

Porter amendment (No. 5 printed in part A of H. Rept. 116–37) that requires the FCC to submit a report, within 1 year of enactment, to the Committees of Jurisdiction that describes all enforcement actions taken since enactment by the FCC with respect to persons engaged in the provision of broadband Internet access service, including the amount of each fine imposed or settlement agreed to, the actions taken by the FCC to collect such fines and settlements, and the amounts collected for such fines and settlements. **Pages H3183–84**

Proceedings Postponed:

Delgado amendment (No. 4 printed in part A of H. Rept. 116–37) that seeks to require GAO to produce a report, within 1 year, reviewing the benefits to consumers of broadband internet access providers offering broadband internet access service on a standalone basis and what steps Congress can take to increase the availability of standalone broadband internet access service to consumers, particularly those living in rural areas; and **Pages H3182–83**

Wexton amendment (No. 6 printed in part A of H. Rept. 116–37) that seeks to require the Federal Communications Commission to submit to Congress within 30 days a plan for how the Commission will evaluate and address problems with the collection on Form 477 of data regarding the deployment of broadband Internet access service. **Pages H3184–85**

H. Res. 294, the rule providing for consideration of the bills (H.R. 1644) and (H.R. 2021) was agreed to by a yea-and-nay vote of 219 yeas to 201 nays, Roll No. 161, after the previous question was ordered by a yea-and-nay vote of 225 yeas to 192 nays, Roll No. 160. Pursuant to section 3 of H. Res. 294, H. Res. 293 was adopted. **Pages H3166–68**

**Senate Referral:** S. 1057 was held at the desk.

**Senate Messages:** Message received from the Senate and message received from the Senate by the Clerk and subsequently presented to the House today appear on pages H3166 and H3179.

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** Three yea-and-nay votes were developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H3166–67, H3167–68, and H3168. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 7:42 p.m.

## Committee Meetings

### APPROPRIATIONS—DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies held a budget hearing on the Department of Justice. Testimony was heard from William P. Barr, Attorney

General; and Lee J. Lofthus, Assistant Attorney General for Administration.

### MEMBER DAY

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development, and Related Agencies held a hearing entitled “Member Day”. Testimony was heard from Representatives Allen, Carter of Georgia, Cox, Rodney Davis of Illinois, Duncan, González-Colón of Puerto Rico, Granger, Griffith, Hagedorn, Johnson of Louisiana, Lamb, Mast, McNerney, Mucarsel-Powell, O’Halloran, Olson, Peters, Ruiz, Scalise, Shimkus, Titus, Upton, Wilson of South Carolina, and Wittman.

### APPROPRIATIONS—DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Financial Services and General Government held a budget hearing on the Department of the Treasury. Testimony was heard from Steven Mnuchin, Secretary, Department of the Treasury.

### APPROPRIATIONS—U.S. SPECIAL OPERATIONS COMMAND

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Defense held a budget hearing on the U.S. Special Operations Command. Testimony was heard from General Richard D. Clarke, Commander, U.S. Special Operations Command. This hearing was closed.

### COMBATTING WAGE THEFT: THE CRITICAL ROLE OF WAGE AND HOUR ENFORCEMENT

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies held a hearing entitled “Combating Wage Theft: The Critical Role of Wage and Hour Enforcement”. Testimony was heard from Kwame Raoul, Attorney General, Illinois; and public witnesses.

### APPROPRIATIONS—DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies held a budget hearing on the Department of Agriculture. Testimony was heard from Erica Navarro, Budget Officer, Department of Agriculture; and Sonny Perdue, Secretary, Department of Agriculture.

### APPROPRIATIONS—INDIAN HEALTH SERVICE

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies held a budget hearing on the Indian Health Service. Testimony was heard from Rear Admiral Michael D.

Weahkee, Principal Deputy Director, Indian Health Service.

#### **APPROPRIATIONS—U.S. ARMY**

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Defense held a budget hearing on the U.S. Army. Testimony was heard from Mark T. Esper, Secretary of the Army; and General Mark A. Milley, Chief of Staff, U.S. Army.

#### **APPROPRIATIONS—INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE**

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Financial Services and General Government held a budget hearing on the Internal Revenue Service. Testimony was heard from Charles P. Rettig, Commissioner, Internal Revenue Service.

#### **PUBLIC WITNESS DAY**

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies held a hearing entitled “Public Witness Day”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

#### **MEMBER DAY**

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on the Department of Homeland Security held a hearing entitled “Member Day”. Testimony was heard from Representatives Jackson Lee, Long, Van Drew, González-Colón of Puerto Rico, Escobar, Hill, Burgess, and Espaillat.

#### **EVOLUTION, TRANSFORMATION, AND SUSTAINMENT: A REVIEW OF THE FISCAL YEAR 2020 BUDGET REQUEST FOR U.S. SPECIAL OPERATIONS FORCES AND COMMAND**

*Committee on Armed Services:* Subcommittee on Intelligence and Emerging Threats and Capabilities held a hearing entitled “Evolution, Transformation, and Sustainment: A Review of the Fiscal Year 2020 Budget Request for U.S. Special Operations Forces and Command”. Testimony was heard from Mark E. Mitchell, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense, Special Operations and Low Intensity Conflict; and General Richard D. Clarke, Commander, U.S. Special Operations Command.

#### **FY20 PRIORITIES FOR ATOMIC ENERGY DEFENSE, NONPROLIFERATION, SAFETY AND ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT**

*Committee on Armed Services:* Subcommittee on Strategic Forces held a hearing entitled “FY20 Priorities for Atomic Energy Defense, Nonproliferation, Safety and Environmental Management”. Testimony was heard from Lisa Gordon-Hagerty, Administrator,

National Nuclear Security Administration; Anne Marie White, Assistant Secretary for the Office of Environmental Management, Department of Energy; and Bruce Hamilton, Chairman, Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board.

#### **MISCELLANEOUS MEASURE**

*Committee on Education and Labor:* Full Committee held a markup on H.R. 1010, to provide that the rule entitled “Short-Term, Limited Duration Insurance” shall have no force or effect. H.R. 1010 was ordered reported, without amendment.

#### **LEGISLATIVE MEASURE**

*Committee on Education and Labor:* Subcommittee on Civil Rights and Human Services held a hearing entitled “The Equality Act (H.R. 5): Ensuring the Right to Learn and Work Free from Discrimination”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

#### **THE FISCAL YEAR 2020 EPA BUDGET**

*Committee on Energy and Commerce:* Subcommittee on Environment and Climate Change held a hearing entitled “The Fiscal Year 2020 EPA Budget”. Testimony was heard from Andrew Wheeler, Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency.

#### **PROTECTING AMERICANS FROM DANGEROUS PRODUCTS: IS THE CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY COMMISSION FULFILLING ITS MISSION?**

*Committee on Energy and Commerce:* Subcommittee on Consumer Protection and Commerce held a hearing entitled “Protecting Americans from Dangerous Products: Is the Consumer Product Safety Commission Fulfilling Its Mission?”. Testimony was heard from the following Consumer Product Safety Commission officials: Ann Marie Buerkle, Acting Chairman; Elliot F. Kaye, Commissioner; Robert S. Adler, Commissioner; Dana Baiocco, Commissioner; Peter A. Feldman, Commissioner; and public witnesses.

#### **THE COMMUNITY REINVESTMENT ACT: ASSESSING THE LAW’S IMPACT ON DISCRIMINATION AND REDLINING**

*Committee on Financial Services:* Subcommittee on Consumer Protection and Financial Institutions held a hearing entitled “The Community Reinvestment Act: Assessing the Law’s Impact on Discrimination and Redlining”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

#### **THE ANNUAL TESTIMONY OF THE SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY ON THE STATE OF THE INTERNATIONAL FINANCIAL SYSTEM**

*Committee on Financial Services:* Full Committee held a hearing entitled “The Annual Testimony of the

Secretary of the Treasury on the State of the International Financial System”. Testimony was heard from Steven T. Mnuchin, Secretary, Department of the Treasury.

#### **FY 2020 FOREIGN ASSISTANCE BUDGET AND POLICY PRIORITIES**

*Committee on Foreign Affairs:* Full Committee held a hearing entitled “FY 2020 Foreign Assistance Budget and Policy Priorities”. Testimony was heard from Mark Green, Administrator, U.S. Agency for International Development.

#### **MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES**

*Committee on Foreign Affairs:* Full Committee held a markup on H.R. 9, the “Climate Action Now Act”; H.R. 2002, the “Taiwan Assurance Act of 2019”; H. Res. 273, reaffirming the United States commitment to Taiwan and to the implementation of the Taiwan Relations Act; H.R. 97, the “RAWR Act”; H.R. 753, the “Global Electoral Exchange Act of 2019”; H.R. 1704, the “Championing American Business Through Diplomacy Act of 2019”; H.R. 1004, the “Prohibiting Unauthorized Military Action in Venezuela Act”; H.R. 1952, the “Intercountry Adoption Information Act”; H.R. 615, the “Refugee Sanitation Facility Safety Act of 2019”; H.R. 526, the “Cambodia Democracy Act”; H. Res. 106, denouncing female genital mutilation/cutting as a violation of the human rights of women and girls and urging the international community and the Federal Government to increase efforts to eliminate the harmful practice; H.R. 1359, the “Digital Global Access Policy Act of 2019”; and H.R. 2116, the “Global Fragility Act”. H.R. 2002, H. Res. 273, H.R. 97, H.R. 753, H.R. 1704, H.R. 615, H.R. 526, H. Res. 106, H.R. 1359, H.R. 951, H.R. 2116, and H.R. 9 were ordered reported, without amendment. H.R. 1952 and H.R. 1004 were ordered reported, as amended.

#### **SECURING AMERICA’S TRANSPORTATION AND MARITIME SYSTEMS: A REVIEW OF THE FISCAL YEAR 2020 BUDGET REQUESTS FOR THE TRANSPORTATION SECURITY ADMINISTRATION AND THE U.S. COAST GUARD**

*Committee on Homeland Security:* Subcommittee on Transportation and Maritime Security held a hearing entitled “Securing America’s Transportation and Maritime Systems: A Review of the Fiscal Year 2020 Budget Requests for the Transportation Security Administration and the U.S. Coast Guard”. Testimony was heard from David P. Pekoske, Administrator, Transportation Security Administration, Department of Homeland Security; and Admiral Karl L. Schultz, Commandant, U.S. Coast Guard.

#### **ASSESSING THE HOMELAND SECURITY IMPACTS OF A CHANGING CLIMATE**

*Committee on Homeland Security:* Subcommittee on Emergency Preparedness, Response, and Recovery held a hearing entitled “Assessing the Homeland Security Impacts of a Changing Climate”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

#### **HOUSE OFFICER PRIORITIES FOR 2019 AND BEYOND**

*Committee on House Administration:* Full Committee held a hearing entitled “House Officer Priorities for 2019 and Beyond”. Testimony was heard from the following House of Representatives officials: Paul D. Irving, Sergeant at Arms; Cheryl L. Johnson, Clerk of the House; Philip G. Kiko, Chief Administrative Officer; and Michael T. Ptasienski, Inspector General.

#### **HATE CRIMES AND THE RISE OF WHITE NATIONALISM**

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Hate Crimes and the Rise of White Nationalism”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

#### **THE STATUS OF THE ‘REBUILDING AND PRIVATIZATION OF THE PUERTO RICO ELECTRIC POWER AUTHORITY’, (PREPA)**

*Committee on Natural Resources:* Full Committee held a hearing entitled “The Status of the ‘Rebuilding and Privatization of the Puerto Rico Electric Power Authority’, (PREPA)”. Testimony was heard from Bruce J. Walker, Assistant Secretary, Office of Electricity, Department of Energy; José F. Ortiz Vázquez, Executive Director and Chief Executive Officer, Puerto Rico Electric Power Authority; and public witnesses.

#### **HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS OF MOUNTAINTOP REMOVAL MINING**

*Committee on Natural Resources:* Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources held a hearing entitled “Health and Environmental Impacts of Mountaintop Removal Mining”. Testimony was heard from Chairman Yarmuth, and public witnesses.

#### **THE NEED FOR LEADERSHIP TO COMBAT CLIMATE CHANGE AND PROTECT NATIONAL SECURITY**

*Committee on Oversight and Reform:* Full Committee held a hearing entitled “The Need for Leadership to Combat Climate Change and Protect National Security”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### CLIMATE CHANGE, PART I: THE HISTORY OF A CONSENSUS AND THE CAUSES OF INACTION

*Committee on Oversight and Reform:* Subcommittee on Environment held a hearing entitled “Climate Change, Part I: The History of a Consensus and the Causes of Inaction”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### A REVIEW OF THE NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF STANDARDS AND TECHNOLOGY FISCAL YEAR 2020 BUDGET REQUEST

*Committee on Science, Space, and Technology:* Subcommittee on Research and Technology held a hearing entitled “A Review of the National Institute of Standards and Technology Fiscal Year 2020 Budget Request”. Testimony was heard from Walter G. Copan, Undersecretary of Commerce for Standards and Technology and Director, National Institute of Standards and Technology; and public witnesses.

### MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

*Committee on Science, Space, and Technology:* Subcommittee on Environment held a markup on H.R. 1237, the “COAST Research Act of 2019”; H.R. 1716, the “Coastal Communities Ocean Acidification Act of 2019”; H.R. 1921, the “Ocean Acidification Innovation Act of 2019”; and H.R. 988, the “NEAR Act of 2019”. H.R. 1237, H.R. 1716, and H.R. 988 were forwarded to the full Committee, without amendment. H.R. 1921 was forwarded to the full Committee, as amended.

### EVERY LIFE COUNTS: IMPROVING THE SAFETY OF OUR NATION’S ROADWAYS

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure:* Subcommittee on Highways and Transit held a hearing entitled “Every Life Counts: Improving the Safety of our Nation’s Roadways”. Testimony was heard from Jennifer Homendy, Member, National Transportation Safety Board; Michael L. Brown, Chief of Police, Alexandria, Virginia; and public witnesses.

### BUILDING PROSPERITY: EDA’S ROLE IN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND RECOVERY

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure:* Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings, and Emergency Management held a hearing entitled “Building Prosperity: EDA’s Role in Economic Development and Recovery”. Testimony was heard from John Fleming, Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Economic Development, Department of Commerce; and public witnesses.

### LEGISLATIVE MEASURES

*Committee on Veterans’ Affairs:* Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity held a hearing on H.R. 95, the “Homeless Veteran Families Act”; H.R. 444, the “Reduce Unemployment for Veterans of All Ages Act of 2019”; H.R. 1718, the “GI Education Benefits Fairness Act”; legislation to amend title 38, United States Code, to make certain improvements to the educational assistance programs of the Department of Veterans Affairs with respect to flight training programs and certain other programs of education, and for other purposes; legislation on the Justice for Servicemembers Act; legislation to amend the United States Housing Act of 1937 and title 38, United States Code, to expand eligibility for the HUD–VASH program; to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to submit annual reports to the Committees on Veterans’ Affairs of the Senate and House of Representatives regarding homeless veterans, and for other purposes; legislation on the Homes for Our Heroes Act of 2019; legislation on the Veteran Employment and Child Care Access Act; legislation on the BRAVE Act; legislation to clarify seasoning requirements for certain refinanced mortgage loans, and for other purposes; legislation on the Navy SEAL Chief Petty Officer William “Bill” Mulder (Ret.) Transition Improvement Act; legislation on the VET OPP Act; legislation to amend title 38, United States Code, to adjust certain limits on the guaranteed amount of a home loan under the home loan program of the Department of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes; legislation to amend title 38, United States Code, to make certain improvements to the Edith Nourse Rogers STEM Scholarship program of the Department of Veterans Affairs; legislation to amend title 38, United States Code, to expand eligibility for the Marine Gunnery Sergeant John David Fry Scholarship to children and spouses of certain members of the reserve components of the Armed Forces who die from service-connected disabilities, and for other purposes; and legislation to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the ability of veterans to receive in-state tuition using educational assistance administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs. Testimony was heard from Margarita Devlin, Principal Deputy Under Secretary for Benefits, Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs; and public witnesses.

### MISCELLANEOUS MEASURE

*Committee on Ways and Means:* Full Committee held a markup on H.R. 2113, the “Prescription Drug Sunshine, Transparency, Accountability and Reporting Act”. H.R. 2113 was ordered reported, as amended.

## Joint Meetings

### HUNGARY

*Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe:* Commission concluded a hearing to examine recent developments in Hungary, focusing on issues related to the rule of law and corruption, after receiving testimony from Melissa Hooper, Human Rights First, and Susan Corke, German Marshall Fund, both of Washington, D.C.; and Dalibor Rohac, American Enterprise Institute, New York, New York.

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### NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D366)

S. 863, to amend title 38, United States Code, to clarify the grade and pay of podiatrists of the Department of Veterans Affairs. Signed on April 8, 2019. (Public Law 116–12)

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### COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, APRIL 10, 2019

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

#### Senate

*Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry:* to hold hearings to examine perspectives on child nutrition reauthorization, 10 a.m., SH–216.

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2020 for the Department of Justice, 10 a.m., SD–192.

Subcommittee on Department of Defense, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2020 for the National Guard and Reserve, 10 a.m., SD–138.

Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2020 for the United States Army Corps of Engineers and the Bureau of Reclamation within the Department of the Interior, 2:30 p.m., SD–138.

Subcommittee on Legislative Branch, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2020 for the Government Accountability Office and the Congressional Budget Office, 3 p.m., SD–124.

*Committee on Armed Services:* Subcommittee on SeaPower, to hold hearings to examine Marine Corps ground modernization and naval aviation programs in review of the Defense Authorization Request for fiscal year 2020 and Future Years Defense Program, 10 a.m., SR–232A.

Subcommittee on Cybersecurity, to hold closed hearings to examine defense industrial base cybersecurity policy, 2:30 p.m., SVC–217.

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* to hold hearings to examine broadband mapping, focusing on challenges and solutions, 10 a.m., SD–G50.

Subcommittee on Transportation and Safety, to hold hearings to examine pipeline safety, focusing on Federal oversight and stakeholder perspectives, 2:30 p.m., SD–562.

*Committee on Environment and Public Works:* business meeting to consider S. 383, to support carbon dioxide utilization and direct air capture research, to facilitate the permitting and development of carbon capture, utilization, and sequestration projects and carbon dioxide pipelines, S. 747, to reauthorize the diesel emissions reduction program, an original bill entitled, “John F. Kennedy Center Reauthorization Act of 2019”, and 8 General Services Administration resolutions, 10 a.m., SD–406.

*Committee on Finance:* to hold hearings to examine the 2019 tax filing season and the 21st century Internal Revenue Service, 10:15 a.m., SD–215.

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* to hold hearings to examine the President’s proposed budget request for fiscal year 2020 for the Department of State, 9:15 a.m., SD–419.

*Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:* to hold hearings to examine reauthorizing the Higher Education Act, focusing on strengthening accountability to protect students and taxpayers, 10 a.m., SD–430.

*Committee on Indian Affairs:* to hold hearings to examine building out Indian country, focusing on tools for community development, 2:30 p.m., SD–628.

*Committee on the Judiciary:* to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Jeffrey A. Rosen, of Virginia, to be Deputy Attorney General, Department of Justice; and Jeffrey Vincent Brown, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Texas, Stephanie L. Haines, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Pennsylvania, and Brantley Starr, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Texas, 10 a.m., SD–226.

Subcommittee on the Constitution, to hold hearings to examine free speech, focusing on technological censorship and the public discourse, 2:30 p.m., SD–226.

*Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship:* to hold hearings to examine reauthorization of the Small Business Administration’s international trade programs, 2:30 p.m., SR–428A.

*Committee on Veterans’ Affairs:* to hold hearings to examine VA MISSION Act, focusing on implementing the Veterans Community Care Program, 2:30 p.m., SR–418.

#### House

*Committee on Appropriations,* Subcommittee on Defense, hearing entitled “Member Day”, 9 a.m., H–140 Capitol.

Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies, hearing entitled “Economic Opportunities for Farmers through Sustainable Agricultural Practices”, 10 a.m., 2362–A Rayburn.

Subcommittee on the Departments of Transportation, and Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies, budget hearing on the Department of Transportation, 11 a.m., 2358–A Rayburn.