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Senate

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Measures Introduced: Fifteen bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2366–2380, and S. Res. 453–454.

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Measures Reported:

H.R. 1036, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 103 Center Street West in Eatonville, Washington, as the "National Park Ranger Margaret Anderson Post Office".

H.R. 1228, To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 123 South 9th Street in De Pere, Wisconsin, as the "Corporal Justin D. Ross Post Office Building".

H.R. 1451, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 14 Main Street in Brockport, New York, as the "Staff Sergeant Nicholas J. Reid Post Office Building".

H.R. 2391, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 5323 Highway N in Cottleville, Missouri as the "Lance Corporal Phillip Vinnedge Post Office".

H.R. 3060, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 232 Southwest Johnson Avenue in Burleson, Texas, as the "Sergeant William Moody Post Office Building". Page S3235

Measures Passed:

Reliable Home Heating Act: Senate passed S. 2086, to address current emergency shortages of propane and other home heating fuels and to provide greater flexibility and information for Governors to address such emergencies in the future, after agreeing to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute.

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National Park Ranger Margaret Anderson Post Office: Senate passed H.R. 1036, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 103 Center Street West in Eatonville, Washington, as the "National Park Ranger Margaret Anderson Post Office".

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Honoring the Members of the United States Armed Forces who Participated in D-Day: Senate agreed to S. Res. 421, expressing the gratitude and appreciation of the Senate for the acts of heroism and military achievement by the members of the United States Armed Forces who participated in the June 6, 1944, amphibious landing at Normandy, France, and commending them for leadership and valor in an operation that helped bring an end to World War II.

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National Cancer Research Month: Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 445, recognizing the importance of cancer research and the contributions of scientists, clinicians, and patient advocates across the United States who are dedicated to finding a cure for cancer, and designating May 2014 as "National Cancer Research Month", and the resolution was then agreed to.

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Cardiovascular Disease and Women's Health: Senate agreed to S. Res. 454, recognizing that cardiovascular disease continues to be an overwhelming threat to women's health and the importance of providing basic, preventive heart screenings to women wherever they seek primary care.

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Measures Considered:

Justice and Mental Health Collaboration Act: Senate began consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 162, to reauthorize and improve the Mentally Ill Offender Treatment and Crime Reduction Act of 2004.

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Conference Reports:

Water Resources Development Act Conference Report—Agreement: A unanimous-consent-time agreement was reached providing that upon disposition of the nomination of David Jeremiah Barron, of Massachusetts, to be United States Circuit Judge for the First Circuit, Senate resume Legislative Session and pursuant to the order of Tuesday, May 20, 2014, the Chair lay before the Senate the message with respect to the conference report to accompany H.R. 3080, to provide for improvements to the rivers and harbors of the United States, to provide for the conservation and development of water and related resources, that there be two minutes of debate equally divided and controlled in the usual form prior to the vote on adoption of the conference report, with all other provisions of the previous order remaining in effect.

Barron Nomination—Cloture: Senate resumed consideration of the nomination of David Jeremiah Barron, of Massachusetts, to be United States Circuit Judge for the First Circuit.

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

By 52 yeas to 43 nays (Vote No. 161), Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the nomination.

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A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the nomination at 1:45 p.m., on Thursday, May 22, 2014, and Senate vote on confirmation of the nomination, with all other provisions of the order of Tuesday, May 20, 2014, remaining in effect.

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Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

By 68 yeas to 27 nays (Vote No. EX. 160), Stanley Fischer, of New York, to be a Member of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System for the unexpired term of fourteen years from February 1, 2006.

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Elisebeth Collins Cook, of Virginia, to be a Member of the Privacy and Civil Liberties Oversight Board for a term expiring January 29, 2020.

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Deirdre M. Daly, of Connecticut, to be United States Attorney for the District of Connecticut for the term of four years.

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James Walter Frazer Green, of Louisiana, to be United States Attorney for the Middle District of Louisiana for the term of four years.

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Damon Paul Martinez, of New Mexico, to be United States Attorney for the District of New Mexico for the term of four years. Pages \$3212, \$3244

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Armando Ormar Bonilla, of the District of Columbia, to be a Judge of the United States Court of Federal Claims for a term of fifteen years.

Patricia M. McCarthy, of Maryland, to be a Judge of the United States Court of Federal Claims for a term of fifteen years.

Jeri Kaylene Somers, of Maryland, to be a Judge of the United States Court of Federal Claims for a term of fifteen years.

25 Army nominations in the rank of general.

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Authorities for Committees to Meet:

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Record Votes: Two record votes were taken today. (Total—161) Pages \$3210-11

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m. and adjourned at 6:28 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Thursday, May 22, 2014. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page \$3244.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

ENERGY SECURITY AND RESEARCH

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Department of Defense concluded a hearing to examine energy security and research, after receiving testimony from Tom Morehouse, Acting Assistant Secretary for Operational Energy Plans and Programs, Dennis V.

McGinn, Assistant Secretary of Navy for Energy, Installations, and Environment, Daniel Y. Chiu, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Strategy and Force Development, and Brigadier General Kenneth D. Lewis, Jr., J–5 Deputy Director for Partnership, Strategy and Trans-Regional Policy, Joint Staff, all of the Department of Defense.

APPROPRIATIONS: SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION AND THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS FUND

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Financial Services and General Government concluded a hearing to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2015 for the Small Business Administration and the Community Development Financial Institutions Fund, after receiving testimony from Maria Contreras-Sweet, Administrator, Small Business Administration; and Amias Gerety, Acting Assistant Secretary of the Treasury for Financial Institutions.

AUTHORIZATION—DEFENSE

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Personnel met in open session and approved for full committee consideration, those provisions which fall within the jurisdiction of the subcommittee, of the proposed National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2015.

AUTHORIZATION—DEFENSE

Committee on Armed Services: Committee met in closed session to mark up proposed legislation authorizing appropriations for fiscal year 2015 for military activities of the Department of Defense, but did not complete action thereon, and will meet again on Thursday, May 22, 2014.

Also, committee ordered favorably reported 1,275 nominations in the Army, Navy, Air Force, and Marine Corps.

DELIVERING BETTER HEALTH CARE VALUE TO CONSUMERS

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee concluded a hearing to examine delivering better health care value to consumers, focusing on the first three years of the medical loss ratio, after receiving testimony from Wendell Potter, Center for Public Integrity, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; Katy Fernandez, My Design Team and My Cabinet Source, Houston, Texas; Mark A. Hall, Wake Forest University, Winston-Salem, North Carolina; and Grace-Marie Turner, Galen Institute, Alexandria, Virginia.

STRENGTHENING SOCIAL SECURITY

Committee on Finance: Subcommittee on Social Security, Pensions and Family Policy concluded a hearing to examine strengthening Social Security to meet the needs of tomorrow's retirees, after receiving testimony from Stephen C. Goss, Chief Actuary, Social Security Administration; Teresa Ghilarducci, The New School, New York, New York; Jason, J. Fichtner, George Mason University Mercatus Center, Arlington, Virginia; and Maya Rockeymoore, Center for Global Policy Solutions, Washington, D.C.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Finance: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Sylvia Mathews Burwell, of West Virginia, to be Secretary of Health and Human Services, Stefan M. Selig, of New York, to be Under Secretary of Commerce for International Trade, and Darci L. Vetter, of Nebraska, to be Chief Agricultural Negotiator, Office of the United States Trade Representative, with the rank of Ambassador.

MILITARY FORCE AUTHORIZATION FOR IRAQ AND AFGHANISTAN

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded a hearing to examine authorization for the use of military force after Iraq and Afghanistan, after receiving testimony from Stephen W. Preston, General Counsel, Department of Defense; Mary E. McLeod, Principal Deputy Legal Adviser, Department of State; Harold Hongju Koh, Yale Law School, New Haven, Connecticut; and Michael B. Mukasey, former Attorney General of the United States, Debevoise and Plimpton, New York, New York.

INTERNATIONAL WILDLIFE TRAFFICKING

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on African Affairs with the Subcommittee on East Asian and Pacific Affairs concluded a hearing to examine the escalating international wildlife trafficking crisis, focusing on ecological, economic and national security issues, after receiving testimony from Judith G. Garber, Acting Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Oceans and International Environmental and Scientific Affairs, and Brooke Darby, Deputy Assistant Secretary for International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Affairs, both of the Department of State; Dan Ashe, Director, Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior; and Eric G. Postel, Assistant Administrator, Bureau for Economic Growth, Education and Environment, U.S. Agency for International Development.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

- S. 2354, DHS Cybersecurity Workforce Recruitment and Retention Act of 2014, with an amendment;
- S. 1744, to strengthen the accountability of individuals involved in misconduct affecting the integrity of background investigations, to update guidelines for security clearances, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;
- S. 2113, to provide taxpayers with an annual report disclosing the cost and performance of Government programs and areas of duplication among them, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;
- H.R. 1233, to amend chapter 22 of title 44, United States Code, popularly known as the Presidential Records Act, to establish procedures for the consideration of claims of constitutionally based privilege against disclosure of Presidential records, with an amendment;
- S. 1045, to amend title 5, United States Code, to provide that persons having seriously delinquent tax debts shall be ineligible for Federal employment, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;
- S. 675, to prohibit contracting with the enemy, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;
- S. 1820, to prohibit the use of Federal funds for the costs of official portraits of Members of Congress, heads of executive agencies, and heads of agencies and offices of the legislative branch;
- H.R. 1036, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 103 Center Street West in Eatonville, Washington, as the "National Park Ranger Margaret Anderson Post Office";
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- H.R. 3060, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 232 Southwest Johnson Avenue in Burleson, Texas, as the "Sergeant William Moody Post Office Building"; and

The nominations of Steven M. Wellner, to be an Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia, Julia Akins Clark, of Maryland, to be General Counsel of the Federal Labor Relations Authority, and Tony Hammond, of Missouri, and

Nanci E. Langley, of Hawaii, both to be a Commissioner of the Postal Regulatory Commission.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Indian Affairs: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

- S. 1474, to encourage the State of Alaska to enter into intergovernmental agreements with Indian tribes in the State relating to the enforcement of certain State laws by Indian tribes, to improve the quality of life in rural Alaska, to reduce alcohol and drug abuse, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;
- S. 1603, to reaffirm that certain land has been taken into trust for the benefit of the Match-E-Be-Nash-She-Wish Band of Pottawatami Indians;
- S. 1622, to establish the Alyce Spotted Bear and Walter Soboleff Commission on Native Children, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;
- S. 1818, to ratify a water settlement agreement affecting the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe;
- S. 2040, to exchange trust and fee land to resolve land disputes created by the realignment of the Blackfoot River along the boundary of the Fort Hall Indian Reservation;
- S. 2132, to amend the Indian Tribal Energy Development and Self-Determination Act of 2005, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute; and
- H.R. 2388, to take certain Federal lands located in El Dorado County, California, into trust for the benefit of the Shingle Springs Band of Miwok Indians.

INDIAN EDUCATION

Committee on Indian Affairs: Committee concluded an oversight hearing to examine Indian education, focusing on the Bureau of Indian Education, after receiving testimony from Charles Roessel, Director, Bureau of Indian Education, Department of the Interior; Thomas M. Brady, Director, Department of Defense Education Activity; Bryan Brewer, and Dayna Brave Eagle, both of the Oglala Sioux Tribe, Pine Ridge, South Dakota; Timothy Benally, Navajo Nation Department of Dine Education, Window Rock, Arizona; and Melvin Monette, National Indian Education Association, Washington, D.C.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION OVERSIGHT

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded an oversight hearing to examine the Federal Bureau of Investigation, after receiving testimony from James B. Comey, Jr., Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Department of Justice.

House of Representatives

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Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 19 public bills, H.R. 4694–4713; and 4 resolutions, H.J. Res. 115; H. Con. Res. 99; and H. Res. 591–592 were introduced.

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Additional Cosponsors:

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows: H.R. 4121, to amend the Small Business Act to provide for improvements to small business development centers, with an amendment (H. Rept. 113–461);

H.R. 776, to amend title 31, United States Code, to revise requirements related to assets pledged by a surety, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 113–462, Pt. 1); and

H.R. 776, to amend title 31, United States Code, to revise requirements related to assets pledged by a surety, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 113–462, Pt. 2).

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Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Jolly to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

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Recess: The House recessed at 10:18 a.m. and reconvened at 12 noon.

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Motion to Adjourn: Rejected the McGovern motion to adjourn by a yea-and-nay vote of 7 yeas to 381 nays, Roll No. 223.

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

Department of Veterans Affairs Management Accountability Act of 2014: H.R. 4031, to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for the removal of Senior Executive Service employees of the Department of Veterans Affairs for performance, by a ²/₃ yea-and-nay vote of 390 yeas to 33 nays, Roll No. 229.

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Motion to Adjourn: Rejected the McGovern motion to adjourn by a yea-and-nay vote of 23 yeas to 361 nays, Roll No. 224. Pages H4706–07

Select Committee on the Events Surrounding the 2012 Terrorist Attack in Benghazi—Appointment: The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of the following Members to the Select Committee on the Events Surrounding the 2012 Terrorist Attack in Benghazi: Representatives Cummings, Smith (WA), Schiff, Linda T. Sánchez (CA), and Duckworth.

Recess: The House recessed at 3:56 p.m. and reconvened at 5:01 p.m. Page H4712

Moment of Silence: The House observed a moment of silence in honor of our brave men and women in uniform who have given their lives in the service of our country in Iraq and Afghanistan, their families, and all who serve in our armed forces and their families.

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National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2015: The House resumed consideration of H.R. 4435, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2015 for military activities of the Department of Defense and for military construction and to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year. Consideration is expected to continue tomorrow, May 22nd.

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Agreed to:

Daines amendment (No. 6 printed in H. Rept. 113–455) that was debated on May 20th that strikes subsection (c) of Section 1634 of the reported NDAA, which terminates in 2021 the requirement that ICBM silos remain in at least warm status (by a recorded vote of 222 ayes to 196 noes, Roll No. 227);

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McKeon en bloc amendment No. 1 that consists of the following amendments printed in part A of H. Rept. 113–460: Gosar amendment (No. 2) that requires the Department to comply with Integrated Natural Resource Management Plans for "off-installation" natural resources projects to ensure state involvement and consultation; Welch amendment (No. 3) that encourages the Air Force to consider identified energy efficiency improvements in a timely and comprehensive manner; Lamborn amendment (No. 5) that requires the Department of Defense and the U.S. Air Force to revise their current regulations on religious freedom; Cleaver amendment (No. 12) that redesignates Pershing Park in Washington, DC as the "National World War I Memorial" and will designate the Liberty Memorial at America's National World War I Museum in Kansas City, Missouri, as the "National World War I Museum and Memorial"; Runyan amendment (No. 16) that states that whenever two or more bases are formed into a DOD Joint Installation, if there are different locality pay areas, then all installation wage grade employees will be paid at the higher locality pay area rate; Turner amendment (No. 18) that expresses a Sense of Congress recognizing the importance of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) as well as ongoing enlargement initiatives; Hunter amendment (No. 19) that expresses the sense of Congress that the persons and organizations who carried out the attacks on the United States personnel in Benghazi, Libya on Sept 11 and 12, 2012 continue to pose a security

threat to the United States; Rigell amendment (No. 20) that reaffirms Congress' constitutional war powers by clearly stating that nothing in this Act shall be construed to authorize any use of military force; Jackson Lee amendment (No. 22) that requires a report to Congress on crimes against humanity in Nigeria committed by Boko Haram; Daines amendment (No. 23) that contains findings of the importance of the nuclear triad and a statement of policy reaffirming the value of nuclear capabilities in maintaining a strong national defense; Rigell amendment (No. 32) that authorizes the DOD and NASA to execute an agreement for environmental cleanup attributable to the activities of DOD at the time the property was utilized by the Navy in the area constituting the former Naval Air Station Chincoteague, Virginia; Kilmer amendment (No. 33) that prohibits non-disciplinary furloughs of a DOD civilian employee whose performance is charged to a working capital fund; Smith (WA) amendment (No. 60) that provides the Secretary of the Army the authority to move the remains of member of the armed forces who has no known next of kin and is buried in an Army National Military Cemetery to another Army National Cemetery; Speier amendment (No. 72) that directs the Secretary of Defense to implement the recommendations of the Interagency Breast Cancer and Environmental Research Coordinating Committee to prioritize prevention and increase the study of chemical and physical factors in breast cancer; Speier amendment (No. 82) that allows womenowned small businesses to receive sole-source contracts under the same terms as other small business contracting programs and accelerates the disparity study to assess industries in the women-owned small business procurement program; Speier amendment (No. 86) that requires the public release of any IG reports that find misconduct for senior executive service (SES) officials, political appointees, and general and flag officers that rank O-6 or higher level; Turner amendment (No. 100) that clarifies that the memorandum of understanding extends to those additional test ranges not initially selected by the Administration if such range enters into a partnership or agreement with a selected test range; Kilmer amendment (No. 113) that reauthorizes overtime for navy civilian employees who perform nuclear maintenance for the forward deployed aircraft carrier in Japan for one year; and Polis amendment (No. 147) that urges the Secretary of Defense to conduct successful operationally realistic tests before purchasing additional ground-based missile defense interceptors;

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McKeon en bloc amendment No. 2 that consists of the following amendments printed in part A of H. Rept. 113–460: Kildee amendment (No. 14) that

allocates \$10 million to develop additional financial literacy training programs for incoming and transitioning service members; Rogers (AL) amendment (No. 25) that provides the Secretary of the Air Force the authority to enter into contracts for lifeof-type procurements for commercial off-the-shelf parts for the intercontinental ballistic missile fuze; Linda T. Sánchez (CA) amendment (No. 29) facilitates the transfer of a portion of the U.S. Air Force Norwalk Defense Fuel Supply Point, also known as the Norwalk Tank Farm, to the City of Norwalk; Young (AK) amendment (No. 30) that expresses the sense of Congress that the Secretary of the Air Force should place emphasis on strategically significant criteria when basing the OCONUS F-35A, which includes access to sufficient range capabilities and space for training, the ability to robustly train with our international partners, the presence of existing facilities to support operations, limited encroachment, and the minimization of costs; McKinley amendment (No. 31) that increases the National Guard Youth Challenge Program under Civil Military Programs by \$55 million; Bishop (UT) amendment (No. 34) that provides authority to the military services in working with civic organizations to charge the public a nominal fee to attend a militarysponsored Air Show or Open House on military bases; Swalwell amendment (No. 35) that requires the Department of Defense to allow military musical units to accept assistance from private entities for the benefit of said units; Conaway amendment (No. 36) that allows general and flag officer chaplains to be eligible for retirement deferment; Griffith (VA) amendment (No. 37) that requires DOD to fulfill former Sec. Gates' Efficiency Initiative relating to the number of general and flag officers by reducing approximately 33 positions through attrition by the end of 2015; McKinley amendment (No. 38) that requires the Secretary of Defense to establish an electronic tour calculator so that reservists could keep track of aggregated active duty tours of 90 days or more served within a fiscal year; Israel amendment (No. 39) that requires a report on the progress made to establish Army National Guard Cyber Protection Teams; Grayson amendment (No. 43) that reinserts section 1032 of the introduced version, which states: "personal property retained as evidence in connection with an incident of sexual assault involving a member of the Armed Forces may be returned to the rightful owner of such property after the conclusion of all legal, adverse action, and administrative proceedings related to such incident"; Israel amendment (No. 68) that expresses the sense of Congress in support of public-private partnerships to enhance DOD efforts on mental health care for servicemembers; Grayson amendment (No. 81) that prohibits DOD

from contracting with persons convicted of fraudulent use of "Made in America" labels; Young (AK) amendment (No. 97) that requires the U.S. Air Force to conduct a business case analysis for the creation of a personnel-only active-association for the 168th Air Refueling Wing; Rogers (AL) amendment (No. 105) that requires the Secretary of Defense and the Director of National Intelligence to provide a notification if telecommunications companies with close ties to foreign governments are determined to have access to (or attempting to have access to) critical infrastructure of U.S. military or intelligence facilities; Rogers (AL) amendment (No. 122) that establishes the sense of Congress that Ukraine should close off its defense industries that currently provide critical capability to Russia for its nuclear forces; Grayson amendment (No. 140) that updates the Space Protection Strategy required by the 2008 NDAA, to include the period of 2026 through 2030; Rogers (AL) amendment (No. 143) that modifies an existing statutory reporting requirement to require certain officials to report on their ability to meet operational availability requirements for delivery platforms for nuclear weapons; Rogers (AL) amendment (No. 144) that requires the Commander of U.S. Strategic Command to provide copies of the prior year's Strategic Advisory Group reports to the congressional defense committees 30 days after the budget has been submitted; Israel amendment (No. 146) that expresses the sense of Congress in support of the National Guard's role in defending the U.S. from cyber attacks; Brooks (AL) amendment (No. 148) that requires a Plan to Counter Certain Ground-launched Ballistic Missiles and Cruise Missiles; and Kildee amendment (No. 161) that allocates \$20 million for a private study to identify challenges confronting the DOD's care of wounded warriors and offer recommendations to improve it; Pages H4740-46 Hastings (WA) amendment (No. 28 printed in

Hastings (WA) amendment (No. 28 printed in part A of H. Rept. 113–460) that restores \$20 million of the proposed cut to defense environmental cleanup;

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McKeon en bloc amendment No. 3 that consists of the following amendments printed in part A of H. Rept. 113–460: Coffman amendment (No. 40) that enhances the participation of mental health professionals in boards for the correction of military records and boards for the review of the discharge or dismissal of members of the Armed Forces; Thompson (PA) amendment (No. 42) that requires a baseline mental health assessment before any individual joins the military, in order to bring mental health to parity with physical health during recruitment screenings; Velázquez amendment (No. 44) that requires each branch of the military to develop an anonymous phone tip-line for reporting incidents of

hazing; McMorris Rodgers amendment (No. 45) that directs the Secretary of Defense to submit a report to Congress evaluating the progress of the Military Spouse Employment Program in reducing military spouse unemployment, reducing the wage gap between military spouses and their civilian counterparts, and addressing the underemployment of military spouses; McNerney amendment (No. 46) that directs the DOD Secretary to consider how employment agencies will work with state and county VA offices and state National Guard offices when establishing requirements for a new employment pilot program for recently separated servicemembers; Cook amendment (No. 47) that creates a blueprint for a direct hire jobs placement program benefitting the National Guard and Reserves; Lamborn amendment (No. 48) that modifies some authorities for the Air Force Academy Athletic Corporation to bring them in line with similar authorities previously provided the Naval Academy Athletic Association; Bonamici amendment (No. 49) that requires the Secretary of the Army to evaluate potential cost savings and potential effects on the National Guard's recruitment efforts of the requirement, effective January 1, 2014, that all service members wait one year after training before becoming eligible for the Army's tuition assistance program; Sean Maloney (NY) amendment (No. 50) that increases the authorization for Impact Aid by one additional year; Gerlach amendment (No. 51) that recognizes the Wereth massacre of 11 African-American soldiers of the U.S. Army during the Battle of the Bulge, December 17, 1944; Bustos amendment (No. 52) that asks the Secretary of the Army to review and provide a report on the Medal of Honor nomination of Captain William L. Albracht; Chu amendment (No. 53) that requests updated reporting information from each branch of the military regarding their methods for tracking, reporting, and preventing hazing, as well as a detailed military hazing report from GAO; Langevin amendment (No. 54) that requires National Institute of Mental Health to study of risk and resiliency of United States Special Operations Forces and effectiveness of Preservation of the Force and Families Program; LaMalfa amendment (No. 55) that clarifies jurisdictional confusion between VA field offices when cases are brokered out from the office of origination, ensuring that VA offices may continue to update congressional staff on constituents' cases; Walberg amendment (No. 56) that requires the Department to implement a pilot program to provide certain contact information for separating service members to state veterans affairs departments; Bishop (NY) amendment (No. 58) that expresses the Sense of Congress that the remains of three crewmen of the Martin Mariner PBM-5 seaplane George One

should be recovered from Thurston Island, Antarctica; Farr amendment (No. 59) that designates the Department of Veterans Affairs and Department of Defense joint outpatient clinic to be constructed in Marina, California, as the "Major General William H. Gourley VA-DOD Outpatient Clinic"; Kelly (PA) amendment (No. 130) that prohibits funds from being used to implement the UN Arms Trade Treaty unless the treaty has received the advice and consent of the Senate and has been the subject of implementing legislation by the Congress; Kelly (PA) amendment (No. 133) that expresses the Sense of Congress in opposition to France's impending sale of two Mistral class warships to Russia; Walberg amendment (No. 139) that prohibits any new funds for the Afghanistan Infrastructure Fund until previously appropriated funds have been fully expended; Lamborn amendment (No. 141) that limits funding for certain exchanges with Russia until the President certifies that all appropriate individuals have been listed under the Magnitsky Act; Pages H4747-53

McKeon en bloc amendment No. 4 that consists of the following amendments printed in part A of H. Rept. 113–460: Duckworth amendment (No. 41) that expands maternity leave for the active duty Service Members by an unpaid 6 weeks to be in line with the Family Medical Leave Act; Bilirakis amendment (No. 61) that allows for the transportation on military aircraft on a space-available basis for disabled veterans with a service-connected permanent disability rated as total; Ross amendment (No. 62) that prohibits the DOD from using funds to close commissary stores; Hanna amendment (No. 63) that allows memorial headstone or grave markers to be made available for purchase by Guard or Reserve members who served for at least six years, at no cost to the government; Capps amendment (No. 64) that makes available breastfeeding support, supplies, and counseling under the TRICARE program; Ellmers amendment (No. 66) that corrects the lack of timely and efficient notification of changes to TRICARE coverage by requiring the Secretary of Defense to notify all affected providers and beneficiaries of any significant change made by TRICARE via electronic means no less than 90 days before the change is to take place; Murphy (FL) amendment (No. 69) that improves DOD mental health and suicide prevention programs by coordination with VA and integration of care through an annual evaluation by an independent third party; Pascrell amendment (No. 70) that directs the peer-reviewed Psychological Health and Traumatic Brain Injury Research Program to conduct a study on blast injury and its correlation to traumatic brain injury; Loretta Sanchez amendment (No. 71) that requires a report on what steps the Department is taking to ensure military personnel and their families have access to reproductive counseling and treatments for infertility, including in vitro fertilization; Mulvaney amendment (No. 73) that maximizes competition in design-build contracts; Connolly amendment (No. 74) that amends section 4202 of the Clinger-Cohen Act of 1996 to make the authority to use simplified acquisition procedures for certain commercial items permanent; Meng amendment (No. 75) that requires GAO to conduct a study on the effects of the Federal Strategic Sourcing Initiative on small businesses; Hanna amendment (No. 76) that requires non-corporate sureties to pledge specific and secure assets as required from others providing collateral to the Federal Government, and requires those assets be held by a government entity to ensure payments can be made in the event they are needed; Meng amendment (No. 110) that requires a regional office to carry out certain steps if it doesn't meet the 125 day goal of backlog claims; Connolly amendment (No. 112) that extends part-time reemployment authority under both CSRS and FERS by 5 years; Connolly amendment (No. 125) that directs the President to sell F-16 C/D aircraft to Taiwan to modernize its air fleet, 70 percent of which is scheduled to be retired within the next decade; Mulvaney amendment (No. 138) that codifies criteria developed by OMB in 2010 to clarify when military spending should be designated as contingency operations and properly be part of the Overseas Contingency Operation budget; Pierluisi amendment (No. 156) that modifies a statutory prohibition on Federally-funded environmental cleanup of certain property on the island of Culebra, Puerto Rico to enable DOD to remove unexploded ordnance resulting from former DOD training activities and posing a public safety risk; Connolly amendment (No. 157) that amends titles 40, 41, and 44, United States Code, to eliminate duplication and waste in Federal information technology acquisition and management; and Connolly amendment (No. 160) that prohibits funds from being used to integrate missile defense systems of the Russian Federation into the missile defense systems of the U.S. if such integration undermines the security of the U.S. or NATO; Pages H4753-64

McKeon en bloc amendment No. 5 that consists of the following amendments printed in part A of H. Rept. 113–460: Graves (MO) amendment (No. 77) that encourages Federal contracts be structured in a manner that permits small businesses to compete; Cárdenas amendment (No. 78) that establishes an outreach and education program to educate small businesses contracted by the Department of Defense on cyber threats and develop plans to protect intellectual property and their networks; Collins (NY)

amendment (No. 79) that accelerates the commercialization of Federally-funded research and technologies by establishing a grant program for participating STTR agencies to support proof-of-concept research and other innovative technology transfer activities at universities, research institutes, and federal laboratories; Poe (TX) amendment (No. 80) that establishes the sense of Congress urging the Secretary of Defense to make a reasonable effort to make certain military equipment returning from abroad available to State, Federal, and local law enforcement agencies for the purpose of strengthening border security along the international border between the United States and Mexico; Thompson (CA) amendment (No. 83) that adds American Flags to the list of items covered by the Berry Amendment; Fortenberry amendment (No. 84) that requires report as to how the Department will manage its mission related to nuclear forces, deterrence, nonproliferation, and terrorism; Nugent amendment (No. 85) that provides statutory authority to implement the Secretary of Defense's recommendations to reorganize the personnel accounting community of the department; Burgess amendment (No. 87) that requires a report ranking all military departments and Defense Agencies in order of how advanced they are in achieving auditable financial statements as required by law; Takano amendment (No. 88) that requires the Secretary of Defense to report to Congress, no later than 30 days after enactment of this law, on the barriers to implementing audit reporting requirements and recommendations to ensure reporting deadlines are met; Miller (FL) amendment (No. 89) that prohibits the use of funds for the Navy's permitting activities under the Sunken Military Craft Act for one year; Ross amendment (No. 90) that prohibits the Department of Defense from using taxpayer funds to provide additional or upgraded recreational facilities for detainees at U.S. Naval Station, Guantanamo Bay, Cuba; Bridenstine amendment (No. 91) that amends Section 1045 to provide the Secretary of Defense more flexibility to meet the Aviation Foreign Internal Defense certification requirement; Braley (IA) amendment (No. 98) that directs the President to submit to Congress a report on the long-term costs of Operation Iraqi Freedom, Operation New Dawn, and Operation Enduring Freedom in Iraq and Afghanistan; Butterfield amendment (No. 107) that expands the types of documentation accepted by the federal government when a very small group of mariners that operated tugboats and barges domestically during World War II apply for veterans' status; Lewis amendment (No. 108) that Requires the Secretary of Defense to post to cost of the wars in Afghanistan and Iraq to each American taxpayer on the Department of Defense's website; Lynch amendment

(No. 109) that calls for the observation of two minutes of silence on Veterans Day in honor of the service and sacrifice of veterans throughout the history of the United States; Schiff amendment (No. 111) that establishes the Sense of Congress amendment endorsing the inclusion on the Vietnam Veterans Memorial of the 74 sailors lost aboard the USS Frank E. Evans in 1969; Poe (TX) amendment (No. 116) that requires the Secretary of Defense to provide for the conduct of an independent assessment of U.S. efforts to disrupt, dismantle, and defeat al-Qaeda, including its affiliates groups, associated groups, and adherents since May 2, 2011; and Bridenstine amendment (No. 135) that requires Secretary of Defense to report on implications of Caspian Sea-based energy resources and distribution networks for U.S. and NATO energy security strategies;

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McKeon en bloc amendment No. 6 that consists of the following amendments printed in part A of H. Rept. 113-460: Nunes amendment (No. 92) that continues the use of Lajes Field (Air Force Base) in the Azores, Portugal until the completion of the European Infrastructure Consolidation Assessment; Sessions amendment (No. 93) that allows the Secretary of the Army to implement previously approved engineering change proposals on OH-58D Kiowa Helicopters in a manner that ensures the safety and survivability of the crews; Broun (GA) amendment (No. 94) that prohibits any officer, employee, detailee, or contractor of the Department of Defense from using a drone to kill a citizen of the United States, with the exception of an individual who is actively engaged in combat against the United States; Palazzo amendment (No. 95) that expresses the concerns of Congress as it relates to tactical airlift following the withdrawal of combat forces from Afghanistan and requires a report on the 5-year plan for tactical airlift laydown prior to any permanent force structure changes of tactical airlift; Schweikert amendment (No. 96) that directs the Director of TARDEC to provide a report back to the Congressional Defense Committees addressing thermal injury prevention needs to improve occupant centric survivability systems for combat and tactical vehicles against over matching ballistic threats; Cole amendment (No. 99) that includes the DHS Robotic Aircraft for Public Safety (RAPS) program, or other activities of similar nature conducted by the Department of Homeland Security, as user of DOD airspace (in addition to MOU's the HASC has included for the 6 selected FAA sites); Gibson amendment (No. 101) that directs the Secretary of Defense to do a comprehensive search to determine which ships operated near Vietnam in the Vietnam Era; Latta amendment (No. 102) that recognizes the 70th Anniversary of the D-

Day landings on the beaches of Normandy, France; Posey amendment (No. 103) that allows the DOD, at the discretion of the Secretary, to transport goods supplied by nonprofit organizations to members of the Armed Forces serving overseas; Posey amendment (No. 104) that establishes the Sense of Congress that the Air Force should assess feasibility, costs, savings, and readiness implications of utilizing contractor-owned and operated very light jet aircraft for interim flight instruction until permanent replacement enters service; Cicilline amendment (No. 115) that asks that the "Plan for Sustaining the Afghanistan National Security Forces" through FY18 also include a description of efforts to engage United States manufacturers in procurement opportunities related to equipping the ANSF; Davis (CA) amendment (No. 118) that establishes the Sense of Congress on the importance of women in ensuring the future success of nation of Afghanistan; Johnson (GA) amendment (No. 119) that prevents the establishment of permanent U.S. Military bases in Afghanistan; Nolan amendment (No. 120) that provides auditing and inspecting guidelines for new construction projects in Afghanistan in excess of \$500,000 that cannot be physically inspected by authorized civilian personnel; Tsongas amendment (No. 121) that establishes the Sense of Congress that women should be included in conflict resolution and a statement of United States policy that the United States supports efforts promoting the security of Afghan women and girls during the transition process and requires a DOD report on efforts to support the security of Afghan women and girls; DeLauro amendment (No. 123) that prohibits the Department of Defense from entering into a contract or subcontract with Russia's state-arms dealer Rosoboronexport unless the Secretary of Defense, in consultation with the Secretary of State and Director of National Intelligence, certifies that the firm ceased transferring weapons to Syria, Russia pulled out of Crimea, Russian forces have withdrawn from the eastern boarder of Ukraine, and that Russia is not otherwise actively destabilizing Ukraine; Engel amendment (No. 124) that establishes a U.S. policy of opposing transfers of "defense articles and services" to Russia by any NATO member country, during any period when Russia occupies the territory of Ukraine or a NATO member country; Gibson amendment (No. 128) that states that nothing in the FY15 NDAA shall be construed as authorizing the use of force against Syria or Iran; Engel amendment (No. 136) that requires the Secretary of Defense to report on activities of the Department of Defense in regards to protecting cultural property abroad; Turner amendment (No. 145) that limits availability of funds for removal or consolidation of dual-capable

aircraft from Europe; and Larsen (WA) amendment (No. 155) that requires the creation of an interagency plan for verification and monitoring relating to the potential proliferation of nuclear weapons and fissile material; and

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McKeon en bloc amendment No. 7 that consists of the following amendments printed in part A of H. Rept. 113–460: Gingrey amendment (No. 57) that expresses the Sense of Congress that active military personnel that are either live in or are stationed in Washington, DC would be exempt from existing District of Columbia firearms restrictions; Larson (CT) amendment (No. 65) that ensures access to behavioral health treatment, including applied behavior analysis, under TRICARE for children with developmental disabilities, when prescribed by a physician or psychologist; Jones amendment (No. 67) that Expresses a Sense of Congress on the use of Hyperbaric Oxygen Therapy to treat traumatic brain injury and post-traumatic stress disorder; Whitfield amendment (No. 106) that establishes the Sense of Congress that the President should establish and appoint an advisory board on toxic substances and worker health responsible for overseeing a portion of the original EEOICPA legislation known as "Part E"; Rohrabacher amendment (No. 114) that expands the certification requirement on reimbursements to Pakistan to include human rights concerns; Rohrabacher amendment (No. 117) that expresses a sense of the Congress that Dr. Shakil Afridi is an international hero and is owed a debt of gratitude for helping to find Osama bin Laden; Ros-Lehtinen amendment (No. 126) that authorizes the Secretary of Defense to deploy assets, personnel and resources to the Joint Interagency Task Force South, in coordination with SOUTHCOM, to combat transnational criminal organization and drug trafficking; Ros-Lehtinen amendment (No. 127) that establishes that it shall be the policy of the United States to undertake a whole-of-government approach to bolster regional cooperation with countries throughout the Western Hemisphere to counter narcotics trafficking and illicit activities; Gosar amendment (No. 129) that expresses Congress' support for Israel's right to self-defense against regional threats; Roskam amendment (No. 131) that requires the President to submit to the appropriate committees every 180 days a report that identifies that the United States has taken all necessary steps to ensure that Israel possesses and maintains an independent capability to remove existential threats to its security and defend its vital national interests; Franks (AZ) amendment (No. 132) that establishes the Sense of Congress that the United States work with regional partners and allies to develop an interagency strategy counter the vicious terror attacks perpetrated by Boko Haram;

Shimkus amendment (No. 134), as modified, that honors the victims of the Russian Soviet and Nazi regimes and supports the designation of a "Black Ribbon Day"; Kelly (IL) amendment (No. 137) that requires a report, not later than 90 days of the enactment, by the Secretary of Defense in consultation with Secretary of State shall submit a report to Congress on the efforts to assist in the search and rescue of the young women who were abducted from the Government Secondary School in Chibok, Nigeria by Boko Haram; Pompeo amendment (No. 142) that requires the Director of National Intelligence to certify that the recommendations of the report required under Section 933 of the FY 2014 NDAA are consistent with the cyber operations capability needs of the United States before implementing any changes recommended by the study; Foster amendment (No. 149) that requires the Institute for Defense Analyses to study the testing program of the ground based midcourse missile defense system; Sablan amendment (No. 150) that broadens the geographical scope of the existing authorization relating to Saipan for the construction of a maintenance facility, a hazardous cargo pad, or an airport storage facility so that funding would be immediately available for either of the alternative locations now under consideration; Castor amendment (No. 151) that directs the Secretary of Defense to conduct a report for Congress on the prevalence of black mold in buildings located on military bases; Bordallo amendment (No. 152) that allows the Secretary of the Navy and the Secretary of the Interior to enter into a cooperative agreement for the purposes of establishing a surface danger zone over the Ritidian Unit of the Guam National Wildlife Refuge to support training, operations and readiness needs for ground forces on Guam; Hastings (WA) amendment (No. 153) that ensures public access at Rattlesnake Mountain in the Hanford Reach National Monument; Hastings (WA) amendment (No. 154) that prevents further studies that involve bringing plutonium into the State of Washington at a time when the Federal Government is not meeting its existing legally enforceable defense nuclear waste cleanup commitments to the State; Graves (MO) amendment (No. 158) that establishes the National Commission on the Future of the Army; Franks (AZ) amendment (No. 159), as modified, that increases the amount authorized for Aegis Ballistic Missile Defense, line 30, by \$99,000,000 and decreases two other lines equaling \$99,000,000; and Young (IN) amendment (No. 162) that provides Section 330 indemnification to military installations, still under the jurisdiction of the Department of Defense, to facilities closed other than pursuant to base closure law. Pages H4774-82

Rejected:

Garamendi amendment (No. 5 printed in H. Rept. 113–455), as modified, that was debated on May 20th that sought to direct the President, DOD, and AFRICOM to expand various programs to include combating wildlife trafficking and poaching (agreed by unanimous consent to withdraw the request for a recorded vote to the end that the amendment stand rejected pursuant to the voice vote taken on May 20th);

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Blumenauer amendment (No. 1 printed in H. Rept. 113–455) that was debated on May 20th that sought to authorize the Secretary of the Air Force to procure not more than 10 AESA radar upgrades for the Air National Guard F–15C/D aircraft, which is offset by cuts to levels authorized beyond the President's Budget Request, spread across 9 accounts (by a recorded vote of 192 ayes to 229 noes, Roll No. 225); and

Loretta Sanchez (CA) amendment (No. 3 printed in H. Rept. 113–455) that was debated on May 20th that sought to allow the transfer of funds to nuclear nonproliferation, not just to weapons activities and naval reactors as is currently allowed for in the bill (by a recorded vote of 194 ayes to 227 noes, Roll No. 226).

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Withdrawn:

Westmoreland amendment (No. 4 printed in part A of H. Rept. 113–460) that was offered and subsequently withdrawn that would have struck section 341, which requires the disclosure of proprietary information; and

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Heck (WA) amendment (No. 13 printed in part A of H. Rept. 113–460) that was offered and subsequently withdrawn that would have created a program to give military communities that suffer from significant traffic problems caused by base population increases the opportunity to compete for \$200 million in grants to improve transportation infrastructure, from building new roads to upgrading public transportation systems.

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Proceedings Postponed:

McKinley amendment (No. 1 printed in part A of H. Rept. 113–460) that seeks to prohibit funds for the Administration to conduct any anti-fossil fuel climate change agenda, which includes the National Climate Assessment, the IPCC report, the UN's Agenda 21, and the Social Cost of Carbon;

Pages H4716-18

Shimkus amendment (No. 6 printed in part A of H. Rept. 113–460) that seeks to delay relinquishment or agreeing to any proposal relating to the relinquishment of the responsibility of NTIA over Internet domain name system functions by the Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Communications and Information until GAO submits a report to

Congress on the role of the NTIA with respect to the Internet domain name system; Pages H4726-28

Smith (WA) amendment (No. 10 printed in part A of H. Rept. 113–460) that seeks to provide a framework for closure of the detention facility at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, by December 31, 2016;

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Smith (WA) amendment (No. 11 printed in part A of H. Rept. 113–460) that seeks to eliminate indefinite military detention of any person detained under AUMF authority in the United States, its territories, or possessions, by providing for immediate transfer to trial and proceedings by a court established under the Constitution or any appropriate State court;

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Jenkins amendment (No. 15 printed in part A of H. Rept. 113–460) that seeks to create a moratorium on the insourcing of previously contracted activities within DOD. Exceptions would be made (1) if the activity was "inherently governmental", and thereby should never have been contracted out in the first place; and (2) if DOD would employ a "reverse A–76" to itemize specific costs saved to the taxpayer should the DOD be able to perform the commercial activity more efficiently for the taxpayer;

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Lamborn amendment (No. 17 printed in part A of H. Rept. 113–460) that seeks to limit the use of funds for implementing the New START treaty until certification that the Russian Federation is respecting Ukrainian sovereignty and is no longer violating the INF or CFE treaties;

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Schiff amendment (No. 21 printed in part A of H. Rept. 113–460) that seeks to sunset the 2001 AUMF effective 12 months from date of enactment of the bill; and

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Blumenauer amendment (No. 24 printed in part A of H. Rept. 113–460) that seeks to require CBO to update, on an annual basis, their report on the projected costs of U.S. nuclear forces. Pages H4739–40

H. Res. 590, the rule providing for further consideration of the bill (H.R. 4435) and providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 3361), was agreed to by a yea-and-nay vote of 231 yeas to 190 nays, Roll No. 228, after the previous question was ordered without objection.

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A point of order was raised against the consideration of H. Res. 590 and it was agreed to proceed with consideration of the resolution by voice vote.

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A second point of order was raised against the consideration of H. Res. 590 and it was agreed to proceed with consideration of the resolution by voice vote.

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Meeting Hour: Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 9 a.m. tomorrow, May 22nd.

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Quorum Calls—Votes: Four yea-and-nay votes and three recorded votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H4693, H4706, H4712–13, H4713, H4714, H4714–15 and H4715–16. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 9:44 p.m.

Committee Meetings

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURE

Committee on Appropriations: Full Committee held a markup on Transportation, HUD and Related Agencies Appropriations Bill FY 2015. The bill was ordered reported, as amended.

PROMOTING NEW MANUFACTURING

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Energy and Power held a hearing on legislation regarding Promoting New Manufacturing. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

KEEPING THE PROMISE: SITE OF SERVICE MEDICARE PAYMENT REFORMS

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Health held a hearing entitled "Keeping the Promise: Site of Service Medicare Payment Reforms". Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

ALLEGATIONS OF DISCRIMINATION AND RETALIATION WITHIN THE CONSUMER FINANCIAL PROTECTION BUREAU, PART TWO

Committee on Financial Services: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing entitled "Allegations of Discrimination and Retaliation within the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau, Part Two". Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

LEGISLATIVE PROPOSALS TO IMPROVE TRANSPARENCY AND ACCOUNTABILITY AT THE CFPB

Committee on Financial Services: Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Credit held a hearing entitled "Legislative Proposals to Improve Transparency and Accountability at the CFPB". Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

BOKO HARAM: THE GROWING THREAT TO SCHOOLGIRLS, NIGERIA, AND BEYOND

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Full Committee held a hearing entitled "Boko Haram: The Growing Threat to Schoolgirls, Nigeria, and Beyond". Testimony was

heard from Sarah Sewall, Undersecretary for Civilian Security, Democracy, and Human Rights, Department of State; and Amanda J. Dory, Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for African Affairs.

DEVELOPMENT OF ENERGY RESOURCES IN CENTRAL ASIA

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on Europe, Eurasia and Emerging Threats held a hearing entitled "The Development of Energy Resources in Central Asia". Testimony was heard from Dennis C. Shea, Chairman, U.S.-China Economic and Security Review Commission; and a public witness.

HUMANITARIAN CRISIS IN SYRIA: VIEWS FROM THE GROUND

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on the Middle East and North Africa held a hearing entitled "The Humanitarian Crisis in Syria: Views from the Ground". Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

ASSESSING PERSISTENT AND EMERGING CYBER THREATS TO THE U.S. HOMELAND

Committee on Homeland Security: Subcommittee on Counterterrorism and Intelligence; and Subcommittee on Cybersecurity, Infrastructure Protection, and Security Technologies held a joint subcommittee hearing entitled "Assessing Persistent and Emerging Cyber Threats to the U.S. Homeland". Testimony was heard from Joseph Demarest, Assistant Director, Cyber Division, Federal Bureau of Investigation; and Glenn Lemons, Senior Intelligence Officer, Cyber Intelligence Analysis Division, Office of Intelligence and Analysis, Department of Homeland Security.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURE

Committee on Natural Resources: Full Committee held a markup on H.R. 4402, the "Guam Military Training and Readiness Act of 2014". The bill was ordered reported, as amended.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform: Full Committee held a markup on the following legislation: H.R. 4670, the "Secure Delivery for America Act of 2014"; H.R. 4671, the "Public Interest Declassification Board Reauthorization Act of 2014"; H.R. 2750, the "Design-Build Efficiency and Jobs Act of 2013"; H.R. 43, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 14 Red River Avenue North in Cold Spring, Minnesota, as the "Officer Tommy Decker Memorial Post Office"; H.R. 451, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 500 North Brevard Avenue in Cocoa Beach, Florida, as the "Richard K.

Salick Post Office"; H.R. 606, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 815 Country Road 23 in Tyrone, New York, as the "Specialist Christopher Scott Post Office Building"; H.R. 1671, to designate the facility of the United Postal Service located at 6937 Village Parkway in Dublin, California, as the "James 'Jim' Kohnen Post Office"; H.R. 1701, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 302 East Green Street in Champaign, Illinois, as the "James R. Burgess Jr. Post Office Building"; H.R. 1865, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 35 Park Street in Danville, Vermont, as the "Thaddeus Stevens Post Office"; H.R. 2112, to designate the facility of the United States Post Service located at 787 State Route 17M in Monroe, New York, as the "National Clandestine Service of the Central Intelligence Agency NCS Officer Gregg David Wenzel Memorial Post Office"; H.R. 2223, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 220 Elm Avenue in Munising, Michigan, as the "Elizabeth L. Kinnunen Post Office Building"; H.R. 2291, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 450 Lexington Avenue in New York, New York, as the "Vincent R. Sombrotto Post Office"; H.R. 2678, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 10360 Southwest 186th Street in Miami, Florida, as the "Larcenia J. Bullard Post Office Building"; H.R. 2802, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 418 Liberty Street in Covington, Indiana, as the "Fountain County Veterans Memorial Post Office"; H.R. 3027, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 442 Miller Valley Road in Prescott, Arizona, as the "Barry M. Goldwater Post Office"; H.R. 3085, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 3349 West 111th Street in Chicago, Illinois, as the "Captain Herbert Johnson Memorial Post Office Building"; H.R. 3534, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 113 West Michigan Avenue in Jackson, Michigan, as the "Officer James Bonneau Memorial Post Office"; H.R. 4355, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 201 B Street in Perryville, Arkansas, as the "Harold George Bennett Post Office"; and H.R. 4416, to redesignate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 161 Live Oak Street in Miami, Arizona, as the "Staff Sergeant Manuel V. Mendoza Post Office Building". The following bills were ordered reported, without amendment: H.R. 43; H.R. 451; H.R. 606; H.R. 1671; H.R. 1707; H.R. 1865; H.R. 2112; H.R. 2223; H.R. 2291; H.R. 2678; H.R. 2802; H.R. 3027; H.R. 3085; H.R. 3534; H.R.

4355; and H.R. 4416. The following bills were ordered reported, as amended: H.R. 4670; H.R. 2750; and H.R. 4671.

ASTROBIOLOGY AND THE SEARCH FOR LIFE IN THE UNIVERSE

Committee on Science, Space, and Technology: Full Committee held a hearing entitled "Astrobiology and the Search for Life in the Universe". Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Science, Space, and Technology: Full Committee held a markup on S. 1254, the "Harmful Algal Bloom and Hypoxia Research and Control Amendments Act of 2013"; and H.R. 4186, the "FIRST Act of 2014". The bill S. 1254 was ordered reported, as amended. The Committee did not complete action on H.R. 4186, and will meet again on a date to be determined.

OVERSIGHT OF THE SMALL BUSINESS INNOVATION RESEARCH AND SMALL BUSINESS TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER PROGRAMS

Committee on Small Business: Full Committee held a hearing entitled "Oversight of the Small Business Innovation Research and Small Business Technology Transfer Programs". Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

EXAMINING THE FEDERAL PROTECTIVE SERVICE

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings, and Emergency Management held a hearing "Examining the Federal Protective Service: Are Federal Facilities Secure?". Testimony was heard from Mark L. Goldstein, Director, Physical Infrastructure, Government Accountability Office; L. Eric Patterson, Director, Federal Protective Service, Department of Homeland Security; and public witnesses.

USING NEW OCEAN TECHNOLOGIES: PROMOTING EFFICIENT MARITIME TRANSPORTATION AND IMPROVING MARITIME DOMAIN AWARENESS AND RESPONSE CAPABILITY

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation held a hearing entitled "Using New Ocean Technologies: Promoting Efficient Maritime Transportation and Improving Maritime Domain Awareness and Response Capability". Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

Joint Meetings

WOMEN'S RETIREMENT SECURITY

Joint Economic Committee: Committee concluded a hearing to examine women's retirement security, after receiving testimony from Debra B. Whitman, AARP, M. Cindy Hounsell, Women's Institute for a Secure Retirement, and Rachel Greszler, Heritage Foundation Center for Data Analysis, all of Washington, DC; and Brigitte Madrian, Harvard Kennedy School, Cambridge, Massachusetts.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D533)

H.R. 3627, to require the Attorney General to report on State law penalties for certain child abusers. Signed on May 20, 2014. (Public Law 113–104)

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, MAY 22, 2014

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Appropriations: business meeting to adopt the fiscal year 2015 302(b) allocations, and markup proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2015 for Military Construction and Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies, and Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies, 10:30 a.m., SD–106.

Committee on Armed Services: closed business meeting to continue to mark up the proposed National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2015, 9:30 a.m., SR-222.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Subcommittee on Housing, Transportation, and Community Development, to hold hearings to examine bringing our transit infrastructure to a state of good repair, 9:30 a.m., SD–538.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: to hold hearings to examine access and supports for servicemembers and veterans in higher education, 10 a.m., SD-430.

House

Committee on Energy and Commerce, Subcommittee on Commerce, Manufacturing, and Trade, hearing on legislation regarding federal and state enforcement of fraudulent patent demand letters, 9:15 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, Full Committee, continued markup on the following legislation: H.R. 4200, the "SBIC Advisers Relief Act"; H.R. 4554, the "Restricted Securities Relief Act"; H.R. 4568, the "Small Business Freedom to Grow Act"; H.R. 4571, to direct the SEC to revise its rules so as to increase the threshold amount for requiring issuers to provide certain disclosures relating to compensatory benefits plans; H.R. 4569, the "Disclosure Modernization and Simplification Act"; H.R. 4570, the

"Private Placement Improvement Act"; H.R. 4565, the "Startup Capital Modernization Act"; H.R. 1779, the "Preserving Access to Manufactured Housing Act"; H.R. 2673, the "Portfolio Lending and Mortgage Access Act"; H.R. 4466, the "Financial Regulatory Clarity Act"; and H.R. 4521, the "Community Institution Mortgage Relief Act", 9:45 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Foreign Affairs, Subcommittee on Middle East and North Africa, hearing entitled "The Gulf Co-operation Council: Deepening Rifts and Emerging Chal-

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Subcommittee on Africa, Global Health, Global Human Rights, and International Organizations, hearing entitled "Protecting Religious Freedom: U.S. Efforts to Hold Accountable Countries of Particular Concern", 10 a.m., 2200 Rayburn.

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, Subcommittee on Federal Workforce, U.S. Postal Service and the Census, hearing entitled "Examining Innovative Postal Products for the 21st Century", 9 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Government Operations, hearing entitled "Evaluating Public Housing in the U.S.: Reining in Waste, Fraud, Abuse and Mismanagement at Public House Authorities", 9 a.m., 2247 Rayburn.

Committee on Small Business, Subcommittee on Agriculture, Energy and Trade, hearing entitled "Unfair Trade Practices: Addressing Barriers Facing Small Business Exporters", 9:30 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs, Full Committee, markup on pending legislation, 9 a.m., 334 Cannon.

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence House, Full Committee, markup on H.R. 4681, the "Intelligence Authorization Act for Fiscal Years 2014 and 2015", 9 a.m., 304–HVC. A portion of the markup will close.

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Senate Chamber

Program for Thursday: After the transaction of any morning business (not to extend beyond 1:45 p.m.), Senate will vote on confirmation of the nomination of David Jeremiah Barron, of Massachusetts, to be United States Circuit Judge for the First Circuit. Upon disposition of the nomination of David Jeremiah Barron, Senate will vote on adoption of the conference report to accompany H.R. 3080, Water Resources Development Act.

House Chamber

Program for Thursday: Complete consideration of H.R. 4435—National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2015. Consideration of H.R. 3361—USA FREE-DOM Act (Subject to a Rule).

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