

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.

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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;

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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;

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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

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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