

bonuses from the most recent quarter (by a recorded vote of 186 ayes to 240 noes, Roll No. 314).

**Pages H3199–H3200, H3206**

Proceedings Postponed:

Tsongas amendment (No. 5 printed in H. Rept. 112–74) that seeks to require that all applicants for a drilling permit under a lease issued under H.R. 1231 would have to submit a worst-case scenario oil spill containment and clean-up plan; **Pages H3200–01**

Brown (FL) amendment (No. 6 printed in H. Rept. 112–74) that seeks to make permanent the current moratorium on drilling in the eastern gulf of Mexico that expires in 2022; **Pages H3201–02**

Thompson (CA) amendment (No. 7 printed in H. Rept. 112–74) that seeks to clarify that the legislation does not allow for oil and gas drilling on the northern coast of California; and **Pages H3202–03**

Inslee amendment (No. 8 printed in H. Rept. 112–74) that seeks to require the Washington state Governor and legislature approve any leasing of the Outer Continental Shelf off of Washington state.

**Pages H3203–04**

H. Res. 257, the rule providing for consideration of the bill, was agreed to by a recorded vote of 243 ayes to 179 noes, Roll No. 311, after the previous question was ordered by a yea-and-nay vote of 241 ayes to 179 noes, Roll No. 310.

**Pages H3171–80, H3186–88**

**Senate Message:** Message received from the Senate today appears on page H3164.

**Senate Referral:** S. Con. Res. 16 was referred to the Committee on House Administration.

**Pages H3164, H3216**

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** One yea-and-nay vote and twelve recorded votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H3180, H3181, H3181–82, H3182, H3183, H3183–84, H3185, H3186, H3187, H3187–88, H3205, H3205–06 and H3206. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 8:08 p.m.

## Committee Meetings

### INTERIOR, ENVIRONMENT— APPROPRIATIONS

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies held a hearing on National Endowment for the Arts FY12 Budget. Testimony was heard from Rocco Landesman, Chairman, National Endowment for the Arts.

### DEFENSE—APPROPRIATIONS

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Defense held a hearing on Defense Health Program. Testimony was heard from Jonathan Woodson, Assistant Secretary of Defense for Health Affairs; Lieutenant General Eric B. Schoomaker, Surgeon General of the U.S. Army; Vice Admiral Adam M. Robinson, Jr., Surgeon General of the U.S. Navy; and Lieutenant General Charles B. Green, Surgeon General of the U.S. Air Force.

### LEGISLATIVE BRANCH—APPROPRIATIONS

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Legislative Branch held a hearing on the Government Printing Office, Congressional Budget Office, Members and Public Witnesses. Testimony was heard from William J. Boarman, Public Printer of the United States, GPO; Doug Elmendorf, Director, CBO; and public witnesses.

### INTERIOR, ENVIRONMENT— APPROPRIATIONS

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies held a hearing on National Endowment for the Humanities FY12 Budget Oversight. Testimony was heard from Jim Leach, Chairman, National Endowment for the Humanities.

### MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

*Committee on Armed Services:* Full Committee held a markup of the following: H. Res. 208, Directing the Secretary of Defense to transmit to the House of Representatives copies of any document, record, memo, correspondence, or other communication of the Department of Defense, or any portion of such communication, that refers or relates to any consultation with Congress regarding Operation Odyssey Dawn or military actions in or against Libya; and H.R. 1540, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2012 for military activities of the Department of Defense and for military construction, to prescribe military personnel strengths for fiscal year 2012, and for other purposes. The bill was ordered reported, as amended.

### REMOVING INEFFICIENCIES IN THE NATION'S JOB TRAINING PROGRAMS

*Committee on Education and the Workforce:* Subcommittee on Higher Education and Workforce Training held a hearing on Removing Inefficiencies in the Nation's Job Training Programs. Testimony was heard from Andrew Sherrill, Director for Education, Workforce, and Income Security, GAO; and public witnesses.

**MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES**

*Committee on Energy and Commerce:* Full Committee continued markup of the following: H.R. 5, the Help Efficient, Accessible, Low-cost, Timely Healthcare (HEALTH) Act of 2011. The bill was ordered reported, as amended.

**MONETARY POLICY AND THE DEBT CEILING**

*Committee on Financial Services:* Subcommittee on Domestic Monetary Policy and Technology held a hearing entitled “Monetary Policy and the Debt Ceiling: Examining the Relationship Between the Federal Reserve and Government Debt.” Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

**LEGISLATIVE PROPOSALS TO ADDRESS THE NEGATIVE CONSEQUENCES OF THE DODD-FRANK WHISTLEBLOWER PROVISIONS**

*Committee on Financial Services:* Subcommittee on Capital Markets and Government Sponsored Enterprises held a hearing entitled “Legislative Proposals to Address the Negative Consequences of the Dodd-Frank Whistleblower Provisions.” Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

**PEACE CORPS**

*Committee on Foreign Affairs:* Full Committee held a hearing on the Peace Corps at 50. Testimony was heard from Aaron S. Williams, Director, Peace Corps; Kathy A. Buller, Inspector General, Peace Corps; Jessica Smochek, Former Peace Corps Volunteer; Carol Clark, Former Peace Corps Volunteer; Karestan Chase Koenen, Former Peace Corps Volunteer; and public witnesses.

**MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES**

*Committee on Foreign Affairs:* Full Committee held a markup on H. Res. 209, Directing the Secretary of State to transmit to the House of Representatives copies of any document, record, memo, correspondence, or other communication of the Department of State, or any portion of such communication, that refers or relates to any consultation with Congress regarding Operation Odyssey Dawn or military actions in or against Libya. The bill was ordered reported, as amended.

**ON THE BORDER AND IN THE LINE OF FIRE: U.S. LAW ENFORCEMENT, HOMELAND SECURITY AND DRUG CARTEL VIOLENCE**

*Committee on Homeland Security:* Subcommittee on Oversight, Investigations, and Management held a hearing entitled “On the Border and in the Line of Fire: U.S. Law Enforcement, Homeland Security and

Drug Cartel Violence.” Testimony was heard from Grayling Williams, Director, Office of Counter-narcotics Enforcement, Department of Homeland Security; Amy Pope, Deputy Chief of Staff and Counselor Criminal Division, Office of Assistant Attorney General, Department of Justice; Steven C. McCraw, Director, Texas Department of Public Safety; Thomas C. Horne, Attorney General, Arizona; Sigifredo Gonzalez, Sheriff, Zapata County, Texas; and Victor Rodriguez Chief, McAllen Police Department, Texas.

**GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE**

*Committee on House Administration:* Subcommittee on Oversight held a hearing on GPO—Issues and Challenges: How will GPO Transition to the Future? Testimony was heard from William J. Boarman, Public Printer, GPO; and public witnesses.

**USA PATRIOT ACT**

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism and Homeland Security held a hearing on the USA PATRIOT Act: Dispelling the Myths. Testimony was heard from former Congressman Robert Barr; and public witnesses.

**LEGISLATIVE MEASURES**

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on Immigration Policy and Enforcement held a hearing on H.R. 1741, the Secure Visas Act. Testimony was heard from Gary Cote, Acting Deputy Assistant Director, Office of International Affairs, Immigration and Customs Enforcement, Department of Homeland Security; David Donahue, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Visa Services, Bureau of Consular Affairs, Department of State; and public witnesses.

**USAID: FOLLOWING THE MONEY**

*Committee on Oversight and Government Reform:* Subcommittee on National Security, Homeland Defense and Foreign Operations held a hearing entitled “USAID: Following the Money.” Testimony was heard from Rajiv Shah, Administrator, U.S. Agency for International Development; and Donald Gambatesa, Inspector General, U.S. Agency for International Development.

**TRANSPARENCY AS AN ALTERNATIVE TO THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT’S REGULATION OF RISK RETENTION**

*Committee on Oversight and Government Reform:* Subcommittee on TARP, Financial Services and Bailouts of Public and Private Programs held a hearing entitled “Transparency as an Alternative to the Federal Government’s Regulation of Risk Retention.” Testimony was heard from Edward DeMarco, Acting Director, Federal Housing Finance Agency; and public witnesses.

## INTELLIGENCE AUTHORIZATION ACT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2011

*Committee on Rules:* The Committee granted, by voice vote, a structured rule on H.R. 754, the Intelligence Authorization Act for FY 2011. The rule provides one hour of general debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule provides that the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence shall be considered as an original bill for the purpose of amendment and shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. The rule makes in order only those amendments printed in the Rules Committee report accompanying the resolution. The rule provides that each such amendment may be offered only by a Member designated in the report, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, shall not be subject to amendment, and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question. The rule waives all points of order against the amendments printed in the report. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Chairman Mike Rogers of Michigan; Rep. Ruppertsberger; and Rep. Gibson.

## HYDRAULIC FRACTURING TECHNOLOGY AND PRACTICES

*Committee on Science, Space, and Technology:* Full Committee held a hearing on Review of Hydraulic Fracturing Technology and Practices. Testimony was heard from Elizabeth Ames Jones, Commissioner, Texas Railroad Commission; Robert M. Summers, Secretary, Maryland Department of the Environment; Harold Fitch, Michigan State Geologist; Director, Office of Geological Survey, Michigan Department of Environmental Quality; and Board Member, Ground Water Protection Council; Paul Anastas, Administrator, Office of Research and Development, EPA; and public witnesses.

## MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

*Committee on Small Business:* Full Committee held a markup on H.R. 1425, Creating Jobs Through Small Business Innovation Act of 2011. The bill was ordered reported, as amended.

## EPA MINING POLICIES

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure:* Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment held a hearing on EPA Mining Policies: Assault on

Appalachian Jobs—Part II. Testimony was heard from Nancy Stoner, Acting Administrator, EPA Office of Water; and public witnesses.

## EXAMINING VA'S IT STRATEGY FOR THE 21ST CENTURY

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs:* Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing on Reboot: Examining VA's IT Strategy for the 21st Century. Testimony was heard from Roger W. Baker, Assistant Secretary for Information and Technology and Chief Information Officer, Department of Veterans Affairs; and Belinda J. Finn, Assistant Inspector General for Audits and Evaluations, Office of Inspector General, Department of Veterans Affairs.

## MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

*Committee on Ways and Means:* Full Committee held a markup on H.R. 1745, Jobs, Opportunity, Benefits, and Services Act of 2011. The bill was ordered reported, as amended.

## Joint Meetings

### GROWING PRESSURE FOR HUMAN RIGHTS

*Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe:* Commission concluded a hearing to examine Central Asia and the Arab spring, focusing on growing pressure for human rights and whether the factors that drove the uprisings in North Africa and the Middle East exist in any of the Central Asian States, after receiving testimony from Robert O. Blake, Jr., Assistant Secretary of State for South and Central Asian Affairs; Stephen Blank, Professor, National Security Affairs, Strategic Studies Institute, United States Army War College, Department of Defense; Paul A. Goble, Institute of World Politics, Staunton, Virginia; Scott Radnitz, University of Washington Jackson School of International Studies, Seattle; and Gulam Umarov, Sunshine Coalition, Uzbekistan, Memphis, Tennessee.

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## COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, MAY 12, 2011

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

### Senate

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Transportation and Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2012 for the Federal Aviation Administration, 9:30 a.m., SD-138.

Subcommittee on Legislative Branch, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2012 for the Secretary of the Senate, the Senate Sergeant at