

TEN YEARS AFTER 9/11

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine ten years after 9/11, focusing on a status report on information sharing, after receiving testimony from Cathy L. Lanier, Metropolitan Police Department of the District of Columbia Chief of Police, John McLaughlin, Johns Hopkins University Paul H. Nitze School of Advanced International Studies, Thomas E. McNamara, George Washington University Elliot School of International Affairs, and Jeffrey H. Smith, Markle Task Force on National Security in the Information Age, all of Washington, D.C.; and Ronald E. Brooks, Northern California Regional Intelligence Center, San Francisco, on behalf of the National Fusion Center Association.

CHRONIC DISEASE PREVENTION

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the state of chronic disease prevention, after receiving testimony from Howard K. Koh, Assistant Secretary of

Health and Human Services for Health; Nancy Brown, American Heart Association, Dallas, Texas; John R. Seffrin, American Cancer Society, Atlanta, Georgia; John Griffin, American Diabetes Association, Victoria, Texas; and Tevi Troy, Hudson Institute, Washington, D.C.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship: Committee ordered favorably reported the nomination of Winslow Lorenzo Sargeant, of Wisconsin, to be Chief Counsel for Advocacy, Small Business Administration.

MEDICARE REFORM DEBATE

Special Committee on Aging: Committee concluded a hearing to examine finding consensus in the Medicare reform debate, after receiving testimony from Maya MacGuineas, New America Foundation, Joseph R. Antos, American Enterprise Institute for Public Policy Research, John Holahan, Urban Institute, and Douglas Holtz-Eakin, American Action Forum, all of Washington, D.C.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 21 public bills, H.R. 3154–3175, and 2 resolutions, H. Res. 432–433, were introduced. **Pages H6852–54**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages H6854–55**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H. Res. 430, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 358) to amend the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act to modify special rules relating to coverage of abortion services under such Act (H. Rept. 112–243) and

H. Res. 431, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 2273) to amend subtitle D of the Solid Waste Disposal Act to facilitate recovery and beneficial use, and provide for the proper management and disposal, of materials generated by the combustion of coal and other fossil fuels (H. Rept. 112–244). **Page H6852**

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Marchant to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H6783**

Recess: The House recessed at 11:14 a.m. and reconvened at 12 noon. **Page H6791**

United States-Colombia Trade Promotion Agreement Implementation Act: The House passed H.R. 3078, to implement the United States-Colombia Trade Promotion Agreement, by a recorded vote of 262 ayes to 167 noes, Roll No. 781. Consideration of the measure began yesterday, October 11th.

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Rejected the Levin motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Ways and Means with instructions to report the same back to the House forthwith with amendments, by a yea-and-nay vote of 192 yeas to 236 nays, Roll No. 780. **Pages H6836–38**

H. Res. 425, the rule providing for consideration of the Senate amendment to the bill (H.R. 2832) and providing for the consideration of the bills (H.R. 3078), (H.R. 3079), and (H.R. 3080) was agreed to yesterday, October 11th.

United States-Panama Trade Promotion Agreement Implementation Act: The House passed H.R. 3079, to implement the United States-Panama Trade Promotion Agreement, by a yea-and-nay vote of 300 yeas to 129 nays, Roll No. 782. Consideration of the measure began yesterday, October 11th.

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United States-Korea Free Trade Agreement Implementation Act: The House passed H.R. 3080, to implement the United States-Korea Free Trade Agreement, by a yea-and-nay vote of 278 yeas to 151 nays, Roll No. 783. Consideration of the measure began yesterday, October 11th.

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Extending the Generalized System of Preferences: The House concurred in the Senate amendment to H.R. 2832, to extend the Generalized System of Preferences, by a yea-and-nay vote of 307 yeas to 122 nays, Roll No. 784. Consideration of the Senate amendment began yesterday, October 11th.

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H. Res. 425, the rule providing for consideration of the Senate amendment to the bill (H.R. 2832) and providing for the consideration of the bills (H.R. 3078), (H.R. 3079), and (H.R. 3080) was agreed to yesterday, October 11th.

Suspension—Proceedings Resumed: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measure which was debated yesterday, October 11th:

Veterans Opportunity to Work Act of 2011: H.R. 2433, amended, to amend title 38, United States Code, to make certain improvements in the laws relating to the employment and training of veterans, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yea-and-nay vote of 418 yeas to 6 nays, Roll No. 785.

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United States Parole Commission Extension Act of 2011: The House agreed by unanimous consent to the Senate amendment to H.R. 2944, to provide for the continued performance of the functions of the United States Parole Commission.

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Meeting Hour: Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 9:30 a.m. tomorrow for morning hour debate and 11:30 a.m. for legislative business.

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EPA Regulatory Relief Act of 2011: The House resumed consideration of H.R. 2250, to provide additional time for the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency to issue achievable standards for industrial, commercial, and institutional boilers, process heaters, and incinerators. Consideration of the measure began on October 6th.

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Proceedings Postponed:

Cohen amendment (No. 22 printed in the Congressional Record of October 4, 2011) that seeks to insert a subparagraph relating to potential reductions in the number of illness-related absences from work due to respiratory or other illnesses.

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H. Res. 419, the rule providing for consideration of the bills (H.R. 2681) and (H.R. 2250) was agreed to on October 4th.

Senate Message: Message received from the Senate by the Clerk and subsequently presented to the House today appears on pages H6795–96.

Senate Referrals: S. 1619 was held at the desk.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Five yea-and-nay votes and one recorded vote developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H6737–38, H6838–39, H6839, H6839–40, H6840, and H6841. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 8:16 p.m.

Committee Meetings

AMENDING TITLE VII OF THE DODD-FRANK WALL STREET REFORM AND CONSUMER PROTECTION ACT

Committee on Agriculture: Full Committee held a hearing to review legislative proposals amending Title VII of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act, including the following bills: H.R. 1840, to improve consideration by the Commodity Futures trading Commission of the costs and benefits of its regulations and orders; H.R. 2682, Business Risk Mitigation and Price Stabilization Act of 2011; H.R. 2779, to exempt inter-affiliate swaps from certain regulatory requirements put in place by the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act; H.R. 2586, Swap Execution Facility Clarification Act; and three discussion drafts. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

THE FUTURE OF NATIONAL DEFENSE AND THE U.S. MILITARY TEN YEARS AFTER 9/11

Committee on Armed Services: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “The Future of National Defense and the U.S. Military Ten Years After 9/11: Perspectives of Former Chairmen of the Committee on Armed Services.” Testimony was heard from former Representative John Warner, Representative Duncan Hunter, and Representative Ike Skeleton.