

## APPROPRIATIONS: DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies concluded a hearing to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2013 for the Department of Justice, after receiving testimony from Eric Holder, Attorney General, Department of Justice.

## DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION REQUEST AND THE FUTURE YEARS DEFENSE PROGRAM

*Committee on Armed Services:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the Department of the Army in review of the Defense Authorization request for fiscal year 2013 and the Future Years Defense Program, after receiving testimony from John M. McHugh, Secretary of the Army, and General Raymond T. Odierno, Chief of Staff, United States Army, both of the Department of Defense.

## HOUSING CRISIS

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine addressing the housing crisis in Indian country, focusing on leveraging resources and coordinating efforts, after receiving testimony from Sandra Henriquez, Assistant Secretary of Housing and Urban Development; Doug O'Brien, Deputy Under Secretary of Agriculture for Rural Development; Robert McSwain, Deputy Director, Management Operations, Indian Health Service, Department of Health and Human Services; and Jodi Gillette, Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Interior for Indian Affairs.

## AMERICA'S GLOBAL COMPETITIVENESS

*Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the key to America's global competitiveness, focusing on a quality education, after receiving testimony from

Jenn Mann, SAS, Cary, North Carolina; Charles Kolb, Committee for Economic Development, Washington, D.C.; Richard J. Murnane, Harvard Graduate School of Education, Cambridge, Massachusetts; and Eric A. Hanushek, Stanford University, Stanford, California.

## NATIVE PROGRAMS BUDGET

*Committee on Indian Affairs:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2013 for Native Programs, after receiving testimony from Larry Echo Hawk, Assistant Secretary of the Interior for Indian Affairs; Yvette Roubideaux, Director, Indian Health Service, Department of Health and Human Services; Fawn Sharp, Affiliated Tribes of Northwest Indians, Portland, Oregon; Michell Hicks, Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, Nashville, Tennessee, on behalf of the United South and Eastern Tribes, Inc.; and Robert Shepherd, Sisseton Wahpeton Oyate, Rapid City, South Dakota, on behalf of the Great Plains Tribal Chairman's Association.

## BUSINESS MEETING

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 1002, to prohibit theft of medical products, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute; and

The nominations of Patty Shwartz, of New Jersey, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Third Circuit, Jeffrey J. Helmick, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Ohio, Mary Geiger Lewis, to be United States District Judge for the District of South Carolina, Timothy S. Hillman, to be United States District Judge for the District of Massachusetts, and Thomas M. Harrigan, of New York, to be Deputy Administrator of Drug Enforcement, Department of Justice.

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# House of Representatives

## Chamber Action

**Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced:** 30 public bills, H.R. 4165–4194; and 3 resolutions, H. Res. 578–580, were introduced. **Pages H1303–05**

**Additional Cosponsors:** **Page H1306**

**Reports Filed:** Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 3992, to allow otherwise eligible Israeli nationals to receive E–2 nonimmigrant visas if similarly situated United States nationals are eligible for

similar nonimmigrant status in Israel (H. Rept. 112–410) and

H.R. 1741, to authorize the Secretary of Homeland Security and the Secretary of State to refuse or revoke visas to aliens if in the security or foreign policy interests of the United States, to require the Secretary of Homeland Security to review visa applications before adjudication, to provide for the immediate dissemination of visa revocation information,

and for other purposes, with an amendment (Rept. 112–411, Pt. 1). **Page H1303**

**Reopening American Capital Markets to Emerging Growth Companies Act:** The House passed H.R. 3606, to increase American job creation and economic growth by improving access to the public capital markets for emerging growth companies, by a recorded vote of 390 ayes to 23 noes, Roll No. 110. Consideration of the measure began yesterday, March 7th. **Pages H1277–85, H1285–89**

Rejected the Eshoo motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Financial Services with instructions to report the same back to the House forthwith with an amendment, by a recorded vote of 170 ayes to 244 noes, Roll No. 109. **Pages H1287–88**

Agreed to:

McHenry amendment (No. 11 printed in H. Rept. 112–409) that, with respect to Rule 506 of Regulation D, provides an exemption from registration as a broker or dealer for trading platforms that do not charge a fee in connection with the purchase or sale of the security or permit general solicitations, general advertisements, or similar or related activities by issuers of such securities. Also enables the marketing of private shares to accredited investors through platforms; **Pages H1277–78**

Miller (NC) amendment (No. 12 printed in H. Rept. 112–409) that increases the total number of investors and limits the number of non-accredited investors allowed to be holders of record before registration is required; **Pages H1278–79**

Schweikert amendment (No. 13 printed in H. Rept. 112–409) that authorizes the Securities and Exchange Commission to study whether or not it has the authority to enforce anti-evasion provisions associated with the shareholder threshold; and **Pages H1279–80**

Loeb sack amendment (No. 17 printed in H. Rept. 112–409) that requires information to be made available online, and outreach to be conducted to small and medium-sized businesses, women-owned businesses, veteran-owned businesses, and minority-owned businesses to inform them about changes put in place by this legislation. **Pages H1284–85**

Rejected:

Capuano amendment (No. 14 printed in H. Rept. 112–409) that sought to require the SEC to conduct a study to address anti-evasion concerns and determine if the term “held of record” should mean beneficial owner of the security; **Pages H1280–81**

Peters amendment (No. 15 printed in H. Rept. 112–409) that sought to require publicly traded companies to disclose on an annual basis the total number of employees they have in each country and the percentage increase or decrease in employment in

each country (by a recorded vote of 175 ayes to 239 noes, Roll No. 107); and **Pages H1281–82, H1285–86**

Capps amendment (No. 16 printed in H. Rept. 112–409) that sought to require the Securities and Exchange Commission to issue a report to the Congress one year after enactment on the increase in initial public offerings that resulted from the act, including specific increases in filings by manufacturing and high-technology companies (by a recorded vote of 172 ayes to 236 noes, Roll No. 108). **Pages H1282–84, H1286–87**

Agreed that the Clerk be authorized to make technical and conforming changes to reflect the actions of the House. **Page H1289**

H. Res. 572, the rule providing for consideration of the bill, was agreed to yesterday, March 7th.

**Recess:** The House recessed at 11:22 a.m. and reconvened at 11:45 a.m. **Page H1285**

**Meeting Hour:** Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 11 a.m. tomorrow; when the House adjourns on that day, it adjourn to meet at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, March 13th; when the House adjourns on that day, it adjourn to meet at 10 a.m. on Friday, March 16th; and when the House adjourns on that day, it adjourn to meet at 2 p.m. on Monday, March 19th. **Page H1289**

**President’s Export Council—Appointment:** The Chair announced the Speaker’s appointment of the following Members of the House to the President’s Export Council: Representatives Reichert, Gerlach, Tiberi, Sutton, and Linda Sánchez (CA). **Page H1291**

**Senate Message:** Message received from the Senate by the Clerk and subsequently presented to the House today appears on page H1285.

**Senate Referral:** S. 1855 was held at the desk.

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** Four recorded votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H1286, H1286–87, H1288, and H1288–89. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 3:05 p.m.

## *Committee Meetings*

### APPROPRIATIONS—DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Transportation, Housing and Urban Development held a hearing on FY 2013 Budget Request for Department of Transportation. Testimony was heard from Ray LaHood, Secretary, Department of Transportation.