

# Daily Digest

## Senate

### Chamber Action

*Routine Proceedings, pages S2801–S2841*

**Measures Introduced:** Thirty-six bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 2891–2926, and S. Res. 519. **Pages S2834–36**

#### Measures Reported:

S. 1337, to amend the Energy Policy Act of 2005 to make certain strategic energy infrastructure projects eligible for certain loan guarantees, with an amendment. (S. Rept. No. 115–254)

S. 1563, to authorize the Office of Fossil Energy to develop advanced separation technologies for the extraction and recovery of rare earth elements and minerals from coal and coal byproducts. (S. Rept. No. 115–255)

S. 2200, to reauthorize the National Integrated Drought Information System, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 115–256)

S. 2098, to modernize and strengthen the Committee on Foreign Investment in the United States to more effectively guard against the risk to the national security of the United States posed by certain types of foreign investment, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

S. 2269, to reauthorize the Global Food Security Act of 2016 for 5 additional years.

S. 2800, to provide for the conservation and development of water and related resources, to authorize the Secretary of the Army to construct various projects for improvements to rivers and harbors of the United States, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

S.J. Res. 58, to require certifications regarding actions by Saudi Arabia in Yemen, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Page S2834**

#### Measures Passed:

*Trauma-Informed Care:* Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 346, recognizing the importance and effectiveness of trauma-informed care, and the resolution was then agreed to. **Pages S2838–39**

*Authorizing Representation by Senate Legal Counsel:* Senate agreed to S. Res. 519, to authorize testimony and representation in *Colorado v. Willenberg*. **Page S2839**

#### House Messages:

**Veterans Cemetery Benefit Correction Act—Agreement:** Senate resumed consideration of the amendment of the House to S. 2372, to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide outer burial receptacles for remains buried in National Parks, taking action on the following motions and amendments proposed thereto: **Pages S2815–27**

Pending:

McConnell motion to concur in the amendment of the House to the bill. **Page S2815**

McConnell motion to concur in the amendment of the House to the bill, with McConnell Amendment No. 2246 (to the House Amendment to the bill), to change the enactment date. **Page S2815**

McConnell Amendment No. 2247 (to Amendment No. 2246), of a perfecting nature. **Page S2815**

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

By 91 yeas to 4 nays (Vote No. 104), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, having voted in the affirmative, Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on McConnell motion to concur in the amendment of the House to the bill. **Page S2815**

McConnell motion to refer the message of the House on the bill to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, with instructions, McConnell Amendment No. 2248, to change the enactment date, fell when cloture was invoked on McConnell motion to concur in the amendment of the House to the bill. **Page S2815**

McConnell Amendment No. 2249 (to (the instructions) Amendment No. 2248), of a perfecting nature, fell when McConnell motion to refer the message of the House on the bill to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, with instructions, McConnell Amendment No. 2248 (listed above) fell. **Page S2815**

McConnell Amendment No. 2250 (to Amendment No. 2249), of a perfecting nature, fell when

McConnell Amendment No. 2249 (to (the instructions) Amendment No. 2248) (listed above) fell.

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A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that notwithstanding Rule XXII, at approximately 11 a.m., on Wednesday, May 23, 2018, Senate begin consideration of the nomination of Brian D. Montgomery, of Texas, to be an Assistant Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, as under the order of Thursday, May 17, 2018, and Senate vote on confirmation of the nomination at 3:15 p.m.; that following disposition of the nomination, all post-cloture time on McConnell motion to concur in the amendment of the House to the bill be considered expired; and that following disposition of the McConnell motion to concur in the amendment of the House to the bill, Senate vote on the motions to invoke cloture in relation to the nominations of Jelena McWilliams, of Ohio, to be Chairperson, and to be Member of the Board of Directors of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation in the order filed, and that if cloture is invoked, the post-cloture time run concurrently.

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**Small Business 7(A) Lending Oversight Reform Act—Agreement:** A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that action with respect to H.R. 4743, to amend the Small Business Act to strengthen the Office of Credit Risk Management within the Small Business Administration, be vitiated and Senate agree to the House request to return the papers on the bill, and authorize the Secretary of the Senate to return the papers on the bill to the House of Representatives.

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**Nominations Confirmed:** Senate confirmed the following nominations:

By 50 yeas to 45 nays (Vote No. EX. 103), Dana Baiocco, of Ohio, to be a Commissioner of the Consumer Product Safety Commission for a term of seven years from October 27, 2017.

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Cheryl A. Lydon, of South Carolina, to be United States Attorney for the District of South Carolina for the term of four years.

Sonya K. Chavez, of New Mexico, to be United States Marshal for the District of New Mexico for the term of four years.

Scott E. Kracl, of Nebraska, to be United States Marshal for the District of Nebraska for the term of four years.

J.C. Raffety, of West Virginia, to be United States Marshal for the Northern District of West Virginia for the term of four years.

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**Messages from the House:**

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**Measures Referred:**

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**Executive Reports of Committees:**

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**Additional Statements:**

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**Amendments Submitted:**

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**Authorities for Committees to Meet:**

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**Record Votes:** Two record votes were taken today. (Total—104)

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**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 6:29 p.m., until 11 a.m. on Wednesday, May 23, 2018. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S2839.)

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

### APPROPRIATIONS: DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Financial Services and General Government concluded a hearing to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2019 for the Department of the Treasury, after receiving testimony from Steven T. Mnuchin, Secretary, and David Kautter, Acting Commissioner, Internal Revenue Service, both of the Department of the Treasury.

### APPROPRIATIONS: DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND FDA

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies approved for full committee consideration an original bill making appropriations for the Department of Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2019.

### APPROPRIATIONS: DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development approved for full committee consideration an original bill making appropriations for the Department of Energy, Water Development, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2019.

### AUTHORIZATION: DEFENSE

*Committee on Armed Services:* Subcommittee on SeaPower met in closed 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 2019.

**AUTHORIZATION: DEFENSE**

*Committee on Armed Services:* Subcommittee on Readiness and Management Support met in closed 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 2019.

**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 2019.

**AUTHORIZATION: DEFENSE**

*Committee on Armed Services:* Subcommittee on Cybersecurity met in closed 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 2019.

**AUTHORIZATION: DEFENSE**

*Committee on Armed Services:* Subcommittee on Emerging Threats and Capabilities met in closed 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 2019.

**AUTHORIZATION: DEFENSE**

*Committee on Armed Services:* Subcommittee on Strategic Forces met in closed 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 2019.

**BUSINESS MEETING**

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* Committee ordered favorably reported S. 2098, to modernize and strengthen the Committee on Foreign Investment in the United States to more effectively guard against the risk to the national security of the United States posed by certain types of foreign investment, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

**BUSINESS MEETING**

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 2848, to improve Department of Transportation controlled substances and alcohol testing, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 2842, to prohibit the marketing of bogus opioid treatment programs or products, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 2844, to require the Surface Transportation Board to implement certain recommendations of the Inspector General of the Department of Transportation;

S. 2764, to amend and enhance the High Seas Driftnet Fishing Moratorium Protection Act to improve the conservation of sharks;

S. 2418, to direct the Federal Communications Commission to promulgate regulations that establish a national standard for determining whether mobile and broadband services available in rural areas are reasonably comparable to those services provided in urban areas, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute; and

The nominations of Joseph Ryan Gruters, of Florida, to be a Director of the Amtrak Board of Directors, Jennifer L. Homendy, of Virginia, to be a Member of the National Transportation Safety Board, and routine lists in the Coast Guard.

**BUSINESS MEETING**

*Committee on Environment and Public Works:* Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 2800, to provide for the conservation and development of water and related resources, to authorize the Secretary of the Army to construct various projects for improvements to rivers and harbors of the United States, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 2602, to support carbon dioxide utilization and direct air capture research, to facilitate the permitting and development of carbon capture, utilization, and sequestration projects and carbon dioxide pipelines, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 2734, to designate the Federal building and United States courthouse located at 1300 Victoria Street in Laredo, Texas, as the “George P. Kazen Federal Building and United States Courthouse”;

S. 2377, to designate the Federal building and United States courthouse located at 200 West 2nd Street in Dayton, Ohio, as the “Walter H. Rice Federal Building and United States Courthouse”;

3 General Services Administration resolutions; and

The nomination of John L. Ryder, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Tennessee Valley Authority.

**BUSINESS MEETING**

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 2269, to reauthorize the Global Food Security Act of 2016 for 5 additional years;

S. Res. 386, urging the Government of the Democratic Republic of the Congo to fulfill its agreement to hold credible elections, comply with constitutional limits on presidential terms, and fulfill its constitutional mandate for a democratic transition of power by taking concrete and measurable steps towards holding elections not later than December 2018 as outlined in the existing election calendar, and allowing for freedom of expression and association, with amendments;

S.J. Res. 58, to require certifications regarding actions by Saudi Arabia in Yemen, with an amendment;

The Marrakesh Treaty to Facilitate Access to Published Works for Persons Who Are Blind, Visually Impaired, or Otherwise Print Disabled, done at Marrakesh on June 27, 2013 (Marrakesh Treaty) (Treaty Doc.114-06); and

The nomination of Joseph E. Macmanus, of New York, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Colombia, Department of State.

## THE HEALTHCARE WORKFORCE

*Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the healthcare workforce, focusing on addressing shortages and improving care, after receiving testimony from Kristen H. Goodell, Boston University School of Medicine, Boston, Massachusetts; Julie Tanner Sanford, James Madison University School of Nursing, Harrisonburg, Virginia; and Elizabeth A. Phelan, Northwest Geriatrics Workforce Enhancement Center, Seattle, Washington.

## BUSINESS MEETING

*Select Committee on Intelligence:* Committee ordered favorably reported the nomination of William R. Evanina, of Pennsylvania, to be Director of the National Counterintelligence and Security Center.

## INTELLIGENCE

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

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# House of Representatives

## Chamber Action

**Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced:** 21 public bills, H.R. 5903–5923; and 2 resolutions, H. Res. 907, 909 were introduced. **Pages H4582–83**

**Additional Cosponsors:** **Page H4584**

**Reports Filed:** Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 5682, to provide for programs to help reduce the risk that prisoners will recidivate upon release from prison, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 115–699);

H.R. 4689, to authorize early repayment of obligations to the Bureau of Reclamation within the Northport Irrigation District in the State of Nebraska (H. Rept. 115–700);

H. Con. Res. 113, authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds for the Greater Washington Soap Box Derby (H. Rept. 115–701); and

H. Res. 908, providing for further consideration of the bill (H.R. 5515) to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2019 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 pro-

ceedings during the period from May 25, 2018, through June 4, 2018 (H. Rept. 115–702).

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**Speaker:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Curtis to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H4287**

**Recess:** The House recessed at 10:32 a.m. and reconvened at 11 a.m. **Page H4291**

**Guest Chaplain:** The prayer was offered by the Guest Chaplain, Rev. Mark Goeglein, Harrisonville Community Church, Harrisonville, Missouri.

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**Journal:** The House agreed to the Speaker's approval of the Journal by a yea-and-nay vote of 219 yeas to 179 nays with one answering "present", Roll No. 212. **Pages H4291, H4301–02**

**Trickett Wendler, Frank Mongiello, Jordan McLinn, and Matthew Bellina Right to Try Act:** The House passed S. 204, to authorize the use of unapproved medical products by patients diagnosed with a terminal illness in accordance with State law, by a recorded vote of 250 yeas to 169 noes, Roll No. 214. **Pages H4355–66**

Rejected the Schakowsky motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Energy and Commerce with instructions to report the same back to the House forthwith with an amendment, by a yea-and-nay vote of 187 yeas to 231 nays, Roll No. 213.

**Pages H4363–65**

H. Res. 905, the rule providing for consideration of the bills (H.R. 5515), (S. 204), and (S. 2155) was agreed to by a recorded vote of 227 yeas to 180 noes, Roll No. 211, after the previous question was ordered by a yea-and-nay vote of 222 yeas to 184 nays, Roll No. 210. Pursuant to sec. 7 of H. Res. 905, notwithstanding clause 8 of rule XX, further proceedings on the recorded vote ordered on the question of reconsideration of the vote on the question of passage of H.R. 2 may continue to be postponed through the legislative day of Friday, June 22, 2018.

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

*Authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds for the Greater Washington Soap Box Derby:* H. Con. Res. 113, authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds for the Greater Washington Soap Box Derby;

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*Formerly Incarcerated Reenter Society Transformed Safely Transitioning Every Person Act:* H.R. 5682, amended, to provide for programs to help reduce the risk that prisoners will recidivate upon release from prison, by a  $\frac{2}{3}$  yea-and-nay vote of 360 yeas to 59 nays, Roll No. 215; and

**Pages H4302–19, H4366–67**

*Childhood Cancer Survivorship, Treatment, Access, and Research Act:* S. 292, to maximize discovery, and accelerate development and availability, of promising childhood cancer treatments.

**Pages H4349–55**

**Economic Growth, Regulatory Relief, and Consumer Protection Act:** The House passed S. 2155, to promote economic growth, provide tailored regulatory relief, and enhance consumer protections, by a yea-and-nay vote of 258 yeas to 159 nays, Roll No. 216.

**Pages H4320–49, H4367**

H. Res. 905, the rule providing for consideration of the bills (H.R. 5515), (S. 204), and (S. 2155) was agreed to by a recorded vote of 227 yeas to 180 noes, Roll No. 211, after the previous question was ordered by a yea-and-nay vote of 222 yeas to 184 nays, Roll No. 210. Pursuant to sec. 7 of H. Res. 905, notwithstanding clause 8 of rule XX, further proceedings on the recorded vote ordered on the question of reconsideration of the vote on the question of passage of H.R. 2 may continue to be postponed through the legislative day of Friday, June 22, 2018.

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**National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019:** The House considered H.R. 5515, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2019 for military activities of the Department of Defense and for military construction, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year. Consideration is expected to resume tomorrow, May 23rd.

**Pages H4367–H4562, H4562–80**

Pursuant to the Rule, an amendment in the nature of a substitute consisting of the text of Rules Committee Print 115–70 shall be considered as adopted in the House and in the Committee of the Whole, in lieu of the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Armed Services now printed in the bill.

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Agreed to:

Thornberry amendment (No. 1 printed in H. Rept. 115–698) that states that the Secretary of Defense shall establish an innovators database within the Department of Defense; the database will focus on small business innovators that receive funds under the SBIR/SBTR programs;

**Pages H4556–57**

Thornberry en bloc amendment No. 1 consisting of the following amendments printed in H. Rept. 115–698: Russell (No. 6) that expands expedited hiring authority for college graduates government-wide to fill critical-need jobs; Pearce (No. 7) that amends the Development Test & Evaluation strategic plan to expand the period taken into account when assessing DoD Test and Evaluation resources from a 10-year period to a 30-year period; it also expands the report requirements, specifically, the assessment of facility and resources requirements to analyze test and evaluations needs in Missile Defense, Cyberspace Operations, Direct Energy, and Hypersonics; Langevin (No. 8) that increases funding by \$3 million to be used for divertor test tokamak research and development; Sinema (No. 9) that states that the sense of the Congress that government-owned mobile technologies remain at risk for targeting or data breaches placing at risk information that could harm national security; requests a briefing by DOD on threats posed by credential theft, active surveillance from mics and cameras, and tracking of user movements and location; commercial availability of technologies to mitigate these threats; and strategies and feasibility of employing mobile security technologies within the Department; Wilson (SC) (No. 10) that directs the Secretary of Defense to submit a report on developing a plan to site, construct, and operate at least one licensed micro-reactor at a critical national security facility by 2028; Krishnamoorthi (No. 11) that expands the Additive Manufacturing Centers of Excellence program to include On-the-job training;

Cartwright (No. 12) that requires the Secretary of Defense, in conjunction with the military service secretaries and the chairman of the joint chiefs of staff services to provide the percentage, as well as the dollar value and number of direct labor hours of depot maintenance that was performed in the public and the private sector by major commodity over the past five fiscal years; Ruiz (No. 13) that requires Department of Defense to conduct a study on the feasibility of phasing out the use of burn pits by using technology incinerators; Meng (No. 14) that permits any member of the armed services who gives birth to be exempt from deployment for 12 months after such birth unless they request deployment; current bill text only covers members who give birth while on active duty; Napolitano (No. 15) that requires the Secretary of Defense to evaluate the pilot Jobs ChalleNGe Programs and submit a report of findings and recommendations 120 days after the end of the fiscal year; Napolitano (No. 16) that ensures equipment and facilities of the United States, a state, a county or a local government may also be transferred to the National Guard for purpose of carrying out the National Guard Youth ChalleNGe Program; Pascrell (No. 17) that directs the Secretary of Defense to include blast exposure history as part of soldier service records in order to ensure that, if medical issues arise later, soldiers receive care for any service-connect injuries; Gonzalez (No. 18) that requires the Secretary of the Army, Air Force, and Navy to encourage high schools with U.S. Junior Reserve Officers' Training Corps to include cyber security educational programs and awareness in the curriculum; this includes lessons on cyber defense, risks of cybersecurity vulnerabilities in the military, and pursuing studies and careers in cybersecurity and related fields within defense; Heck (No. 19) that requires the Department of Defense to publish certain information regarding the housing market around major infrastructure to better inform servicemembers on the use of their Basic Allowance for Housing (BAH); it also calls for a Government Accountability Report on the data gathering used to set BAH rates; Welch (No. 20) that authorizes the Beyond the Yellow Ribbon program, which assists National Guard and Reservists families with assistance before, during, and after deployment, including outreach services for employment and financial counseling, suicide prevention, and housing advocacy; Soto (No. 21) that directs the Secretary concerned to make the application for transfer, including determinations and actions regarding the application, confidential for students of military academies who are victims of sexual assault; and Esty (No. 22) that requires the Department of Defense and the Department of Veterans Affairs to establish a joint definition of "military sexual trau-

ma" for use in all aspects of delivering relevant care and benefits to service members and veterans;

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Thornberry en bloc amendment No. 2 consisting of the following amendments printed in H. Rept. 115-698: Soto (No. 23) that requires the inclusion of resources available to treat victims of military sexual trauma as part of the required service member pre-separation counseling; Meng (No. 24) that requires the Secretary of Defense to permit military parents flexible (non-continuous) maternity and parental leave; Pocan (No. 25) that requires the National Guard Bureau to re-examine the contract and wage determinations for a contractor it utilizes for Guard support services, and to report its findings back to Congress; Schrader (No. 26) that exempts members of the Armed Forces who voluntarily separated from active duty, are involuntarily recalled, and incur a 100 percent service-connected disability during that time from the requirement to repay voluntary separation pay; Pearce (No. 27) that creates a streamlined process for wounded warriors to cross train into the emerging field of Remotely Piloted Aircraft (RPA), regardless of their AFSC, MOS or military branch as a pilot or sensor operator in the Air Force; Rodney Davis (IL) (No. 28) that directs the Secretary of Defense to revise the Department of Defense Instruction 1300.18 to extend travel privileges via Invitational Travel Authorization to family members of members of the Armed Forces who die outside of the United States and whose remains are returned to the United States through the mortuary facility at Dover Air Force Base, Delaware; DelBene (No. 29) that removes the 25 percent cap on garnishment of military retirement pay to satisfy a judgement rendered for physically, sexually, or emotionally abusing a child; Jones (No. 30) that if the Secretary of Defense determines that appropriate educational programs are not available through a local educational agency for dependents of retirees residing on a military installation in the United States, the Secretary may enter into arrangements to provide for the elementary or secondary education of the dependents of such retirees; Hudson (No. 31) that requires a report from the SECDEF examining the current process for awarding Imminent Danger Pay and Hostile Fire Pay for members of the Armed Forces; Coffman (No. 32) that expresses the sense of Congress stating that under the special survivor indemnity allowance, surviving spouses and dependent children of members who die of a service-connected cause will not be subject to a full offset of survivor benefit plan payments by dependency and indemnity compensation, commonly referred to as the "widows'

tax”; Donovan (No. 33) that requires the Department of Defense to re-evaluate the disparity in payments between the Military Housing Area for Staten Island, and the Military Housing Area for the rest of New York City, in an effort to resolve this inequity; Michelle Lujan Grisham (NM) (No. 34) that provides compensation and credit for retired pay purposes for maternity leave taken by members of the reserve components; Rouzer (No. 35) that allows terminally ill participants in the Survivor Benefit Plan to elect a new beneficiary as opposed to waiting for an Open Season; Graves (LA) (No. 36) that requires a report regarding the management of military commissaries and exchanges; Soto (No. 37) that adds universities to the list of entities authorized to partner with the Department of Defense’s pilot program on treatment of members of the armed forces for post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD) related to military sexual trauma; and Carson (IN) (No. 38) that makes permanent the Department of Defense’s existing requirement to provide mental health assessments to service members during deployment;

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Thornberry en bloc amendment No. 3 consisting of the following amendments printed in H. Rept. 115–698: Kuster (NH) (No. 39) that requires health providers to provide transitioning service members information and referrals for counseling and treatment of substance use disorders and chronic pain management services, when appropriate; Meng (No. 40) that permits the Secretary of Defense to develop a burn patient transfer system which includes military and civilian burn centers that could be used during mass casualty events; González-Colón (No. 41) that requires the Department of Defense to study and report on how the TriCare program for health care for active military and retired-veteran family members is applied in Puerto Rico, and the feasibility of having the TriCare Prime benefit apply to residents therein on the same basis as for residents in the mainland states; indicates subjects the study should include; Velázquez (No. 42) that requires the Comptroller General of the United States to submit to the congressional defense committees a report containing a study of the immediate, long-term, and potential ongoing health effects of the live-fire training at Vieques Naval Training Range conducted by the Navy before 2002 and other activities of the armed forces on the island of Vieques, Puerto Rico; Smucker (No. 43) that requires the Secretary of Defense to submit a report to the congressional defense committees (HASC and SASC) that describes the shortage of mental health providers of the Department of Defense and contains a strategy to better recruit and retain mental health providers; Jones (No. 44) that creates a study on earning by special oper-

ations, and forces medics of credits towards a physician assistant degree; Krishnamoorthi (No. 45) that requires DoD to study the effects of the anesthetic shortage on military healthcare and propose methods for mitigating any harm arising as a result of this shortage; Kuster (NH) (No. 46) that requires the Secretary of Defense to provide the Department of Veterans Affairs a report detailing “lessons learned” in fielding and resolving issues found during IOT&E of MHS Genesis; Krishnamoorthi (No. 47) that requires DoD to report on the steps taken to prevent and treat opioid use among DoD dependents, including counseling, data sharing, and intervention strategies; Smucker (No. 48) that requires that the Secretary of Defense must submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the House and Senate a report on the Department of Defense’s efforts to review and monitor the medication prescribing practices of its providers based on DOD’s guideline recommendations to treat PTSD; DOD must establish a monitoring program carried out by each branch of the Armed Services to conduct periodic reviews of the medication prescribing practices of its own providers; Banks (IN) (No. 49) that directs the Secretary of Defense to submit a plan to Congress prior to reorganizing, restructuring, or eliminating any position or offices in Section 811; Mitchell (No. 50) that requires a review of regulations relating to the acquisition of commercial products and services, promotes the use of interagency acquisitions, and improves the process for acquiring services based on hourly rates when using multiple award contracts; Graves (LA) (No. 51) that exempts an individual acquisition for commercial leasing services from enhanced competition requirements for the purchase of property and services by executive agencies if such individual acquisition is made on a no cost basis and pursuant to a multiple award contract in accordance with requirements for full and open competition; the Government Accountability Office must conduct biennial audits of the GSA National Broker Contract, conduct a review of the application of enhanced competition requirements, and report on such audits and reviews; Adams (No. 52) that directs the Small Business Administration (SBA) to ensure that the SCORE program and each of its chapters develop and implement plans and goals to provide services more effectively and efficiently to individuals in rural areas, economically disadvantaged communities, and other traditionally underserved communities, including plans for electronic initiatives, web-based initiatives, chapter expansion, partnerships, and the development of new skills by participating volunteers; Espaillat (No. 53) that establishes that Procurement Technical Assistance Centers are authorized to form an association to pursue matters of common

concern that is recognized by the Secretary of Defense; and Connolly (No. 54) that directs the Administrator for Federal Procurement Policy to develop a definition for and track procurement administrative lead time (PALT); **Pages H4568–72**

Thornberry en bloc amendment No. 4 consisting of the following amendments printed in H. Rept. 115–698: Conaway (No. 55), as modified, that makes a technical correction that clarifies language to accurately include business systems, which are integral to the department's auditability efforts; Burgess (No. 57) 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; Ruiz (No. 58) that requires Department of Defense to carry out an annual education campaign to inform servicemembers exposed to burn pits who qualify to enroll in the Airborne Hazards and Open Burn Pits Registry of such eligibility; Esty (No. 59) that expresses the sense of Congress that the Federal Aviation Administration and the Department of Defense should coordinate to prevent the unauthorized flight of unmanned aircraft over Arlington National Cemetery; Young (AK) (No. 60) that directs the SECDEF to report on an updated Arctic Strategy to improve and enhance joint operations; the report shall also include an assessment of Russia's aggressive buildup of military assets and infrastructure in the Arctic, as well as China's efforts to influence Arctic policy; Jackson Lee (No. 61) that directs Secretary of Navy to submit report to Congress on the feasibility of applying desalinization technologies to provide drought relief in areas impacted by sharp declines in water availability for both military as well as civilian purposes; Young (AK) (No. 62) that directs the SECDEF to expedite DoD compliance of requirements relating to reciprocity of security clearance and access determinations per Section 3001 of the Intelligence Reform and Terrorism Prevention Act of 2004; Gosar (No. 63) that requires National Cancer Institute and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention to perform an assessment to determine if certain individuals exposed to nuclear fallout from atmospheric nuclear testing by the federal government at the Nevada Test Site contracted certain cancers as a result of that testing and should be eligible for the Radiation Exposure Compensation Act; Denham (No. 64) that requires USDA to provide guidance and resources for individuals interested in using GI benefits for agricultural education programs; Young (AK) (No. 65) that directs the SECDEF to engage with local indigenous communities for their traditional knowledge when developing Arctic survival curriculum; Yoder (No. 66) that adds Email Privacy Act; Lawrence (No. 67) that

requires the Secretary of Defense to share lessons learned and best practices on progress of gender integration implementation in the Armed Forces; Jackson Lee (No. 68) that requires a report on the readiness of the National Guard and Reserve to respond to natural disasters; Poe (TX) (No. 69) that reduces the amount of CSF reimbursements the Secretary of Defense can send to Pakistan without certifying that Pakistan has taken action against the Haqqani Network from \$350 million to \$200 million; and Abraham (No. 70) that expresses a sense of Congress in support of the Peshmerga forces of the Kurdistan Region of Iraq and their contributions to fighting and defeating ISIS; **Pages H4572–75**

Thornberry en bloc amendment No. 5 consisting of the following amendments printed in H. Rept. 115–698: Perry (No. 71) that requires the Secretary of Defense to report on the incorporation of violent extremist organizations into the Iraq military and such organizations access to U.S.-provided training and equipment; Schneider (No. 72) that amends Section 1225 (Strategy to counter destabilizing activities of Iran) to include the countries in which Iran is operating, assessing their destabilizing activities and implications thereof; Schneider (No. 73) that requires a report on Iran's support for proxy forces in Syria and Lebanon, including Hizballah, and an assessment of the threat posed to Israel and other U.S. regional allies; Ellison (No. 74) that adds language expressing the sense of Congress that the use of military force is not authorized against Iran; Ellison (No. 75) that adds language clarifying that the bill is not an authorization for the use of military force against Iran; Lee (No. 76) that requires a report from the Secretary of Defense on the progress made under the United States-Afghan Compact; Roskam (No. 77) that expresses a sense of Congress of the threats posed by Iran's ballistic missile program; Yoho (No. 78) that reinstates reporting requirements with respect to United States-Hong Kong relations; Connolly (No. 79) that requires a North Korea human rights report on efforts related to repatriation of U.S. Armed Forces remains, Korean-American family reunifications, and travel security risks; Lee (No. 80) that states that nothing in this Act may be construed as authorizing the use of force against North Korea; Khanna (No. 81) that ensures nothing in this Act shall be construed as authorizing the use of force against North Korea; Yoho (No. 82) that modifications of freedom of navigation reporting requirements; Frankel (FL) (No. 83) that expresses a sense of Congress that continued United States leadership in the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) is critical to the national security of the United States; Delaney (No. 84) that adds a Sense of Congress that reaffirms the U.S. commitment to

NATO and includes appreciate for its continued effort in combating terrorism; Bishop (MI) (No. 85) that expresses a sense of Congress that North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) member countries should meet or exceed their 2 percent Gross Domestic Product commitment to defense spending; and Gohmert (No. 86) that requires the SECDEF in coordination with the Secretary of State to submit a report that contains an assessment of the threats posed to the United States by the Muslim Brotherhood;

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Thornberry en bloc amendment No. 6 consisting of the following amendments printed in H. Rept. 115–698: Walz (No. 87) that directs the Director of the Defense Intelligence Agency to submit to the Secretary of Defense and the HASC, HPSCI, HFAC, SASC, SSCI, and SCFR a report on the military training center and logistical capabilities of the Chinese and Russian armies; Jackson Lee (No. 88) that condemns the actions of Boko Haram and directs that the Secretary of Defense submit a report on efforts to combat Boko Haram; Ted Lieu (CA) (No. 89) that requires a report by the Secretaries of State and Defense on foreign interference in Libya, including actions that violate the United Nations arms embargo, undermine U.S. interests or promote the presence of U.S. adversaries in Libya; Brendan F. Boyle (PA) (No. 90) that states that sense of Congress the U.S. should lead an international coalition to counter hybrid threats; Castro (TX) (No. 91) that adds sections on the East China Sea and the Indian Ocean to the annual Department of Defense report on Chinese military activities; Schneider (No. 92) that amends Section 1685 (NIE with respect to Russian and Chinese interference in Democratic countries) to require a report on DOD efforts to deter such interference; Pearce (No. 93) that requests a Space Launch study and report identifying vulnerabilities and capacity concerns of the current launch facilities; Soto (No. 94) that includes cybersecurity and computer programming into the JROTC curriculum; Aguilar (No. 95) that helps students attending Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs), Hispanic Serving Institutions (HSIs), and Asian American and Native American Pacific Islander Serving Institutions (AANAPISI) access the Department of Defense Cyber Scholarship Program (OPPORTUNITY Act; HR 5746); Comstock (No. 96) that requires the Secretary of Defense to submit a report to Congress on the transition of the SharkSeer program to the Defense Information Systems Agency; Jackson Lee (No. 97) that seeks a report on the feasibility of the DoD developing a cybersecurity apprentice program that provides on the job training for certain cybersecurity positions and in support of acquisition of cybersecurity certifications;

Thompson (CA) (No. 98) that provides for the Secretary of the Navy to conduct work necessitated by Naval remediation activities, to conduct mitigation work as necessary, and to report to Congress within 120 days the process by which the work and mitigation will be completed; Kinzinger (No. 99) that extends lifespan of waste disposal site use by US Army; Culberson (No. 100) that establishes grant funding for the preservation of our nation's historic battleships; Ben Ray Lujan (NM) (No. 101) that expresses the sense of Congress that the United States should compensate and recognize all of the miners, workers, downwinders, and others suffering from the effects of uranium mining and nuclear testing carried out during the Cold War; Tipton (No. 102) that ensures that royalty payments from the Anvil Points fund that have been returned to Colorado do not impact the 2019 Payments in Lieu of Taxes (PILT) disbursements for recipient counties; and Pearce (No. 103) that calls for modification to the boundaries between White Sands Missile Range and White Sands National Monument.

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Proceedings Postponed:

Nolan amendment (No. 2 printed in H. Rept. 115–698) that seeks to strike the authorization of funds made available under the Overseas Contingency Operations account;

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Gabbard amendment (No. 3 printed in H. Rept. 115–698) that seeks to strike section 1225, a required strategy to counter destabilizing activities of Iran;

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Aguilar amendment (No. 4 printed in H. Rept. 115–698) that seeks to add to an already-mandated annual report, this amendment would require DoD to include a 20-year estimate of the projected life cycle costs of each type of nuclear weapon and delivery platform in its text; and

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Garamendi amendment (No. 5 printed in H. Rept. 115–698) that seeks to limit 50% of the funding for the W76–2 warhead modification program until the Secretary of Defense submits a report assessing the program's impacts on strategic stability and options to reduce the risk of miscalculation.

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H. Res. 905, the rule providing for consideration of the bills (H.R. 5515), (S. 204), and (S. 2155) was agreed to by a recorded vote of 227 ayes to 180 noes, Roll No. 211, after the previous question was ordered by a yea-and-nay vote of 222 yeas to 184 nays, Roll No. 210. Pursuant to sec. 7 of H. Res. 905, notwithstanding clause 8 of rule XX, further proceedings on the recorded vote ordered on the question of reconsideration of the vote on the question of passage of H.R. 2 may continue to be postponed through the legislative day of Friday, June 22, 2018.

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**Recess:** The House recessed at 8:09 p.m. and reconvened at 11:26 p.m. **Page H4581**

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** Five yea-and-nay votes and two recorded votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H4300–01, H4301, H4301–02, H4365, H4365–66, H4366–67, and H4367. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 11:28 p.m.

## Committee Meetings

### EXAMINING THE POLICIES AND PRIORITIES OF THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

*Committee on Education and the Workforce:* Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Examining the Policies and Priorities of the U.S. Department of Education”. Testimony was heard from Betsy DeVos, Secretary, Department of Education.

### DOE MODERNIZATION: LEGISLATION ADDRESSING DEVELOPMENT, REGULATION, AND COMPETITIVENESS OF ADVANCED NUCLEAR ENERGY TECHNOLOGIES

*Committee on Energy and Commerce:* Subcommittee on Energy held a hearing entitled “DOE Modernization: Legislation Addressing Development, Regulation, and Competitiveness of Advanced Nuclear Energy Technologies”. Testimony was heard from Ed McGinnis, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary, Office of Nuclear Energy, Department of Energy; Brent Park, Deputy Administrator, Defense Nuclear Proliferation, National Nuclear Security Administration, Department of Energy; and public witnesses.

### INTERNET OF THINGS LEGISLATION

*Committee on Energy and Commerce:* Subcommittee on Digital Commerce and Consumer Protection held a hearing entitled “Internet of Things Legislation”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

*Committee on Financial Services:* Full Committee held a markup on H.R. 5735, the “Transitional Housing for Recovery in Viable Environments Demonstration Program Act”; H.R. 5793, the “Housing Choice Voucher Mobility Demonstration Act of 2018”; and H.R. 5841, the “Foreign Investment Risk Review Modernization Act of 2018”. H.R. 5841 and H.R. 5735 were ordered reported, as amended. H.R. 5793 was ordered reported, without amendment.

### ADVANCING EFFECTIVE CONSERVATION POLICY WORLDWIDE: SUCCESSES, CHALLENGES, AND NEXT STEPS

*Committee on Foreign Affairs:* Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Advancing Effective Conservation Policy Worldwide: Successes, Challenges, and Next Steps”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### LEGISLATIVE MEASURE; MISCELLANEOUS MEASURE

*Committee on Foreign Affairs:* Full Committee held a hearing and markup on H.R. 4819, the “DELTA Act”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses. H.R. 4819 was ordered reported, as amended.

### GEOPOLITICS OF U.S. OIL AND GAS COMPETITIVENESS

*Committee on Foreign Affairs:* Subcommittee on Terrorism, Nonproliferation, and Trade held a hearing entitled “Geopolitics of U.S. Oil and Gas Competitiveness”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### LEBANON AND IRAQ: AFTER THE ELECTIONS

*Committee on Foreign Affairs:* Subcommittee on the Middle East and North Africa held a hearing entitled “Lebanon and Iraq: After the Elections”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### STOPPING THE DAILY BORDER CARAVAN: TIME TO BUILD A POLICY WALL

*Committee on Homeland Security:* Subcommittee on Border and Maritime Security held a hearing entitled “Stopping the Daily Border Caravan: Time to Build a Policy Wall”. Testimony was heard from the following Department of Homeland Security officials: Ronald Vitiello, Acting Deputy Commissioner, U.S. Customs and Border Protection; Thomas Homan, Acting Director, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement; and Lee Francis Cissna, Director, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services.

### OVERSIGHT OF THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

*Oversight of the United States Committee on the Judiciary:* Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Oversight of the United States Patent and Trademark Office”. Testimony was heard from Andrei Iancu, Director, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, and Undersecretary of Commerce for Intellectual Property, Department of Commerce.

### LEGISLATIVE MEASURES

*Committee on Natural Resources:* Subcommittee on Federal Lands held a hearing on H.R. 5597, the “Desert Tortoise Habitat Conservation Plan Expansion Act,

Washington County, Utah”; H.R. 5751, the “Golden Spike 150th Anniversary Act”; and H.R. 5875, to amend the Pittman-Robertson Wildlife Restoration Act and the Dingell-Johnson Federal Aid in Sport Fish Restoration Act, to provide parity for United States territories and the District of Columbia, to make technical corrections to such Acts and related laws, and for other purposes. Testimony was heard from Chairman Bishop of Utah, and Representatives Stewart and Bordallo; P. Daniel Smith, Deputy Director, National Park Service, Department of the Interior; Dean Cox, County Commissioner, Washington County Commission, Utah; José F. Aponte-Hernández, Representative, House of Representatives, Puerto Rico; and public witnesses.

#### TEN YEARS OF TARP: EXAMINING THE HARDEST HIT FUND

*Committee on Oversight and Government Reform:* Subcommittee on Intergovernmental Affairs; and Subcommittee on Government Operations held a joint hearing entitled “Ten Years of TARP: Examining the Hardest Hit Fund”. Testimony was heard from Christy Goldsmith-Romero, Special Inspector General, Troubled Asset Relief Program, Department of the Treasury; Kipp Kranbuhl, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Small Business, Community Development and Affordable Housing Policy, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Financial Institutions, Department of the Treasury; Cathy James, Business Development Manager, Alabama Housing Finance Authority; Scott Farmer, Executive Director, North Carolina Housing Finance Agency; and a public witness.

#### CHALLENGES TO THE FREEDOM OF SPEECH ON COLLEGE CAMPUSES: PART II

*Committee on Oversight and Government Reform:* Subcommittee on Healthcare, Benefits and Administrative Rules; and Subcommittee on Intergovernmental Affairs held a joint hearing entitled “Challenges to the Freedom of Speech on College Campuses: Part II”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

#### NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION ACT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2019

*Committee on Rules:* Full Committee held a hearing on H.R. 5515, the “National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019” [Amendment Consideration]. The Committee granted, by record vote of 9–4, providing for the further consideration of H.R. 5515 under a structured rule. The rule provides for no additional general debate. In section 2, the rule makes in order only those further amendments printed in the Rules Committee report. Each such amendment may be offered only in the order printed in the report, may be offered only by a Member designated in the report, shall be considered as read,

shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, shall not be subject to amendment, and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question. The rule waives all points of order against the amendments printed in the report or against amendments en bloc described in section 3 of the resolution. In section 3, the rule provides that the chair of the Committee on Armed Services or his designee may offer amendments en bloc at any time consisting of amendments printed in 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 chair 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 section 4, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. In section 5, the rule provides that on any legislative day during the period from May 25, 2018, through June 4, 2018: the Journal of the proceedings of the previous day shall be considered as approved; and the Chair may at any time declare the House adjourned to meet at a date and time to be announced by the Chair in declaring the adjournment. In section 6, the rule provides that the Speaker may appoint Members to perform the duties of the Chair for the duration of the period addressed by section 5. Finally, in section 7, the rule provides that each day during the period addressed by section 5 of this resolution shall not constitute a calendar day of continuous session for purposes of section 1017(b) of the Congressional Budget and Impoundment Control Act of 1974 (2 U.S.C. 688(b)). Testimony was heard from Representatives Jones, Langevin, Panetta, Suozzi, Gallagher, Russell, Wilson of South Carolina, Tenney, McGovern, Hastings, Polis, Torres, Newhouse, Denham, DeSantis, Dunn, Garrett, Gohmert, Griffith, Ferguson, Grothman, Lee, Moore, Pocan, Price of North Carolina, Sablan, and Engel.

#### EMPOWERING U.S. VETERANS THROUGH TECHNOLOGY

*Committee on Science, Space, and Technology:* Subcommittee on Research and Technology; and Subcommittee on Energy held a joint hearing entitled “Empowering U.S. Veterans Through Technology”. Testimony was heard from Dimitri Kusnezov, Chief Scientist, National Nuclear Security Administration, Department of Energy; and public witnesses.

#### FAST ACT IMPLEMENTATION: MOTOR CARRIER PROVISIONS

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure:* Subcommittee on Highways and Transit held a hearing entitled “FAST Act Implementation: Motor Carrier

Provisions". Testimony was heard from Ray Martinez, Administrator, Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration, Department of Transportation; and public witnesses.

### BUSINESS MEETING

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs:* Full Committee held a business meeting to consider a resolution designating subcommittee members. The resolution was agreed to.

### THE CURIOUS CASE OF THE VISN TAKEOVER: ASSESSING VA'S GOVERNANCE STRUCTURE

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs:* Full Committee held a hearing entitled "The Curious Case of the VISN Takeover: Assessing VA's Governance Structure". Testimony was heard from Carolyn Clancy, M.D., Executive in Charge, Veterans Health Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs; Michael J. Missal, Inspector General, Department of Veterans Affairs; and a public witness.

### ONGOING INTELLIGENCE ACTIVITIES

*Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence:* Subcommittee on CIA held a hearing entitled "Ongoing Intelligence Activities". This hearing was closed.

## Joint Meetings

### INNOVATION ECONOMY

*Joint Economic Committee:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine breaking through the regulatory barrier, focusing on what red tape means for the innovation economy, after receiving testimony from Scott W. Brinkman, Secretary of Kentucky Governor Bevin's Executive Cabinet, Frankfort; Jessica A. Milano, former Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Treasury for Small Business, Community Development, and Housing Policy, and Joseph V. Kennedy, Information Technology and Innovation Foundation, both of Washington, D.C.; and Christopher Koopman, George Mason University Mercatus Center, Arlington, Virginia.

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## COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, MAY 23, 2018

(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 2019 for the Department of Health and Human Services, Indian Health Service, 9:30 a.m., SD-124.

Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2019 for the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, 2:30 p.m., SD-192.

*Committee on Armed Services:* closed business meeting to markup the proposed National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2019, 9:30 a.m., SR-222.

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* to hold hearings to examine the status of the housing finance system, 10 a.m., SD-538.

*Committee on the Budget:* to hold hearings to examine the Government Accountability Office's annual report on additional opportunities to reduce fragmentation, overlap, and duplication in the Federal government, 10:30 a.m., SD-608.

*Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:* business meeting to consider S. 2852, to reauthorize certain programs under the Pandemic and All-Hazards Preparedness Reauthorization Act, 10 a.m., SD-430.

*Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:* to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Emory A. Rounds III, of Maine, to be Director of the Office of Government Ethics, Kelly Higashi, to be an Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia, and Frederick M. Nutt, of Virginia, to be Controller, Office of Federal Financial Management, Office of Management and Budget, 2:30 p.m., SD-342.

*Committee on the Judiciary:* to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Britt Cagle Grant, of Georgia, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Eleventh Circuit, Allen Cothrel Winsor, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Florida, Patrick R. Wyrick, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Oklahoma, and Edward W. Felten, of New Jersey, and Jane Nitze, of the District of Columbia, both to be a Member of the Privacy and Civil Liberties Oversight Board, 10 a.m., SD-226.

Subcommittee on Border Security and Immigration, to hold hearings to examine the Trafficking Victims Protection Reauthorization Act and exploited loopholes affecting unaccompanied alien children, 2:30 p.m., SD-226.

*Special Committee on Aging:* to hold hearings to examine preventing and treating opioid misuse among older Americans, 2 p.m., SD-562.

### House

*Committee on Appropriations,* Full Committee, markup on FY 2019 Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies Appropriations Bill; and the Report on the Suballocation of Budget Allocations for FY 2019, 2 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

*Committee on Education and the Workforce,* Subcommittee on Workforce Protections, hearing entitled "Regulatory Reform: Unleashing Economic Opportunity for Workers and Employers", 10 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

*Committee on Energy and Commerce,* Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled "Examining the Olympic Community's Ability to Protect Athletes from Sexual Abuse", 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Health, hearing entitled “Reauthorization of the Children’s Hospital Graduate Medical Education Program”, 1 p.m., 2322 Rayburn.

*Committee on Financial Services*, Subcommittee on Capital Markets, Securities, and Investment, hearing entitled “Legislative Proposals to Help Fuel Capital and Growth on Main Street”, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Housing and Insurance, hearing entitled “The Impact of Autonomous Vehicles on the Future of Insurance”, 2 p.m., 2128 Rayburn.

*Committee on Foreign Affairs*, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Strengthening American Diplomacy: Reviewing the State Department’s Budget, Operations, and Policy Priorities”, 9 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Asia and the Pacific, hearing entitled “Asia’s Diplomatic and Security Structure: Planning U.S. Engagement”, 2 p.m., 2200 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Europe, Eurasia, and Emerging Threats, hearing entitled “Chinese Investment and Influence in Europe”, 2 p.m., 2255 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on the Western Hemisphere, hearing entitled “Combating Transnational Criminal Threats in the Western Hemisphere”, 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

*Committee on Homeland Security*, Full Committee, hearing entitled “ISIS—Post Caliphate: Threat Implications for America and the West”, 10 a.m., HVC-210.

*Committee on Oversight and Government Reform*, May 23, Subcommittee on Information Technology; and Subcommittee on Government Operations, joint hearing entitled “The Federal Information Technology Acquisition Reform Act (FITARA) Scorecard 6.0”, 10:30 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Full Committee, markup on H. Res. 877, a resolution of inquiry directing the Secretary of Commerce to provide certain documents in the Secretary’s possession to the House of Representatives relating to the decision to include a question on citizenship in the 2020 decennial census of population; legislation to codify provisions relating to the Office of National Drug Control Policy, and for other purposes; H.R. 5415, the “GAO—IG Act”; legislation on the Border Patrol Agent Pay Reform Amendments Act of 2018; H.R. 2648, the “Veterans Transition Improvement Act”; H.R. 5321, the “Too Long; Didn’t Read Act of 2018”; H.R. 4407, the “Corporal Jeffery Allen Williams Post Office Building”; H.R. 4946, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1075 North Tustin Street in Orange, California, as the “Specialist Trevor A. Win’E Post Office”; H.R. 5205, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 701 6th Street in Hawthorne, Nevada, as the “Sergeant Kenneth Eric Bostic Post Office”; H.R. 5238, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1234 Saint Johns Place in Brooklyn, New York, as the “Major Robert Odell Owens

Post Office”; H.R. 5349, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1320 Autumn Avenue in Memphis, Tennessee, as the “Judge Russell B. Sugarmon Post Office Building”; H.R. 5412, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 25 2nd Avenue in Brentwood, New York, as the “Army Specialist Jose L. Ruiz Post Office Building”; H.R. 5504, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 4801 West Van Giesen Street in West Richland, Washington, as the “Sergeant Dietrich Schmieman Post Office Building”; H.R. 5737, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 108 West D Street in Alpha, Illinois, as the “Captain Joshua E. Steele Post Office”; and H.R. 5784, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 2650 North Doctor Martin Luther King Drive in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, as the “Vel R. Phillips Post Office Building”, 2:30 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

*Committee on Science, Space, and Technology*, Full Committee, markup on legislation on the Department of Energy Science and Innovation Act of 2018; legislation on the National Innovation Modernization by Laboratory Empowerment Act; and legislation on the ARPA—E Act of 2018, 10:30 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure*, Full Committee, hearing on H.R. 8, the “Water Resources Development Act of 2018”, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

*Committee on Veterans’ Affairs*, Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity, hearing on H.R. 2409, to allow servicemembers to terminate their cable, satellite television, and Internet access service contracts while deployed; H.R. 5452, the “Reduce Unemployment for Veterans of All Ages Act of 2018”; H.R. 5538, to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for the inclusion of certain additional periods of active duty service for purposes of suspending charges to veterans’ entitlement to educational assistance under the laws administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs during periods of suspended participation in vocational rehabilitation programs; H.R. 5644, the “VET OPP Act”; H.R. 5649, the “Navy SEAL Chief Petty Officer William ‘Bill’ Mulder (Ret.) Transition Improvement Act of 2018”; and legislation to amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to provide for the termination by a spouse of a lessee of certain leases when the lessee dies while in military service, 10 a.m., 334 Cannon.

*Committee on Ways and Means*, Subcommittee on Tax Policy, hearing entitled “Tax Reform and Small Businesses: Growing Our Economy and Creating Jobs”, 10 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

Full Committee, markup on H.R. 5861, the “Jobs and Opportunity with Benefits and Services for Success Act”, 2 p.m., 1100 Longworth.

*Next Meeting of the SENATE*

11 a.m., Wednesday, May 23

*Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES*

10 a.m., Wednesday, May 23

## Senate Chamber

**Program for Wednesday:** Senate will begin consideration of the nomination of Brian D. Montgomery, of Texas, to be an Assistant Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, and vote on confirmation of the nomination at 3:15 p.m.

Following disposition of the nomination of Brian D. Montgomery, Senate will vote on McConnell motion to concur in the amendment of the House to S. 2372, Veterans Cemetery Benefit Correction Act.

Following disposition of the House message to accompany S. 2372, Senate will vote on the motions to invoke cloture in relation to the nominations of Jelena McWilliams, of Ohio, to be Chairperson, and to be Member of the Board of Directors of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, in the order filed.

## House Chamber

**Program for Wednesday:** Continue consideration of H.R. 5515—National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019 (Subject to a Rule).

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