

Confusion Act”; H.R. 650, the “Preserving Access to Manufactured Housing Act of 2015”; H.R. 685, the “Mortgage Choice Act of 2015”; H.R. 1195, the “Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection Advisory Boards Act”; H.R. 1259, the “Helping Expand Lending Practices in Rural Communities Act”; H.R. 1265, the “Bureau Advisory Commission Transparency Act”; H.R. 1367, to amend the Expedited Funds Availability Act to clarify the application of that Act to American Samoa and the Northern Mariana Islands; H.R. 1408, the “Mortgage Servicing Asset Capital Requirements Act of 2015”; H.R. 1480, the “SAFE Act Confidentiality and Privilege Enhancement Act”; and H.R. 1529, the “Community Institution Mortgage Relief Act of 2015”. The following bills were ordered reported, without amendment: H.R. 299, H.R. 601, H.R. 1195, H.R. 1265, H.R. 1259, H.R. 1480, H.R. 1367, H.R. 1408, H.R. 1529, H.R. 650, and H.R. 685.

THE ADMINISTRATION’S STRATEGY TO CONFRONT ISIS

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “The Administration’s Strategy to Confront ISIS”. Testimony was heard from General John Allen, USMC, Retired, Special Presidential Envoy for the Global Coalition to Counter ISIL, Department of State; Brigadier General Michael Fantini, USAF, Middle East Principal Director, Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense for International Security Affairs, Department of Defense; and Brigadier General Gregg Olson, USMC, Deputy Director for Middle East, Joint Staff Strategic Plans and Policy, Department of Defense.

LEADERSHIP CHALLENGES AT THE DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Committee on Homeland Security: Full Committee held a business meeting to consider rules change and a hearing entitled “Leadership Challenges at the Department of Homeland Security”. The committee agreed to a committee resolution amending the rules of the Committee on Homeland Security. Testimony was heard from John Roth, Inspector General, Department of Homeland Security; and Maria M. Odom, Ombudsman, Citizenship and Immigration Services, Department of Homeland Security.

EFFECT OF THE PRESIDENT’S FY 2016 BUDGET AND LEGISLATIVE PROPOSALS FOR THE BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT AND THE U.S. FOREST SERVICE’S ENERGY AND MINERALS PROGRAMS ON PRIVATE SECTOR JOB CREATION, DOMESTIC ENERGY AND MINERALS PRODUCTION AND DEFICIT REDUCTION

Committee on Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources held a hearing entitled “Effect of the President’s FY 2016 Budget and Legislative Proposals for the Bureau of Land Management and the U.S. Forest Service’s Energy and Minerals Programs on Private Sector Job Creation, Domestic Energy and Minerals Production and Deficit Reduction”. Testimony was heard from Neil Kornze, Director, Bureau of Land Management; and Tom Tidwell, Chief, Forest Service.

DESTRUCTION OF RECORDS AT EPA—WHEN RECORDS MUST BE KEPT

Committee on Science, Space, and Technology: Subcommittee on Oversight; and Subcommittee on Environment, held a joint hearing entitled “Destruction of Records at EPA—When Records Must Be Kept”. Testimony was heard from Paul M. Wester, Jr., Chief Records Officer, National Archives and Records Administration; Kevin Christensen, Assistant Inspector General for Audit, Office of Inspector General, Environmental Protection Agency; and a public witness.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURE

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Full Committee held a markup on H.R. 1560, the “Protecting Cyber Networks Act”. H.R. 1560 was ordered reported, as amended. This markup was closed.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY, MARCH 27, 2015

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

House

No hearings are scheduled.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

2 p.m., Monday, April 13

Senate Chamber

Program for Monday: At 5 p.m., Senate will begin consideration of the nomination of Alfred H. Bennett, of Texas, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Texas, and vote on confirmation of the nomination at approximately 5:30 p.m.

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

2 p.m., Monday, April 13

House Chamber

Program for Monday: The House is scheduled to meet at 2 p.m. on Monday, April 13, 2015 pursuant to the provisions of H. Con. Res. 31.



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