

Committee Meetings

IMPLEMENTING THE AGRICULTURAL ACT OF 2014: COMMODITY POLICY AND CROP INSURANCE

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on General Farm Commodities and Risk Management held a hearing entitled “Implementing the Agricultural Act of 2014: Commodity Policy and Crop Insurance”. Testimony was heard from Michael T. Scuse, Under Secretary, Farm and Foreign Agricultural Services, Department of Agriculture.

DEFENSE REFORM

Committee on Armed Services: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Defense Reform: Empowering Acquisition Success”. Testimony was heard from Stephanie Barna, Acting Assistant Secretary of Defense; and Frank Kendall, Under Secretary of Defense.

CRUISER AND DESTROYER MODERNIZATION AND LARGE SURFACE COMBATANT FORCE STRUCTURE ASSESSMENT

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Seapower and Projection Forces held a hearing entitled “Cruiser and Destroyer Modernization and Large Surface Combatant Force Structure Assessment”. Testimony was heard from RADM Lawrence E. Creevy, Deputy Commander for Surface Warfare, Naval Sea Systems Command; RADM Thomas S. Rowden, Director, Surface Warfare; and Sean Stackley, Assistant Secretary of the Navy.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Full Committee held a markup on H.R. 3136, the “Advancing Competency-Based Education Demonstration Project Act of 2013”; H.R. 4983, the “Strengthening Transparency in Higher Education Act”; and H.R. 4984, the “Empowering Students through Enhanced Financial Counseling Act”. The following bills were ordered reported, to the House, as amended: H.R. 3136; H.R. 4983; and H.R. 4984.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Commerce, Manufacturing, and Trade concluded markup on the following legislation: legislation regarding “Targeting Rogue and Opaque Letters Act of 2014”; H.R. 4450, the “Travel Promotion, Enhancement, and Modernization Act of 2014”; and H.R. 4013, the “Low Volume Motor Vehicle Manufacturers Act of 2014”. The “Targeting Rogue and Opaque Letters Act of 2014” was forwarded to the Full Committee, without amendment. H.R. 4450

and H.R. 4013 were forwarded to the Full Committee, as amended.

LEGISLATION TO REFORM THE FEDERAL RESERVE ON ITS 100-YEAR ANNIVERSARY

Committee on Financial Services: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Legislation to Reform the Federal Reserve on Its 100-year Anniversary”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

THE FUTURE OF INTERNATIONAL CIVILIAN NUCLEAR COOPERATION

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “The Future of International Civilian Nuclear Cooperation”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

HUMAN RIGHTS VETTING: NIGERIA AND BEYOND

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on Africa, Global Health, Global Human Rights, and International Organizations held a “Human Rights Vetting: Nigeria and Beyond”. Testimony was heard from Lauren Ploch Blanchard, Specialist in African Affairs, Congressional Research Service; and public witnesses.

EXECUTIVE PROCLAMATION DESIGNATING THE ORGAN MOUNTAINS-DESERT PEAKS A NATIONAL MONUMENT: IMPLICATIONS FOR BORDER SECURITY

Committee on Homeland Security: Subcommittee on Oversight and Management Efficiency held a hearing entitled “The Executive Proclamation Designating the Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks a National Monument: Implications for Border Security”. Testimony was heard from Representative Pearce; Todd Garrison, Sheriff, Doña County, New Mexico; Marc R. Roseblum, Deputy Director, Immigration Policy Program; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on the Judiciary: Full Committee held a markup on H.R. 5036, to amend title 17, United States Code, to extend expiring provisions of the Satellite Television Extension and Localism Act of 2010; and H.J. Res. 105, Conferring honorary citizenship of the United States on Bernardo de Galvez y Madrid, Viscount of Galveston and Count of Galvez. The following bill and resolution were ordered reported, without amendment: H.R. 5036 and H.J. Res. 105.

EXAMINING NEW EMBASSY CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Examining New

Embassy Construction: Are New Administration Policies Putting Americans Overseas in Danger?”. Testimony was heard from Lydia Muniz, Director, Bureau of Overseas Buildings Operations, Department of State; Casey Jones, Deputy Director, Bureau of Overseas, Buildings and Operations, Department of State; and a public witness.

MEDICARE MISMANAGEMENT PART II: EXPLORING MEDICARE APPEALS REFORM

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform: Subcommittee on Energy Policy, Health Care and Entitlements held a hearing entitled “Medicare Mismanagement Part II: Exploring Medicare Appeals Reform”. Testimony was heard from Nancy J. Griswold, Chief Administrative Law Judge, Office of Medicare Hearings and Appeals, Department of Health and Human Services.

CASH ACCOUNTING

Committee on Small Business: Subcommittee on Economic Growth, Tax and Capital Access held a hearing entitled “Cash Accounting: A Simpler Method for Small Firms?”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

ACCESS TO VA’S MENTAL HEALTH CARE

Committee on Veterans’ Affairs: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Service should not lead to suicide: Access to VA’s Mental Health Care”. Testimony was heard from Maureen McCarthy, M.D., Deputy Chief Patient Care Services Officer, Veterans Health Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Ways and Means: Full Committee held a markup on H. Res. 645, “Requesting that the President of the United States transmit to the House of Representatives copies of any emails in the possession of the Executive Office of the President that were transmitted to or from the email account(s) of former Internal Revenue Service Exempt Organizations Division Director Lois Lerner between January 2009 and April 2011”; H. Res. 647, “Directing the Secretary of the Treasury to transmit to the House of Representatives copies of any emails in the posses-

sion of the Department that were transmitted to or from the email account(s) of former Internal Revenue Service Exempt Organizations Division Director Lois Lerner between January 2009 and April 2011”; and H.R. 5021, the “Highway and Transportation Funding Act of 2014”. The following bill was ordered reported, to the House, as amended: H.R. 5021. The following resolutions were ordered reported, to the House, without amendment: H. Res. 645; and H. Res. 647.

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 11, 2014

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

House

Committee on Energy and Commerce, Subcommittee on Health, hearing entitled “21st Century Cures: Incorporating the Patient Perspective”, 9 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Environment and the Economy, hearing entitled “Constitutional Considerations: States vs. Federal Environmental Policy Implementation”, 9:15 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary, Over-Criminalization Task Force, hearing on Agency Perspectives, 9 a.m., 2237 Rayburn.

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, Subcommittee on Federal Workforce, U.S. Postal Service and the Census, hearing entitled “Oversight of the Federal Workforce: The Viability of the Senior Executive Service”, 9:30 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, Subcommittee on Energy, hearing entitled “Fusion Energy: The World’s Most Complex Energy Project”, 9 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.