

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S1011–S1132

Measures Introduced: Four bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 2038–2041, and S. Con. Res. 32. **Page S1048**

Measures Reported:

S. 1086, to reauthorize and improve the Child Care and Development Block Grant Act of 1990, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 113–138) **Page S1048**

Measures Passed:

National Integrated Drought Information System Reauthorization Act: Senate passed H.R. 2431, to reauthorize the National Integrated Drought Information System. **Page S1132**

Measures Considered:

Comprehensive Veterans Health and Benefits and Military Retirement Pay Restoration Act—Agreement: Senate continued consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 1982, to improve the provision of medical services and benefits to veterans. **Pages S1011–13, S1020–39**

During consideration of this measure today, Senate also took the following action:

By a unanimous vote of 99 yeas (Vote No. 44), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, having voted in the affirmative, Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill. **Page S1027**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill, post-cloture, at approximately 11:30 a.m., on Wednesday, February 26, 2014; and that all time during adjournment and morning business, count post-cloture on the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill. **Page S1132**

Message from the President: Senate received the following message from the President of the United States:

Transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on the continuation of the national emergency with respect to Cuba and of the emergency authority relating to

the regulation of the anchorage and movement of vessels; which was referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. (PM–30)

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Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

By 95 yeas to 4 nays (Vote No. EX. 39), James Maxwell Moody, Jr., of Arkansas, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Arkansas. **Pages S1016–18, S1132**

By 90 yeas to 5 nays (Vote No. EX. 41), James Donato, of California, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of California.

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During consideration of this nomination today, Senate also took the following action:

By 55 yeas to 42 nays, 1 responding present (Vote No. 40), Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the nomination. **Pages S1018–19**

By 91 yeas to 7 nays (Vote No. EX. 43), Beth Labson Freeman, of California, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of California. **Pages S1020, S1132**

During consideration of this nomination today, Senate also took the following action:

By 56 yeas to 42 nays, 1 responding present (Vote No. 42), Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the nomination. **Pages S1019–20**

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Record Votes: Six record votes were taken today. (Total—44) **Pages S1017–20, S1027**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 6:34 p.m., until 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday, February 26, 2014. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S1132.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Armed Services: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Christine E. Wormuth, of Virginia, to be Under Secretary for Policy, Brian P. McKeon, of New York, to be Principal Deputy Under Secretary for Policy, David B. Shear, of New York, to be Assistant Secretary for Asian and Pacific Security Affairs, Eric Rosenbach, of Pennsylvania, to be Assistant Secretary for Homeland Defense, Robert O. Work, of Virginia, to be Deputy Secretary, who was introduced by Senator Warner, and Michael J. McCord, of Ohio, to be Under Secretary (Comptroller), who was introduced by former Senator Sam Nunn, all of the Department of Defense, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

TERRORISM RISK INSURANCE MARKET

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine reauthorizing the Terrorism Risk Insurance Market (TRIA), focusing on the state of the Terrorism Risk Insurance Market, after receiving testimony from W. Edward Walter, Host Hotels and Resorts, Inc., Bethesda, Maryland, on behalf of the Coalition to Insure Against Terrorism; Carolyn Snow, Risk and Insurance Management Society, Inc., Louisville, Kentucky; Bill Henry, McQueary, Henry, Bowles and Troy, Inc., Dallas, Texas, on behalf of The Council of Insurance Agents and Brokers; Vincent T. Donnelly, PMA Insurance Group, Blue Bell, Pennsylvania, on behalf of the Property Casualty Insurers Association of America; Warren W. Heck, National Association of Mutual Insurance Companies, New York, New York; and Douglas Elliot, The Hartford Financial Services Group, Rocky Hill, Connecticut, on behalf of the American Insurance Association.

ECONOMIC AND BUDGET OUTLOOK

Committee on the Budget: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the economic and budget outlook for individuals, families, and communities, after receiving testimony from Neera Tanden, Center for American Progress, and Robert Doar, American Enterprise Institute, both of Washington, D.C.; Edith Kimball, Lee Elementary School, Lee, Florida; Courtney Johnson, Fort Hayes Arts and Academic High School, Columbus, Ohio; and Scott Winship, Manhattan Institute for Policy Research, New York, New York.

NATURAL RESOURCE ADAPTATION

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Subcommittee on Oversight concluded a hearing to ex-

amine natural resource adaptation, focusing on protecting ecosystems and economies, after receiving testimony from John P. Holdren, Director, Office of Science and Technology Policy, Executive Office of the President; Dan Ashe, Director, Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior; Noah Matson, Defenders of Wildlife, Washington, D.C.; David Houghton, National Wildlife Refuge Association, Harrisville, New Hampshire; Christopher Brown, Rhode Island Commercial Fishermen's Association, West Kingston; Patrick Moore, Ecosense Environmental, Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada; and Robert Bryce, Manhattan Institute for Policy Research, Austin, Texas.

LEBANON

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on Near Eastern and South and Central Asian Affairs concluded a hearing to examine Lebanon at the crossroads, after receiving testimony from Lawrence Silverman, Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for Near Eastern Affairs; Major General Michael Plehn, Principal Director, Middle East Policy, Department of Defense; and Paul Salem, Middle East Institute, and Aram Nerguizian, Center for Strategic and International Studies, both of Washington, D.C.

SITUATION IN THE UKRAINE

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee received a closed briefing on the situation in the Ukraine from Victoria Nuland, Assistant Secretary of State for European and Eurasian Affairs.

MENTAL HEALTH TREATMENT OPTIONS AND TRENDS

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: Committee concluded a hearing to examine mental health, focusing on treatment options and trends, after receiving testimony from William Cooper, Vanderbilt University School of Medicine, Nashville, Tennessee; Benjamin S. Fernandez, Loudoun County Public Schools, Ashburn, Virginia; John Arch, Boys Town National Research Hospital, Omaha, Nebraska; and Tiffany Martinez, Portland, Maine.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Gregg Jeffrey Costa, of Texas, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Fifth Circuit, who was introduced by Senator Cornyn, Tanya S. Chutkan, to be United States District Judge for the District of Columbia, who was introduced by Representative Norton, M. Hannah Lauck, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Virginia, who was introduced by Senators Warner and Kaine, Leo T. Sorokin, to be

United States District Judge for the District of Massachusetts, who was introduced by Senator Warren, and John Charles Cruden, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Attorney General, Department of Justice, who was introduced by Senator Udall (NM), after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

REASSESSING SOLITARY CONFINEMENT

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights and Human Rights concluded a hearing to examine reassessing solitary confinement II, focusing on the human rights, fiscal, and public safety consequences, after receiving testimony from Charles E. Samuels, Jr., Director, Federal Bureau of Prisons, Department of Justice; Rick Raemisch, Col-

orado Department of Corrections Executive Director, Colorado Springs; Craig DeRoche, Justice Fellowship, Novi, Michigan; Marc A. Levin, Texas Public Policy Foundation, Austin; Piper Kerman, Brooklyn, New York; and Damon A. Thibodeaux, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

NOMINATIONS

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of John P. Carlin, of New York, to be an Assistant Attorney General, Department of Justice, and Francis Xavier Taylor, of Maryland, to be Undersecretary of Homeland Security for Intelligence and Analysis, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 15 public bills, H.R. 4075–4089; and 6 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 86–88; and H. Res. 488–490 were introduced. **Page H1937**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages H1938–39**

Reports Filed: Report were filed today as follows:

H.R. 1123, to promote consumer choice and wireless competition by permitting consumers to unlock mobile wireless devices, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 113–356);

H.R. 1944, to protect private property rights (H. Rept. 113–357);

H.R. 3308, to require a Federal agency to include language in certain educational and advertising materials indicating that such materials are produced and disseminated at taxpayer expense, with an amendment (H. Rept. 113–358);

Supplemental report on H.R. 2804, to amend title 5, United States Code, to require the Administrator of the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs to publish information about rules on the Internet, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 113–354, Pt. 2);

H.R. 1232, to amend titles 40, 41, and 44, United States Code, to eliminate duplication and waste in information technology acquisition and management (H. Rept. 113–359);

H.R. 3979, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to ensure that emergency services volunteers are not taken into account as employees under the shared responsibility requirements contained in the

Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, with an amendment (H. Rept. 113–360);

H. Res. 487, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 3865) to prohibit the Internal Revenue Service from modifying the standard for determining whether an organization is operated exclusively for the promotion of social welfare for purposes of section 501(c)(4) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986; providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 2804) to amend title 5, United States Code, to require the Administrator of the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs to publish information about rules on the Internet, and for other purposes; and providing for consideration of motions to suspend the rules (H. Rept. 113–361). **Pages H1936–37**

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Harris to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H1883**

Recess: The House recessed at 12:19 p.m. and reconvened at 2 p.m. **Page H1885**

Recess: The House recessed at 2:13 p.m. and reconvened at 3:02 p.m. **Page H1887**

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

FOIA Oversight and Implementation Act: H.R. 1211, amended, to amend section 552 of title 5, United States Code (commonly known as the Freedom of Information Act), to provide for greater public access to information, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeas-and-nays vote of 410 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 63;

Pages H1887–91, H1921–23

Federal Information Technology Acquisition Reform Act: H.R. 1232, amended, to amend titles 40, 41, and 44, United States Code, to eliminate duplication and waste in information technology acquisition and management;
Pages H1891–H1902

Taxpayers Right-To-Know Act: H.R. 1423, amended, to provide taxpayers with an annual report disclosing the cost and performance of Government programs and areas of duplication among them;
Pages H1902–04

Unlocking Consumer Choice and Wireless Competition Act: H.R. 1123, amended, to promote consumer choice and wireless competition by permitting consumers to unlock mobile wireless devices, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeas-and-nays vote of 295 yeas to 114 nays, Roll No. 64;
Pages H1904–12, H1922–23

Taxpayer Transparency and Efficient Audit Act: H.R. 2530, amended, to improve transparency and efficiency with respect to audits and communications between taxpayers and the Internal Revenue Service; and
Pages H1917–19

Protecting Taxpayers from Intrusive IRS Requests Act: H.R. 2531, to prohibit the Internal Revenue Service from asking taxpayers questions regarding religious, political, or social beliefs.
Pages H1919–21

Recess: The House recessed at 5:36 p.m. and reconvened at 6:30 p.m.
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Suspension—Proceedings Postponed: The House debated the following measure under suspension of the rules. Further proceedings were postponed:

Private Property Rights Protection Act: H.R. 1944, to protect private property rights.
Pages H1913–17

Presidential Message: Read a message from the President wherein he notified Congress that the national emergency declared on March 1, 1996, with respect to the Government of Cuba's destruction of two unarmed U.S.-registered civilian aircraft in international airspace north of Cuba on February 24, 1996, as amended and expanded on February 26, 2004, is to continue in effect beyond March 1, 2014—referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs and ordered to be printed (H. Doc. 113–92).
Pages H1886–87

Quorum Calls—Votes: Two yeas-and-nays votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H1922, H1922–23. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 12 noon and adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Committee Meetings

ALL ECONOMIC REGULATIONS ARE TRANSPARENT ACT OF 2013; AND STOP TARGETING OF POLITICAL BELIEFS BY THE IRS ACT OF 2014

Committee on Rules: Full Committee held a hearing on H.R. 2804, the “All Economic Regulations are Transparent Act of 2013”; and H.R. 3865, the “Stop Targeting of Political Beliefs by the IRS Act of 2014”. The Committee granted, by record vote of 8–2, a closed rule for H.R. 3865. The rule provides one hour of debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Ways and Means. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule provides that the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Ways and Means now printed in the bill shall be considered as adopted and the bill, as amended, shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against provisions in the bill, as amended. The rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. In section 2, the rule provides a structured rule for H.R. 2804. The rule provides one hour of general debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on the Judiciary. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule makes in order as original text for the purpose of amendment an amendment in the nature of a substitute consisting of the text of Rules Committee Print 113–38 and provides that it shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against that amendment in the nature of a substitute. The rule makes in order only those further amendments printed in the Rules Committee report. Each such amendment may be offered only in the order printed in the report, may be offered only by a Member designated in the report, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, shall not be subject to amendment, and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question. The rule waives all points of order against the amendments printed in the report. The rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. In section 3, the rule provides that it shall be in order at any time on the legislative day of February 27, 2014, for the Speaker to entertain motions that the House suspend the rules, as though under clause 1 of rule XV, relating to H.R. 3370, the Homeowner Flood Insurance Affordability Act. Testimony was heard from Chairman Goodlatte; and Representatives Boustany;

Levin; Lujan Grisham; Collins (GA); Cartwright; and Johnson (GA).

Joint Meetings

SWITZERLAND'S LEADERSHIP OF THE OSCE

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe: Commission concluded a hearing to examine Switzerland's leadership of the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe (OSCE), focusing on the role of the OSCE in assisting to resolve the crisis in Ukraine, after receiving testimony from Didier Burkhalter, President of the Swiss Confederation, Foreign Minister and Chairman-in-Office of the OSCE, Bern, Switzerland.

LEGISLATIVE PRESENTATION

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Senate committee concluded a joint hearing with the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs to examine a legislative presentation of the Disabled American Veterans, after receiving testimony from Joseph W. Johnston, Disabled American Veterans, Cincinnati, Ohio.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 2014

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine the rising cost of Alzheimer's in America, focusing on families and the economy, 2 p.m., SD-106.

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Personnel, to hold hearings to examine the relationships between military sexual assault, posttraumatic stress disorder and suicide, and on Department of Defense and Department of Veterans Affairs medical treatment and management of victims of sexual trauma, 10 a.m., SR-222.

Subcommittee on Readiness and Management Support, to hold hearings to examine Department of Defense information technology acquisition processes, business transformation, and management practices in review of the Defense Authorization Request for fiscal year 2015 and the Future Years Defense Program, 2:30 p.m., SR-232A.

Committee on Finance: Subcommittee on Social Security, Pensions, and Family Policy, to hold hearings to examine retirement savings for low-income workers, 10 a.m., SD-215.

Committee on Foreign Relations: to hold hearings to examine Protocol Amending the Convention between the United States of America and the Swiss Confederation for the Avoidance of Double Taxation with Respect to Taxes on Income, signed at Washington on October 2, 1996, signed on September 23, 2009, at Washington, as corrected by an exchange of notes effected November 16,

2010 and a related agreement effected by an exchange of notes on September 23, 2009 (Treaty Doc. 112-1), Protocol Amending the Convention between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg for the Avoidance of Double Taxation and the Prevention of Fiscal Evasion with Respect to Taxes on Income and Capital, signed on May 20, 2009, at Luxembourg (the "proposed Protocol") and a related agreement effected by the exchange of notes also signed on May 20, 2009 (Treaty Doc. 111-8), Convention between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Republic of Hungary for the Avoidance of Double Taxation and the Prevention of Fiscal Evasion with Respect to Taxes on Income, signed on February 4, 2010, at Budapest (the "proposed Convention") and a related agreement effected by an exchange of notes on February 4, 2010 (Treaty Doc. 111-7), The Convention between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Republic of Chile for the Avoidance of Double Taxation and the Prevention of Fiscal Evasion with Respect to Taxes on Income and Capital, signed in Washington on February 4, 2010, with a Protocol signed the same day, as corrected by exchanges of notes effected February 25, 2011, and February 10 and 21, 2012, and a related agreement effected by exchange of notes (the "related Agreement") on February 4, 2010 (Treaty Doc. 112-8), and The Protocol Amending the Convention on Mutual Administrative Assistance in Tax Matters, done at Paris on May 27, 2010 (the "proposed Protocol"), which was signed by the United States on May 27, 2010 (Treaty Doc. 112-5), 10:30 a.m., SD-419.

Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine prospects for peace in the Democratic Republic of Congo and great lakes region, 2:15 p.m., SD-419.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: business meeting consider the nominations of Vivek Hallegere Murthy, of Massachusetts, to be Medical Director in the Regular Corps of the Public Health Service, and to be Surgeon General of the Public Health Service, Portia Y. Wu, of the District of Columbia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Labor, Christopher P. Lu, of Virginia, to be Deputy Secretary of Labor, Heather L. MacDougall, of Florida, to be a Member of the Occupational Safety and Health Review Commission, and Massie Ritsch, of the District of Columbia, to be Assistant Secretary of Education for Communications and Outreach, Time to be announced, Room to be announced.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations, to hold hearings to examine offshore tax evasion, focusing on the effort to collect unpaid taxes on billions in hidden offshore accounts, 9:30 a.m., SD-G50.

Committee on Indian Affairs: to hold an oversight hearing to examine early childhood development and education in Indian country, focusing on building a foundation for academic success, 2:30 p.m., SD-628.

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Antitrust, Competition Policy and Consumer Rights, to hold hearings to examine competition in the wireless market, 10 a.m., SD-226.

House

Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies, hearing entitled “The State of Efforts to Stop Human Trafficking”, 10 a.m., H-309 Capitol.

Subcommittee on Financial Services and General Government, hearing on Oversight of Internal Revenue Service, 10 a.m., 2359 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies, hearing on Quality of Life in the Military, 10:30 a.m., 2358-A Rayburn.

Subcommittee on State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs, hearing on oversight of U.S. Assistance to Promote Freedom and Democracy in Countries with Repressive Environments, 10:30 a.m., H-140, Capitol. This is a closed hearing.

Committee on Armed Services, Full Committee, hearing entitled “The Posture of the U.S. Northern Command and U.S. Southern Command”, 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Military Personnel, hearing on Defense Health Agency, 2 p.m., 2212 Rayburn.

Committee on Education and the Workforce, Subcommittee on Health, Employment, Labor, and Pensions, hearing entitled “Providing Access to Affordable, Flexible Health Plans through Self-Insurance”, 10 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, Subcommittee on Health, hearing entitled “Messing with Success: How CMS’ Attack on the Part D Program Will Increase Costs and Reduce Choices for Seniors”, 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled “Inspector General Report: Allegations of Improper Lobbying and Obstruction at the Department of Housing and Urban Development”, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Capital Markets and Government Sponsored Enterprises, hearing entitled “The Dodd-Frank Act’s Impact on Asset-Backed Securities”, 2 p.m., 2128 Rayburn.

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Committee on Homeland Security, Full Committee, hearing entitled “The Secretary’s Vision for the Future—Challenges and Priorities”, 10 a.m., 311 Cannon.

Committee on the Judiciary, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Enforcing the President’s Constitutional Duty to Faithfully Execute the Laws”, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Regulatory Reform, Commercial and Antitrust Law, hearing on H.R. 2992, the “Business Activity Tax Simplification Act of 2013”, 4 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Natural Resources, Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources, hearing entitled “American Energy Jobs: Opportunities for Veterans”, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Subcommittee on Public Lands and Environmental Regulation, hearing on the following legislation: H.R. 503, the “National Desert Storm and Desert Shield War Memorial Act”; H.R. 712, to extend the authorization of the Highlands Conservation Act through fiscal year 2024; H.R. 1192, the “Mount Jessie Benton Fre’mont”; H.R. 1501, the “Prison Ship Martyrs’ Monument Preservation Act”; H.R. 1744, the “Multispecies Habitat Conservation Plan Implementation Act”; H.R. 2569, the “Upper Missisquoi and Trout Wild and Scenic Rivers Act”; H.R. 3222, the “Flushing Remonstrance Study Act”; H.R. 3366, to provide for the release of the property interests retained by the United States in certain land conveyed in 1954 by the United States, acting through the Director of the Bureau of Land Management, to the State of Oregon for the establishment of the Hermiston Agricultural Research and Extension Center of Oregon State University in Hermiston, Oregon; H.R. 3802, to extend the legislative authority of the Adams Memorial Foundation to establish a commemorative work in honor of former President John Adams and his legacy, and for other purposes, 10 a.m., 1334 Longworth.

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Limitless Surveillance at the FDA: Protecting the Rights of Federal Whistleblowers”, 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Economic Growth, Job Creation and Regulatory Affairs, hearing entitled “Is the Obama Administration Conducting a Serious Investigation of IRS Targeting?”, 1:30 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on Rules, Full Committee, hearing on H.R. 899, the “Unfunded Mandates Information and Transparency Act of 2013”, 3 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, Subcommittee on Railroads, Pipelines, and Hazardous Materials, hearing entitled “Oversight of Passenger and Freight Rail Safety”, 2 p.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Committee on Veterans’ Affairs, Subcommittee on Health, hearing entitled “VA Accountability: Assessing Actions Taken in Response to Subcommittee Oversight”, 10 a.m., 334 Cannon.

Committee on Ways and Means, Subcommittee on Social Security, hearing entitled “Preventing Disability Scams”, 10 a.m., B-318 Rayburn.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

9:30 a.m., Wednesday, February 26

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

10 a.m., Wednesday, February 26

Senate Chamber

Program for Wednesday: After the transaction of any morning business (not to extend beyond approximately 11:30 a.m.), Senate will continue consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 1982, Comprehensive Veterans Health and Benefits and Military Retirement Pay Restoration Act.

House Chamber

Program for Wednesday: Consideration of H.R. 3865—Stop Targeting of Political Beliefs by the IRS Act of 2014 (Subject to a Rule).

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