

Judge for the Federal Circuit, who was introduced by Senators Cardin and Cornyn, John A. Kronstadt, to be United States District Judge for the Central District of California, who was introduced by Senator Feinstein, Vincent L. Briccetti, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of New York, and Arenda L. Wright Allen, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Virginia, and Michael Francis Urbanski, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Virginia, who were both introduced by Senators Webb and Warner, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

WORLDWIDE THREAT

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the worldwide threat, after receiving testimony from James R. Clapper, Director of National Intelligence; Robert S. Mueller, Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Department of Justice; Michael Leiter, Director, National Counterterrorism Center; Leon Panetta, Director, Central Intelligence Agency; Lieutenant General Ronald L. Burgess, Jr., Director, Defense Intelligence Agency; and Philip Goldberg, Assistant Secretary of State for Intelligence and Research.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 18 public bills, H.R. 733–750; and 6 resolutions, H.J. Res. 37–40; and H. Res. 95–96 were introduced.

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Additional Cosponsors:

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Reports Filed: There were no reports filed today.

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Nunnelee to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

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Recess: The House recessed at 11:25 a.m. and reconvened at 12 noon.

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Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the guest chaplain, Reverend Bill Shuler, Capital Life Church, Washington, DC.

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Extending expiring provisions of the USA PATRIOT Improvement and Reauthorization Act of 2005—Rule for Consideration: The House agreed to H. Res. 93, the rule providing for consideration of the Senate amendment to H.R. 514, to extend expiring provisions of the USA PATRIOT Improvement and Reauthorization Act of 2005 and Intelligence Reform and Terrorism Prevention Act of 2004 relating to access to business records, individual terrorists as agents of foreign powers, and roving wiretaps until December 8, 2011.

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Board of Visitors to the United States Military Academy—Appointment: The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of the following Member of the House to the Board of Visitors to the United States Military Academy: Representative Shimkus.

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Full-Year Continuing Appropriations Act, 2011: The House resumed consideration of H.R. 1, making appropriations for the Department of Defense and the other departments and agencies of the Govern-

ment for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2011. Consideration is expected to resume tomorrow, February 17th.

Pages H1043–68

Agreed to:

Rooney amendment (No. 2 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that was debated on February 15th that reduces Research, Development, Test, and Evaluation, Navy by \$225,000,000 and reduces Research, Development, Test, and Evaluation, Air Force by \$225,000,000 and increases Defense by \$450,000,000 (by a recorded vote of 233 ayes to 198 noes with 1 voting "present", Roll No. 46);

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Michaud amendment (No. 153 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that was debated on February 15th that increases funding, by offset, for the Department of Commerce, Economic Development Administration, Economic Development Assistance Programs by \$80,000,000 (by a recorded vote of 305 ayes to 127 noes, Roll No. 50);

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Flake amendment (No. 368 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that was debated on February 15th that eliminates funding for the National Drug Intelligence Center (by a recorded vote of 262 ayes to 169 noes, Roll No. 51);

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Weiner amendment (No. 125 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011), as modified, that was debated on February 15th that increases funding, by offset, for the Department of Justice, Community Oriented Policing Services by \$298,000,000 (by a recorded vote of 228 ayes to 203 noes, Roll No. 53);

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Pascrell amendment (No. 223 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that was debated on February 15th that increases funding, by offset, for the Department of Homeland Security, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Firefighter

Assistance Grants by \$510,000,000 (by a recorded vote of 318 ayes to 113 noes, Roll No. 60);

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Burton (IN) amendment (No. 30 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that reduces funding for the Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management, Management of Lands and Resources by \$2,000,000;

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Pompeo amendment (No. 84 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that reduces funding for the Environmental Protection Agency, Environmental Programs and Management by \$8,458,000 (by a recorded vote of 239 ayes to 185 noes, Roll No. 64);

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Reed amendment (No. 379 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that reduces funding for the Environmental Protection Agency, State and Tribal Assistance Grants by \$10,000,000 (by a recorded vote of 228 ayes to 203 noes, Roll No. 65);

Pages H989–90, H997

Whitfield amendment (No. 108 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that reduces the funding for greening of the Capitol by \$1,500,000; and

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McClintock amendment (No. 291 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that reduces funding for the Department of the Treasury, Debt Restructuring by \$20,000,000.

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Rejected:

Jones amendment (No. 95 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that was debated on February 15th that sought to eliminate funding for the Afghanistan Infrastructure Fund (by a recorded vote of 135 ayes to 294 noes, Roll No. 47);

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Holt amendment (No. 237 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that was debated on February 15th that sought to eliminate funding for the Iraq Security Forces Fund (by a recorded vote of 133 ayes to 299 noes, Roll No. 48);

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DeFazio amendment (No. 97 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that was debated on February 15th that sought to increase funding, by offset, for the Organic Transition Program by \$5,000,000 (by a recorded vote of 136 ayes to 296 noes, Roll No. 49);

Pages H959–60

Latta amendment (No. 260 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that was debated on February 15th that sought to reduce funding for the Department of Commerce, National Institute of Standards and Technology, Construction of Research Facilities by \$10,000,000 (by a recorded vote of 184 ayes to 247 noes, Roll No. 52);

Pages H961–62

Duncan (SC) amendment (No. 110 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that was debated on February 15th that sought to reduce funding for the Legal Services Corporation by

\$324,400,000 (by a recorded vote of 171 ayes to 259 noes, Roll No. 54);

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Biggert amendment (No. 192 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that was debated on February 15th that sought to reduce funding for the Department of Energy, Energy Programs, Advanced Research Projects Agency—Energy by \$50,000,000 (by a recorded vote of 170 ayes to 262 noes, Roll No. 55);

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Inslee amendment (No. 395 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that was debated on February 15th that sought to increase funding, by offset, for the Department of Energy, Energy Programs, Advanced Research Projects Agency—Energy by \$20,000,000 (by a recorded vote of 159 ayes to 273 noes, Roll No. 56);

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Tonko amendment (No. 4 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that was debated on February 15th that sought to strike the prohibition on Weatherization and State Energy Program funding (by a recorded vote of 208 ayes to 223 noes, Roll No. 57);

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Latta amendment (No. 259 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that was debated on February 15th that sought to reduce funding for Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy by \$70,000,000 (by a recorded vote of 137 ayes to 293 noes, Roll No. 58);

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DeFazio amendment (No. 98 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that was debated on February 15th that sought to eliminate the funding for the Selective Service System (by a recorded vote of 130 ayes to 301 noes, Roll No. 59);

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McClintock amendment (No. 295 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that sought to reduce funding for the Department of the Interior, United States Fish and Wildlife Service, Resource Management by \$7,537,000;

Pages H981–82

Lummis amendment (No. 193 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that sought to reduce funding for land acquisition under Title VII—Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies by \$35,055,000 (by a recorded vote of 213 ayes to 216 noes, Roll No. 61);

Pages H976–81, H994–95

Moran amendment (No. 338 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that sought to increase, by offset, the United States Fish and Wildlife Service, North American Wetlands Conservation Fund by \$50,000,000 (by a recorded vote of 73 ayes to 352 noes with 2 voting “present”, Roll No. 62);

Pages H982–84, H995

Flake amendment (No. 376 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that sought to reduce funding for the Environmental Protection Agency, Science and Technology by \$64,100,000 (by a recorded vote of 199 ayes to 230 noes, Roll No. 63); and

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Polis amendment (No. 68 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that sought to

create an exception for TIFIA projects within ARRA reductions. **Pages H1067–68**

Withdrawn:

Barletta amendment (No. 111 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that was offered and subsequently withdrawn that would have increased funding, by offset, for Low Income Home Energy Assistance by \$42,676,000 and

Pages H1014–20

Franks (AZ) amendment (No. 481 printed in the Congressional Record of February 15, 2011) that was offered and subsequently withdrawn that would have added language regarding the fulfillment of the Egypt-Israel treaty.

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Point of Order sustained against:

Pearce amendment (No. 556 printed in the Congressional Record of February 15, 2011), as modified, that sought to reduce funding for construction and land acquisition under Title VII—Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies by \$239,045,000;

Pages H970–76

Lummis amendment (No. 194 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that sought to change the date for the final rule published by the Secretary of the Interior with respect to the endangered status of wolves;

Pages H984–86

Hall amendment (No. 407 printed in the Congressional Record of February 15, 2011) that sought to direct the EPA to enter into a contract with the National Academy of Sciences to perform a comprehensive review of non-mercury hazardous air pollutants emitted by electric generating units and industrial boilers;

Pages H987–88

Edwards amendment (No. 415 printed in the Congressional Record of February 15, 2011) that sought to increase funding for the Environmental Protection Agency, State and Tribal Assistance Grants by \$2,816,446,000;

Pages H990–92

Braley (IA) amendment (No. 521 printed in the Congressional Record of February 15, 2011) that sought to add language stating that the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency shall not be prohibited from implementing or enforcing section 211(o) of the Clean Air Act;

Pages H992–94

Markey amendment (No. 160 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that sought to increase Low Income Home Energy Assistance by \$390,328,000 and add new sections at the end of the bill;

Pages H1007–14

Chu amendment (No. 490 printed in the Congressional Record of February 15, 2011) that sought to increase the funding level in the bill for Pell Grants to \$4,860;

Pages H1024–25

Jackson Lee amendment (No. 239 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that sought to increase the funding level in the bill for Pell Grants to \$4,860;

Pages H1025–28

Blumenauer amendment (No. 436 printed in the Congressional Record of February 15, 2011) that

sought to provide funding for the Corporation for Public Broadcasting;

Pages H1028–31

Tonko amendment (No. 15 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that sought to strike section 1844 which provides a limitation on Administrative Expenses for the Social Security Administration;

Pages H1032–33

Tonko amendment (No. 16 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that sought to strike section 1846 which provides a limitation on Administrative Expenses for the Social Security Administration;

Pages H1033–36

Lee (CA) amendment (No. 221 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that sought to add a new section regarding rules related to additional weeks of first-tier emergency unemployment compensation; and

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Nadler amendment (No. 511 printed in the Congressional Record of February 15, 2011) that sought to add back all transportation funding.

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Proceedings Postponed:

Pompeo amendment (No. 85 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that seeks to reduce funding for the Department of Agriculture, Forest Service, State and Private Forestry by \$7,400,000;

Pages H999–H1001

Walberg amendment (No. 196 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that seeks to reduce funding for the National Foundation on the Arts and the Humanities, National Endowment for the Arts, Grants and Administration by \$20,594,000;

Pages H1001–02

Canseco amendment (No. 249 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that seeks to reduce funding for National Capital Arts and Cultural Affairs by \$4,500,000;

Pages H1002–03

Reed amendment (No. 381 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that seeks to eliminate the Presidio Trust Fund;

Pages H1003–07

Bass (NH) amendment (No. 565 printed in the Congressional Record of February 15, 2011) that seeks to reduce funding for Department of Health and Human Services, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services by \$98,000,000;

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Flake amendment (No. 457 printed in the Congressional Record of February 15, 2011) that seeks to reduce funding for making payments under the Community Service Block Grant Act by \$100,000,000;

Pages H1016–20

McMorris Rodgers amendment (No. 276 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that seeks to increase IDEA state grants to FY 2010 levels and reduce school improvement grants and teacher quality grants by necessary amounts to fully offset outlays;

Pages H1020–23

Young (AK) amendment (No. 532 printed in the Congressional Record of February 15, 2011) that

seeks to restore the education funding authority for Alaskan and Hawaiian Native Americans;

Pages H1023–24

Price (GA) amendment (No. 410 printed in the Congressional Record of February 15, 2011) that seeks to eliminate funding for the National Labor Relations Board;

Pages H1031–32

Weiner amendment (No. 100 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that seeks to reduce funding for the United States Institute of Peace by \$42,676,000;

Pages H1051–56

Canseco amendment (No. 248 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that seeks to reduce funding for the East-West Center by \$10,716,000;

Pages H1055–56

Heller amendment (No. 29 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that seeks to reduce funding under Title XI—State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs by \$211,244,700; and

Pages H1057–60

Sessions amendment (No. 43 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that seeks to reduce funding for Amtrak by \$446,900,000.

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H. Res. 92, the rule providing for consideration of the bill, was agreed to yesterday, February 15th.

Meeting Hour: Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 9 a.m. today.

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Amendment: Amendment ordered printed pursuant to the rule appears on page H1071.

Quorum Calls—Votes: One yea-and-nay vote and twenty recorded votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H956–57, H957–58, H958–59, H959, H959–60, H960–61, H961, H961–62, H962–63, H963, H963–64, H964–65, H965, H965–66, H966–67, H967, H994–95, H995, H995–96, H996 and H997. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 3:43 a.m. on Thursday, February 17th.

Committee Meetings

REGULATORY BURDENS

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on Nutrition and Horticulture and the Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment of the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure held a joint hearing to consider reducing the regulatory burdens posed by the case National Cotton Council v. EPA (6th Cir. 2009) and to review related draft legislation. Testimony was heard from Steven Bradbury, Director, Office of Pesticide Programs, EPA; and public witnesses.

NATIONAL DEFENSE FY 2012 BUDGET

Committee on Armed Services: Held a hearing on the Fiscal Year 2012 national defense authorization budget request from the Department of Defense.

Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Defense: Robert M. Gates, Secretary; and ADM Michael G. Mullen, USN, Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff.

TREASURY FY 2012 BUDGET

Committee on the Budget: Held a hearing on the Department of the Treasury Fiscal Year 2012 Budget. Testimony was heard from Timothy F. Geithner, Secretary of the Treasury.

DEPARTMENT OF LABOR POLICIES AND PRIORITIES

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Held a hearing on Policies and Priorities at the U.S. Department of Labor. Testimony was heard from Hilda L. Solis, Secretary of Labor.

NET NEUTRALITY AND INTERNET REGULATION

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Communications and Technology, held a hearing entitled “Network Neutrality and Internet Regulation: Warranted or More Economic Harm Than Good?” Testimony was heard from the following officials of the FCC: Julius Genachowski, Chairman; Mignon Clyburn; Michael J. Copps; Meredith Attwell Baker; and Robert M. McDowell, all Commissioners.

HEALTH CARE AND THE CENTER FOR CONSUMER INFORMATION AND INSURANCE

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing entitled “Health Care Issues Involving the Center for Consumer Information and Insurance Oversight.” Testimony was heard from the following officials of Department of Health and Human Services: Jay Angoff, Senior Advisor, Office of the Secretary; and Steve Larsen, Deputy Administrator and Director, Center for Consumer Information and Insurance Oversight, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services.

FINANCIAL CRISIS INQUIRY COMMISSION

Committee on Financial Services: Held a hearing entitled “The Final Report of the Financial Crisis Inquiry Commission.” Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Financial Crisis Inquiry Commission: Phil Angelides, Chairman; Bill Thomas, Vice Chairman; Douglas Holtz-Eakin, Commissioner; Brooksley Born, Commissioner; Peter Wallison, Commissioner; and Bryon Georgiou, Commissioner.

HOUSING MARKET RECOVERY

Committee on Financial Services: Subcommittee on Insurance, Housing and Community Opportunity held a hearing entitled “Are There Government Barriers to the Housing Market Recovery?” Testimony was