

the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development”. Testimony was heard from David Montoya, Inspector General, Office of the Inspector General, Department of Housing and Urban Development; and Edda Emmanuelli Perez, Managing Associate General Counsel, Office of General Counsel, Government Accountability Office.

CUBA: ASSESSING THE ADMINISTRATION'S SUDDEN SHIFT

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Cuba: Assessing the Administration’s Sudden Shift”. Testimony was heard from Roberta S. Jacobson, Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Western Hemisphere Affairs, Department of State; John E. Smith, Deputy Director, Office of Foreign Assets Control, Department of the Treasury; and Matthew S. Borman, Deputy Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Export Administration, Bureau of Industry and Security, Department of Commerce.

THE PALESTINIAN AUTHORITY'S INTERNATIONAL CRIMINAL COURT GAMBIT: A TRUE PARTNER FOR PEACE?

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on the Middle East and North Africa held a hearing entitled “The Palestinian Authority’s International Criminal Court Gambit: A True Partner for Peace?”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

COMMITTEE FUNDING FOR THE 114TH CONGRESS

Committee on House Administration: Full Committee began a hearing on committee funding for the 114th Congress. Testimony was heard from Chairman Nunes, Chairman Ryan of Wisconsin, Chairman Goodlatte, Chairman Conaway, Chairman Price of Georgia, Chairman Shuster, Chairman Chabot, Chairman Kline, Chairman Sessions, Chairman Smith of Texas, Chairman Miller of Florida, and Representatives Schiff, Levin, Conyers, Peterson, Van Hollen, DeFazio, Velázquez, Scott of Virginia, Slaughter, Eddie Bernice Johnson of Texas, and Brown of Florida.

LEGISLATIVE HEARING

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Immigration and Border Security held a hearing on the “Legal Workforce Act”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

LEGISLATIVE HEARING

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Regulatory Reform, Commercial and Antitrust Law held a hearing on H.R. 526, the “Furthering Asbestos Claim Transparency (FACT) Act of 2015”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Ways and Means: Full Committee held a markup on H.R. 644, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to permanently extend and expand the charitable deduction for contributions of food inventory; H.R. 637, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to make permanent the rule allowing certain tax-free distributions from individual retirement accounts for charitable purposes; H.R. 641, the “Conservation Easement Incentive Act of 2015”; H.R. 640, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to modify the tax rate for excise tax on investment income of private foundations; H.R. 636, the “America’s Small Business Tax Relief Act of 2015”; H.R. 629, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to make permanent the reduced recognition period for built-in gains of S corporations; H.R. 630, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to make permanent certain rules regarding basis adjustments to stock of S corporations making charitable contributions of property. The following bills were ordered reported, as amended: H.R. 644, H.R. 637, H.R. 641, H.R. 640, H.R. 636, H.R. 629, and H.R. 630.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2015

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Armed Services: to hold hearings to examine the Guantanamo detention facility and the future of United States detention policy, 9:30 a.m., SD–G50.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Consumer Protection, Product Safety, and Insurance, to hold hearings to examine data breach and notification legislation in the 114th Congress, 10 a.m., SR–253.

Committee on Finance: to continue hearings to examine the President’s proposed budget request for fiscal year 2016, 10 a.m., SD–215.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: to hold hearings to examine the “joint employer” standard and business ownership, 10 a.m., SD–430.

Committee on the Judiciary: business meeting to consider S. 337, to improve the Freedom of Information Act, S. 295, to amend section 2259 of title 18, United States Code, and the nominations of Michael P. Botticelli, of the District of Columbia, to be Director of National Drug Control Policy, Jeanne E. Davidson, of Maryland, to be a Judge of the United States Court of International

Trade, and Daniel Henry Marti, of Virginia, to be Intellectual Property Enforcement Coordinator, 10:30 a.m., SD-226.

Select Committee on Intelligence: to receive a closed briefing on certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

House

Committee on Energy and Commerce, Subcommittee on Environment and the Economy, hearing and markup on

H.R. 212, the “Drinking Water Protection Act”, 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Foreign Affairs, Subcommittee on Africa, Global Health, Global Human Rights, and International Organizations, hearing entitled “Human Rights in Cuba: A Squandered Opportunity”, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.