

**Adjournment:** The House met at 2 p.m. and adjourned at 9:16 p.m.

## Committee Meetings

### NATIONAL RIGHT-TO-CARRY RECIPROcity ACT OF 2011

*Committee on Rules:* Full Committee held a hearing on H.R. 822, the “National Right-to-Carry Reciprocity Act of 2011.” The Committee granted, by voice vote, a structured rule providing one hour of general debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on the Judiciary. 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 Committee on the Judiciary now printed in the bill shall be considered as original text 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. Each such amendment may be offered only in the order printed in the report, 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 Smith of Texas; Rep. Scott of Virginia; Rep. Nadler; Rep. Jackson Lee of Texas; Rep. Johnson of Illinois; and Rep. Maloney.

## Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

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### COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 2011

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

#### Senate

*Committee on Armed Services:* To hold hearings to examine security issues relating to Iraq, 9:30 a.m., SH-216.

Full Committee, closed business meeting to consider proposed changes to the fiscal year 2012 National Defense Authorization Act, 2:30 p.m., SR-236.

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* To hold an oversight hearing to examine the Federal Housing Finance Agency, 10 a.m., SD-538.

Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Protection, to hold hearings to examine financial security issues facing older Americans, 3 p.m., SD-538.

*Committee on the Budget:* To hold hearings to examine the economic effects of fiscal policy choices, 10 a.m., SD-608.

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* To hold hearings to examine the nominations of Rebecca M. Blank, of Maryland, to be Deputy Secretary of Commerce, and Jon D. Leibowitz, of Maryland, and Maureen K. Ohlhausen, of Virginia, both to be a Federal Trade Commissioner, 2:30 p.m., SR-253.

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* To hold hearings to examine the Department of Energy’s Quadrennial Technology Review (QTR), and S. 1703, to amend the Department of Energy Organization Act to require a Quadrennial Energy Review, and S. 1807, to amend the Federal Nonnuclear Energy Research and Development Act of 1974 to provide for the prioritization, coordination, and streamlining of energy research, development, and demonstration programs to meet current and future energy needs, 10 a.m., SD-366.

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* Business meeting to consider S. Res. 227, calling for the protection of the Mekong River Basin and increased United States support for delaying the construction of mainstream dams along the Mekong River, S. Res. 316, expressing the sense of the Senate regarding Tunisia’s peaceful Jasmine Revolution, S. Res. 317, expressing the sense of the Senate regarding the liberation of Libya from the dictatorship led by Muammar Qaddafi, and the nominations of Michael Anthony McFaul, of California, to be Ambassador to the Russian Federation, Roberta S. Jacobson, of Maryland, to be Assistant Secretary for Western Hemisphere Affairs, Mari Carmen Aponte, of the District of Columbia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of El Salvador, Adam E. Namm, of New York, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Ecuador, and Elizabeth M. Cousens, of Washington, to be Representative of the United States of America on the Economic and Social Council of the United Nations, with the rank of Ambassador, and to be an Alternate Representative of the United States of America to the Sessions of the General Assembly of the United Nations, during her tenure of service as Representative of the United States of America on the Economic and Social Council of the United Nations, all of the Department of State, and routine lists in the Foreign Service, 2:15 p.m., S-116, Capitol.

*Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:* To hold hearings to examine medical devices, focusing on protecting patients and promoting innovation, 2:30 p.m., SD-G50.

*Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:* To hold hearings to examine the nomination of Roslyn Ann Mazer, of Maryland, to be Inspector General, Department of Homeland Security, 3 p.m., SD-342.

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on Crime and Terrorism, to hold hearings to examine the “Fix Gun Checks Act”, focusing on better state and Federal compliance, and smarter enforcement, 2:30 p.m., SD-226.

*Select Committee on Intelligence:* To hold closed hearings to examine certain intelligence matters, 3:30 p.m., SH-219.

### Joint Meetings

*Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe:* to hold hearings to examine Belarus, focusing on the ongoing crackdown and forces for change, including the extent and impact of the crackdown on the lives of its victims and on the larger society, and what more can be done by the United States and European partners to promote democratic change in Belarus, 10:30 a.m., 210, Cannon Building.

*Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe:* to hold hearings to examine the Arab Spring and Coptic Winter, focusing on sectarian violence and democratic transition in Egypt, 2 p.m., 210, Cannon Building.

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## CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of November 15 through November 19,  
2011

### Senate Chamber

On *Tuesday*, at approximately 11 a.m., Senate will begin consideration of the nominations of Sharon L. Gleason, of Alaska, to be United States District Judge for the District of Alaska, and Yvonne Gonzalez Rogers, of California, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of California, and vote on confirmation of the nominations at approximately 12 noon.

On *Tuesday*, at 2:15 p.m., Senate will continue consideration of H.R. 2354, Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act.

During the balance of the week, Senate may consider any cleared legislative and executive business.

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November 15, Full Committee, closed business meeting to consider proposed changes to the fiscal year 2012 National Defense Authorization Act, 2:30 p.m., SR-236.

November 17, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Brad Carson, of Oklahoma, to be General Counsel of the Department of the Army, Department of Defense, and Kevin A. Ohlson, of Virginia, to be a Judge of the United States Court of Appeals for the Armed Forces, 9:30 a.m., SD-G50.

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* November 15, to hold an oversight hearing to examine the Federal Housing Finance Agency, 10 a.m., SD-538.

November 15, Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Protection, to hold hearings to examine financial security issues facing older Americans, 3 p.m., SD-538.

November 16, Subcommittee on Securities, Insurance and Investment, to hold hearings to examine a progress report on management and structural reforms at the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC), 9:30 a.m., SD-538.

November 17, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Maurice A. Jones, of Virginia, to be a Deputy Secretary, and Carol J. Galante, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary, both of the Department of Housing and Urban Development, and Thomas Hoenig, to be a Member and Vice Chairperson of the Board of Directors of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, 10 a.m., SD-538.

*Committee on the Budget:* November 15, to hold hearings to examine the economic effects of fiscal policy choices, 10 a.m., SD-608.

November 16, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine improving regulatory performance, focusing on lessons from the United Kingdom, 2:30 p.m., SD-608.

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* November 15, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Rebecca M. Blank, of Maryland, to be Deputy Secretary of Commerce, and Jon D. Leibowitz, of Maryland, and Maureen K. Ohlhausen, of Virginia, both to be a Federal Trade Commissioner, 2:30 p.m., SR-253.

November 16, Subcommittee on Oceans, Atmosphere, Fisheries, and Coast Guard, to hold hearings to examine the need for continued innovation in forecasting and prediction, 10:30 a.m., SR-253.

November 17, Subcommittee on Science and Space, to hold hearings to examine NASA's human space exploration, focusing on direction, strategy and progress, 10 a.m., SR-253.

November 17, Subcommittee on Competitiveness, Innovation, and Export Promotion, to hold hearings to examine tourism in America, focusing on moving our economy forward, 2:30 p.m., SR-253.

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* November 15, to hold hearings to examine the Department of Energy's Quadrennial Technology Review (QTR), and S. 1703, to amend the Department of Energy Organization Act to require a Quadrennial Energy Review, and S. 1807, to amend the Federal Nonnuclear Energy Research and Development Act of 1974 to provide for the prioritization, coordination, and streamlining of energy research, development, and demonstration programs to meet current and future energy needs, 10 a.m., SD-366.

November 17, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the Secretary of the Interior's Order No. 3315 to consolidate and establish the Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement within the Bureau of Land Management, 9:30 a.m., SD-366.

*Committee on Environment and Public Works:* November 17, with the Subcommittee on Superfund, Toxics and Environmental Health, to hold joint hearings to examine the "Safe Chemicals Act", 10 a.m., SD-406.

*Committee on Finance:* November 17, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Mary John Miller, of Maryland, to be an Under Secretary, and Alastair M. Fitzpayne, of Maryland, to be a Deputy Under Secretary, both of the Department of the Treasury, Kathleen