

Foundation; John Neumann, Director, Natural Resources and Environment, Government Accountability Office; and public witnesses.

#### MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure:* Full Committee held a markup on H.R. 2518, the “Coast Guard Authorization Act of 2017”; H.R. 2548, the “FEMA Reauthorization Act of 2017”; H.R. 2547, to support the Nation’s veterans by expanding to all Veterans Administration medical professionals the ability to provide physical examinations on eligible veterans and issue the medical certificates required for the operation of a commercial motor vehicle if certain requirements are met; H.R. 1684, the “Disaster Support for Communities and Homeowners Act”; H.R. 2258, the “Active Duty Voluntary Acquisition of Necessary Credentials for Employment Act”; and H.R. 2593, the “Federal Maritime Commission Authorization Act of 2017”. H.R. 2518, H.R. 2548, H.R. 2547, H.R. 1684, H.R. 2258, and H.R. 2593 were ordered reported, as amended.

#### U.S. DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS BUDGET REQUEST FOR FISCAL YEAR 2018

*Committee on Veterans’ Affairs:* Full Committee held a hearing entitled “U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs Budget Request for Fiscal Year 2018”. Testimony was heard from David J. Shulkin M.D., Secretary, Department of Veterans Affairs.

#### VETERANS AFFAIRS FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

*Committee on Veterans’ Affairs:* Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing entitled “VA Financial Management”. Testimony was heard from Laurie Park, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Finance, Office of Management, Department of Veterans Affairs; Beryl H. Davis, Director, Financial Management and Assurance, Government Accountability Office; Nick Dahl, Deputy Assistant Inspector General for Audits and Evaluations, Office of Inspector General, Department of Veterans Affairs; and a public witness.

#### MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

*Committee on Ways and Means:* Full Committee held a markup on H.R. 2372, “Veterans Equal Treatment Ensures Relief and Access Now Act”; H.R. 2579, “Broader Options for Americans Act”; and H.R. 2581, the “Verify First Act”. H.R. 2372, H.R. 2579, and H.R. 2581 were ordered reported, as amended.

*Committee on Ways and Means:* Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Hearing on the President’s Fiscal Year 2018 Budget Proposals with U.S. Secretary of the Treasury Steven Mnuchin”. Testimony was heard from Steven T. Mnuchin, Secretary, Department of the Treasury.

## Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

### COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, MAY 25, 2017

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

#### Senate

*Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry:* to hold hearings to examine the Farm Economy, focusing on perspectives on rural America, 10 a.m., SR-328A.

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Department of Homeland Security, to hold hearings to examine the President’s proposed budget request for fiscal year 2018 for the Department of Homeland Security, 10:30 a.m., SD-138.

*Committee on Armed Services:* to hold hearings to examine the posture of the Department of the Army in review of the Defense Authorization Request for fiscal year 2018 and the Future Years Defense Program, 9:30 a.m., SD-G50.

*Committee on the Budget:* to hold hearings to examine the President’s fiscal year 2018 budget proposal, 9:45 a.m., SD-608.

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Neil Chatterjee, of Kentucky, and Robert F. Powelson, of Pennsylvania, both to be a Member of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, and Dan R. Brouillette, of Texas, to be Deputy Secretary, all of the Department of Energy, 9:45 a.m., SD-366.

*Committee on Finance:* to hold hearings to examine the President’s proposed budget request for fiscal year 2018 for the Department of the Treasury, and tax reform, 10 a.m., SD-215.

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* business meeting to consider S. 722, to impose sanctions with respect to Iran in relation to Iran’s ballistic missile program, support for acts of international terrorism, and violations of human rights, S. 905, to require a report on, and to authorize technical assistance for, accountability for war crimes, crimes against humanity, and genocide in Syria, S. 1141, to ensure that the United States promotes the meaningful participation of women in mediation and negotiation processes seeking to prevent, mitigate, or resolve violent conflict, H.R. 601, to enhance the transparency and accelerate the impact of assistance provided under the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 to promote quality basic education in developing countries, to better enable such countries to achieve universal access to quality basic education and improved learning outcomes, to eliminate duplication and waste, S. Res. 114, expressing the sense of the Senate on humanitarian crises in Nigeria, Somalia, South Sudan, and Yemen, S. Res. 18, reaffirming the United States-Argentina partnership and recognizing Argentina’s economic reforms, S. Res. 176, commemorating the 50th anniversary of the reunification of Jerusalem, an original bill entitled, “Countering Russian Influence in Europe and Eurasia Act of 2017”, the nomination of Scott P. Brown, of New Hampshire, to be Ambassador to New Zealand, and to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador to the Independent State of Samoa, Department of State, and routine lists in the Foreign Service, 9:30 a.m., S-116, Capitol.

Subcommittee on Multilateral International Development, Multilateral Institutions, and International Economic, Energy, and Environmental Policy, to hold hearings to examine the United Nations Human Rights Council, 2 p.m., SD-419.

*Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:* Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations, to hold hearings to examine stopping the shipment of synthetic opioids, focusing on oversight of United States strategy to combat illicit drugs, 9:30 a.m., SD-342.

*Committee on the Judiciary:* business meeting to consider S. 782, to reauthorize the National Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force Program, and the nominations of Noel J. Francisco, of the District of Columbia, to be Solicitor General of the United States, and Makan Delrahim, of California, and Steven Andrew Engel, of the District of Columbia, both to be an Assistant Attorney General, all of the Department of Justice, Time to be announced, Room to be announced.

*Select Committee on Intelligence:* to receive a closed briefing on certain intelligence matters, 1 p.m., SH-219.

Full Committee, to receive a closed briefing on certain intelligence matters, 1:45 p.m., SH-219.

Full Committee, to hold closed hearings to examine certain intelligence matters, 2 p.m., SH-219.

### House

*Committee on Appropriations,* Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies, budget hearing on the Food and Drug Administration, 10 a.m., 2362-A Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies, budget hearing on the Department of Commerce, 10:30 a.m., H-309 Capitol.

Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies, budget hearing on the Forest Service, 9:30 a.m., 2007 Rayburn.

*Committee on Armed Services,* Subcommittee on Seapower and Projection Forces, hearing entitled “Department of the Air Force FY 2018 Budget Request for Seapower and Projection Forces”, 8 a.m., 2212 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Strategic Forces, hearing entitled “Fiscal Year 2018 Priorities for Nuclear Forces and Atomic Energy Defense Activities”, 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

*Committee on Foreign Affairs,* Full Committee, markup on H. Res. 351, condemning the violence and persecution in Chechnya; H. Res. 354, condemning the violence against peaceful protesters outside the Turkish Ambassador’s residence on May 16, 2017, and calling for the perpetrators to be brought to justice and measures to be taken to prevent similar incidents in the future; H. Res. 355, condemning in the strongest terms the terrorist attacks in Manchester, United Kingdom, on May 22, 2017, expressing heartfelt condolences, and reaffirming unwavering support for the special relationship between our peoples and nations in the wake of these attacks; H.R. 2484, the “Women, Peace, and Security Act of 2017”; and S. 371, the “Department of State Authorities Act, Fiscal Year 2017, Improvements Act”, 9:30 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Europe, Eurasia, and Emerging Threats, hearing entitled “Violence Outside the Turkish Ambassador’s Residence: The Right to Peaceful Protest”, 12 p.m., 2200 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Africa, Global Health, Global Human Rights, and International Organizations, hearing entitled “Vietnam: Why Religious Freedom and Human Rights Are Critical to U.S. National Interest”, 12:30 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

*Committee on Oversight and Government Reform,* Subcommittee on Government Operations; and Subcommittee on Intergovernmental Affairs, joint hearing entitled “Improper Payments in the Federal Government: Student Aid”, 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

*Committee on Small Business,* Subcommittee on Contracting and Workforce; and Subcommittee on Investigations, Oversight, and Regulations, joint hearing entitled “All Work and No Pay: Change Orders Delayed for Small Construction Contractors”, 10 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.