

remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S8109.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Armed Services: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of General Claude R. Kehler, USAF, for reappointment to the grade of general and to be Commander, United States Strategic Command, and General Carter F. Ham, USA, for reappointment to the grade of general and to be Commander, United States Africa Command, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN THE DIGITAL ECONOMY

Committee on Finance: Subcommittee on International Trade, Customs, and Global Competitiveness concluded a hearing to examine international trade in the digital economy, after receiving testimony from Catherine L. Mann, Brandeis University International Business School, Concord, Massachusetts; Edward J. Black, The Computer and Communications Industry Association (CCIA), Washington, D.C.; Daniel Burton, Salesforce.com, Chevy Chase, Maryland; Mike Sax, Sax Software, Eugene, Oregon; and Greg S. Slater, Intel Corporation, Phoenix, Arizona.

IMPROVISED EXPLOSIVE DEVICE

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on Near Eastern and South and Central Asian Affairs concluded a hearing to examine jamming the improvised explosive device (IED) assembly line, focusing on impeding the flow of ammonium nitrate in South and Central Asia, after receiving testimony from Mary Beth Goodman, Senior Economic Adviser to the Special Representative to Afghanistan and Pakistan, Department of State; John P. Woods, Deputy Assistant Director, Homeland Security Investigations, Immigration and Customs Enforcement, Department of Homeland Security; and David S. Sedney, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Afghanistan, Pakistan, and Central Asia, and Brigadier General Michael H. Shields, Deputy Director, Operations and Requirements, Joint Improvised Explosive Device Defeat Organization, both of the Department of Defense.

NOMINATION

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nomination of Eugene Louis Dodaro, of Virginia, to be Comptroller General of the United States, Gov-

ernment Accountability Office, after the nominee testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

RECONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS IN AFGHANISTAN

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Ad Hoc Subcommittee on Contracting Oversight concluded a hearing to examine the need for effective oversight of reconstruction contracts in Afghanistan, after receiving testimony from Jon T. Rymer, Inspector General, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, and Richard W. Moore, Inspector General, Tennessee Valley Authority, both of the Office of the Inspector General; Arnold Fields, Special Inspector General for Afghanistan Reconstruction; Gordon S. Heddell, Inspector General, Department of Defense; Harold W. Geisel, Deputy Inspector General, Department of State, and the Broadcasting Board of Governors; Michael Carroll, Deputy Inspector General, United States Agency for International Development; and Stuart W. Bowen, Jr., Inspector General, Office of the Special Inspector General for Iraq Reconstruction.

STATE OF AMERICAN CHILDREN

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: Subcommittee on Children and Families concluded a hearing to examine the state of the American child, focusing on securing our children's future after receiving testimony from Jennifer Garner, Save the Children, Los Angeles, California; David Satcher, Morehouse School of Medicine Satcher Health Leadership Institute and Center of Excellence on Health Disparities, Atlanta, Georgia; and Helen Blank, National Women's Law Center, Peter Edelman, Georgetown Law Center, Michael Casserly, Council on Great City Schools, and Marian Wright Edelman, Children's Defense Fund, all of Washington, D.C.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Indian Affairs: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 3648, to establish a commission to conduct a study and provide recommendations on a comprehensive resolution of impacts caused to certain Indian tribes by the Pick-Sloan Program, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 3903, to authorize leases of up to 99 years for lands held in trust for Ohkay Owingeh Pueblo, with an amendment;

H.R. 4445, to amend Public Law 95-232 to repeal a restriction on treating as Indian country certain lands held in trust for Indian pueblos in New Mexico;

H.R. 5811, to amend the Ysleta del Sur Pueblo and Alabama and Coushatta Indian Tribes of Texas Restoration Act to allow the Ysleta del Sur Pueblo

Tribe to determine blood quantum requirement for membership in that tribe;

S. 2956, to authorize the Pechanga Band of Luiseno Mission Indians Water Rights Settlement, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 1264, to require the Secretary of the Interior to assess the irrigation infrastructure of the Pine River Indian Irrigation Project in the State of Colorado and provide grants to, and enter into cooperative agreements with, the Southern Ute Indian Tribe to assess, repair, rehabilitate, or reconstruct existing infrastructure; and

S. 980, to direct the Secretary of Commerce to establish a demonstration program to adapt the lessons of providing foreign aid to underdeveloped economies to the provision of Federal economic development assistance to certain similarly situated individuals, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

INDIAN SELF-DETERMINATION AND EDUCATION ASSISTANCE ACT

Committee on Indian Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine H.R. 4347, to amend the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act to provide further self-governance by Indian tribes, after receiving testimony from George Skibine, Acting Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary of Indian Affairs, Sharee Freeman, Director, Office of Self-Governance, W. Ron Allen, Chairman, Self-Governance Advisory Committee, all of the Department of the Interior; Geoffrey Strommer, Hobbs, Strauss, Dean and Walker, Portland, Oregon; and Will Micklin, Central Council of Tlingit and Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska, Juneau.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 3804, to combat online infringement, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute; and

The nominations of Frank Leon-Guerrero, to be United States Marshal for the District of Guam and concurrently United States Marshall for the District of the Northern Mariana Islands, Kenneth F. Bohac, to be United States Marshal for the Central District of Illinois for term of four years, William Conner Eldridge, to be United States Attorney for the Western District of Arkansas, Charles Thomas Weeks II, to be United States Marshal for the Western District of Oklahoma, Ripley Rand, to be United States Attorney for the Middle District of North Carolina, and Charles M. Oberly III, to be United States Attorney for the District of Delaware, all of the Department of Justice, and Wilfredo Martinez, of Florida, Chase Theodora Rogers, of Connecticut, and Isa-

bel Framer, of Ohio, all to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the State Justice Institute.

DISCRIMINATION AGAINST WOMEN

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Human Rights and the Law concluded a hearing to examine women's rights, focusing on United States ratification of the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination Against Women (CEDAW), after receiving testimony from Melanne Vermeer, Ambassador-at-Large, Office of Global Women's Issues, Department of State; Samuel R. Bagenstos, Principal Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Civil Rights Division, Department of Justice; Geena Davis, Geena Davis Institute on Gender in Media, Marina Del Ray, California; Wazhma Frogh, Afghan Women's Network, Kabul, Afghanistan; and Marcia D. Greenberger, National Women's Law Center, and Steven Groves, Heritage Foundation Margaret Thatcher Center for Freedom, both of Washington, D.C.

AMERICA'S SMALL BUSINESSES

Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship: Committee concluded a hearing to examine assessing the regulatory and administrative burdens on America's small businesses, including tax compliance benefits and opportunities to mitigate costs on third parties of miscellaneous income reporting requirements, after receiving testimony from Winslow Sargeant, Chief Counsel for Advocacy, Office of Advocacy, Small Business Administration; James R. White, Director, Strategic Issues, Government Accountability Office; Larry Nannis, Levine, Katz, Nannis and Solomon, PC, Needham, Massachusetts, on behalf of the National Small Business Association (NSBA); Roger Harris, Padgett Business Services, Athens, Georgia; and Andrew Langer, Institute of Liberty, and James Gattuso, The Heritage Foundation, both of Washington, D.C.

DISABILITY EVALUATION SYSTEM

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the Veterans' Affairs and Department of Defense's integrated disability evaluation system, after receiving testimony from John R. Campbell, Deputy Under Secretary of Defense for Wounded Warrior Care and Transition Policy; Daniel Bertoni, Director of Education, Workforce, and Income Security Issues, Government Accountability Office; and John Medve, Executive Director of Veterans Affairs/Department of Defense Collaboration Service, Office of Policy and Planning, Department of Veterans Affairs.

INTELLIGENCE

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee met in closed session to receive a briefing on certain intel-

ligence matters from officials of the intelligence community.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 23 public bills, H.R. 6425–6447; and 10 resolutions, H.J. Res. 99; and H.Res. 1725–1733 were introduced.

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Additional Cosponsors:

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 5866, to amend the Energy Policy Act of 2005 requiring the Secretary of Energy to carry out initiatives to advance innovation in nuclear energy technologies, to make nuclear energy systems more competitive, to increase efficiency and safety of civilian nuclear power, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 111–658) and

H.R. 5498, to enhance homeland security by improving efforts to prevent, deter, prepare for, detect, attribute, respond to, and recover from an attack with a weapon of mass destruction, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 111–659, Pt. 1).

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Telework Enhancement Act of 2010: The House concurred in the Senate amendment to H.R. 1722, to require the head of each executive agency to establish and implement a policy under which employees shall be authorized to telework, by a yeas-and-nays vote of 254 yeas to 152 nays, Roll No. 578.

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H. Res. 1721, the rule providing for consideration of the Senate amendment, was agreed to by a recorded vote of 235 yeas to 171 noes, Roll No. 577, after the previous question was ordered by a yeas-and-nays vote of 239 yeas to 171 nays, Roll No. 576.

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Suspension—Failed: The House failed to agree to suspend the rules and pass the following measure:

Emergency Unemployment Compensation Continuation Act: H.R. 6419, amended, to amend the Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2008 to provide for the further extension of emergency unemployment benefits, by a 2/3 yeas-and-nays vote of 258 yeas to 154 nays, Roll No. 579. **Pages H7569–75, H7575–76**

Oath of Office—Twenty-Ninth Congressional District of New York: Representative-elect Tom

Reed presented himself in the well of the House and was administered the Oath of Office by the Speaker. Earlier, the Clerk of the House transmitted a facsimile copy of a letter from Mr. Todd D. Valentine and Mr. Robert A. Brehm, Co-Executive Directors of the Board of Elections, State of New York, indicating that, according to the unofficial returns of the Special Election held November 2, 2010, the Honorable Tom Reed was elected Representative to Congress for the Twenty-Ninth Congressional District, State of New York.

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Whole Number of the House: The Speaker announced to the House that, in light of the administration of the oath to the gentleman from New York, Mr. Reed, the whole number of the House is adjusted to 435.

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Suspension—Proceedings Resumed: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measure which was debated on Wednesday, November 17th:

Extending the deadline for Social Services Block Grant expenditures of supplemental funds appropriated following disasters occurring in 2008: S. 3774, to extend the deadline for Social Services Block Grant expenditures of supplemental funds appropriated following disasters occurring in 2008, by a 2/3 yeas-and-nays vote of 366 yeas to 40 nays, Roll No. 580.

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Order of Procedure: The House agreed by unanimous consent that the ordering of the yeas and nays be vacated with respect to the motion to suspend the rules and agree to the following resolution to the end that the resolution be considered as adopted in the form considered by the House on Tuesday, November 16th:

Recognizing the 35th anniversary of the enactment of the Education for All Handicapped Children Act of 1975: H. Con. Res. 329, to recognize the 35th anniversary of the enactment of the Education for All Handicapped Children Act of 1975.

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Order of Procedure: The House agreed by unanimous consent that the ordering of the yeas and nays be vacated with respect to the motion to suspend the