

## REAUTHORIZATION OF THE SBIR AND STTR PROGRAMS

*Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine reauthorization of the SBIR and STTR programs, after receiving testimony from Charles W. Wessner, National Research Council, Jere W. Glover, National Small Business Association (NSBA), and Joe Hernandez, Signal Genetics, on behalf of the Biotechnology Industry Organization (BIO), all of Washington, D.C.; Irwin Mark Jacobs, Qualcomm, San Diego, California; and Matthew R. Silver, Cambrian Innovation LLC, Somerville, Massachusetts.

## BUSINESS MEETING

*Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship:* Committee ordered favorably reported an original resolution authorizing expenditures by the committee.

Also, committee adopted its rules of procedure for the 112th Congress.

## BUSINESS MEETING

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs:* Committee ordered favorably reported an original resolution authorizing expenditures by the committee.

Also, committee adopted its rules of procedure for the 112th Congress.

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# House of Representatives

## *Chamber Action*

**Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced:** 43 public bills, H.R. 751–793; 1 private bill, H.R. 794; and 9 resolutions, H.J. Res. 41; H. Con. Res. 19; and H. Res. 97–103 were introduced.

**Pages H1195–H1200**

**Additional Cosponsors:**

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**Reports Filed:** There were no reports filed today.

**Chaplain:** The prayer was offered by the guest Chaplain, Rev. Mark Williamson, Federal Intercessors, Houston, Texas.

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**FISA Sunsets Extension Act of 2011:** The House concurred in 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, by a yeas-and-nays vote of 279 yeas to 143 nays, Roll No. 66.

**Pages H1075–80**

H. Res. 93, the rule providing for consideration of the Senate amendment, was agreed to yesterday, February 16th.

**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 Government for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2011. Consideration is expected to resume tomorrow, February 18th.

**Pages H1181–89**

Agreed to:

Walberg amendment (No. 196 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that was debated on February 16th that reduces funding for the National Foundation on the Arts and the Humanities, National Endowment for the Arts, Grants and Administration by \$20,594,000 (by a recorded vote of 217 yeas to 209 nays, Roll No. 68);

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Canseco amendment (No. 249 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that was debated on February 16th that reduces funding for National Capital Arts and Cultural Affairs by \$4,500,000 (by a recorded vote of 248 yeas to 177 nays, Roll No. 69);

**Pages H1081–82**

Reed amendment (No. 381 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that was debated on February 16th that eliminates the Presidio Trust Fund (by a recorded vote of 239 yeas to 186 nays, Roll No. 70);

**Pages H1082–83**

McMorris Rodgers amendment (No. 276 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that was debated on February 16th that increases IDEA state grants to FY 2010 levels and reduce school improvement grants and teacher quality grants by necessary amounts to fully offset outlays (by a recorded vote of 249 yeas to 179 nays, Roll No. 73);

**Pages H1084–85**

Young (AK) amendment (No. 532 printed in the Congressional Record of February 15, 2011) that was debated on February 16th that restores the education funding authority for Alaskan and Hawaiian Native Americans (by a recorded vote of 313 yeas to 117 nays, Roll No. 74);

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Weiner amendment (No. 100 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that was debated on February 16th that reduces funding for the United States Institute of Peace by \$42,676,000 (by a recorded vote of 268 ayes to 163 noes, Roll No. 76); **Pages H1086–87**

Canseco amendment (No. 248 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that was debated on February 16th that reduces funding for the East-West Center by \$10,716,000 (by a recorded vote of 274 ayes to 155 noes, Roll No. 77); **Page H1087**

Lowey amendment (No. 334 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that prohibits the use of funds to be used to provide grants under the Urban Area Security Initiative under section 2003 of the Homeland Security Act of 2002 (6 U.S.C. 604) to more than 25 high-risk urban areas; **Pages H1102–03**

Cole amendment (No. 208 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that prohibits the use of funds to be used to carry out chapter 95 or chapter 96 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (by a recorded vote of 247 ayes to 175 noes, Roll No. 81); **Pages H1138–39**

Price (NC) amendment (No. 514 printed in the Congressional Record of February 15, 2011) that prohibits the use of funds to be used to enforce the requirements in section 34(a)(1)(A) of the Federal Fire Prevention and Control Act of 1974; section 34(a)(1)(B) of such Act; section 34(c)(1) of such Act; section 34(c)(2) of such Act; and section 34(c)(4)(A) of such Act (by a recorded vote of 267 ayes to 159 noes with 1 voting “present”, Roll No. 82); **Pages H1095–96 H1139**

Walden amendment (No. 404 printed in the Congressional Record of February 15, 2011) that prohibits the use of funds to be used to implement the Report and Order of the Federal Communications Commission relating to the matter of preserving the open Internet and broadband industry practices (FCC 10–201, adopted by the Commission on December 21, 2010) (by a recorded vote of 244 ayes to 141 noes, Roll No. 83); **Pages H1096–H1102, H1139–40**

Lummis amendment (No. 195 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that prohibits the use of funds for the payment of fees and other expenses under section 504 of title 5, United States Code, or section 2412(d) of title 28, United States Code (by a recorded vote of 232 ayes to 197 noes, Roll No. 85); **Pages H1111–14, H1141–42**

Carter amendment (No. 165 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that prohibits funds from being used to implement, administer, or enforce the rule entitled “National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants From the

Portland Cement Manufacturing Industry and Standards of Performance for Portland Cement Plants” published by the Environmental Protection Agency on September 9, 2010 (by a recorded vote of 250 ayes to 177 noes, Roll No. 86); **Pages H1115–21 H1142**

Scalise amendment (No. 204 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that prohibits funds from being used to pay the salaries and expenses for specified Federal agency positions and their offices (by a recorded vote of 249 ayes to 179 noes with 1 voting “present”, Roll No. 87); **Pages H1121–25, H1142–43**

Fortenberry amendment (No. 424 printed in the Congressional Record of February 15, 2011) that prohibits the use of funds to provide any of the following types of assistance to Chad: international military education and training, foreign military financing, provision of excess defense articles, foreign military forces capacity assistance, and direct commercial sales of military equipment; and **Pages H1184–85**

Hastings (FL) amendment (No. 23 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that increases, by offset, the amount made available for Department of Health and Human Services, Health Resources and Services Administration, Health Resources and Services by \$42,000,000. **Pages H1185–86**

Rejected:

Pompeo amendment (No. 85 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that was debated on February 16th that sought to reduce funding for the Department of Agriculture, Forest Service, State and Private Forestry by \$7,400,000 (by a recorded vote of 171 ayes to 256 noes, Roll No. 67); **Pages H1080–81**

Bass (NH) amendment (No. 565 printed in the Congressional Record of February 15, 2011) that was debated on February 16th that sought 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 (by a recorded vote of 104 ayes to 322 noes with 2 voting “present”, Roll No. 71); **Page H1083**

Flake amendment (No. 457 printed in the Congressional Record of February 15, 2011) that was debated on February 16th that sought to reduce funding for making payments under the Community Service Block Grant Act by \$100,000,000 (by a recorded vote of 115 ayes to 316 noes, Roll No. 72); **Page H1084**

Price (GA) amendment (No. 410 printed in the Congressional Record of February 15, 2011) that was debated on February 16th that eliminates funding

for the National Labor Relations Board (by a recorded vote of 176 ayes to 250 noes, Roll No. 75);

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Heller amendment (No. 29 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that was debated on February 16th that reduces funding under Title XI—State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs by \$211,244,700 (by a recorded vote of 190 ayes to 241 noes, Roll No. 78); **Pages H1087–88**

Sessions amendment (No. 43 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that was debated on February 16th that reduces funding for Amtrak by \$446,900,000 (by a recorded vote of 176 ayes to 250 noes, Roll No. 79); **Pages H1088–95**

Woolsey amendment (No. 189 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that sought to prohibit the use of funds available by division A of this Act to research, develop, test, evaluate, or procure any the following: (1) Expeditionary Fighting Vehicle; (2) V-22 Osprey aircraft (by a recorded vote of 91 ayes to 339 noes, Roll No. 80);

**Pages H1091–95, H1137–38**

Camp amendment (No. 516 printed in the Congressional Record of February 15, 2011) that sought to prohibit funds from being used for the opening of the locks at the Thomas J. O'Brien Lock and Dam or the Chicago River Controlling Works (by a recorded vote of 137 ayes to 292 noes with 1 voting “present”, Roll No. 84); **Pages H1103–06, H1140**

Frank (MA) amendment (No. 458 printed in the Congressional Record of February 15, 2011) that sought to reduce the amounts made available to the Department of the Treasury, Internal Revenue and the General Services Administration and to increase the amount made available to the Independent Agencies, Securities and Exchange Commission, Salaries and Expenses by \$131,000,000 (by a recorded vote of 160 ayes to 270 noes, Roll No. 88); and

**Pages H1125–31, H1143**

Holt amendment (No. 506 printed in the Congressional Record of February 15, 2011) that sought to reduce the amount made available for Department of the Treasury, Internal Revenue Service, Enforcement, and increase the amounts provided in section 1517(a) for transfer from the Federal Reserve to the Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection for activities authorized to be carried out by such Bureau under title X of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform Consumer Protection Act (by a recorded vote of 163 ayes to 265 noes, Roll No. 89). **Pages H1131–37, H1144**

Withdrawn:

Fortenberry amendment (No. 483 printed in the Congressional Record of February 15, 2011) that was offered and subsequently withdrawn that would have prohibited the use of funds for, or in, sterilization campaigns. **Page H1186**

Point of Order sustained against:

Woolsey amendment (No. 413 printed in the Congressional Record of February 15, 2011) that sought to prohibit the use of funds in the Department of Defense overseas contingency operations budget for military operations in Afghanistan until the President seeks to negotiate and enter into a bilateral status of forces agreement with the Government of the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan;

**Page H1103**

Eshoo amendment (No. 576 printed in the Congressional Record of February 15, 2011) that sought to prohibit the use of funds to enter into any contract with a corporation or other business entity that does not disclose its political contributions;

**Pages H1106–11**

Lee amendment (No. 222 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that sought to prohibit the use of funds for any account of the Department of Defense (except Military personnel, reserve personnel, National Guard personnel, and the Defense Health Program account) in excess of the amount made available for such account for fiscal year 2010, unless the financial statements of the Department for fiscal year 2010 are validated as ready for audit within 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act; and

**Pages H1114–15**

Wasserman Schultz amendment (No. 211 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that sought to increase the amount made available to the Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, Justice Assistance for carrying out title I of the PROTECT Our Children Act of 2008 by \$30,000,000. **Page H1115**

Proceedings Postponed:

McCullum amendment (No. 50 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that seeks to prohibit funds from being used for the Department of Defense sponsorship of NASCAR race cars; **Pages H1144–45**

Nadler amendment (No. 232 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that seeks to limit the use of funds for the United States military operations in Afghanistan to no more than \$10,000,000,000; **Pages H1145–49**

Kline amendment (No. 214 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that seeks to prohibit funds for the use of the “Program Integrity: Gainful Employment-New Programs” section of the bill; **Pages H1149–55**

Pence amendment (No. 11 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that seeks to prohibit the use of funds for Planned Parenthood Federation of America, Inc.; **Pages H1155–74**

Young (AK) amendment (No. 533 printed in the Congressional Record of February 15, 2011) that

seeks to prohibit the use of funds by the Environmental Appeals Board to consider, review, reject, remand, or otherwise invalidate any permit issued for Outer Continental Shelf sources located offshore of the States along the Arctic Coast under section 328(a) of the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7627(a));

**Pages H1182–83**

Nadler amendment (No. 524 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that seeks to prohibit the use of funds to make an application under section 501 of the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act of 1978 (50 U.S.C. 1861) for an order requiring the production of library circulation records, library patron lists, book sales records, or book customer lists; and

**Pages H1183–84**

Poe amendment (No. 466 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that seeks to prohibit the use of funds by the EPA to implement, administer, or enforce any statutory or regulatory requirement pertaining to emissions of greenhouse gases.

**Pages H1186–89**

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

**Order of Procedure:** Agreed by unanimous consent that during further consideration of H.R. 1 in the Committee of the Whole pursuant to H. Res. 92, no further amendment to the bill may be offered except: (1) pro forma amendments offered at any point in the reading by the chair or ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropriations for the purpose of debate; (2) amendments 8, 13, 19, 23, 38, 42, 46, 47, 48, 49, 51, 54, 55, 79, 80, 83, 88, 89, 94, 99, 101, 109, 117, 120, 126, 127, 137, 141, 144, 145, 146, 149, 151, 154, 159, 164, 166, 172, 174, 177, 185, 199, 200, 207, 216, 217, 233, 241, 246, 251, 255, 261, 263, 266, 267, 268, 274, 280, 281, 296, 323, 329, 330, 331, 333, 336, 342, 344, 345, 348, 367, 369, 377, 392, 396, 400, 401, 405, 408, 409, 414, 424, 429, 430, 439, 445, 448, 463, 464, 465, 467, 471, 480, 482, 483, 495, 496, 497, 498, 504, 507, 515, 519, 524, 525, 526, 533, 534, 536, 543, 548, 552, 560, 563, 566, 567, 569, 570, 577, 578, and 583; amendments 27, 278, 466, and 545, each of which shall be debatable for 20 minutes; amendments 104 and 540, each of which shall be debatable for 30 minutes; and amendment 273, which shall be debatable for 40 minutes; amendment 575, which shall be debatable for 60 minutes; and that each such printed amendment: (1) may be offered only by the Member who caused it to be printed in the Record, or a designee; (2) shall not be subject to amendment, except that the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropriations each may offer one pro forma amendment for the purpose of debate; and (3) shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question in the

House or in the Committee of the Whole; and that except as otherwise specified in this order, each printed amendment shall be debatable for 10 minutes, and all specified periods of debate shall be equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent.

**Pages H1174–75**

**NATO Parliamentary Assembly—Appointment:** The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of the following Members of the House to the NATO Parliamentary Assembly: Representatives Ross (AR), Chandler, Scott (GA), and Schwartz.

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**Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe—Appointment:** The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of the following Members of the House to the Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe: Representatives Hastings (FL), Slaughter, McIntyre, and Cohen.

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**Senate Message:** Message received from the Senate today appears on pages H1080 and H1162.

**Senate Referrals:** S. Con. Res. 6 was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

**Page H1194**

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** One yea-and-nay vote and twenty-three recorded votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H1079–80, H1080–81, H1081, H1082, H1082–83, H1083, H1084, H1084–85, H1085, H1086, H1086–87, H1087, H1088, H1088–89, H1138, H1138–39, H1139, H1140, H1140–41, H1141, H1142, H1142–43, H1143 and H1144. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 9 a.m. and adjourned at 1:10 a.m. on Friday, February 18th.

## *Committee Meetings*

### **FARM ECONOMY STATE**

*Committee on Agriculture:* Held a hearing to review the state of the farm economy. Testimony was heard from Tom Vilsack, Secretary of Agriculture.

### **DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION—AIR FORCE**

*Committee on Armed Services:* Held a hearing on the Fiscal Year 2012 national defense authorization budget request from the Department of the Air Force. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the U.S. Air Force, Department of Defense: Michael B. Donley, Secretary; and Gen. Norton A. Schwartz, Chief of Staff.

### **CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY LAWS' BURDENS ON BUSINESS**

*Committee on Energy and Commerce:* Subcommittee on Commerce, Manufacturing, and Trade held a hearing entitled "A Review of CPSIA and CPSC Resources." Testimony was heard from the following Consumer