

the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the Freedom of Information Act, focusing on safeguarding critical infrastructure information and the public's right to know, after receiving

testimony from Melanie Ann Pustay, Director, Office of Information Policy, Department of Justice; Miriam Nisbet, Director, Office of Government Information Services, National Archives and Records Administration; Kenneth F. Bunting, National Freedom of Information Coalition, Columbia, Missouri; Paul Rosenzweig, George Washington University, Washington, D.C.; and J. M. Ensminger, Elizabethtown, North Carolina.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 1 public bill, H.R. 4196; and 3 resolutions, H. Res. 583–585 were introduced. **Page H1362**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages H1362–63**

Report Filed: A report was filed today as follows:

H.R. 452, to repeal the provisions of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act providing for the Independent Payment Advisory Board, with an amendment (H. Rept. 112–412, Pt. 1). **Page H1362**

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Rooney to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H1361**

Senate Message: Message received from the Senate by the Clerk and subsequently presented to the House today appears on page H1361.

Senate Referral: S. Res. 390 was held at the desk. **Page H1361**

Quorum Calls—Votes: There were no yea-and-nay votes, and there were no Recorded votes. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 10:02 a.m.

Committee Meetings

No hearings were held.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D236)

H.R. 4105, to apply the countervailing duty provisions of the Tariff Act of 1930 to nonmarket econ-

omy countries. Signed on March 13, 2012. (Public Law 112–99)

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, MARCH 14, 2012

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Department of the Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies, to hold an oversight hearing to examine Federal onshore and offshore energy development programs in the Department of the Interior, 9:30 a.m., SD–124.

Subcommittee on State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2013 for the United States Agency for International Development, 10 a.m., SD–226.

Subcommittee on Department of Defense, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2013 for the Department of the Air Force, 10:30 a.m., SD–192.

Subcommittee on Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2013 for the Department of Labor, 10:30 a.m., SD–138.

Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2013 for the Department of Energy, 2:30 p.m., SD–192.

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Personnel, to hold hearings to examine the Active, Guard, Reserve, and civilian personnel programs in review of the Defense Authorization request for fiscal year 2013 and the Future Years Defense Program, 2 p.m., SR–232A.

Subcommittee on Strategic Forces, to hold hearings to examine strategic forces programs of the National Nuclear Security Administration and the Department of Energy's Office of Environmental Management in review of the Department of Energy budget request for fiscal year

2013; with the possibility of a closed session in SVC-217 following the open session, 2:30 p.m., SR-222.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Protection, to hold hearings to examine issues in the prepaid card market, 2:30 p.m., SD-538.

Committee on Foreign Relations: To hold hearings to examine Sudan and South Sudan, focusing on independence and insecurity, 10 a.m., SD-419.

Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Pamela A. White, of Maine, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Haiti, Linda Thomas-Greenfield, of Louisiana, to be Director General of the Foreign Service, and Gina K. Abercrombie-Winstanley, of Ohio, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Malta, all of the Department of State, 3 p.m., SD-419.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: To hold hearings to examine Congress, focusing on reform proposals for the 21st century, 10 a.m., SD-342.

Subcommittee on Oversight of Government Management, the Federal Workforce, and the District of Colum-

bia, to hold hearings to examine managing interagency nuclear nonproliferation efforts, focusing on if nuclear materials around the world are effectively secured, 2:30 p.m., SD-342.

Committee on the Judiciary: To hold hearings to examine the nominations of William J. Kayatta, Jr., of Maine, to be United States Circuit Judge for the First Circuit, John Thomas Fowlkes, Jr., to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Tennessee, Kevin McNulty, and Michael A. Shipp, both to be a United States District Judge for the District of New Jersey, and Stephanie Marie Rose, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Iowa, 2:45 p.m., SD-226.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: To hold hearings to examine ending homelessness among veterans, focusing on Veterans' Affairs progress on its five year plan, 10 a.m., SR-418.

House

No hearings are scheduled.