

II: H.R. 324, amended, to grant the Congressional Gold Medal, collectively, to the First Special Service Force, in recognition of its superior service during World War II, by a 2/3 yea-and-nay vote of 415 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 165;

Pages H2817–19, H2830–31

Helping Heroes Fly Act: H.R. 1344, amended, to amend title 49, United States Code, to direct the Assistant Secretary of Homeland Security (Transportation Security Administration) to provide expedited air passenger screening to severely injured or disabled members of the Armed Forces and severely injured or disabled veterans, by a 2/3 yea-and-nay vote of 413 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 166;

Pages H2819–25, H2831–32

Freedom to Fish Act: S. 982, to prohibit the Corps of Engineers from taking certain actions to establish a restricted area prohibiting public access to waters downstream of a dam; and

Pages H2825–27

Authorizing the use of Emancipation Hall in the Capitol Visitor Center for the unveiling of a statue of Frederick Douglass: S. Con. Res. 16, to authorize the use of Emancipation Hall in the Capitol Visitor Center for the unveiling of a statue of Frederick Douglass.

Pages H2827–28

Question of Privilege: Representative Grayson rose to a question of the privileges of the House and offered a resolution. The Chair ruled that the resolution did not constitute a question of the privileges of the House.

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Recess: The House recessed at 3:55 p.m. and reconvened at 5:03 p.m.

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Senate Message: Message received from the Senate by the Clerk and subsequently presented to the House today appears on page H2813.

Senate Referral: S. 309 was held at the desk.

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Quorum Calls—Votes: Three yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H2830, H2830–31 and H2831–32. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 5:05 p.m.

Committee Meetings

CFTC: MARKET PERSPECTIVES

Committee on Agriculture: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “The Future of the CFTC: Market Perspectives”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Appropriations: Full Committee held a markup on Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies Appropriations Bill for FY 2014; and consideration of the Report on the Suballocations of Budget Allocations. The bill was ordered reported, as amended. The Report on the Suballocations of Budget Allocation for FY 2014 was approved, as amended.

PRESIDENT’S FISCAL YEAR 2014 BUDGET PROPOSAL FOR THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Reviewing the President’s Fiscal Year 2014 Budget Proposal for the U.S. Department of Education”. Testimony was heard from Arne Duncan, Secretary, Department of Education.

CYBER THREATS AND SECURITY SOLUTIONS

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Cyber Threats and Security Solutions”. Testimony was heard from Patrick D. Gallagher, Under Secretary of Commerce for Standards and Technology, Director National Institute of Standards and Technology; and public witnesses.

CYBERSECURITY: AN EXAMINATION OF THE COMMUNICATIONS SUPPLY CHAIN

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Communications and Technology held a hearing entitled “Cybersecurity: An Examination of the Communications Supply Chain”. Testimony was heard from Mark Goldstein, Director, Physical Infrastructure Issues, Government Accountability Office; and public witnesses.

QUALIFIED MORTGAGES: EXAMINING THE IMPACT OF THE ABILITY TO REPAY RULE

Committee on Financial Services: Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Credit held a hearing entitled “Qualified Mortgages: Examining the Impact of the Ability to Repay Rule”. Testimony was heard from Peter Carroll, Assistant Director for Mortgage Markets, Consumer Financial Protection Bureau; and Kelly Cochran, Assistant Director for Regulations, Consumer Financial Protection Bureau.

UNINTENDED CONSEQUENCES OF DODD-FRANK’S CONFLICT MINERALS PROVISION

Committee on Financial Services: Subcommittee on Monetary Policy and Trade held a hearing entitled “The Unintended Consequences of Dodd-Frank’s

Conflict Minerals Provision”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

CALL FOR ECONOMIC LIBERTY IN THE ARAB WORLD

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “The Call for Economic Liberty in the Arab World”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

THE GROWING CRISIS IN AFRICA’S SAHEL REGION

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on Africa, Global Health, Global Human Rights, and International Organizations; Subcommittee on the Middle East and North Africa; and Subcommittee on Terrorism, Nonproliferation, and Trade held a joint hearing entitled “The Growing Crisis in Africa’s Sahel Region”. Testimony was heard from Donald Y. Yamamoto, Acting Assistant Secretary of State, Bureau of African Affairs, Department of State; Nancy E. Lindborg, Assistant Administrator, Bureau for Democracy, Conflict and Humanitarian Assistance, U.S. Agency for International Development; and public witnesses.

VISA SECURITY AND OVERSTAYS

Committee on Homeland Security: Subcommittee on Border and Maritime Security held a hearing entitled “Visa Security and Overstays: How Secure is America?”. Testimony was heard from the following Department of Homeland Security officials: John Wagner, Acting Deputy Assistant Commissioner, Office of Field Operations, Customs and Border Protection; James Dinkins, Executive Associate Director, Homeland Security Investigations, Immigration and Customs Enforcement; Shonnie Lyon, Acting Director, Office of Biometric Identity Management, National Protection and Programs Directorate; Rebecca Gambler, Director of the Homeland and Security and Justice, Government Accountability Office.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURE

Committee on the Judiciary: Full Committee held a markup on H.R. 982, the “Furthering Asbestos Claim Transparency Act of 2013”. The bill was ordered reported, without amendment.

DATA COLLECTION ISSUES IN RELATION TO THE REAUTHORIZATION OF THE MAGNUSON–STEVENS FISHERY CONSERVATION AND MANAGEMENT ACT

Committee on Natural Resources: Subcommittees on Fisheries, Wildlife Oceans and Insular Affairs held a hearing on data collection issues in relation to the reauthorization of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act. Testimony was

heard from Richard Merrick, Chief Science Advisor, National Marine Fisheries Services, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration; and public witnesses.

PERSPECTIVES ON THE MANAGEMENT OF FEDERAL AND STATE LAND

Committee on Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Public Lands and Environmental Regulation held a hearing entitled “Perspectives on the Management of Federal and State Land”. Testimony was heard from Gary Herbert, Governor, State of Utah.

EXAMINING THE CONCERN ABOUT OBAMACARE OUTREACH CAMPAIGN

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform: Subcommittee on Energy Policy, Health Care and Entitlements; Subcommittee on Economic Growth, Job Creation and Regulatory Affairs held a joint hearing entitled “Examining the Concern About ObamaCare Outreach Campaign”. Testimony was heard from Gary Cohen, Deputy Administrator and Director, Center for Consumer Information and Insurance Oversight, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services.

NORTHERN ROUTE APPROVAL ACT

Committee on Rules: Full Committee held a hearing on H.R. 3, the “Northern Route Approval Act”. The Committee granted, by voice vote, a structured rule for H.R. 3. The rule provides 90 minutes of general debate equally divided among and controlled by the respective chairs and ranking minority members of the Committees on Transportation and Infrastructure, Energy and Commerce, and Natural Resources. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule makes in order as original text for purpose of amendment an amendment in the nature of a substitute consisting of the text of Rules Committee Print 113–11 and provides that it shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against the amendment in the nature of a substitute. The rule makes in order only those further amendments printed in the Rules Committee report. Each such amendment may be offered only in the order printed in the report, may be offered only by a Member designated in the report, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, shall not be subject to amendment, and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question. The rule waives all points of order against the amendments printed in the report. The rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Chairman Shuster and Representatives

Whitfield, Terry, Rush, Shea-Porter, Weber (TX), and Jackson Lee.

CURRENT AND FUTURE APPLICATIONS OF BIOMETRIC TECHNOLOGIES

Committee on Science, Space, and Technology: Subcommittee on Research and Subcommittee on Technology held a hearing entitled “The Current and Future Applications of Biometric Technologies”. Testimony was heard from Charles H. Romine, Director, Information Technology Laboratory, National Institute of Standards and Technology; and public witnesses.

NEXT STEPS IN HUMAN EXPLORATION TO MARS AND BEYOND

Committee on Science, Space, and Technology: Subcommittee on Space held a hearing entitled “Next Steps in Human Exploration to Mars and Beyond”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

THE ROLE OF U.S. SHIPS AND MARINERS

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation held a hearing entitled “Maritime Transportation: The Role of U.S. Ships and Mariners”. Testimony was heard from John Porcari, Deputy Secretary, Department of Transportation; General William M. Fraser III, Commander, Transportation Command; and public witnesses.

UNDERSTANDING THE COST DRIVERS OF PASSENGER RAIL

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Railroad, Pipelines, and Hazardous Materials held a hearing entitled “Understanding the Cost Drivers of Passenger Rail”. Testimony was heard from Joseph H. Boardman, President and CEO, Amtrak; and public witnesses.

LEGISLATIVE MEASURES

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Subcommittee on Health held a hearing on the following: legislation concerning the “Veterans Integrated Mental Health Care Act of 2013”; legislation concerning the “Demanding Accountability for Veterans Act of 2013”; H.R. 241, the “Veterans Timely Access to Health Care Act”; H.R. 288, the “CHAMPVA Children's Protection Act of 2013”; and H.R. 1284, to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for coverage under the beneficiary travel program of the Department of Veterans Affairs of certain disabled veterans for travel for certain special disabilities rehabilitation, and for other purposes. Testimony was heard from Representatives Ross and Guthrie; Robert L. Jesse, M.D. Principal Deputy Under Secretary for

Health, Veterans Health Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs; and public witnesses.

PRESIDENT'S AND OTHER BIPARTISAN PROPOSALS TO REFORM MEDICARE

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Health held a hearing on the President's and Other Bipartisan Proposals to Reform Medicare. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

Joint Meetings

DEMOCRATIC INSTITUTIONS AND HUMAN RIGHTS

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe: Commission concluded a hearing to examine the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe Office for Democratic Institutions and Human Rights, focusing on accomplishments and challenges, including crackdowns on civil society in Russia and other countries of the former Soviet Union, anti-Semitism and discrimination in the OSCE region, challenges faced by Roma in various countries, recent and upcoming election observations, and protecting human rights in the fight against terrorism, after receiving testimony from Janez Lenarcic, Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe Office for Democratic Institutions and Human Rights, Warsaw, Poland.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D398)

H.R. 1071, to specify the size of the precious-metal blanks that will be used in the production of the National Baseball Hall of Fame commemorative coins. Signed on May 17, 2013. (Public Law 113–10)

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, MAY 22, 2013

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Department of Defense, to hold closed hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2014 for the Army, 9 a.m., SD–192.

Subcommittee on Department of the Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies, to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2014 for the United States Forest Service, 9:30 a.m., SD–124.

Committee on the Budget: to hold hearings to examine supporting broad-based economic growth and fiscal responsibility through tax reform, 2:30 p.m., SD–608.