

5957, the “Federal Aviation Administration Veteran Transition Improvement Act of 2016”; H.R. 5977, to direct the Secretary of Transportation to provide to the appropriate committees of Congress advance notice of certain announcements, and for other purposes; H.R. 5978, the “Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation Amendments Act of 2016”; S. 546, the “RESPONSE Act of 2016”; and other matters cleared for consideration. The following legislation was ordered reported, as amended: H.R. 5978, H.R. 5011, H.R. 5147, and S. 546. The following legislation was ordered reported, without amendment: H.R. 5957, H.R. 5977, and H.R. 5873. The General Services Administration Capital Investment and Leasing Program Resolutions were approved.

AN EXAMINATION OF VA’S MISUSE OF EMPLOYEE SETTLEMENT AGREEMENTS

Committee on Veterans’ Affairs: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “An Examination of VA’s Misuse of Employee Settlement Agreements”. Testimony was heard from Leigh Bradley, General Counsel, Department of Veterans Affairs; and Eric Bachman, Deputy Special Counsel for Litigation and Legal Affairs, Office of Special Counsel.

EXPLORING THE USE OF TECHNOLOGY AND INNOVATION TO CREATE EFFICIENCIES, HIGHER QUALITY, AND BETTER ACCESS FOR BENEFICIARIES IN HEALTH CARE

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Health held a hearing entitled “Exploring the Use of Technology and Innovation to Create Efficiencies, Higher Quality, and Better Access for Beneficiaries in Health Care”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Ways and Means: Full Committee held a markup on H.R. 3957, the “Emergency Citrus Disease Response Act”; H.R. 5946, the “United States Appreciation for Olympians and Paralympians Act”; H.R. 5719, the “Empowering Employees through Stock Ownership Act”; and H.R. 2285, the “Prevent Trafficking in Cultural Property Act”. The following bills were ordered reported, as amended: H.R. 3957, H.R. 5946, H.R. 5719, and H.R. 2285.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2016

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Christopher James Brummer, of the District of Columbia, and Brian D. Quintenz, of the District of Columbia, both to be a Commissioner of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission, 10 a.m., SR-328A.

Committee on Armed Services: to hold hearings to examine the long-term budgetary challenges facing the military services and innovative solutions for maintaining our military superiority, 9:30 a.m., SD-G50.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: to hold an oversight hearing to examine the Federal Communications Commission, 10 a.m., SR-253.

Committee on Foreign Relations: to hold hearings to examine Afghanistan, focusing on United States policy and international commitments, 9:45 a.m., SD-419.

Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine reviewing the civil nuclear agreement with Norway, 2:15 p.m., SD-419.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: to hold hearings to examine the state of health insurance markets, 10 a.m., SD-342.

Committee on the Judiciary: to hold hearings to examine S. 2763, to provide the victims of Holocaust-era persecution and their heirs a fair opportunity to recover works of art confiscated or misappropriated by the Nazis, S. 3155, to amend chapter 97 of title 28, United States Code, to clarify the exception to foreign sovereign immunity set forth in section 1605(a)(3) of such title, S. 3270, to prevent elder abuse and exploitation and improve the justice system’s response to victims in elder abuse and exploitation cases, and the nominations of Lucy Haeran Koh, of California, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit, and Florence Y. Pan, to be United States District Judge for the District of Columbia, 10 a.m., SD-226.

Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship: to hold hearings to examine the Federal response and resources for Louisiana flood victims, 10:30 a.m., SR-428A.

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

House

Committee on Energy and Commerce, Subcommittee on Energy and Power, hearing entitled “The Department of Energy’s Role in Advancing the National, Economic, and Energy Security of the United States”, 10 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

Committee on Foreign Affairs, Subcommittee on the Middle East and North Africa, markup on H. Res. 220, condemning the Government of Iran’s state-sponsored persecution of its Baha’i minority and its continued violation of the International Covenants on Human Rights, 9:30 a.m., 2255 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on the Western Hemisphere, markup on H. Res. 851, expressing profound concern about the ongoing political, economic, social and humanitarian crisis in Venezuela, urging the release of political prisoners, and calling for respect of constitutional and democratic processes; and H.R. 5708, the “Nicaragua Investment Conditionality Act of 2016”; and hearing entitled “Nicaragua’s Democratic Collapse”, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, Full Committee, markup on the “Modernizing Government Technology Act of 2016”; the “GAO Task and Delivery Order Protest Authority Act of 2016”; the “Transportation Benefits Expansion Act”; the “Federal Agency Mail Management Act of 2016”; H.R. 2532, the “EASY Savings Act of 2015”; H.R. 3779, to restrict the inclusion of social security account numbers on documents sent by mail by the Federal Government, and for other purposes; H.R. 5625, the “Modernizing Government Travel Act”; H.R. 5920, the “Whistleblower Protections for Contractors Act”; H.R. 5785, to amend title 5, United States Code, to provide for an annuity supplement for certain air traffic controllers; H.R. 5790, the “Federal Bureau of Investigation Whistleblower Protection Enhancement Act of 2016”; H.R. 5150, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 3031 Veterans Road West in Staten Island, New York, as the “Leonard Montalto Post Office Building”; H.R. 5309, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 401 McElroy Drive in Oxford, Mississippi, as the “Army

First Lieutenant Donald C. Carwile Post Office Building”; H.R. 5591, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 810 N US Highway 83 in Zapata, Texas, as the “Zapata Veterans Post Office”; H.R. 5676, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 6300 N. Northwest Highway in Chicago, Illinois, as the “Officer Joseph P. Cali Post Office Building”; H.R. 5798, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1101 Davis Street in Evanston, Illinois, as the “Abner J. Mikva Post Office Building”; and H.R. 5889, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1 Chalan Kanoa VLG in Saipan, Northern Mariana Islands, as the “Segundo T. Sablan and CNMI Fallen Military Heroes Post Office Building”, 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, Subcommittee on Environment, hearing entitled “A Solution in Search of a Problem: EPA’s Methane Regulations”, 9 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment, hearing entitled “A Review of Recently Completed United States Army Corps of Engineers Chief’s Reports”, 9:30 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, Full Committee, business meeting on consideration of a Committee Report entitled “Review of Unauthorized Disclosures by Former NSA Contractor Edward Snowden”, 9 a.m., HVC-304. This meeting will be closed.