

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S3129–S3230

Measures Introduced: Fifteen bills and five resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2978–2992, and S. Res. 474–478. **Page S3171**

Measures Reported:

Report to accompany S. 2390, to provide adequate protections for whistleblowers at the Federal Bureau of Investigation. (S. Rept. No. 114–261)

H.R. 136, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1103 USPS Building 1103 in Camp Pendleton, California, as the “Camp Pendleton Medal of Honor Post Office”.

H.R. 1132, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1048 West Robinhood Drive in Stockton, California, as the “W. Ronald Coale Memorial Post Office Building”.

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H.R. 3082, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 5919 Chef Menteur Highway in New Orleans, Louisiana, as the “Daryle Holloway Post Office Building”.

H.R. 3274, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 4567 Rockbridge Road in Pine Lake, Georgia, as the “Francis Manuel Ortega Post Office”.

H.R. 3601, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 7715 Post Road, North Kingstown, Rhode Island, as the “Melvoid J. Benson Post Office Building”.

H.R. 3735, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 200 Town Run Lane in Winston Salem, North Carolina, as the “Maya Angelou Memorial Post Office”.

H.R. 3866, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1265 Hurffville Road in Deptford Township, New Jersey, as the “First

Lieutenant Salvatore S. Corma II Post Office Building”.

H.R. 4046, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 220 East Oak Street, Glenwood City, Wisconsin, as the Second Lt. Ellen Ainsworth Memorial Post Office.

H.R. 4605, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 615 6th Avenue SE in Cedar Rapids, Iowa as the “Sgt. 1st Class Terryl L. Pasker Post Office Building”.

S. 2465, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 15 Rochester Street in Bergen, New York, as the Barry G. Miller Post Office.

S. 2891, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 525 North Broadway in Aurora, Illinois, as the “Kenneth M. Christy Post Office Building”.

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Measures Passed:

Secretary of Agriculture Fish Inspection Rule: By 55 yeas to 43 nays (Vote No. 86), Senate passed S.J. Res. 28, providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the Secretary of Agriculture relating to inspection of fish of the order Siluriformes. **Pages S3131–35**

100th Indianapolis 500 Mile Race: Senate agreed to S. Res. 475, recognizing the 100th running of the Indianapolis 500 Mile Race. **Pages S3162–63**

Cystic Fibrosis Awareness Month: Senate agreed to S. Res. 476, designating the month of May 2016 as “Cystic Fibrosis Awareness Month”. **Page S3227**

National Minority Health Month: Senate agreed to S. Res. 477, promoting minority health awareness and supporting the goals and ideals of National Minority Health Month in April 2016, which include bringing attention to the health disparities faced by minority populations of the United States such as American Indians, Alaskan Natives, Asian Americans, African Americans, Latino Americans, and Native Hawaiians or other Pacific Islanders.

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National Hawaiian Food Week: Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 416, recognizing the contributions of Hawaii to the culinary heritage of the United States and designating the week beginning on June 12, 2016, as “National Hawaiian Food Week”, and the resolution was then agreed to, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto:

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Rounds (for Schatz) Amendment No. 4230, to amend the preamble.

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National Cancer Research Month: Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 459, recognizing the importance of cancer research and the vital contributions of scientists, clinicians, cancer survivors, and other patient advocates across the United States who are dedicated to finding a cure for cancer, and designating May 2016, as “National Cancer Research Month”, and the resolution was then agreed to.

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Measures Considered:

National Defense Authorization Act—Agreement: Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 2943, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2017 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year.

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S3135–62, S3163–67

During consideration of this measure today, Senate also took the following action:

By a unanimous vote of 98 yeas (Vote No. 87), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, having voted in the affirmative, Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill.

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A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill, post-cloture, at approximately 9:30 a.m., on Thursday, May 26, 2016; and that all time during adjournment, recess, and morning business count post-cloture on the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill.

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Nomination Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nomination:

Patrick A. Burke, of the District of Columbia, to be United States Marshal for the District of Columbia for the term of four years.

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Messages from the House:

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Measures Referred:

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Amendments Submitted:

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Authorities for Committees to Meet:

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Privileges of the Floor:

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Record Votes: Two record votes were taken today. (Total—87)

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 6:52 p.m., until 9:30 a.m. on Thursday, May 26, 2016. (For Senate’s program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today’s Record on page S3230.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

IRAN DEAL SANCTIONS

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine understanding the role of sanctions under the Iran Deal, focusing on Administration perspectives, after receiving testimony from Adam J. Szubin, Acting Under Secretary of the Treasury for Terrorism and Financial Intelligence; and Stephen D. Mull, Lead Coordinator for Iran Nuclear Implementation, Department of State.

HURRICANE FORECASTING

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Oceans, Atmosphere, Fisheries, and Coast Guard concluded a hearing to examine improvements in hurricane forecasting and the path forward, after receiving testimony from Richard Knabb, Director, National Hurricane Center, National Weather Service, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Department of Commerce.

INTERNATIONAL CYBERSECURITY STRATEGY

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on East Asia, the Pacific, and International Cybersecurity Policy concluded a hearing to examine international cybersecurity strategy, focusing on deterring foreign threats and building global cyber norms, after receiving testimony from Christopher M. E. Painter, Coordinator for Cyber Issues, Department of State.

TRAFFICKING IN PERSONS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee received a closed briefing on trafficking in persons, focusing on preparing the 2016 annual report from Susan Coppedge, Ambassador-at-Large, Office to Monitor and Combat Trafficking in Persons, William E. Todd, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary, Bureau

of South and Central Asian Affairs, D. Bruce Wharton, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary, Bureau of African Affairs, Susan A. Thornton, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary, Bureau of East Asian and Pacific Affairs, and John S. Creamer, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Western Hemisphere Affairs, all of the Department of State.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 2976, to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to reform, streamline, and make improvements to the Department of Homeland Security and support the Department's efforts to implement better policy, planning, management, and performance, with amendments;

S. 2967, to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to require the Office of Management and Budget to execute a national biodefense strategy, with amendments;

S. 2968, to reauthorize the Office of Special Counsel;

S. 2964, to eliminate or modify certain mandates of the Government Accountability Office;

S. 2834, to improve the Governmentwide management of unnecessarily duplicative Government programs and for other purposes, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 2966, to update the financial disclosure requirements for judges of the District of Columbia courts, and to make other improvements to the District of Columbia courts, with an amendment;

S. 2971, to authorize the National Urban Search and Rescue Response System;

S. 1378, to strengthen employee cost savings suggestions programs within the Federal Government, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 2972, to amend title 31, United States Code, to provide transparency and require certain standards in the award of Federal grants, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 2975, to provide agencies with discretion in securing information technology and information systems, with an amendment;

S. 2849, to ensure the Government Accountability Office has adequate access to information;

S. 461, to provide for alternative financing arrangements for the provision of certain services and the construction and maintenance of infrastructure at land border ports of entry, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 2852, to expand the Government's use and administration of data to facilitate transparency, effective

governance, and innovation, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 2970, to amend title 5, United States Code, to expand law enforcement availability pay to employees of the Air and Marine Operations of U.S. Customs and Border Protection;

S. 231, and H.R. 433, bills to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 523 East Railroad Street in Knox, Pennsylvania, as the "Specialist Ross A. McGinnis Memorial Post Office";

S. 2465, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 15 Rochester Street in Bergen, New York, as the Barry G. Miller Post Office;

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in Cedar Rapids, Iowa as the “Sgt. 1st Class Terryl L. Pasker Post Office Building”; and

The nomination of Jay Neal Lerner, of Illinois, to be Inspector General, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 15 public bills, H.R. 5320–5324, 5326–5335; and 6 resolutions, and H. Res. 748–750, 752–754, were introduced. **Pages H3264–65**

Additional Cosponsors: **Page H3266**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 5325, making appropriations for the Legislative Branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2017, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 114–594); and

H. Res. 751, relating to consideration of the Senate amendment to the bill (H.R. 2577) making appropriations for the Departments of Transportation, and Housing and Urban Development, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2016, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 114–595). **Page H3264**

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Rothfus to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H3099**

Recess: The House recessed at 10:31 a.m. and reconvened at 12 noon. **Page H3103**

Guest Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the Guest Chaplain, Reverend Joshua Beckley, Ecclesia Christian Fellowship, San Bernardino, California. **Page H3103**

Unanimous Consent Agreement: Agreed by unanimous consent that the question of adopting a motion to commit on S. 2012 may be subject to postponement as though under clause 8 of rule 20. **Page H3117**

Energy Policy Modernization Act of 2016: The House passed S. 2012, to provide for the modernization of the energy policy of the United States, by a recorded vote of 241 ayes to 178 noes, Roll No. 250. **Pages H3117–H3208, H3217–18**

Rejected the Peters motion to commit the bill to the Committee on Energy and Commerce with instructions to report the same back to the House

forthwith with an amendment, by a ye-a-and-nay vote of 178 yeas to 239 nays, Roll No. 249. **Pages H3217–18**

Pursuant to the Rule, an amendment in the nature of a substitute consisting of the text of Rules Committee Print 114–55 shall be considered as adopted. **Page H3117**

H. Res. 744, the rule providing for consideration of the bills (S. 2012) and (H.R. 5233) was agreed to by a ye-a-and-nay vote of 242 yeas to 171 nays, Roll No. 240, after the previous question was ordered by a ye-a-and-nay vote of 239 yeas to 176 nays, Roll No. 239. **Pages H3105–13**

Clarifying Congressional Intent in Providing for DC Home Rule Act of 2016: The House passed H.R. 5233, to repeal the Local Budget Autonomy Amendment Act of 2012, to amend the District of Columbia Home Rule Act to clarify the respective roles of the District government and Congress in the local budget process of the District government, by a recorded vote of 240 ayes to 179 noes, Roll No. 248. **Pages H3208–17**

Rejected the Connolly motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform with instructions to report the same back to the House forthwith with an amendment, by a ye-a-and-nay vote of 179 yeas to 239 nays, Roll No. 247. **Page H3216**

H. Res. 744, the rule providing for consideration of the bills (S. 2012) and (H.R. 5233) was agreed to by a ye-a-and-nay vote of 242 yeas to 171 nays, Roll No. 240, after the previous question was ordered by a ye-a-and-nay vote of 239 yeas to 176 nays, Roll No. 239. **Pages H3105–13**

Energy Policy Modernization Act of 2016—Motion to go to Conference: The House agreed by voice vote to the Barton motion to take from the Speaker’s table the bill (S. 2012), to provide for the modernization of the energy policy of the United States, insist on the House amendment, and request a conference with the Senate thereon. **Pages H3218–20, H3260–61**

Rejected the Grijalva motion to instruct conferees by a yea-and-nay vote of 205 yeas to 212 nays, Roll No. 264. **Pages H3260–61**

The Chair announced that appointment of conferees would occur at a subsequent time. **Page H3261**

Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2017: The House resumed consideration of H.R. 5055, making appropriations for energy and water development and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2017. Consideration is expected to continue tomorrow, May 26th. **Pages H3113–17, H3220–60**

Agreed to:

Gosar amendment that prohibits the use of funds for the Department of Energy's Climate Model Development and Validation program;

Pages H3223–24, H3225–27

Black amendment that prohibits the use of funds in contravention of section 642(a) of the Illegal Immigration Reform and Immigrant Responsibility Act of 1996; **Pages H3230–31**

Higgins amendment that prohibits the use of funds to be used by the Secretary of Energy to carry out, or for the salary of any officer or employee of the Department of Energy to carry out, the proposed action of the Department to transport target residue material from Ontario, Canada to the United States; **Page H3237**

Grayson amendment (No. 7 printed in the Congressional Record of May 23, 2016) that prohibits the use of funds to enter into contracts with individuals or entities convicted of fraud; **Page H3237**

Babin amendment (No. 5 printed in the Congressional Record of May 23, 2016) that prohibits the use of funds from being used to enter into new contracts with, or new agreements for Federal assistance to, the Islamic Republic of Iran; **Pages H3237–38**

Meadows amendment that prohibits the use of funds by the Army Corps of Engineers to award contracts using the lowest price technically acceptable source selection process unless the source selection decision is documented; **Page H3239**

Jackson Lee amendment that prohibits the use of funds for "Department of Energy-Energy Programs-Science" may be used in contravention of the Department of Energy Organization Act; **Pages H3239–40**

Stivers amendment that prohibits the use of funds for the Cape Wind Energy Project on the Outer Continental Shelf off Massachusetts, Nantucket Sound; **Page H3240**

Jackson Lee amendment that increases funding, by offset, for the "Corps of Engineers-Civil—Investigations" account, by \$3,000,000; **Pages H3240–42**

Mullin amendment that prohibits the use of funds, between Nov. 8, 2016 through Jan. 20, 2017 to be used to propose or finalize a regulatory action

that is likely to result in a rule that may have an annual effect on the economy of \$100,000,000 or more; **Pages H3242–43**

Jackson Lee amendment that increases funding, by offset, for the "Corps of Engineers-Civil—Investigations" account, by \$100,000,000; **Pages H3243–44**

Gosar amendment that prohibits the use of funds to carry out the memorandum from the White House Counsel's Office to all Executive Department and Agency General Counsels entitled "Reminder Regarding Document Request" dated April 15, 2009; **Pages H3244–45**

Engel amendment (No. 6 printed in the Congressional Record of May 23, 2016) that prohibits the use of funds by the Department of Energy, the Department of the Interior, or any other Federal Agency to lease or purchase new light duty vehicles for any executive fleet, or for an agency's fleet inventory, except in accordance with Presidential Memorandum; **Page H3245**

Gosar amendment that prohibits the use of funds by the Department of Energy for the 21st Century Clean Transportation Plan; **Pages H3245–46**

Sanford amendment that prohibits the use of funds to provide a loan under section 136 of the Energy Independence and Security Act of 2007; **Pages H3246–47**

Buck amendment that prohibits the use of funds to research, draft, propose, or finalize the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking that was published by the Department of Energy on December 19, 2014, titled "Energy Conservation Program: Energy Conservation Standards for Residential Dishwashers", the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking that was published by the Department of Energy on August 13, 2015, titled "Energy Conservation Program: Energy Conservation Standards for Ceiling Fan Light Kits", or the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking that was published by the Department of Energy on August 19, 2015, titled "Energy Conservation Program: Energy Conservation Standards for Refrigerated Bottled or Canned Vending Machines"; **Pages H3247–48**

Pittenger amendment (No. 34 printed in the Congressional Record of May 24, 2016) that prohibits the use of funds to revoke funding previously awarded to or within the State of North Carolina (by a recorded vote of 227 yeas to 192 nays, Roll No. 255); **Pages H3220–21, H3254–55**

Gosar amendment that prohibits the use of funds to prepare, propose, or promulgate any regulation or guidance related to the Social Cost of Carbon (by a recorded vote of 230 yeas to 188 nays, Roll No. 256); **Pages H3255–56**

Sean Patrick Maloney (NY) amendment, as amended by the Pitts amendment (agreed to by

voice vote), that prohibits the use of funds in contravention of Executive Order No. 13672 of July 21, 2014 ("Further Amendments to Executive order 11478, Equal Employment in the Federal Government, and Executive Order 11246, Equal Employment Opportunity" and "except as required by the First Amendment, the Fourteenth Amendment, and Article I of the Constitution" (by a recorded vote of 223 ayes to 195 noes, Roll No. 258);

Pages H3234–36, H3256–57

Byrne amendment that prohibits the use of funds in contravention of the Religious Freedom Restoration Act of 1993, Executive Order 13279, or the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (by a recorded vote of 233 ayes to 186 noes, Roll No. 259); and

Pages H3236–37, H3257–58

DeSantis amendment that prohibits the use of funds to purchase heavy water from Iran (by a recorded vote of 251 ayes to 168 noes, Roll No. 263).

Pages H3251–52, H3259–60

Rejected:

Clawson (FL) amendment that was debated on May 24th that sought to increase funding, by offset, for Army Corps of Engineers, Construction, by \$50,000,000 (by a recorded vote of 143 ayes to 275 noes, Roll No. 241);

Pages H3113–14

McNerney amendment that was debated on May 24th that sought to strike General Provisions, Department of the Interior, related to California state water projects (by a recorded vote of 169 ayes to 247 noes, Roll No. 242);

Page H3114

Griffith amendment that was debated on May 24th that sought to reduce the Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy Program by \$50,000,000, and increase the Fossil Energy Research and Development Program by \$45,000,000 (by a recorded vote of 182 ayes to 236 noes, Roll No. 243);

Pages H3114–15

Buck amendment that was debated on May 24th that sought to zero out the accounts for Plant or Facility Acquisition, Construction, or Expansion of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy Programs and apply the \$3,481,616,000 in savings to the Spending Reduction Account (by a recorded vote of 80 ayes to 339 noes, Roll No. 244);

Pages H3115–16

Polis amendment that was debated on May 24th that sought to increase funds for Energy efficiency and renewable energy by \$9,750,000 and decrease funds for fossil energy research and development by \$13,000,000 (by a recorded vote of 167 ayes to 251 noes, Roll No. 245);

Page H3116

Polis amendment that was debated on May 24th that sought to zero out the Fossil Energy Research and Development fund and apply the \$285,000,000 in savings to the spending reduction account (by a

recorded vote of 144 ayes to 275 noes, Roll No. 246);

Pages H3116–17

Welch amendment that was debated on May 24th that sought to increase funding, by offset, for the Northern Border Regional Commission, by \$2,500,000 (agreed by unanimous consent to withdraw the earlier request for a recorded vote);

Page H3220

Garamendi amendment that sought to prohibit the use of funds by the Bureau of Reclamation to issue a permit for California WaterFix or, with respect to California WaterFix;

Pages H3222–23

Garamendi amendment (No. 29 printed in the Congressional Record of May 24, 2016) that sought to reduce National Nuclear Security Administration—Weapons Activities by \$100 million and prohibit the use of funds, in excess of \$120,253,000 to be used for the W80–4 Life Extension Program;

Pages H3224–25

Yoho amendment that sought to prohibit the use of funds by the Department of Energy to employ in excess of 95 percent of the Department's total number of employees as of the date of the enactment of this Act;

Pages H3228–29

Byrne amendment that sought to prohibit the use of funds for the Energy Information Administration; reduce funds for Department of Energy—Energy Programs—Energy Information Administration to \$0;

Pages H3233–34

Lowenthal amendment that sought to prohibit the use of funds in contravention of Executive Order No. 13547 or to implement, administer, or enforce section 506;

Pages H3238–39

Weber (TX) amendment that was debated on May 24th that sought to zero out the Innovative Technology Guarantee program and apply the \$7,000,000 in savings to the spending reduction account (by a recorded vote of 158 ayes to 260 noes, Roll No. 251);

Page H3252

Ellison amendment that was debated on May 24th that sought to redirect \$1,000,000 in funding within Departmental Administration, Department of Energy (by a recorded vote of 174 ayes to 245 noes, Roll No. 252);

Pages H3252–53

Farr amendment (No. 1 printed in the Congressional Record of May 23, 2016) that was debated on May 24th that sought to strike section 506 pertaining to the further implementation of the coastal and marine spatial planning and ecosystem-based management components of the National Ocean Policy (by a recorded vote of 189 ayes to 228 noes, Roll No. 253);

Pages H3253–54

Garamendi amendment that was debated on May 24th that sought to prohibit the use of funds to expand plutonium pit production capacity at the PF–4

facility at Los Alamos National Laboratory (by a recorded vote of 126 ayes to 293 noes, Roll No. 254);

Page H3254

Foster amendment that sought to prohibit the use of funds by the Secretary of Energy for the Experimental Program to Stimulate Competitive Research (by a recorded vote of 206 ayes to 213 noes, Roll No. 257);

Pages H3229–30, H3256

Blackburn amendment (No. 14 printed in the Congressional Record of May 24, 2016) that sought to reduce funding in the bill by 1 percent (by a recorded vote of 158 ayes to 258 noes, Roll No. 260);

Pages H3248–49, H3258

Smith (MO) amendment that sought to prohibit the use of funds by the Army Corps of Engineers to implement, administer, or enforce the last four words of subparagraph (B) of section 1341(a)(1) of title 31, with respect to crevassing levees under the Birds Point-New Madrid Floodway Operations Plan (by a recorded vote of 119 ayes to 300 noes, Roll No. 261); and

Pages H3249–50, H3258–59

Walker amendment that sought to reduce funds by the following amounts: Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, \$400,000; Nuclear Energy, \$25,455,000; Fossil Energy Research and Development, \$13,000,000; Strategic Petroleum Reserve, \$45,000,000; Non-Defense Environmental Cleanup, \$2,400,000; Science, \$49,800,000; Advanced Research Projects Agency—Energy, \$14,889,000; Power Marketing Administrations—Construction, Rehabilitation, Operation and Maintenance, Western Area Power Administration, \$2,209,000; and Nuclear Regulatory Commission—Salaries and Expenses, \$32,132,000 (by a recorded vote of 128 ayes to 291 noes, Roll No. 262).

Pages H3250–51, H3259

Withdrawn:

Byrne amendment that was offered and subsequently withdrawn that would have allowed the Army Corps of Engineers Chief Engineer to give priority to Dog River, Fowl River, Fly Creek, Bayou Coden, and Bayou La Batre projects; and

Page H3232

McNerney amendment that was offered and subsequently withdrawn that would have prohibited the use of funds to issue Federal debt forgiveness or capital repayment forgiveness for any district or entity served by the Central Valley Project if the district or entity has been subject to an order from Securities and Exchange Commission.

Pages H3232–33

Point of Order sustained against:

Al Green (TX) amendment (No. 24 printed in the Congressional Record of May 24, 2016) that sought to provide an additional \$311 million for Construction, Army Corps of Engineers for flood control projects and storm damage reduction projects; and

Pages H3227–28

McNerney amendment that sought to prohibit the use of funds for a project under investigation by the Inspector General of the Department of the Interior during calendar years 2015, 2016, or 2017.

Pages H3231–32

H. Res. 743, the rule providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 5055) was agreed to yesterday, May 24th.

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

Pages H3261, H3262

Quorum Calls—Votes: Five yea-and-nay votes and twenty-one recorded votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H3112, H3112–13, H3113–14, H3114, H3114–15, H3115–16, H3116, H3116–17, H3216, H3216–17, H3217–18, H3218, H3252, H3253, H3253–54, H3254, H3254–55, H3255–56, H3256, H3256–57, H3257–58, H3258, H3258–59, H3259, H3260, and H3260–61. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 11:25 p.m.

Committee Meetings

FOOD WASTE FROM FIELD TO TABLE

Committee on Agriculture: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Food Waste from Field to Table”. Testimony was heard from Representative Pingree and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Financial Services and General Government held a markup on Financial Services and General Government Appropriations Bill, FY 2017. The Financial Services and General Government Appropriations Bill, FY 2017, was forwarded to the full committee, without amendment.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies held a markup on Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies Appropriations Bill, FY 2017. The Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies Appropriations Bill, FY 2017, was forwarded to the full committee, without amendment.

RECLAIMING CONGRESSIONAL AUTHORITY THROUGH THE POWER OF THE PURSE

Committee on the Budget: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Reclaiming Congressional Authority Through the Power of the Purse”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

PROMOTING SAFE WORKPLACES THROUGH EFFECTIVE AND RESPONSIBLE RECORDKEEPING STANDARDS

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Subcommittee on Workforce Protections held a hearing entitled “Promoting Safe Workplaces Through Effective and Responsible Recordkeeping Standards”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

EXAMINING CYBERSECURITY RESPONSIBILITIES AT HHS

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Health held a hearing entitled “Examining Cybersecurity Responsibilities at HHS”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

IRAN NUCLEAR DEAL OVERSIGHT: IMPLEMENTATION AND ITS CONSEQUENCES, PART II

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Iran Nuclear Deal Oversight: Implementation and Its Consequences, Part II”. Testimony was heard from Stephen D. Mull, Lead Coordinator for Iran Nuclear Implementation, Department of State; Thomas M. Countryman, Assistant Secretary, Bureau of International Security and Nonproliferation, Department of State; and Adam J. Szubin, Acting Under Secretary, Office of Terrorism and Financial Intelligence, Department of the Treasury.

TUNISIA’S STRUGGLE FOR STABILITY, SECURITY, AND DEMOCRACY

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on the Middle East and North Africa held a hearing entitled “Tunisia’s Struggle for Stability, Security, and Democracy”. Testimony was heard from John Desrocher, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Egypt and Maghreb Affairs, Bureau of Near Eastern Affairs, Department of State; and Maria Longi, Deputy Assistant Administrator, Bureau for the Middle East, U.S. Agency for International Development.

LONG LINES, SHORT PATIENCE: THE TSA AIRPORT SCREENING EXPERIENCE

Committee on Homeland Security: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Long Lines, Short Patience: The TSA Airport Screening Experience”. Testimony was heard from Peter V. Neffenger, Administrator, Transportation Security Administration, Department of Homeland Security.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on the Judiciary: Full Committee held a markup on H.R. 5203, the “Visa Integrity and Security Act of 2016”; H.R. 3636, the “O-VISA Act”; and H.R. 5283, the “Due Process Act”. The fol-

lowing bills were ordered reported, as amended: H.R. 5203, H.R. 3636, and H.R. 5283.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURE

Committee on Natural Resources: Full Committee concluded a markup on H.R. 5278, the “Puerto Rico Oversight, Management, and Economic Stability Act”. H.R. 5278 was ordered reported, as amended.

EXPLORING 21ST CENTURY MINING SAFETY, ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL, AND TECHNOLOGICAL INNOVATION

Committee on Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources held a hearing entitled “Exploring 21st Century Mining Safety, Environmental Control, and Technological Innovation”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

FEDERAL AGENCIES’ RELIANCE ON OUTDATED AND UNSUPPORTED INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY: A TICKING TIME BOMB

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Federal Agencies’ Reliance on Outdated and Unsupported Information Technology: A Ticking Time Bomb”. Testimony was heard from Dave Powner, Director, IT Management Issues, Government Accountability Office; Terry Milholland, Chief Technology Officer, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury; Terry Halvorsen, Chief Information Officer, Department of Defense; Beth Killoran, Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary for Information Technology and Chief Information Officer, Department of Health and Human Services; and Tony Scott, Federal Chief Information Officer, Office of Management and Budget.

SENATE AMENDMENT TO THE TRANSPORTATION, HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2016

Committee on Rules: Full Committee held a hearing on the Senate amendment to H.R. 2577, the “Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2016”. The committee granted, by record vote of 9–4, a rule that provides that the House concurs in the Senate amendment to H.R. 2577 with an amendment consisting of the text of Rules Committee Print 114–56. The rule makes in order a motion offered by the chair of the Committee on Appropriations or his designee that the House insist on its amendment to the Senate amendment to H.R. 2577 and request a conference with the Senate thereon.

SCIENCE OF ZIKA: THE DNA OF AN EPIDEMIC

Committee on Science, Space, and Technology: Full Committee held a markup on H.R. 5312, the “Networking and Information Technology Research and Development Modernization Act of 2016”; and a hearing entitled “Science of Zika: The DNA of an Epidemic”. H.R. 5312 was ordered reported, without amendment. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Full Committee held a markup on H.R. 5303, the “Water Resources Development Act of 2016”; H. Con. Res. 131, authorizing the use of Capitol Grounds for the District of Columbia Special Olympics Law Enforcement Torch Run; and General Services Administration Capital Investment and Leasing Program Resolutions. H.R. 5303 was ordered reported, as amended. H. Con. Res. 131 was ordered reported, without amendment. The General Services Administration Capital Investment and Leasing Program Resolutions were approved.

PROTECTING SMALL BUSINESSES FROM IRS ABUSE

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Oversight held a hearing on protecting small businesses from IRS abuse. Testimony was heard from Richard Weber, Chief, Criminal Investigation, Internal Revenue Service; John Koskinen, Commissioner, Internal Revenue Service; and Kenneth Blanco, Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division, Department of Justice.

PERSPECTIVES ON THE NEED FOR TAX REFORM

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Tax Policy held a hearing entitled “Perspectives on the Need for Tax Reform”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

Joint Meetings

IMPACT OF ROBOTS AND AUTOMATION

Joint Economic Committee: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the transformative impact of robots and automation, after receiving testimony from Andrew McAfee, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge; and Adam Keiper, Ethics and Public Policy Center, and Harry J. Holzer, Georgetown University McCourt School of Public Policy, Washington, D.C.

CORRUPTION IN BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe: Commission concluded a hearing to examine combating corruption in Bosnia and Herzegovina, after receiving testimony from Thomas Melia, Assistant Administrator for Europe and Eurasia, United States Agency for International Development; Jonathan M. Moore, Head of the OSCE Mission to Bosnia and Herzegovina, and Valery Perry, Democratization Policy Council, both of Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina; and Srdjan Blagovcanin, Transparency International, Banja Luka, Bosnia and Herzegovina.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, MAY 26, 2016

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: to hold hearings to examine a review of the United States livestock and poultry sectors, focusing on marketplace opportunities and challenges, 10 a.m., SH-216.

Committee on Appropriations: business meeting to markup an original bill entitled, “Department of Defense Appropriations Act, 2017”, and an original bill entitled, “Department of Homeland Security Appropriations Act, 2017”, 10:30 a.m., SD-106.

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on Western Hemisphere, Transnational Crime, Civilian Security, Democracy, Human Rights, and Global Women’s Issues, to hold hearings to examine cartels and the United States heroin epidemic, focusing on combating drug violence and the public health crisis, 9 a.m., SD-419.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: to hold hearings to examine protecting America from the threat of ISIS, 10 a.m., SD-342.

Committee on the Judiciary: business meeting to consider S. 247, to amend section 349 of the Immigration and Nationality Act to deem specified activities in support of terrorism as renunciation of United States nationality, S. 356, to improve the provisions relating to the privacy of electronic communications, and S. 2944, to require adequate reporting on the Public Safety Officers’ Benefit program, 10 a.m., SD-226.

Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship: to hold an oversight hearing to examine the Small Business Administration’s 7(a) loan guaranty program, 10 a.m., SR-428A.

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

House

Committee on Armed Services, Subcommittee on Seapower and Projection Forces; and Subcommittee on Readiness, joint hearing entitled “Navy Force Structure and Readiness: Perspectives from the Fleet”, 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Committee on Foreign Affairs, Full Committee, markup on S. 1635, the “Department of State Operations Authorization and Embassy Security Act, Fiscal Year 2016”, 9:30 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Africa, Global Health, Global Human Rights, and International Organizations, hearing entitled “The ISIS Genocide Declaration: What Next?”, 12 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Transportation Security, hearing entitled “Long Lines, Short Patience: Local Perspectives”, 9 a.m., 311 Cannon.

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Social Security Administration: Information Systems Review”, 9 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, Subcommittee on Environment, hearing entitled “Impact of EPA’s Clean Power Plan on States”, 9:30 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Small Business, Full Committee, hearing entitled “The Sharing Economy: A Taxing Experience for New Entrepreneurs, Part II”, 10 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

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

Senate Chamber

Program for Thursday: Senate will continue consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 2943, National Defense Authorization Act, post-cloture.

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

9 a.m., Thursday, May 26

House Chamber

Program for Thursday: Complete consideration of H.R. 5055—Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2017. Consideration of the Senate amendment to H.R. 2577—Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2016 (Subject to a Rule).

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