

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate confirmed the nomination of Thomas Edward Perez, of Maryland, to be Secretary of Labor.

Senate confirmed the nomination of Regina McCarthy, of Massachusetts, to be Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S5759–S5806

Measures Introduced: Nineteen bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 1318–1336, and S. Res. 198. **Pages S5799–S5800**

Measures Reported:

H.R. 2217, making appropriations for the Department of Homeland Security for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2014, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 113–77)

S. 1329, making appropriations for Departments of Commerce and Justice, and Science, and Related Agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2014. (S. Rept. No. 113–78) **Page S5799**

Measures Passed:

Farm Bill: Senate passed H.R. 2642, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2018, after striking all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof, the text of S. 954, Senate companion measure, as amended. **Pages S5794–95**

Senate insisted on its amendment, requested a conference with the House thereon, and the Chair be authorized to appoint conferees with a ratio of 7:5 on the part of the Senate. **Page S5794**

Measures Considered:

Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act—Cloture: Senate began consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of 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. **Pages S5759–61, S5787–94, S5795**

A motion was entered to close further debate on the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill, and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, and pursuant to the unanimous-consent agreement of Thursday, July 18, 2013, a vote on cloture will occur at 12:00 p.m. on Tuesday, July 23, 2013; that if cloture is invoked, all post-cloture time be yielded back and Senate vote on the motion to proceed; that if the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill is adopted, the text of H.R. 2610, as reported by the House Appropriations Committee, be deemed House passed text for the purposes of Rule XVI. **Page S5795**

Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

By 54 yeas to 46 nays (Vote No. EX. 178), Thomas Edward Perez, of Maryland, to be Secretary of Labor. **Pages S5767–76, S5806**

By 59 yeas to 40 nays (Vote No. EX. 180), Regina McCarthy, of Massachusetts, to be Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency. **Pages S5776–87, S5806**

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

By 69 yeas to 31 nays (Vote No. 179), 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 nomination. **Page S5785**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Adam M. Scheinman, of Virginia, to be Special Representative of the President for Nuclear Non-proliferation, with the rank of Ambassador.

Jessica Garfola Wright, of Pennsylvania, to be Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness.

Elizabeth M. Robinson, of Washington, to be Under Secretary of Energy.

Frank A. Rose, of Massachusetts, to be an Assistant Secretary of State (Verification and Compliance).

Carolyn Hessler Radelet, of Virginia, to be Director of the Peace Corps.

Nisha Desai Biswal, of the District of Columbia, to be Assistant Secretary of State for South Asian Affairs.

Timothy M. Broas, of Maryland, to be Ambassador to the Kingdom of the Netherlands.

Scott S. Dahl, of Virginia, to be Inspector General, Department of Labor.

Julia Frifield, of New Jersey, to be an Assistant Secretary of State (Legislative Affairs).

Martha L. Minow, of Massachusetts, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Legal Services Corporation for a term expiring July 13, 2014.

Joseph Pius Pietrzyk, of Ohio, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Legal Services Corporation for a term expiring July 13, 2014. **Page S5806**

Measures Placed on the Calendar:

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Record Votes: Three record votes were taken today. (Total—180) **Pages S5775–76, S5785, S5787**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m. and adjourned at 6:45 p.m., until 12:15 p.m. on Friday, July 19, 2013. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S5806.)

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. 1329) making appropriations for Departments of Commerce, Justice, Science, and

Related Agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2014; and

An original bill (H.R. 2217) making appropriations for the Department of Homeland Security for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2014.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Armed Services: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of General Martin E. Dempsey, USA, for reappointment to the grade of general and reappointment as Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and Admiral James A. Winnefeld, Jr., USN, for reappointment to the grade of admiral and reappointment as Vice Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, both of the Department of Defense, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Melvin L. Watt, of North Carolina, to be Director of the Federal Housing Finance Agency, Jason Furman, of New York, to be a Member and Chairman of the Council of Economic Advisers, Kara Marlene Stein, of Maryland, Michael Sean Piwowar, of Virginia, and Mary Jo White, of New York, all 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.

SEMIANNUAL MONETARY POLICY REPORT TO CONGRESS

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the Semiannual Monetary Policy Report to Congress, after receiving testimony from Ben S. Bernanke, Chairman, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System.

CLEAN ENERGY FINANCE

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the current state of clean energy finance in the United States and opportunities to facilitate greater investment in domestic clean energy technology development and deployment, after receiving testimony from Peter Davidson, Executive Director, Loan Programs Office, Department of Energy; Richard L. Kauffman, New York State Chairman of Energy and Finance, Albany; Ethan Zindler, Bloomberg New Energy Finance, and Nicolas Loris, The Heritage Foundation, both of Washington, D.C.; and Will Coleman, OnRamp Capital, San Francisco, California.

CLIMATE CHANGE

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Committee concluded a hearing to examine climate change, after receiving testimony from Heidi Cullen, Climate Central, Princeton, New Jersey; Franklin W. Nutter, Reinsurance Association of America, Diana Furchtgott-Roth, Manhattan Institute for Policy Research, and Robert P. Murphy, Institute for Energy Research, all of Washington, D.C.; KC Golden, Climate Solutions, Seattle, Washington; Jennifer Francis, Rutgers University Institute of Marine and Coastal Sciences, Marion, Massachusetts; Scott C. Doney, Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution, Woods Hole, Massachusetts; Margaret Leinen, Florida Atlantic University Harbor Branch Oceanographic Institute, Fort Pierce; Roger Pielke, Jr., University of Colorado, Boulder; and Roy W. Spencer, University of Alabama in Huntsville Earth System Science Center.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Finance: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Michael B. Thornton, of Virginia, and Joseph W. Nega, of Illinois, both to be a Judge of the United States Tax Court, and

F. Scott Kieff, of Illinois, to be a Member of the United States International Trade Commission, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Todd M. Hughes, of the District of Columbia, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Federal Circuit, Colin Stirling Bruce, to be United States District Judge for the Central District of Illinois, Sara Lee Ellis, and Andrea R. Wood, both to be a United States District Judge for the Northern District of Illinois, Madeline Hughes Haikala, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Alabama, and James B. Comey, Jr., of Connecticut, to be Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Department of Justice.

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: 27 public bills, H.R. 2719–2745; and 2 resolutions, H. Res. 305–306 were introduced. **Pages H4723–25**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages H4726–27**

Reports Filed: There were no reports filed today.

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative LaMalfa to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H4601**

Recess: The House recessed at 10:35 a.m. and reconvened at 12 noon. **Page H4605**

Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the guest chaplain, Chaplain Major Howard Bell, 932nd Airlift Wing, Scott Air Force Base, Illinois. **Page H4605**

Journal: The House agreed to the Speaker's approval of the Journal by a yea-and-nay vote of 278 yeas to 143 nays with 1 answering "present", Roll No. 366. **Pages H4605, H4619**

Student Success Act: The House began consideration of H.R. 5, to support State and local accountability for public education, protect State and local

authority, and inform parents of the performance of their children's schools. Consideration is expected to resume tomorrow, July 19th.

Pages H4610–19, H4619–H4722

Pursuant to the rule, an amendment in the nature of a substitute consisting of the text of Rules Committee Print 113–18 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 Education and the Workforce now printed in the bill. **Page H4629**

Agreed to:

Kline manager's amendment (No. 1 printed in H. Rept. 113–158) that clarifies that a state opting not to receive funds for a program under the Act shall not be required to carry out any of the requirements of such program and that states and school districts can support civics education efforts, and makes other technical improvements; **Pages H4679–80**

Jackson Lee amendment (No. 5 printed in H. Rept. 113–158) that states that if funding for awards to states is not sufficient then funding will be targeted to schools serving neglected, delinquent,

migrant students, English learners, at-risk students, and Native Americans, to increase academic achievements of such students; **Pages H4696–97**

Bentivolio amendment (No. 6 printed in H. Rept. 113–158) that requires State educational agencies to consult with private sector employers and entrepreneurs as part of its education plan. It also requires the Secretary to have representatives from private sector employers appointed to the peer-review process by reducing practitioners from 75 percent to 65 percent; **Pages H4697–98**

Reed amendment (No. 8 printed in H. Rept. 113–158) that clarifies that LEA's and SEA's are able to use multiple measures when identifying academic performance measurements instead of the current one-size-fits-all testing assessments; **Pages H4705–06**

Benishek amendment (No. 9 printed in H. Rept. 113–158) that encourages states to include the number of students attaining career and technical education proficiencies enrolled in public secondary schools, in its annual State report card. This information is already required to be collected by the Perkins Act, and would simply streamline access to information to the public; **Page H4706**

Heck (NV) amendment (No. 10 printed in H. Rept. 113–158) that provides LEAs with the option of entering into partnerships or contracts with other entities to implement programs that serve youth in, or transitioning out of, institutions and correctional facilities, and youth at-risk of dropping out of school. This will provide LEAs with the option to partner with organizations that have the existing experience and resources to enhance the effectiveness of services provided by school districts to vulnerable populations through the Neglected/Delinquent program in an integrated fashion; **Pages H4706–07**

Moore amendment (No. 13 printed in H. Rept. 113–158) that delays implementation of new Title II formula until the Secretary of Education determines that the implementation will not reduce funding for schools serving high percentages of students in poverty; **Pages H4710–11**

Bishop (UT) amendment (No. 14 printed in H. Rept. 113–158) that eliminates Subsection C of Section 2111, which allows grant money to bypass states and go directly from the Department of Education to local districts; **Pages H4711–12**

Scalise amendment (No. 12 printed in H. Rept. 113–158) that states that under Title II in H.R. 5 there would be no federal mandate for States to conduct teacher evaluations (agreed by unanimous consent to vacate the request for a recorded vote on the Scalise amendment to the end that the Chair put the question de novo); **Pages H4708–10, H4712**

Young (AK) amendment (No. 2 printed in H. Rept. 113–158) that restores, and makes policy improvements to, educational support programs for American Indian, Alaska Native, and Native Hawaiian students which are currently authorized under Title VII of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act and would be diminished by H.R. 5, the Student Success Act (by a recorded vote of 263 ayes to 161 noes, Roll No. 367); **Pages H4712–13**

Luetkemeyer amendment (No. 4 printed in H. Rept. 113–158) that expresses the sense of the Congress that States and local education agencies should maintain the rights and responsibilities of determining curriculum and assessments for elementary and secondary education (by a recorded vote of 241 ayes to 182 noes, Roll No. 368); **Pages H4694–96, H4713–14**

Meehan amendment (No. 11 printed in H. Rept. 113–158) that ensures that greater authority and governance are restored to local educational agencies as delegated by their States. It also ensures that the Secretary of Education does not impose any additional requirements or burdens on local educational agencies unless explicitly authorized by federal law (by a recorded vote of 239 ayes to 187 noes, Roll No. 369); **Pages H4707–08, H4714**

Brooks (IN) amendment (No. 16 printed in H. Rept. 113–158) that clarifies that federal funds may be used for computer science education; **Pages H4715–16**

Polis amendment (No. 17 printed in H. Rept. 113–158) that allows charter schools to use grant funds for teacher preparation, professional development, and improving school conditions; ensures that charter schools expand outreach to low-income and underserved populations; **Pages H4716–17**

Velázquez amendment (No. 18 printed in H. Rept. 113–158) that requires that applicants consider how to target their services to low-income students and parents, including low-income students and parents who are not proficient in English; and **Pages H4717–18**

Broun (GA) amendment (No. 21 printed in H. Rept. 113–158) that requires the Secretary of Education to include in their report to Congress the average salary of employees who were determined to be associated with eliminated or consolidated programs or projects by the underlying legislation and a report on the average salaries of the employees of the Department according to their job function. **Pages H4720–22**

Withdrawn:

Cárdenas amendment (No. 3 printed in H. Rept. 113–158) that was offered and subsequently withdrawn that would have increased the authorized funding level to \$775,000,000 until FY 2019;

Pages H4693–94

McMorris Rodgers amendment (No. 7 printed in H. Rept. 113–158) that was offered and subsequently withdrawn that would have reinstated the 1 percent cap as it relates to students with the most significant cognizant disabilities participating in the alternate assessments; ensure alternate assessments are tied to academic content standards for grade in which student enrolled; and ensure parents are involved in the development of assessments as it relates to the student's individualized education program;

Pages H4698–H4705

Tonko amendment (No. 15 printed in H. Rept. 113–158) that was offered and subsequently withdrawn that would have reserved 10% of existing grant funding under the Teacher and Principal Training and Recruiting Fund for competitive subgrants that would allow organizations with STEM expertise to provide STEM professional development and instructional materials throughout the state for elementary and secondary education;

Pages H4714–15

Mullin amendment (No. 19 printed in H. Rept. 113–158) that was offered and subsequently withdrawn that would have struck language in the bill that allows consolidated districts to be eligible for payment if they do not qualify after consolidation; struck language allowing for mid-year adjustment for student counts; and made the 8007 Construction Program a competitive grant program; and

Pages H4718–20

Garrett amendment (No. 20 printed in H. Rept. 113–158) that was offered and subsequently withdrawn that would have clarified that states that opt out of receiving funds, or are not awarded funds, under this Act are not required to carry out any of the requirements of the programs under this Act. The amendment also clarified that states are not required to participate in any program under this Act.

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H. Res. 303, the rule providing for consideration of the bill, was agreed to by a recorded vote of 230 ayes to 190 noes, Roll No. 365, after the previous question was ordered by a yea-and-nay vote of 232 yeas to 192 nays, Roll No. 364.

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Mexico-United States Interparliamentary Group—Appointment: The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of the following Members on the part of the House to the Mexico-United States Interparliamentary Group: Representative McCaul, Chairman and Representative Duffy.

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Canada-United States Interparliamentary Group—Appointment: The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of the following Members on the part of the House to the Canada-United States Interparliamentary Group: Representative Huizenga, Chairman and Representative Miller (MI).

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Quorum Calls—Votes: Two yea-and-nay votes and four recorded votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H4618, H4618–19, H4619, H4712–13, H4713–14, H4714. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 7:09 p.m.

Committee Meetings

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURE

Committee on Appropriations: Full Committee held a markup on the Legislative Branch Appropriations Bill for FY 2014. The bill was ordered reported, as amended.

REPORTING DATA BREACHES: IS FEDERAL LEGISLATION NEEDED TO PROTECT CONSUMERS?

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Commerce, Manufacturing, and Trade held a hearing entitled "Reporting Data Breaches: Is Federal Legislation Needed to Protect Consumers?". Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

PATIENT PROTECTION AND AFFORDABLE CARE ACT: IMPLEMENTATION IN THE WAKE OF ADMINISTRATIVE DELAY

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing entitled "Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act: Implementation in the Wake of Administrative Delay". Testimony was heard from J. Mary Iwry, Senior Advisor to the Secretary, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Retirement and Health Policy, Department of Treasury.

A LEGISLATIVE PROPOSAL TO PROTECT AMERICAN TAXPAYERS AND HOMEOWNERS BY CREATING A SUSTAINABLE HOUSING FINANCE SYSTEM

Committee on Financial Services: Full Committee held a hearing entitled "A Legislative Proposal to Protect American Taxpayers and Homeowners by Creating a Sustainable Housing Finance System." Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

GLOBAL AL-QAEDA: AFFILIATES, OBJECTIVES, AND FUTURE CHALLENGES

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on Terrorism, Nonproliferation, and Trade held a hearing

entitled “Global al-Qaeda: Affiliates, Objectives, and Future Challenges.” Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

AFRICAN RESOURCE CURSE

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on Africa, Global Health, Global Human Rights, and International Organizations held a hearing entitled “Is There an African Resource Curse?” Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT OF EXECUTIVE ORDER 13636 AND DEVELOPMENT OF THE CYBERSECURITY FRAMEWORK

Committee on Homeland Security: Subcommittee on Cybersecurity, Infrastructure Protection, and Security Technologies held a hearing entitled “Oversight of Executive Order 13636 and Development of the Cybersecurity Framework”. Testimony was heard from Robert Kolasky, Director, Implementation Task Force, National Protection and Programs Directorate, Department of Homeland Security; Charles H. Romine, Director, Information Technology Laboratory, National Institute of Standards and Technology, Department of Commerce; and Eric A. Fischer, Senior Specialist, Science and Technology, Congressional Research Service, Library of Congress.

VOTING RIGHTS ACT AFTER THE SUPREME COURT’S DECISION IN SHELBY COUNTY

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on the Constitution and Civil Justice held a hearing entitled “The Voting Rights Act after the Supreme Court’s Decision in Shelby County”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Regulatory Reform, Commercial and Antitrust Law held a markup on H.R. 2122, the “Regulatory Accountability Act of 2013”; and H.R. 2641, the “Responsibly and Professionally Invigorating Development Act of 2013”. The following bills were forwarded, without amendment: H.R. 2122; and H.R. 2641.

THE IRS’S SYSTEMATIC DELAY AND SCRUTINY OF TEA PARTY APPLICATIONS

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “The IRS’s Systematic Delay and Scrutiny of Tea Party Applications”. Testimony was heard from Elizabeth Hofacre, Revenue Agent, Exempt Organizations, Tax Exempt and Government Entities Division, Internal Revenue Service; J. Russell George, Inspector General, Treasury Inspector for Tax Administration; Michael McCarthy, Chief Counsel, Treasury Inspector General

for Tax Administration; and Gregory Kutz, Assistant Inspector General for Management Services and Exempt Organizations, Treasury Inspector General for Tax Administration.

REGULATORY BURDENS: THE IMPACT OF DODD-FRANK ON COMMUNITY BANKING

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform: Subcommittee on Economic Growth, Job Creation and Regulatory Affairs held a hearing entitled “Regulatory Burdens: The Impact of Dodd-Frank on Community Banking”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

EXAMINING THE OBAMA ADMINISTRATION’S SOCIAL COST OF CARBON ESTIMATES

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform: Subcommittee on Energy Policy, Health Care and Entitlements held a hearing entitled “Examining the Obama Administration’s Social Cost of Carbon Estimates”. Testimony was heard from Howard Shelanski, Administrator, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURE

Committee on Science, Space, and Technology: Full Committee held a markup on H.R. 2687, the “National Aeronautics and Space Administration Authorization Act of 2013.” The bill was ordered reported, as amended.

PRESIDENT’S CLIMATE ACTION PLAN: WHAT IS THE IMPACT ON SMALL BUSINESSES?

Committee on Small Business: Subcommittee on Agriculture, Energy and Trade held a hearing entitled “The President’s Climate Action Plan: What Is the Impact on Small Businesses?” Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Full Committee held a markup on H.R. 185, to designate the United States courthouse located at 101 East Pecan Street in Sherman, Texas, as the “Paul Brown United States Courthouse”; H.R. 579, to designate the United States courthouse located at 501 East Court Street in Jackson, Mississippi, as the “R. Jess Brown United States Courthouse”; H.R. 2251, to designate the United States courthouse located at 118 South Mill Street, in Fergus Falls, Minnesota, as the “Edward J. Devitt United States Courthouse”; H.R. 1961, to amend title 46, United States Code, to extend the exemption from the fire-retardant materials construction requirement for vessels operating

within the Boundary Line; H.R. 2352, to amend title 23, United States Code, with respect to the operation of vehicles on certain Wisconsin highways, and for other purposes; and other matters cleared for consideration. The following bill was ordered reported, as amended: H.R. 2251. The following bills were ordered reported, without amendment: H.R. 185; H.R. 579; H.R. 2353; and H.R. 1961.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity held a markup on H.R. 2210, the "Marine Gunnery Sergeant John David Fry Scholarship Improvements Act of 2013"; H.R. 2327, the "Veterans Economic Opportunity Administration Act of 2013"; H.R. 331, to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to permit the centralized reporting of veteran enrollment by certain groups, districts, and consortiums of educational institutions; H.R. 1357, to amend the VOW to Hire Heroes Act of 2011 to improve the Veterans Retraining Assistance Program by providing assistance under such program for certain training programs that are considered less than full-time; H.R. 1842, the "Military Family Home Protection Act"; H.R. 2011, the Veterans' Advisory Committee on Education Improvement Act of 2013; H.R. 2150, the "Homeless Veterans' Reintegration Programs Reauthorization Act of 2013"; and H.R. 2481, the "Veterans G.I. Bill Enrollment Clarification Act of 2013." The following bills were forwarded en bloc: H.R. 331; H.R. 1357; H.R. 1842; H.R. 2011; H.R. 2150; and H.R. 2481. The following bills were forwarded, as amended: H.R. 2210; and H.R. 2327.

PRESIDENT OBAMA'S TRADE POLICY AGENDA

Committee on Ways and Means: Full Committee held a hearing on President Obama's trade policy agenda with U.S. Trade Representative Michael Froman. Testimony was heard from Michael Froman, Ambassador, United States Trade Representative, Office of the United States Trade Representative.

BUSINESS MEETING

House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Full Committee held a business meeting on Member Access Requests. This was a closed hearing.

ONGOING INTELLIGENCE ACTIVITIES

House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Full Committee held a hearing entitled "Ongoing Intelligence Activities." This was a closed hearing.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY, JULY 19, 2013

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

House

Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs, markup of State, Foreign Operations Appropriations Bill for FY 2014, 9 a.m., H-140 Capitol.

Committee on the Judiciary, Over-criminalization Task Force, hearing entitled "Mens Rea: The Need for a Meaningful Intent Requirement in Federal Criminal Law", 9 a.m., 2237 Rayburn.

Committee on Natural Resources, Subcommittee on Public Lands and Environmental Regulation, hearing on the following: H.R. 587, the "Niblack and Bokan Mountain Mining Area Roads Authorization Act"; H.R. 1168, to direct the Secretary of the Interior, acting through the Bureau of Land Management, to convey to the City of Carlin, Nevada, in exchange for consideration, all right, title, and interest of the United States, to any Federal land within that city that is under the jurisdiction of that agency, and for other purposes; H.R. 1170, to direct the Secretary of the Interior, acting through the Bureau of Land Management and the Bureau of Reclamation, to convey, by quitclaim deed, to the City of Fernley, Nevada, all right, title, and interest of the United States, to any Federal land within that city that is under the jurisdiction of either of those agencies; H.R. 1684, the "Ranch A Consolidation and Management Improvement Act"; H.R. 2068, the "Federal Land Transaction Facilitation Act Reauthorization of 2013"; H.R. 2095, the "Land Disposal Transparency and Efficiency Act"; H.R. 2337, "Lake Hill Administrative Site Affordable Housing Act"; H.R. 2395, to provide for donor contribution acknowledgments to be displayed at projects authorized under the Commemorative Works Act, and for other purposes; S. 130, the "Powell Shooting Range Land Conveyance Act"; S. 304, the "Natchez Trace Parkway Land Conveyance Act of 2013"; and S. 459, the "Minuteman Missile National Historic Site Boundary Modification Act", 9 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs, Subcommittee on Health, hearing on Safety for Survivors: Care and Treatment for Military Sexual Trauma, 10 a.m., 334 Cannon.

House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, Full Committee, hearing entitled "Ongoing Intelligence Activities", 10 a.m., HVC-304. This is a closed hearing.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

12:15 p.m., Friday, July 19

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

9 a.m., Friday, July 19

Senate Chamber

Program for Friday: Senate will meet in a pro forma session.

House Chamber

Program for Friday: Complete consideration of H.R. 5—Student Success Act.

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