

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S661–S804

Measures Introduced: Five bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2110–2114, and S. Res. 376–378. **Page S699**

Measures Passed:

Recognizing John Herschel Glenn, Jr.: Senate agreed to S. Res. 377, recognizing the 50th anniversary of the historic achievement of John Herschel Glenn, Jr., in becoming the first United States astronaut to orbit the Earth. **Pages S690–92**

Authorizing the Use of Emancipation Hall: Senate agreed to H. Con. Res. 99, authorizing the use of Emancipation Hall in the Capitol Visitor Center for a ceremony to unveil the marker which acknowledges the role that slave labor played in the construction of the United States Capitol. **Pages S802–03**

Sense of the Senate Regarding Children: Senate agreed to S. Res. 378, expressing the sense of the Senate that children should have a safe, loving, nurturing, and permanent family and that it is the policy of the United States that family reunification, kinship care, or domestic and intercountry adoption promotes permanency and stability to a greater degree than long-term institutionalization and long-term, continually disrupted foster care. **Page S803**

Measures Considered:

Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century—Agreement: Senate resumed consideration of S. 1813, to reauthorize Federal-aid highway and highway safety construction programs, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto:

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Withdrawn:

Reid (for Johnson (SD)/Shelby) Amendment No. 1515, of a perfecting nature. **Page S686**

Pending:

Reid Amendment No. 1633, of a perfecting nature. **Page S686**

Reid Amendment No. 1634 (to Amendment No. 1633), to change the enactment date. **Page S686**

Reid Motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Environment and Public Works, with instructions, Reid Amendment No. 1635, to change the enactment date. **Page S686**

Reid Amendment No. 1636 (to (the instructions) Amendment No. 1635), of a perfecting nature. **Pages S686–87**

Reid Amendment No. 1637 (to Amendment No. 1636), of a perfecting nature. **Page S687**

A motion was entered to close further debate on Reid Amendment No. 1633 (listed above), and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on cloture will occur on Friday, February 17, 2012. **Page S686**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill at approximately 11 a.m., on Thursday, February 16, 2012. **Page S803**

Furman Nomination—Cloture: Senate began consideration of the nomination of Jesse M. Furman, of New York, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of New York. **Page S687**

A motion was entered to close further debate on the nomination, and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on cloture will occur upon disposition of Reid Amendment No. 1633 (to S. 1813, Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century). **Page S687**

Nomination Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nomination:

By 94 yeas to 5 nays (Vote No. EX. 19), Adalberto Jose Jordan, of Florida, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Eleventh Circuit. **Pages S672–73, S804**

Measures Placed on the Calendar: **Pages S663, S699**

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Record Votes: One record vote was taken today. (Total—19) Page S673

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m. and adjourned at 6:11 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Thursday, February 16, 2012. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on Page S804.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Michael T. Scuse, of Delaware, to be Under Secretary for Farm and Foreign Agricultural Services, and to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Commodity Credit Corporation, Department of Agriculture, and Chester John Culver, of Iowa, and Bruce J. Sherrick, of Illinois, both to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Federal Agricultural Mortgage Corporation, Farm Credit Administration.

ENERGY AND ECONOMIC GROWTH FOR RURAL AMERICA

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: Committee concluded a hearing to examine energy and economic growth for rural America, after receiving testimony from Thomas Vilsack, Secretary of Agriculture; Mathias J. McCauley, Northwest Michigan Council of Governments, Traverse City, on behalf of the National Association of Development Organizations (NADO) and the National Association of Counties (NACo); Florine Raitano, Rural Community Assistance Corporation (the Western RCAP), Dillon, Colorado; Mark Rembert, Energize Clinton County, Wilmington, Ohio; Charles W. Fluharty, Rural Policy Research Institute (RUPRI), Columbia, Missouri; Steve Flick, National Farmers Union (NFU), Centerview, Missouri; Lee Edwards, Virent, Inc., Madison, Wisconsin; Bennie Hutchins, Ag Energy Resources, LLC, Brookhaven, Mississippi; and Bill Greving, Greving Farms Inc., Prairie View, Kansas.

INCENTIVE COMPENSATION AT LARGE FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Protection concluded a hearing to examine pay for performance, focusing on incentive compensation at large financial institutions, after receiving testimony from Kurt Hyde, Deputy Special Inspector General, Audit and Evaluation, Office of the

Special Inspector General for the Troubled Asset Relief Program; Lucian A. Bebchuk, Harvard Law School, Cambridge, Massachusetts; Robert J. Jackson, Jr., Columbia Law School, New York, New York; and Michael S. Melbinger, Winston and Strawn LLP, Washington, D.C., on behalf of the Financial Services Roundtable on Executive Compensation.

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION BUDGET

Committee on the Budget: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2013 for the Department of Transportation, after receiving testimony from Ray LaHood, Secretary of Transportation.

BUDGET

Committee on Finance: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2013, after receiving testimony from Kathleen Sebelius, Secretary of Health and Human Services.

BULLETPROOF VEST PARTNERSHIP GRANT PROGRAM

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the Bulletproof Vest Partnership Grant Program, focusing on protecting those who protect us, including law enforcement body armor, how the Department of Justice supports its use and enhancements, and the need to strengthen management of its related grant programs, after receiving testimony from David C. Maurer, Director, Homeland Security and Justice, Government Accountability Office; Michael E. Schirling, Burlington Police Department Chief of Police, Burlington, Vermont; and Chuck Canterbury, Fraternal Order of Police, Washington, D.C.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Patty Shwartz, of New Jersey, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Third Circuit, who was introduced by Senators Lautenberg and Menendez, Jeffrey J. Helmick, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Ohio, who was introduced by Senator Brown (OH), Mary Geiger Lewis, to be United States District Judge for the District of South Carolina, who was introduced by Senator Graham and Representative Clyburn, and Timothy S. Hillman, to be United States District Judge for the District of Massachusetts, who was introduced by Senators Kerry and Brown (MA), after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 16 public bills, H.R. 4032–4047; and 4 resolutions, H.Res. 548–551 were introduced. **Pages H801–02**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages H802–03**

Reports Filed: There were no reports filed today.

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Foxx to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H729**

Recess: The House recessed at 11:03 a.m. and reconvened at 12 noon. **Page H736**

Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the guest chaplain, Reverend Rudy Stevens, United States Army, Pinehurst, North Carolina. **Page H736**

Suspensions—Proceedings Resumed: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures which were debated yesterday, February 14th:

John J. Cook Post Office Designation Act: H.R. 2079, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 10 Main Street in East Rockaway, New York, as the “John J. Cook Post Office”, by a 2/3 yea-and-nay vote of 418 yeas to 2 nays, Roll No. 52; **Page H750**

Lance Corporal Matthew P. Pathenos Post Office Building Designation Act: H.R. 3247, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1100 Town and Country Commons in Chesterfield, Missouri, as the “Lance Corporal Matthew P. Pathenos Post Office Building”, by a 2/3 yea-and-nay vote of 419 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 53; and **Pages H750–51**

Lance Corporal Drew W. Weaver Post Office Building Designation Act: H.R. 3248, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 112 South 5th Street in Saint Charles, Missouri, as the “Lance Corporal Drew W. Weaver Post Office Building”, by a 2/3 yea-and-nay vote of 412 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 54. **Pages H751–52**

Protecting Investment in Oil Shale the Next Generation of Environmental, Energy, and Resource Security Act: The House began consideration of H.R. 3408, to set clear rules for the development of United States oil shale resources and to promote shale technology research and development. Further proceedings were postponed. **Pages H740, H752–87**

Pursuant to the rule, an amendment in the nature of a substitute consisting of the text of titles XIV and XVII of Rules Committee Print 112–14 shall be considered as adopted in the House and in the Committee of the Whole, in lieu of the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Natural Resources now printed in the bill. The bill, as amended, shall be considered as the original bill for the purpose of further amendment under the five-minute rule and shall be considered as read. **Pages H740, H761**

Agreed to:

Hastings (WA) amendment (No. 6 printed in part A of H. Rept. 112–398) that changes the underlying bill’s requirement that the Department of the Interior substitute two new lease blocks for each one lease block that is deferred from a lease sale at the request of the Department of Defense, to replace each deferred lease block with one new lease block. Also calls attention to the existing authority under the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act for the President to designate National Defense Areas on the outer Continental Shelf that are restricted from exploration and operation. Requires the North Aleutian Basin lease sale to be conducted by 2015 rather than one year after enactment of the Act; **Pages H773–74**

Bilirakis amendment (No. 8 printed in part A of H. Rept. 112–398) that requires the Secretary to conduct an economic impact survey to determine the economic effects that lease sales within 100 miles of the coast of Florida will have on the Florida fishing and tourism industries; **Pages H775–76**

Richmond amendment (No. 10 printed in part A of H. Rept. 112–398) that allows oil and gas revenues to be used for coastal wetlands conservation, coastal restoration, hurricane protection, or infrastructure projects directly impacted by coastal wetland losses. Currently, H.R. 7 contains a prohibition on how states can use oil and gas revenues. Energy producing states use offshore oil and gas revenues to fund their required state cost share of hurricane protection and coastline restoration programs; and **Pages H778–79**

Landry amendment (No. 11 printed in part A of H. Rept. 112–398) that raises the Gulf of Mexico Energy Security Act cap to \$750 million per year starting in year 2023 until 2055. The amendment keeps the \$500 million cap per year in place through year 2022 (by a recorded vote of 266 yeas to 159 noes, Roll No. 62). **Pages H779–80, H786**

Rejected:

Eshoo amendment (No. 1 printed in part A of H. Rept. 112–398) that sought to require the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission to review the results of the Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA) study, as required by the bipartisan pipeline safety bill (P.L. 112–90), before issuing a permit for the Keystone XL pipeline (by a recorded vote of 173 ayes to 249 noes, Roll No. 55); **Pages H767–68, H781–82**

Markey amendment (No. 2 printed in part A of H. Rept. 112–398) that sought to ensure that if the Keystone XL pipeline is built, the oil that it transports to the Gulf of Mexico and the fuels made from that oil remain in this country to benefit Americans. Would have allowed the President to waive this requirement if it can be shown that an export of the oil or fuels won't increase our dependence on oil or fuels we buy from hostile nations, that prices for refiners and consumers won't go up if the export occurs, or if an export is needed to comply with any international treaties or other agreements we have to export oil or fuels (by a recorded vote of 173 ayes to 254 noes, Roll No. 56); **Pages H768–68, H782–83**

Rush amendment (No. 3 printed in part A of H. Rept. 112–398) that sought to amend Title XIV to prohibit the issuance of a permit absent conditions that restrict the ability of the permit recipient from initiating or threatening to initiate proceedings to invoke the power of eminent domain against the will of a property's owner for the purposes of constructing or operating the Keystone XL pipeline (by a recorded vote of 149 ayes to 276 noes, Roll No. 57); **Pages H769–71, H783**

Doyle amendment (No. 4 printed in part A of H. Rept. 112–398) that sought to require that a permit for the Keystone XL pipeline is not to be issued or deemed issued unless the permit applicant can certify and provide adequate documentation to FERC that at least 75% of the iron and steel to be used in domestic portion of the pipeline is produced in North America (by a recorded vote of 193 ayes to 234 noes, Roll No. 58); **Pages H771–72, H783–84**

Polis amendment (No. 5 printed in part A of H. Rept. 112–398) that sought to strike subtitle A of title XVII and provide a five year window offset through increasing the Federal share of drilling revenue (by a recorded vote of 160 ayes to 265 noes, Roll No. 59); **Pages H772–73, H784**

Capps amendment (No. 7 printed in part A of H. Rept. 112–398) that sought to strike Section 17304, relating to oil and gas lease sales in the Southern California planning area, and part 4, relating to OCS revenue sharing with coastal states (by a recorded vote of 160 ayes to 267 noes, Roll No. 60); **Pages H774–75, H784–85**

Bishop (NY) amendment (No. 9 printed in part A of H. Rept. 112–398) that sought to prohibit oil and natural gas lease sales in the northeast U.S. (by a recorded vote of 169 ayes to 257 noes, Roll No. 61); and **Pages H776–78, H785–86**

Deutch amendment (No. 12 printed in part A of H. Rept. 112–398) that sought to require a person to include in the application for a drilling lease an estimate of the economic impact, including job losses, resulting from a worst-case discharge of oil from facilities operating under the lease (by a recorded vote of 188 ayes to 236 noes, Roll No. 63). **Pages H780–81, H786–87**

H. Res. 547, the rule providing for consideration of the bill, was agreed to by a recorded vote of 235 ayes to 186 noes, Roll No. 51, after the previous question was ordered by a yea-and-nay vote of 229 yeas to 181 nays, Roll No. 50. **Pages H740–50**

United States Holocaust Memorial Council—Appointment: The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of the following Member of the House to the United States Holocaust Memorial Council: Representative Israel. **Page H787**

Recess: The House recessed at 8:54 p.m. and reconvened at 9:29 p.m. **Page H800**

Quorum Calls—Votes: Four yea-and-nay votes and 10 recorded votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H749, H749–50, H750, H751, H751–52, H781–82, H782, H783, H783–84, H784, H785, H785–86, H786, H787. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

Committee Meetings

APPROPRIATIONS—HOMELAND SECURITY

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Homeland Security held a hearing on FY 2013 budget request for the Department of Homeland Security. Testimony was heard from Janet Napolitano, Secretary, Department of Homeland Security.

NATIONAL DEFENSE BUDGET

Committee on Armed Service: Full Committee held a hearing on 2013 Fiscal Year National Defense Authorization Budget from the Department of Defense. Testimony was heard from Leon E. Panetta, Secretary, Department of Defense; and General Martin Dempsey, Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff.

PRESIDENT'S FISCAL YEAR 2013 BUDGET

Committee on the Budget: Full Committee held a hearing entitled "The President's Fiscal Year 2013 Budget". Testimony was heard from Jeffrey Zients,

Acting Director and Deputy Director for Management, Office of Management and Budget.

WHERE THE JOBS ARE

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Commerce Manufacturing and Trade held a hearing entitled “Where the Jobs Are”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

REAUTHORIZATION OF MDUFA

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Health held a hearing entitled “Reauthorization of MDUFA: What It Means for Jobs, Innovation and Patients”. Testimony was heard from Jeffrey Shuren, Director, Center for Devices and Radiological Health, Food and Drug Administration; and public witnesses.

CONSUMER FINANCIAL PROTECTION BUREAU

Committee on Financial Services: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing entitled “Budget Hearing—Consumer Financial Protection Bureau”. Testimony was heard from Richard Cordray, Director, Consumer Financial Protection Bureau.

REFLECTIONS ON THE REVOLUTION IN EGYPT, PART I

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on the Middle East and South Asia held a hearing entitled “Reflections on the Revolution in Egypt, Part I”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

PRESIDENT’S BUDGET REQUEST FOR FISCAL YEAR 2013, HOMELAND SECURITY

Committee on Homeland Security: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “An Examination of the President’s FY 2013 Budget Request for the Department of Homeland Security”. Testimony was heard from Janet Napolitano, Secretary, Department of Homeland Security.

EXECUTIVE OVERREACH: THE PRESIDENT’S UNPRECEDENTED “RECESS” APPOINTMENTS

Committee on the Judiciary: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Executive Overreach: The President’s Unprecedented “Recess” Appointments”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

SAFEGUARDING THE INTEGRITY OF THE IMMIGRATION BENEFITS ADJUDICATION PROCESS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Immigration Policy and Enforcement held a hearing entitled “Safeguarding the Integrity of the Immigration Benefits Adjudication Process”. Testimony was heard

from Alejandro Mayoirkas, Director, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services; Charles K. Edwards, Acting Inspector General, Department of Homeland Security; and public witnesses.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR SPENDING AND THE PRESIDENT’S FISCAL YEAR 2013 BUDGET PROPOSAL

Committee on Natural Resources: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Department of the Interior Spending and the President’s Fiscal Year 2013 Budget Proposal”. Testimony was heard from Ken Salazar, Secretary, Department of the Interior.

LEGISLATIVE MEASURES

Committee on Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Indian and Alaska Native Affairs hearing on H.R. 3973, to facilitate the development of energy on Indian lands by reducing Federal regulations that impede tribal development of Indian lands, and for other purposes. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

WHY RESHUFFLING GOVERNMENT AGENCIES WON’T SOLVE THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT’S OBESITY PROBLEM

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Why Reshuffling Government Agencies Won’t Solve the Federal Government’s Obesity Problem”. Testimony was heard from Senator Mark Warner; Senator Ron Johnson, of Wisconsin; and public witnesses.

BROADBAND: A CATALYST FOR SMALL BUSINESS GROWTH

Committee on Small Business: Subcommittee on Healthcare and Technology held a hearing entitled “Broadband: A Catalyst for Small Business Growth”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

VETERANS’ AFFAIRS BUDGET REQUEST FOR FISCAL YEAR 2013

Committee on Veterans’ Affairs: Full Committee held a hearing on the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs Budget Request for Fiscal Year 2013. Testimony was heard from Eric K. Shinseki, Secretary, Department of Veterans Affairs; and public witnesses.

PRESIDENT OBAMA’S BUDGET PROPOSAL FOR FISCAL YEAR 2013

Committee on Ways and Means: Full Committee held a hearing on President Obama’s budget proposals for fiscal year 2013. Testimony was heard from Timothy F. Geithner, Secretary, Department of the Treasury.

Joint Meetings

ROMA IN EUROPE

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe: Commission concluded a hearing to examine violence against Roma in Europe, focusing on violence in the region, and human rights violations, after receiving testimony from Andrzej Mirga, Organization of Security and Co-operation in Europe, Poland; Dezideriu Gergely, European Roma Rights Center, Romania.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D116)

H.R. 588, to redesignate the Noxubee National Wildlife Refuge as the Sam D. Hamilton Noxubee National Wildlife Refuge. Signed on February 14, 2012. (Public Law 112–94)

H.R. 658, amend title 49, United States Code, to authorize appropriations for the Federal Aviation Administration for fiscal years 2011 through 2014, to streamline programs, create efficiencies, reduce waste, and improve aviation safety and capacity, to provide stable funding for the national aviation system. Signed on February 14, 2012. (Public Law 112–95)

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 2012

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Armed Services: To hold hearings to examine the current and future worldwide threats to the national security of the United States; with the possibility of a closed session in SVC–217 following the open session, 9:30 a.m., SD–G50.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: To hold hearings to examine the European debt crisis and its implications, 10 a.m., SD–538.

Committee on the Budget: To hold hearings to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2013 and revenue proposals, 10 a.m., SD–608.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: To hold hearings to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2013 for the Department of Energy, 9:30 a.m., SD–366.

Committee on Foreign Relations: Business meeting to consider an original resolution condemning violence by the Government of Syria against the Syrian people, 9:30 a.m., SD–419.

Subcommittee on Western Hemisphere, Peace Corps and Global Narcotics Affairs, to hold hearings to examine Iran's influence and activity in Latin America; to be im-

mediately followed by a full committee closed briefing in SVC–217, 10 a.m., SD–419.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: Subcommittee on Employment and Workplace Safety, to hold hearings to examine addressing workforce needs at the regional level, focusing on innovative public and private partnerships, 10 a.m., SD–430.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: To hold hearings to examine securing America's future, focusing on the "Cybersecurity Act of 2012", 2:30 p.m., SD–342.

Committee on Indian Affairs: To hold an oversight hearing to examine energy development in Indian country, 2:15 p.m., SD–628.

Committee on the Judiciary: Business meeting to consider the nominations of Andrew David Hurwitz, of Arizona, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit, John Z. Lee, and John J. Tharp, Jr., both to be a United States District Judge for the Northern District of Illinois, George Levi Russell, III, to be United States District Judge for the District of Maryland, and Kristine Gerhard Baker, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Arkansas, 10 a.m., SD–226.

House

Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Defense, hearing on FY 2013 budget request for the Department of Defense, 10 a.m., 2359 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies, hearing on Quality of Life in the Military, 10 a.m., 2358–A Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies, hearing on FY 2013 budget request for the Department of the Interior, 1:30 p.m., 2359 Rayburn.

Committee on Armed Services, Subcommittee on Strategic Forces, hearing on governance, oversight, and management of the nuclear security enterprise to ensure high quality science, engineering, and mission effectiveness in an age of austerity, 11 a.m., 2212 Rayburn.

Full Committee, hearing on FY 2013 National Defense Authorization Budget Request from the Department of the Navy, 1 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Committee on the Budget, Full Committee, hearing entitled "The President's Fiscal Year 2013 Revenue and Economic Policy Proposals", 2 p.m., 210 Cannon.

Committee on Education and the Workforce, Full Committee, hearing on the following: H.R. 3989, the "Student Success Act" and H.R. 3990, the "Encouraging Innovation and Effective Teachers Act", 10 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, Subcommittee on Communications and Technology, hearing entitled "The Budget and Spending of Federal Communications Commission", 9 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigation, hearing entitled "Regulatory Reform Series #8, Private Sector Views of the Regulatory Climate One Year After Executive Order 13563", 10 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, Full Committee, markup on the following: H.R. 3606, the "Reopening American Capital Markets to Emerging Growth Companies Act of

2011”; H.R. 2308, the “SEC Regulatory Accountability Act”; H.R. 1838 to repeal a provision of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act Prohibiting any federal bailout of swap dealers or participants; and H.R. 4014 to amend the Federal Deposit Insurance Act with respect to information provided to the Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Foreign Affairs, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Egypt at a Crossroads”, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Africa, Global Health, and Human Rights; and Subcommittee on the Western Hemisphere, joint hearing entitled “Further Human Rights Violations in Castro’s Cuba: The Continued Abuse of Political Prisoners”, 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Counterterrorism and Intelligence, hearing entitled “DHS Monitoring of Social Networking and Media: Enhancing Intelligence Gathering and Ensuring Privacy”, 10 a.m., 311 Cannon.

Subcommittee on Transportation Security, continue hearing entitled “Screening Partnership Program: Why Is a Job-Creating, Public-Private Partnership Meeting Resistance at TSA?”, 1 p.m., 311 Cannon.

Subcommittee on Transportation Security, hearing entitled “Last Line of Defense: the Federal Air Marshal Service 10 Years After 9/11”, 2 p.m., 311 Cannon.

Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism and Homeland Security, hearing entitled “The

U.S. Department of Justice and Office on Violence Against Women”, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Full Committee, markup of H.R. 3541, the “Susan B. Anthony and Frederick Douglass Prenatal Nondiscrimination Act of 2011”, 1 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Natural Resources, Full Committee, markup of the following: H.R. 1837, the “San Joaquin Valley Water Reliability Act” and H.R. 4019, the “Federal Forest County Revenue, Schools, and Jobs Act of 2012”, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Lines Crossed: Separation of Church and State. Has the Obama Administration Trampled on Freedom of Religion and Freedom of Conscience?”, 9:30 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on Small Business, Subcommittee on Economic Growth, Tax and Capital Access, hearing entitled “Examining the Role of Government Assistance for Disaster Victims: A Review of H.R. 3042”, 10 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

Committee on Veterans’ Affairs, Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs, hearing on FY 2013 budget request for the Department of Veterans Affairs, 10 a.m., 340 Cannon.

House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, Full Committee, hearing on ongoing intelligence activities, 10 a.m., HVC-304. This is a closed hearing.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

10 a.m., Thursday, February 16

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

10 a.m., Thursday, February 16

Senate Chamber

Program for Thursday: After the transaction of any morning business (not to extend beyond one hour), Senate will continue consideration of S. 1813, Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century.

House Chamber

Program for Thursday: Complete consideration of H.R. 3408—Protecting Investment in Oil Shale the Next Generation of Environmental, Energy, and Resource Security Act.

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