held a hearing entitled "Gulf Coast Recovery: President Obama's BP Compensation Fund, How Is It Working?" Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

MARRIAGE PENALTY AND ITS IMPACT ON THE DEFICIT

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform: Subcommittee on Health Care, District of Columbia, Census and the National Archives held a hearing entitled "Examining Obamacare's Hidden Marriage Penalty and Its Impact on the Deficit." Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform: Subcommittee on Government Organization, Efficiency and Financial Management held a hearing entitled "Internal Control Weaknesses at the Department of Homeland Security." Testimony was heard from Peggy Sherry, Deputy Chief Financial Officer, Department of Homeland Security; Robert West, Chief Information Security Officer, Department of Homeland Security; and John McCoy, Deputy Assistant Inspector General for Audits, Office of the Inspector General, Department of Homeland Security.

BLUE RIBBON COMMISSION ON AMERICA'S NUCLEAR FUTURE

Committee on Science, Space, and Technology: Subcommittee on Investigations and Oversight; and the Subcommittee on Energy and Environment held a joint hearing entitled "Review of the Blue Ribbon Commission on America's Nuclear Future Draft Recommendations." Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

SMALL BUSINESS PROCUREMENT PROGRAMS

Committee on Small Business: Subcommittee on Investigations, Oversight and Regulations held a hearing entitled "Misrepresentation and Fraud: Bad Actors in the Small Business Procurement Programs." Testimony was heard from Peggy E. Gustafson, Inspector

General, Small Business Administration; and Brian Miller, Inspector General, General Services Administration.

SUPPLEMENTAL SECURITY INCOME (SSI) BENEFITS FOR CHILDREN

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Human Resources held a hearing on Supplemental Security Income (SSI) benefits for children. Testimony was heard from Daniel Bertoni, Director, Education, Workforce, and Income Security, Government Accountability Office; and public witnesses.

ONGOING INTELLIGENCE ACTIVITIES

House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Full Committee held a hearing on ongoing intelligence activities.

Joint Meetings

DISCRETIONARY OUTLAYS

Joint Select Committee on Deficit Reduction: On Wednesday, October 26, 2011, Committee concluded a hearing to examine an overview of discretionary outlays, security and non-security, after receiving testimony from Doug Elmendorf, Director, Congressional Budget Office.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY, OCTOBER 28, 2011

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

House

No hearings are scheduled.

Next Meeting of the SENATE 3 p.m., Monday, October 31

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 1 p.m., Monday, October 31

Senate Chamber

Program for Monday: After a period of morning business (not to extend beyond 4:30 p.m.), Senate will begin consideration of the nomination of Stephen A. Higginson, of Louisiana, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Fifth Circuit, with a vote on confirmation of the nomination at 5:30 p.m.

House Chamber

Program for Monday: The House will meet in pro forma session at 1 p.m.

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