

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

The House passed H.R. 5855, Department of Homeland Security Appropriations Act, 2013.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S3803–S3874

Measures Introduced: Eleven bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 3271–3281, and S. Res. 486–488. **Pages S3838–39**

Measures Reported:

S. 3276, to extend certain amendments made by the FISA Amendments Act of 2008. (S. Rept. No. 112–174) **Page S3838**

Measures Passed:

Large Air Tankers: Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry was discharged from further consideration of S. 3261, to allow the Chief of the Forest Service to award certain contracts for large air tankers, and the bill was then passed. **Pages S3870–71**

Making a Technical Correction: Senate passed H.R. 5883, to make a technical correction in Public Law 112–108. **Page S3871**

Making a Technical Correction: Senate passed H.R. 5890, to correct a technical error in Public Law 112–122. **Page S3871**

Honoring the Late Fang Lizhi: Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 476, honoring the contributions of the late Fang Lizhi to the people of China and the cause of freedom, and the resolution was then agreed to. **Pages S3871–72**

Portsmouth Naval Shipyard Fire: Senate agreed to S. Res. 488, commending the efforts of the firefighters and emergency response personnel of Maine, New Hampshire, Massachusetts, and Connecticut, who came together to extinguish the May 23, 2012, fire at Portsmouth Naval Shipyard in Kittery, Maine. **Pages S3872–73**

Measures Considered:

Agriculture Reform, Food, and Jobs Act—Agreement: Senate continued consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 3240, to reauthorize agricultural programs through 2017. **Pages S3803–35**

During consideration of this measure today, Senate also took the following action:

By 90 yeas to 8 nays (Vote No. 117), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, having voted in the affirmative, Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill. **Pages S3807–08**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that if cloture is not invoked on the nomination of Andrew David Hurwitz, of Arizona, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit, Senate agree to the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill at 2:15 p.m., on Tuesday, June 12, 2012; and that if cloture is invoked on the nomination of Andrew David Hurwitz, of Arizona, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit, that upon the disposition of the nomination, Senate agree to the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill. **Page S3835**

Hurwitz Nomination—Cloture: Senate began consideration of the nomination of Andrew David Hurwitz, of Arizona, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit. **Page S3835**

A motion was entered to close further debate on the nomination and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on cloture will occur on Monday, June 11, 2012. **Page S3835**

A unanimous-consent-time-agreement was reached providing that at 4:30 p.m., on Monday, June 11, 2012, there be up to 60 minutes of debate on the motion to invoke cloture on the nomination, equally divided between the two Leaders, or their designees; that upon the use or yielding back of time, Senate

vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the nomination. **Page S3835**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Mignon L. Clyburn, of South Carolina, to be a Member of the Federal Communications Commission for a term of five years from July 1, 2012.

Stephen Crawford, of Maryland, to be a Governor of the United States Postal Service for the remainder of the term expiring December 8, 2015.

John M. Koenig, of Washington, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Cyprus.

6 Air Force nominations in the rank of general.

4 Army nominations in the rank of general.

1 Coast Guard nomination in the rank of admiral.

4 Navy nominations in the rank of admiral.

Routine lists in the Army, Foreign Service, and Navy. **Pages S3873–74**

Nominations Withdrawn: Senate received notification of withdrawal of the following nominations:

Terence Francis Flynn, of Maryland, to be a Member of the National Labor Relations Board for the term of five years expiring August 27, 2015, which was sent to the Senate on January 5, 2011.

Terence Francis Flynn, of Maryland, to be a Member of the National Labor Relations Board for the term of five years expiring August 27, 2015 (Recess Appointment), which was sent to the Senate on February 13, 2012.

Roslyn Ann Mazer, of Maryland, to be Inspector General, Department of Homeland Security, which was sent to the Senate on July 21, 2011. **Page S3874**

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Record Votes: One record vote was taken today. (Total—117) **Page S3808**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m. and adjourned at 5:23 p.m., until 2:00 p.m. on Monday, June 11, 2012. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S3873.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

BLUE RIBBON COMMISSION ON AMERICA'S NUCLEAR FUTURE

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Subcommittee on Clean Air and Nuclear Safety concluded a hearing to examine recommendations from the Blue Ribbon Commission on America's Nuclear Future for a consent-based approach to siting nuclear waste storage and management facilities, after receiving testimony from S. Andrew Orrell, Director, Nuclear Energy and Fuel Cycle Programs, Sandia National Laboratories, Department of Energy; David A. Wright, South Carolina Public Service Commissioner, on behalf of the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners, and Geoffrey H. Fettus, Natural Resources Defense Council, Inc., all of Washington, D.C.; General Brent Scowcroft, Scowcroft Group, Washington, D.C., and Per Peterson, University of California, Berkley, both of the Blue Ribbon Commission on America's Nuclear Future; Eric Howes, Maine Yankee, Wiscasset; and Daniel S. Metlay, U.S. Nuclear Waste Technical Review Board, Arlington, Virginia.

CIVIL SOCIETY IN CUBA

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on Western Hemisphere, Peace Corps and Global Narcotics Affairs concluded a hearing to examine countering repression and strengthening civil society in Cuba, after receiving testimony from Roberta S. Jacobson, Assistant Secretary of State for Western Hemisphere Affairs; and Normando Hernandez Gonzalez, National Endowment for Democracy, Washington, D.C.

UNIVERSAL SERVICE FUND REFORM

Committee on Indian Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine Universal Service Fund Reform, focusing on ensuring a sustainable and connected future for native communities, after receiving testimony from Mignon L. Clyburn, Federal Communications Commission; Jonathan Adelstein, Administrator, Rural Utilities Service, Department of Agriculture; Alfred LaPaz, Mescalero Apache Tribal Council, and Godfrey Enjady, Mescalero Apache Telecom, Inc., both of Mescalero, New Mexico; Stephen Merriam, Arctic Slope Telephone Association Cooperative, Inc., Anchorage, Alaska; Albert S. N. Hee, Sandwich Isles Communications, Inc., Honolulu, Hawaii; and Shirley Bloomfield, National Telecommunications Cooperative Association, Arlington, Virginia.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Robert E. Bacharach, of Oklahoma, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Tenth Circuit, Paul William Grimm, to be United States District Judge for the District of Maryland, John E. Dowdell, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Okla-

homa, and Mark E. Walker, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Florida.

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.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 24 public bills, H.R. 5905–5928; and 3 resolutions, H. Res. 680–682, were introduced. **Page H3660**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages H3661–62**

Reports Filed: There were no reports filed today.

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Barton (TX) to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H3581**

Recess: The House recessed at 10:37 a.m. and reconvened at 12 noon. **Page H3585**

Protect Medical Innovation Act of 2012: The House passed H.R. 436, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to repeal the excise tax on medical devices, by a yea-and-nay vote of 270 yeas to 146 nays, Roll No. 361. **Pages H3601–15, H3615–18**

Rejected the Bishop (NY) motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Ways and Means with instructions to report the same back to the House forthwith with an amendment, by a yea-and-nay vote of 179 yeas to 239 nays, Roll No. 360.

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Pursuant to the rule, an amendment in the nature of a substitute consisting of the text of Rules Committee Print 112–23 shall be considered as adopted, in lieu of the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Ways and Means now printed in the bill. **Page H3601**

H. Res. 679, the rule providing for consideration of the bills (H.R. 436) and (H.R. 5882), was agreed to by a recorded vote of 241 yeas to 173 noes, Roll No. 359, after the previous question was ordered by a yea-and-nay vote of 240 yeas to 179 nays, Roll No. 358. **Pages H3589–99, H3600–01**

Department of Homeland Security Appropriations Act, 2013: The House passed H.R. 5855, making appropriations for the Department of Homeland Security for the fiscal year ending September

30, 2013, by a yea-and-nay vote of 234 yeas to 182 nays, Roll No. 370. Consideration of the measure began yesterday, June 6th. **Pages H3618–52**

Rejected the Tierney motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Appropriations with instructions to report the same back to the House forthwith with an amendment, by a recorded vote of 165 yeas to 251 noes, Roll No. 369. **Pages H3650–51**

Agreed by unanimous consent that, during further consideration of H.R. 5855 in the Committee of the Whole pursuant to House Resolution 667, no further amendment to the bill may be offered except those appearing on a list submitted to the desk.

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Agreed to:

Ellison amendment that prohibits funds from being used in contravention of (1) the Fifth and Fourteenth Amendments to the Constitution; (2) Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964; (3) Section 809(c)(1) of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968; or (4) Section 210401(a) of the Violent Crime and Law Enforcement Act of 1994;

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Graves (MO) amendment that prohibits funds from being used to finalize, implement, administer, or enforce the rule entitled “Provisional Unlawful Presence Waivers of Inadmissibility for Certain Immediate Relatives” published by the Department of Homeland Security on April 2, 2012; **Pages H3620–21**

Black amendment that prohibits funds from being used to provide funding for the position of Public Advocate within U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement; **Page H3622**

Flores amendment that prohibits funds from being used to enforce section 526 of the Energy Independence and Security Act of 2007; **Pages H3623–24**

Pierluisi amendment (No. 16 printed in the Congressional Record of June 6, 2012) that prohibits funds from being used to implement, administer, or enforce section 1301(a) of title 31, United States

Code, with respect to the use of amounts made available by this Act for “Customs and Border Protection—Salaries and Expenses” for the expenses authorized to be paid in section 9 of the Jones Act and for the collection of duties and taxes authorized to be levied, collected, and paid in Puerto Rico, as authorized in section 4 of the Foraker Act, in addition to the more specific amounts available for such purposes in the Puerto Rico Trust Fund pursuant to such provisions of law; **Page H3632**

Barletta amendment that prohibits funds from being used in contravention of section 642(a) of the Illegal Immigration Reform and Immigrant Responsibility Act of 1996; **Pages H3635–36**

Aderholt en bloc amendment that consists of the following amendments: Engel amendment that prohibits funds from being used by the Department of Homeland Security or any other Federal agency to lease or purchase new light duty vehicles, for any executive fleet, or for an agency’s fleet inventory, except in accordance with Presidential Memorandum—Federal Fleet Performance, dated May 24, 2011; Holt amendment that prohibits funds from being used for the purchase, operation, or maintenance of armed unmanned aerial vehicles; and Price (GA) amendment that prohibits funds from being used in contravention of immigration laws (as defined in section 101(a)(17) of the Immigration and Nationality Act); **Page H3637**

Cravaack amendment that prohibits funds from being used in contravention of section 236(c) of the Immigration and Nationality Act; **Pages H3641–43**

King (IA) amendment that prohibits funds from being used to enforce Executive Order 13166 (August 16, 2000; 65 Fed. Reg. 50121) (by a recorded vote of 224 ayes to 189 noes, Roll No. 362);

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King (IA) amendment that prohibits funds from being used to finalize, implement, administer, or enforce the “Morton Memos” described in the amendment (by a recorded vote of 238 ayes to 175 noes, Roll No. 363); and **Pages H3624–29, H3645–46**

Sullivan amendment that prohibits funds from being used to terminate an agreement governing a delegation of authority under section 287(g) of the Immigration and Nationality Act that is in existence on the date of the enactment of this Act (by a recorded vote of 250 ayes to 164 noes, Roll No. 366).

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Rejected:

Broun (GA) amendment that sought to prohibit funds from being used to enforce section 44920(f) of title 49, United States Code; **Page H3640**

Broun (GA) amendment that sought to prohibit funds from being used for Behavior Detection Officers or the SPOT program; **Pages H3640–41**

Blackburn amendment that sought to prohibit funds from being used to provide to a Transportation Security Officer, Behavior Detection Officer, or other employee of the Transportation Security Administration (1) a badge or shield or (2) a uniform with epaulets or a badge tab (by a recorded vote of 131 ayes to 282 noes, Roll No. 364)

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Blackburn amendment that sought to prohibit funds from being used for Transportation Security Administration Transportation Security Officers or Behavior Detection Officers outside an airport (by a recorded vote of 204 ayes to 210 noes, Roll No. 365); **Pages H3630–32, H3647**

Turner (NY) amendment that prohibits more than \$20,000,000 from being made available for surface transportation security inspectors, except for the National Explosives Detection Canine Training Program and Visible Intermodal Prevention and Response Teams (by a recorded vote of 101 ayes to 314 noes, Roll No. 367); and **Pages H3637–38, H3648–49**

Polis amendment that sought to reduce each amount made available by this Act by 2%, except for certain specified accounts (by a recorded vote of 99 ayes to 316 noes, Roll No. 368).

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Withdrawn:

Brown (FL) amendment that was offered and subsequently withdrawn that would have increased funding, by offset, for U.S. Customs and Border Protection Salaries and Expenses by \$25,000,000 and

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Crowley amendment that was offered and subsequently withdrawn regarding the sense of Congress that the Department of Homeland Security should increase coordination with India on efforts to prevent terrorist attacks in the United States and India.

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Point of Order sustained against:

Ryan (OH) amendment that sought to prohibit funds from being used to issue an immigrant or nonimmigrant visa to a citizen, subject, national, or resident of Brazil until the President of the United States determines and certifies to the Congress that the Government of Brazil has amended its laws to remove the prohibition on extradition of nationals of Brazil to other countries. **Pages H3621–22**

H. Res. 667, the rule providing for consideration of the bills (H.R. 5743), (H.R. 5854), (H.R. 5855), and (H.R. 5325), was agreed to on Thursday, May 31st.

Recess: The House recessed at 4:07 p.m. and reconvened at 4:21 p.m. **Page H3615**

Motion to Instruct Conferees: The House debated the Broun (GA) motion to instruct conferees on H.R. 4348. Further proceedings were postponed.

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Senate Message: Message received from the Senate by the Clerk and subsequently presented to the House today appears on page H3652.

Senate Referral: S. 3261 was referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

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Quorum Calls—Votes: Four yea-and-nay votes and nine recorded votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H3598–99, H3600–01, H3617, H3617–18, H3645, H3645–46, H3646–47, H3647, H3647–48, H3648–49, H3649, H3650–51, and H3651–52. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 11:35 p.m.

Committee Meetings

TRANSPORTATION, HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT APPROPRIATIONS BILL FY 2013

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Transportation, Housing and Urban Development held a markup of Transportation, Housing and Urban Development Appropriations Bill FY 2013. The bill was forwarded, without amendment.

MILITARY RESALE PROGRAMS OVERVIEW

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Military Personnel held a hearing entitled “Military Resale Programs Overview”. Testimony was heard from Robert L. Gordon, Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense, Military Community and Family Policy; Brigadier General Francis L. Hendricks, USAF, Commander, Army and Air Force Exchange Service; Rear Admiral Robert J. Bianchi, USN (ret), Chief Executive Officer, Navy Exchange Service Command; Joseph H. Jeu, Director and Chief Executive Officer, Defense Commissary Agency; William C. Dillon, Director, Semper Fit and Exchange Services, U.S. Marine Corps; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURE

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Full Committee held a markup of H.R. 4297, the “Workforce Investment Improvement Act of 2012”. The bill was ordered reported, as amended.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Commerce, Manufacturing, and Trade completed markup of H.R. 5865, the “American Manufac-

turing Competitiveness Act of 2012”; and H.R. 5859, to repeal an obsolete provision in title 49, United States Code, requiring motor vehicle insurance cost reporting. H.R. 5865 was forwarded as amended; and H.R. 5859 was forwarded, without amendment.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURE

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Energy and Power held a markup of H.R. 4273, the “Resolving Environmental and Grid Reliability Conflicts Act of 2012”; and H.R. 5892, the “Hydro-power Regulatory Efficiency Act of 2012”. H.R. 4273 and H.R. 5892 were forwarded, without amendment.

OVERSIGHT OF FEDERAL HOUSING ADMINISTRATION'S MULTIFAMILY INSURANCE PROGRAMS

Committee on Financial Services: Subcommittee on Insurance, Housing and Community Opportunity held a hearing entitled “Oversight of Federal Housing Administration's Multifamily Insurance Programs”. Testimony was heard from Marie Head, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Office of Multifamily Housing Programs, Office of Housing, Federal Housing Administration; Michael Bodaken, President, National Housing Trust; Mary Keaney, Executive Director, Illinois Housing Development Authority; and public witnesses.

INVESTOR PROTECTION: THE NEED TO PROTECT INVESTORS FROM THE GOVERNMENT

Committee on Financial Services: Subcommittee on Capital Markets and Government Sponsored Enterprises held a hearing entitled “Investor Protection: The Need to Protect Investors from the Government”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Full Committee held a markup of H.R. 4405, to impose sanctions on persons responsible for the detention, abuse, or death of Sergei Magnitsky, and for other gross violations of human rights in the Russian Federation, and for other purposes; H. Res. 506, calling upon the Government of Turkey to facilitate the reopening of the Ecumenical Patriarchate's Theological School of Halki without condition or further delay; H.R. 4141, to direct the Administrator of the United States Agency for International Development to take appropriate actions to improve the nutritional quality, quality control, and cost effectiveness of United States food assistance, and for other purposes; H. Res. 526, expressing the sense of the House of Representatives with respect toward the establishment of

a democratic and prosperous Republic of Georgia and the establishment of a peaceful and just resolution to the conflict with Georgia's internationally recognized borders; H. Res. 583, expressing support for robust efforts by the United States to see Joseph Kony, the leader of the Lord's Resistance Army, and his top commanders brought to justice and the group's atrocities permanently ended; and H. Res. 663, expressing support for the International Olympic Committee to recognize with a minute of silence at every future Olympics Opening Ceremony those who lost their lives at the 1972 Munich Olympics, and for other purposes. The following measures were ordered reported, as amended: H.R. 4405; H.R. 4141; H. Res. 526; H. Res. 583; and H. Res. 663. The following resolution was ordered reported, without amendment, H. Res. 506.

TSA'S EFFORTS TO FIX ITS POOR CUSTOMER SERVICE REPUTATION AND BECOME A LEANER, SMARTER AGENCY

Committee on Homeland Security: Subcommittee on Transportation Security held a hearing entitled "TSA's Efforts to Fix Its Poor Customer Service Reputation and Become a Leaner, Smarter Agency". Testimony was heard from John S. Pistole, Administrator, Transportation Security Administration.

OVERSIGHT OF THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Committee on the Judiciary: Full Committee held a hearing entitled "Oversight of the United States Department of Justice". Testimony was heard from Eric Holder, Attorney General, Department of Justice.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Natural Resources: Full Committee held a markup of the following measures: H.R. 1103, the "American Memorial Park Tinian Annex Act"; H.R. 1171, "Marine Debris Act Reauthorization Amendments of 2011"; H.R. 3065, the "Target Practice and Marksmanship Training Support Act"; H.R. 3100, the "San Antonio Missions National Historical Park Boundary Expansion Act"; H.R. 3210, the "RELIEF Act"; H.R. 3388, the "Wood-Pawcatuck Watershed Protection Act"; H.R. 3685, to amend the Herger-Feinstein Quincy Library Group Forest Recovery Act to extend and expand the scope of the pilot forest management project required by that Act; H.R. 3706, to create the Office of Chief Financial Officer of the Government of the Virgin Islands, and for other purposes; H.R. 4039, the "Yerington Land Conveyance and Sustainable Development Act"; H.R. 4073, to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to accept the quitclaim, disclaimer, and relinquishment of a railroad right of way within and adjacent to Pike National Forest in El Paso County,

Colorado, originally granted to the Mt. Manitou Park and Incline Railway Company pursuant to the Act of March 3, 1875; H.R. 4094, the "Preserving Access to Cape Hatteras National Seashore Recreational Area Act"; H.R. 4234, the "Grazing Improvement Act of 2012"; H.R. 4400, to designate the Salt Pond Visitor Center at Cape Cod National Seashore as the "Thomas P. O'Neill, Jr. Salt Pond Visitor Center", and for other purposes; S. 270, the "La Pine Land Conveyance Act"; and S. 997, the "East Bench Irrigation District Water Contract Extension Act". The following measures were ordered reported, as amended: H.R. 3685; H.R. 4039; H.R. 4234; H.R. 3100; H.R. 3210; H.R. 1171; H.R. 3388; H.R. 3706; and H.R. 4073. The following measures were ordered reported, without amendment: H.R. 4094; H.R. 1103; H.R. 3065; H.R. 4400; S. 270; and S. 997.

ASSESSING MEDICARE AND MEDICAID PROGRAM INTEGRITY

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform: Subcommittee on Government Organization, Efficiency and Financial Management held a hearing entitled "Assessing Medicare and Medicaid Program Integrity". Testimony was heard from Peter Budett, Director of Center for Program Integrity, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services; Ann Maxwell, Regional Inspector General for Evaluation and Inspections, Office of the Inspector General for Department of Health and Human Services; Carolyn Yocom, Director of Health Care, Medicaid, Government Accountability Office; and Kathleen King, Director of Health Care, Medicare, Government Accountability Office.

ISSUES AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR SMALL BUSINESSES ON THE GSA SCHEDULES

Committee on Small Business: Subcommittee on Contracting and Workforce held a hearing entitled "Scheduling Success? Issues and Opportunities for Small Businesses on the GSA Schedules". Testimony was heard from William T. Woods Director, Acquisition and Sourcing Management, Government Accountability Office; Steven J. Kempf, Commissioner, Federal Acquisition Services, General Services Administration; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Full Committee held a markup of the following measures: H.R. 4965, to preserve existing rights and responsibilities with respect to waters of the United States, and for other purposes; H.R. 5887, the "Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation Authorization Act of 2012"; H.R. 1171, the "Marine Debris Act Reauthorization Amendments of 2011"; H.R. 3742,

to designate the United States courthouse located at 100 North Church Street in Las Cruces, New Mexico, as the “Edwin L. Mechem United States Courthouse”; H.R. 4347, to designate the United States courthouse located at 709 West 9th Street in Juneau, Alaska, as the “Robert Boochever United States Courthouse”; General Services Administration Capital Investment and Leasing Program Resolutions; and Summary of Legislative and Oversight Activities Committee Report. The following measures were ordered reported, as amended: H.R. 4965; H.R. 5887; and H.R. 1171. The following measures were ordered reported, without amendment: H.R. 3742; and H.R. 4347. The Summary of Legislative and Oversight Activities Committee Report was approved.

Joint Meetings

ECONOMIC OUTLOOK

Joint Economic Committee: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the current economic outlook, after receiving testimony from Ben S. Bernanke, Chairman, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D548)

H.R. 2415, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 11 Dock Street in Pittston, Pennsylvania, as the “Trooper Joshua D. Miller Post Office Building”. Signed on June 5, 2012. (Public Law 112–124)

H.R. 3220, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 170 Evergreen Square SW in Pine City, Minnesota, as the “Master Sergeant Daniel L. Fedder Post Office”. Signed on June 5, 2012. (Public Law 112–125)

H.R. 3413, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1449 West Avenue in Bronx, New York, as the “Private Isaac T. Cortes Post Office”. Signed on June 5, 2012. (Public Law 112–126)

H.R. 4119, to reduce the trafficking of drugs and to prevent human smuggling across the Southwest

Border by deterring the construction and use of border tunnels. Signed on June 5, 2012. (Public Law 112–127)

H.R. 4849, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to issue commercial use authorizations to commercial stock operators for operations in designated wilderness within the Sequoia and Kings Canyon National Parks. Signed on June 5, 2012. (Public Law 112–128)

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY, JUNE 8, 2012

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

House

Committee on Energy and Commerce, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled “Medicare Contractors’ Efforts to Fight Fraud—Moving Beyond ‘Pay and Chase’”, 9:30 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Health, hearing “Examining the Appropriateness of Standards for Medical Imaging and Radiation Therapy Technologists”, 10 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary, Full Committee, continued markup of H.R. 4369, the “Furthering Asbestos Claim Transparency (FACT) Act of 2012”, 9:30 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Natural Resources, Subcommittee on Indian and Alaska Native Affairs, hearing entitled “Federal Communications Commission’s rule on the Universal Service Fund and its impact on American Indians and Alaska Natives”, 11 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Subcommittee on National Parks, Forest and Public Lands, hearing on the following measures: H.R. 3641 “Pinnacles National Park Act”; H.R. 3894, the “Pullman Historic Site National Park Service Study Act”; H.R. 4606, to authorize the issuance of right-of-way permits for natural gas pipelines in Glacier National Park, and for other purposes; H.R. 5544, the “Minnesota Education Investment and Employment Act”; and H.R. 5791, the “Emergency Water Supply Restoration Act”, 9 a.m., 1334 Longworth.

Committee on Ways and Means, Subcommittee on Select Revenue Measures, hearing entitled “Framework for Evaluating Certain Expiring Tax Provisions”, 9:30 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

2 p.m., Monday, June 11

Senate Chamber

Program for Monday: Senate will resume consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 3240, Agriculture Reform, Food, and Jobs Act. At 4:30 p.m., Senate will resume consideration of the nomination of Andrew David Hurwitz, of Arizona, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit, and vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the nomination at approximately 5:30 p.m.

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

9 a.m., Friday June 8

House Chamber

Program for Friday: Consideration of H.R. 5882—Legislative Branch Appropriations Act, 2013.

Extensions of Remarks, as inserted in this issue

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