

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate confirmed the nomination of Anthony Renard Foxx, of North Carolina, to be Secretary of Transportation.

Senate passed S. 744, Border Security, Economic Opportunity, and Immigration Modernization Act, as amended.

Senate agreed to S. Con. Res. 19, Adjournment Resolution.

House agreed to S. Con. Res. 19, Adjournment Resolution.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S5315–S5512

Measures Introduced: Thirty-two bills and four resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1237–1268, S. Res. 190–192, and S. Con. Res. 19.

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Measures Reported:

S. 1243, making appropriations for the Departments of Transportation, and Housing and Urban Development, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2014. (S. Rept. No. 113–45)

S. 1244, making appropriations for Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2014. (S. Rept. No. 113–46)

S. 1245, making appropriations for energy and water development and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2014. (S. Rept. No. 113–47)

H.R. 2216, making appropriations for military construction, the Department of Veterans Affairs, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2014, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 113–48)

S. 27, to clarify authority granted under the Act entitled “An Act to define the exterior boundary of the Uintah and Ouray Indian Reservation in the State of Utah”. (S. Rept. No. 113–49)

S. 59, to designate a Distinguished Flying Cross National Memorial at the March Field Air Museum in Riverside, California. (S. Rept. No. 113–50)

S. 156, to allow for the harvest of gull eggs by the Huna Tlingit people within Glacier Bay Na-

tional Park in the State of Alaska, with an amendment. (S. Rept. No. 113–51)

S. 211, to amend certain definitions contained in the Provo River Project Transfer Act for purposes of clarifying certain property descriptions. (S. Rept. No. 113–52)

S. 225, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a study of alternatives for commemorating and interpreting the role of the Buffalo Soldiers in the early years of the National Parks. (S. Rept. No. 113–53)

S. 241, to establish the Rio Grande del Norte National Conservation Area in the State of New Mexico, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 113–54)

S. 256, to amend Public Law 93–435 with respect to the Northern Mariana Islands, providing parity with Guam, the Virgin Islands, and American Samoa, with an amendment. (S. Rept. No. 113–55)

S. 284, to transfer certain facilities, easements, and rights-of-way to Fort Sumner Irrigation District, New Mexico. (S. Rept. No. 113–56)

S. 305, to authorize the acquisition of core battlefield land at Champion Hill, Port Gibson, and Raymond for addition to Vicksburg National Military Park, with amendments. (S. Rept. No. 113–57)

S. 312, to adjust the boundary of the Carson National Forest, New Mexico. (S. Rept. No. 113–58)

S. 342, to designate the Pine Forest Range Wilderness area in Humboldt County, Nevada. (S. Rept. No. 113–59)

S. 349, to amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to designate a segment of the Beaver, Chipuxet, Queen, Wood, and Pawcatuck Rivers in the States

of Connecticut and Rhode Island for study for potential addition to the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System. (S. Rept. No. 113–60)

S. 368, to reauthorize the Federal Land Transaction Facilitation Act, with an amendment. (S. Rept. No. 113–61)

S. 371, to establish the Blackstone River Valley National Historical Park, to dedicate the Park to John H. Chafee. (S. Rept. No. 113–62)

S. 447, to provide for the conveyance of certain cemeteries that are located on National Forest System land in Black Hills National Forest, South Dakota. (S. Rept. No. 113–63)

S. 476, to amend the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal Development Act to extend to the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal National Historical Park Commission, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 113–64)

S. 507, to establish the Manhattan Project National Historical Park in Oak Ridge, Tennessee, Los Alamos, New Mexico, and Hanford, Washington, with amendments. (S. Rept. No. 113–65)

S. 609, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain Federal land in San Juan County, New Mexico, with amendments. (S. Rept. No. 113–66)

S. 736, to establish a maximum amount for special use permit fees applicable to certain cabins on National Forest System land in the State of Alaska, with amendments. (S. Rept. No. 113–67)

S. 757, to provide for the implementation of the multispecies habitat conservation plan for the Virgin River, Nevada, and Lincoln County, Nevada, to extend the authority to purchase certain parcels of public land. (S. Rept. No. 113–68)

H.R. 316, to reinstate and transfer certain hydroelectric licenses and extend the deadline for commencement of construction of certain hydroelectric projects, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 113–69) **Pages S5497–98**

Measures Passed:

Border Security, Economic Opportunity, and Immigration Modernization Act: By 68 yeas to 32 nays (Vote No. 168), Senate passed S. 744, to provide for comprehensive immigration reform, after taking action on the following amendments and motions proposed thereto: **Pages S5315–17, S5329–S5475**

Adopted:

By 68 yeas to 32 nays (Vote No. 166), Senate adopted the committee-reported substitute amendment. **Page S5330**

Withdrawn:

Reid Amendment No. 1552 (to the language proposed to be stricken by the reported committee sub-

stitute amendment to the bill), to change the enactment date. **Pages S5316, S5329–30**

Reid Amendment No. 1553 (to Amendment No. 1552), of a perfecting nature. **Pages S5316, S5329–30**

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

Chair sustained a point of order that Leahy (for Reed) Amendment No. 1224, to clarify the physical present requirements for merit-based immigrant visa applicants, was not in order, and the amendment thus fell. **Page S5316**

Chair sustained a point of order that Cruz Amendment No. 1320, to replace title I of the bill with specific border security requirements, which shall be met before the Secretary of Homeland Security may process applications for registered immigrant status or blue card status and to avoid Department of Homeland Security budget reductions, was not in order, and the amendment thus fell. **Page S5316**

Chair sustained a point of order that Boxer/Landrieu Amendment No. 1240, to require training for National Guard and Coast Guard officers and agents in training programs on border protection, immigration law enforcement, and how to address vulnerable populations, such as children and victims of crime, was not in order, and the amendment thus fell. **Page S5316**

By 68 yeas to 32 nays (Vote No. 167), 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 bill. **Page S5330**

Triennial International Civil Aviation Organization Assembly: Senate passed H.R. 1151, to direct the Secretary of State to develop a strategy to obtain observer status for Taiwan at the triennial International Civil Aviation Organization Assembly. **Page S5509**

Stan Musial Veterans Memorial Bridge: Senate passed H.R. 2383, to designate the new Interstate Route 70 bridge over the Mississippi River connecting St. Louis, Missouri, and southwestern Illinois as the “Stan Musial Veterans Memorial Bridge”. **Page S5509**

Congressional Gold Medal: Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 324, to grant the Congressional Gold Medal, collectively, to the First Special Service Force, in recognition of its superior service during World War II, and the bill was then passed. **Pages S5509–10**

Battle of Gettysburg 150th Anniversary: Senate agreed to S. Res. 192, commemorating the 150th

anniversary of the Battle of Gettysburg and the significance of this battle in the history of the United States. **Page S5510**

Adjournment Resolution: Senate agreed to S. Con. Res. 19, providing for a conditional adjournment or recess of the Senate and an adjournment of the House of Representatives. **Page S5510**

Border Security, Economic Opportunity, and Immigration Modernization Act Printing—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that S. 744, to provide for comprehensive immigration reform, as amended, and passed by the Senate, be printed. **Page S5510**

Signing Authority—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that from Friday, June 28, 2013 through Monday, July 8, 2013, the Majority Leader and Senators Mikulski and Reed be authorized to sign duly enrolled bills or joint resolutions. **Page S5510**

Authorizing Leadership to Make Appointments—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that, notwithstanding the upcoming recess or adjournment of the Senate, the President of the Senate, the President Pro Tempore, and the Majority and Minority Leaders be authorized to make appointments to commissions, committees, boards, conferences, or interparliamentary conferences authorized by law, by concurrent action of the two Houses, or by order of the Senate. **Page S5510**

Pro Forma—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the Senate adjourn, and convene for pro forma sessions only, with no business conducted on the following dates and times, and that following each pro forma session, the Senate adjourn until the next pro forma session: Friday, June 28, 2013 at 12:15 p.m.; Tuesday, July 2, 2013 at 10:15 a.m.; and Friday, July 5, 2013 at 12 p.m.; and that the Senate adjourn on Friday, July 5, 2013, until 2 p.m., on Monday, July 8, 2013, unless the Senate receives a message from the House of Representatives that it has adopted S. Con. Res. 19, providing for a conditional adjournment or recess of the Senate and an adjournment of the House of Representatives, and that if the Senate receives such a message, the Senate adjourn until 2 p.m., on Monday, July 8, 2013. **Page S5510**

Message from the President: Senate received the following message from the President of the United States:

Transmitting, pursuant to law, the notification of the President's intent to terminate the designation of Bangladesh as a beneficiary developing country under the Generalized System of Preferences (GSP)

program; which was referred to the Committee on Finance. (PM-15) **Page S5492**

Dorsey Nomination—Agreement: A unanimous-consent-time agreement was reached providing that at a time to be determined by the Majority Leader, in consultation with the Republican Leader, Senate begin consideration of the nomination of Jennifer A. Dorsey, of Nevada, to be United States District Judge for the District of Nevada; that there be one hour for debate equally divided in the usual form; that following the use or yielding back of time, Senate vote, without intervening action or debate, on confirmation of the nomination; and that no further motions be in order. **Page S5508**

Phillips Nomination—Agreement: A unanimous-consent-time agreement was reached providing that at 5 p.m., on Monday, July 8, 2013, Senate begin consideration of the nomination of Gregory Alan Phillips, of Wyoming, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Tenth Circuit; that there be 30 minutes for debate equally divided in the usual form; that upon the use or yielding back of time, Senate vote, without intervening action or debate, on confirmation of the nomination; and that no further motions be in order. **Page S5508**

West Nomination—Agreement: A unanimous-consent-time agreement was reached providing that at a time to be determined by the Majority Leader, in consultation with the Republican Leader, Senate begin consideration of the nomination of Derek Anthony West, of California, to be Associate Attorney General; that there be one hour for debate equally divided in the usual form; that following the use or yielding back of time, Senate vote, without intervening action or debate, on confirmation of the nomination; and that no further motions be in order. **Page S5508**

Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

By a unanimous vote of 100 yeas (Vote No. EX. 165), Anthony Renard Foxx, of North Carolina, to be Secretary of Transportation. **Pages S5329, S5511**

Sylvia M. Becker, of the District of Columbia, to be a Member of the Foreign Claims Settlement Commission of the United States for the term expiring September 30, 2013.

Sylvia M. Becker, of the District of Columbia, to be a Member of the Foreign Claims Settlement Commission of the United States for the term expiring September 30, 2016.

Marietta S. Robinson, of Michigan, to be a Commissioner of the Consumer Product Safety Commission for a term of seven years from October 27, 2010.

(Prior to this action, Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation was discharged from further consideration.) **Pages S5508–09, S5511–12**

Allison M. Macfarlane, of Maryland, to be a Member of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission for a term expiring June 30, 2018.

Brian C. Deese, of Massachusetts, to be Deputy Director of the Office of Management and Budget.

William S. Jasien, of Virginia, to be a Member of the Federal Retirement Thrift Investment Board for a term expiring October 11, 2015.

Ann Marie Buerkle, of New York, to be a Commissioner of the Consumer Product Safety Commission for a term of seven years from October 27, 2011.

(Prior to this action, Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation was discharged from further consideration.) **Pages S5508–09, S5511–12**

Daniel M. Tangherlini, of the District of Columbia, to be Administrator of General Services.

1 Air Force nomination in the rank of general.

1 Army nomination in the rank of general.

1 Coast Guard nomination in the rank of admiral.

1 Navy nomination in the rank of admiral.

Routine lists in the Air Force, Army, Coast Guard, and Navy. **Pages S5508–09, S5511–12**

Howard A. Shelanski, of Pennsylvania, to be Administrator of the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget.

Pages S5509, S5511

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Kenneth Allen Polite, Jr., of Louisiana, to be United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Louisiana for the term of four years.

Robert Bonnie, of Virginia, to be Under Secretary of Agriculture for Natural Resources and Environment.

Krysta L. Harden, of Georgia, to be Deputy Secretary of Agriculture.

Susan J. Rabern, of Kansas, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Navy.

Katherine M. O'Regan, of New York, to be an Assistant Secretary of Housing and Urban Development.

Ellen C. Herbst, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Commerce.

Ellen C. Herbst, of Virginia, to be Chief Financial Officer, Department of Commerce.

Ronald J. Binz, of Colorado, to be a Member of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission for the term expiring June 30, 2018.

James Costos, of California, to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador to Andorra.

Patrick Hubert Gaspard, of New York, to be Ambassador to the Republic of South Africa.

Steve A. Linick, of Virginia, to be Inspector General, Department of State.

James C. Swan, of California, to be Ambassador to the Democratic Republic of the Congo.

Kirk W.B. Wagar, of Florida, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Singapore.

Alexa Lange Wesner, of Texas, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Austria.

Alejandro Nicholas Mayorkas, of the District of Columbia, to be Deputy Secretary of Homeland Security.

35 Army nominations in the rank of general.

24 Navy nominations in the rank of admiral.

Routine lists in the Navy.

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Measures Placed on the Calendar:

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Executive Communications:

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Authorities for Committees to Meet:

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Privileges of the Floor:

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Record Votes: Four record votes were taken today. (Total—168) **Pages S5329, S5330, S5356–57**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m. and adjourned at 7:20 p.m., until 12:15 p.m. on Friday, June 28, 2013. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S5510.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Appropriations: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

An original bill (S. 1243) making appropriations for Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2014; and

An original bill (S. 1245) making appropriations for Energy and Water Development for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2014.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Melvin L. Watt, of North Carolina, to be Director of the Federal Housing Finance Agency, who was introduced by Senators Hagan and Burr, Jason Furman, of New York, to be a Member and Chairman of the Council of Economic Advisers, who was introduced by Senator Schumer, Kara Marlene Stein, of Maryland, who was introduced by Senator Reed, and Michael Sean Piwowar, of Virginia, who was introduced by Senator Crapo, both to be a Member of the Securities and Exchange Commission, and Richard T. Metsger, of Oregon, to be a Member of the National Credit Union Administration Board, who was introduced by Senator Merkley, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

EXPLOSIONS IN WEST, TEXAS AND GEISMAR, LOUISIANA

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Committee concluded an oversight hearing to examine Federal risk management and emergency planning programs to prevent and address chemical threats, including the events leading up to the explosions in West, Texas and Geismar, Louisiana, after receiving testimony from Rafael Moure-Eraso, Chairperson, Chemical Safety Board; Barry N. Breen, Principal Deputy Assistant Administrator, Office of Solid Waste and Emergency Response, Environmental Protection Agency; Randall L. Sawyer, Contra Costa

Health Services, Martinez, California; Richard Webre, Ascension Parish Office of Homeland Security, Gonzales, Louisiana; Paul Orum, Coalition to Prevent Chemical Disasters, Washington, D.C.; M. Sam Mannan, Texas A&M University System Mary Kay O'Connor Process Safety Center, College Station; and Kim Nibarger, United Steelworkers, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY CONTRACT MANAGEMENT

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Subcommittee on Financial and Contracting Oversight concluded a hearing to examine contract management by the Department of Energy, after receiving testimony from Gregory H. Friedman, Inspector General, and Jack Surash, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Acquisition and Project Management, Office of Environmental Management, both of the Department of Energy; Joseph F. Bader, Board Member, Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board; Michael Graham, Bechtel National, Inc., Washington, D.C.; Michael McKlevy, CH2M HILL Constructors, Inc., Englewood, Colorado; and Frank Sheppard, Parsons Salt Waste Processing Facility, Pasadena, California.

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: 41 public bills, H.R. 2529–2569; 1 private bill, H.R. 2570; and 5 resolutions, H. Res. 280–284 were introduced. **Pages H4141–45**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages H4145–46**

Reports Filed: There were no reports filed today.

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Poe (TX) to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H4083**

Recess: The House recessed at 11:13 a.m. and reconvened at 12 noon. **Page H4091**

Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the guest chaplain, Chaplain Angel Berrios, 308th Military Intelligence Battalion, Fort Meade, Maryland. **Page H4091**

Recess: The House recessed at 1:54 p.m. and reconvened at 2:09 p.m. **Page H4105**

Outer Continental Shelf Transboundary Hydrocarbon Agreements Authorization Act: The House passed H.R. 1613, to amend the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act to provide for the proper Federal management and oversight of transboundary hydrocarbon reservoirs, by a recorded vote of 256 ayes to 171 noes, Roll No. 293. **Pages H4096–H4108**

Rejected the Garcia motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Natural Resources with instructions to report the same back to the House

forthwith with an amendment, by a recorded vote of 194 yeas to 232 noes, Roll No. 292. **Pages H4106–07**

Pursuant to the rule, the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Natural Resources now printed in the bill shall be considered as adopted. **Pages H4098**

Agreed by unanimous consent that during the consideration of H.R. 1613 and H.R. 2231 pursuant to H. Res. 274, amendment numbered 1 printed in part A of House Report 113–131 and amendments numbered 5 and 10 printed in part B of that report be modified. **Pages H4096–98**

Rejected:

Grayson amendment (No. 1 printed in part A of H. Rept. 113–131), as modified, that sought to ensure that no portion of this legislation is construed as affecting the right of any state to prohibit the management, leasing, developing, and use of lands (including offshore oil drilling) beneath navigable waters within its boundaries (by a yea-and-nay vote of 213 yeas to 213 nays, Roll No. 291). **Pages H4104–06**

H. Res. 274, the rule providing for consideration of the bills (H.R. 1613), (H.R. 2231), and (H.R. 2410), was agreed to yesterday, June 26th.

Suspension—Proceedings Resumed: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measure which was debated yesterday, June 26th:

Amending title 10, United States Code, to require an Inspector General investigation of allegations of retaliatory personnel actions taken in response to making protected communications regarding sexual assault: H.R. 1864, to amend title 10, United States Code, to require an Inspector General investigation of allegations of retaliatory personnel actions taken in response to making protected communications regarding sexual assault, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yea-and-nay vote of 423 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 294. **Pages H4108–09**

Offshore Energy and Jobs Act: The House began consideration of H.R. 2231, to amend the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act to increase energy exploration and production on the Outer Continental Shelf, provide for equitable revenue sharing for all coastal States, and implement the reorganization of the functions of the former Minerals Management Service into distinct and separate agencies. Consideration is expected to continue tomorrow, June 28th. **Pages H4109–32**

Pursuant to the rule, an amendment in the nature of a substitute consisting of the text of Rules Committee Print 113–16 shall be considered as an original bill for the purpose of amendment under the five-minute rule, in lieu of the amendment in the

nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Natural Resources now printed in the bill. **Page H4115**

Agreed by unanimous consent that during the consideration of H.R. 1613 and H.R. 2231 pursuant to H. Res. 274, amendment numbered 1 printed in part A of House Report 113–131 and amendments numbered 5 and 10 printed in part B of that report be modified. **Pages H4096–98**

Agreed to:

Brady (TX) amendment (No. 1 printed in part B of H. Rept. 113–131) that requires the Secretary of the Interior to include those areas requested by State Governors in any environmental review conducted or statement prepared for the leasing program under the National Environmental Policy Act; **Pages H4120–21**

Lamborn amendment (No. 3 printed in part B of H. Rept. 113–131) that prohibits the authorizing of leases under the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act to any person in violation of various Iranian sanctions; **Pages H4122–23**

Cassidy amendment (No. 6 printed in part B of H. Rept. 113–131) that stipulates that no later than 60 days after the date of enactment of H.R. 2231, the Secretary of the Interior shall issue rules to provide more clarity, certainty, and stability to the revenue streams contemplated by the Gulf of Mexico Energy Security Act of 2006; **Pages H4126–27**

Flores amendment (No. 4 printed in part B of H. Rept. 113–131) that limits Bureau of Ocean Energy and Ocean Energy Safety Service activities related to the National Ocean Policy developed under Executive Order 13547. Requires a report be submitted to Congress identifying expenditures for fiscal years 2011–2013 by the Bureau of Ocean Energy, Ocean Energy Safety Service, and their predecessor agencies (by a recorded vote of 233 yeas to 190 noes, Roll No. 296); **Pages H4123–25, H4130–31**

Cassidy amendment (No. 5 printed in part B of H. Rept. 113–131), as modified, that lifts the offshore energy revenue sharing cap, as provided by the Gulf of Mexico Energy Security Act of 2006, from \$500 million to \$999 million for each of fiscal years 2024 through 2055 (by a recorded vote of 238 yeas to 185 noes, Roll No. 297); and **Pages H4125–26, H4231**

Rigell amendment (No. 7 printed in part B of H. Rept. 113–131) that requires the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management to permit seismic testing in the Atlantic Outer Continental Shelf of the United States by December 31, 2013 (by a recorded vote of 234 yeas to 191 noes, Roll No. 298). **Pages H4127–29, H4131–32**

Rejected:

Hastings (FL) amendment (No. 2 printed in part B of H. Rept. 113–131) that sought to strike section 204 because it eliminates environmental evaluation typically provided by an Environmental Impact Study (EIS) and because conducting a single multisale EIS for decisions with different timelines creates unnecessary conflicts in the EIS process (by a recorded vote of 188 ayes to 233 noes, Roll No. 295).

Pages H4121–22, H4129–30

H. Res. 274, the rule providing for consideration of the bills (H.R. 1613), (H.R. 2231), and (H.R. 2410), was agreed to yesterday, June 26th.

Recess: The House recessed at 5:22 p.m. and reconvened at 6 p.m.

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Adjournment Resolution: The House agreed to S. Con. Res. 19, providing for a conditional adjournment or recess of the Senate and an adjournment of the House of Representatives.

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Presidential Message: Read a message from the President wherein he notified the Congress of his intent to suspend the designation of Bangladesh as a beneficiary developing country under the Generalized System of Preferences program—referred to the Committee on Ways and Means and ordered to be printed (H. Doc. 113–42).

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Senate Message: Message received from the Senate by the Clerk and subsequently presented to the House today appears on pages H4129 and H4135.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Two yea-and-nay votes and six recorded votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H4105, H4107, H4107–08, H4108–09, H4129–30, H4130–31, H4131 and H4131–32. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 8:11 p.m.

Committee Meetings

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURE; AND REVISED REPORT ON THE SUBALLOCATION OF BUDGET ALLOCATIONS FOR FY 2014

Committee on Appropriations: Full Committee held a markup on Transportation, Housing and Urban Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Bill, Fiscal Year 2014; and Revised Report on the Suballocation of Budget Allocations for FY 2014. The bill was ordered reported, as amended. The Revised Report on the Suballocation of the Budget Allocations for FY 2014 was approved, without amendment.

SCHOOL MEAL REGULATIONS: DISCUSSING THE COSTS AND CONSEQUENCES FOR SCHOOLS AND STUDENTS

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Subcommittee on Early Childhood, Elementary, and Secondary Education held a hearing entitled “School Meal Regulations: Discussing the Costs and Consequences for Schools and Students”. Testimony was heard from Kay E. Brown, Director, Education, Workforce, and Income Security, Government Accountability Office; Megan Schaper, Food Service Director, State College Area School District, State College, Pennsylvania; Sandra E. Ford, Director of Food and Nutrition Services, Manatee County School District, Bradenton, Florida; and a public witness.

TANGLE OF TRADE BARRIERS: HOW INDIA’S INDUSTRIAL POLICY IS HURTING U.S. COMPANIES

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Commerce and Manufacturing, and Trade held a hearing entitled “A Tangle of Trade Barriers: How India’s Industrial Policy is Hurting U.S. Companies”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

EQUIPPING CARRIERS AND AGENCIES IN THE WIRELESS ERA

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Communications and Technology held a hearing entitled “Equipping Carriers and Agencies in the Wireless Era”. Testimony was heard from Teri Takai, Department of Defense; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Full Committee held a markup on H.R. 1897, the “Vietnam Human Rights Act of 2013”; and H. Res. 131, concerning the ongoing conflict in the Democratic Republic of the Congo and the need for international efforts toward long-term peace, stability, and observance of human rights; H. Res. 273, resolution expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that the President should nominate a qualified and independent individual for the position of Inspector General of the Department of State and Broadcasting Board of Governors to be confirmed by the Senate without delay; and H. Res. 222, recognizing the long-term partnership and friendship between the United States and the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan, working together towards peace and security in the Middle East. The following measures were ordered reported, without amendment: H.R. 1897 and H. Res. 273. The following measures were ordered reported, as amended: H. Res. 131 and H. Res. 222.

ADDRESSING THE NEGLECTED DISEASES TREATMENT GAP

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on Africa, Global Health, Global Human Rights, and International Organizations held a hearing entitled “Addressing the Neglected Diseases Treatment Gap”. Testimony was heard from Lee Hall, M.D., Chief, Parasitology and International Programs Branch, Division of Microbiology and Infectious Diseases, National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases, National Institutes of Health, Department of Health and Human Services; Jesse Goodman, M.D., Chief Scientist, Food and Drug Administration Department of Health and Human Services; and public witnesses.

NEXT STEPS IN THE U.S.—REPUBLIC OF KOREA ALLIANCE

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on Asia and the Pacific; and Subcommittee on Terrorism, Nonproliferation, and Trade held a joint hearing entitled “Next Steps in the U.S.—Republic of Korea Alliance”. Testimony was heard from James Zumwalt, Acting Assistant Secretary, Bureau of East Asian and Pacific Affairs, Department of State; and Thomas M. Countryman, Assistant Secretary, International Security and Nonproliferation, Department of State.

MANAGEMENT OF RED SNAPPER

Committee on Natural Resources: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “The Management of Red Snapper in the Gulf of Mexico under the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act”. Testimony was heard from Eric Schwaab, Acting Assistant Secretary for Conservation and Management, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Department of Commerce; Kevin Anson, Vice-Chairman, Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council; Christopher Blankenship, Director of Marine Resources, Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources; Jessica McCawley, Director, Division of Marine Fisheries Management, Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission; Randy Pausina, Assistant Secretary, Office of Fisheries, Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries; Dale Diaz, Director Office of Marine Fisheries, Mississippi Department of Marine Resources; Robin Riechers, Director, Coastal Fisheries Division, Texas Parks and Wildlife Department; and public witnesses.

OUTDOOR RECREATION OPPORTUNITIES ON STATE, LOCAL AND FEDERAL LANDS

Committee on Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Public Lands and Environmental Regulation held a hearing entitled “Outdoor Recreation Opportunities on State, Local and Federal Lands”. Testimony was

heard Lynn Jackson, Grand County Council, Utah; and a public witness.

BORDER SECURITY OVERSIGHT: IDENTIFYING AND RESPONDING TO CURRENT THREATS

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform: Subcommittee on National Security held a hearing entitled “Border Security Oversight: Identifying and Responding to Current Threats”. Testimony was heard from Michael Fisher, Chief, U.S. Board of Border Patrol, Customs and Border Protection; David J. Murphy, Assistant Acting Commissioner, Customs and Border Protection; Thomas Homan, Executive Associate Director, Enforcement and Removal Operations, Immigration and Customs Enforcement; Rebecca Gambler, Director, Homeland Security and Justice, Government Accountability Office; and a public witness.

RISING SOCIAL SECURITY DISABILITY CLAIMS AND THE ROLE OF ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGES

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform: Subcommittee on Energy Policy, Health Care and Entitlements held a hearing entitled “Oversight Of Rising Social Security Disability Claims and the Role of Administrative Law Judges”. Testimony was heard from Senator Coburn; Glen E. Sklar, Deputy Commissioner, Disability Adjudication and Review, Social Security Administration; Larry J. Butler, Administrative Law Judge, Miami Office of Disability Adjudication and Review, Social Security Administration; J. E. Sullivan, Administrative Law Judge, Pittsburgh Office of Administrative Law Judges, Department of Labor; Drew A. Swank, Administrative Law Judge, Pittsburgh Office Of Administrative Law Judges, Department of Labor; and a public witness.

EVALUATION OF ENERGY SAVINGS PERFORMANCE CONTRACTS

Committee on Science, Space, and Technology: Subcommittee on Oversight; and Subcommittee on Energy held a joint hearing entitled “Green Buildings—An Evaluation of Energy Savings Performance Contracts”. Testimony was heard from Kathleen Hogan, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Energy Efficiency, Department of Energy; Woodrow Whitlow, Jr., Associate Administrator, Mission Support Directorate, National Aeronautics and Space Administration; and public witnesses.

MOBILE MEDICAL APP ENTREPRENEURS

Committee on Small Business: Subcommittee on Health and Technology held a hearing entitled “Mobile Medical App Entrepreneurs: Changing the Face of Health Care”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

NATIONAL RAIL POLICY: EXAMINING GOALS, OBJECTIVES, AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Railroad, Pipelines, and Hazardous Materials held a hearing entitled “National Rail Policy: Examining Goals, Objectives, and Responsibilities”. Testimony was heard from Joseph Szabo, Administrator, Federal Railroad Administration; and public witnesses.

ASSESSING VA’S CAPITAL INVESTMENT OPTIONS TO PROVIDE VETERANS’ CARE

Committee on Veterans’ Affairs: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Assessing VA’s Capital Investment Options to Provide Veterans’ Care”. Testimony was heard from Robert A. Sunshine, Deputy Director, Congressional Budget Office; and Robert Petzel, M.D., Under Secretary for Health Veterans, Health Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Veterans’ Affairs: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a markup on H.R. 1490, the “Veterans’ Privacy Act”; H.R. 1792, the “Infectious Disease Reporting Act”; and H.R. 1804, the “Foreign Travel Accountability Act”. The following bills were ordered reported, as amended: H.R. 1792; H.R. 1490; and H.R. 1804.

INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE’S REVIEW OF TAXPAYER TARGETING PRACTICES

Committee on Ways and Means: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “The Status of Internal Revenue Service’s Review of Taxpayer Targeting Practices”. Testimony was heard from Daniel Werfel, Principal Deputy Commissioner and Deputy Commissioner for Services and Enforcement, Internal Revenue Service.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURE

Committee on the Judiciary: Full Committee held a markup on H.R. 1772, the “Legal Workforce Act”. The bill was ordered reported, as amended.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURE

Committee on the Judiciary: Full Committee held a markup on H.R. 2131, the “Supplying Knowledge-based Immigrants and Lifting Levels of STEM Visas Act”. The bill was ordered reported, as amended.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D584)

H.R. 475, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to include vaccines against seasonal influenza within the definition of taxable vaccines. Signed on June 25, 2013. (Public Law 113–15)

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY, JUNE 28, 2013

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

House

Committee on Armed Services, Subcommittee on Intelligence, Emerging Threats and Capabilities, hearing entitled “Past, Present, and Future Irregular Warfare Challenges: Private Sector Perspectives”, 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, Subcommittee on Health, hearing entitled “Examining Reforms to Improve the Medicare Part B Drug Program for Seniors”, 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on Regulatory Reform, Commercial and Antitrust Law, hearing on legislation regarding the “Regulatory Flexibility Improvements Act of 2013”, 9 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, Full Committee, business meeting to consider a motion or resolution concerning whether Lois Lerner, waived her Fifth Amendment privilege against self-incrimination when she made a statement at the Committee hearing on May 22, 2013, 9 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, Subcommittee on Research and Technology, markup on H.R. 1786, the “National Windstorm Impact Reduction Act Reauthorization of 2013”, 9 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Veterans’ Affairs, Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs, hearing on H.R. 1288, the “World War II Merchant Mariner Service Act”; H.R. 1494, the “Blue Water Navy Ship Accountability Act”; H.R. 1623, the “VA Claims Efficiency Through Information Act of 2013”; H.R. 1809, to amend title 38, United States Code, to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to provide notice of average times for processing claims and percentage of claims approved, and for other purposes; H.R. 2086, the “Pay As You Rate Act”; H.R. 2138, the “Ending VA Claims Disability Backlog and Accountability Act”; H.R. 2189, to establish a commission or task force to evaluate the backlog of disability claims of the Department of Veterans Affairs; H.R. 2341, the “Veterans Pension Protection Act”; H.R. 2382, the “Prioritizing Urgent Claims for Veterans Act”; and H.R. 2423, to improve the authority of the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to enter into contracts with private physicians to conduct medical disability examinations; 10 a.m., 334 Cannon.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

12:15 p.m., Friday, June 28

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

9 a.m., Friday, June 28

Senate Chamber

Program for Friday: Senate will meet in a pro forma session, unless the Senate receives a message that the House of Representatives has agreed to S. Con. Res. 19, Adjournment Resolution.

House Chamber

Program for Friday: Complete consideration of H.R. 2231—Offshore Energy and Jobs Act.

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