

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

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Measures Introduced: Seven bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1524–1530, and S. Res. 217–218. **Page S3920**

Measures Reported:

S. 696, to amend title 5, United States Code, to appropriately limit the authority to award bonuses to Federal employees, with amendments. (S. Rept. No. 115–127)

S. 829, to reauthorize the Assistance to Firefighters Grants program, the Fire Prevention and Safety Grants program, and the Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response grant program, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 115–128)

S. 1099, to provide for the identification and prevention of improper payments and the identification of strategic sourcing opportunities by reviewing and analyzing the use of Federal agency charge cards. (S. Rept. No. 115–129) **Page S3920**

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

Transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the issuance of an Executive Order that amends Executive Order 13761 of January 13, 2017; which was referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. (PM–12) **Page S3917**

Nye Nomination—Agreement: Senate continued consideration of the nomination of David C. Nye, of Idaho, to be United States District Judge for the District of Idaho. **Pages S3889–S3911**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the nomination, with all post-cloture time being expired, at approximately 12 noon on Wednesday, July 12, 2017; and that if cloture is invoked on the nomination of William Francis Hagerty IV, of Tennessee, to be Ambassador to Japan, the time count as if cloture was invoked at 1 a.m., on Wednesday, July 12, 2017. **Page S3926**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Randal Quarles, of Colorado, to be a Member of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System for the unexpired term of fourteen years from February 1, 2004.

Randal Quarles, of Colorado, to be a Member of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System for the term of fourteen years from February 1, 2018.

Randal Quarles, of Colorado, to be Vice Chairman for Supervision of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System for a term of four years.

Ronald L. Batory, of New Jersey, to be Administrator of the Federal Railroad Administration.

Susan Combs, of Texas, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Interior.

Paul Dabbar, of New York, to be Under Secretary for Science, Department of Energy.

Mark Wesley Menezes, of Virginia, to be Under Secretary of Energy.

Dennis Shea, of Virginia, to be a Deputy United States Trade Representative (Geneva Office), with the rank of Ambassador.

Mary Kirtley Waters, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of State (Legislative Affairs).

Lewis M. Eisenberg, of Florida, to be Ambassador to the Italian Republic, and to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador to the Republic of San Marino.

Robert P. Kadlec, of New York, to be Medical Director in the Regular Corps of the Public Health Service, subject to qualifications therefor as provided by law and regulations, and to be Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response, Department of Health and Human Services.

Stephen B. King, of Wisconsin, to be Ambassador to the Czech Republic. **Page S3931**

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 2:15 p.m. and adjourned at 7:22 p.m., until 12 p.m. on Wednesday, July 12, 2017. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S3926.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

NOMINATION

Committee on Armed Services: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nomination of Richard V. Spencer, of Wyoming, to be Secretary of the Navy, Department of Defense, after the nominee, who was introduced by former Senator John Warner, testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of David Steele Bohigian, of Missouri, to be Executive Vice President of the Overseas Private Investment Corporation, Ray Washburne, of Texas, to be President of the Overseas Private Investment Corporation, who was introduced by Senator Cornyn, and Kelley Eckels Currie, of Georgia, to be an Alternate Representative of the United States of America to the Sessions of the General Assembly of the United Nations, during her tenure of service as Representative of the United States of America on the Economic and Social Council of the United Nations, and to be Representative of the United States of America on the Economic and Social Council of the United Nations, with the rank of Ambassador, and Jay Patrick Murray, of Virginia, to be an Alternate Representative of the United States of America to the Sessions of the General Assembly of the United Nations, during his tenure of service as Alternate Representative of the United States of America for Special Political Affairs in the United Nations, both of the Department of State, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Claire M. Grady, of Pennsylvania, to be Under Secretary for Management, Department of

Homeland Security, and Henry Kerner, of California, to be Special Counsel, Office of Special Counsel.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of David James Glawe, of Iowa, to be Under Secretary for Intelligence and Analysis, and David P. Pekoske, of Maryland, to be an Assistant Secretary, both of the Department of Homeland Security, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

CONCURRENT CONGRESSIONAL AND CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Crime and Terrorism concluded a hearing to examine concurrent Congressional and criminal investigations, focusing on lessons from history, after receiving testimony from Richard Ben-Veniste, Washington, D.C., and Andrew L. Frey, New York, New York, both of Mayer Brown LLP; Danielle Brian, Project On Government Oversight, Washington, D.C.; and Charles Tiefer, University of Baltimore School of Law, Baltimore, Maryland.

VETERANS AFFAIRS LEGISLATION

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine S. 115, to amend title 38, United States Code, to authorize the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to provide for an operation on a live donor for purposes of conducting a transplant procedure for a veteran, S. 426, to increase educational assistance provided by the Department of Veterans Affairs for education and training of physician assistants of the Department, to establish pay grades and require competitive pay for physician assistants of the Department, S. 683, to amend title 38, United States Code, to extend the requirement to provide nursing home care to certain veterans with service-connected disabilities, S. 833, to amend title 38, United States Code, to expand health care and benefits from the Department of Veterans Affairs for military sexual trauma, S. 946, to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to hire additional Veterans Justice Outreach Specialists to provide treatment court services to justice-involved veterans, S. 1153, to prohibit or suspend certain health care providers from providing non-Department of Veterans Affairs health care services to veterans, S. 1261, to amend title 38, United States Code, to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to pay the reasonable costs of urgent care provided to certain veterans, to establish cost-sharing amounts for veterans receiving care at an emergency room of the Department of Veterans Affairs, S. 1266, to authorize the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to enter into contracts with nonprofit

organizations to investigate medical centers of the Department of Veterans Affairs, S. 1279, to amend title 38, United States Code, to furnish health care from the Department of Veterans Affairs through the use of non-Department health care providers, S. 1325, to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the authorities of the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to hire, recruit, and train employees of the Department of Veterans Affairs, and an original bill entitled, “The Department of Veterans Affairs Quality Employment Act of 2017”, after receiving testimony from Baligh R. Yehia, Deputy Under Secretary for Health for Community Care, Veterans Health Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs; and Louis J. Celli, Jr., The American Legion, Amy

Webb, AMVETS, Adrian Atizado, Disabled American Veterans, and Gabriel Stultz, Paralyzed Veterans of America, all of Washington, D.C.

BUSINESS MEETING

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee met in closed session to consider pending intelligence matters.

Committee recessed subject to the call.

INTELLIGENCE

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee met in closed session to receive a briefing on certain intelligence matters from officials of the intelligence community.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 13 public bills, H.R. 3175–3187; 3 private bills, H.R. 3188–3190; and 5 resolutions, H. Res. 432–436, were introduced. **Pages H5432–33**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages H5433–35**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 2430, to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to revise and extend the user-fee programs for prescription drugs, medical devices, generic drugs, and biosimilar biological products, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 115–201);

H.R. 597, to take lands in Sonoma County, California, into trust as part of the reservation of the Lytton Rancheria of California, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 115–202);

H.R. 954, to remove the use restrictions on certain land transferred to Rockingham County, Virginia, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 115–203);

H.R. 1306, to provide for the conveyance of certain Federal land in the State of Oregon, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 115–204);

H.R. 1404, to provide for the conveyance of certain land inholdings owned by the United States to the Tucson Unified School District and to the Pascua Yaqui Tribe of Arizona (H. Rept. 115–205);

H.R. 1397, to authorize, direct, facilitate, and expedite the transfer of administrative jurisdiction of certain Federal land, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 115–206, Part 1);

H.R. 1541, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to acquire certain property related to the Fort

Scott National Historic Site in Fort Scott, Kansas, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 115–207);

H.R. 1719, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to acquire approximately 44 acres of land in Martinez, California, and for other purposes, with amendments (H. Rept. 115–208);

H.R. 1913, to establish the Clear Creek National Recreation Area in San Benito and Fresno Counties, California, to designate the Joaquin Rocks Wilderness in such counties, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 115–209);

H.R. 2156, to provide for the establishment of a national memorial and national monument to commemorate those killed by the collapse of the Saint Francis Dam on March 12, 1928, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 115–210);

H.R. 2868, to protect National Flood Insurance Program policyholders from unreasonable premium rates and to require the Program to consider the unique characteristics of urban properties, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 115–211);

Supplemental report on H.R. 2810, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2018 for military activities of the Department of Defense and for military construction, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 115–200, Part 2); and

H. Res. 431, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 2810) to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2018 for military activities of the Department of Defense and for military construction, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, and for other purposes, and providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 23) to provide drought

relief in the State of California, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 115–212). **Pages H5431–32**

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Comer to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H5393**

Recess: The House recessed at 12:11 p.m. and reconvened at 2 p.m. **Page H5394**

Public Interest Declassification Board—Appointment: Read a letter from Representative Pelosi, Minority Leader, in which she appointed the following individual to the Public Interest Declassification Board: Mr. John F. Tierney of Massachusetts. **Page H5396**

Recess: The House recessed at 2:11 p.m. and reconvened at 4 p.m. **Page H5396**

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

Federal Employee Antidiscrimination Act of 2017: H.R. 702, amended, to amend the Notification and Federal Employee Antidiscrimination and Retaliation Act of 2002 to strengthen Federal antidiscrimination laws enforced by the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission and expand accountability within the Federal Government; **Pages H5398–H5402**

Designating the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1730 18th Street in Bakersfield, California, as the “Merle Haggard Post Office Building”: H.R. 1988, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1730 18th Street in Bakersfield, California, as the “Merle Haggard Post Office Building”; **Pages H5402–03**

Removing the use restrictions on certain land transferred to Rockingham County, Virginia: H.R. 954, to remove the use restrictions on certain land transferred to Rockingham County, Virginia; **Pages H5403–04**

Authorizing, directing, facilitating, and expediting the transfer of administrative jurisdiction of certain Federal land: H.R. 1397, to authorize, direct, facilitate, and expedite the transfer of administrative jurisdiction of certain Federal land, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeas-and-nay vote of 406 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 345; **Pages H5404–05, H5417**

Pascua Yaqui Tribe Land Conveyance Act: H.R. 1404, to provide for the conveyance of certain land inholdings owned by the United States to the Tucson Unified School District and to the Pascua Yaqui Tribe of Arizona; **Pages H5405–07**

Authorizing the Secretary of the Interior to acquire certain property related to the Fort Scott Na-

tional Historic Site in Fort Scott, Kansas: H.R. 1541, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to acquire certain property related to the Fort Scott National Historic Site in Fort Scott, Kansas; **Pages H5407–08**

John Muir National Historic Site Expansion Act: H.R. 1719, amended, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to acquire approximately 44 acres of land in Martinez, California, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeas-and-nay vote of 401 yeas to 15 nays, Roll No. 346; **Pages H5408–09, H5418–19**

Agreed to amend the title so as to read: “To authorize the Secretary of the Interior to acquire approximately 44 acres of land in Martinez, California, for inclusion in the John Muir National Historic Site, and for other purposes.”. **Page H5419**

Clear Creek National Recreation Area and Conservation Act: H.R. 1913, to establish the Clear Creek National Recreation Area in San Benito and Fresno Counties, California, to designate the Joaquin Rocks Wilderness in such counties; **Pages H5409–11**

Western Oregon Tribal Fairness Act: H.R. 1306, to provide for the conveyance of certain Federal land in the State of Oregon; **Pages H5412–14**

Saint Francis Dam Disaster National Memorial Act: H.R. 2156, to provide for the establishment of a national memorial and national monument to commemorate those killed by the collapse of the Saint Francis Dam on March 12, 1928; and **Pages H5414–15**

Lytton Rancheria Homelands Act of 2017: H.R. 597, to take lands in Sonoma County, California, into trust as part of the reservation of the Lytton Rancheria of California. **Pages H5415–16**

Recess: The House recessed at 5:29 p.m. and reconvened at 6:30 p.m. **Page H5417**

Oath of Office—Thirty-Fourth Congressional District of California: Representative-elect Jimmy Gomez presented himself in the well of the House and was administered the Oath of Office by the Speaker. Earlier, the Clerk of the House transmitted a copy of a letter received from the Honorable Alex Padilla, California Secretary of State, indicating that, at the Special Election held on June 6, 2017, the Honorable Jimmy Gomez was elected Representative to Congress for the 34th Congressional District, State of California. **Pages H5417–18**

Whole Number of the House: The Speaker announced to the House that, in light of the administration of the oath to the gentleman from California, the whole number of the House is 434. **Page H5418**

Supplemental Report: Agreed by unanimous consent that the Committee on Armed Services be authorized to file a supplemental report on H.R. 2810,

National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2018. **Page H5419**

Suspension—Proceedings Postponed: The House debated the following measure under suspension of the rules. Further proceedings were postponed.

Medical Controlled Substances Transportation Act of 2017: H.R. 1492, to amend the Controlled Substances Act to direct the Attorney General to register practitioners to transport controlled substances to States in which the practitioner is not registered under the Act for the purpose of administering the substances (under applicable State law) at locations other than principal places of business or professional practice. **Pages H5396–98**

Presidential Message: Read a message from the President wherein he notified Congress that the national emergency declared with respect to Sudan is to continue in effect beyond October 12, 2017—referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs and ordered to be printed (H. Doc. 115–51).

Pages H5421–22

Senate Message: Message received from the Senate by the Clerk and subsequently presented to the House today appears on page H5396.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Two yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H5417 and H5418–19. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 12 noon and adjourned at 9:11 p.m.

Committee Meetings

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies held a markup on the Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies Appropriations Bill, FY 2018. The Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies Appropriations Bill, FY 2018, was forwarded to the full committee, without amendment.

NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION ACT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2018; GAINING RESPONSIBILITY ON WATER ACT OF 2017

Committee on Rules: Full Committee held a hearing on H.R. 2810, the “National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2018”; and H.R. 23, the “Gaining Responsibility on Water Act of 2017”. The Committee granted, by record vote of 8–4, a structured rule for H.R. 2810. The rule provides one hour of general debate equally divided and con-

trolled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Armed Services. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule provides that an amendment in the nature of a substitute consisting of the text of Rules Committee Print 115–23, modified by the amendment printed in part A of the Rules Committee Report, shall be considered as adopted and the bill, as amended, shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against provisions in the bill, as amended. The rule makes in order only those further amendments printed in part B of the Rules Committee report and amendments en bloc described in section 3 of the rule. Provides that the amendments printed in part B of the report may be offered only in the order printed in the report, may be offered only by a Member designated in the report, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, shall not be subject to amendment, and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question. The rule waives all points of order against the amendments printed in part B of the report or against amendments en bloc as described in section 3 of this rule. The rule provides that the chairman of the Committee on Armed Services or his designee may offer amendments en bloc consisting of amendments printed in part B of the report not earlier disposed of. Amendments en bloc shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for 20 minutes equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Armed Services or their designees, shall not be subject to amendment, and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question in the House or in the Committee of the Whole. The rule provides that no further consideration of the bill shall be in order except pursuant to a subsequent order of the House. Additionally, the rule grants a structured rule for H.R. 23. The rule provides one hour of general debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Natural Resources. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule makes in order as original text for the purpose of amendment an amendment in the nature of a substitute consisting of the text of Rules Committee Print 115–24 and provides that it shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against that amendment in the nature of a substitute. The rule makes in order only those further amendments printed in part C of the Rules Committee report. Each such amendment may be offered only in the order printed in the report, may be offered only by a Member designated in the report, shall be considered as read, shall be

debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, shall not be subject to amendment, and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question. The rule waives all points of order against the amendments printed in part C of the report. The rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Chairman Thornberry, Chairman Bishop of Utah, and Representatives Huffman and Smith of Washington.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, JULY 12, 2017

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Department of the Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2018 for the Indian Health Service, Department of Health and Human Services, 9:30 a.m., SD-124.

Subcommittee on Military Construction and Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies, business meeting to mark-up an original bill entitled, "Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2018", 2:30 p.m., SD-124.

Committee on Armed Services: to hold hearings to examine the nominations of David Joel Trachtenberg, of Virginia, to be a Principal Deputy Under Secretary, Owen West, of Connecticut, to be an Assistant Secretary, Ryan McCarthy, of Illinois, to be Under Secretary of the Army, and Charles Douglas Stimson, of Virginia, to be General Counsel of the Department of the Navy, all of the Department of Defense, 9:30 a.m., SD-G50.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: to hold hearings to examine force multipliers, focusing on how transportation and supply chain stakeholders are combating human trafficking, 10 a.m., SR-253.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: business meeting to consider S. 822, to amend the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980 to modify provisions relating to grants, S. 1447, to reauthorize the diesel emissions reduction program, S. 1359, to amend the John F. Kennedy Center Act to authorize appropriations for the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts, S. 810, to facilitate construction of a bridge on certain property in Christian County, Missouri, S. 1395, to revise the boundaries of certain John H. Chafee Coastal Barrier Resources System units in Delaware, General Services Administration resolutions, and the nominations of Annie Caputo, of Virginia, and David Wright, of South Carolina, each to be a Member of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, and Susan Parker Bodine, of Maryland, to be an Assistant Ad-

ministrator of the Environmental Protection Agency; to be immediately followed by a hearing to examine the use of the Transportation Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act and innovative financing in improving infrastructure to enhance safety, mobility, and economic opportunity, 9:45 a.m., SD-406.

Committee on Foreign Relations: business meeting to consider the nomination of Mark Andrew Green, of Wisconsin, to be Administrator of the United States Agency for International Development, and routine lists in the Foreign Service; to be immediately followed by a hearing to examine the Taylor Force Act, 10 a.m., SD-419.

Subcommittee on East Asia, the Pacific, and International Cybersecurity Policy, to hold hearings to examine American leadership in the Asia Pacific, focusing on promoting democracy, human rights, and the rule of law, 2:15 p.m., SD-419.

Committee on Indian Affairs: to hold hearings to examine S. 943, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct an accurate comprehensive student count for the purposes of calculating formula allocations for programs under the Johnson-O'Malley Act, S. 1223, to repeal the Klamath Tribe Judgment Fund Act, and S. 1285, to allow the Confederated Tribes of Coos, Lower Umpqua, and Siuslaw Indians, the Confederated Tribes of the Grand Ronde Community of Oregon, the Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians of Oregon, the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs, and the Cow Creek Band of Umpqua Tribe of Indians to lease or transfer certain lands, 2:30 p.m., SD-628.

Committee on the Judiciary: to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Christopher A. Wray, of Georgia, to be Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Department of Justice, 9:30 a.m., SD-226.

Subcommittee on Border Security and Immigration, to hold hearings to examine the problem of visa overstays, focusing on a need for better tracking and accountability, 2:30 p.m., SD-226.

Special Committee on Aging: to hold hearings to examine nourishing our golden years, focusing on how proper and adequate nutrition promote healthy aging and positive outcomes, 9:30 a.m., SD-562.

House

Committee on Agriculture, Full Committee, hearing entitled "The Next Farm Bill: Technology and Innovation in Specialty Crops", 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

Committee on Appropriations, Full Committee, markup on the Agriculture Appropriations Bill, FY 2018; and the Energy and Water Appropriations Bill, FY 2018, 10:30 a.m., 2359 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies, markup on the Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies Appropriations Bill, FY 2018, 3 p.m., 2007 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Homeland Security, markup on the Homeland Security Appropriations Bill, FY 2018, 4:30 p.m., 2008 Rayburn.

Committee on Education and the Workforce, Full Committee, hearing entitled "Redefining Joint Employer

Standards: Barriers to Job Creation and Entrepreneurship”, 10:15 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled “Combating the Opioid Crisis: Battles in the States”, 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Health, hearing entitled “Examining Medical Product Manufacturer Communications”, 10:15 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Monetary Policy and the State of the Economy”, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Credit, hearing entitled “Examining Legislative Proposals to Provide Targeted Regulatory Relief to Community Financial Institutions”, 2 p.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Foreign Affairs, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Beyond Microfinance: Empowering Women in the Developing World”, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on the Western Hemisphere, hearing entitled “Advancing U.S. Interests in the Western Hemisphere: The FY 2018 Budget Request”, 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Asia and the Pacific, hearing entitled “Black Flags over Mindanao: Terrorism in Southeast Asia”, 2:30 p.m., 2200 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary, Full Committee, markup on H.R. 469, the “Sunshine for Regulations and Regulatory Decrees and Settlements Act of 2017”; and H.R. 2851, the “Stop the Importation and Trafficking of Synthetic Analogues Act of 2017”, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Natural Resources, Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources, hearing entitled “Evaluating Federal Offshore Oil and Gas Development on the Outer Continental Shelf”, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, Subcommittee on Government Operations; and Subcommittee on Information Technology, joint hearing entitled “General Services Administration—Acquisition Oversight and Reform”, 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on Rules, Full Committee, hearing on H.R. 2810, the “National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2018” {amendment consideration}, 3 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, Subcommittee on Research and Technology, hearing entitled “U.S. Fire Administration and Fire Grant Programs Reauthorization: Examining Effectiveness and Priorities”, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Small Business, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Help or Hindrance? A Review of SBA’s Office of the Chief Information Officer”, 11 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings, and Emergency Management, hearing entitled “Implementing the Federal Assets Sale and Transfer Act (FASTA): Maximizing Taxpayer Returns and Reducing Waste in Real Estate”, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Committee on Veterans’ Affairs, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Care Where It Counts: Assessing VA’s Capital Asset Needs”, 10 a.m., 334 Cannon.

Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, markup on H.R. 2006, the “VA Procurement Efficiency and Transparency Act”; H.R. 2749, the “Protecting Business Opportunities for Veterans Act of 2017”; H.R. 2781, the “Ensuring Veteran Enterprise Participation in Strategic Sourcing Act”; and H.R. 3169, the “VA Acquisition Workforce Improvement and Streamlining Act”, 1 p.m., 334 Cannon.

Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity, markup on H.R. 282, the “Military Residency Choice Act”; H.R. 1690, the “Department of Veterans Affairs Bonus Transparency Act”; and H.R. 2772, the “SEA Act”, 2 p.m., 334 Cannon.

Joint Meetings

Joint Economic Committee: to hold hearings to examine a record six million United States job vacancies, focusing on reasons and remedies, 10 a.m., 2020, Rayburn Building.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

12 noon, Wednesday, July 12

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

10 a.m., Wednesday, July 12

Senate Chamber

Program for Wednesday: Senate will continue consideration of the nomination of David C. Nye, of Idaho, to be United States District Judge for the District of Idaho, and vote on confirmation thereon.

Following disposition of the nomination of David C. Nye, Senate will vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the nomination of Francis Hagerty IV, of Tennessee, to be Ambassador to Japan.

House Chamber

Program for Wednesday: Consideration of H.R. 23—Gaining Responsibility on Water Act of 2017 (Subject to a Rule). Consideration of H.R. 2810—National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2018 (Subject to a Rule). Consideration of measures under suspension of the Rules.

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