

Channing D. Phillips, of the District of Columbia, to be United States Attorney for the District of Columbia for the term of four years.

Emily Gray Rice, of New Hampshire, to be United States Attorney for the District of New Hampshire for the term of four years.

Randolph J. Seiler, of South Dakota, to be United States Attorney for the District of South Dakota for the term of four years.

Amos J. Hochstein, of the District of Columbia, to be an Assistant Secretary of State (Energy Resources).

David McKean, of Massachusetts, to be Ambassador to Luxembourg.

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Record Votes: One record vote was taken today. (Total—278) **Page S7244**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m. and adjourned at 5:49 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Friday, October 9, 2015. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S7281.)

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

### RUSSIAN STRATEGY AND MILITARY OPERATIONS

*Committee on Armed Services:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine Russian strategy and military operations, after receiving testimony from General John M. Keane, USA (Ret.), former Vice Chief of Staff of the Army, Institute for the Study of War; General James L. Jones, USMC (Ret.), former National Security Advisor, Atlantic Council Brent Scowcroft Center on International Security; Heather Conley, Center

for Strategic and International Studies Europe Program; and Stephen Sestanovich, Council on Foreign Relations.

### CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY AND THE RECALL PROCESS

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* Subcommittee on Consumer Protection, Product Safety, Insurance, and Data Security concluded a hearing to examine consumer product safety and the recall process, after receiving testimony from Elliot F. Kaye, Chairman, and Ann Marie Buerkle, Commissioner, both of the Consumer Product Safety Commission; Frederick Locker, National Association of Manufacturers CPSC Coalition, New York, New York; Jonathan Gold, National Retail Federation, and Cheryl A. Falvey, Crowell and Moring LLP, both of Washington, D.C.; and Nancy A. Cowles, Kids in Danger, Chicago, Illinois.

### WATER AND HYDROELECTRIC LEGISLATION

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine H.R. 2898, to provide drought relief in the State of California, S. 1894, to provide short-term water supplies to drought-stricken California, S. 1936, to provide for drought preparedness measures in the State of New Mexico, S. 1583, to authorize the expansion of an existing hydroelectric project, S. 2046, to authorize the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission to issue an order continuing a stay of a hydroelectric license for the Mahoney Lake hydroelectric project in the State of Alaska, and S. 2083, to extend the deadline for commencement of construction of a hydroelectric project, after receiving testimony from Senators Feinstein and Boxer; Representative Valadao; Michael L. Connor, Deputy Secretary of the Interior; Jeffrey Kightlinger, Metropolitan Water District of Southern California, Los Angeles; Dan Keppen, Family Farm Alliance, Klamath Falls, Oregon; Richard M. Frank, University of California School of Law California Environmental Law and Policy Center, Davis; Adrian Oglesby, Middle Rio Grande Conservancy District, Albuquerque, New Mexico; and Sarah Woolf, Clovis, California.

### PUBLIC LANDS, FORESTS, AND MINING LEGISLATION

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* Subcommittee on Public Lands, Forests, and Mining concluded a hearing to examine S. 414, to provide for conservation, enhanced recreation opportunities, and development of renewable energy in the California Desert Conservation Area, S. 872, to provide for the recognition of certain Native communities

and the settlement of certain claims under the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act, S. 1295 and H.R. 1324, bills to adjust the boundary of the Arapaho National Forest, Colorado, S. 1448, to designate the Frank Moore Wild Steelhead Sanctuary in the State of Oregon, S. 1592, to clarify the description of certain Federal land under the Northern Arizona Land Exchange and Verde River Basin Partnership Act of 2005 to include additional land in the Kaibab National Forest, S. 1941 and H.R. 2223, bills to authorize, direct, expedite, and facilitate a land exchange in El Paso and Teller Counties, Colorado, S. 1942 and H.R. 1554, bills to require a land conveyance involving the Elkhorn Ranch and the White River National Forest in the State of Colorado, S. 1955, to amend the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act to provide for equitable allotment of land to Alaska Native veterans, S. 1971, to expand the boundary of the California Coastal National Monument, and S. 2069, to amend the Omnibus Public Land Management Act of 2009 to modify provisions relating to certain land exchanges in the Mt. Hood Wilderness in the State of Oregon, after receiving testimony from Senators Feinstein and Sullivan; Glenn Casamassa, Associate Deputy Chief, National Forest System, Forest Service, Department of Agriculture; Steven A. Ellis, Deputy Director, Operations, Bureau of Land Management, Department of the Interior; Leo Barlow, Southeast Alaska Landless Corporation, Anchorage; Buck Lindekugel, Southeast Alaska Conservation Council, Juneau; Robert Lovingood, County of San Bernardino, Victorville, California; and Frazier Haney, Mojave Desert Land Trust, Joshua Tree, California.

#### BUSINESS MEETING

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 2152, to establish a comprehensive United States Government policy to encourage the efforts of countries in sub-Saharan Africa to develop and appropriate mix of power solutions, including renewable energy, for more broadly distributed electricity access in order to support poverty reduction, promote development outcomes, and drive economic growth, with amendments;

S. 1789, to improve defense cooperation between the United States and the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan;

S. Res. 274, commemorating the 25th anniversary of the peaceful and democratic reunification of Germany;

S. Res. 278, welcoming the President of the Republic of Korea on her official visit to the United States and celebrating the United States-Republic of Korea relationship;

S. Res. 148, condemning the Government of Iran's state-sponsored persecution of its Baha'i minority and its continued violation of the International Covenants on Human Rights; and

The nominations of Robert Porter Jackson, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Ghana, Harry K. Thomas, Jr., of New York, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Zimbabwe, Julie Furuta-Toy, of Wyoming, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Equatorial Guinea, and Dennis B. Hankins, of Minnesota, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Guinea, all of the Department of State.

#### UKRAINE

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the economic and political future of Ukraine, after receiving testimony from Victoria Nuland, Assistant Secretary, Bureau of European and Eurasian Affairs, and Clifford G. Bond, United States Assistance Coordinator in Ukraine, both of the Department of State; and Paula J. Dobriansky, Harvard University JFK Belfer Center for Science and International Affairs, Cambridge, Massachusetts.

#### DIPLOMATIC SECURITY TRAINING FACILITY

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* Subcommittee on State Department and USAID Management, International Operations, and Bilateral International Development concluded a hearing to examine ensuring an efficient and effective diplomatic security training facility for the twenty-first century, after receiving testimony from Gregory B. Starr, Assistant Secretary of State, Bureau of Diplomatic Security; Michael J. Courts, Director, International Affairs and Trade, Government Accountability Office; and Connie L. Patrick, Director, Federal Law Enforcement Training Centers, Department of Homeland Security.

#### THREATS TO THE HOMELAND

*Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine threats to the homeland, after receiving testimony from Jeh Charles Johnson, Secretary of Homeland Security; James B. Comey, Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Department of Justice; and Nick Rasmussen, Director, National Counterterrorism Center, Office of the Director of National Intelligence.

#### BUSINESS MEETING

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Committee ordered favorably reported the nomination of Edward L. Gilmore, of Illinois, to be United States Marshal for the Northern District of Illinois for the term of four years, Department of Justice.

**EMINENT DOMAIN**

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on the Constitution concluded a hearing to examine eminent domain ten years after *Kelo v. City of New London*, after receiving testimony from Clemente Casillas, Community Youth Athletic Center, National City, California; Dan Alban, Institute for Justice, Arlington,

Virginia; and David A. Dana, Northwestern University School of Law, Chicago, Illinois.

**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:** 23 public bills, H.R. 3708–3730; and 9 resolutions, H.J. Res. 69; H. Con. Res. 85; and H. Res. 467–473 were introduced. **Pages H6935–36**

**Additional Cosponsors:** **Pages H6937–38**

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

**Speaker:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Duncan (TN) to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H6895**

**Recess:** The House recessed at 10:52 a.m. and reconvened at 12 noon. **Page H6900**

**Recess:** The House recessed at 12:02 p.m. and reconvened at 1:01 p.m. **Page H6901**

**Native American Energy Act:** The House passed H.R. 538, to facilitate the development of energy on Indian lands by reducing Federal regulations that impede tribal development of Indian lands, by a yeas-and-nays vote of 254 yeas to 173 nays, Roll No. 544. **Pages H6911–20**

Rejected the Ben Ray Luján (NM) motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Natural Resources with instructions to report the same back to the House forthwith with an amendment, by a yeas-and-nays vote of 184 yeas to 239 nays, Roll No. 543. **Pages H6918–19**

Pursuant to the Rule, an amendment in the nature of a substitute consisting of the text of Rules Committee Print 114–30 shall be considered as an original bill for the purpose of amendment under the five-minute rule and shall be considered as read. **Pages H6916–18**

Agreed to:

Young (AK) amendment (No. 1 printed in part A of H. Rept. 114–290) that clarifies that a state, tribes, and local governments in an affected area of a proposed federal action on Indian lands may continue as provided under current law to comment on

an environmental impact statement required under the National Environmental Policy Act, and that Section 4 shall not limit any public comment on a federal action concerning gaming on Indian lands under the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act; and **Pages H6917–18**

Lujan Grisham (NM) amendment (No. 2 printed in part A of H. Rept. 114–290) that allows the Forest Service to create a pilot program that would execute contracts with tribes to perform administrative, management, and other functions of programs of the Tribal Forest Protection Act of 2004. **Page H6918**

H. Res. 466, the rule providing for consideration of the bills (H.R. 538) and (H.R. 702) was agreed to by a recorded vote of 244 yeas to 185 noes, Roll No. 542, after the previous question was ordered by a yeas-and-nays vote of 244 yeas to 183 nays, Roll No. 541. **Pages H6902–11**

**Congressional-Executive Commission on the People's Republic of China—Appointment:** The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of the following Member on the part of the House to the Congressional-Executive Commission on the People's Republic of China: Representative Black. **Page H6921**

**National Council on Disability—Appointment:** The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of the following individual on the part of the House to the National Council on Disability: Lt. Colonel Daniel M. Gade, PhD., New Windsor, New York. **Page H6921**

**Senate Message:** Message received from the Senate today appears on page H6901.

**Senate Referrals:** S. 2162 was referred to the Committee on House Administration. S. 32 was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary and the Committee on Energy and Commerce. **Page H6932**

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** Three yeas-and-nays votes and one recorded vote developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H6909–10,