

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

APPROPRIATIONS: DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies concluded a hearing to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2011 for the Department of Labor, after receiving testimony from Hilda L. Solis, Secretary of Labor.

APPROPRIATIONS: DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Military Construction and Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies concluded a hearing to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2011 for the Department of Defense and the Department of the Navy, after receiving testimony from Robert F. Hale, Comptroller, Under Secretary, Dorothy Robyn, Deputy Under Secretary for Installations and Environment, Derek J. Mitchell, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary for Asian & Pacific Security Affairs, Roger M. Natsuhara, Acting Assistant Secretary of the Navy for Installations and Environment, Major General Eugene G. Payne, Jr., USMC, Assistant Deputy Commandant for Installations and Logistics for Facilities, and Rear Admiral Christopher J. Mossey, Deputy Commander, Navy Installations Command, all of the Department of Defense.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Armed Services: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Elizabeth A. McGrath, of Virginia, to be Deputy Chief Management Officer, who was introduced by Senator Akaka,

Michael J. McCord, of Virginia, to be Principal Deputy Under Secretary, Comptroller, Sharon E. Burke, of Maryland, to be Director of Operational Energy Plans and Programs, who was introduced by former Senator John Warner, Solomon B. Watson IV, of New York, to be General Counsel of the Department of the Army, and Katherine Hammack, of Arizona, to be Assistant Secretary of the Army, all of the Department of Defense, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

NOMINATION

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nomination of Major General Robert A. Harding, United States Army (Retired), of Virginia, to be Administrator of the Transportation Security Administration and to be Assistant Secretary of Homeland Security, after the nominee testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

GOVERNMENT TRANSPARENCY

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Subcommittee on Federal Financial Management, Government Information, Federal Services, and International Security concluded a hearing to examine making the government more transparent and accountable, after receiving testimony from Vivek Kundra, Federal Chief Information Officer, Administrator for Electronic Government and Information Technology, Office of Management and Budget; Aneesh Chopra, Chief Technology Officer and Associate Director for Technology, Office of Science and Technology Policy, Executive Office of the President; David S. Ferriero, Archivist of the United States, National Archives and Records Administration; and Ellen S. Miller, Sunlight Foundation, Washington, D.C.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 6 public bills, H.R. 4913–4918; and 6 resolutions, and H. Res. 1206–1211 were introduced. **Pages H226–61**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages H2261–62**

Reports Filed: There were no reports filed today.

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein she appointed Representative Betsy Markey to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H2217**

Recess: The House recessed at 10:36 a.m. and reconvened at 12 noon. **Page H2218**

Recess: The House recessed at 12:10 p.m. and reconvened at 1:01 p.m. **Page H2219**

Providing for Consideration of H.R. 4849, Small Business and Infrastructure Jobs Tax Act of 2010: H. Res. 1205, the rule providing for consideration of the bill, H.R. 4849, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide tax incentives for

small business job creation, extend the Build America Bonds program, provide other infrastructure job creation tax incentives, was agreed to by a yeas-and-nays vote of 233 yeas to 18 nays, Roll No. 173 after ordering the previous question by a yeas-and-nays vote of 240 yeas to 179 nays, Roll No. 172.

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Suspensions—Proceedings Resumed: The House agreed to suspend the rules and agree to the following measures which were debated on Monday, March 22nd:

Recognizing and honoring the Blinded Veterans Association on its 65th anniversary of representing blinded veterans: H.J. Res. 80, to recognize and honor the Blinded Veterans Association on its 65th anniversary of representing blinded veterans and their families, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ recorded vote of 416 yeas with none voting “no”, Roll No. 174;

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Helping Heroes Keep Their Homes Act of 2009: H.R. 3976, amended, to extend certain expiring provisions providing enhanced protections for servicemembers relating to mortgages and mortgage foreclosure, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ recorded vote of 416 yeas to 4 “noes”, Roll No. 176 and;

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Providing for the establishment of a pilot program to encourage the employment of veterans in energy-related positions: H.R. 4592, amended, to provide for the establishment of a pilot program to encourage the employment of veterans in energy-related positions, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ recorded vote of 397 yeas to 19 “noes”, Roll No. 177.

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

Expressing support for designation of April as National Distracted Driving Awareness Month: H. Res. 1186, to express support for designation of April as National Distracted Driving Awareness Month by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeas-and-nays vote of 410 yeas with none voting “no” Roll No. 175;

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Suspensions: Proceedings Postponed: The House debated the following measures under suspension of the rules. Further proceedings were postponed:

Supporting the goals and ideals of National Public Works Week: H. Res. 1125, amended, to support the goals and ideals of National Public Works Week;

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Recognizing the Florida Keys Scenic Highway: H. Res. 917, amended, to recognize the Florida Keys Scenic Highway on the occasion of its designation as an All-American Road by the U.S. Department of Transportation;

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“Chaney, Goodman, Schwerner Federal Building” Designation: H.R. 3562, amended, to designate the Federal building under construction at 1220 Echelon Parkway in Jackson, Mississippi, as the “Chaney, Goodman, Schwerner Federal Building”; and

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Secure Federal File Sharing Act: H.R. 4098, amended, to require the Director of the Office of Management and Budget to issue guidance on the use of peer-to-peer file sharing software to prohibit the personal use of such software by Government employees.

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Senate Message: Message received from the Senate today appears on page H2245.

Quorum Calls—Votes: There were 5 yeas-and-nays votes, and there was 1 recorded vote developed during the proceedings today and appear on pages H2227, H2227–28, H2228–29, H2239–40, H2240–41, H2241. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10:30 a.m. and adjourned at 7:43 p.m.

Program for Wednesday: Complete consideration of H.R. 4849—Small Business and Infrastructure Jobs Tax Act of 2010. Begin consideration of H.R. 4899—Disaster Relief and Summer Jobs Act of 2010 (Subject to a Rule).

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RURAL WATER INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on Rural Development, Biotechnology, Specialty Crops, and Foreign agriculture held a hearing to review efforts to improve rural water infrastructure. Testimony was heard from Jonathan Adelstein, Administrator, Rural Utilities Service, USDA; and public witnesses.

COMMERCE, JUSTICE, SCIENCE, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies held a hearing on NASA FY 2011 Budget Overview. Testimony was heard from MG (ret.) Charles F. Bolden, Jr., Administrator, NASA, Department of Commerce.

DEFENSE APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Defense held a hearing on Army Posture. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of the Army: John M. McHugh, Secretary; and GEN George W. Casey, Jr., USA, Chief of Staff.