

# Daily Digest

## Senate

### Chamber Action

*Routine Proceedings, pages S7583–S7635*

**Measures Introduced:** Seventeen bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 1594–1610, and S. Res. 276. **Pages S7615–16**

#### Measures Passed:

**National Bison Day:** Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 254, designating November 2, 2013, as “National Bison Day”, and the resolution was then agreed to. **Page S7634**

**National Work and Family Month:** Senate agreed to S. Res. 276, designating October 2013 as “National Work and Family Month”. **Page S7634**

#### Measures Considered:

**Debt Limit Authority:** Senate began consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S.J. Res. 26, relating to the disapproval of the President’s exercise of authority to suspend the debt limit, as submitted under section 1002(b) of the Continuing Appropriations Act, 2014 on October 17, 2013. **Pages S7585–95, S7595**

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

By 45 yeas to 54 nays (Vote No. 220), Senate rejected the motion to proceed to consideration of the joint resolution. **Page S7595**

**Nominations Confirmed:** Senate confirmed the following nominations:

By 55 yeas to 44 nays (Vote No. EX. 222), Richard F. Griffin, Jr., of the District of Columbia, to be General Counsel of the National Labor Relations Board for a term of four years. **Pages S7595–S7608, S7635**

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

By 62 yeas to 37 nays (Vote No. 221), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, having voted in the affirmative, Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the nomination. **Page S7596**

Thomas Edgar Wheeler, of the District of Columbia, to be a Member of the Federal Communications Commission for a term of five years from July 1, 2013.

Michael P. O’Rielly, of New York, to be a Member of the Federal Communications Commission for the remainder of the term expiring June 30, 2014. **Pages S7634, S7635**

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**Record Votes:** Three record votes were taken today. (Total—222) **Pages S7595, S7596, S7608**

**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 6:30 p.m., until 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday, October 30, 2013. (For Senate’s program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today’s Record on page S7635.)

### Committee Meetings

*(Committees not listed did not meet)*

#### HOUSING FINANCE REFORM

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine housing finance reform, focusing on the essentials of a functioning housing finance system for consumers, including S. 1217, to provide secondary mortgage market reform, after receiving testimony from Eric Stein, Center for Responsible Lending, Chapel Hill, North Carolina; Rohit Gupta, Genworth Financial, Valley, North Carolina; Gary Thomas, National Association of Realtors, Mission Viejo, California; Laurence E. Platt, K&L Gates LLP, and Lautaro Lot

Diaz, National Council of La Raza, both of Washington, DC; and Alys Cohen, National Consumer Law Center, Takoma Park, Maryland.

### BROADBAND ADOPTION

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* Subcommittee on Communications, Technology, and the Internet concluded a hearing to examine broadband adoption, after receiving testimony from former Senator John E. Sununu, Broadband for America, and Aaron Smith, Pew Research Center's Internet Project, both of Washington, DC; David L. Cohen, Comcast Corporation, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; Bernadine Joselyn, Blandin Foundation, Grand Rapids, Minnesota; and Sunne Wright McPeak, California Emerging Technology Fund, San Francisco.

### STAND YOUR GROUND LAWS

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights and Human Rights concluded

a hearing to examine "Stand Your Ground" laws, focusing on civil rights and public safety implications of the expanded use of deadly force, after receiving testimony from Representatives Fudge, Gutierrez, and Gohmert; David LaBahn, Association of Prosecuting Attorneys, and Ilya Shapiro, Cato Institute, both of Washington, DC; Ronald S. Sullivan Jr., Harvard Law School, Cambridge, Massachusetts; John R. Lott, Jr., Crime Prevention Research Center, Swarthmore, Pennsylvania; Sybrina Fulton, Miami, Florida; and Lucia Holman McBath, Atlanta, Georgia.

### 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.

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## House of Representatives

### *Chamber Action*

**Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced:** 19 public bills, H.R. 3361–3379; and 2 resolutions, H. Res. 393–394, were introduced. **Pages H6900–01**

**Additional Cosponsors:** **Pages H6902–03**

**Reports Filed:** There were no reports filed today.

**Speaker:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Collins (NY) to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H6831**

**Recess:** The House recessed at 10:42 a.m. and reconvened at 12 noon. **Page H6836**

**Chaplain:** The prayer was offered by the guest chaplain, Reverend Jack Hibbs, Calvary Chapel Chino Hills Church, Chino, California. **Page H6836**

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

**Central Oregon Jobs and Water Security Act:** H.R. 2640, to amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to adjust the Crooked River boundary and to provide water certainty for the City of Prineville, Oregon; **Pages H6850–52**

**Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium Land Transfer Act:** H.R. 623, amended, to provide for the conveyance of certain property located in Anchorage, Alaska, from the United States to the Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium; **Pages H6852–53**

**Distinguished Flying Cross National Memorial Act:** H.R. 330, to designate a Distinguished Flying Cross National Memorial at the March Field Air Museum in Riverside, California; and **Pages H6853–54**

**Lake Hill Administrative Site Affordable Housing Act:** H.R. 2337, to provide for the conveyance of the Forest Service Lake Hill Administrative Site in Summit County, Colorado. **Pages H6854–55**

**Retail Investor Protection Act:** The House passed H.R. 2374, to amend the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 to provide protections for retail customers, by a recorded vote of 254 ayes to 166 noes, Roll No. 567. **Pages H6855–69, H6869–72**

Rejected the Tierney motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Education and the Workforce and the Committee on Financial Services with instructions to report the same back to the House forthwith with an amendment, by a recorded vote of 195 ayes to 223 noes, Roll No. 566. **Pages H6869–71**

Pursuant to the rule, an amendment in the nature of a substitute consisting of the text of Rules Committee Print 113–23 shall be considered as adopted, in lieu of the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Financial Services now printed in the bill. **Page H6855**

Rejected:

George Miller (CA) amendment (printed in H. Rept. 113–253) that sought to authorize the Department of Labor to issue a fiduciary duty rule that

protects access to investment education and advice and assures the availability of reasonable compensation to financial service providers. Would require a study of the effect of current investment industry practices on the standard of care provided to investors by persons providing investment advice, including the effect on low-income investors (by a yea-and-nay vote of 174 yeas to 243 nays, Roll No. 565).

**Pages H6866–69, H6869**

H. Res. 391, the rule providing for consideration of the bills (H.R. 992) and (H.R. 2374), was agreed to by a recorded vote of 230 yeas to 188 noes, Roll No. 564, after the previous question was ordered by a yea-and-nay vote of 226 yeas to 193 nays, Roll No. 563.

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**Recess:** The House recessed at 4:25 p.m. and reconvened at 4:37 p.m.

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**Committee Resignation:** Read a letter from Representative Pocan, wherein he resigned from the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

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**Committee Election:** The House agreed to H. Res. 393, electing a Member to a certain standing committee of the House of Representatives.

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**Relating to the disapproval of the President's exercise of authority to suspend the debt limit:** The House began consideration of H.J. Res. 99, relating to the disapproval of the President's exercise of authority to suspend the debt limit, as submitted under section 1002(b) of the Continuing Appropriations Act, 2014 on October 17, 2013. Further proceedings were postponed.

**Pages H6872–76**

Pursuant to H. Res. 391 and section 1002(e) of the Continuing Appropriations Act, 2014, Representative Young (IN) moved that the House proceed to consider H.J. Res. 99, relating to the disapproval of the President's exercise of authority to suspend the debt limit, as submitted under section 1002(b) of the Continuing Appropriations Act, 2014 on October 17, 2013, and the motion was agreed to by voice vote. Subsequently, H.J. Res. 99 was considered under the provisions of H. Res. 391 and section 1002(e)(2)(C) of the Continuing Appropriations Act, 2014.

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**Senate Message:** Message received from the Senate today appears on page H6836.

**Senate Referral:** S. 893 was referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

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**Quorum Calls—Votes:** Two yea-and-nay votes and three recorded votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H6849, H6849–50, H6869, H6870–71, and H6871–72. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 9:42 p.m.

## Committee Meetings

### ACQUISITION REFORM

*Committee on Armed Services:* Full Committee held a hearing entitled "Twenty-five years of Acquisition Reform: Where do we go from here?". Testimony was heard from Paul Francis, Managing Director, Acquisition and Sourcing Management, Government Accountability Office; Moshe Schwartz, Specialist in Defense Acquisition Policy, Congressional Research Service; and a public witness.

### REPORT FROM SIGAR: AFGHAN WOMEN'S GAINS

*Committee on Armed Services:* Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigation held a hearing entitled "Report from SIGAR: Challenges to Securing Afghan Women's Gains in a Post-2014 Environment". Testimony was heard from Kenneth Katzman, Specialist in Middle Eastern Affairs, Congressional Research Service; John Sopko, Special Inspector General for Afghanistan Reconstruction, Office of the Special Inspector General for Afghanistan Reconstruction.

### NUCLEAR WEAPONS MODERNIZATION PROGRAMS

*Committee on Armed Services:* Subcommittee on Strategic Forces held a hearing entitled "Nuclear Weapons Modernization Programs: Military, Technical, and Political Requirements for the B61 Life Extension Program and Future Stockpile Strategy". Testimony was heard from Donald L. Cook, Deputy Administrator for Defense Programs, National Nuclear Security Administration; Madelyn Creedon, Assistant Secretary of Defense for Global Strategic Affairs, Department of Defense; Paul Hommert, Director, Sandia National Laboratories; and General C. Robert Kehler, USAF, Commander, US Strategic Command.

### STRENGTHENING THE MULTIEMPLOYER PENSION SYSTEM

*Committee on Education and the Workforce:* Subcommittee on Health, Employment, Labor, and Pensions held a hearing entitled "Strengthening the Multiemployer Pension System: How Will Proposed Reforms Affect Employers, Workers, and Retirees?". Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### LEGISLATIVE MEASURE

*Committee on Energy and Commerce:* Subcommittee on Energy and Power held a hearing on H.R. 3301, the "North American Energy Infrastructure Act". Testimony was heard from Jeff C. Wright Director, Office of Energy Projects Federal Energy Regulatory

Commission; David Mears, Commissioner Department of Environmental Conservation, State of Vermont; and public witnesses.

#### **EPA'S REGULATORY THREAT TO AFFORDABLE, RELIABLE ENERGY: THE PERSPECTIVE OF COAL COMMUNITIES**

*Committee on Energy and Commerce:* Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing entitled "EPA's Regulatory Threat to Affordable, Reliable Energy: The Perspective of Coal Communities". Testimony was heard from Albey Brock, Judge, Bell County, Kentucky; and public witnesses.

#### **FEDERAL HOUSING ADMINISTRATION: IMPLICATIONS OF A \$1.7 BILLION TAXPAYER BAILOUT**

*Committee on Financial Services:* Full Committee held a hearing entitled "Federal Housing Administration: Implications of a \$1.7 billion Taxpayer Bailout". Testimony was heard from Carol J. Galante, Federal Housing Administration Commission, Assistant Secretary for Housing, Department of Housing and Urban Development.

#### **EXAMINING LEGISLATIVE PROPOSALS TO REFORM THE CONSUMER FINANCIAL PROTECTION BUREAU**

*Committee on Financial Services:* Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Credit held a hearing entitled "Examining Legislative Proposals to Reform the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau". Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

#### **NEXT STEPS ON EGYPT POLICY**

*Committee on Foreign Affairs:* Full Committee held a hearing entitled "Next Steps on Egypt Policy". Testimony was heard from A. Elizabeth Jones, Acting Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Near East Affairs, Department of State; Derek Chollet, Assistant Secretary of Defense for International Security Affairs, Department of Defense; and Alina Romanowski, Deputy Assistant Administrator, Bureau for the Middle East, Agency for International Development.

#### **AFTER THE WITHDRAWAL: THE WAY FORWARD IN AFGHANISTAN AND PAKISTAN**

*Committee on Foreign Affairs:* Subcommittee on the Middle East and North Africa; and Subcommittee on Asia and the Pacific held a hearing entitled "After the Withdrawal: The Way Forward in Afghanistan and Pakistan (Part II)". Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

#### **GUO FEIXIONG AND FREEDOM OF EXPRESSION IN CHINA**

*Committee on Foreign Affairs:* Subcommittee on Africa, Global Health, Global Human Rights, and International Organizations held a hearing entitled "Guo Feixiong and Freedom of Expression in China". Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

#### **MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES**

*Committee on Homeland Security:* Full Committee held a markup on the following legislation: H.R. 1095 to amend title 49, United States Code, to direct the Assistant Secretary of Homeland Security (Transportation Security Administration) to transfer unclaimed money recovered at airport security checkpoints to nonprofit organizations that provide places of rest and recuperation at airports for members of the Armed Forces and their families, and for other purposes; H.R. 1204, the "Aviation Security Stakeholder Participation Act of 2013"; H.R. 1791, the "Medical Preparedness Allowable Use Act"; H.R. 2719, "Transportation Security Acquisition Reform Act"; H.R. 2952, the "Critical Infrastructure Research and Development Advancement Act of 2013"; H.R. 3107, the "Homeland Security Cybersecurity Boots-on-the-Ground Act". The following bills were ordered reported, as amended: H.R. 2719; H.R. 1204; H.R. 1095; H.R. 2952; H.R. 3107; and H.R. 1791.

#### **LEGISLATIVE MEASURE**

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Full Committee held a hearing on H.R. 3309, the "Improving the Patent System to Promote American Innovation and Competitiveness Act". Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

#### **ARE MORE JUDGES ALWAYS THE ANSWER**

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Full Committee held a hearing entitled "Are More Judges Always the Answer?". Testimony was heard from Senator Grassley; and public witnesses.

#### **THREATS, INTIMIDATION AND BULLYING BY FEDERAL LAND MANAGING AGENCIES**

*Committee on Natural Resources:* Subcommittee on Public Lands and Environmental Regulation held a hearing entitled "Threats, Intimidation and Bullying by Federal Land Managing Agencies". Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### ROADMAP FOR INCREASING OUR WATER AND HYDROPOWER SUPPLIES: THE NEED FOR NEW AND EXPANDED MULTI-PURPOSE SURFACE STORAGE FACILITIES

*Committee on Natural Resources:* Subcommittee on Water and Power held a hearing entitled “A Roadmap for Increasing our Water and Hydropower Supplies: The Need for New and Expanded Multi-Purpose Surface Storage Facilities”. Testimony was heard from Derek Sandison, Director, Office of Columbia River, Washington State Department of Ecology; and public witnesses.

### MISCELLANEOUS MEASURE

*Committee on Oversight and Government Reform:* Full Committee held a markup on the following legislation: H.R. 3345, the “Stop Unworthy Spending Act of 2013”; H.R. 3316, the “Grant Reform and New Transparency Act of 2013”; H.R. 2860, the “OPM IG Act of 2013”; H.R. 3343, to amend the District of Columbia Home Rule Act to clarify the rules regarding the determination of the compensation of the Chief Financial Officer of the District of Columbia. The following bills were ordered reported without amendment: H.R. 2860; H.R. 3343; H.R. 3345; and H.R. 3316.

### EPA POWER PLANT REGULATIONS

*Committee on Science, Space, and Technology:* Subcommittee on Environment; and Subcommittee on Energy held a hearing entitled “EPA Power Plant Regulations: Is the Technology Ready?”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### COAST GUARD AND MARITIME TRANSPORTATION AUTHORIZATION ISSUES

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure:* Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation held a hearing entitled “Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation Authorization Issues”. Testimony was heard from Representative Barr; Rear Admiral Frederick J. Kenney, Judge Advocate General, United States Coast Guard; Mario Cordero, Chairman, Federal Maritime Commission; Michael Shapiro, Principal Deputy Assistant Administrator, Office of Water, Environmental Protection Agency; and Mark R. Rosekind, Board Member, National Transportation Safety Board.

### MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure:* Full Committee held a markup on the following legislation: H.R. 3300, the “FEMA Reauthorization Act of 2013”; H.R. 311, the “Farmers Undertake Environmental Land Stewardship Act”; H.R. 935, the “Reducing Regulatory Burdens Act of 2013”; and H.R.

2026, the “Silviculture Regulatory Consistency Act of 2013”. The following bill was ordered reported, as amended: H.R. 3300. The following bills were ordered reported, without amendment: H.R. 2026; H.R. 311; and H.R. 935.

### STATUS OF THE AFFORDABLE CARE ACT IMPLEMENTATION

*Committee on Ways and Means:* Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Status of the Affordable Care Act Implementation”. Testimony was heard from Marilyn Tavenner, Administrator, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services.

### NSA PROGRAMS

*House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence:* Full Committee held a hearing entitled “NSA Programs”. Testimony was heard from James Clapper, Director, National Intelligence; James Cole, Deputy Attorney General, Department of Justice; General Keith Alexander, Director, National Security Agency/Chief, Central Security Service and Commander, U.S. Cyber Command; Chris Inglis, Deputy Director, National Security Agency; and public witnesses.

## Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

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## COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 30, 2013

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

### Senate

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* Subcommittee on Securities, Insurance, and Investment, to hold hearings to examine the “JOBS Act” at a year and a half, focusing on assessing progress and unmet opportunities, 10 a.m., SD-538.

*Committee on Finance:* to hold hearings to examine the Transatlantic Trade and Investment Partnership, 11 a.m., SD-215.

*Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:* business meeting to consider S. 1562, to reauthorize the Older Americans Act of 1965, S. 1557, to amend the Public Health Service Act to reauthorize support for graduate medical education programs in children’s hospitals, S. 1561, to amend the Public Health Service Act to improve provisions relating to the sanctuary system for surplus chimpanzees, H.R. 2094, to amend the Public Health Service Act to increase the preference given, in awarding certain asthma-related grants, to certain States (those allowing trained school personnel to administer epinephrine and meeting other related requirements), S. 1302, to amend the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 and the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for cooperative and small employer charity pension plans, H.R. 2747, to amend title 40, United

States Code, to transfer certain functions from the Government Accountability Office to the Department of Labor relating to the processing of claims for the payment of workers who were not paid appropriate wages under certain provisions of such title, and the nominations of Michael Keith Yudin, of the District of Columbia, to be Assistant Secretary for Special Education and Rehabilitative Services, and James Cole, Jr., of New York, to be General Counsel, both of the Department of Education, and Chai Rachel Feldblum, of the District of Columbia, to be a Member of the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, and any pending nominations, 9:15 a.m., SD-430.

*Committee on Indian Affairs:* business meeting to consider S. 235, to provide for the conveyance of certain property located in Anchorage, Alaska, from the United States to the Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium, S. 611, to make a technical amendment to the T'uf Shur Bien Preservation Trust Area Act, and S. 920, to allow the Fond du Lac Band of Lake Superior Chippewa in the State of Minnesota to lease or transfer certain land; to be immediately followed by a hearing to examine S. 1074, to extend Federal recognition to the Chickahominy Indian Tribe, the Chickahominy Indian Tribe-Eastern Division, the Upper Mattaponi Tribe, the Rappahannock Tribe, Inc., the Monacan Indian Nation, and the Nansemond Indian Tribe, S. 1132, to provide for the recognition of the Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina, and S. 161, to extend the Federal recognition to the Little Shell Tribe of Chippewa Indians of Montana, 2:30 p.m., SD-628.

*Committee on the Judiciary:* to hold hearings to examine the nominations of John B. Owens, of California, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit, Matthew Frederick Leitman, Judith Ellen Levy, Laurie J. Michelson, and Linda Vivienne Parker, all to be a United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Michigan, and Peter Joseph Kadzik, of New York, to be an Assistant Attorney General, Department of Justice, 2:30 p.m., SD-226.

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs:* to hold hearings to examine pending health care and benefits legislation, 2 p.m., SR-418.

## House

*Committee on Energy and Commerce,* Full Committee, hearing entitled "PPACA Implementation Failures: Answers from HHS", 9 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

*Committee on Foreign Affairs,* Subcommittee on Europe, Eurasia, and Emerging Threats, hearing entitled "China's Maritime and other Geographic Threats", 10 a.m., 2255 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on the Middle East and North Africa; and Subcommittee on Africa, Global Human Rights, and International Organizations, hearing entitled "Establishing a Syrian War Crimes Tribunal?", 1:30 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

*Committee on Homeland Security,* Subcommittee on Emergency Preparedness, Response, and Communications; and Subcommittee on Cybersecurity, Infrastructure Protection, and Security Technologies, hearing entitled "Cyber Incident Response: Bridging the Gap Between Cybersecurity and Emergency Management", 10 a.m., 311 Cannon.

Subcommittee on Oversight and Management Efficiency, hearing entitled "Facility Protection: Implications of the Navy Yard Shooting on Homeland Security", 9:30 a.m., 210 Cannon.

*Committee on the Judiciary,* Over-Criminalization Task Force, meeting entitled "Regulatory Crime: Identifying the Scope of the Problem", 9:30 a.m., 2237 Rayburn.

*Committee on Natural Resources,* Full Committee, markup on the following legislation: H.R. 298, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a special resource study to evaluate the significance of the Mill Springs Battlefield located in Pulaski and Wayne Counties, Kentucky, and the feasibility of its inclusion in the National Park System, and for other purposes; H.R. 585, the "Anchorage Land Conveyance Act of 2013"; H.R. 1308, the "Endangered Salmon and Fisheries Predation Preservation Act"; H.R. 1846, the "Lower East Side Tenement National Historic Site Amendments Act"; H.R. 2798, to amend Public Law 106-206 to direct the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture to require annual permits and assess annual fees for commercial filming activities on Federal land for film crews of 5 persons or fewer; H.R. 2799, to establish the Wildlife and Hunting Heritage Conservation Council Advisory Committee to advise the Secretaries of the Interior and Agriculture on wildlife and habitat conservation, hunting, recreational shooting, and for other purposes; and H.R. 2954, to authorize Escambia County, Florida, to convey certain property that was formerly part of Santa Rosa Island National Monument and that was conveyed to Escambia County subject to restrictions on use and reconveyance; 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

*Committee on Oversight and Government Reform,* Full Committee, hearing entitled "A Culture of Mismanagement and Wasteful Conference Spending at the Department of Veterans Affairs", 9:30 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

*Committee on Science, Space, and Technology,* Subcommittee on Energy, hearing entitled "Providing the Tools for Scientific Discovery and Basic Energy Research: The Department of Energy Science Mission", 9:30 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure,* Subcommittee on Aviation, hearing entitled "Review of FAA's Certification Process: Ensuring an Efficient, Effective, and Safe Process", 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs,* Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs, hearing entitled "Focused Issues on Dignified Burials: A National Cemetery Update", 10 a.m., 334 Cannon.

## Joint Meetings

*Conference:* meeting of conferees on S. Con. Res. 8, setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2014, revising the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal year 2013, and setting forth the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2015 through 2023, 10 a.m., HC-5, Capitol.

*Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe:* to receive a briefing on the U.S. Civil Rights Movement, focusing on how the movement has impacted Europe and the continuing work of the United States in advancing human rights for minorities in Europe, 2 p.m., 2255, Rayburn Building.

*Conference:* meeting of conferees on H.R. 2642, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2018, 2:30 p.m., 1100, Longworth Building.

*Next Meeting of the SENATE*

9:30 a.m., Wednesday, October 30

## Senate Chamber

**Program for Wednesday:** Senate will resume consideration of the nomination of Alan F. Estevez, of the District of Columbia, to be a Principal Deputy Under Secretary of Defense, and vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the nomination at approximately 10:30 a.m.

*Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES*

10 a.m., Wednesday, October 30

## House Chamber

**Program for Wednesday:** Consideration of H.R. 992—Swaps Regulatory Improvement Act  
(*Subject to a Rule*).

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