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Senate

Chamber Action

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Measures Introduced: Sixteen bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 1779–1794, and S. Res. 309.

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Measures Passed:

Wallowa Forest Service Compound Conveyance Act: Senate passed S. 271, to require the Secretary of Agriculture to enter into a property conveyance with the city of Wallowa, Oregon, after agreeing to the committee amendments.

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Sugar Loaf Fire Protection District Land Exchange Act: Senate passed S. 278, to provide for the exchange of certain land located in the Arapaho-Roosevelt National Forests in the State of Colorado.

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Fort Pulaski National Monument Lease Authorization Act: Senate passed S. 535, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to lease certain lands within Fort Pulaski National Monument.

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Box Elder Utah Land Conveyance Act: Senate passed S. 683, to provide for the conveyance of certain parcels of land to the town of Mantua, Utah, after agreeing to the committee amendments.

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Utah Land Conveyance Act: Senate passed S. 684, to provide for the conveyance of certain parcels of land to the town of Alta, Utah, after agreeing to the committee amendments.

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Uintah Water Conservancy District: Senate passed S. 808, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to allow for prepayment of repayment contracts between the United States and the Uintah Water Conservancy District.

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Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act: Senate passed S. 897, to amend the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act of 1977 to clarify that uncertified States and Indian tribes have the authority to use certain payments for certain noncoal reclamation projects and acid mine remediation programs.

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East Bench Irrigation District Water Contract Extension Act: Senate passed S. 997, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to extend a water contract between the United States and the East Bench Irrigation District.

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Measures Considered:

Rebuild America Jobs Act—Agreement: Senate continued consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 1769, to put workers back on the job while rebuilding and modernizing America.

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A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill at approximately 10 a.m., on Thursday, November 3, 2011; that when Senate resumes consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill, that it be in order for the Republican Leader, or his designee, to move to proceed to S. 1786, to facilitate job creation by reducing regulatory uncertainty, providing for rational evaluation of regulations, providing flexibilities to States and localities, providing for infrastructure spending; that the motions to proceed be debated concurrently with the time until 3 p.m. equally divided between the two Leaders, or their designees, prior to votes on the motions to proceed in the following order: Reid motion to proceed to consideration of S. 1769; and McConnell, or designee, motion to proceed to consideration of S. 1786; that the motions to proceed each be subject to a 60 affirmative vote threshold; that if the Reid motion to proceed is agreed to, the vote on the McConnell, or designee, motion to proceed be delayed until disposition of S. 1769; and that the cloture motion with respect to the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 1769 be vitiated. Page S7058

Long-term Surface Transportation Extension Act—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that S. 1786, to facilitate job creation by reducing regulatory uncertainty, providing for rational evaluation of regulations, providing flexibilities to States and localities, providing for infrastructure spending, be placed on the calendar.

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Skavdahl and Andrews Nominations—Agreement: A unanimous-consent-time agreement was reached providing that at a time to be determined by the Majority Leader, after consultation with the Republican Leader, Senate begin consideration of the nominations of Scott Wesley Skavdahl, of Wyoming, to be United States District Judge for the District of Wyoming, and Richard G. Andrews, of Delaware, to be United States District Judge for the District of Delaware; that there be one hour for debate equally divided in the usual form; that upon the use or yielding back of time, Senate vote, without intervening action or debate, on confirmation of the nominations in the order listed; with two minutes for debate equally divided in the usual form between the votes; and that no further motions be in order to any of the nominations. Page S7089

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Andrew David Hurwitz, of Arizona, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit.

Kristine Gerhard Baker, of Arkansas, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Arkansas.

2 Air Force nominations in the rank of general.

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m. and adjourned at 6:52 p.m., until 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, November 3, 2011. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page \$7092.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

- S. 1119, to reauthorize and improve the Marine Debris Research, Prevention, and Reduction Act, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;
- S. 1307, to authorize the Secretary of Commerce to convey real property, including improvements, of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration in Ketchikan, Alaska;
- S. 1401, to conserve wild Pacific salmon, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;
- S. 1430, to authorize certain maritime programs of the Department of Transportation, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;
- S. 1657, to amend the provisions of law relating to sport fish restoration and recreational boating safety;
- S. 1665, to authorize appropriations for the Coast Guard for fiscal years 2012 and 2013, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;
- S. 1701, to amend the Harmful Algal Blooms and Hypoxia Research and Control Act of 1998, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;
- S. 1759, to facilitate the hosting in the United States of the 34th America's Cup by authorizing certain eligible vessels to participate in activities related to the competition; and

The nominations of Michael A. Khouri, of Kentucky, to be a Federal Maritime Commissioner, Albert DiClemente, of Delaware, to be a Director of the Amtrak Board of Directors, and Robert L. Sumwalt III, of South Carolina, to be a Member of the National Transportation Safety Board, and a promotion list in the U.S. Coast Guard.

EUROPEAN DEBT CRISIS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on European Affairs concluded a hearing to examine the European debt crisis, focusing on strategic implications for the transatlantic alliance, after receiving testimony from Jacob Funk Kirkegaard, Peterson Institute for International Economics, Bruce Stokes, German Marshall Fund of the United States, Desmond Lachman, American Enterprise Institute, and David F. Gordon, Eurasia Group, all of Washington, D.C.

WOMEN AND THE ARAB SPRING

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on International Operations and Organizations, Human Rights, Democracy and Global Women's Issues with

the Subcommittee on Near Eastern and South and Central Asian Affairs concluded a joint hearing to examine women and the Arab Spring, after receiving testimony from Melanne Verveer, Ambassador-at-Large for Global Women's Issues, and Tamara Cofman Wittes, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Near East Affairs, and Deputy Special Coordinator for Middle East Transitions, both of the Department of State; Manal Omar, United States Institute of Peace (USIP), and Sandra L. Bunn-Livingstone, Freedom, both of Washington, D.C.; and Mahnaz Afkhami, Women's Learning Partnership, Bethesda, Maryland.

AVIATION SECURITY TEN YEARS AFTER 9/11

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine ten years after 9/11, focusing on the next wave in aviation security, after receiving testimony from John Pistole, Administrator, Transportation Security Administration, Department of Homeland Security; Roger Dow, U.S. Travel Association, and Kenneth J. Dunlap, International Air Transport Association, both of Washington, D.C.; and Charles M. Barclay, American Association of Airport Executives, Alexandria, Virginia.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Jacqueline H. Nguyen, of California, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit, who was introduced by Senator Feinstein, and Gregg Jeffrey Costa, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Texas, and David Campos Guaderrama, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Texas, who were both introduced by Senators Hutchison and Cornyn, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

ASSISTED LIVING

Special Committee on Aging: Committee concluded a hearing to examine ensuring quality and oversight in assisted living, after receiving testimony from Barbara Coulter Edwards, Director, Disabled and Elderly Health Programs Group, Center for Medicaid, CHIP, and Survey and Certification, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services; Martha A. Roherty, National Association of States United for Aging and Disabilities, and Stephen J. Maag, LeadingAge, both of Washington, D.C.; Larry Polivka, Florida State University, Tallahassee; Robert Jenkens, NCB Capital Impact, Arlington, Virginia; and Alfredo Navas, Cutler Bay, Florida.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 26 public bills, H.R. 3306–3331 were introduced.

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Additional Cosponsors:

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Report Filed: A report was filed today as follows: H. Res. 453, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 2930) to amend the securities laws to provide for registration exemptions for certain crowdfunded securities, and for other purposes, and providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 2940) to direct the Securities and Exchange Commission to eliminate the prohibition against general solicitation as a requirement for a certain exemption under Regulation D. (H. Rept. 112–265). Pages H7249, H7255

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

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Recess: The House recessed at 11:23 a.m. and reconvened at 12 noon. Page H7220

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

Civilian Service Recognition Act of 2011: H.R. 2061, amended, to authorize the presentation of a United States flag at the funeral of Federal civilian employees who are killed while performing official duties or because of their status as a Federal employee, by a ²/₃ yea-and-nay vote of 425 yeas with none voting "nay", Roll No. 818;

Pages H7223-26, H7234-35

Agreed to amend the title so as to read: "To authorize the presentation of a United States flag on behalf of Federal civilian employees who die of injuries in connection with their employment.".

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Amending the securities laws to establish certain thresholds for shareholder registration: H.R.

1965, amended, to amend the securities laws to establish certain thresholds for shareholder registration, by a ²/₃ yea-and-nay vote of 420 yeas to 2 nays, Roll No. 819;

Pages H7226-29, H7235-36

Small Company Capital Formation Act of 2011: H.R. 1070, amended, to amend the Securities Act of 1933 to authorize the Securities and Exchange Commission to exempt a certain class of securities from such Act, by a ²/₃ yea-and-nay vote of 421 yeas to 1 nay, Roll No. 820; and Pages H7229–32, H7236

Agreed to amend the title so as to read: "To amend the Securities Act of 1933 to require the Securities and Exchange Commission to exempt a certain class of securities from such Act.". Page H7236

Veterans' Compensation Cost-of-Living Adjustment Act of 2011: S. 894, to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for an increase, effective December 1, 2011, in the rates of compensation for veterans with service-connected disabilities and the rates of dependency and indemnity compensation for the survivors of certain disabled veterans.

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Congressional-Executive Commission on the People's Republic of China—Appointment: The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of the following Members of the House to the Congressional-Executive Commission on the People's Republic of China: Representatives Wolf, Manzullo, and Royce.

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Recess: The House recessed at 5:27 p.m. and reconvened at 6:32 p.m. **Page H7254**

Senate Message: Message received from the Senate by the Clerk and subsequently presented to the House today appears on page H7220.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Three yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H7234–35, H7235–36, H7236. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 6:33 p.m.

Committee Meetings

DEFENSE SEQUESTRATION

Committee on Armed Services: Full Committee held a hearing entitled "The Future of the Military Services and Consequences of Defense Sequestration." Testimony was heard from General Raymond T. Odierno, USA, Chief of Staff of the Army; Admiral Jonathan W. Greenert, USN, Chief of Naval Operations; General Norton A. Schwartz, USAF, Chief of Staff of the Air Force; and General James F. Amos, USMC, Commandant of the Marine Corps.

COMBAT AVIATION PROGRAMS

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Tactical Air and Land Forces held a hearing on Fiscal Year 2012 Combat Aviation Programs Update. Testimony was heard from Vice Admiral W. Mark Skinner, USN, Principal Military Deputy to the Assistant Secretary of the Navy (Research, Development, and Acquisition), U.S. Navy; Lieutenant General Terry G. Robling, USMC, Deputy Commandant of the Marine Corps for Aviation, U.S. Marine Corps; Rear Admiral Kenneth E. Floyd, USN, Director of the Air Warfare Division, U.S. Navy; Lieutenant General Herbert J. (Hawk) Carlisle, USAF, Deputy Chief of Staff for Operations, Plans and Requirements, U.S. Air Force; and Major General Jay H. Lindell, USAF, Director, Global Power Programs, Office of the Assistant Secretary (Acquisition), U.S. Air Force.

U.S. NUCLEAR WEAPONS

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Strategic Forces held a hearing on the Current Status and Future Direction for U.S. Nuclear Weapons Policy and Posture. Testimony was heard from James N. Miller, Principal Deputy Under Secretary of Defense for Policy, Department of Defense; General C. Robert Kehler, USAF, Commander, U.S. Strategic Command; Ellen O. Tauscher, Under Secretary for Arms Control and International Security, Department of State; and Thomas P. D'Agostino, Administrator, National Nuclear Security Administration, Department of Energy.

HEALTH LAW MANDATES

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Health held a hearing entitled "Do New Health Law Mandates Threaten Conscience Rights and Access to Care?" Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

CONSUMER FINANCIAL PROTECTION BUREAU

Committee on Financial Services: Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Credit held a hearing entitled "The Consumer Financial Protection Bureau: The First 100 Days." Testimony was heard from Raj Date, Special Advisor to the Secretary of the Treasury, Consumer Financial Protection Bureau.

HUD HOME PROGRAM

Committee on Financial Services: Subcommittee on Insurance, Housing and Community Opportunity; and the Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a joint hearing entitled "Fraud in the HUD HOME Program." Testimony was heard from John P. McCarty, Acting Deputy Inspector General, Office of the Inspector General, Department of Housing and Urban Development; Kenneth Donohue,

former Inspector General, Department of Housing and Urban Development; James M. Beaudette, Deputy Director, Departmental Enforcement Center, Department of Housing and Urban Development; and public witnesses.

ZIMBABWE

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on Africa, Global Health, and Human Rights held a hearing entitled "U.S. Policy Towards Zimbabwe." Testimony was heard from Johnnie Carson, Assistant Secretary of State, Bureau of African Affairs, Department of State; Sharon Cromer, Senior Deputy Assistant Administrator, Bureau for Africa, U.S. Agency for International Development; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Full Committee held a markup of the following: H.R. 1905, to strengthen Iran sanctions laws for the purpose of compelling Iran to abandon its pursuit of nuclear weapons and other threatening activities, and for other purposes; and H.R. 2105, to provide for the application of measures to foreign persons who transfer to Iran, North Korea, and Syria certain goods, services, or technology, and for other purposes. Both bills were ordered reported, as amended.

EFFORTS TO TRANSFER AMERICA'S LEADING EDGE SCIENCE TO CHINA

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing entitled "Efforts to Transfer America's Leading Edge Science to China." Testimony was heard from Rep. Wolf; Thomas Armstrong, Managing Associate General Counsel, Government Accountability Office; John Holdren, Director, Office of Science and Technology Policy; Charles Bolden, Jr., Administrator, National Aeronautics and Space Administration; and public witnesses.

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE OFFICE OF JUSTICE PROGRAMS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security held a hearing entitled "The U.S. Department of Justice Office of Justice Programs." Testimony was heard from Laurie Robinson, Assistant Attorney General, Office of Justice Programs.

LEGISLATIVE MEASURES

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Immigration Policy and Enforcement held a hearing on H.R. 2121, the "China Democracy Promotion Act of 2011." Testimony was heard from Rep. Smith of New Jersey; Ruth Wasem, Congressional Research Service, Library of Congress; and public witnesses.

DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Immigration Policy and Enforcement held a meeting to consider authorizing the Chairman to issue a subpoena to the Department of Homeland Security. The Chairman was authorized to issue a subpoena.

BOEMRE

Committee on Natural Resources: Full Committee held a hearing entitled "BOEMRE/U.S. Coast Guard Joint Investigation Team Report." Testimony was heard from Captain Hung Nguyen, Co-Chair of the Joint Investigation Team, U.S. Coast Guard; David Dykes, Co-Chair of the Joint Investigation Team, former BOEMRE Staff; Vice Admiral Brian M. Salerno, Deputy Commandant for Operations, U.S. Coast Guard; Michael Bromwich, Director, Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement; and public witnesses.

NORTH AMERICAN OFFSHORE ENERGY

Committee on Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources held a hearing entitled "North American Offshore Energy: Mexico and Canada Boundary Treaties and New Drilling by Cuba and Bahamas." Testimony was heard from Michael Bromwich, Director, Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement; Vice Admiral Brian Salerno, Deputy Commandant for Operations, U.S. Coast Guard; and public witnesses.

TRAFFICKING VICTIMS PROTECTION ACT

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform: Subcommittee on Technology, Information Policy, Intergovernmental Relations and Procurement Reform held a hearing entitled "Are Government Contractors Exploiting Workers Overseas? Examining Enforcement of the Trafficking Victims Protection Act." Testimony was heard from Liana Wyler, Senior Analyst, Congressional Research Service; Kenneth P. Moorefield, Deputy Inspector General for Special Plans and Operations, Department of Defense; Michael P. Howard, Chief Operation Officer, Army and Air Force Exchange Service; Evelyn R. Klemstine, Assistant Inspector General for Audits, Department of State; Linda Dixon, Combating Trafficking in Persons Program Manager, Department of Defense; and public witnesses.

GREEN ENERGY

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform: Subcommittee on Regulatory Affairs, Stimulus Oversight and Government Spending held a hearing entitled "The Green Energy Debacle: Where Has All the Taxpayer Money Gone?" Testimony was heard from Gregory H. Friedman, Inspector General, Office of Inspector General, Department of Energy; Elliot P. Lewis, Assistant Inspector General for Audit, Office of Inspector General, Department of Energy; and public witnesses.

AMERICA'S INNOVATION CHALLENGE

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform: Subcommittee on TARP, Financial Services and Bailouts of Public and Private Programs held a hearing entitled "America's Innovation Challenge: What Obstacles do Entrepreneurs Face?" Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

ENTREPRENEUR ACCESS TO CAPITAL ACT; AND ACCESS TO CAPITAL FOR JOB CREATORS ACT

Committee on Rules: Full Committee held a hearing on H.R. 2930, the "Entrepreneur Access to Capital Act"; and H.R. 2940, the "Access to Capital for Job Creators Act". The Committee granted, by voice vote a structured rule for H.R. 2930. The rule provides one hour of general debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Financial Services. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule provides that the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Financial Services now printed in the bill shall be considered as original text for the purpose of amendment and shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. The rule makes in order only those further amendments to H.R. 2930 printed in part A of the Rules Committee report. Each such amendment may be offered only in the order printed in the report, may be offered only by a Member designated in the report, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, shall not be subject to amendment, and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question. The rule waives all points of order against the amendments printed in part A of the Rules Committee report. The rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions.

The resolution further provides for consideration of H.R. 2940 under a structured rule and provides one hour of debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Financial Services. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule provides that the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Financial Services now printed in the bill shall be considered as adopted, and the bill, as amended, shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against provisions in the bill, as amended. The

rule makes in order the further amendment printed in part B of the Rules Committee report, if offered by Representative Miller of North Carolina or his designee, which shall be considered as read and shall be separately debatable for 10 minutes equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent. The rule waives all points of order against the amendment printed in part B of the Rules Committee report. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. On H.R. 2930 testimony was heard from the following: Rep. McHenry; Rep. Fincher; and Rep. Perlmutter. On H.R. 2940 testimony was heard from the following: Rep. McHenry and Rep. Perlmutter.

FOSTERING U.S. INNOVATION

Committee on Science, Space, and Technology: Sub-committee on Technology and Innovation held a hearing entitled "Creating and Growing New Businesses: Fostering U.S. Innovation." Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

MOTOR FUEL STANDARDS

Committee on Science, Space, and Technology: Subcommittee on Energy and Environment held a hearing entitled "Conflicts and Unintended Consequences of Motor Fuel Standards." Testimony was heard from Margo Oge, Director, Office of Transportation and Air Quality, Environmental Protection Agency; and public witnesses.

DOMESTIC ENERGY PRODUCTION

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation held a hearing entitled "Assuring the Safety of Domestic Energy Production: Lessons Learned from the Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill." Testimony was heard from Rear Admiral Paul Zukunft, Assistant Commandant for Marine Safety, Security and Stewardship, United States Coast Guard; Vice Admiral Roger Rufe, USCG (Retired), Chairman, Incident Specific Preparedness Review, Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill; Stephen Caldwell, Director, Homeland Security and Justice Issues, Government Accountability Office; and public witnesses.

Joint Meetings

HUMAN TRAFFICKING AND TRANSNATIONAL ORGANIZED CRIME

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe: Commission concluded a hearing to examine human trafficking and Transnational Organized Crime, focusing on assessing trends and combat strategies, including the evolving nature of Transnational Organized Crime, the role of major international organized

crime groups and smaller organized criminal syndicates in human trafficking, identified trends, and strategies to combat these organizations and prevent the trafficking of human beings, including H.R. 2830, to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 2012 and 2013 for the Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000, after receiving testimony from Greg D. Andres, Acting Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division, Department of Justice; Piero Bonadeo, United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC), New York, New York; and Martina E. Vandenberg, The Freedom Network USA, Washington, D.C.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2011

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: to hold hearings to examine empowering and protecting servicemembers, their families and veterans in the consumer financial marketplace, 10 a.m., SD-538.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations, to hold hearings to examine speculation and compliance with the "Dodd-Frank Act", 9 a.m., SD–342.

Committee on the Judiciary: business meeting to consider S. 598, to repeal the Defense of Marriage Act and ensure respect for State regulation of marriage, S. 75, to restore the rule that agreements between manufacturers and retailers, distributors, or wholesalers to set the minimum price below which the manufacturer's product or service cannot be sold violates the Sherman Act, and the nominations of Stephanie Dawn Thacker, of West Virginia, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Fourth Circuit, Michael Walter Fitzgerald, to be United States District Judge for the Central District of California, Ronnie Abrams, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of New York, Rudolph Contreras, of Virginia, to be United States District Judge for the District of Columbia, Miranda Du, of Nevada, to be United States District Judge for the District of Nevada, Susie Morgan, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Louisiana, and Michael E. Horowitz, of Maryland, to be Inspector General, Department of Justice, 10 a.m., SD-226.

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

House

Committee on Agriculture, Subcommittee on Conservation, Energy, and Forestry, hearing to review the Implementation of Phase II of the Chesapeake Bay TMDL Watershed Implementation Plans and their impacts on rural communities, 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

Committee on Armed Services, Subcommittee on Emerging Threats and Capabilities, hearing on Institutionalizing Irregular Warfare Capabilities, 10 a.m., 2112 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Seapower and Projection Forces; and the Subcommittee on Readiness, joint hearing on a Day Without Seapower and Projection Forces, 11:30 a.m., 2218 Rayburn.

Committee on Education and the Workforce, Subcommittee on Workforce Protections, hearing entitled "Examining Regulatory and Enforcement Actions Under the Fair Labor Standards Act." 10 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, business meeting, 9 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Energy and Power, markup of H.R. 1633, the "Farm Dust Regulation Prevention Act of 2011." 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, Subcommittee on Capital Markets and Government Sponsored Enterprises, hearing on legislation regarding the "Private Mortgage Market Investment Act." 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Insurance, Housing and Community Opportunity, hearing entitled "The Obama Administration's Rental Assistance Demonstration Proposal." 2 p.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Foreign Affairs, Full Committee, hearing entitled "Congressional-Executive Commission on China: 2011 Annual Report." 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on the Middle East and South Asia, hearing entitled "2014 and Beyond: U.S. Policy toward Afghanistan and Pakistan, Part I." 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Transportation Security, hearing entitled "TSA Reform: Exploring Innovations in Technology Procurement to Stimulate Job Growth, Part III." 2 p.m., 311 Cannon.

Committee on House Administration, Subcommittee on Elections, hearing entitled "Federal Election Commission: Reviewing Policies, Processes and Procedures." 10 a.m., 1310 Longworth.

Committee on the Judiciary, Full Committee, markup of the following: H.R. 1254, the "Synthetic Drug Control Act of 2011"; H.R. 3010, the "Regulatory Accountability Act of 2011"; and H.R. 2369, to amend title 36, United States Code, to provide for an additional power for the American Legion under its Federal charter. 1 p.m., 214 Rayburn.

Committee on Natural Resources, Subcommittee on Fisheries, Wildlife, Oceans, and Insular Affairs, hearing entitled "Florida Everglades Restoration: What are the Priorities?" 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Public Lands, hearing on the following: H.R. 1980, the "Gold Star Mothers National Monument Act of 2011"; H.R. 2070, the "World War II Memorial Prayer Act of 2011"; H.R. 2621, the "Chimney Rock National Monument Establishment Act"; and H.R. 3155, the "Northern Arizona Mining Continuity Act of 2011". 10 a.m., 1334 Longworth.

Subcommittee on Indian and Alaska Native Affairs, hearing on the following: H.R. 205, the "HEARTH Act

of 2011"; and H.R. 2362, the "Indian Tribal Trade and Investment Demonstration Project Act of 2011". 2 p.m., 1324 Longworth.

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, Full Committee, markup of the following: H.R. 3029, the "Reducing the Size of the Federal Government Through Attrition Act of 2011"; H.R. 3262, the "Government Results Transparency Act"; H.R. 3237, the "SOAR Technical Corrections Act"; H.R. 2297, to promote the development of the Southwest waterfront in the District of Columbia, and for other purposes; H.R. 3289, the "Whistleblower Protection Enhancement Act of 2011"; H.R. 298, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 500 East Whitestone Boulevard in Cedar Park, Texas, as the "Army Specialist Matthew Troy Morris Post Office Building."; H.R. 2079, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 10 Main Street in East Rockaway, New York, as the "John J. Cook Post Office."; H.R. 2158, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 14901 Adelfa Drive in La Mirada, California, as the "Wayne Grisham Post Office."; H.R. 2415, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 11 Dock Street in Pittston, Pennsylvania, as the "Trooper Joshua D. Miller Post Office Building."; H.R. 2422, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 45 Bay Street, Suite 2, in Staten Island, New York, as the "Sergeant Angel Mendez Post Office."; H.R. 2660, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 122 North Holderrieth Boulevard in Tomball, Texas, as the "Tomball Veterans Post Office."; H.R. 2767, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 8 West Silver Street in Westfield, Massachusetts, as the "William T. Trant Post Office Building."; H.R. 3004, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 260 California Drive in Yountville, California, as the "Private First Class Alejandro R. Ruiz Post Office Building."; H.R. 3220, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 170 Evergreen Square SW in Pine City, Minnesota, as the "Master Sergeant Daniel L. Fedder Post Office."; H.R. 3246, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 15455 Manchester Road in Ballwin, Missouri, as the "Specialist Peter J. Navarro Post Office Building."; H.R. 3247, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1100 Town and Country Commons in Chesterfield, Missouri, as the "Lance Corporal Matthew P. Pathenos Post Office Building."; H.R. 3248, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 112 South 5th Street in Saint Charles, Missouri, as the "Lance Corporal Drew W. Weaver Post Office Building."; and S. 1412, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 462 Washington Street, Woburn, Massachusetts, as the "Officer John Maguire Post Office." 9:30 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on Rules, Full Committee, hearing on H.R. 2838, the "Coast Guard and Marine Transportation Act of 2011." 4 p.m., H–312 Capitol.

Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, Subcommittee on Research and Science Education, hearing entitled "STEM In Action: Transferring Knowledge from the Workplace to the Classroom." 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

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Program for Thursday: Senate will continue consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 1769, Rebuild America Jobs Act, and begin consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 1786, Long-Term Surface Transportation Extension Act. At approximately 3 p.m., Senate will vote on the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 1769, and if that is unsuccessful, Senate will vote on the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 1786.

House Chamber

Program for Thursday: Consideration of H.R. 2940— Access to Capital for Job Creators Act (Subject to a Rule). Begin consideration of H.R. 2930—Entrepreneur Access to Capital Act (Subject to a Rule).

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