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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.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 20 public bills, H.R. 5282–5292, 5294–5302; and 1 resolution, H. Res. 741, were introduced. **Pages H2879–80**

Additional Cosponsors: **Page H2881**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 4894, to repeal title II of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act (H. Rept. 114–574, Part 1);

H.R. 496, to establish the Alabama Hills National Scenic Area in the State of California, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 114–575);

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, with an amendment (H. Rept. 114–576, Part 1); and

H.R. 5293, making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2017, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 114–577). **Page H2879**

Journal: The House agreed to the Speaker's approval of the Journal by voice vote. **Pages H2847, H2867**

Military Construction and Veterans Affairs and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2017: The House passed H.R. 4974, making appropriations for military construction, the Department of Veterans Affairs, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2017, by a yea-and-nay vote of 295 yeas to 129 nays, Roll No. 228. Consideration began yesterday, May 18th. **Pages H2849–67**

Agreed to the engrossment and third reading of the bill by a recorded vote of 241 yeas to 183 noes, Roll No. 227. **Page H2866**

Agreed to:

Gosar amendment that prohibits the use of funds for the Veterans Experience Office; **Pages H2850–51**

Gosar amendment that prohibits the use of funds to carry out the memorandum from the Veterans

Benefit Administration known as Fast Letter 13–10 or to prohibit the use of funds to create or maintain any patient record-keeping system other than those approved by the Department of Veterans Affairs Central Office; **Page H2851**

Mica amendment (No. 7 printed in the Congressional Record of May 18, 2016) that increase funding for Veterans Health Administration-Medical Services by \$10 million; **Pages H2851–52**

Gosar amendment that prohibits the use of funds to be used in contravention of sections 575.106 or 575.206 of title 5, Code of Federal Regulations;

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Jackson Lee amendment that prohibits the use of funds to be used by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs in contravention of subchapter III of chapter 20 of title 38, United States Code; **Pages H2855–57**

Gibson amendment that prohibits the use of funds to be used to enforce VA Adjudication Procedure Manual M21–1, Part IV, Subpart ii, Chapter 1, Section H, Topic 28.h related to Developing Claims Based on Service Aboard Ships Offshore the RVN;

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Blumenauer amendment (No. 3 printed in the Congressional Record of May 17, 2016) that was debated on May 18th that prohibits the use of funds to implement, administer, or enforce any Veterans Health Administration Directive relating to the prohibition on VA providers from completing forms seeking recommendations on opinions regarding a Veteran's participation in a state marijuana program (by a recorded vote of 233 yeas to 189 noes, Roll No. 221); **Pages H2861–62**

Fleming amendment that was debated on May 18th that prohibits the use of funds to modify a military installation in the United States, including construction or modification of a facility on a military installation, to produce housing for unaccompanied alien children (by a recorded vote of 219 yeas to 202 noes, Roll No. 222); and **Pages H2862–63**

Huffman amendment that was debated on May 18th that prohibits the use of funds to implement section 8(d)(2) of the Department of Veterans Affairs National Cemetery Administration Directive 3220 of

November 22, 2005 (by a recorded vote of 265 ayes to 159 noes with 1 answering “present”, Roll No. 223).

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Rejected:

Mulvaney amendment that was debated on May 18th that sought to strike Overseas Contingency Operations, Military Construction, Army (by a recorded vote of 52 ayes to 372 noes, Roll No. 217);

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Mulvaney amendment that was debated on May 18th that sought to strike Overseas Contingency Operations, Military Construction, Navy and Marine Corps (by a recorded vote of 51 ayes to 371 noes, Roll No. 218);

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Mulvaney amendment that was debated on May 18th that sought to strike Overseas Contingency Operations, Military Construction, Air Force (by a recorded vote of 56 ayes to 363 noes, Roll No. 219);

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Mulvaney amendment that was debated on May 18th that sought to strike Overseas Contingency Operations, Military Construction, Defense-Wide (by a recorded vote of 64 ayes to 360 noes, Roll No. 220);

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Gosar amendment that sought to prohibit the use of funds to implement, administer, or enforce the exception in clause (iii) of section 1.218(a)(8) of title 38, Code of Federal Regulations (by a recorded vote of 200 ayes to 225 noes, Roll No. 224);

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Perry amendment that sought to prohibit the use of funds to be used to implement or enforce Executive Order 13502 (by a recorded vote of 209 ayes to 216 noes, Roll No. 225); and

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Sean Patrick Maloney (NY) amendment that sought to prohibit the use of funds to be used in contravention of Executive Order no. 13672 of July 21, 2014 (“Further Amendments to Executive Order 11478, Equal Employment Opportunity in the Federal Government, and Executive Order 11246, Equal Employment Opportunity”) (by a recorded vote of 212 ayes to 213 noes, Roll No. 226).

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Withdrawn:

Heck (WA) amendment that was offered and subsequently withdrawn that would have designated holes 10 through 18 at the golf course at American Lake Veterans Hospital on a portion of Joint Base Lewis-McChord, which were designed by Jack Nicklaus on a pro bono basis, as the “Nicklaus Nine”; and

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Gibson amendment that was offered and subsequently withdrawn that would have prohibited the use of funds by the Department of Veterans Affairs to preclude the territorial seas of the Republic of

Vietnam from inclusion in the meaning of the Republic of Vietnam under the Agent Orange Act of 1991 and the amendments made by that Act.

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H. Res. 736, the rule providing for consideration of the bills (H.R. 4974) and (H.R. 5243) was agreed to yesterday, May 18th.

Meeting Hour: Agreed by unanimous consent that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 12 noon on Monday, May 23rd for Morning Hour debate.

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Senate Message: Message received from the Senate today appears on page H2869.

Senate Referral: S. 1635 was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

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Quorum Calls—Votes: One yea-and-nay vote and eleven recorded votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H2859, H2859–60, H2860–61, H2861, H2861–62, H2862–63, H2863, H2863–64, H2864–65, H2865, H2866, and H2867. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 9 a.m. and adjourned at 1:42 p.m.

Committee Meetings

LEGISLATIVE MEASURE

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Health held a hearing entitled “Examining H.R. 3299, Strengthening Public Health Response Act”. Testimony was heard from Colonel Russell Coleman, Joint Program Manager, Medical Countermeasures Systems, Department of Defense; Richard Hatchett, M.D., Acting Director, Biomedical Advanced Research and Development Authority, Department of Health and Human Services; and Michael Mair, Director of Strategic Operations, Office of Counterterrorism and Emerging Threats, Food and Drug Administration.

SETTLING THE QUESTION: DID BANK SETTLEMENT AGREEMENTS SUBVERT CONGRESSIONAL APPROPRIATIONS POWERS?

Committee on Financial Services: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing entitled “Settling the Question: Did Bank Settlement Agreements Subvert Congressional Appropriations Powers?”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.