

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

### DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION REQUEST AND FUTURE YEARS DEFENSE PROGRAM

*Committee on Armed Services:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the Defense Authorization request for fiscal year 2013 and the Future Years Defense Program, after receiving testimony from Leon E. Panetta, Secretary, General Martin E. Dempsey, USA, Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff, and Robert F. Hale, Under Secretary, Comptroller and Chief Financial Officer, all of the Department of Defense.

### BUDGET

*Committee on the Budget:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2013, after receiving testimony from Jeff Zients, Acting Director and Deputy Director of Management, Office of Management and Budget.

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*Committee on Finance:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2013, after receiving testimony from Timothy F. Geithner, Secretary of the Treasury.

### BUSINESS MEETING

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 1023, to authorize the President to provide assistance to the Government of Haiti to end within 5 years the deforestation in Haiti and restore within 30 years the extent of tropical forest cover in existence in Haiti in 1990;

S. 414, to protect girls in developing countries through the prevention of child marriage;

S. Res. 372, recognizing the importance of the United States-Egypt relationship, and urging the Government of Egypt to protect civil liberties and cease intimidation and prosecution of civil society workers and democracy activities;

S. Res. 342, honoring the life and legacy of Laura Pollan; and

The nominations of Tara D. Sonenshine, of Maryland, to be Under Secretary for Public Diplomacy, Anne Claire Richard, of New York, to be Assistant Secretary for Population, Refugees, and Migration, Robert E. Whitehead, of Florida, to be Ambassador to the Togolese Republic, Nancy J. Powell, of Iowa, to be Ambassador to India, Larry Leon Palmer, of Georgia, to be Ambassador to Barbados, and to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador to St. Kitts and Nevis, Saint Lucia, Antigua and Barbuda, the Commonwealth of Dominica, Grenada, and Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Phyllis Marie Powers, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to Republic of Nicaragua, and Jonathan Don Farrar, of California, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Panama, all of the Department of State, and Earl W. Gast, of California, to be an Assistant Administrator of the United States Agency for International Development, and lists in the Foreign Service.

### PAIN AND CHALLENGES TO RELIEF

*Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine pain in America, focusing on exploring challenges to relief, after receiving testimony from Lawrence A. Tabak, Principal Deputy Director, National Institutes of Health, Department of Health and Human Services; Philip A. Pizzo, Stanford University School of Medicine, Stanford, California; John E. Sarno, New York University School of Medicine, New York; William Maixner, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill; and Christin Veasley, National Vulvodynia Association, North Kingstown, Rhode Island, on behalf of the Chronic Pain Research Alliance.

### INTELLIGENCE

*Select Committee on Intelligence:* Committee held closed hearings on intelligence matters, receiving testimony from officials of the intelligence community.

Committee recessed subject to the call.

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# House of Representatives

## Chamber Action

**Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced:** 16 public bills, H.R. 4016–4031; and 4 resolutions, H.J. Res. 102; H. Con. Res. 100; and H. Res. 545–546 were introduced.

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**Additional Cosponsors:**

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**Reports Filed:** A report was filed today as follows:

H. Res. 547, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 3408) to set clear rules for the development of United States oil shale resources, to promote

shale technology research and development, and for other purposes; providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 3813) to amend title 5, United States Code, to secure the annuities of Federal civilian employees, and for other purposes; and providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 7) to authorize funds for Federal-aid highway, public transportation, and highway and motor carrier safety programs, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 112–398). **Page H725**

**Speaker:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Harris to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H699**

**Recess:** The House recessed at 12:08 p.m. and reconvened at 2 p.m. **Page H700**

**Journal:** The House agreed to the Speaker's approval of the Journal by a ye-and-nay vote of 303 yeas to 89 nays with 1 answering "present", Roll No. 49. **Pages H700, H708–09**

**Recess:** The House recessed at 2:44 p.m. and reconvened at 4:47 p.m. **Page H705**

**Suspensions—Proceedings Postponed:** The House debated the following measures under suspension of the rules. Further proceedings were postponed:

**John J. Cook Post Office Designation Act:** H.R. 2079, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 10 Main Street in East Rockaway, New York, as the "John J. Cook Post Office"; **Pages H705–06**

**Lance Corporal Matthew P. Pathenos Post Office Building Designation Act:** H.R. 3247, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1100 Town and Country Commons in Chesterfield, Missouri, as the "Lance Corporal Matthew P. Pathenos Post Office Building"; and **Pages H706–07**

**Lance Corporal Drew W. Weaver Post Office Building Designation Act:** H.R. 3248, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 112 South 5th Street in Saint Charles, Missouri, as the "Lance Corporal Drew W. Weaver Post Office Building". **Pages H707–08**

**Recess:** The House recessed at 5:12 p.m. and reconvened at 6:30 p.m. **Page H708**

**Recess:** The House recessed at 9:45 p.m. and reconvened at 11:17 p.m. **Page H724**

**Presidential Message:** Read a message from the President wherein he transmitted to Congress his Budget of the United States Government for Fiscal Year 2013—referred to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered to be printed (H. Doc. 112–78). **Pages H702–05**

**Senate Message:** Message received from the Senate by the Clerk and subsequently presented to the House today appears on page H702.

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** One ye-and-nay vote developed during the proceedings of today and appears on pages H708–09. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 12 noon and adjourned at 11:19 p.m.

## *Committee Meetings*

**Securing Annuities for Federal Employees Act of 2012; Protecting Investment in Oil Shale the Next Generation of Environmental, Energy, & Resource Security Act; American Energy & Infrastructure Jobs Act of 2012**

**Committee on Rules:** Granted, by a record vote of 8 to 4, a structured rule for H.R. 3408. The rule provides one hour of general debate with 40 minutes equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Natural Resources and 20 minutes equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Energy and Commerce. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule provides that an amendment in the nature of a substitute consisting of the text of titles XIV and XVII of Rules Committee print 112–14 shall be considered as adopted, and provides that the bill, as amended, shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against provisions in the bill, as amended. The rule makes in order only those further amendments to H.R. 3408 printed in part A of the Rules Committee report accompanying the resolution. 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 be not subject to a demand for division of the question. The rule waives all points of order against the amendments printed in part A of the Rules Committee report. The rule provides one motion to recommit H.R. 3408 with or without instructions. The resolution further provides for a structured rule for H.R. 3813 and provides one hour of general debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule provides that an amendment in the nature of a substitute consisting of the text of title XVI of Rules Committee Print