

Agreed to amend the title so as to read: “To provide for research with respect to Lyme disease and other tick-borne diseases, and for other purposes.”.

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Anti-Spoofing Act: H.R. 3670, amended, to amend the Communications Act of 1934 to expand and clarify the prohibition on provision of inaccurate caller identification information. Pages H7347–49

Suspension—Proceedings Postponed: The House debated the following measure under suspension of the rules. Further proceedings were postponed:

Enhance Labeling, Accessing, and Branding of Electronic Licenses Act of 2014: H.R. 5161, to promote the non-exclusive use of electronic labeling for devices licensed by the Federal Communications Commission. Pages H7349–50

Quorum Calls—Votes: Three yea-and-nay votes and three recorded votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H7314, H7335, H7336, H7336–37, H7338, H7338–39. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 7:52 p.m.

Committee Meetings

EXPANDING JOINT EMPLOYER STATUS: WHAT DOES IT MEAN FOR WORKERS AND JOB CREATORS?

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Subcommittee on Health, Employment, Labor, and Pensions held a hearing entitled “Expanding Joint Employer Status: What Does it Mean for Workers and Job Creators?”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

21ST CENTURY CURES: EXAMINING THE REGULATION OF LABORATORY DEVELOPED TESTS

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Health held a hearing entitled “21st Century Cures: Examining the Regulation of Laboratory Developed Tests”. Testimony was heard from Jeffrey Shuren, Director, Center for Devices and Radiological Health, Food and Drug Administration; and public witnesses.

STATE PERSPECTIVES: QUESTIONS CONCERNING EPA’S PROPOSED CLEAN POWER PLAN

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Energy and Power held a hearing entitled “State Perspectives: Questions Concerning EPA’s Proposed Clean Power Plan”. Testimony was heard from Ken-

neth W. Anderson, Jr., Commissioner, Public Utility Commission of Texas; Travis Kavulla, Commissioner, Montana Public Service Commission; Henry R. Darwin, Director, Arizona Department of Environmental Quality; Tom W. Easterly, Commissioner, Indiana Department of Environmental Management; Kelly Speakes-Backman, Commissioner, Maryland Public Service Commission; and David W. Danner, Chairman, Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission.

HAMAS’ BENEFACTORS: A NETWORK OF TERROR

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on the Middle East and North Africa; and Subcommittee on Terrorism, Nonproliferation, and Trade, held a joint subcommittee hearing entitled “Hamas’ Benefactors: A Network of Terror”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURE

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on Asia and the Pacific held a markup on H.R. 4377, the “Burma Human Rights and Democracy Act of 2014”. The bill was forwarded to the Full Committee, without amendment.

STRATEGY AND MISSION OF THE DHS SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY DIRECTORATE

Committee on Homeland Security: Subcommittee on Cybersecurity, Infrastructure Protection, and Security Technologies; and the Subcommittee on Research and Technology of the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, held a joint hearing entitled “Strategy and Mission of the DHS Science and Technology Directorate”. Testimony was heard from Reginald Brothers, Under Secretary, Science and Technology, Department of Homeland Security; and David C. Maurer, Director, Homeland Security and Justice, Government Accountability Office.

ACCESS TO JUSTICE?: DOES DOJ’S OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL HAVE ACCESS TO INFORMATION NEEDED TO CONDUCT PROPER OVERSIGHT?

Committee on the Judiciary: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Access to Justice?: Does DOJ’s Office of Inspector General Have Access to Information Needed to Conduct Proper Oversight?”. Testimony was heard from Michael E. Horowitz, Inspector General, Department of Justice.

PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION OF THE UNITED STATES RELATING TO PARENTAL RIGHTS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on the Constitution and Civil Justice held a hearing on proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States relating to parental rights. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

LEGISLATIVE MEASURES

Committee on Natural Resources: Full Committee held a hearing on the following legislation: H.R. 1314, to amend the Endangered Species Act of 1973 to establish a procedure for approval of certain settlements; H.R. 1927, the “More Water and Security for Californians Act”; H.R. 4256, the “Endangered Species Improvement Act of 2014”; H.R. 4284, the “ESA Improvement Act of 2014”; H.R. 4319, the “Common Sense in Species Protection Act of 2014”; and H.R. 4866, the “Lesser Prairie Chicken Voluntary Recovery Act of 2014”. Testimony was heard from Todd Staples, Commissioner, Texas Department of Agriculture; Gary Frazer, Assistant Director for Ecological Services, Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior; Dave Miller, Commissioner, Iron County, Utah; Robin Jennison, Secretary, Kansas Department of Wildlife Parks and Tourism; Donna Wieting, Director, Office of Protected Resources, National Marine Fisheries Service, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration; and public witnesses.

LEGISLATIVE MEASURES

Committee on Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Public Lands and Environmental Regulation held a hearing on the following legislation: H.R. 3326, the “Trinity County Land Exchange Act of 2013”; H.R. 3411, the “Sabine National Forest Land Exchange Act of 2013”; H.R. 4846, the “Arapaho National Forest Boundary Adjustment Act of 2014”; H.R. 5003, the “Kennesaw Mountain National Battlefield Park Boundary Adjustment Act of 2014”; H.R. 5040, the “Idaho County Shooting Range Land Conveyance Act”; H.R. 5074, the “Land Adjacency Notification and Disclosure Act”; H.R. 5162, to amend the Act entitled “An Act to allow a certain parcel of land in Rockingham County, Virginia, to be used for a child care center” to remove the use restriction, and for other purposes; and H.R. 5167, to direct the Administrator of General Services, on behalf of the Secretary of the Interior, to convey certain Federal property located in the National Petroleum Reserve in Alaska to the Olgoonik Corporation, an Alaska Native Corporation established under the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act. Testimony was heard from Representative Polis; Leslie A.C. Weldon, Dep-

uty Chief, Forest Service, Department of Agriculture; Karen Mouritsen, Deputy Assistant Director for Energy, Minerals and Realty Management, Bureau of Land Management, Department of the Interior; William Shaddox, Chief of Land Resources, National Park Service, Department of the Interior; and a public witness.

EXAMINING THE ADMINISTRATION'S TREATMENT OF WHISTLEBLOWERS

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform: Subcommittee on Federal Workforce, U.S. Postal Service, and the Census held a hearing entitled “Examining the Administration’s Treatment of Whistleblowers”. Testimony was heard from Carolyn Lerner, Special Counsel, U.S. Office of Special Counsel; Susan Tsui Grundmann, Chair, U.S. Merit Systems Protection Board; and public witnesses.

EMPLOYEE HEALTH CARE PROTECTION ACT OF 2013

Committee on Rules: Full Committee held a hearing on H.R. 3522, the “Employee Health Care Protection Act of 2013”. The committee granted, by record vote of 7–4, a closed rule for H.R. 3522. The rule provides one hour of debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Energy and Commerce. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule provides that an amendment in the nature of a substitute consisting of the text of Rules Committee Print 113–56, modified by the amendment printed in the Rules Committee report, shall be considered as adopted and the bill, as amended, shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against provisions in the bill, as amended. The rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from the following: Representatives Burgess and Gene Green of Texas.

BAKKEN PETROLEUM: THE SUBSTANCE OF ENERGY INDEPENDENCE

Committee on Science, Space, and Technology: Subcommittee on Energy; and Subcommittee on Oversight, held a joint subcommittee hearing entitled “Bakken Petroleum: The Substance of Energy Independence”. Testimony was heard from Timothy Butters, Deputy Administrator, Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration, Department of Transportation; Chris Smith, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary, Office of Fossil Energy, Department of Energy; Mark Zoanetti, Deputy Chief of Special Operations, Syracuse Fire Department; and public witnesses.

SURFACE TRANSPORTATION INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS: CASE STUDIES OF THE FEDERAL ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW AND PERMITTING PROCESS

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Highways and Transit held a hearing entitled “Surface Transportation Infrastructure Projects: Case Studies of the Federal Environmental Review and Permitting Process”. Testimony was heard from Carlos Braceras, Executive Director, Utah Department of Transportation; Lynn Peterson, Secretary, Washington State Department of Transportation; Carlos Swonke, Director, Environmental Affairs Division, Texas Department of Transportation; and a public witness.

SOCIAL IMPACT BONDS AND WHETHER THEY CAN HELP GOVERNMENT ACHIEVE BETTER RESULTS FOR FAMILIES IN NEED

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Human Resources held a hearing on Social Impact Bonds and whether they can help government achieve better results for families in need. Testimony was heard from David Juppe, Senior Operating Budget Manager, Maryland Department of Legislative Services; and public witnesses.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2014

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Lisa Afua Serwah Mensah, of Maryland, to be Under Secretary of Agriculture for Rural Development, 10 a.m., SR-328A.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: to hold hearings to examine freight rail service, focusing on improving the performance of America’s rail system, 2:30 p.m., SR-253.

Committee on Foreign Relations: to hold hearings to examine the nominations of William V. Roebuck, of North Carolina, to be Ambassador to the Kingdom of Bahrain, Judith Beth Cefkin, of Colorado, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Fiji, and to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador to the Republic of Kiribati, the Republic of Nauru, the Kingdom of Tonga, and Tuvalu, Barbara A. Leaf, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the United Arab Emirates, and Pamela Leora Spratlen, of California, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Uzbekistan, all of the Department of State, 10:30 a.m., SD-419.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: to hold hearings to examine cybersecurity, terrorism, and beyond, focusing on addressing evolving threats to the homeland, 9:30 a.m., SD-342.

Committee on Indian Affairs: to hold an oversight hearing to examine irrigation projects in Indian country, 2:30 p.m., SD-628.

Committee on Rules and Administration: to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Matthew Vincent Masterson, of Ohio, and Christy A. McCormick, of Virginia, both to be a Member of the Election Assistance Commission, 10 a.m., SR-301.

Special Committee on Aging: to hold hearings to examine Older Americans and student loan debt, 2:15 p.m., SD-562.

House

Committee on Agriculture, Subcommittee on Conservation, Energy, and Forestry, hearing to review the U.S. Forest Service’s proposed groundwater directive, 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

Committee on Armed Services, Subcommittee on Intelligence, Emerging Threats and Capabilities, hearing entitled “Operationalizing Cyber for the Military Services”, 2 p.m., 2212 Rayburn.

Committee on Education and the Workforce, Subcommittee on Higher Education and Workforce Training; and Subcommittee on Early Childhood, Elementary, and Secondary Education, joint hearing entitled “Improving Department of Education Policies and Programs Through Independent Oversight”, 9:30 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Credit, hearing entitled “An Overview of the Credit Reporting System”, 2 p.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Foreign Affairs, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Libya’s Descent”, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Africa, Global Health, Global Human Rights, and International Organizations; and Subcommittee on the Middle East and North Africa, joint subcommittee hearing entitled “Genocidal Attacks Against Christian and Other Religious Minorities in Syria and Iraq”, 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Border and Maritime Security, hearing entitled “One Flight Away: An Examination of the Threat posed by ISIS Terrorists with Western Passports”, 10 a.m., 311 Cannon.

Committee on the Judiciary, Full Committee, markup on the following legislation: H.R. 4771, the “Designer Anabolic Steroid Control Act of 2014”; H.R. 4299, the “Improving Regulatory Transparency for New Medical Therapies Act”; H.R. 5108, to establish the Law School Clinic Certification Program of the United States Patent and Trademark Office, and for other purposes; H.R. 5401, the “Protecting the Homeland Act”; H.R. 5421, the “Financial Institution Bankruptcy Act of 2014”; H.R. 5233, the “Trade Secrets Protection Act of 2014”; and H.R. 5402, the “Standard Merger and Acquisition Reviews Through Equal Rules Act of 2014”, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Natural Resources, Full Committee, hearing entitled “The Status of the Fish and Wildlife Service’s