

and International Security concluded a hearing to examine assessing efforts to combat waste and fraud in Federal programs, after receiving testimony from Representatives Platts and Towns; Daniel I. Werfel, Controller, Office of Management and Budget; Sheila O. Conley, Deputy Assistant Secretary of Health and Human Services for Finance and Deputy Chief Financial Officer; and Beryl H. Davis, Director, Financial Management and Assurance, Government Accountability Office.

SPECIAL COUNSEL'S REPORT ON THE PROSECUTION OF SENATOR TED STEVENS

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the Special Counsel's report on the prosecution of Senator Ted Stevens, after receiving testimony from Henry F. Schuelke III, Janis, Schuelke and Wechsler, Washington, D.C.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Michael P.

Shea, to be United States District Judge for the District of Connecticut, who was introduced by Senator Lieberman, Gonzalo P. Curiel, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of California, who was introduced by Senator Blumenthal, and Robert J. Shelby, to be United States District Judge for the District of Utah, who was introduced by Senator Lee, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Margaret Bartley, of Maryland, who was introduced by Senator Murray, and Coral Wong Pietsch, of Hawaii, who was introduced by Senator Akaka, both to be a Judge of the United States Court of Appeals for Veterans Claims, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 22 public bills, H.R. 4273–4294; and 1 resolution, H. Res. 601, were introduced. **Pages H1739–40**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages H1741–42**

Report Filed: A report was filed today as follows:

H. Res. 600, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 4281) to provide an extension of Federal-aid highway, highway safety, motor carrier safety, transit, and other programs funded out of the Highway Trust Fund pending enactment of a multiyear law reauthorizing such programs, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 112–424). **Page H1739**

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Harper to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H1643**

Recess: The House recessed at 10:41 a.m. and reconvened at 12 noon. **Page H1647**

Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the guest chaplain, Reverend Dennis Culbreth, First Baptist Church, Jasper, Alabama. **Page H1647**

Journal: The House agreed to the Speaker's approval of the Journal by a yea-and-nay vote of 300 yeas to 111 nays with 4 answering "present", Roll No. 142. **Pages H1647, H1665**

Meeting Hour: Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 9 a.m. tomorrow. **Page H1652**

Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measure:

Amending title 32, United States Code, the body of laws of the United States dealing with the National Guard, to recognize the City of Salem, Massachusetts, as the Birthplace of the National Guard of the United States: H.R. 1339, amended, to amend title 32, United States Code, the body of laws of the United States dealing with the National Guard, to recognize the City of Salem, Massachusetts, as the Birthplace of the National Guard of the United States, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yea-and-nay vote of 413 yeas to 6 nays with 4 answering "present", Roll No. 141. **Pages H1652–54, H1664**

Agreed to amend the title so as to read: "To designate the City of Salem, Massachusetts, as the Birthplace of the National Guard of the United States." **Page H1664**

Establishing the budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2013 and setting forth appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2014 through 2022: The House began consideration of H. Con. Res. 112, to establish the budget for the United States Government for fiscal

year 2013 and setting forth appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2014 through 2022. Further proceedings were postponed.

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Rejected:

Mulvaney amendment in the nature of a substitute (No. 1 printed in H. Rept. 112–423) that sought to strike the text of the bill and insert President Obama’s budget proposal as scored by CBO (by a recorded vote of 0 ayes to 414 noes, Roll No. 143);

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Cleaver amendment in the nature of a substitute (No. 2 printed in H. Rept. 112–423) that sought to make investments in education, job training, transportation and infrastructure, and advanced research and development programs that will accelerate our economic recovery. Would protect the social safety net without cutting Social Security, Medicaid or Medicare and close certain corporate tax loopholes and preferences, saving trillions of dollars on the deficit over the next decade (by a recorded vote of 107 ayes to 314 noes, Roll No. 144); and

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Cooper amendment in the nature of a substitute (No. 3 printed in H. Rept. 112–423) that sought to establish the budget for FY 2013 and set forth the appropriate budgetary levels for FY 2014 through FY 2022 (by a recorded vote of 38 ayes to 382 noes with 2 answering “present”, Roll No. 145).

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Proceedings Postponed:

Honda amendment in the nature of a substitute (No. 4 printed in H. Rept. 112–423) that seeks to provide for deficit reduction and job creation that protects the social safety net.

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H. Res. 597, the rule providing for consideration of the concurrent resolution, was agreed to by a yeand-nay vote of 241 yeas to 184 nays, Roll No. 140, after the previous question was ordered by a yeand-nay vote of 235 yeas to 183 nays, Roll No. 139.

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Senate Message: Message received from the Senate today appears on page H1647.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Four yeand-nay votes and three recorded developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H1662, H1663–64, H1664, H1665, H1729–30, H1730, and H1730–31. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 10:29 p.m.

Committee Meetings

LEGISLATIVE MEASURES

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on General Farm Commodities and Risk Management held a hearing on H.R. 3283, the “Swap Jurisdiction Certainly Act”; H.R. 1838, to repeal a provision of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act prohibiting any Federal bailout of swap dealers or participants; and H.R. 4235, the “Swap Data Repository and Clearinghouse Indemnification Correction Act of 2012”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

APPROPRIATIONS—AMERICAN MANUFACTURING AND JOB REPATRIATION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies held a hearing on American Manufacturing and Job Repatriation. Testimony was heard from Patrick Gallagher, Director, National Institute of Standard and Technology; Subra Suresh, Director, National Science Foundation; and public witnesses.

APPROPRIATIONS—AMERICAN INDIAN AND ALASKA NATIVE PUBLIC WITNESS DAY

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies held a hearing for American Indian and Alaska Native Public Witnesses. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

APPROPRIATIONS—DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Financial Services and General Government held a hearing on FY 2013 Budget Request for Treasury. Testimony was heard from Timothy Geithner, Secretary of the Treasury.

APPROPRIATIONS—DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies held a hearing on FY 2013 Budget Request for Department of Labor. Testimony was heard from Hilda L. Solis, Secretary, Department of Labor.

APPROPRIATIONS—BUREAU OF RECLAMATION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development, and Related Agencies held a hearing on FY 2013 Budget Request for Bureau of Reclamation. Testimony was heard from Michael