

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Full Committee began a markup on H.R. 2666, the “No Rate Regulation of Broadband Internet Access Act”; and H.R. 4725, the “Common Sense Savings Act of 2016”.

SENSE ACT; SMALL BUSINESS BROADBAND DEPLOYMENT ACT

Committee on Rules: Full Committee held a hearing on H.R. 3797, the “SENSE Act”; and H.R. 4596, the “Small Business Broadband Deployment Act”. The committee granted, by record vote of 6–4, a structured rule for H.R. 4596. The rule provides one hour of debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Energy and Commerce. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule provides that the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Energy and Commerce now printed in the bill shall be considered as adopted and the bill, as amended, shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against provisions in the bill, as amended. The rule makes in order only the further amendment printed in part A of the Rules Committee report, if offered by the Member designated in the report. The amendment 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 amendment printed in part A of the report. The rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. The rule also granted a structured rule for H.R. 3797. The rule provides one hour of general debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Energy and Commerce. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule provides that the bill shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against provisions in the bill. The rule makes in order only those amendments printed in part B of 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 part B of the report. The rule provides one motion to recommit with or without in-

structions. Testimony was heard from Representatives Latta, Pallone, and Rothfus.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

**COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY,
MARCH 15, 2016**

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2017 for the United States Agency for International Development, 2:30 p.m., SD–124.

Subcommittee on Legislative Branch, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2017 for the Library of Congress and the Architect of the Capitol, 3 p.m., SD–192.

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Readiness and Management Support, to hold hearings to examine the current state of readiness of United States forces in review of the Defense Authorization Request for fiscal year 2017 and the Future Years Defense Program, 10 a.m., SR–222.

Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the posture of the Department of the Navy in review of the Defense Authorization Request for fiscal year 2017 and the Future Years Defense Program, 2:30 p.m., SH–216.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Matthew Rhett Jeppson, of Florida, to be Director of the Mint, Department of the Treasury, and Lisa M. Fairfax, of Maryland, and Hester Maria Peirce, of Ohio, both to be a Member of the Securities and Exchange Commission, 10 a.m., SD–538.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: to hold hearings to examine the future of self-driving cars, 2:30 p.m., SR–253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: to hold an oversight hearing to examine the presidential memorandum issued on November 3, 2015 entitled, “Mitigating Impacts on Natural Resources from Development and Encouraging Related Private Investment.”, 10 a.m., SD–366.

Committee on Foreign Relations: to hold hearings to examine Ukrainian reforms two years after the Maidan Revolution and the Russian invasion, 10 a.m., SD–419.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: to hold hearings to examine the security of United States visa programs, 10 a.m., SD–342.

Committee on the Judiciary: to hold hearings to examine late-term abortion, 10 a.m., SD–226.

Committee on Veterans’ Affairs: to hold hearings to examine pending calendar business, 2:15 p.m., SR–418.

Select Committee on Intelligence: to hold closed hearings to examine certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH–219.

House

Committee on Agriculture, Subcommittee on Biotechnology, Horticulture, and Research; and Subcommittee on Livestock and Foreign Agriculture, hearing entitled “Defending American Agriculture Against Foreign Pests and Diseases”, 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Defense, hearing entitled “Members’ Day”, 9 a.m., HT–2 Capitol.

Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies, budget hearing on the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 9:30 a.m., B–308 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Homeland Security, budget hearing on U.S. Secret Service, 10 a.m., 2359 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, budget hearing on the Department of Labor, 10 a.m., 2358–C Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies, budget hearing on the Department of Agriculture, Rural Development, 10:15 a.m., 2362–A Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies, budget hearing on National Aeronautics and Space Administration, 10:30 a.m., H–309 Capitol.

Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development, budget hearing on Department of Energy, Environmental Management, 10:30 a.m., 2362–B Rayburn.

Subcommittee on State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs, budget hearing on Department of Treasury International Programs, 10:30 a.m., H–140 Capitol.

Subcommittee on Financial Services and General Government, budget hearing on the Federal Communications Commission, 2 p.m., B–308 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies, oversight hearing on Office of Inspector General, 2 p.m., 2359 Rayburn.

Committee on Armed Services, Subcommittee on Readiness, hearing entitled “The U.S. Transportation Command Fiscal Year 2017 Readiness Posture”, 10:15 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Strategic Forces, hearing entitled “Fiscal Year 2017 Budget Request for National Security Space”, 3:30 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Committee on Education and the Workforce, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Examining the Policies and Priorities of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services”, 10 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, Full Committee, markup on H.R. 2666, the “No Rate Regulation of Broadband Internet Access Act”; and H.R. 4725, the “Common Sense Savings Act of 2016” (continued), 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Foreign Affairs, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Review of the FY 2017 Foreign Assistance Budget: Aligning Interests, Ensuring Effectiveness and Transparency”, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Terrorism, Nonproliferation, and Trade, hearing entitled “Trade with Cuba: Growth and Opportunities”, 1:30 p.m., 1334 Longworth.

Subcommittee on Asia and the Pacific, hearing entitled “U.S.-India Relations: Democratic Partners of Economic Opportunity”, 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Europe, Eurasia, and Emerging Threats, hearing entitled “U.S. Policy Toward National Self-Determination Movements”, 2:30 p.m., 2200 Rayburn.

Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Emergency Preparedness, Response, and Communications, hearing entitled “State of Emergency: The Disaster of Cutting Preparedness Grants”, 10 a.m., 311 Cannon.

Committee on the Judiciary, Task Force on Executive Overreach, hearing entitled “Executive Overreach in Domestic Affairs Part I—Health Care and Immigration”, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Regulatory Reform, Commercial and Antitrust Law, hearing entitled “The Chevron Doctrine: Constitutional and Statutory Questions in Judicial Deference to Agencies”, 1:30 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Natural Resources, Full Committee, markup on H.R. 87, the “Shiloh National Military Park Boundary Adjustment and Parker’s Crossroads Battlefield Designation Act”; H.R. 295, to reauthorize the Historically Black Colleges and Universities Historic Preservation program; H.R. 329, the “Indian Employment, Training and Related Services Consolidation Act of 2015”; H.R. 496, the “Alabama Hills National Scenic Area Establishment Act”; H.R. 1621, to modify the boundary of Petersburg National Battlefield in the Commonwealth of Virginia, and for other purposes; H.R. 1838, the “Clear Creek National Recreation Area and Conservation Act”; H.R. 2009, the “Pascua Yaqui Tribe Land Conveyance Act of 2015”; H.R. 2733, the “Nevada Native Nations Land Act”; H.R. 3070, the “EEZ Clarification Act”; H.R. 3211, to provide for the addition of certain real property to the reservation of the Siletz Tribe in the State of Oregon; H.R. 3826, the “Mount Hood Cooper Spur Land Exchange Clarification Act”; H.R. 4245, to exempt importation and exportation of sea urchins and sea cucumbers from licensing requirements under the Endangered Species Act of 1973; H.R. 4579, the “Utah Test and Training Range Encroachment Prevention and Temporary Closure Act”; and H.R. 4680, to prepare the National Park Service for its Centennial in 2016 and for a second century of promoting and protecting the natural, historic, and cultural resources of our National Parks for the enjoyment of present and future generations, and for other purposes, 4 p.m., 1324 Longworth.

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Examining Federal Administration of the Safe Drinking Water Act in Flint, Michigan—Part II”, 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Government Operations, hearing entitled “Accountability and Transparency Reform at the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs”, 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, Subcommittee on Oversight, hearing entitled “Racing to Regulate: EPA’s Latest Overreach on Amateur Drivers”, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation,

hearing entitled “The President’s Fiscal Year 2017 Budget Request for Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation Programs”, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Committee on Veterans’ Affairs, Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs; and Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, joint hearing entitled “Twenty Five Years After the Persian Gulf War: An Assessment of VA’s Disability Claim Process with Respect to Gulf War Illness”, 10:30 a.m., 334 Cannon.

CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of March 15 through March 18, 2016

Senate Chamber

On *Tuesday*, Senate will continue consideration of the House message to accompany S. 764, National Sea Grant College Program Amendments Act.

During the balance of the week, Senate may consider any cleared legislative and executive business.

Senate Committees

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Committee on Appropriations: March 15, Subcommittee on State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2017 for the United States Agency for International Development, 2:30 p.m., SD-124.

March 15, Subcommittee on Legislative Branch, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2017 for the Library of Congress and the Architect of the Capitol, 3 p.m., SD-192.

March 16, Subcommittee on Department of Defense, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2017 for the National Guard and Reserve, 10:30 a.m., SD-192.

March 16, Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2017 for the National Nuclear Security Administration, 2:30 p.m., SD-138.

March 17, Subcommittee on Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2017 for the Department of Labor, 10 a.m., SD-138.

Committee on Armed Services: March 15, Subcommittee on Readiness and Management Support, to hold hearings to examine the current state of readiness of United States forces in review of the Defense Authorization Request for fiscal year 2017 and the Future Years Defense Program, 10 a.m., SR-222.

March 15, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the posture of the Department of the Navy in review of the Defense Authorization Request for fiscal year 2017 and the Future Years Defense Program, 2:30 p.m., SH-216.

March 16, Subcommittee on Airland, to hold hearings to examine Army Unmanned Aircraft Vehicle and Air

Force Remotely Piloted Aircraft Enterprises in review of the Defense Authorization Request for fiscal year 2017 and the Future Years Defense Program, 2:30 p.m., SR-222.

March 16, Subcommittee on Emerging Threats and Capabilities, to hold closed hearings to examine the Department of Defense’s global counterterrorism strategy, 2:30 p.m., SVC-217.

March 17, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the Department of Defense budget posture in review of the Defense Authorization Request for fiscal year 2017 and the Future Years Defense Program, 9:30 a.m., SD-G50.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: March 15, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Matthew Rhett Jeppson, of Florida, to be Director of the Mint, Department of the Treasury, and Lisa M. Fairfax, of Maryland, and Hester Maria Peirce, of Ohio, both to be a Member of the Securities and Exchange Commission, 10 a.m., SD-538.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: March 15, to hold hearings to examine the future of self-driving cars, 2:30 p.m., SR-253.

March 16, Full Committee, business meeting to consider S. 2658, to amend title 49, United States Code, to authorize appropriations for the Federal Aviation Administration for fiscal years 2016 through 2017, S. 2644, to reauthorize the Federal Communications Commission for fiscal years 2017 and 2018, and a routine list in the Coast Guard, 10 a.m., SR-253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: March 15, to hold an oversight hearing to examine the presidential memorandum issued on November 3, 2015 entitled, “Mitigating Impacts on Natural Resources from Development and Encouraging Related Private Investment.”, 10 a.m., SD-366.

March 17, Subcommittee on National Parks, to hold hearings to examine S. 2177 and H.R. 959, bills to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a special resource study of the Medgar Evers House, located in Jackson, Mississippi, S. 651 and H.R. 1289, bills to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to acquire certain land in Martinez, California, for inclusion in the John Muir National Historic Site, H.R. 1949, to provide for the consideration and submission of site and design proposals for the National Liberty Memorial approved for establishment in the District of Columbia, S. 1329 and H.R. 2288, bills to remove the use restrictions on certain land transferred to Rockingham County, Virginia, H.R. 2880, to redesignate the Martin Luther King, Junior, National Historic Site in the State of Georgia, S. 1930 and H.R. 3371, bills to adjust the boundary of the Kennesaw Mountain National Battlefield Park to include the Wallis House and Harriston Hill, S. 119, to amend the Federal Lands Recreation Enhancement Act to provide for a lifetime National Recreational Pass for any veteran with a service-connected disability, S. 718, to modify the boundary of Petersburg National Battlefield in the Commonwealth of Virginia, S. 770, to authorize Escambia County, Florida, to convey certain property that was formerly part of Santa Rosa Island National Monument and that was