

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed H.R. 3230, Pay Our Guard and Reserve Act, as amended.
(The legislative vehicle entitled, “Veterans’ Access to Care through Choice, Accountability, and Transparency Act”

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S3553–S3620

Measures Introduced: Six bills and five resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2461–2466, S. Res. 469–472, and S. Con. Res. 37. Page S3604

Measures Passed:

Authorizing Use of the Capitol Rotunda: Senate agreed to S. Con. Res. 37, authorizing the use of the rotunda of the United States Capitol in commemoration of the Shimon Peres Congressional Gold Medal ceremony. Page S3557

Pay Our Guard and Reserve Act: By 93 yeas to 3 nays (Vote No. 187), Senate passed H.R. 3230, to improve the access of veterans to medical services from the Department of Veterans Affairs, after striking all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof, the text of S. 2450, Senate companion measure, as amended, after taking action on the following amendment and motion proposed thereto:

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Adopted:

Tester Amendment No. 3237, to amend the title.

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

By 75 yeas to 19 nays (Vote No. 186), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, having voted in the affirmative, Senate agreed to the motion to waive all applicable sections of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, the Statutory Pay-As-You-Go Act of 2010, and waiver provisions of applicable budget resolutions with respect to H.R. 3230, as amended by S. 2450 (listed above). Subsequently, the point of order that the emergency designation provision contained in Section 802(b) of H.R. 3230, as amended by S. 2450, pursuant to Section

403(e)(1) of S. Con. Res. 13, Fiscal Year 2010 Budget Resolution, fell. Pages S3591, S3592–93

Intelligence Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2014: Senate passed S. 1681, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2014 for intelligence and intelligence-related activities of the United States Government and the Office of the Director of National Intelligence, the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement and Disability System, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto: Page S3620

Reid (for Feinstein/Chambliss) Amendment No. 3238, in the nature of a substitute. Page S3620

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that S. Res. 470, be placed on the calendar and upon the enactment into law of the language of Title IV of S. 1681, as amended, Senate proceed to the consideration of the resolution; that the resolution be agreed to. Page S3620

Honoring former President George H.W. Bush and Mrs. Barbara Bush: Senate agreed to S. Res. 471, honoring former President George H.W. Bush on the occasion of his 90th birthday and Barbara Bush on the occasion of her 89th birthday and extending the best wishes of the Senate to former President Bush and Mrs. Bush. Page S3620

Honoring Dr. James Schlesinger: Senate agreed to S. Res. 472, honoring Dr. James Schlesinger, former Secretary of Defense, Secretary of Energy, and Director of Central Intelligence. Page S3620

Measures Considered:

Federal Student Loans: Senate continued consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 2432, to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to provide for the refinancing of certain Federal student loans. Pages S3553–64

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

By 56 yeas to 38 nays (Vote No. 185), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, not having voted in the affirmative, Senate rejected the motion to close further debate on the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill.

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Senator Reid entered a motion to reconsider the vote by which cloture was not invoked on the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill.

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Nix-Hines, McCord, Chu, and Batta Nominations—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that at 11:30 a.m., on Thursday, June 12, 2014, Senate begin consideration of the nomination of Crystal Nix-Hines, of California, for the rank of Ambassador during her tenure of service as the United States Permanent Representative to the United Nations Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Organization, under the previous order of Monday, June 9, 2014; that following disposition of the nomination, Senate begin consideration of and vote on confirmation of the nominations of Michael J. McCord, of Ohio, to be Under Secretary of Defense (Comptroller), R. Jane Chu, of Missouri, to be Chairperson of the National Endowment for the Arts, and Todd A. Batta, of Iowa, to be an Assistant Secretary of Agriculture; and that no further motions be in order to the nominations.

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Messages from the House: **Pages S3603–04**

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Authorities for Committees to Meet: **Pages S3619–20**

Record Votes: Three record votes were taken today. (Total—187) **Pages S3557, S3592–93**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:15 a.m. and adjourned at 7:01 p.m., until 9:30 a.m. on Thursday, June 12, 2014. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S3620.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

APPROPRIATIONS: LEGISLATIVE BRANCH

Committee on Appropriations: On Tuesday, June 10, 2014, Subcommittee on Legislative Branch approved for full committee consideration H.R. 4487, making appropriations for the Legislative Branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2015, with an amendment.

APPROPRIATIONS: MISSILE DEFENSE AGENCY

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Department of Defense concluded a hearing to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2015 for the Missile Defense Agency, after receiving testimony from Vice Admiral James D. Syring, USN, Director, Missile Defense Agency, Department of Defense.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on the Budget: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nomination of Shaun L.S. Donovan, of New York, to be Director of the Office of Management and Budget, after the nominee testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Victor M. Mendez, of Arizona, to be Deputy Secretary, and Peter M. Rogoff, of Virginia, to be Under Secretary for Policy, both of the Department of Transportation, Bruce H. Andrews, of New York, to be Deputy Secretary, who was introduced by Senator Rockefeller, and Marcus Dwayne Jadotte, of Florida, to be Assistant Secretary for Industry and Analysis, International Trade Administration, who was introduced by Senator Nelson, both of the Department of Commerce, and Robert S. Adler, of the District of Columbia, to be a Commissioner of the Consumer Product Safety Commission, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Stuart E. Jones, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Iraq, Robert Stephen Beecroft, of California, to be Ambassador to the Arab Republic of Egypt, Dana Shell Smith, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the State of Qatar, James D. Nealon, of New Hampshire, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Honduras, and Gentry O. Smith, of North Carolina, to be Director of the Office of Foreign Missions, and to have the rank of Ambassador during his tenure of service, all of the Department of State, after the

nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nomination of Shaun L.S. Donovan, of New York, to be Director of the Office of Management and Budget, after the nominee, who was introduced by Senators Landrieu and Collins, testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

BUSINESS MEETING

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

S. 919, to amend the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act to provide further self-governance by Indian tribes, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 1447, to make technical corrections to certain Native American water rights settlements in the State of New Mexico, with amendments;

S. 1574, to amend the Indian Employment, Training and Related Services Demonstration Act of 1992 to facilitate the ability of Indian tribes to integrate the employment, training, and related services from diverse Federal sources, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 2041, to repeal the Act of May 31, 1918, with an amendment; and

S. 2188, to amend the Act of June 18, 1934, to reaffirm the authority of the Secretary of the Interior to take land into trust for Indian tribes, with an amendment.

HIGHER EDUCATION FOR AMERICAN INDIAN STUDENTS

Committee on Indian Affairs: Committee concluded an oversight hearing to examine Indian education, focusing on higher education for American Indian students, after receiving testimony from Jamienne Studley, Deputy Under Secretary of Education; Billie Jo Kipp, Blackfeet Community College, Browning, Montana, on behalf of the American Indian Higher Education Consortium; Cheryl Crazy Bull, American Indian College Fund, Denver, Colorado; Thomas Purce, The Evergreen State College, Olympia, Washington; and Melvin Monette, American Indian Graduate Center, Inc., Albuquerque, New Mexico.

DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY OVERSIGHT

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded an oversight hearing to examine the Department of Homeland Security, after receiving testimony from Jeh Charles Johnson, Secretary of Homeland Security.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 15 public bills, H.R. 4834–4848; and 4 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 101; and H. Res. 619–621, were introduced.

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Additional Cosponsors:

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Reports Filed: There were no reports filed today.

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Smith (MO) to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

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Recess: The House recessed at 10:43 a.m. and reconvened at 12 noon.

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Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the guest chaplain, Rabbi Eytan Hammerman, Temple Beth Shalom, Mahopac, New York.

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Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2015: The House began consider-

ation of H.R. 4800, making appropriations for Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2015. Further proceedings were postponed.

Pages H5265–95, H5296–H5312

Agreed to:

Lee amendment that increases funding, by offset, for Child Nutrition Programs by \$8,150,000 for the establishment, maintenance, or expansion of the school breakfast program;

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Thompson (CA) amendment that increases funding, by offset, for the Office of the Inspector General by \$1,000,000 for meat safety inspections;

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Hinojosa amendment that increases funding, by offset, for the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service by \$2,500,000 for the eradication of specialty crop pests;

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Gosar amendment that increases funding, by offset, for the Office of the Inspector General by \$220,000;

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Gosar amendment that reduces funding for the Office of the General Counsel by \$2,181,000 and applies the savings to the spending reduction account; **Pages H5290–91**

Cohen amendment that increases funding, by offset, for Child Nutrition Programs by \$3,000,000 for the summer food service program; **Pages H5291–92**

Schiff amendment that redirects \$1,000,000 in funding within the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service for the study of captive marine mammals; **Page H5294**

Gardner amendment that increases funding, by offset, for Distance Learning, Telemedicine, and Broadband Program by \$3,461,000 for telemedicine and distance learning services in rural areas; **Page H5296**

McNerney amendment that redirects \$11,000,000 in funding within the Farm Service Agency; **Pages H5297–98**

Speier amendment that redirects \$1,000,000 in funding within the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program to expand eligibility for veterans; and **Page H5304**

Royce amendment (No. 7 printed in the Congressional Record of June 10, 2014) that reduces funding for the Agricultural Marketing Service by \$15,500,000 and increases funding for the Foreign Agricultural Service by \$10,000,000 (by a recorded vote of 223 ayes to 198 noes, Roll No. 302). **Pages H5294–95, H5308–09**

Rejected:

Broun (GA) amendment that sought to reduce each Under Secretary account by \$5,000 and apply the \$40,000 in savings to the spending reduction account (by a recorded vote of 178 ayes to 243 noes, Roll No. 300); **Pages H5290, H5307–08**

Broun (GA) amendment that sought to reduce funding for the Economic Research Service by \$7,726,000 and apply the savings to the spending reduction account (by a recorded vote of 130 ayes to 290 noes, Roll No. 301); **Pages H5292–93, H5308**

Grayson amendment that sought to increase funding, by offset, for the Food Safety and Inspection Service by \$5,500,000 (by a recorded vote of 150 ayes to 272 noes, Roll No. 303); **Pages H5296–97, H5309–10**

Garamendi amendment that sought to allocate \$50,000,000 within the Farm Service Agency for the emergency conservation program under the Agricultural Credit Act of 1978 (by a recorded vote of 148 ayes to 276 noes, Roll No. 304); **Pages H5298, H5310**

Duncan (TN) amendment that sought to reduce funding for the Watershed Rehabilitation Program by \$10,000,000 and apply the savings to the spend-

ing reduction account (by a recorded vote of 119 ayes to 303 noes, Roll No. 305);

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Broun (GA) amendment that sought to eliminate funding for the Watershed Rehabilitation Program and apply the \$25,000,000 in savings to the spending reduction account (by a recorded vote of 62 ayes to 358 noes, Roll No. 306); and **Pages H5299–H5300, H5311–12**

DeLauro amendment that sought to reduce funding for the Commodity Futures Trading Commission for information technology by \$17,578,000 (by a recorded vote of 194 ayes to 227 noes, Roll No. 307). **Pages H5305–07, H5312**

Withdrawn:

Gallego amendment that was offered and subsequently withdrawn that would have eliminated \$3,869,000 in funding for the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Congressional Relations. **Pages H5288–89**

H. Res. 616, the rule providing for consideration of the bills (H.R. 4800), (H.R. 4457), and (H.R. 4453), agreed to by a recorded vote of 227 ayes to 189 noes, Roll No. 299, after the previous question was ordered by a yea-and-nay vote of 224 yeas to 194 nays, Roll No. 298. **Pages H5259–65**

Recess: The House recessed at 4:04 p.m. and reconvened at 4:51 p.m. **Page H5295**

Meeting Hour: Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 9 a.m. tomorrow, June 12th. **Page H5312**

Senate Messages: Message received from the Senate by the Clerk and subsequently presented to the House today and messages received from the Senate today appear on pages H5295, H5265, and H5312.

Senate Referral: S. Con. Res. 37 was referred to the Committee on House Administration. **Page H5317**

Quorum Calls—Votes: One yea-and-nay vote and nine recorded votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H5264, H5264–65, H5307–08, H5308, H5308–09, H5309–10, H5310, H5310–11, H5311–12, and H5312. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 7:58 p.m.

Committee Meetings

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURE

Committee on Appropriations: Full Committee held a markup on Homeland Security Appropriations Bill FY 2015; and Revised Report on the Suballocation of Budget Allocations for FY 2015. The bill was ordered reported, as amended. The Revised Report on

the Suballocation of Budget Allocations for FY 2015 passed.

THE MAY 31, 2014 TRANSFER OF FIVE SENIOR TALIBAN DETAINEES

Committee on Armed Services: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “The May 31, 2014 Transfer of Five Senior Taliban Detainees”. Testimony was heard from Chuck Hagel, Secretary, Department of Defense; and Stephen Preston, General Counsel, Department of Defense.

21ST CENTURY CURES: EXAMINING THE ROLE OF INCENTIVES IN ADVANCING TREATMENTS AND CURES FOR PATIENTS

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Health held a hearing entitled “21st Century Cures: Examining the Role of Incentives in Advancing Treatments and Cures for Patients”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

MEDIA OWNERSHIP IN THE 21ST CENTURY

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Communications and Technology held a hearing entitled “Media Ownership in the 21st Century”. Testimony was heard from William Lake, Chief, Media Bureau, Federal Communications Commission; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Financial Services: Full Committee concluded markup on the following legislation: H.R. 4697, the “Small-Cap Access to Capital Act”; H.R. 2629, the “Fostering Innovation Act of 2013”; H.R. 4809, the “Defense Production Act”; H.R. 3770, the “CFP–G Act of 2013”; H.R. 4262, the “Bureau Advisory Commission Transparency Act”; H.R. 4383, the “Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection Small Business Advisory Board Act”; H.R. 4539, the “Bureau Research Transparency Act”; H.R. 4604, the “CFPB Data Collection Security Act”; H.R. 4811, the “Bureau Guidance Transparency Act”; H.R. 3389, the “CFPB Slush Fund Elimination Act”; H.R. 4662, the “Bureau Advisory Opinion Act”; H.R. 4804, the “Bureau Examination Fairness Act”. The following bills were ordered reported as amended: H.R. 4383; H.R. 4604; H.R. 3389; H.R. 4539; and H.R. 4662. The following bills were ordered reported without amendment: H.R. 4262; H.R. 4697; H.R. 2629; H.R. 4604; H.R. 4539; H.R. 3770; H.R. 4804; H.R. 4811; and H.R. 4809.

PRODUCTION AND CIRCULATION OF COINS AND CURRENCY

Committee on Financial Services: Subcommittee on Monetary Policy and Trade held a hearing entitled

“The Production and Circulation of Coins and Currency”. Testimony was heard from Larry R. Felix, Director, Bureau of Engraving and Printing, Department of Treasury; Richard A. Peterson, Deputy Director, United States Mint, Department of Treasury; Lorelei St. James, Director, Physical Infrastructure Issues, Government Accountability Office; and public witness.

ASSESSING ENERGY PRIORITIES IN THE MIDDLE EAST AND NORTH AFRICA

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on the Middle East and North Africa held a hearing entitled “Assessing Energy Priorities in the Middle East and North Africa”. Testimony was heard from Amos J. Hochstein, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Energy Diplomacy, Bureau of Energy Resources, Department of State.

ONGOING STRUGGLE AGAINST BOKO HARAM

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on Africa, Global Health, Global Human Rights, and International Organizations held a hearing entitled “The Ongoing Struggle Against Boko Haram”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Homeland Security: Full Committee held a markup on H.R. 3202, the “Essential Transportation Worker Identification Credential Assessment Act”; H.R. 3488, to establish the conditions under which the Secretary of Homeland Security may establish preclearance facilities, conduct preclearance operations, and provide customs services outside the United States, and for other purposes; H.R. 3846, the “United States Customs and Border Protection Authorization Act”; H.R. 4263, the “Social Media Working Group Act of 2014”; H.R. 4289, the “Department of Homeland Security Interoperable Communications Act”; H.R. 4802, the “Airport Security Enhancement Act of 2014”; H.R. 4803, the “TSA Office of Inspection Accountability Act of 2014”; and H.R. 4812, the “Honor Flight Act”. The following bills were ordered reported, as amended: H.R. 3488; H.R. 3203; H.R. 3846; H.R. 4263; H.R. 4802; and H.R. 4803. The following bills were ordered reported, without amendment: H.R. 4289 and H.R. 4812.

OVERSIGHT OF THE FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Oversight of the Federal Bureau of Investigation”. Testimony was heard from James B. Comey, Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation.

SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION OVERSIGHT: EXAMINING THE INTEGRITY OF THE DISABILITY DETERMINATION APPEALS PROCESS

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Social Security Administration Oversight: Examining the Integrity of the Disability Determination Appeals Process, Part II”. Testimony was heard from Carolyn W. Colvin, Acting Commissioner, Social Security Administration.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURE

Committee on Science, Space, and Technology: Subcommittee on Energy markup on committee print, the Department of Energy and Research and Development Act of 2014. The markup was adjourned prior to the bill being considered.

FAA'S 2020 NEXTGEN MANDATE: BENEFITS AND CHALLENGES FOR GENERAL AVIATION

Committee on Small Business: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “FAA's 2020 NextGen Mandate: Benefits and Challenges for General Aviation”. Testimony was heard from Michael P. Huerta, Administrator, Federal Aviation Administration; and public witnesses.

POTENTIAL IMPACTS OF PROPOSED CHANGES TO THE CLEAN WATER ACT JURISDICTIONAL RULE

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment held a hearing entitled “Potential Impacts of Proposed Changes to the Clean Water Act Jurisdictional Rule”. Testimony was heard from Robert W. Perciasepe, Deputy Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency; Jo-Ellen Darcy, Assistant Secretary of the Army, for Civil Works; and public witnesses.

ADVANCING THE U.S. TRADE AGENDA: BENEFITS OF EXPANDING U.S. AGRICULTURE TRADE AND ELIMINATING BARRIERS TO U.S. EXPORTS

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Trade held a hearing entitled “Advancing the U.S. Trade Agenda: Benefits of Expanding U.S. Agriculture Trade and Eliminating Barriers to U.S. Exports”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

Joint Meetings

U.S.-AZERBAIJAN RELATIONS

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe: Commission received a briefing on the security, economic

and human rights dimensions of United States-Azerbaijan relations from Tom Melia, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Democracy, Human Rights and Labor, and Eric Rubin, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Bureau of European and Eurasian Affairs, both of the Department of State; and Miriam Lansky, National Endowment for Democracy, and Brenda Shaffer, Georgetown University Center for Eurasian, Russian and East European Studies, both of Washington, DC.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D596)

H.R. 724, to amend the Clean Air Act to remove the requirement for dealer certification of new light-duty motor vehicles. Signed on June 9, 2014. (Public Law 113–109)

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”. Signed on June 9, 2014. (Public Law 113–110)

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”. Signed on June 9, 2014. (Public Law 113–111)

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”. Signed on June 9, 2014. (Public Law 113–112)

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”. Signed on June 9, 2014. (Public Law 113–113)

H.R. 2939, to award the Congressional Gold Medal to Shimon Peres. Signed on June 9, 2014. (Public Law 113–114)

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”. Signed on June 9, 2014. (Public Law 113–115)

H.R. 3658, to grant the Congressional Gold Medal, collectively, to the Monuments Men, in recognition of their heroic role in the preservation, protection, and restitution of monuments, works of art, and artifacts of cultural importance during and following World War II. Signed on June 9, 2014. (Public Law 113–116)

H.R. 4032, to exempt from Lacey Act Amendments of 1981 certain water transfers by the North Texas Municipal Water District and the Greater

Texoma Utility Authority. Signed on June 9, 2014. (Public Law 113–117)

H.R. 4488, to make technical corrections to two bills enabling the presentation of congressional gold medals. Signed on June 9, 2014. (Public Law 113–118)

S. 611, to make a technical amendment to the Tuf Shur Bien Preservation Trust Area Act. Signed on June 9, 2014. (Public Law 113–119)

H.R. 1726, to award a Congressional Gold Medal to the 65th Infantry Regiment, known as the Borinqueneers. Signed on June 10, 2014. (Public Law 113–120)

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. Signed on June 10, 2014. (Public Law 113–121)

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, JUNE 12, 2014

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: to hold hearings to examine the importance of child nutrition programs to our nation's health, economy and national security, 10 a.m., SR–328A.

Committee on Armed Services: to receive a closed briefing on the security situation in Iraq, 10:30 a.m., SVC–217.

Committee on Foreign Relations: to hold hearings to examine regional implications of a nuclear deal with Iran, 10 a.m., SD–419.

Full Committee, to receive a closed briefing on politics in Thailand, 3 p.m., SVC–217.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: to hold hearings to examine securing radiological materials, 10:30 a.m., SD–342.

Committee on the Judiciary: business meeting to consider S. 1799, to reauthorize subtitle A of the Victims of Child Abuse Act of 1990, and the nominations of Andre Birotte, Jr., to be United States District Judge for the Central District of California, Geoffrey W. Crawford, to be United States District Judge for the District of Vermont, John W. deGravelles, to be United States Dis-

trict Judge for the Middle District of Louisiana, Randolph D. Moss, to be United States District Judge for the District of Columbia, Robin L. Rosenberg, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Florida, Ronnie L. White, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Missouri, Julie E. Carnes, of Georgia, and Jill A. Pryor, of Georgia, both to be a United States Circuit Judge for the Eleventh Circuit, Leslie Joyce Abrams, Mark Howard Cohen, Leigh Martin May, and Eleanor Louise Ross, all to be a United States District Judge for the Northern District of Georgia, and Nancy B. Firestone, of Virginia, Lydia Kay Griggsby, of Maryland, and Thomas L. Halkowski, of Pennsylvania, all to be a Judge of the United States Court of Federal Claims, 10 a.m., SD–226.

Select Committee on Intelligence: closed business meeting to consider pending calendar business, 2:30 p.m., SH–219.

House

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Health, hearing entitled "The President's Health Care Law Does Not Equal Health Care Access", 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing to consider a resolution to authorize and issue subpoenas to compel the appearance and testimony of Ali Naraghi, Examiner, Southeast Region, Division of Supervision, Fair Lending and Enforcement, Consumer Financial Protection Bureau; and Kevin Williams, former Quality Monitor, Office of Consumer Response, Consumer Financial Protection Bureau, 9:30 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources, hearing entitled "American Energy Jobs: Opportunities for Innovation", 9:30 a.m., 1334 Longworth.

Committee on Science, Space, and Technology: Subcommittee on Oversight; and Subcommittee on Research and Technology, hearing entitled "Reducing the Administrative Workload for Federally Funded Research", 9 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Full Committee, hearing entitled "An Examination of Bureaucratic Barriers to Care for Veterans", 9:15 a.m., 334 Cannon.

House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Full Committee, hearing entitled "Ongoing Intelligence Activities", 9 a.m., 304–HVC. This is a closed hearing.

Next Meeting of the SENATE
9:30 a.m., Thursday, June 12

Senate Chamber

Program for Thursday: After the transaction of any morning business (not to extend beyond 11:30 a.m.), Senate will begin consideration of the nomination of Crystal Nix-Hines, of California, for the rank of Ambassador during her tenure of service as the United States Permanent Representative to the United Nations Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Organization. At approximately 12:00 noon, Senate will vote on confirmation of the nominations of Crystal Nix-Hines, of California, for the rank of Ambassador during her tenure of service as the United States Permanent Representative to the United Nations Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Organization, Michael J. McCord, of Ohio, to be Under Secretary of Defense (Comptroller), R. Jane Chu, of Missouri, to be Chairperson of the National Endowment for the Arts, and Todd A. Batta, of Iowa, to be an Assistant Secretary of Agriculture.

At 1:45 p.m., Senate will vote on confirmation of the nominations of Lael Brainard, of the District of Columbia, to be a Member of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, Jerome H. Powell, of Maryland, to be a Member of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, and Stanley Fischer, of New York, to be Vice Chairman of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System.

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

9 a.m., Thursday, June 12

House Chamber

Program for Thursday: Consideration of H.R. 4453—Permanent S Corporation Built-in Gains Recognition Period Act of 2014 (Subject to a Rule), H.R. 4457—America's Small Business Tax Relief Act of 2014 (Subject to a Rule), and H. Res. 617—Condemning the abduction of female students by armed militants from the terrorist group known as Boko Haram.

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