

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S2503–S2600

Measures Introduced: Thirty-one bills and nine resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2869–2899, and S. Res. 447–455. **Pages S2556–57**

Measures Reported:

S. 434, to strengthen the accountability of individuals involved in misconduct affecting the integrity of background investigations, to update guidelines for security clearances, to prevent conflicts of interest relating to contractors providing background investigation fieldwork services and investigative support services. (S. Rept. No. 114–246)

S. 1620, to reduce duplication of information technology at the Department of Homeland Security. (S. Rept. No. 114–247)

S. Res. 340, expressing the sense of Congress that the so-called Islamic State in Iraq and al-Sham (ISIS or Da'esh) is committing genocide, crimes against humanity, and war crimes, and calling upon the President to work with foreign governments and the United Nations to provide physical protection for ISIS' targets, to support the creation of an international criminal tribunal with jurisdiction to punish these crimes, and to use every reasonable means, including sanctions, to destroy ISIS and disrupt its support networks, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute and with an amended preamble.

S. Res. 381, honoring the memory and legacy of Michael James Riddering and condemning the terrorist attacks in Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso on January 15, 2016.

S. Res. 394, recognizing the 195th anniversary of the independence of Greece and celebrating democracy in Greece and the United States.

S. Res. 418, recognizing Hafsat Abiola, Khanim Latif, Yoani Sanchez, and Akanksha Hazari for their selflessness and dedication to their respective causes.

S. Res. 436, supporting the goals and ideals of World Malaria Day, and with an amended preamble.

S. Res. 442, condemning the terrorist attacks in Brussels and honoring the memory of the United States citizens murdered in those attacks, and offering thoughts and prayers for all the victims, condon-

ences to their families, resolve to support the Belgian people, and the pledge to defend democracy and stand in solidarity with the country of Belgium and all our allies in the face of continuing terrorist attacks on freedom and liberty.

S. 2555, to provide opportunities for broadband investment, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

S. 2824, to designate the Federal building housing the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives Headquarters located at 99 New York Avenue N.E., Washington, D.C., as the "Ariel Rios Federal Building".

S. 2845, to extend the termination of sanctions with respect to Venezuela under the Venezuela Defense of Human Rights and Civil Society Act of 2014, with an amendment. **Pages S2554–55**

Measures Passed:

Afghanistan Accountability Act: Senate passed S. 1875, to support enhanced accountability for United States assistance to Afghanistan, the committee amendment was withdrawn, and after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto:

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McConnell (for Menendez) Amendment No. 3885, in the nature of a substitute. **Page S2576**

National Bison Legacy Act: Senate passed H.R. 2908, to adopt the bison as the national mammal of the United States. **Page S2576**

Kids to Parks Day: Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 435, designating May 21, 2016, as "Kids to Parks Day", and the resolution was then agreed to.

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Recognizing the Contributions of U.S. Teachers: Senate agreed to S. Res. 448, recognizing the roles and contributions of the teachers of the United States in building and enhancing the civic, cultural, and economic well-being of the United States.

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17th Annual National Charter Schools Week: Senate agreed to S. Res. 449, congratulating the students, parents, teachers, and leaders of charter schools across the United States for making ongoing

contributions to education, and supporting the ideals and goals of the 17th annual National Charter Schools Week, to be held May 1 through May 7, 2016. **Pages S2576–77**

National Small Business Week: Senate agreed to S. Res. 450, honoring May 1 through May 7, 2016, as “National Small Business Week” and celebrating the contributions of small businesses and entrepreneurs in every community in the United States. **Pages S2576–77**

National Travel and Tourism Week: Senate agreed to S. Res. 451, supporting the goals and ideals of National Travel and Tourism Week and honoring the valuable contributions of travel and tourism to the United States. **Pages S2576–77**

National Sexual Assault Awareness and Prevention Month: Senate agreed to S. Res. 452, recognizing and supporting the goals and ideals of National Sexual Assault Awareness and Prevention Month. **Pages S2576–77**

Día de los Niños: Celebrating Young Americans: Senate agreed to S. Res. 453, designating April 30, 2016, as “Día de los Niños: Celebrating Young Americans”. **Pages S2576–77**

Transportation Community Awareness and Emergency Response Program 30th Anniversary: Senate agreed to S. Res. 454, recognizing the Transportation Community Awareness and Emergency Response program on its 30th anniversary. **Pages S2576–77**

Cinco de Mayo Holiday: Senate agreed to S. Res. 455, recognizing the cultural and historic significance of the Cinco de Mayo holiday. **Pages S2576–77**

Venezuela Defense of Human Rights and Civil Society Act: Senate passed S. 2845, to extend the termination of sanctions with respect to Venezuela under the Venezuela Defense of Human Rights and Civil Society Act of 2014, after agreeing to the committee amendment. **Page S2577**

Department of State Operations Authorization and Embassy Security Act, Fiscal Year 2016: Senate passed S. 1635, to authorize the Department of State for fiscal year 2016, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto: **Pages S2577–95**

McConnell (for Corker) Amendment No. 3886, to remove language relating to Iran hostages compensation, to provide that the Ambassador at Large for International Religious Freedom shall have primary responsibility for religious freedom training, and to make other technical amendments. **Pages S2577–78**

Measures Considered:

Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act—Agreement: Sen-

ate continued consideration of H.R. 2028, making appropriations for energy and water development and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2016, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto: **Pages S2514–29**

Pending:

Alexander/Feinstein Amendment No. 3801, in the nature of a substitute. **Page S2514**

Alexander Amendment No. 3804 (to Amendment No. 3801), to modify provisions relating to Nuclear Regulatory Commission fees. **Page S2514**

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

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the motion to proceed to the motion to reconsider the vote by which cloture was not invoked on April 27, 2016, was agreed to. **Page S2526**

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By 52 yeas to 43 nays (Vote No. 65), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, not having voted in the affirmative, Senate upon reconsideration rejected the motion to close further debate on Alexander/Feinstein Amendment No. 3801 (listed above). **Pages S2526–27**

A motion was entered to close further debate on Alexander/Feinstein Amendment No. 3801, and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, and pursuant to the unanimous-consent agreement of Thursday, April 28, 2016, a vote on cloture will occur at 5:30 p.m., on Monday, May 9, 2016. **Page S2527**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that at 4 p.m., on Monday, May 9, 2016, Senate resume consideration of the bill, with the time until 5:30 p.m. equally divided between the two managers, or their designees; that notwithstanding the provisions of Rule XXII, the cloture vote with respect to Alexander/Feinstein Amendment No. 3801, occur at 5:30 p.m.; and that for the purpose of Rule XXII, the filing deadline for all first-degree amendments to Alexander/Feinstein Amendment No. 3801, be at 3:30 p.m., and the second-degree filing deadline occur under Rule XXII. **Page S2595**

Pro Forma Sessions—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that when Senate adjourns, it convene for pro forma sessions only, with no business being conducted on the following dates and times, and that following each pro forma session, Senate adjourn until the next pro forma session: Monday, May 2, 2016, at 2 p.m.; Thursday, May 5, 2016, at 11:30 a.m.; and that

when Senate adjourns on Thursday, May 5, 2016, it next convene at 3 p.m., on Monday, May 9, 2016.

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Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

Roberta S. Jacobson, of Maryland, to be Ambassador to the United Mexican States. Page S2577

13 Air Force nominations in the rank of general.

24 Army nominations in the rank of general.

14 Navy nominations in the rank of admiral.

Routine lists in the Air Force, Army, Marine Corps, and Navy. Pages S2571–73

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Angela L. Kokosko Ripley, of Maryland, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the National Association of Registered Agents and Brokers for a term of two years.

Leslie Greene Bowman, of Virginia, to be a Member of the National Council on the Humanities for a term expiring January 26, 2022.

George Sanchez, of California, to be a Member of the National Council on the Humanities for a term expiring January 26, 2022.

Gail H. Marcus, of Maryland, to be a Member of the Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board for a term expiring October 18, 2018.

Kent Yoshiho Hirozawa, of New York, to be a Member of the National Labor Relations Board for the term of five years expiring August 27, 2021.

Patricia D. Barksdale, of Florida, to be United States District Judge for the Middle District of Florida.

Todd E. Edelman, of the District of Columbia, to be United States District Judge for the District of Columbia.

William F. Jung, of Florida, to be United States District Judge for the Middle District of Florida.

Philip R. Lammens, of Florida, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Florida.

Florence Y. Pan, of the District of Columbia, to be United States District Judge for the District of Columbia.

Regina M. Rodriguez, of Colorado, to be United States District Judge for the District of Colorado.

Patricia Ann Timmons-Goodson, of North Carolina, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of North Carolina.

Anne Rachel Traum, of Nevada, to be United States District Judge for the District of Nevada.

Kathleen Marie Marshall, of Nevada, to be a Member of the Election Assistance Commission for a term expiring December 12, 2019.

3 Army nominations in the rank of general.

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Record Votes: One record vote was taken today. (Total—65) Page S2526

Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 7:42 p.m., until 2 p.m. on Monday, May 2, 2016. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S2595.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

COUNTER-ISIL OPERATIONS

Committee on Armed Services: Committee concluded a hearing to examine counter-ISIL (Islamic State of Iraq and the Levant) operations and Middle East strategy, after receiving testimony from Ash Carter, Secretary, and General Joseph F. Dunford, Jr., USMC, Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, both of the Department of Defense.

INVASIVE SPECIES

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Public Lands, Forests, and Mining concluded a hearing to examine the impacts of invasive species on the productivity, value, and management of land and water resources, to conduct oversight on the National Invasive Species Council's new framework for early detection and rapid response, and to examine improved cooperative tools for control and management, including S. 2240, to improve the control and management of invasive species that threaten and harm Federal land under the jurisdiction of the Secretary of Agriculture and the Secretary of the Interior, after receiving testimony from Glenn Casamassa, Associate Deputy Chief, Forest Service, Department of Agriculture; Mike Pool, Acting Deputy Director for Operations,

Bureau of Land Management, Department of the Interior; Doug Miyamoto, Wyoming Department of Agriculture, Cheyenne; George Beck, Colorado State University, Fort Collins, on behalf of the Healthy Habitats Coalition; and Faith T. Campbell, Center for Invasive Species Prevention, Springfield, Virginia.

BUSINESS MEETING

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

S. 2848, 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;

S. 2808, to amend the John F. Kennedy Center Act to authorize appropriations for the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts;

S. 2824, to designate the Federal building housing the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives Headquarters located at 99 New York Avenue N.E., Washington, D.C., as the "Ariel Rios Federal Building";

Army Corps of Engineers Study Resolutions; and General Services Administration resolutions.

MENTAL HEALTH IN AMERICA

Committee on Finance: Committee concluded a hearing to examine mental health in America, after receiving testimony from Doug Thomas, Utah Department of Human Services Division of Substance Abuse and Mental Health Director, Salt Lake City; Brandon Marshall, PROJECT 375, Chicago, Illinois; Maggie Bennington-Davis, Health Share of Oregon, Tualatin; and Linda Rosenberg, National Council for Behavioral Health, Washington, D.C.

BUSINESS MEETING

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

An original bill entitled, "Department of State Authorization Act, Fiscal Year 2017";

H.R. 2494, to support global anti-poaching efforts, strengthen the capacity of partner countries to counter wildlife trafficking, designate major wildlife trafficking countries, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 2845, to extend the termination of sanctions with respect to Venezuela under the Venezuela Defense of Human Rights and Civil Society Act of 2014, with an amendment;

S. Res. 442, condemning the terrorist attacks in Brussels and honoring the memory of the United States citizens murdered in those attacks, and offering thoughts and prayers for all the victims, condolences to their families, resolve to support the Bel-

gian people, and the pledge to defend democracy and stand in solidarity with the country of Belgium and all our allies in the face of continuing terrorist attacks on freedom and liberty;

S. Res. 340, expressing the sense of Congress that the so-called Islamic State in Iraq and al-Sham (ISIS or Da'esh) is committing genocide, crimes against humanity, and war crimes, and calling upon the President to work with foreign governments and the United Nations to provide physical protection for ISIS' targets, to support the creation of an international criminal tribunal with jurisdiction to punish these crimes, and to use every reasonable means, including sanctions, to destroy ISIS and disrupt its support networks, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

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S. Res. 381, honoring the memory and legacy of Michael James Riddering and condemning the terrorist attacks in Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso on January 15, 2016; and

The nominations of Swati A. Dandekar, of Iowa, to be United States Director of the Asian Development Bank, with the rank of Ambassador, R. David Harden, of Maryland, to be an Assistant Administrator of the United States Agency for International Development, and Christine Ann Elder, of Kentucky, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Liberia, Kelly Keiderling-Franz, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Oriental Republic of Uruguay, Elizabeth Holzhall Richard, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Lebanese Republic, Stephen Michael Schwartz, of Maryland, to be Ambassador to the Federal Republic of Somalia, Adam H. Sterling, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Slovak Republic, and routine lists in the Foreign Service, all of the Department of State.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee ordered favorably reported the nomination of Patrick A. Burke, to be United States Marshal for the District of Columbia.

INTELLIGENCE

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee held closed hearings on intelligence matters, receiving testimony from officials of the intelligence community.

Committee recessed subject to the call.

House of Representatives

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Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 34 public bills, H.R. 5088–5121; and 3 resolutions, and H. Res. 709–711 were introduced. **Pages H2107–09**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages H2110–11**

Reports Filed: There were no reports filed today.

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Duncan (TN) to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H2069**

Recess: The House recessed at 10:28 a.m. and reconvened at 12 noon. **Page H2072**

Journal: The House agreed to the Speaker's approval of the Journal by voice vote. **Pages H2072, H2094**

Disapproving the rule submitted by the Department of Labor relating to the definition of the term "Fiduciary": The House passed H.J. Res. 88, disapproving the rule submitted by the Department of Labor relating to the definition of the term "Fiduciary", by a yea-and-nay vote of 234 yeas to 183 nays, Roll No. 176. **Pages H2081–93**

H. Res. 706, the rule providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 4901) and the joint resolution (H.J. Res. 88) was agreed to by a yea-and-nay vote of 234 yeas to 183 nays, Roll No. 174, after the previous question was ordered by a yea-and-nay vote of 231 yeas to 182 nays, Roll No. 173. **Pages H2076–81**

Recess: The House recessed at 2:51 p.m. and reconvened at 3 p.m. **Page H2092**

Suspensions—Proceedings Resumed: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures which were debated on Tuesday, April 26th:

Directing the Securities and Exchange Commission to provide a safe harbor related to certain investment fund research reports: H.R. 5019, to direct the Securities and Exchange Commission to provide a safe harbor related to certain investment fund research reports, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yea-and-nay vote of 411 yeas to 6 nays, Roll No. 175; and **Page H2081**

Flood Insurance Market Parity and Modernization Act: H.R. 2901, amended, to amend the Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973 to require that certain buildings and personal property be covered by flood insurance, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yea-and-nay vote of 419 yeas with none voting "nay", Roll No. 177.

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Senate Message: Message received from the Senate by the Clerk and subsequently presented to the House today appear on pages H2075–76.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Five yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H2080, H2080–81, H2081, H2092–93, H2093–94. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 4:53 p.m.

Committee Meetings

TO REVIEW THE IMPACT OF CAPITAL MARGIN REQUIREMENTS ON END-USERS

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on Commodity Exchanges, Energy, and Credit held a hearing entitled "To Review the Impact of Capital Margin Requirements on End-Users". Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

FOCUS ON THE FARM ECONOMY: FOOD PRICES AND THE CONSUMER

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on Nutrition held a hearing entitled "Focus on the Farm Economy: Food Prices and the Consumer". Testimony was heard from Ephraim Leibtag, Assistant Administrator, Economic Research Service, Department of Agriculture; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURE

Committee on Armed Services: Full Committee concluded a markup on H.R. 4909, the "National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2017". H.R. 4909 was ordered reported, as amended.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURE

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Full Committee held a markup on H.R. 4843, the "Improving Safe Care for the Prevention of Infant Abuse and Neglect Act". H.R. 4843 was ordered reported, as amended.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Full Committee concluded a markup on H.R. 4978, the "Nurturing and Supporting Healthy Babies Act"; H.R. 4641, to provide for the establishment of an inter-agency task force to review, modify, and update best practices for pain management and prescribing pain medication, and for other purposes; H.R. 3680, the "Co-Prescribing to Reduce Overdoses Act of 2015"; H.R. 3691, the "Improving Treatment for Pregnant and Postpartum Women Act"; H.R. 1818, the "Veteran

Emergency Medical Technician Support Act of 2015”; H.R. 4981, the “Opioid Use Disorder Treatment Expansion and Modernization Act”; H.R. 3250, the “DXM Abuse Prevention Act of 2015”; H.R. 4969, the “John Thomas Decker Act of 2016”; H.R. 4586, the “Lali’s Law”; H.R. 4599, the “Reducing Unused Medications Act of 2016”; H.R. 4976, the “Opioid Review Modernization Act of 2016”; H.R. 4982, the “Examining Opioid Treatment Infrastructure Act of 2016”; H.R. 4889, the “Kelsey Smith Act of 2016”; H.R. 4167, the “Kari’s Law Act of 2015”; H.R. 4111, the “Rural Health Care Connectivity Act of 2015”; H.R. 4190, the “Spectrum Challenge Prize Act of 2015”; H.R. 3998, the “Securing Access to Networks in Disasters Act”; H.R. 2031, the “Anti-Swatting Act of 2015”; H.R. 2589, to amend the Communications Act of 1943 to require the Federal Communications Commission to publish on its Internet website changes to the rules of the Commission not later than 24 hours after adoption; H.R. 2592, to amend the Communications Act of 1934 to require the Federal Communications Commission to publish on the website of the Commission documents to be voted on by the Commission; H.R. 2593, to amend the Communications Act of 1934 to require identification and description on the website of the Federal Communications Commission of items to be decided on authority delegated by the Commission; and H.R. 5050, the “Pipeline Safety Act of 2016”. The following bills were ordered reported, as amended: H.R. 4889, H.R. 4167, H.R. 4111, H.R. 3998, H.R. 2031, H.R. 2589, H.R. 4586, H.R. 3680, and H.R. 3691. The following bills were ordered reported, without amendment: H.R. 4190, H.R. 2592, and H.R. 2593.

AMERICA AS A PACIFIC POWER: CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES IN ASIA

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “America as a Pacific Power: Challenges and Opportunities in Asia”. Testimony was heard from Antony J. Blinken, Deputy Secretary of State, Department of State.

U.S. POLICY TOWARD LEBANON

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on the Middle East and North Africa held a hearing entitled “U.S. Policy Toward Lebanon”. Testimony was heard from Gerald M. Feierstein, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Near Eastern Affairs, Department of State; and Andrew Exum, Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Middle East Policy, Department of Defense.

TRANSFERRING GUANTANAMO BAY DETAINEES TO THE HOMELAND: IMPLICATIONS FOR STATES AND LOCAL COMMUNITIES

Committee on Homeland Security: Subcommittee on Oversight and Management Efficiency held a hearing entitled “Transferring Guantanamo Bay Detainees to the Homeland: Implications for States and Local Communities”. Testimony was heard from Nikki R. Haley, Governor, State of South Carolina; Todd Thompson, County Attorney, Attorney’s Office, Leavenworth County, Kansas; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Homeland Security: Full Committee held a markup on H.R. 1887, to amend certain appropriation Acts to repeal the requirement directing the Administrator of General Services to sell Federal property and assets that support the operations of the Plum Island Animal Disease Center in Plum Island, New York, and for other purposes; H.R. 4743, the “National Cybersecurity Preparedness Consortium Act of 2016”; and H.R. 5056, the “Airport Perimeter and Access Control Security Act of 2016”. The following bills were ordered reported, as amended: H.R. 1887 and H.R. 4743. H.R. 5056 was ordered reported, without amendment.

LEGISLATIVE MEASURE

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Regulatory Reform, Commercial and Antitrust Law held a hearing on H.R. 5063, the “Stop Settlement Slush Funds Act of 2016”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT OF THE FALSE CLAIMS ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on the Constitution and Civil Justice held a hearing entitled “Oversight of the False Claims Act”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

LEGISLATIVE MEASURE

Committee on Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Federal Lands held a hearing on a discussion draft of the “Locally-elected Officials Cooperating with Agencies in Land Management Act”. Testimony was heard from Leslie Weldon, Deputy Chief, National Forest System, U.S. Forest Service; Karen Mouritsen, Deputy Assistant Director, Energy, Minerals and Realty Management, Bureau of Land Management; Jerrie Tipton, Commission Chair, Mineral County, Nevada; Sherri Brennan, Supervisor, District 1, Tuolumne County, California; and Hans Dunshee, Councilmember, Snohomish County Council District 5, Washington.

THE CONSEQUENCES OF FEDERAL LAND MANAGEMENT ALONG THE U.S. BORDER TO RURAL COMMUNITIES AND NATIONAL SECURITY

Committee on Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing entitled “The Consequences of Federal Land Management along the U.S. Border to Rural Communities and National Security”. Testimony was heard from Jon Andrew, Interagency Borderland Coordinator, Department of the Interior; LeAlan Pinkerton, Commissioner, Boundary County, Idaho; and public witnesses.

CRIMINAL ALIENS RELEASED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Criminal Aliens Released by the Department of Homeland Security”. Testimony was heard from Sarah R. Saldaña, Director, Immigration and Customs Enforcement, Department of Homeland Security; Ralph Martin, Chief of Police, Santa Maria Police Department, Santa Maria, California; and public witnesses.

EXAMINING EPA’S PREDETERMINED EFFORTS TO BLOCK THE PEBBLE MINE, PART II

Committee on Science, Space, and Technology: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Examining EPA’s Predetermined Efforts to Block the Pebble Mine, Part II”. Testimony was heard from Dennis McLerran, Administrator, Region 10, Environmental Protection Agency.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Ways and Means: Full Committee held a markup on H.R. 3209, the “Recovering Missing Children Act”; H.R. 5053, the “Preventing IRS Abuse and Protecting Free Speech Act”; and H.R.

3832, the “Stolen Identify Refund Fraud Prevention Act of 2015”. The following bills were ordered reported, as amended: H.R. 3209, H.R. 5053, and H.R. 3832.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY, APRIL 29, 2016

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

House

Committee on Energy and Commerce, Subcommittee on Energy and Power, hearing on H.R. 4979, the “Advanced Nuclear Technology Development Act of 2016” and the “Nuclear Utilization of Keynote Energy Policies Act”, 9:30 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Commerce, Manufacturing, and Trade, hearing entitled “The Pet Medication Industry: Issues and Perspectives”, 9:45 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

Committee on Veterans’ Affairs, Subcommittee on Health, markup on H.R. 353, the “Veterans’ Access to Hearing Health Act of 2015”; H.R. 3471, the “Veterans Mobility Safety Act of 2015”; H.R. 3974, the “Grow Our Own Directive: Physician Assistant Employment and Education Act of 2015”; H.R. 3989, the “Support Our Military Caregivers Act”; H.R. 4977, the “VA Scheduling Accountability Act”; H.R. 2460, to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the provision of adult day health care services for veterans; and H.R. 3956, the “VA Health Center Management Stability and Improvement Act”, 8:30 a.m., 334 Cannon.

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, Full Committee, markup on H.R. 5077, the “Intelligence Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2017”, 9 a.m., HVC-304. This markup will be closed.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

2 p.m., Monday, May 2

Senate Chamber

Program for Monday: Senate will meet in a pro forma session.

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

9 a.m., Friday, April 29

House Chamber

Program for Friday: Consideration of H.R. 4901—The Scholarships for Opportunity and Results Reauthorization Act.

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