

Committee granted by record vote of 9–3 a structured rule for H.R. 4899. The rule provides one hour of general debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Natural Resources. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule makes in order as original text for purpose of amendment an amendment in the nature of a substitute consisting of the text of Rules Committee Print 113–50 and provides that it shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against that amendment in the nature of a substitute. The rule makes in order only those further amendments printed in the Rules Committee report. Each such amendment may be offered only in the order printed in the report, may be offered only by a Member designated in the report, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, shall not be subject to amendment, and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question. The rule waives all points of order against the amendments printed in the report. The rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Additionally, the rule grants a modified-open rule for H.R. 4923. The rule provides one hour of general debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropriations. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule waives points of order against provisions in the bill for failure to comply with clause 2 of rule XXI. The rule provides that after general debate the bill shall be considered for amendment under the five-minute rule. During consideration of the bill for amendment: (1) amendments shall be debatable for 10 minutes equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent and shall not be subject to amendment; and (2) no pro forma amendments shall be in order except that the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropriations or their respective designees may offer up to 10 pro forma amendments each at any point for the purpose of debate. The rule provides that under the rules of the House the bill shall be read for amendment by paragraph. The rule authorizes the Chair to accord priority in recognition to Members who have pre-printed their amendments in the Congressional Record. The rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. In section 3, the rule provides that on any legislative day during the period from June 27, 2014, through July 7, 2014: the Journal of the proceedings of the previous day shall be considered as approved; and the Chair may at any time declare the House adjourned to meet at a date and time to be announced by the

Chair in declaring the adjournment. In section 4, the rule provides that the Speaker may appoint Members to perform the duties of the Chair for the duration of the period addressed by section 3. In section 5, the rule provides for consideration of concurrent resolutions providing for adjournment during the month of July. In section 6, the rule provides that the Committee on Appropriations may, at any time before 5 p.m. on Thursday, July 3, 2014, file privileged reports to accompany measures making appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2015. Testimony was heard from Representatives Simpson, Kaptur, Hastings (WA), Sanford, and Jackson Lee.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURE

Committee on Science, Space, and Technology: Full Committee held a markup on H.R. 4012, the “Secret Science Reform Act of 2014”. The bill was ordered reported, without amendment.

Joint Meetings

NATURAL GAS PRODUCTION

Joint Economic Committee: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the economic impact of increased natural gas production, after receiving testimony from Daniel Yergin, IHS, Jim Bruce, UPS, Diana Furchtgott-Roth, Manhattan Institute for Policy Research, and Elgie Holstein, Environmental Defense Fund, all of Washington, DC; and Charles A. Meloy, Anadarko Petroleum Corporation, The Woodlands, Texas.

VETERANS’ ACCESS TO CARE THROUGH CHOICE, ACCOUNTABILITY, AND TRANSPARENCY ACT

Conferees met to resolve the differences between the Senate and House passed versions of H.R. 3230, to improve the access of veterans to medical services from the Department of Veterans Affairs, but did not complete action thereon, and recessed subject to the call.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, JUNE 25, 2014

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Strategic Forces, to receive a closed briefing on United States nuclear deterrence policy, 2:30 p.m., SVC–217.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: business meeting to consider the nominations of Julian Castro, of Texas, to be Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, and Laura S. Wertheimer, of the District of

Columbia, to be Inspector General of the Federal Housing Finance Agency; to be immediately followed by a hearing to examine the Financial Stability Oversight Council annual report to Congress, 10 a.m., SH-216.

Subcommittee on Economic Policy, to hold hearings to examine young workers and recent graduates in the United States economy, 2:30 p.m., SD-538.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Aviation Operations, Safety, and Security, to hold hearings to examine NextGen, focusing on a review of progress, challenges, and opportunities for improving aviation safety and efficiency, 10:30 a.m., SR-253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Water and Power, to hold hearings to examine S. 1971, to establish an interagency coordination committee or subcommittee with the leadership of the Department of Energy and the Department of the Interior, focused on the nexus between energy and water production, use, and efficiency, 2:30 p.m., SD-366.

Committee on Finance: to hold hearings to examine the nominations of D. Nathan Sheets, of Maryland, to be Under Secretary, and Ramin Toloui, of Iowa, to be Deputy Under Secretary, both of the Department of the Treasury, 10 a.m., SD-215.

Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine trade enforcement, focusing on using trade rules to level the playing field for United States companies and workers, 2 p.m., SD-215.

Committee on Foreign Relations: to hold hearings to examine the future of United States-China relations, 2:15 p.m., SD-419.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: business meeting to consider S. 2449, to reauthorize certain provisions of the Public Health Service Act relating to autism, and the nominations of William D. Adams, of Maine, to be Chairperson of the National Endowment for the Humanities, Robert M. Gordon, of the District of Columbia, to be Assistant Secretary of Education for Planning, Evaluation, and Policy Development, and any additional nominations cleared for action, Time to be announced, Room to be announced.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: business meeting to consider S. 2521, Federal Information Security Modernization Act of 2014, S. 2519, National Cybersecurity and Communications Integration Center Act of 2014, H.R. 1232, to amend titles 40, 41, and 44, United States Code, to eliminate duplication and waste in information technology acquisition and management, S. 1691, to amend title 5, United States Code, to improve the security of the United States border and to provide for reforms and rates of pay for border patrol agents, H.R. 4194, to provide for the elimination or modification of Federal reporting requirements, S. 2061, to prevent conflicts of interest relating to contractors providing background investigation fieldwork services and investigative support services, S. 231, to reauthorize the Multinational Species Conservation Funds Semipostal Stamp, S. 1214, to require the purchase of domestically made flags of the United States of America for use by the Federal Government, S. 2117, to amend title 5, United

States Code, to change the default investment fund under the Thrift Savings Plan, S. 1347, to provide transparency, accountability, and limitations of Government sponsored conferences, H.R. 1376, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 369 Martin Luther King, Jr. Drive in Jersey City, New Jersey, as the “Judge Shirley A. Tolentino Post Office Building”, H.R. 1813, to redesignate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 162 Northeast Avenue in Tallmadge, Ohio, as the “Lance Corporal Daniel Nathan Deyarmin, Jr., Post Office Building”, S. 2056, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 13127 Broadway Street in Alden, New York, as the “Sergeant Brett E. Gornewicz Memorial Post Office”, S. 2057, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 198 Baker Street in Corning, New York, as the “Specialist Ryan P. Jayne Post Office Building”, and the nomination of Shaun L. S. Donovan, of New York, to be Director of the Office of Management and Budget, 10 a.m., SD-342.

Committee on Indian Affairs: to hold an oversight hearing to examine economic development, focusing on encouraging investment in Indian country, 2:15 p.m., SD-628.

Committee on the Judiciary: to hold hearings to examine S. 1945, to amend the Voting Rights Act of 1965 to revise the criteria for determining which States and political subdivisions are subject to section 4 of the Act, focusing on updating the “Voting Rights Act” in response to *Shelby County v. Holder*, 10 a.m., SD-106.

Committee on Rules and Administration: to hold hearings to examine how early and absentee voting can benefit citizens and administrators, focusing on election administration, 2 p.m., SR-301.

Special Committee on Aging: to hold hearings to examine brain injuries and diseases of aging, 2:15 p.m., SD-562.

House

Committee on Agriculture, Subcommittee on Livestock, Rural Development, and Credit, hearing on a review of credit availability in rural America, 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

Committee on Appropriations, Full Committee, markup on Financial Services and General Government Appropriations Bill FY 2015, 10 a.m., 2359 Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled “Medicare Program Integrity: Screening Out Errors, Fraud, and Abuse”, 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Examining Reauthorization of the Export-Import Bank: Corporate Necessity or Corporate Welfare?”, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Foreign Affairs, Subcommittee on the Middle East and North Africa, “Libya at a Crossroads: A Faltering Transition”, 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Europe, Eurasia and Emerging Threats, hearing entitled “Reviewing the Administration’s FY 2015 Budget Request for Europe and Eurasia”, 2 p.m., 2200 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Western Hemisphere, hearing entitled “Children Migrating from Central America: Solving a Humanitarian Crisis”, 2 p.m., 2255 Rayburn.

Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Cybersecurity, Infrastructure Protection, and Security Technologies; and Committee on Education and the Workforce, Subcommittee on Early Childhood, Elementary and Secondary Education, joint hearing entitled “How Data Mining Threatens Student Privacy”, 11 a.m., 311 Cannon.

Committee on House Administration, Full Committee, hearing on H.R. 186, to amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to permit candidates for election for Federal office to designate an individual who will be authorized to disburse funds of the authorized campaign committees of the candidate in the event of the death of the candidate, 11 a.m., 1310 Longworth.

Committee on the Judiciary Subcommittee on Courts, Intellectual Property and the Internet, “Music Licensing Under Title 17 Part Two”, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Full Committee, hearing entitled “An Administration Made Disaster: The South Texas Border Surge of Unaccompanied Alien Minors”, 2 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Natural Resources, Subcommittee on Public Lands and Environmental Regulation, oversight hearing entitled “Increasing Carbon Soil Sequestration on Public Lands”, 2 p.m., 1324 Longworth.

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Management Failures: Oversight of the EPA”, 9:30 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on Rules, Subcommittee on Legislative and Budget Process, legislative hearing on H.R. 1869, the “Biennial Budgeting and Enhanced Oversight Act of 2014”, 10 a.m., H-313 Capitol.

Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Pathways to Exploration: A Review of the Future of Human Space Exploration”, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Veterans’ Affairs, Full Committee, hearing entitled “VBA and VHA Interactions: Ordering and Conducting Medical Examinations”, 10 a.m., 334 Cannon.

Committee on Ways and Means, Full Committee, markup on H.R. 3393, the “Student and Family Tax Simplification Act”; and H.R. 4935, the “Child Tax Credit Improvement Act of 2014”, 9:30 a.m., 1100 Longworth.