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FEDERAL JUDGESHIPS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Administrative Oversight and the Courts concluded a hearing to examine responding to the growing need for federal judgeships, focusing on the Federal Judgeship Act of 2009, after receiving testimony from George Z. Singal, United States District Judge for the District of Maine; Lawrence J. O'Neill, United States District Judge for the Eastern District of California; and Gerald Bard Tjoflat, Circuit Judge, United States Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit.

VA HEALTH SERVICE CONTRACTS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine Veterans Affairs contracts for health services, after receiving testimony from Joseph A. Williams, Jr., Acting Deputy Under Secretary for Operations and Management, and Mary A. Curtis, Psychiatric Clinical Application Coordinator, Boise

VA Medical Center, Boise, Idaho, on behalf of the American Federation of Government Employees, both of the Veterans Health Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs; Tim S. McClain, Humana Veterans Health Care Services, Inc., Louisville, Kentucky; John L. Earnest, Ambulatory Care Solutions, LLC, Marion, Indiana; and Marjie Shahani, QTC Medical Services, Inc., Diamond Bar, California.

SUCCESSFUL HEALTH SYSTEMS

Special Committee on Aging: Committee concluded a hearing to examine how successful health systems keep costs low and quality high, after receiving testimony from Mark Pearson, Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development, Paris, France; Carolyn Bennett, Member of Parliament, Ottawa, Ontario, Canada; Cathy Schoen, The Commonwealth Fund, New York, New York; Arnold M. Epstein, Harvard School of Public Health Department of Health Policy and Management, Boston, Massachusetts; and Michael Tanner, Cato Institute, Washington, DC.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 12 public bills, H.R. 3675–3686; and 2 resolutions, H. Res. 785–787, were introduced. **Pages H10407–08**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages H10408–09**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 3224, to authorize the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution to plan, design, and construct a vehicle maintenance building at the vehicle maintenance branch of the Smithsonian Institution located in Suitland, Maryland (H. Rept. 111–276, Pt. 1);

H.R. 3045, to reform the housing choice voucher program under section 8 of the United States Housing Act of 1937, with an amendment (H. Rept. 111–277);

Conference report on H.R. 3183, making appropriations for energy and water development and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2010 (H. Rept. 111–278);

Conference report on H.R. 2997, making appropriations for Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2010 (H. Rept. 111–279); and

H. Res. 788, providing for consideration of the conference report to accompany the bill (H.R. 3183) making appropriations for energy and water development and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2010 (H. Rept. 111–280).

Pages H10150–H10402, H10406, H10407

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

Recognizing the benefits of service-learning as a teaching strategy to effectively engage youth in the community and classroom, and expressing support for the goals of the National Learn and Serve Challenge: H. Res. 769, to recognize the benefits of

service-learning as a teaching strategy to effectively engage youth in the community and classroom, and to express support for the goals of the National Learn and Serve Challenge; **Pages H10082–83**

Supporting the goals and ideals of National Campus Safety Awareness Month: H. Res. 90, to support the goals and ideals of National Campus Safety Awareness Month; **Pages H10084–85**

Providing for the acceptance of a statue of Helen Keller, presented by the people of Alabama: S. Con. Res. 41, amended, to provide for the acceptance of a statue of Helen Keller, presented by the people of Alabama; **Pages H20085–87**

Honoring and saluting Hillerich & Bradsby Co. on the 125th anniversary of the Louisville Slugger: H. Res. 314, to honor and salute Hillerich & Bradsby Co. on the 125th anniversary of the Louisville Slugger; **Pages H10088–90**

Amending title XVIII of the Social Security Act to delay the date on which the accreditation requirement under the Medicare Program applies to suppliers of durable medical equipment that are pharmacies: H.R. 3663, to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to delay the date on which the accreditation requirement under the Medicare Program applies to suppliers of durable medical equipment that are pharmacies; **Pages H10090–92**

Foreign Evidence Request Efficiency Act of 2009: S. 1289, to improve title 18 of the United States Code; **Pages H10092–94**

Managing Arson Through Criminal History (MATCH) Act of 2009: H.R. 1727, amended, to establish guidelines and incentives for States to establish criminal arsonist and criminal bomber registries and to require the Attorney General to establish a national criminal arsonist and criminal bomber registry program; **Pages H10094–99**

Supporting the goals and ideals of a National Day of Remembrance for Homicide Victims: H. Res. 757, to support the goals and ideals of a National Day of Remembrance for Homicide Victims; **Pages H10099–H10101**

Amending chapter 40 of title 18, United States Code, to exempt the transportation, shipment, receipt, or importation of explosive materials for delivery to a federally recognized Indian tribe or an agency of such a tribe from various Federal criminal prohibitions relating to explosives: H.R. 1333, amended, to amend chapter 40 of title 18, United States Code, to exempt the transportation, shipment, receipt, or importation of explosive materials for delivery to a federally recognized Indian tribe or an agency of such a tribe from various Federal criminal prohibitions relating to explosives; **Page H10101**

Honoring the life and achievements of Dr. Norman E. Borlaug for his many contributions to alleviating world hunger: H. Res. 739, to honor the life and achievements of Dr. Norman E. Borlaug for his many contributions to alleviating world hunger; **Pages H10101–05**

Recognizing the 50th anniversary of the signing of the Antarctic Treaty: H. Con. Res. 51, amended, to recognize the 50th anniversary of the signing of the Antarctic Treaty; and **Pages H10106–08**

Enhanced Partnership with Pakistan Act of 2009: S. 1707, to authorize appropriations for fiscal

years 2010 through 2014 to promote an enhanced strategic partnership with Pakistan and its people.

Pages H10108–21

Suspensions—Proceedings Postponed: The House debated the following measures under suspension of the rules. Further proceedings were postponed:

Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that the employees of the Department of Homeland Security, their partners at all levels of government, and the millions of emergency response providers and law enforcement agents nationwide should be commended for their dedicated service: H. Res. 731, to express the sense of the House of Representatives that the employees of the Department of Homeland Security, their partners at all levels of government, and the millions of emergency response providers and law enforcement agents nationwide should be commended for their dedicated service on the Nation's front lines in the war against acts of terrorism; **Pages H10078–80**

Congratulating the University of Washington women's softball team for winning the 2009 Women's College World Series: H. Res. 517, to congratulate the University of Washington women's softball team for winning the 2009 Women's College World Series; **Pages H10080–82**

Recognizing the 100th anniversary of the State News at Michigan State University: H. Res. 487, to recognize the 100th anniversary of the State News at Michigan State University; **Pages H10083–84**

Supporting the goals and ideals of Tay-Sachs Awareness Month: H. Res. 692, amended, to support the goals and ideals of Tay-Sachs Awareness Month; and **Pages H10087–88**

Expressing the sense of Congress that China release democratic activist Liu Xiaobo from imprisonment: H. Con. Res. 151, amended, to express the sense of Congress that China release democratic activist Liu Xiaobo from imprisonment. **Pages H10105–06**

Suspension—Failed: The House failed to agree to suspend the rules and pass the following measure which was debated on Tuesday, September 29th:

Bay Area Regional Water Recycling Program Expansion Act of 2009: H.R. 2442, amended, to amend the Reclamation Wastewater and Groundwater Study and Facilities Act to expand the Bay Area Regional Water Recycling Program, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yea-and-nay vote of 240 yeas to 170 nays, Roll No. 743. **Pages H10121–22**

Suspensions—Proceedings Resumed: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following

measures which were debated on Tuesday, September 29th:

Chesapeake Bay Science, Education, and Ecosystem Enhancement Act of 2009: H.R. 1771, amended, to reauthorize the Chesapeake Bay Office of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeas-and-nays vote of 338 yeas to 78 nays, Roll No. 744 and **Page H10122**

Chesapeake Bay Accountability and Recovery Act of 2009: H.R. 1053, amended, to require the Office of Management and Budget to prepare a crosscut budget for restoration activities in the Chesapeake Bay watershed and to require the Environmental Protection Agency to develop and implement an adaptive management plan, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeas-and-nays vote of 418 yeas to 1 nay, Roll No. 745. **Pages H10122–23**

Senate Messages: Messages received from the Senate today appear on pages H10077–78 and H10143.

Senate Referrals: S. Res. 293 was held at the desk. **Page H10077**

Quorum Calls—Votes: Three yeas-and-nays votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H10121–22, H10122, H10122–23. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 7:58 p.m.

Committee Meetings

FARM BILL RESEARCH TITLE IMPLEMENTATION

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on Conservation, Credit, Energy, and Research held hearing to review the implementation of the research title of the 2008 Farm Bill. Testimony was heard from Rajiv Shah, Under Secretary, Research, Education, and Economics, USDA; and public witnesses.

U.S. EFFORTS IN IRAQ

Committee on Armed Services: Held a hearing on the status of ongoing U.S. efforts in Iraq. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Defense: Michael Vickers, Assistant Secretary, Special Operations and Low Intensity Conflict; and GEN Ray Odierno, U.S.A., Commanding General Multi-National Force, Iraq.

TEACHER EQUITY

Committee on Education and Labor: Held a hearing on Teacher Equity: Effective Teachers for All Children. Testimony was heard from Representatives Fattah and Price of Georgia; and public witnesses.

DATA ACCOUNTABILITY AND TRUST ACT; INFORMED P2P USER ACT

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Ordered reported, as amended, the following bills: H.R. 2221, Data Accountability and Trust Act; and H.R. 1319, Informed P2P User Act.

CONSUMER FINANCIAL PROTECTION AGENCY

Committee on Financial Services: Held a hearing entitled “Perspectives on the Consumer Financial Protection Agency.” Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

REFORMING CREDIT RATING AGENCIES

Committee on Financial Services: Subcommittee on Capital Markets, Insurance and Government Sponsored Enterprises held a hearing entitled “Reforming Credit Rating Agencies.” Testimony was heard from Daniel M. Gallagher, Co-Acting Director, Division of Trading and Markets, SEC; and public witnesses.

REGISTERED TRAVELER PROGRAM

Committee on Homeland Security: Subcommittee on Transportation Security and Infrastructure Protection held a hearing entitled “The Future of the Registered Traveler Program.” Testimony was heard from John Sammon, Assistant Administrator, Transportation Sector Network Management, Transportation Security Administration, Department of Homeland Security; and public witnesses.

CYBERBULLYING/CHILDREN’S ONLINE SAFETY

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security held a hearing on Cyberbullying and other Online Safety Issues for Children, including the following bills: H.R. 1966, Megan Meier Cyberbullying Prevention Act; and H.R. 3630, Adolescent Web Awareness Requires Education Act. Testimony was heard from Representatives Linda T. Sánchez of California, and Debbie Wasserman Schultz; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Natural Resources: Ordered reported the following bills: H.R. 2489, amended, AmericaView Geospatial Imagery Mapping Program Act; H.R. 1471, amended, To expand the boundary of the Jimmy Carter National Historic Site in the State of Georgia, to redesignate the unit as a National Historical Park, and for other purposes; H.R. 2213, To reauthorize the Neotropical Migratory Bird Conservation Act; H.R. 3537, Junior Duck Stamp Conservation and Design Program Reauthorization Act of 2009; H.R. 3433, To amend the North American Wetlands Conservation Act to establish requirements