

recorded vote be taken on the Amash amendment which had been disposed of earlier by a voice vote);

Pages H4970–71, H5000–01

Cicilline amendment that sought to eliminate funding for the Afghanistan Infrastructure Fund by and apply the \$375,000,000 in savings to the spending reduction account (by a recorded vote of 149 ayes to 270 noes, Roll No. 480);

Pages H4981–82, H5002

Woolsey amendment that sought to reduce the total amount of appropriations made available by the bill by \$181,000,000 (by a recorded vote of 114 ayes to 302 noes, Roll No. 481);

Pages H4988–89, H5002–03

Markey amendment that sought to prohibit funds from being used to operate or maintain more than 300 land-based intercontinental ballistic missiles (by a recorded vote of 136 ayes to 283 noes, Roll No. 482);

Pages H4989–90, H5003–04

Woolsey amendment that sought to reduce the total amount of appropriations made available by the bill by \$293,900,000 (by a recorded vote of 106 ayes to 311 noes, Roll No. 483);

Pages H4990, HH5004

Woolsey amendment that sought to reduce the total amount of appropriations made available by the bill by \$1,700,000,000 (by a recorded vote of 91 ayes to 328 noes, Roll No. 484);

Pages H4992–93, H5004–05

Lee amendment that sought to reduce appropriations in title IX of the bill by \$20,843,869,000, except as provided in subsection (b) of the amendment (by a recorded vote of 107 ayes to 312 noes, Roll No. 485); and

Pages H4994–95, H5005–06

King (IA) amendment that sought to prohibit funds from being used to administer the wage-rate requirements of subchapter IV of chapter 31 of title 40, United States Code, with respect to any project or program funded by this bill (by a recorded vote of 182 ayes to 235 noes, Roll No. 486).

Pages H4993, H5006

Withdrawn:

Kucinich amendment that was offered and subsequently withdrawn that would have increased funding, by offset, for the Defense Health Program by \$6,000,000 for suicide prevention research and

Pages H4955–56

Poe (TX) amendment (No. 3 printed in the Congressional Record of July 17, 2012) that was offered and subsequently withdrawn that would have reduced coalition support funds for Pakistan by \$1,300,000,000 and applied the savings to the spending reduction account.

Pages H4979–80

Point of Order sustained against:

Mulvaney amendment that sought to transfer \$5,557,306,000 in funding from Overseas Deploy-

ments and Other Activities accounts to Military Personnel accounts for the Army and Marine Corps;

Pages H4942–47

Section 8121 of the bill; and

Pages H4977–78

Lee amendment that sought to prohibit funds from being used for any account of the Department of Defense (other than accounts excluded by subsection (b)) in excess of the amount made available for such account for fiscal year 2008, unless the financial statements of the Department for fiscal year 2013 are validated as ready for audit within 180 days after the date of the enactment of this act.

Pages H4991–92

H. Res. 717, the rule providing for consideration of the bill, was agreed to on June 29th.

Presidential Message: Read a message from the President wherein he notified Congress that the national emergency declared in Executive Order 13581 with respect to significant transnational criminal organizations is to continue in effect beyond July 24, 2012—referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs and ordered to be printed (H. Doc. 112–125).

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Quorum Calls—Votes: One yea-and-nay vote and 15 recorded votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H4925–26, H4996–97, H4997–98, H4998, H4998–99, H4999–H5000, H5000, H5000–01, H5001–02, H5002, H5002–03, H5003–04, H5004, H5004–05, H5005–06 and H5006. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 10:32 p.m.

Committee Meetings

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education held a markup of the Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education Appropriations Bill, FY 2013. The bill was forwarded without amendment.

NATIONAL SECURITY INFORMATION AND IMPACT ON MILITARY OPERATIONS

Committee on Armed Services: Full Committee began a hearing on disclosures of national security information and impact on military operations. No testimony was heard.

SEQUESTRATION IMPLEMENTATION OPTIONS AND THE EFFECTS ON NATIONAL DEFENSE

Committee on Armed Services: Full Committee held a hearing on Sequestration Implementation Options

and the Effects on National Defense: Industry Perspectives. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

WITHDRAWAL FROM AFGHANISTAN

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing on Withdrawal from Afghanistan: Historical Lessons. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

KEEPING COLLEGE WITHIN REACH

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Subcommittee on Higher Education and Workforce Training held a hearing entitled “Keeping College Within Reach: Exploring State Efforts to Curb Costs”. Testimony was heard from Teresa Lubbers, Commissioner for Higher Education, Indiana; and public witnesses.

USING INNOVATION TO REFORM MEDICARE PHYSICIAN PAYMENT

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Health held a hearing entitled “Using Innovation to Reform Medicare Physician Payment”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

LEGISLATIVE MEASURES

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Energy and Power held a hearing on the discussion draft of the “U.S. Agricultural Sector Relief Act of 2012”; and the “Asthma Inhalers Relief Act of 2012”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Energy and Power began a markup of the following: the “U.S. Agricultural Sector Relief Act of 2012”; the “Asthma Inhalers Relief Act of 2012”; and the “No More Solyndras Act”.

MONETARY POLICY AND THE STATE OF THE ECONOMY

Committee on Financial Services: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Monetary Policy and the State of the Economy”. Testimony was heard from Ben Bernanke, Chairman, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on Asia and the Pacific held a markup of H.R. 6040, to approve the Agreement providing terms for a continuation of the free association between the United States and Palau, and for other purposes. The bill was forwarded, as amended.

A DECADE AFTER 9/11 COULD AMERICAN FLIGHT SCHOOLS STILL UNKNOWINGLY BE TRAINING TERRORISTS?

Committee on Homeland Security: Subcommittee on Transportation Security held a hearing entitled “A Decade After 9/11 Could American Flight Schools Still Unknowingly Be Training Terrorists?” Testimony was heard from Kerwin Wilson, General Manager for General Aviation, Office of Security Policy and Industry Engagement, Transportation Security Administration, Department of Homeland Security; John Woods, Assistant Director, National Security Investigations, Immigration and Customs Enforcement, Department of Homeland Security; Stephen Lord, Director, Homeland Security and Justice Issues, Government Accountability Office; and public witnesses.

INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION AND PATENT DISPUTES

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Intellectual Property, Competition and the Internet held a hearing entitled “The International Trade Commission and Patent Disputes”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

LEGISLATIVE MEASURES

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on the Constitution held a hearing on H.J. Res. 110, an Amendment to the Constitution Concerning Parental Rights and Education. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on the Judiciary: Full Committee held a markup of the following: H.R. 6062, the “Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program Reauthorization Act of 2012”; H.R. 3796, the “Adam Walsh Reauthorization Act of 2012”; and H.R. 3803, the “District of Columbia Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act”. H.R. 6062 was ordered reported without amendment. H.R. 3796 and H.R. 3803 were ordered reported, as amended.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Natural Resources: Full Committee held a markup on H.R. 6082, the “Congressional Replacement of President Obama’s Energy-Restricting and Job-Limiting Offshore Drilling Plan”. The bill was ordered reported, as amended.

ADMINISTRATION'S BET OF ABOUND SOLAR

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform: Subcommittee on Regulatory Affairs, Stimulus Oversight and Government Spending held a hearing entitled "The Administration's Bet of Abound Solar: Assessing the Costs to the American Taxpayers". Testimony was heard from David G. Frantz, Acting Executive Director, Loan Programs Office, Department of Energy; Jonathan Silver, former Executive Director, Loan Program Office, Department of Energy; and public witnesses.

TAKING CARE OF OUR VETERANS: WHAT IS THE DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS DOING TO ELIMINATE THE CLAIMS BACKLOG?

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform: Subcommittee on National Security, Homeland Defense and Foreign Operations held a hearing entitled "Taking Care of Our Veterans: What is the Department of Veterans Affairs Doing to Eliminate the Claims Backlog?" Testimony was heard from Allison Hickey, Under Secretary for Benefits, Department of Veterans Affairs; and public witnesses.

EXPANDING BROADBAND ACCESS TO SMALL BUSINESSES

Committee on Small Business: Full Committee held a hearing entitled "Digital Divide: Expanding Broadband Access to Small Businesses". Testimony was heard from Julius Genachowski, Chairman, Federal Communications Commission, Jonathan Adelstein, Administrator, Rural Utility Service, Department of Agriculture; and Lawrence E. Strickling, Assistant Secretary, National Telecommunications and Information Administration, Department of Commerce.

FAA'S CONTRACT TOWER PROGRAM

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Aviation held a hearing entitled "A Review of the FAA's Contract Tower Program". Testimony was heard from Calvin L. Scovel, Inspector General, Department of Transportation; David Grizzle, Chief Operating Officer, Air Traffic Organization, FAA; and Julie Oettinger, Assistant Administrator for Policy, International Affairs and Environment, FAA.

DISABILITY COMPENSATION BENEFITS PROCESS FOR VICTIMS OF MILITARY SEXUAL TRAUMA

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs held a hearing entitled "Invisible Wounds: Examining the Disability Compensation Benefits Process for Victims of

Military Sexual Trauma". Testimony was heard from Col. Alan Metzler, Deputy Director, Sexual Assault Prevention and Response Office, Department of Defense; Thomas Murphy, Director of Compensation and Pension Service, Department of Veterans Affairs; and public witnesses.

Joint Meetings

VIOLENCE AGAINST COPTIC WOMEN AND GIRLS IN EGYPT

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe: Commission concluded a hearing to examine the escalation of violence against Coptic women and girls in Egypt, after receiving testimony from Michele Clark, George Washington University Elliott School of International Affairs, Medford, Massachusetts; and Walid Phares, Transatlantic Legislative Group on Counterterrorism, and Katrina Lantos Swett, United States Commission on International Religious Freedom, both of Washington, DC.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, JULY 19, 2012

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Armed Services: to hold hearings to examine the nominations of General Mark A. Welsh III, USAF for reappointment to the grade of general and to be Chief of Staff, United States Air Force, Lieutenant General John F. Kelly, USMC to be general and Commander, United States Southern Command, and Lieutenant General Frank J. Grass, ARNG to be general and Chief, National Guard Bureau, 9:30 a.m., SH-216.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: to hold hearings to examine making college affordability a priority, focusing on promising practices and strategies, 10 a.m., SD-430.

Committee on Indian Affairs: to hold an oversight hearing to examine the impacts of environmental changes on treaty rights, traditional lifestyles, and tribal homelands, 2:15 p.m., SD-628.

Committee on the Judiciary: business meeting to consider S. 285, for the relief of Sopuruchi Chukwueke, S. 3276, to extend certain amendments made by the FISA Amendments Act of 2008, and the nominations of Frank Paul Geraci, Jr., to be United States District Judge for the Western District of New York, Fernando M. Olguin, to be United States District Judge for the Central District of California, Malachy Edward Mannion, and Matthew W. Brann, both to be a United States District Judge for the Middle District of Pennsylvania, and Charles R. Breyer, of California, to be a Member of the United States Sentencing Commission, 10 a.m., SD-226.

Select Committee on Intelligence: to hold closed hearings to examine certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.