

**BUSINESS MEETING**

*Committee on Finance:* Committee ordered favorably reported 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.

**CRISIS IN EGYPT**

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the crisis in Egypt, after receiving testimony from Dennis Ross, The Washington Institute for Near East Policy, Michele Dunne, Atlantic Council Rafik Hariri Center for the Middle East, both of Washington, D.C.; and Daniel C. Kurtzer, Princeton University Woodrow Wilson School of Public and International Affairs, Princeton, New Jersey.

**NOMINATIONS**

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of David D. Pearce, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to Greece, John B. Emerson, of California, to be Ambassador to the Federal Republic of Germany, who was intro-

duced by Senators Feinstein and Boxer, John Rufus Gifford, of Massachusetts, to be Ambassador to Denmark, who was introduced by Senator Kaine, Denise Campbell Bauer, of California, to be Ambassador to Belgium, and James Costos, of California, to be Ambassador to Spain and to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador to Andorra, all of the Department of State, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

**NOMINATION**

*Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nomination of Alejandro Nicholas Mayorkas, of the District of Columbia, to be Deputy Secretary of Homeland Security, after the nominee, who was introduced by Senators Feinstein and Landrieu, testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

**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.

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# House of Representatives

**Chamber Action**

**Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced:** 22 public bills, H.R. 2822–2843; and 1 resolution, H. Res. 318 were introduced. **Pages H5087–89**

**Additional Cosponsors:** **Pages H5089–90**

**Reports Filed:** There were no reports filed today.

**Journal:** The House agreed to the Speaker's approval of the Journal by voice vote. **Page H5053**

**Coal Residuals Reuse and Management Act of 2013:** The House passed H.R. 2218, to amend subtitle D of the Solid Waste Disposal Act to encourage recovery and beneficial use of coal combustion residuals and establish requirements for the proper management and disposal of coal combustion residuals that are protective of human health and the environment, by a recorded vote of 265 ayes to 155 noes, Roll No. 418. **Pages H5055–72**

Rejected the McCollum motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Energy and Commerce with instructions to report the same back to the House forthwith with an amendment, by a recorded

vote of 192 ayes to 225 noes with 1 answering "present", Roll No. 417. **Pages H5070–71**

Pursuant to the rule, the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Energy and Commerce now printed in the bill shall be considered as an original bill for the purpose of amendment under the five-minute rule.

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Agreed to:

Connolly amendment (No. 1 printed in part A of H. Rept. 113–174) that requires States to update their certification documents with EPA and to include in those documents a State emergency action plan for responding to spills or leaks. **Pages H5065–66**

Rejected:

Waxman amendment (No. 2 printed in part A of H. Rept. 113–174) that sought to ensure that state permit programs are protective of human health and the environment (by a recorded vote of 185 ayes to 231 noes, Roll No. 415) and **Pages H5066–67, H5068–69**

Tonko amendment (No. 3 printed in part A of H. Rept. 113–174) that sought to require the EPA Administrator to find a State coal combustion residual permit program deficient if the implementation of

the program threatens human health or the environment in any other State. Any State may request that the EPA Administrator review another state's coal combustion residuals permit program for deficiency (by a recorded vote of 176 ayes to 239 noes, Roll No. 416).

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H. Res. 315, the rule providing for consideration of the bills (H.R. 2218) and (H.R. 1582) was agreed to yesterday, July 24th.

**Meeting Hour:** Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 10 a.m. tomorrow, and further when the House adjourns on that day, it adjourn to meet on Tuesday, July 30th, when it shall convene at 12 noon for morning hour debate and 2 p.m. for legislative business.

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**Senate Message:** Message received from the Senate today appears on page H5072.

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** Four recorded votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H5068–69, H5069–70, H5071 and H5071–72. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 9 a.m. and adjourned at 2:08 p.m.

## Committee Meetings

### ACQUISITION AND DEVELOPMENT CHALLENGES ASSOCIATED WITH THE LITTORAL COMBAT SHIP

*Committee on Armed Services:* Subcommittee on Seapower and Projection Forces held a hearing entitled “Acquisition and Development Challenges Associated with the Littoral Combat Ship”. Testimony was heard from Paul Francis, Managing Director, Acquisition and Sourcing Management, Government Accountability Office; Vice Admiral Richard W. Hunt, Director, Navy Staff, Department of Defense; Sean J. Stackley, Assistant Secretary of the Navy, Research, Development and Acquisition, Department of Defense.

### MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

*Committee on Energy and Commerce:* Subcommittee on Communications and Technology held a markup on the “Federal Communications Commission Process Reform Act of 2013”; and the “Federal Communications Commission Consolidated Reporting Act of 2013”. The “Federal Communications Commission Process Reform Act of 2013”; and the “Federal Communications Commission Consolidated Reporting Act of 2013” were forwarded, without amendment.

### EMERGING THREAT OF RESOURCE WARS

*Committee on Foreign Affairs:* Subcommittee on Europe, Eurasia, and Emerging Threats held a hearing entitled “Emerging Threat of Resource Wars”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### INNOVATION IN AMERICA: THE ROLE OF COPYRIGHTS

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on Courts, Intellectual Property and the Internet held a hearing entitled “Innovation in America: The Role of Copyrights”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### PROTECTING STATES' RIGHTS TO PROMOTE AMERICAN ENERGY SECURITY ACT

*Committee on Natural Resources:* Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources held a hearing on the “Protecting States' Rights to Promote American Energy Security Act”. Testimony was heard from Catherine P. Foerster, Chair and Engineering Commissioner, Alaska Oil and Gas Conservation Commission; Christi Craddick, Commissioner, Railroad Commission of Texas; John Rogers, Utah Division of Oil, Gas, and Mining; and a public witness.

### LEGISLATIVE MEASURES

*Committee on Natural Resources:* Subcommittee on Fisheries, Wildlife, Oceans and Insular Affairs held a hearing on H.R. 358, the “Strategic Response to Asian Carp Invasion Act”; H.R. 709, the “Upper Mississippi Conservation and River Protection Act of 2013”; H.R. 1818, the “Polar Bear Conservation and Fairness Act of 2013”; H.R. 2158, the “Expedited Departure of Certain Snake Species Act”; and H.R. 2463, the “Target Practice and Marksmanship Training Support Act”. Testimony was heard from the following Representatives: McCollum and Ellison; and Stephen D. Guertin, Deputy Director, Fish and Wildlife Service; Scott Zody, Chief, Ohio Department of Natural Resources, Division of Wildlife; and public witnesses.

### DATA CENTERS AND THE CLOUD, PART II: THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT'S TAKE ON OPTIMIZING NEW INFORMATION TECHNOLOGIES OPPORTUNITIES TO SAVE TAXPAYERS MONEY

*Committee on Oversight and Government Reform:* Subcommittee on Government Operations held a hearing entitled “Data Centers and the Cloud, Part II: The Federal Government's Take on Optimizing New Information Technologies Opportunities to Save Taxpayers Money”. Testimony was heard from David McClure, Associate Administrator, Office of Citizen