

rule provides that an amendment in the nature of a substitute consisting of the text of the Rules Committee Print 113–6 shall be considered as adopted. The bill, as amended, shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against provisions in the bill, as amended. The rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Chairman Kline and Representative Andrews.

#### REVIEW OF PRIVATE SECTOR EFFORTS TO TRACK AND MITIGATE ASTEROIDS AND METEORS

*Committee on Science, Space, and Technology:* Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Threats from Space, Part II: A Review of Private Sector Efforts to Track and Mitigate Asteroids and Meteors”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

#### SMALL BUSINESS TAX REFORM: GROWTH THROUGH SIMPLICITY

*Committee on Small Business:* Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Small Business Tax Reform: Growth Through Simplicity”. Testimony was heard from Chairman Camp; and public witnesses.

#### UPDATE OF EFFORTS TO COMBAT PIRACY

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure:* Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime held a hearing on the efforts to combat piracy. Testimony was heard from Rear Admiral Servidio, Assistant Commandant for Prevention Policy, United States Coast Guard; Rear Admiral Joseph Kuzmick, Director, Operations and Plans, United States Navy; David Matsuda, Administrator, Maritime Administration; Thomas Kelly, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Political-Military Affairs, Department of State; and a public witness.

#### LEGISLATIVE MEASURES

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs:* Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity held a hearing on H.R. 357, the “GI Bill Tuition Fairness Act of 2013”; H.R. 562, the “VRAP Extension Act of 2013”; H.R. 631, the “Servicemembers' Choice in Transition Act of 2013”; H.R. 844, the “VetSuccess Enhancement Act”; H.R. 1305, to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide clarification regarding eligibility for services under the Homeless Veterans Reintegration Program; H.R. 1316, to amend title 38, United States Code, to specify the responsibilities of the Directors and Assistant Directors of Veterans' Employment and Training; H.R. 1402, the “Veterans Paralympic Act of 2013”; H.R. 1453, the “Improving Job Opportunities for Veterans Act of 2013”; and H.R. 1453 to amend title 39, United States Code, to extend the authority to provide work-study allowance

for certain activities by individuals receiving educational assistance by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs. Testimony was heard from Curtis L. Coy, Deputy Under Secretary for Economic Opportunity, Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs; Susan Kelly, Deputy Director, Transition to Veterans Program Office, Department of Defense; Keith Kelly, Assistant Secretary, Veterans' Employment and Training Service, Department of Labor; and public witnesses.

#### SUSTAINING THE SACRED TRUST: AN UPDATE ON OUR NATIONAL CEMETERIES

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs:* Subcommittee on Disability and Memorial Affairs held a hearing entitled “Sustaining the Sacred Trust: An Update on our National Cemeteries”. Testimony was heard from Steve L. Muro, Under Secretary for Memorial Affairs, National Cemetery Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs; Kathryn Condon, Executive Director of Army National Cemeteries Program, Department of Defense; Raymond Wollman, Deputy Secretary, American Battle Monuments Commission; Linda Halliday, Assistant Inspector General for Audits and Evaluations, Department of Veterans Affairs Office of Inspector General; and public witnesses.

#### ABILITY OF THE GOVERNMENT TO PRIORITIZE ITS OBLIGATIONS SHOULD THE U.S. TREASURY REACH ITS STATUTORY DEBT LIMIT

*Committee on Ways and Means:* Subcommittee on Oversight held a hearing on examining the government's ability to prioritize its obligations and continue operations should the U.S. Treasury reach its statutory debt limit. Testimony was heard from Representatives Bachmann, McClintock, Scalise, Schweikert, and Webster (FL).

#### MISCELLANEOUS MEASURE

*House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence:* Full Committee held a markup on H.R. 624, the “Cyber Intelligence Sharing and Protection Act”. The bill was ordered reported, with amendments.

### Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

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#### COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, APRIL 11, 2013

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

##### Senate

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal

year 2014 for the Department of Commerce, 10 a.m., SD-192.

Subcommittee on Transportation and Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2014 for the Department of Housing and Urban Development, 10 a.m., SD-138.

*Committee on Armed Services*: to hold hearings to examine the nomination of General Philip M. Breedlove, USAF for reappointment to the grade of general and to be Commander, United States European Command and Supreme Allied Commander, Europe, 9:30 a.m., SD-G50.

Full Committee, to receive a briefing on the situation in Syria, 2:30 p.m., SD-G50.

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs*: Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Protection, to hold hearings to examine outsourcing accountability, focusing on examining the role of independent consultants, 10 a.m., SD-538.

*Committee on the Budget*: to hold hearings to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2014, 2 p.m., SD-608.

*Committee on Environment and Public Works*: to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Regina McCarthy, of Massachusetts, to be Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, 10:30 a.m., SD-406.

*Committee on Finance*: to hold hearings to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2014, 2:30 p.m., SD-215.

*Committee on Foreign Relations*: to hold hearings to examine United States policy toward Syria, 2:15 p.m., SD-419.

*Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions*: to hold hearings to examine an open marketplace, focusing on the effect of guaranteed issue and new rating rules, 10 a.m., SD-430.

*Committee on the Judiciary*: business meeting to consider the nominations of Kenneth John Gonzales, to be United States District Judge for the District of New Mexico, Gregory Alan Phillips, of Wyoming, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Tenth Circuit, and Karol Virginia Mason, of Georgia, to be an Assistant Attorney General, Department of Justice, 10 a.m., SD-226.

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

## House

*Committee on Appropriations*, Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, hearing on the Department of Education, 10 a.m., 2358-C Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Homeland Security, hearing on FY 2014 Budget Request for the Department of Homeland Security, 10 a.m., 2359 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development, hearing on Oversight Hearing: Nuclear Waste Programs and Strategies, 10 a.m., 2362-B Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science and Related Agencies, Department of Commerce Budget Request, 1:30 p.m., 2359 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Interior, Environment and Related Agencies, hearing on Department of the Interior Budget Request for Fiscal Year 2014, 1 p.m., B-308 Rayburn.

*Committee on Armed Services*, Full Committee, hearing on Fiscal Year 2014 National Defense Authorization Budget Request from the Department of Defense, 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Tactical Air and Land Forces, hearing on Equipping the Individual Soldier and Marine: Current and Future Year Acquisition and Modernization Strategies and the Fiscal Year 2014 Budget Request, 3:30 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

*Committee on the Budget*, Full Committee, hearing entitled "The President's Fiscal Year 2014 Budget", 10 a.m., 210 Cannon.

*Committee on Education and the Workforce*, Subcommittee on Workforce Protections, hearing on H.R. 1406, the "Working Families Flexibility Act of 2013", 10 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

*Committee on Energy and Commerce*, Subcommittee on Health, hearing entitled "Strengthening Medicare for Seniors: Understanding the Challenges of Traditional Medicare's Benefit Design", 10 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Environment and the Economy, hearing on a draft discussion on the "Coal Ash Recycling and Oversight Act of 2013", 10:30 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Communications and Technology continued markup on legislation to affirm the policy of the United States regarding Internet governance, 2:15 p.m., 2123 Rayburn.

*Committee on Financial Services*, Subcommittee on Capital Markets, hearing entitled "Legislative Proposals Regarding Derivatives and SEC Economic Analysis", 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

*Committee on Foreign Affairs*, Subcommittee on Africa, Global Health, Global Human Rights, and International Organizations, hearing entitled "Highlighting Vietnamese Government Human Rights Violations in Advance of the U.S.-Vietnam Dialogue", 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on the Middle East and North Africa; Subcommittee on Asia and the Pacific; and Subcommittee on Terrorism, Nonproliferation, and Trade, hearing entitled "Breaking the Iran, North Korea, and Syria Nexus", 2:30 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Western Hemisphere, hearing entitled "Energy Opportunities in Latin America and the Caribbean", 3 p.m., 2200 Rayburn.

*Committee on Homeland Security*, Subcommittee on Counterterrorism and Intelligence, hearing entitled "Counterterrorism Efforts to Combat a Chemical, Biological, Radiological, and Nuclear Attack on the Homeland", 10 a.m., 311 Cannon.

Subcommittee on Transportation Security, hearing entitled "TSA's Efforts to Advance Risk-Based Security: Stakeholder Perspectives", 1 p.m., 311 Cannon.

*Committee on the Judiciary*, Full Committee, markup on H.R. 367, the "Regulations From the Executive in Need of Scrutiny Act of 2013", 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

*Committee on Natural Resources*, Subcommittee on Public Lands and Environmental Regulation, hearing on the following: legislation regarding “Restoring Healthy Forests for Healthy Communities Act”; H.R. 1294, the “Self-Sufficient Community Lands Act”; H.R. 818, the “Healthy Forest Management and Wildfire Prevention Act”; H.R. 1345, the “Catastrophic Wildfire Prevention Act of 2013”; legislation regarding the “O&C Trust, Conservation, and Jobs Act”; and legislation regarding the “Depleting Risk from Insect Infestation, Soil Erosion, and Catastrophic Fire Act of 2013”, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

*Committee on Oversight and Government Reform*, Subcommittee on Federal Workforce, U.S. Postal Service, and the Census, hearing entitled “The Federal Employees Health Benefit Program: Is It a Good Value for Federal Employees?”, 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

*Committee on Science, Space, and Technology*, Full Committee, markup on H.R. 875, to provide for a comprehensive assessment of the scientific and technical research on the implications of the use of mid-level ethanol blends, and for other purposes; and H.R. 1422, the “EPA

Science Advisory Board Reform Act of 2013”, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

*Committee on Small Business*, Subcommittee on Investigations, Oversight and Regulations, hearing entitled “JOBS Act Implementation Update”, 10 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure*, Subcommittee on Railroads, Pipelines, and Hazardous Materials, hearing entitled “Amtrak’s Fiscal Year 2014 Budget: The Starting Point for Reauthorization”, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

*Committee on Veterans’ Affairs*, Full Committee, hearing on U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs Budget Request for Fiscal Year 2014, 10 a.m., 334 Cannon.

*Committee on Ways and Means*, Full Committee, hearing on President’s Fiscal Year 2014 Budget Proposal with U.S. Department of the Treasury, 10 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

*House Permanent Select Committee On Intelligence*, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Worldwide Threats”, 10 a.m., HVC–210. Portions of this meeting may close, HVC–304.