

H. Res. 540, the rule providing for consideration of the bill, was agreed to by a ye-and-nay vote of 238 yeas to 175 nays, Roll No. 44, after the previous question was ordered by a ye-and-nay vote of 240 yeas to 184 nays, Roll No. 43. **Pages H601–02**

Meeting Hour: Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 9 a.m. tomorrow. **Page H615**

Motion to Instruct Conferees: The House debated the Bishop (NY) motion to instruct conferees on H.R. 3630. Further proceedings were postponed. **Pages H615–23**

Quorum Calls—Votes: Two ye-and-nay votes and two recorded votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H601, H601–02, H614 and H615. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 7:56 p.m.

Committee Meetings

DEFENSE APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Defense held a hearing on Military Health Systems Governance—Army, Navy and Air Force Surgeons General. Testimony was heard from Lieutenant General Charles B. Green, Surgeon General of the Air Force; Lieutenant General Patricia D. Horoho, Surgeon General of the Army; and Vice Admiral Mathew L. Nathan, Surgeon General of the Navy.

LEGISLATIVE BRANCH APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Legislative Branch held a hearing on the U.S. Capitol Police FY 2013 budget request. Testimony was heard from Philip D. Morse, Chief of Police, U.S. Capitol Police.

CYBERSECURITY

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Communications and Technology held a hearing entitled “Cybersecurity: Threats to Communications Networks and Private-Sector Responses”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

LEGISLATIVE MEASURES

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Energy and Power held a hearing on “The American Energy Initiative: What EPA’s Utility MACT Rule Will Cost U.S. Consumers”. Testimony was heard from Gina McCarthy, Assistant Administrator for Air and Radiation, Environmental Protection Agency; and public witnesses.

CONSUMER FINANCIAL PROTECTION BUREAU

Committee on Financial Services: Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Credit held a hearing entitled “Legislative Proposals to Promote Accountability and Transparency at the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

TITLE VII OF THE DODD–FRANK ACT

Committee on Financial Services: Subcommittee on Capital Markets and Government Sponsored Enterprises held a hearing entitled “Limiting the Extraterritorial Impact of Title VII of the Dodd-Frank Act”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on Africa, Global Health, and Human Rights held a markup of the following: H.R. 1410, the “Vietnam Human Rights Act of 2011” and H. Res. 361, concerning efforts to provide humanitarian relief to mitigate the effects of drought and avert famine in the Horn of Africa, particularly Somalia, Ethiopia, Djibouti, and Kenya. The following were forwarded, as amended: H.R. 1410 and H. Res. 361.

BALUCHISTAN

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing on Baluchistan. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

COMBATING TRANSNATIONAL ORGANIZED CRIME

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security held a hearing entitled “Combating Transnational Organized Crime: International Money Laundering as a Threat to our Financial Systems”. Testimony was heard from Jennifer Shasky, Chief, Asset Forfeiture and Money Laundering Section, Criminal Division, Department of Justice; Luke A. Bronin, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Strategic Policy Office of Terrorist, Financing and Financial Crimes, Department of the Treasury; and public witness.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on the Judiciary: Full Committee continued markup of H.R. 3541, the “Susan B. Anthony and Frederick Douglass Prenatal Nondiscrimination Act of 2011”.

PROTECTING UNION WORKERS FROM FORCED POLITICAL CONTRIBUTIONS

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “The Right to

Choose: Protecting Union Workers from Forced Political Contributions”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

AMERICA’S NUCLEAR FUTURE

Committee on Science, Space, and Technology: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Assessing America’s Nuclear Future—A Review of the Blue Ribbon Commission’s Report to the Secretary of Energy”. Testimony was heard from Lt. Gen. Brent Scowcroft, USAF (Ret.), Co-Chairman, Blue Ribbon Commission on America’s Nuclear Future; Richard Meserve, Commissioner, Blue Ribbon Commission on America’s Nuclear Future; and Pete Lyons, Assistant Secretary of Nuclear Energy, Department of Energy.

HOW THE SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION MISMANAGES THE MODERNIZATION OF ITS INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

Committee on Small Business: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Placing Federal Tax Dollars at Risk: How the Small Business Administration Mismanages the Modernization of its Information Technology”. Testimony was heard from Marie Johns, Deputy Administrator, United States Small Business Administration; and David Powner, Director, Information Technology Management Issues, Government Accountability Office.

NATION’S AVIATION SATELLITE-BASED GLOBAL POSITIONING SYSTEM INFRASTRUCTURE

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Aviation held a hearing entitled “A Review of Issues Associated with Protecting and Improving our Nation’s Aviation Satellite-based Global Positioning System Infrastructure”. Testimony was heard from John Porcari, Deputy Secretary, Department of Transportation; Vincent Galotti, Deputy Director, Air Navigation Bureau, International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) of the United Nations; and public witnesses.

INTERACTION OF TAX POLICY AND FINANCIAL ACCOUNTING RULES

Committee on Ways and Means: Full Committee held a hearing on the interaction of tax policy and financial accounting rules (such as Generally Accepted Accounting Principles, or “GAAP”), and how this interaction affects how publicly-traded companies respond to tax policy. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

Joint Meetings

IRELAND AND OSCE

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe: Commission concluded a hearing to examine Ireland’s leadership of the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe (OSCE), focusing on its future year-long leadership of the 56-nation OSCE, based in Vienna, Austria, and its work in promoting democracy, human rights and the rule of law, after receiving testimony from Eamon Gilmore, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade of Ireland, and Chair-in-Office, Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2012

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Armed Services: to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Admiral Samuel J. Locklear III, USN, for reappointment to the grade of admiral and to be Commander, United States Pacific Command, and Lieutenant General Thomas P. Bostick, USA, for reappointment to the grade of lieutenant general and to be Chief of Engineers, and Commanding General, United States Army Corps of Engineers, both of the Department of Defense, 9:30 a.m., SD–G50.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: to hold hearings to examine the state of the housing market, focusing on removing barriers to economic recovery, 10 a.m., SD–538.

Committee on the Budget: to hold hearings to examine assessing inequality, mobility, and opportunity, 10 a.m., SD–608.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: to hold hearings to examine H.R.1904, to facilitate the efficient extraction of mineral resources in southeast Arizona by authorizing and directing an exchange of Federal and non-Federal land, and the Southeast Arizona Land Exchange and Conservation Act of 2009, 9:30 a.m., SD–366.

Committee on Indian Affairs: to hold an oversight hearing to examine the Department of Justice’s opinion on internet gaming, focusing on what’s at stake for tribes, 2:15 p.m., SD–628.

Committee on the Judiciary: business meeting to consider S. 1945, to permit the televising of Supreme Court proceedings, and the nominations of John Z. Lee, and John J. Tharp, Jr., both to be a United States District Judge for the Northern District of Illinois, George Levi Russell III, to be United States District Judge for the District of Maryland, and Kristine Gerhard Baker, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Arkansas, 10 a.m., SD–226.

Select Committee on Intelligence: to hold closed hearings to examine certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH–219.