

WATER AND GEOTHERMAL POWER: UNEARTHING THE NEXT WAVE OF ENERGY INNOVATION

Committee on Science, Space, and Technology: Subcommittee on Energy held a hearing entitled “Water and Geothermal Power: Unearthing the Next Wave of Energy Innovation”. Testimony was heard from David Solan, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Renewable Power, Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, Department of Energy; Joseph Moore, Manager, Utah Frontier Observatory for Research in Geothermal Energy, Department of Energy; and public witnesses.

ASSESSING THE GOVERNMENT’S ROLE IN SERVING RURAL AMERICAN SMALL BUSINESSES (PART ONE)

Committee on Small Business: Subcommittee on Rural Development, Agriculture, Trade, and Entrepreneurship held a hearing entitled “Assessing the Government’s Role in Serving Rural American Small Businesses (Part One)”. Testimony was heard from Bette Brand, Administrator, Rural Business-Cooperative Service, USDA-Rural Development, Department of Agriculture; and Michelle Christian, National Director, Office of Rural Affairs, U.S. Small Business Administration.

A FAIR PLAYING FIELD? INVESTIGATING BIG TECH’S IMPACT ON SMALL BUSINESS

Committee on Small Business: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “A Fair Playing Field? Investigating Big Tech’s Impact on Small Business”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

COMMERCIAL AND PASSENGER VESSEL SAFETY: CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation held a hearing entitled “Commercial and Passenger Vessel Safety: Challenges and Opportunities”. Testimony was heard from Rear Admiral Richard V. Timme, Assistant Commandant for Prevention Policy, U.S. Coast Guard; Richard Balzano, Deputy Administrator, U.S. Maritime Administration; Brian Curtis, Director, Office of Marine Safety, National Transportation Safety Board; and public witnesses.

CYBERSECURITY CHALLENGES AND CYBER RISK MANAGEMENT AT THE DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Committee on Veterans’ Affairs: Subcommittee on Technology Modernization held a hearing entitled “Cybersecurity Challenges and Cyber Risk Management at the Department of Veterans Affairs”. Testimony was heard from Paul Cunningham, Deputy Assistant Secretary and Chief Information Security Officer, Department of Veterans Affairs; Nick Dahl, Deputy Assistant Inspector General for Audits and Evaluations, Office of the Inspector General, Department of Veterans Affairs; and Greg Wilshusen, Director of Information Technology and Cybersecurity, Government Accountability Office.

CARING FOR AGING AMERICANS

Committee on Ways and Means: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Caring for Aging Americans”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

MEMBER DAY

Select Committee on the Climate Crisis: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Member Day”. Testimony was heard from Chairman Deutch, Chairman Kilmer, and Representatives Underwood, McCollum, Davis of California, Barragán, Ted Lieu of California, Bustos, Reed, Lee of California, Kaptur, Beyer, Phillips, DeFazio, Schneider, Peters, Axne, Tonko, Shalala, Stanton, Pingree, Schrier, Kennedy, Rouda, Mucarsel-Powell, and Malinowski.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 2019

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

House

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Impeachment Inquiry: Ambassador Marie ‘Masha’ Yovanovitch”, 9 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

Select Committee on the Modernization of Congress, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Administrative Efficiencies: Exploring Options to Streamline Operations in the U.S. House of Representatives”, 9:30 a.m., 210 Cannon.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

3 p.m., Monday, November 18

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

9 a.m., Friday, November 15

Senate Chamber

Program for Monday: Senate will resume consideration of the nomination of Robert J. Luck, of Florida, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Eleventh Circuit, and vote on the motion to invoke cloture thereon at 5:30 p.m.

House Chamber

Program for Friday: Complete consideration of H.R. 4863—United States Export Finance Agency Act of 2019.

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