

ENERGY DEVELOPMENT

Committee on Indian Affairs: Committee concluded an oversight hearing to examine the Government Accountability Office report on Indian energy development, after receiving testimony from Lawrence S. Roberts, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Interior, Indian Affairs; Frank Rusco, Director, Natural Resources and Environment, Government Accountability Office; James M. Olguin, Southern Ute Indian Tribe, Ignacio, Colorado; Grant Stafne, Assiniboine and Sioux Tribes of the Fort Peck Reservation, Poplar, Montana; and Cameron Cuch, Crescent Point Energy U.S. Corporation, Denver, Colorado.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Gary Richard Brown, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of New York, Rebecca Goodgame Ebinger, to be United States District Judge for the

Southern District of Iowa, and Leonard Terry Strand, of South Dakota, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Iowa, who were both introduced by Senator Ernst, and Mark A. Young, to be United States District Judge for the Central District of California, who was introduced by Senator Boxer, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

COMPUTER TECH SUPPORT SCAMS

Special Committee on Aging: Committee concluded a hearing to examine when computer tech support becomes a scam, after receiving testimony from Lois Greisman, Associate Director of the Division of Marketing Practices, Bureau of Consumer Protection, Federal Trade Commission; David Finn, Microsoft Digital Crimes Unit, Redmond, Washington; Lew Polivick, Legal Services of Southern Missouri, Charleston; and Frank Schiller, Peaks Island, Maine.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 21 public bills, H.R. 3776–3796; and 2 resolutions, H. Res. 484–485 were introduced. **Pages H7088–90**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages H7090–91**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 1384, to amend title 38, United States Code, to recognize the service in the reserve components of certain persons by honoring them with status as veterans under law (H. Rept. 114–302); and

H. Res. 483, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 3762) to provide for reconciliation pursuant to section 2002 of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2016 (H. Rept. 114–303). **Page H7088**

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Duncan (TN) to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H7031**

Recess: The House recessed at 10:49 a.m. and reconvened at 12 noon. **Page H7036**

Unanimous consent agreement: Agreed by unanimous consent that the question of adopting a motion to recommit on H.R. 10 or H.R. 692 may be subject to postponement as though under clause 8 of rule 20. **Pages H7041–47**

Default Prevention Act: The House passed H.R. 692, to ensure the payment of interest and principal of the debt of the United States, by a ye-a-and-nay vote of 235 yeas to 194 nays, Roll No. 557. **Pages H7041–47, H7053–60**

H. Res. 480, the rule providing for consideration of the bills (H.R. 10) and (H.R. 692) was agreed to by a recorded vote of 245 yeas to 182 noes, Roll No. 554, after the previous question was ordered by a ye-a-and-nay vote of 241 yeas to 181 nays, Roll No. 553. **Pages H7041, H7051–52**

Quarterly Financial Report Reauthorization Act: The House agreed to take from the Speaker's table and concur in the Senate amendment to H.R. 3116, to extend by 15 years the authority of the Secretary of Commerce to conduct the quarterly financial report program. **Pages H7060–61**

SOAR Reauthorization Act: The House passed H.R. 10, to reauthorize the Scholarships for Opportunity and Results Act, by a ye-a-and-nay vote of 240 yeas to 191 nays, Roll No. 559. **Pages H7061–79**

Rejected the Scott (VA) motion to recommit to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform with instructions to report the same back to the House forthwith with an amendment, by a ye-a-and-nay vote of 185 yeas to 242 nays, Roll No. 558. **Pages H7077–78**

Pursuant to the Rule, the amendments recommended by the Committee on Oversight and

Government Reform now printed in the bill shall be considered as adopted in the House and in the Committee of the Whole. **Page H7070**

Agreed to:

Chaffetz amendment (No. 1 printed in H. Rept. 114–300) that makes small, technical changes to the bill. **Page H7073**

Rejected:

Norton amendment (No. 2 printed in H. Rept. 114–300) that sought to restore the requirement that the voucher program be evaluated using the strongest possible research design; would limit voucher students to no more than 50% of a school's total enrollment. **Page H7073**

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National Strategic and Critical Minerals Production Act of 2015—Rule for consideration: The House agreed to H. Res. 481, the rule providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 1937) to require the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture to more efficiently develop domestic sources of the minerals and mineral materials of strategic and critical importance to United States economic and national security and manufacturing competitiveness, by a recorded vote of 244 ayes to 185 noes, Roll No. 556, after the previous question was ordered by a yea-and-nay vote of 243 yeas to 184 nays, Roll No. 555. Consideration is expected to resume tomorrow, October 22nd. **Pages H7047–50, H7052–53**

Consideration of Presidential Veto Message: Agreed by unanimous consent that if a veto message on H.R. 1735 is laid before the House, then after the message is read and the objections of the President are spread at large upon the Journal, further consideration of the veto message and the bill shall be postponed until the legislative day of November 5, 2015, and that on that legislative day, the House shall proceed to the constitutional question of reconsideration and dispose of such question without intervening motion. **Page H7079**

Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measure:

Amending title XI of the Social Security Act to clarify waiver authority regarding programs of all-inclusive care for the elderly (PACE programs): S. 1362, to amend title XI of the Social Security Act to clarify waiver authority regarding programs of all-inclusive care for the elderly (PACE programs). **Pages H7079–80**

Presidential Message: Read a message from the President wherein he notified Congress that the national emergency declared with respect to the situation in or in relation to the Democratic Republic of the Congo, and the related measures blocking the property of certain persons contributing to the conflict in that country, are to continue in effect beyond October 27, 2015—referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs and ordered to be printed (H. Doc. 114–69). **Page H7080**

Senate Message: Message received from the Senate by the Clerk and subsequently presented to the House today appears on page H7041.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Five yea-and-nay votes and two recorded votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H7051, H7051–52, H7052–53, H7053, H7077, H7077–78 and H7078–79. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 7:21 p.m.

Committee Meetings

FOREIGN SUBSIDIES: JEOPARDIZING FREE TRADE AND HARMING AMERICAN FARMERS

Committee on Agriculture: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Foreign Subsidies: Jeopardizing Free Trade and Harming American Farmers”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

EXAMINING DOD SECURITY COOPERATION: WHEN IT WORKS AND WHEN IT DOESN'T

Committee on Armed Services: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Examining DOD Security Cooperation: When It Works and When It Doesn't”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

UPDATE ON THE F–35 JOINT STRIKE FIGHTER PROGRAM

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Tactical Air and Land Forces held a hearing entitled “Update on the F–35 Joint Strike Fighter Program”. Testimony was heard from Lieutenant General Christopher C. Bogdan, USAF, Program Executive Officer, F–35 Joint Program Office; and Major General Jeffrey L. Harrigan, USAF, Director, F–35 Integration Office.

PROTECTING AMERICA'S WORKERS: REVIEWING MINE SAFETY POLICIES WITH STAKEHOLDERS

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Subcommittee on Workforce Protections held a hearing entitled “Protecting America's Workers: Reviewing