

181, after the previous question was ordered by a ye-and-nay vote of 241 yeas to 181 nays, Roll No. 180. **Pages H2683–84**

A point of order was raised against the consideration of H. Res. 231 and it was agreed to proceed with consideration of the resolution by a ye-and-nay vote of 240 yeas 174 nays, Roll No. 179. **Pages H2672–74**

Presidential Message: Read a message from the President wherein he notified Congress of the recommendations of the Military Compensation and Retirement Modernization Commission—referred to the Committee on Armed Services and ordered to be printed (H. Doc. 114–30). **Page H2765**

Quorum Calls—Votes: Five ye-and-nay votes and 23 recorded votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H2673–74, H2683–84, H2684, H2702, H2703, H2703–04, H2704–05, H2705, H2705–06, H2706–07, H2707, H2707–08, H2709–10, H2710, H2742, H2743, H2743–44, H2744, H2744–45, H2745–46, H2746, H2747, H2747–48, H2748, H2748–49, H2749–50, H2750 and H2750–51. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 1:48 a.m. on Friday, May 1st.

Committee Meetings

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Agriculture: Full Committee held a markup on H.R. 2088, the “United States Grains Standards Act Reauthorization Act of 2015”; and H.R. 2051, the “Mandatory Price Reporting Act of 2015”. H.R. 2051 was ordered reported, as amended. H.R. 2088 was ordered reported, without amendment.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURE

Committee on Appropriations: Full Committee held a markup on Legislative Branch Appropriations Bill for FY 2016. The Legislative Branch Appropriations Bill for FY 2016 was ordered reported, as amended.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURE

Committee on Armed Services: Full Committee concluded a markup on H.R. 1735, the “National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2016”. H.R. 1735 was ordered reported, as amended.

IMPROVING COLLEGE ACCESS AND COMPLETION FOR LOW-INCOME AND FIRST-GENERATION STUDENTS

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Subcommittee on Higher Education and Workforce

Training held a hearing entitled “Improving College Access and Completion for Low-Income and First-Generation Students”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

LEGISLATIVE HEARING ON 21ST CENTURY CURES

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Health held a hearing entitled “Legislative Hearing on 21st Century Cures”. Testimony was heard from Kathy Hudson, Deputy Director for Science, Outreach, and Policy, National Institutes of Health; Janet Woodcock, Director of the Center for Drug Evaluation and Research, Food and Drug Administration; and Jeff Shuren, Director of the Center for Devices and Radiological Health, Food and Drug Administration.

STRATEGIC PETROLEUM RESERVE DISCUSSION DRAFT AND TITLE IV ENERGY EFFICIENCY

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Energy and Power held a hearing entitled “Strategic Petroleum Reserve Discussion Draft and Title IV Energy Efficiency”. Testimony was heard from Christopher A. Smith, Assistant Secretary for Fossil Energy, Department of Energy; and public witnesses.

FCC REAUTHORIZATION: IMPROVING COMMISSION TRANSPARENCY

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Communications and Technology held a hearing entitled “FCC Reauthorization: Improving Commission Transparency”. Testimony was heard from Tom Wheeler, Chairman, Federal Communications Commission; and Mike O’Rielly, Commissioner, Federal Communications Commission.

REGIONAL IMPACT OF U.S. POLICY TOWARDS IRAQ AND SYRIA

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on the Middle East and North Africa held a hearing entitled “Regional Impact of U.S. Policy Towards Iraq and Syria”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

BANGLADESH’S FRACTURE: POLITICAL AND RELIGIOUS EXTREMISM

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on Asia and the Pacific held a hearing entitled “Bangladesh’s Fracture: Political and Religious Extremism”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

MIGRATION CRISIS: OVERSIGHT OF THE ADMINISTRATION'S PROPOSED \$1 BILLION REQUEST FOR CENTRAL AMERICA

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on the Western Hemisphere held a hearing entitled "Migration Crisis: Oversight of the Administration's Proposed \$1 Billion Request for Central America". Testimony was heard from Scott Hamilton, Central America Director, Bureau of Western Hemisphere Affairs, Department of State; William R. Brownfield, Assistant Secretary, Bureau of International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Affairs, Department of State; Paloma Adams-Allen, Deputy Assistant Administrator, Latin America and the Caribbean Bureau, U.S. Agency for International Development; Alan D. Bersin, Assistant Secretary and Chief Diplomatic Officer, Office of Policy, Department of Homeland Security; and Lieutenant General Kenneth E. Tovo, USA, Military Deputy Commander, U.S. Southern Command, Department of Defense.

ALLEGATIONS OF SPECIAL ACCESS AND POLITICAL INFLUENCE AT THE DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Committee on Homeland Security: Full Committee held a hearing entitled "Allegations of Special Access and Political Influence at the Department of Homeland Security". Testimony was heard from Alejandro Mayorkas, Deputy Secretary, Department of Homeland Security.

A REVIEW OF ACCESS CONTROL MEASURES AT OUR NATION'S AIRPORTS, PART II

Committee on Homeland Security: Subcommittee on Transportation Security held a hearing entitled "A Review of Access Control Measures at Our Nation's Airports, Part II". Testimony was heard from Melvin Carraway, Acting Administrator, Transportation Security Administration, Department of Homeland Security; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURE

Committee on the Judiciary: Full Committee held a markup on H.R. 2048, the "USA FREEDOM Act of 2015". H.R. 2048 was ordered reported, without amendment.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Natural Resources: Full Committee concluded a markup on H.R. 774, the "Illegal, Unreported, and Unregulated Fishing Enforcement Act of 2015"; H.R. 1214, the "National Forest Small Tracts Act Amendments Act of 2015"; H.R. 1335, the "Strengthening Fishing Communities and Increasing Flexibility in Fisheries Management Act"; and H.R. 1991, the "Federal Lands Recreation Enhancement Act Extension Act of 2015". The fol-

lowing bills were ordered reported, as amended: H.R. 774, H.R. 1214, and H.R. 1335. The following bill was ordered reported, without amendment: H.R. 1991.

EPA MISMANAGEMENT

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform: Full Committee held a hearing entitled "EPA Mismanagement". Testimony was heard from the following Environmental Protection Agency officials: Arthur Elkins, Inspector General, Office of Inspector General; Patrick Sullivan, Assistant Inspector General for Investigations, Office of Inspector General; Stanley Meiburg, Acting Deputy Administrator; and John Reeder, Deputy Chief of Staff.

EXAMINING THE EXPORT-IMPORT BANK'S MANDATES

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform: Subcommittee on Health Care, Benefits and Administrative Rules; and the Subcommittee on Monetary Policy and Trade of the Committee on Financial Services, held a joint hearing entitled "Examining the Export-Import Bank's Mandates". Testimony was heard from Fred Hochberg, Chairman and President, Export-Import Bank of the United States.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURE

Committee on Science, Space, and Technology: Full Committee held a markup on H.R. 2039, the "National Aeronautics and Space Administration Authorization Act for 2016 and 2017". H.R. 2039 was ordered reported, without amendment.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Full Committee held a markup on H.R. 1987, the "Coast Guard Authorization Act of 2015"; H.R. 1642, to designate the building utilized as a United States courthouse located at 150 Reade Circle in Greenville, North Carolina, as the "Randy D. Doub United States Courthouse"; and General Services Administration Capital Investment and Leasing Program Resolutions. H.R. 1987 was ordered reported, as amended. H.R. 1642 and the General Services Administration Capital Investment and Leasing Program Resolutions were ordered reported, without amendment.

BUSINESS MEETING; EXAMINING ACCESS AND QUALITY OF CARE AND SERVICES FOR WOMEN VETERANS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Full Committee held a business meeting to consider a motion to issue a subpoena to the Department of Veterans Affairs, to

produce complete MSPB and EEO files from the Regional Office in Philadelphia to the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs; and a hearing entitled "Examining Access and Quality of Care and Services for Women Veterans". A motion that the Committee authorize the issuance of a subpoena duces tecum to Robert A. McDonald, Secretary of the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs, for the Department of Veterans Affairs to produce complete copies of all Merit Systems Protection Board and Equal Employment Opportunity files of the Philadelphia Regional Benefit Office from December 31, 2008, to present was adopted. Testimony was heard from Patricia Hayes, Chief Consultant for Women's Health Services, Office of Patient Care Services, Veterans Health Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs; and public witnesses.

**NEXT STEPS FOR WELFARE REFORM:
IDEAS TO IMPROVE TEMPORARY
ASSISTANCE FOR NEEDY FAMILIES TO
HELP MORE FAMILIES FIND WORK AND
ESCAPE POVERTY**

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Human Resources held a hearing entitled "Next Steps for Welfare Reform: Ideas to Improve Temporary Assistance for Needy Families to Help More Families Find Work and Escape Poverty". Testimony was heard from Eloise Anderson, Co-Chair of the Secretaries' Innovation Group, Secretary of the Wisconsin Department of Children and Families; and public witnesses.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY, MAY 1, 2015

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

House

Committee on Energy and Commerce, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled "What is the Federal Government Doing to Combat the Opioid Abuse Epidemic?", 9 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Health, hearing entitled "Examining Microbeads in Cosmetic Products", 9:15 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, Subcommittee on Capital Markets and Government Sponsored Enterprises, hearing entitled "Oversight of the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority", 9:15 a.m., HVC-210.

Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on the Constitution and Civil Justice, hearing on H.J. Res. 45, the "Victims' Rights Amendment", 9 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, Subcommittee on Government Operations, hearing entitled "Is the Railroad Retirement Board Doing Enough to Protect Against Fraud?", 9:30 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, Subcommittee on Energy, hearing entitled "Innovations in Battery Storage for Renewable Energy", 9 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.