

Commission to make any changes to its policies with respect to broadcast indecency. **Pages H6322–23**

H. Res. 661, the rule providing for consideration of the bills (H.R. 5016) and (H.R. 4718), was agreed to on July 10th.

Recess: The House recessed at 1:45 p.m. and reconvened at 2:10 p.m. **Page H6323**

Notice of Intent to Offer Motion: Representative Barber announced his intent to offer a motion to instruct conferees on H.R. 3230. **Page H6333**

Motion to Instruct Conferees: The House debated the Gallego motion to instruct conferees on H.R. 3230. Further proceedings were postponed. **Pages H6333–38**

Meeting Hour: Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 9 a.m. tomorrow, July 17th. **Page H6338**

Senate Message: Message received from the Senate by the Clerk and subsequently presented to the House today appears on page H6302.

Senate Referral: S. 517 was held at the desk. **Page H6302**

Quorum Calls Votes: One yea-and-nay vote and 12 recorded votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H6324, H6324–25, H6325, H6326, H6326–27, H6327, H6328, H6328–29, H6329, H6329–30, H6330, H6332–33 and H6333. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 7:12 p.m.

Committee Meetings

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURE

Committee on Armed Services: Full Committee held a markup on H. Res. 649, directing the Secretary of Defense to transmit to the House of Representatives copies of any emails in the possession of the Department of Defense or the National Security Agency that were transmitted to or from the email account(s) of former Internal Revenue Service Exempt Organizations Division Director Lois Lerner between January 2009 and April 2011. The resolution was ordered reported, without amendment.

FISCAL YEAR 2015 OCO BUDGET REQUEST

Committee on Armed Services: Full Committee held a hearing on the Fiscal Year 2015 OCO Budget Request. Testimony was heard from the following Department of Defense officials: Michael J. McCord, Under Secretary of Defense (Comptroller); Admiral James A. “Sandy” Winnefeld, Jr., USN, Vice Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff; and Robert O. Work, Deputy Secretary of Defense.

UNMANNED CARRIER-LAUNCHED AIRBORNE SURVEILLANCE AND STRIKE REQUIREMENTS ASSESSMENT

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Seapower and Projection Forces held a hearing on Unmanned Carrier-Launched Airborne Surveillance and Strike (UCLASS) Requirements Assessment. Testimony was heard from Ronald O’Rourke, Specialist in Naval Affairs, Defense Policy and Arms Control Section, Congressional Research Service; and the following Department of Defense officials: Mark Andress, Assistant Deputy Chief of Operations for Information Dominance; Vice Admiral Paul A. Grosklags, U.S. Navy Principal Military Deputy, Assistant Secretary of the Navy for Research, Development, and Acquisitions; and Brigadier General Joseph T. Guastella, U.S. Air Force Director, Joint Requirements Oversight Council; and public witnesses.

THE LONG-TERM BUDGET OUTLOOK

Committee on the Budget: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “The Long-Term Budget Outlook”. Testimony was heard from Douglas W. Elmendorf, Director, Congressional Budget Office.

REVIEW OF CDC ANTHRAX LAB INCIDENT

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing entitled “Review of CDC Anthrax Lab Incident”. Testimony was heard from Thomas R. Frieden, Director, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention; Jere Dick, Associate Deputy Administrator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Services, Department of Agriculture; Nancy Kingsbury, Managing Director, Applied Research and Methods, Government Accountability Office; and public witnesses.

FAILURE TO VERIFY: CONCERNS REGARDING PPACA’S ELIGIBILITY SYSTEM

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Health held a hearing entitled “Failure to Verify: Concerns Regarding PPACA’s Eligibility System”. Testimony was heard from Kay Daly, Assistant Inspector General, Office of Audit Services, Office of Inspector General, Department of Health and Human Services; and Joyce Greenleaf, Regional Inspector General, Office of Evaluation and Inspections, Office of Inspector General, Department of Health and Human Services.

MONETARY POLICY AND THE STATE OF THE ECONOMY

Committee on Financial Services: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Monetary Policy and the State of the Economy”. Testimony was heard from Janet L. Yellen, Chair, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System.

IRAN'S DESTABILIZING ROLE IN THE MIDDLE EAST

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Iran’s Destabilizing Role in the Middle East”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

THE GROWING CRISIS OF AFRICA’S ORPHANS

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on Africa, Global Health, Global Human Rights, and International Organizations held a hearing entitled “The Growing Crisis of Africa’s Orphans”.

Testimony was heard from Robert P. Jackson, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary, Bureau of African Affairs, Department of State; Nancy Lindborg, Assistant Administrator, Bureau for Democracy, Conflict and Humanitarian Assistance, U.S. Agency for International Development; and public witnesses.

PORT OF ENTRY INFRASTRUCTURE: HOW DOES THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT PRIORITIZE INVESTMENTS?

Committee on Homeland Security: Subcommittee on Border and Maritime Security held a hearing entitled “Port of Entry Infrastructure: How Does the Federal Government Prioritize Investments?”. Testimony was heard from John Wagner, Assistant Commissioner, Office of Field Operations, Customs and Border Protection, Department of Homeland Security; Michael Gelber, Deputy Commissioner, Public Buildings Service, General Services Administration; and Oscar Leaser, Mayor, City of El Paso, Texas.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on the Judiciary: Full Committee held a markup on H. Res. 646, directing the Attorney General to transmit to the House of Representatives copies of any emails in the possession of the Department of Justice that were transmitted to or from the email account(s) of former Internal Revenue Service Exempt Organizations Division Director Lois Lerner between January 2009 and April 2011; and H.R. 744, the “STOP Identity Theft Act of 2013”. H. Res. 646 was ordered reported, without amendment. H.R. 744 was ordered reported, as amended.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Natural Resources: Full Committee held a markup on the following legislation: H.R. 277, to revise the boundaries of John H. Chafee Coastal Barrier Resources System Sachuest Point Unit RI-04P, Easton Beach Unit RI-05P, Almy Pond Unit RI-06, and Hazards Beach Unit RI-07 in Rhode Island; H.R. 916, the “Federal Land Asset Inventory Reform Act of 2013”; H.R. 1810, to revise the boundaries of John H. Chafee Coastal Barrier Re-

sources System Gasparilla Island Unit in Florida; H.R. 2158, the “Expedited Departure of Certain Snake Species Act”; H.R. 3572, to revise the boundaries of certain John H. Chafee Coastal Barrier Resources System units in North Carolina; H.R. 3806, the “Great Smoky Mountains National Park Agreement Act of 2013”; and H.R. 4751, to make technical corrections to Public Law 110-229 to reflect the renaming of the Bainbridge Island Japanese American Exclusion Memorial, and for other purposes. The following bills were ordered reported, as amended: H.R. 277, H.R. 916, H.R. 2158, H.R. 3572, and H.R. 3806. The following bills were ordered reported, without amendment: H.R. 1810 and H.R. 4751.

WHITE HOUSE OFFICE OF POLITICAL AFFAIRS: IS SUPPORTING CANDIDATES AND CAMPAIGN FUND-RAISING AN APPROPRIATE USE OF A GOVERNMENT OFFICE?

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform: Full Committee began a hearing entitled “White House Office of Political Affairs: Is Supporting Candidates and Campaign Fund-Raising an Appropriate Use of a Government Office?”. The Chairman and Ranking Member made statements, and the hearing was recessed before the witnesses gave any testimony. There is no date set for continuation.

LEGISLATIVE MEASURE

Committee on Rules: Full Committee held a hearing on a discussion draft of a House Resolution providing for the authority to initiate litigation for actions by the President inconsistent with his duties under the Constitution of the United States. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

STATUS OF REFORMS TO EPA’S INTEGRATED RISK INFORMATION SYSTEM

Committee on Science, Space, and Technology: Subcommittee on Oversight; and Subcommittee on Environment held a joint subcommittee hearing entitled “Status of Reforms to EPA’s Integrated Risk Information System”. Testimony was heard from Kenneth Olden, Director, National Center for Environmental Assessment, Environmental Protection Agency; and public witnesses.

BARRIERS TO ENTREPRENEURSHIP: EXAMINING THE ANTI-TRUST IMPLICATIONS OF OCCUPATIONAL LICENSING

Committee on Small Business: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Barriers to Entrepreneurship: Examining the Anti-Trust Implications of Occupational Licensing”. Testimony was heard from Andrew

Gavil, Director, Office of Policy Planning, Federal Trade Commission.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Full Committee held a markup on the following legislation: General Services Administration Capital Investment and Leasing Program Resolutions; H. Con. Res. 103, authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds for the District of Columbia Special Olympics Law Enforcement Torch Run; H.R. 3044, to approve the transfer of Yellow Creek Port properties in Iuka, Mississippi; H.R. 5078, the “Waters of the United States Regulatory Overreach Protection Act of 2014”; H.R. 4854, the “Regulatory Certainty Act”; H.R. 5077, the “Coal Jobs Protection Act of 2014”. The General Services Administration Capital Investment and Leasing Program Resolutions were approved. The following bills and concurrent resolution were ordered reported, without amendment: H. Con. Res. 103, H.R. 3044, H.R. 4854, and H.R. 5078. The following bill was ordered reported, as amended: H.R. 5077.

CREATING EFFICIENCY THROUGH COMPARISON: AN EVALUATION OF PRIVATE SECTOR BEST PRACTICES AND THE VA HEALTH CARE SYSTEM

Committee on Veterans’ Affairs: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Creating Efficiency through Comparison: An Evaluation of Private Sector Best Practices and the VA Health Care System”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

ADVANCING THE U.S. TRADE AGENDA: THE WORLD TRADE ORGANIZATION

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Trade held a hearing entitled “Advancing the U.S. Trade Agenda: The World Trade Organization”. Testimony was heard from Michael Punke, Deputy United States Trade Representative and U.S. Ambassador and Permanent Representative to the World Trade Organization, Office of the United States Trade Representative.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, JULY 17, 2014

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Appropriations: business meeting to mark up proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2015 for the Department of Defense, 10:30 a.m., SD-106.

Committee on Armed Services: to hold hearings to examine the nomination of General Joseph F. Dunford, Jr., USMC, for reappointment to the grade of general and to be Commandant of the Marine Corps, Department of Defense, 9:30 a.m., SD-G50.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Consumer Protection, Product Safety, and Insurance, to hold hearings to examine accountability and corporate culture in wake of the General Motors (GM) recalls, 10 a.m., SR-253.

Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the Federal reserve portfolio, focusing on capitalizing on investments in research and development, 2 p.m., SR-253.

Committee on Finance: to hold hearings to examine the role of trade and technology in 21st century manufacturing, 10 a.m., SD-215.

Committee on Foreign Relations: to hold hearings to examine Central America in crisis and the exodus of unaccompanied minors, 10 a.m., SD-419.

Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Marcia Stephens Bloom Bernicat, of New Jersey, to be Ambassador to the People’s Republic of Bangladesh, David Pressman, of New York, to be Alternate Representative of the United States of America for Special Political Affairs in the United Nations, with the rank of Ambassador, and to be an Alternate Representative to the Sessions of the General Assembly of the United Nations, during his tenure of service as Alternate Representative for Special Political Affairs in the United Nations, George Albert Krol, of New Jersey, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Kazakhstan, Allan P. Mustard, of Washington, to be Ambassador to Turkmenistan, and Erica J. Barks Ruggles, of Minnesota, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Rwanda, all of the Department of State, 2 p.m., SD-419.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: Subcommittee on Primary Health and Aging, to hold hearings to examine the need to improve patient safety and reduce preventable deaths, 10 a.m., SD-430.

Committee on the Judiciary: business meeting to consider the nominations of Pamela Harris, of Maryland, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Fourth Circuit, Pamela Pepper, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Wisconsin, Brenda K. Sannes, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of New York, and Patricia M. McCarthy, of Maryland, and Jeri Kaylene Somers, of Virginia, both to be a Judge of the United States Court of Federal Claims, 9:30 a.m., SD-226.

Select Committee on Intelligence: to receive a closed briefing on certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

House

Committee on Armed Services, Subcommittee on Strategic Forces, hearing entitled “Russian Violations of the INF Treaty: After detection—what?”, 9:30 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Committee on the Budget, Full Committee, hearing entitled “The President’s Funding Request for Overseas Contingency Operations”, 10 a.m., 210 Cannon.