

Science, Space, and Technology, held a joint hearing entitled “Eastern Mediterranean Energy: Challenges and Opportunities for U.S. Regional Priorities”. Testimony was heard from Amos J. Hochstein, Special Envoy and Coordinator for International Energy Affairs, Bureau of Energy Resources, Department of State; and Jonathan Elkind, Assistant Secretary for International Affairs, Department of Energy.

ASIA’S GROWING HUNGER FOR ENERGY: U.S. POLICY AND SUPPLY OPPORTUNITIES

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on Asia and the Pacific held a hearing entitled “Asia’s Growing Hunger for Energy: U.S. Policy and Supply Opportunities”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

STATE AND LOCAL PERSPECTIVES ON FEDERAL INFORMATION SHARING

Committee on Homeland Security: Subcommittee on Counterterrorism and Intelligence held a hearing entitled “State and Local Perspectives on Federal Information Sharing”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURE

Committee on the Judiciary: Full Committee held a markup on H.R. 3438, the “Require Evaluation before Implementing Executive Wishlists Act of 2015”. H.R. 3438 was ordered reported, as amended.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Natural Resources: Full Committee concluded a markup on H.R. 3764, the “Tribal Recognition Act of 2015”; H.R. 4564, the “Robert Emmet Park Act of 2016”; H.R. 5032, to allow certain property in the town of Louisa, Virginia, to be used for purposes related to compliance with water quality standards, and for other purposes; and H.R. 5259, the “Certainty for States and Tribes Act”. The following bills were ordered reported, as amended: H.R. 3764 and H.R. 5259. The following bills were ordered reported, without amendment: H.R. 4564 and H.R. 5032.

EXAMINING FOIA COMPLIANCE AT THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Examining FOIA Compliance at the Department of State”. Testimony was heard from the following Department of State officials: Patrick F. Kennedy, Under Secretary for Management; Janice Jacobs, Transparency Coordinator; Karin Lang, Director, Executive Secretariat; and Clarence N. Finney, Jr., Deputy Director for

Correspondence, Records, and Staffing Division, Executive Secretariat.

STRUGGLING TO GROW: ASSESSING THE CHALLENGES FOR SMALL BUSINESSES IN RURAL AMERICA

Committee on Small Business: Subcommittee on Economic Growth, Tax and Capital Access held a hearing entitled “Struggling to Grow: Assessing the Challenges for Small Businesses in Rural America”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Ways and Means: Full Committee held a markup H.R. 5942, to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to establish a demonstration program to provide integrated care for Medicare beneficiaries with end-stage renal disease, and for other purposes; and H.R. 954, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to exempt from the individual mandate certain individuals who had coverage under a terminated qualified health plan funded through the Consumer Operated and Oriented Plan (CO-OP) program. H.R. 954 and H.R. 5942 were ordered reported, as amended.

Joint Meetings

FEDERAL DEBT

Joint Economic Committee: Committee concluded a hearing to examine Federal debt, focusing on direction, drivers, and dangers, after receiving testimony from former Senator Judd Gregg, Campaign to Fix the Debt, and Alice M. Rivlin, Brookings Institution, both of Washington, D.C.; and Mitchell E. Daniels, Jr., Purdue University, West Lafayette, Indiana.

ENERGY POLICY MODERNIZATION ACT OF 2016

Conferees met to resolve the differences between the Senate and House adopted versions of S. 2012, to provide for the modernization of the energy policy of the United States, but did not complete action thereon.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 2016

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

House

Committee on Energy and Commerce, Subcommittee on Health, hearing entitled “An Examination of Federal

Mental Health Parity Laws and Regulations”, 9 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, Subcommittee on Transportation and Public Assets, hearing

entitled “Oversight of the Federal Emergency Management Agency’s Response to the Baton Rouge Flood Disaster”, 8:30 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.