

intervening motion except two hours of debate equally divided and controlled. **Pages H6156–57**

**Meeting Hour:** Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 9 a.m. tomorrow, September 15th. **Page H6168**

**Recess:** The House recessed at 5:04 p.m. and reconvened at 6:41 p.m. **Page H6179**

**Quorum Calls Votes**—One recorded vote developed during the proceedings of today and appears on pages H6167–68. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 6:41 p.m.

## *Committee Meetings*

### **FEED AVAILABILITY AND ITS EFFECT ON THE LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY INDUSTRIES**

*Committee on Agriculture:* Subcommittee Livestock, Dairy, and Poultry held a hearing on the examination of the issue of feed availability and its effect on the livestock and poultry industries. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### **NEED FOR PRO-GROWTH TAX REFORM**

*Committee on the Budget:* Full Committee held a hearing entitled “The Need for Pro-Growth Tax Reform.” Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### **FEDERAL ROLE IN PUBLIC SCHOOL ACCOUNTABILITY**

*Committee on Education and the Workforce:* Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Examining the Federal Role in Public School Accountability.” Testimony was heard from Hanna Skandera, Secretary-Designate, New Mexico Public Education Department; Amy F. Sichel, Superintendent, Abington School District; Alberto M. Carvalho, Superintendent, Miami-Dade County Public Schools; and Blaine Hawley, Principal, Red Pump Elementary School.

### **EPA’S NEW AND PROPOSED POWER SECTOR REGULATIONS ON ELECTRIC RELIABILITY**

*Committee on Energy and Commerce:* Subcommittee on Energy and Power held a hearing on the American Energy Initiative with a focus on the impacts of the Environmental Protection Agency’s new and proposed power sector regulations on electric reliability. Testimony was heard from the following Commissioners of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission: Jon Wellinghoff, Philip D. Moeller, Marc Spitzer, John R. Norris, and Cheryl A. LaFleur; and Jeff Davis, Commissioner, Missouri Public Service

Commission; Jon W. McKinney, Commissioner, West Virginia Public Service Commission; Stan Wise, Commissioner, Georgia Public Service Commission; H.B. “Trip” Doggett, President and CEO, Electric Reliability Council of Texas; and Mark Shurtleff, Attorney General, Utah.

### **SOLYNDRA AND THE DOE LOAN GUARANTEE PROGRAM**

*Committee on Energy and Commerce:* Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing entitled “Solyndra and the DOE Loan Guarantee Program.” Testimony was heard from Jeffrey Zients, Deputy Director, Office of Management and Budget; and Jonathan Silver, Executive Director, Department of Energy Loans Programs Office.

### **CYBERSECURITY: THREATS TO THE FINANCIAL SECTOR**

*Committee on Financial Services:* Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Credit held a hearing entitled “Cybersecurity: Threats to the Financial Sector.” Testimony was heard from A.T. Smith, Assistant Director, United States Secret Service; Gordon Snow, Assistant Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation; Greg Schaffer, Acting Deputy Under Secretary, Department of Homeland Security; and public witnesses.

### **HUD AND NEIGHBORWORKS HOUSING COUNSELING**

*Committee on Financial Services:* Subcommittee on Insurance, Housing and Community Opportunity held a hearing entitled “HUD and NeighborWorks Housing Counseling Oversight.” Testimony was heard from Deborah C. Holston, Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary for Single Family Housing, Department of Housing and Urban Development; and public witnesses.

### **U.S. AID TO THE PALESTINIAN AUTHORITY**

*Committee on Foreign Affairs:* Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Promoting Peace? Reexamining U.S. Aid to the Palestinian Authority, Part II.” Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### **U.S.-INDIA COUNTERTERRORISM COOPERATION**

*Committee on Foreign Affairs:* Subcommittee on Terrorism, Nonproliferation, and Trade held a hearing on U.S.-India Counterterrorism Cooperation: Deepening the Partnership. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

**UNITED STATES SECRET SERVICE**

*Committee on Homeland Security:* Subcommittee on Counterterrorism and Intelligence held a hearing entitled “United States Secret Service: Examining Protective and Investigative Missions and Challenges in 2012.” Testimony was heard from Mark Sullivan, Director, Secret Service.

**MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES**

*Committee on Homeland Security:* Subcommittee on Transportation Security held a markup of the Subcommittee print to authorize the programs of the Transportation Security Administration relating to the provision of transportation security, and for other purposes, entitled the “Transportation Security Administration Authorization Act of 2011.” The print was ordered reported, as amended.

**INVESTOR VISA PROGRAM: KEY TO CREATING AMERICAN JOBS**

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on Immigration Policy and Enforcement held a hearing entitled “The Investor Visa Program: Key to Creating American Jobs.” Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

**CREATING AMERICAN JOBS BY HARNESSING OUR RESOURCES**

*Committee on Natural Resources:* Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Creating American Jobs by Harnessing Our Resources: Domestic Mining Opportunities and Hurdles.” Testimony was heard from Tom Murphy, Mayor, Gillette, Wyoming; and public witnesses.

**LEGISLATIVE MEASURES**

*Committee on Natural Resources:* Subcommittee on Water and Power held a hearing on the following legislation: H.R. 200, the “Inland Empire Perchlorate Ground Water Plume Assessment Act of 2011”; and H.R. 2842, the “Bureau of Reclamation Small Conduit Hydropower Development and Rural Jobs Act of 2011.” Testimony was heard from David Murillo, Deputy Commissioner and Director of Operations, Bureau of Reclamation; Ed Scott, Mayor Pro Tem, Rialto, California; Christopher Treese, External Affairs Manager, Colorado River District, Glenwood Springs, Colorado; Grant Ward, Water and Power Consultant, Maricopa-Stanfield Irrigation and Drainage District and Electrical District No.3, Maricopa, Arizona; and public witnesses.

**HOW A BROKEN PROCESS LEADS TO FLAWED REGULATIONS**

*Committee on Oversight and Government Reform:* Full Committee held a hearing entitled “How a Broken Process Leads to Flawed Regulations.” Testimony

was heard from Cass Sunstein, Administrator, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget; and public witnesses.

**SUSTAINABILITY OF SMALL BUSINESS GRADUATES**

*Committee on Small Business:* Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Beyond the Size Standards: Sustainability of Small Business Graduates.” Testimony was heard from Rep. Connolly and public witnesses.

**MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES**

*Committee on Ways and Means:* Full Committee held a markup of legislation regarding the “Child and Family Services Improvement and Innovation Act.” The bill was ordered reported, as amended.

**Joint Meetings**

No joint committee meetings were held.

**COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2011**

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

**Senate**

*Committee on Appropriations:* Business meeting to mark up proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2012 for Defense, Commerce, Justice, Science and Related Agencies, Financial Services and General Government, and the Legislative Branch, 2 p.m., SH-216.

*Committee on the Budget:* To hold hearings to examine policy prescriptions for the economy, 9:30 a.m., SD-608.

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* To hold hearings to examine the nominations of Gregory Howard Woods, of New York, to be General Counsel, David T. Danielson, of California, to be Assistant Secretary for Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, and LaDoris Guess Harris, of Georgia, to be Director of the Office of Minority Economic Impact, all of the Department of Energy, 9:30 a.m., SD-366.

*Committee on Finance:* To hold hearings to examine tax reform options, focusing on promoting retirement security, 10 a.m., SD-215.

*Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:* To hold hearings to examine the future of employment for people with the most significant disabilities, 10 a.m., SD-106.

*Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:* Subcommittee on Federal Financial Management, Government Information, Federal Services, and International Security, to hold hearings to examine improving financial accountability at the Department of Defense, 2:30 p.m., SD-342.

*Committee on Indian Affairs:* To hold an oversight hearing to examine tribal transportation, focusing on paving the way for jobs, infrastructure, and safety in native communities, 2:15 p.m., SD-628.