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Brooks (AL) amendment that seeks to strike the paragraph providing funding for Capital and Debt Service Grants to the National Railroad Passenger Corporation;

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Capps amendment that seeks to increase funding in the Pipeline Safety Oil Spill Liability Trust Fund by \$27,604,000; and

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Stivers amendment that seeks to prohibit the use of funds for the Private Enforcement Initiative of the Fair Housing Initiatives Program under section 561(b) of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1987.

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H. Res. 287, the rule providing for consideration of the bills (H.R. 2577) and (H.R. 2578) was agreed to yesterday, June 2nd.

Meeting Hour: Agreed by unanimous consent that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 9 a.m. tomorrow, June 4.

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Quorum Calls—Votes: Three yea-and-nay votes and twenty-one recorded votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H3780–81, H3781, H3782, H3782–83, H3783–84, H3784, H3784–85, H3785–86, H3786, H3786–87, H3787–88, H3788, H3788–89, H3789–90, H3809–10, H3810, H3811, H3811–12, H3812, H3813, H3813–14, H3814, H3816 and H3816–17. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 12:27 a.m. on Thursday, June 4, 2015.

Committee Meetings

REVIEW OF AGRICULTURAL SUBSIDIES IN FOREIGN COUNTRIES

Committee on Agriculture: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Review of Agricultural Subsidies in Foreign Countries”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs held a markup on State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs Appropriations Bill, FY 2016. The State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs Appropriations Bill, FY 2016, was forwarded to the full committee, without amendment.

THE CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE: OVERSIGHT HEARING

Committee on the Budget: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “The Congressional Budget Office:

Oversight Hearing”. Testimony was heard from Keith Hall, Director, Congressional Budget Office.

COMPULSORY UNIONIZATION THROUGH GRIEVANCE FEES: THE NLRB’S ASSAULT ON RIGHT-TO-WORK

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Compulsory Unionization through Grievance Fees: The NLRB’s Assault on Right-to-Work”. Testimony was heard from Pete Ricketts, Governor, State of Nebraska; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Full Committee concluded a markup on H.R. 2576, the “TSCA Modernization Act of 2015”; and H.R. 2583, the “Federal Communications Commission Process Reform Act of 2015”. The following bills were ordered reported, as amended: H.R. 2576 and H.R. 2583.

LEGISLATIVE MEASURE

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Energy and Power began a hearing entitled “Discussion Draft on Accountability and Department of Energy Perspectives on Title IV: Energy Efficiency”. Testimony was heard from Kathleen Hogan, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Energy Efficiency, Department of Energy; J. Arnold Quinn, Director, Office of Energy Policy and Innovation, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission; Larry R. Parkinson, Director, Office of Enforcement, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.

EXAMINING THE EXPORT-IMPORT BANK’S REAUTHORIZATION REQUEST AND THE GOVERNMENT’S ROLE IN EXPORT FINANCING

Committee on Financial Services: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Examining the Export-Import Bank’s Reauthorization Request and the Government’s Role in Export Financing”. Testimony was heard from Fred P. Hochberg, Chairman and President, Export-Import Bank of the United States; Michael T. McCarthy, Deputy Inspector General, Office of Inspector General, Export-Import Bank of the United States; and public witnesses.

U.S. POLICY TOWARDS ISIL AFTER TERROR GROUP SEIZES RAMADI AND PALMYRA

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on the Middle East and North Africa held a hearing entitled “U.S. Policy Towards ISIL After Terror Group Seizes Ramadi and Palmyra”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

THE FUTURE OF U.S.-ZIMBABWE RELATIONS

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on Africa, Global Health, Global Human Rights, and International Organizations held a hearing entitled “The Future of U.S.-Zimbabwe Relations”. Testimony was heard from Shannon Smith, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Bureau of African Affairs, Department of State; and public witnesses.

TERRORISM GONE VIRAL: THE ATTACK IN GARLAND, TEXAS AND BEYOND

Committee on Homeland Security: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Terrorism Gone Viral: The Attack in Garland, Texas and Beyond”. Testimony was heard from John J. Mulligan, Deputy Director, National Counterterrorism Center; Francis X. Taylor, Under Secretary, Intelligence and Analysis, Department of Homeland Security; and Michael B. Steinbach, Assistant Director, Counterterrorism Division, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Department of Justice.

HOUSE OFFICER PRIORITIES FOR 2016 AND BEYOND

Committee on House Administration: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “House Officer Priorities for 2016 and Beyond”. Testimony was heard from Karen L. Haas, Clerk of the House; Paul D. Irving, House Sergeant at Arms; and Ed Cassidy, Chief Administrative Officer.

RETURNING RESILIENCE TO OUR OVERGROWN, FIRE-PRONE NATIONAL FORESTS ACT OF 2015

Committee on Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Federal Lands held a hearing on a discussion draft entitled the “Returning Resilience to our Overgrown, Fire-prone National Forests Act of 2015”. Testimony was heard from Tom Tidwell, Chief, U.S. Forest Service; and public witnesses.

ENSURING AGENCY COMPLIANCE WITH THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Ensuring Agency Compliance with the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA)”. Testimony was heard from Joyce A. Barr, Chief FOIA Officer, Department of State; Mary Howard, Director, Privacy, Governmental Liaison, and Disclosure, Internal Revenue Service; Melanie Anne Pustay, Director, Office of Information Policy, Department of Justice; Karen Neuman, Chief FOIA Officer, Department of Homeland Security; and Brodi Fontenot, Chief FOIA Officer, Department of Treasury.

THE ROAD AHEAD: SMALL BUSINESSES AND THE NEED FOR A LONG-TERM SURFACE TRANSPORTATION REAUTHORIZATION

Committee on Small Business: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “The Road Ahead: Small Businesses and the Need for a Long-Term Surface Transportation Reauthorization”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

ASSESSING VA’S ABILITY TO PROMPTLY PAY NON-VA PROVIDERS

Committee on Veterans’ Affairs: Subcommittee on Health held a hearing entitled “Assessing VA’s Ability to Promptly Pay Non-VA Providers”. Testimony was heard from Gene Migliaccio, Deputy Chief Business Officer for Purchased Care, Veterans Health Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs; and public witnesses.

PROTECTING THE SAFETY NET FROM WASTE, FRAUD, AND ABUSE

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Human Resources held a hearing entitled “Protecting the Safety Net from Waste, Fraud, and Abuse”. Testimony was heard from Representatives Sam Johnson of Texas; Brady of Texas; Reichert; Becerra; Reed; Renacci; and DeLauro; Patrick P. O’Carroll, Jr., Inspector General, Social Security Administration; Dan Bertoni, Director, Education, Workforce, and Income Security Issues, Government Accountability Office; Curt Eysink, Executive Director, Louisiana Workforce Commission; and public witnesses.

Joint Meetings

EMPLOYMENT EFFECTS OF THE AFFORDABLE CARE ACT

Joint Economic Committee: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the employment effects of the Affordable Care Act, after receiving testimony from Casey B. Mulligan, University of Chicago, Chicago, Illinois; Joseph P. Sergio, The Sergio Corporation, South Bend, Indiana; Barbara L. Carroll, North Carolina State University, Raleigh; and Paul N. Van de Water, Center on Budget and Policy Priorities, Washington, D.C.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, JUNE 4, 2015

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

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Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: business meeting to consider the nomination of Jeffrey Michael