

amounts necessary for accelerated cybersecurity in response to data breaches. **Page S7374**

Feinstein (for Whitehouse/Graham) Modified Amendment No. 2626 (to Amendment No. 2716), to amend title 18, United States Code, to protect Americans from cybercrime. **Pages S7374, S7388–98**

Feinstein (for Wyden) Modified Amendment No. 2621 (to Amendment No. 2716), to improve the requirements relating to removal of personal information from cyber threat indicators before sharing. **Page S7374**

A unanimous-consent-time agreement was reached providing that if cloture is invoked on Burr/Feinstein Amendment No. 2716 (listed above), Senate vote on or in relation to Burr (for Paul) Modified Amendment No. 2564 (to Amendment No. 2716) (listed above), with ten minutes divided in the usual form prior to the vote. **Page S7407**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill at approximately 10 a.m., on Thursday, October 22, 2015, with the time until 11 a.m. equally divided between the two Leaders, or their designees; and that the filing deadline for all second-degree amendments to both Burr/Feinstein Amendment No. 2716, and the bill be at 10:30 a.m., on Thursday, October 22, 2015. **Pages S7425–26**

**Message from the President:** Senate received the following message from the President of the United States:

Transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on the continuation of the national emergency originally declared in Executive Order 13413 of October 27, 2006, with respect to the situation in or in relation to the Democratic Republic of the Congo; which was referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. (PM–29) **Page S7411**

**Nominations—Agreement:** A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that at 1:45 p.m., on Thursday, October 22, 2015, Senate begin consideration of the nominations of Julie Furuta-Toy, of Wyoming, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Equatorial Guinea, Dennis B. Hankins, of Minnesota, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Guinea, Harry K. Thomas, Jr., of New York, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Zimbabwe, and Robert Porter Jackson, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Ghana; that Senate vote, without intervening action or debate, on confirmation of the nominations; and that no further motions be in order to the nominations. **Page S7408**

**Nominations Received:** Senate received the following nominations:

Linda I. Etim, of Wisconsin, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the African Development Foundation for a term expiring September 22, 2021.

Lisa M. Fairfax, of Maryland, to be a Member of the Securities and Exchange Commission for a term expiring June 5, 2020.

Hester Maria Peirce, of Ohio, to be a Member of the Securities and Exchange Commission for the remainder of the term expiring June 5, 2016.

Jean Elizabeth Manes, of Florida, to be Ambassador to the Republic of El Salvador.

Scot Alan Marciel, of California, to be Ambassador to the Union of Burma.

Linda Swartz Taglialatela, of New York, to be Ambassador to Barbados, and to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador to the Federation of St. Kitts and Nevis, Saint Lucia, Antigua and Barbuda, the Commonwealth of Dominica, Grenada, and Saint Vincent and the Grenadines. **Page S7426**

**Messages from the House:** **Page S7411**

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**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 9:30 a.m. and adjourned at 7:01 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Thursday, October 22, 2015. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S7426.)

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

### AGRICULTURE BIOTECHNOLOGY

*Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine agriculture biotechnology, focusing on Federal regulation and stakeholder perspectives, after receiving testimony from Michael Gregoire, Associate Administrator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture; William Jordan, Deputy Director, Office of Pesticide Programs, Environmental Protection Agency; Susan Mayne, Director, Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services; Joanna Lidback, The Farm at

Wheeler Mountain, Barton, Vermont, on behalf of Agri-Mark, Inc. and the National Council of Farmer Cooperatives; Daryl E. Thomas, Herr Foods Inc., Nottingham, Pennsylvania; Gary Hirshberg, Just Label It, Concord, New Hampshire; Gregory Jaffe, Center for Science in the Public Interest, Washington, D.C.; and Ronald Kleinman, MassGeneral Hospital for Children, Boston, Massachusetts.

#### RURAL DEVELOPMENT

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies concluded a hearing to examine a review of rural development in 21st century America, after receiving testimony from Lisa Mensah, Under Secretary for Rural Development, Brandon McBride, Administrator, Rural Utilities Service, Sam Ridders, Acting Administrator, Rural Business-Cooperative Service, and Tony Hernandez, Administrator, Rural Housing Service, all of the Department of Agriculture; William Simpson, National Rural Water Association, Washington, D.C.; Stuart Lowry, Sunflower Electric Power Corporation, Hays, Kansas, on behalf of the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association; Brian Boisvert, Wilson Communications, Wilson, Kansas, on behalf of NTCA—The Rural Broadband Association; and Tony Chrisman, Chrisman Development Inc., Enterprise, Oregon.

#### FUTURE OF DEFENSE REFORM

*Committee on Armed Services:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the future of defense reform, after receiving testimony from Robert M. Gates, former Secretary of Defense.

#### REFORMING THE FEDERAL BUDGET PROCESS

*Committee on the Budget:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine reforming the Federal budget process, focusing on the need for action, after receiving testimony from Michael A. Peterson, Peter G. Peterson Foundation, New York, New York; and Douglas Holtz-Eakin, former Director, Congressional Budget Office, American Action Forum, and Deborah Weinstein, Coalition on Human Needs, both of Washington, D.C.

#### ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY REGULATIONS OVERSIGHT

*Committee on Environment and Public Works:* Subcommittee on Superfund, Waste Management, and Regulatory Oversight concluded an oversight hearing to examine regulatory impact analyses for Environmental Protection Agency regulations, after receiving testimony from Diana Furchtgott-Roth, Manhattan Institute for Policy Research, William L. Kovacs,

U.S. Chamber of Commerce, and Sam Batkins, American Action Forum, all of Washington, D.C.; Mary B. Rice, American Thoracic Society, Boston, Massachusetts; and Rena Steinzor, University of Maryland Carey School of Law, Baltimore.

#### MIGRATION FROM CENTRAL AMERICA

*Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine ongoing migration from Central America, focusing on fiscal year 2015 apprehensions and how improved evaluation efforts could enhance agency programs to reduce migration, after receiving testimony from Kimberly Gianopoulos, Director, International Affairs and Trade, Government Accountability Office; Chris Cabrera, Border Patrol Agent, Rio Grande Valley Sector, Customs and Border Protection, Department of Homeland Security, on behalf of the National Border Patrol Council; Kevin Casas-Zamora, Inter-American Dialogue Peter D. Bell Rule of Law Program, and Duncan Wood, Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars Mexico Institute, both of Washington, D.C.; and the Most Reverend Mark J. Seitz, Diocese of El Paso, El Paso, Texas, on behalf of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops.

#### BUSINESS MEETING

*Committee on Indian Affairs:* Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 1419, to promote the academic achievement of American Indian, Alaska Native, and Native Hawaiian children with the establishment of a Native American language grant program, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 1436, to require the Secretary of the Interior to take land into trust for certain Indian tribes, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 1443, to amend the Indian Employment, Training and Related Services Demonstration Act of 1992 to facilitate the ability of Indian tribes to integrate the employment, training, and related services from diverse Federal sources;

S. 1761, to take certain Federal land located in Lassen County, California, into trust for the benefit of the Susanville Indian Rancheria;

S. 1822, to take certain Federal land located in Tuolumne County, California, into trust for the benefit of the Tuolumne Band of Me-Wuk Indians, with an amendment; and

H.R. 387, to provide for certain land to be taken into trust for the benefit of Morongo Band of Mission Indians.

**ENERGY DEVELOPMENT**

*Committee on Indian Affairs:* Committee concluded an oversight hearing to examine the Government Accountability Office report on Indian energy development, after receiving testimony from Lawrence S. Roberts, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Interior, Indian Affairs; Frank Rusco, Director, Natural Resources and Environment, Government Accountability Office; James M. Olguin, Southern Ute Indian Tribe, Ignacio, Colorado; Grant Stafne, Assiniboine and Sioux Tribes of the Fort Peck Reservation, Poplar, Montana; and Cameron Cuch, Crescent Point Energy U.S. Corporation, Denver, Colorado.

**NOMINATIONS**

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Gary Richard Brown, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of New York, Rebecca Goodgame Ebinger, to be United States District Judge for the

Southern District of Iowa, and Leonard Terry Strand, of South Dakota, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Iowa, who were both introduced by Senator Ernst, and Mark A. Young, to be United States District Judge for the Central District of California, who was introduced by Senator Boxer, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

**COMPUTER TECH SUPPORT SCAMS**

*Special Committee on Aging:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine when computer tech support becomes a scam, after receiving testimony from Lois Greisman, Associate Director of the Division of Marketing Practices, Bureau of Consumer Protection, Federal Trade Commission; David Finn, Microsoft Digital Crimes Unit, Redmond, Washington; Lew Polivick, Legal Services of Southern Missouri, Charleston; and Frank Schiller, Peaks Island, Maine.

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# House of Representatives

**Chamber Action**

**Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced:** 21 public bills, H.R. 3776–3796; and 2 resolutions, H. Res. 484–485 were introduced. **Pages H7088–90**

**Additional Cosponsors:** **Pages H7090–91**

**Reports Filed:** Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 1384, to amend title 38, United States Code, to recognize the service in the reserve components of certain persons by honoring them with status as veterans under law (H. Rept. 114–302); and

H. Res. 483, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 3762) to provide for reconciliation pursuant to section 2002 of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2016 (H. Rept. 114–303). **Page H7088**

**Speaker:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Duncan (TN) to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H7031**

**Recess:** The House recessed at 10:49 a.m. and reconvened at 12 noon. **Page H7036**

**Unanimous consent agreement:** Agreed by unanimous consent that the question of adopting a motion to recommit on H.R. 10 or H.R. 692 may be subject to postponement as though under clause 8 of rule 20. **Pages H7041–47**

**Default Prevention Act:** The House passed H.R. 692, to ensure the payment of interest and principal of the debt of the United States, by a ye-a-and-nay vote of 235 yeas to 194 nays, Roll No. 557. **Pages H7041–47, H7053–60**

H. Res. 480, the rule providing for consideration of the bills (H.R. 10) and (H.R. 692) was agreed to by a recorded vote of 245 yeas to 182 noes, Roll No. 554, after the previous question was ordered by a ye-a-and-nay vote of 241 yeas to 181 nays, Roll No. 553. **Pages H7041, H7051–52**

**Quarterly Financial Report Reauthorization Act:** The House agreed to take from the Speaker's table and concur in the Senate amendment to H.R. 3116, to extend by 15 years the authority of the Secretary of Commerce to conduct the quarterly financial report program. **Pages H7060–61**

**SOAR Reauthorization Act:** The House passed H.R. 10, to reauthorize the Scholarships for Opportunity and Results Act, by a ye-a-and-nay vote of 240 yeas to 191 nays, Roll No. 559. **Pages H7061–79**

Rejected the Scott (VA) motion to recommit to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform with instructions to report the same back to the House forthwith with an amendment, by a ye-a-and-nay vote of 185 yeas to 242 nays, Roll No. 558. **Pages H7077–78**

Pursuant to the Rule, the amendments recommended by the Committee on Oversight and