

## MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs:* Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs held a markup of H.R. 5735, to provide for the establishment of a Tomb of Remembrance at Arlington National Cemetery for interment of cremated fragments of the remains of members of the Armed Forces killed in Afghanistan, Iraq, or a subsequent conflict when the fragments are unidentifiable by use of DNA testing or other means because of the condition of the fragments, are unclaimed, or are identified and authorized by the person designated to direct disposition of the remains for internment in such memorial; H.R. 5880, the "Veterans Disability Examination Access Improvement Act"; and H.R. 5881, the "Access to Veterans Benefits Improvement Act". The following measures were forwarded, as amended: H.R. 5735; and H.R. 5881. The following measure was forwarded, without amendment: H.R. 5880.

## HOW WELFARE AND TAX BENEFITS CAN DISCOURAGE WORK; AND MISCELLANEOUS MEASURE

*Committee on Ways and Means:* Full Committee held a markup of approval of the Report on the Legislative and Oversight Activities of the Committee on Ways and Means during the 112th Congress; and Subcommittee on Human Resources and Subcommittee on Select Revenue Measures, joint hearing entitled "How Welfare and Tax Benefits Can Discourage Work". Testimony was heard from Representative Moore (WI) and public witnesses. The Report on the Legislative and Oversight Activities of the Committee on Ways and Means was approved without amendment.

## SECURING THE FUTURE OF THE DISABILITY INSURANCE PROGRAM

*Committee on Ways and Means:* Subcommittee on Social Security held a hearing entitled "Securing the Future of the Disability Insurance Program". Testimony was heard from Michael J. Astrue, Commissioner, Social Security Administration; and public witnesses.

## ONGOING INTELLIGENCE ACTIVITIES

*House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence:* Full Committee held a hearing on ongoing intelligence activities. This was a closed hearing.

## *Joint Meetings*

No joint committee meetings were held.

## COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, JUNE 28, 2012

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

### Senate

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* to hold hearings to examine the need for privacy protections, focusing on industry self-regulation, 10 a.m., SR-253.

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* to hold hearings to examine innovative non-federal programs for financing energy efficient building retrofits, 9:30 a.m., SD-366.

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* to hold hearings to examine The Law of the Sea Convention (Treaty Doc. 103-39), focusing on perspectives from business and industry, 9:30 a.m., SH-216.

Subcommittee on African Affairs, to hold hearings to examine economic statecraft, focusing on embracing Africa's market potential, 2:30 p.m., SD-419.

*Committee on Indian Affairs:* business meeting to consider H.R. 443, to provide for the conveyance of certain property from the United States to the Maniilaq Association located in Kotzebue, Alaska, H.R. 1560, to amend the Ysleta del Sur Pueblo and Alabama and Coushatta Indian Tribes of Texas Restoration Act to allow the Ysleta del Sur Pueblo Tribe to determine blood quantum requirement for membership in that tribe, H.R. 1272, to provide for the use and distribution of the funds awarded to the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe, et al, by the United States Court of Federal Claims in Docket Numbers 19 and 188, S. 134, to authorize the Mescalero Apache Tribe to lease adjudicated water rights, S. 1065, to settle land claims within the Fort Hall Reservation, S. 2389, to deem the submission of certain claims to an Indian Health Service contracting officer as timely, and S. 3193, to make technical corrections to the legal description of certain land to be held in trust for the Barona Band of Mission Indians, 2:15 p.m., SD-628.

*Committee on the Judiciary:* business meeting to consider S. 285, for the relief of Sopuruchi Chukwueke, S. 1744, to provide funding for State courts to assess and improve the handling of proceedings relating to adult guardianship and conservatorship, to authorize the Attorney General to carry out a pilot program for the conduct of background checks on individuals to be appointed as guardians or conservators, and to promote the widespread adoption of information technology to better monitor, report, and audit conservatorships of protected persons, and the nominations of Terrence G. Berg, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Michigan, Jesus G. Bernal, to be United States District Judge for the Central District of California, Lorna G. Schofield, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of New York, and Danny Chappelle Williams, Sr., of Oklahoma, to be United States Attorney for the Northern District of Oklahoma, Department of Justice, 10 a.m., SD-226.

*Select Committee on Intelligence:* to hold closed hearings to examine certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

## House

*Committee on Appropriations*, Full Committee, continued markup of Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies Appropriations Bill, FY 2013, 9 a.m., 2359 Rayburn.

*Committee on Education and the Workforce*, Subcommittee on Workforce Protections, hearing entitled “Promoting Safe Workplaces Through Voluntary Protection Programs”, 9:30 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

*Committee on Energy and Commerce*, Subcommittee on Energy and Power, hearing entitled “The American Energy Initiative: A Focus on the New Proposal to Tighten National Standards for Fine Particulate Matter”, 9 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

*Committee on Financial Services*, Subcommittee on Domestic Monetary Policy, hearing entitled “Fractional Reserve Banking and the Federal Reserve: The Economic Consequences of High-Powered Money”, 2 p.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Insurance, Housing and Community Opportunity, hearing entitled “Appraisal Oversight: The Regulatory Impact on Consumers and Businesses”, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

*Committee on Homeland Security*, Subcommittee on Counterterrorism and Intelligence, hearing entitled “Economic Espionage: A Foreign Intelligence Threat to American Jobs and Homeland Security”, 10 a.m., 311 Cannon.

*Committee on the Judiciary*, Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security, hearing entitled “Identity Theft and Income Tax Preparation Fraud”, 9:45 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Full Committee markup of H.R. 1860, the “Digital Goods and Services Tax Fairness Act of 2011”; H.R. 823, for the relief of Maria Carmen; H.R. 316, for the relief of Esther Karinge; H.R. 794, for the relief of Allan Bolor Kelley; H.R. 357, for the relief of Corina de Chalup Turcinovic; H.R. 824, for the relief of Daniel Wachira; H.R. 1857, for the relief of Bartosz Kumor; H.R. 3120, the “Student Visa Reform Act”; and the “Juvenile Accountability Block Grant Reauthorization and the Bullying Prevention and Intervention Act”; and the Third Semiannual Activity Report of the Committee on the Judiciary for the 112th Congress, 12 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

*Committee on Natural Resources*, Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Public Lands, hearing on the following measures: H.R. 5987, the “Manhattan Project National Historical Park Act”; H.R. 624, the “First State National Historic Park Act”; H.R. 3640, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to acquire not more than 18 acres of land and interests in land in Mariposa, California, and for other purposes; H.R. 4109, the “Los Padres Conservation and Recreation Act of 2012”; H.R. 4334, the “Organ Mountains National Monument Establishment Act”; H.R. 4484, the “Y Mountain Access Enhancement Act”; H.R. 5319, the “Nashua River Wild and Scenic River Study Act”; H.R. 5958, to name the Jamaica Bay Wildlife Refuge Visitor Contact Station of the Jamaica Bay Wildlife Refuge unit of Gateway National Recre-

ation Area in honor of James L. Buckley; 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

*Committee on Oversight and Government Reform*, Subcommittee on National Security, Homeland Defense and Foreign Operations hearing entitled “Assessment of the Transition from a Military to a Civilian-Led Mission in Iraq”, 9:15 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Subcommittee of TARP, Financial Services and Bailout of Public and Private Programs, hearing entitled “The JOBS Act in Action Part II: Overseeing Effective Implementation of the JOBS Act at the SEC”, 9:30 a.m., 2247 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Technology, Information Policy, Intergovernmental Relations and Procurement Reform hearing entitled, “Mandate Madness: When Sue and Settle Just Isn’t Enough”, 9 a.m., 2203 Rayburn.

*Committee on Rules*, Full Committee, hearing on H.R. 5856, the “Department of Defense Appropriations Act, 2013”; H.R. 6020 the “Financial Services and General Government Appropriations Act, 2013”; and adoption of Rules Committee Activity Report for the 3rd Quarter of the 112 Congress, 2 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

*Committee on Science, Space, and Technology*, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Strengthening the Scientific Backbone of the EPA: An Examination of Agency Practices and Foundations for Regulations Affecting the American Economy”, and adoption of the 3rd Semiannual Report of the Activities of the Science, Space, and Technology Committee, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Investigations and Oversight and Subcommittee on Energy and Environment joint hearing entitled “Continuing Oversight of the Nation’s Weather Satellite Programs: An Update on JPSS and GOES-R”, 2 p.m., 2318 Rayburn.

*Committee on Small Business*, Subcommittee on Contracting and Workforce, hearing entitled “Unlocking Opportunities: Recidivism versus Fair Competition in Federal Contracting”, 10 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure*, Full Committee, hearing entitled “A Review of the Delays and Problems Associated with TSA’s Transportation Worker Identification Credential”, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

*Committee on Veterans’ Affairs*, Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity, markup of H.R. 4115, the “Helping Iraq and Afghanistan Veterans Return to Employment at Home Act”; H.R. 3524, the “Disabled Veterans Employment Protection Act”; H.R. 4057, the “Improving Transparency of Education Opportunities for Veterans Act of 2012”; H.R. 4740, the “Fairness for Military Homeowners Act of 2012”; and H.R. 5747, the “Military Family Home Protection Act”, 10 a.m., 334 Cannon.

*House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence*, Full Committee, hearing on H.R. 5949, the “FISA Amendments Act Reauthorization Act of 2012”; and adoption of the Semiannual Committee Activity Report, 9 a.m. HVC-304 Capitol. A portion of this hearing will be closed.