

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed H.R. 2072, Export-Import Bank Reauthorization Act.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S3137–S3179

Measures Introduced: Eleven bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 3177–3187, S.J. Res. 40, and S. Res. 460–461. **Page S3174**

Measures Reported:

S. 1023, to authorize the President to provide assistance to the Government of Haiti to end within 5 years the deforestation in Haiti and restore within 30 years the extent of tropical forest cover in existence in Haiti in 1990. (S. Rept. No. 112–165)

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Measures Passed:

Export-Import Bank Reauthorization Act: By 78 yeas to 20 nays (Vote No. 96), Senate passed H.R. 2072, to reauthorize the Export-Import Bank of the United States, 60 Senators having voted in the affirmative, after agreeing to the motion to proceed, and taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto: **Pages S3137–54, S3155–58**

Rejected:

By 12 yeas to 86 nays (Vote No. 91), Lee Amendment No. 2100, to phase out the authority of the Export-Import Bank of the United States and to require the President to initiate negotiations with other major exporting countries to end subsidized export financing programs. (A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the amendment, having failed to achieve 60 affirmative votes, the amendment was not agreed to.)

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By 9 yeas to 89 nays (Vote No. 92), Paul Amendment No. 2101, to prohibit the Export-Import Bank of the United States from providing financing to a person or for a project in a country the government or central bank of which holds debt instruments of the United States. (A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the amendment, having

failed to achieve 60 affirmative votes, the amendment was not agreed to.) **Pages S3155–56**

By 36 yeas to 62 nays (Vote No. 93), Corker Amendment No. 2102, to require the Export-Import Bank of the United States to provide financing only for transactions subsidized by export credit agencies of other countries or for which private sector financing is unavailable or prohibitively expensive and to require the Bank to maintain a ratio of capital to the outstanding principal balance of loans and loan guarantees of not less than 10 percent. (A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the amendment, having failed to achieve 60 affirmative votes, the amendment was not agreed to.)

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By 37 yeas to 61 nays (Vote No. 94), Vitter Amendment No. 2103, to clarify the requirement that the Export-Import Bank of the United States not make or guarantee loans that are subordinate to other loans, to restrict financing of certain fossil fuel projects in foreign countries, and to prohibit financing of renewable energy products manufactured in foreign countries. (A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the amendment, having failed to achieve 60 affirmative votes, the amendment was not agreed to.) **Pages S3150–52, S3157**

By 35 yeas to 63 nays (Vote No. 95), Toomey Amendment No. 2104, to prohibit an increase in the lending authority of the Export-Import Bank of the United States to more than \$100,000,000,000 until the Secretary of the Treasury certifies that the Secretary has initiated international negotiations to eliminate export financing programs and to prohibit an increase in that lending authority to more than \$120,000,000,000 until a multilateral agreement to eliminate export financing programs has been completed. (A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the amendment, having failed to achieve 60 affirmative votes, the amendment was not agreed to.) **Pages S3152–54, S3157–58**

National Public Works Week: Senate agreed to S. Res. 460, designating the week of May 20 through May 26, 2012, as “National Public Works Week”.

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Recognizing Teachers Contributions to the United States: Senate agreed to S. Res. 461, recognizing the teachers of the United States for their contributions to the development and progress of our Nation.

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Measures Considered:

Stop the Student Loan Interest Rate Hike Act: Senate began consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 2343, to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to extend the reduced interest rate for Federal Direct Stafford Loans. Page S3158

Budget Resolutions—Agreement: A unanimous-consent-time agreement was reached providing that following Leader remarks, on Wednesday, May 16, 2012, Senate proceed to the consideration of motions to proceed to the following budget resolutions en bloc: S. Con. Res. 41, setting forth the President’s budget request for the United States Government for fiscal year 2013, and setting forth the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2014 through 2022; H. Con. Res. 112, establishing the budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2013 and setting forth appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2014 through 2022; S. Con. Res. 37, setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2013, and setting forth the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2014 through 2022; S. Con. Res. 42, setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2013, revising the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal year 2012, and setting forth the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2013 through 2022; and S. Con. Res. 44, setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2013 and setting forth the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2014 through 2022; that there be six hours of debate on the motions to proceed, equally divided between the two Leaders, or their designees; that upon the use or yielding back of time, Senate vote on the five motions to proceed in the order listed above; that there be two minutes equally divided between the votes; that all after the first vote be ten minute votes; Notwithstanding the adoption of any motion to proceed; Senate proceed to the remaining votes on motions to proceed; provided further, that at the conclusion of these votes, Senate resume consideration of the budget resolution if a motion to proceed is adopted; if no motion to proceed has been adopted, the Majority Leader be recognized. Pages S3154–55

Stein Nomination—Cloture: Senate began consideration of the nomination of Jeremy C. Stein, of Massachusetts, to be a Member of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System. Page S3158

A motion was entered to close further debate on the 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 on Thursday, May, 17, 2012. Page S3158

Powell Nomination—Cloture: Senate began consideration of the nomination of Jerome H. Powell, of Maryland, to be a Member of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System. Pages S3158–59

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 the nomination of Jeremy C. Stein, of Massachusetts, to be a Member of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System. Page S3159

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Thomas Hart Armbruster, of New York, to be Ambassador to the Republic of the Marshall Islands.

David Bruce Wharton, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Zimbabwe.

1 Air Force nomination in the rank of general.

Routine lists in the Foreign Service, and Public Health Service. Pages S3178–79

Nomination Withdrawn: Senate received notification of withdrawal of the following nomination:

Arunava Majumdar, of California, to be Under Secretary of Energy, which was sent to the Senate on November 30, 2011. Page S3179

Measures Placed on the Calendar: Page S3172

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Record Votes: Six record votes were taken today. (Total—96) Pages S3155, S3156, S3156–57, S3157, S3158

Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 6:36 p.m., until 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday, May 16, 2012. (For Senate’s program, see the

remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S3178.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

APPROPRIATIONS: MILITARY CONSTRUCTION AND VETERANS AFFAIRS, AND RELATED AGENCIES

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Military Construction and Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies approved for full committee consideration an original bill making appropriations for Military Construction and Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies for fiscal year 2013.

APPROPRIATIONS: DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Department of Homeland Security approved for full committee consideration an original bill making appropriations for the Department of Homeland Security for fiscal year 2013.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Armed Services: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Frank Kendall III, of Virginia, to be Under Secretary for Acquisition, Technology, and Logistics, James N. Miller, Jr., of Virginia, to be Under Secretary for Policy, Erin C. Conaton, of the District of Columbia, to be Under Secretary for Personnel and Readiness, Kathleen H. Hicks, of Virginia, to be Principal Deputy Under Secretary for Policy, Jessica Lynn Wright, of Pennsylvania, to be Assistant Secretary for Reserve Affairs, Derek H. Chollet, of Nebraska, to be Assistant Secretary for International Security Affairs, and Heidi Shyu, of California, to be Assistant Secretary of the Army for Acquisition, Logistics, and Technology, all of the Department of Defense.

TAX REFORM

Committee on Finance: Committee concluded a hearing to examine tax reform, focusing on what it could

mean for tribes and territories, after receiving testimony from Sarah H. Ingram, Commissioner, Tax Exempt and Government Entities, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury; Steven Maguire, Specialist in Public Finance, Government and Finance Division, Congressional Research Service, Library of Congress; Robert Odawi Porter, Seneca Nation of Indians, Salamanca, New York; and Lindsay G. Robertson, University of Oklahoma College of Law, Norman.

HIV/AIDS

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: Subcommittee on Primary Health and Aging concluded a hearing to examine the cost of HIV/AIDS drugs and the Prize Fund alternative, including S. 1137, to provide incentives for investment in research and development for new medicines, to enhance access to new medicines, and S. 1138, to delink research and development incentives from drug prices for new medicines to treat HIV/AIDS and to stimulate greater sharing of scientific knowledge, after receiving testimony from Mohammad N. Akhter, District of Columbia Department of Health Director, Frank Oldham, Jr., National Association of People with AIDS, and James Packard Love, Knowledge Ecology International, all of Washington, D.C.; Suerie Moon, Harvard Global Health Institute and the Harvard School of Public Health, and Lawrence Lessig, Harvard Law School, both of Cambridge, Massachusetts; and Joseph E. Stiglitz, Columbia University, New York, New York.

LONG-TERM UNEMPLOYMENT

Special Committee on Aging: Committee concluded a hearing to examine solving the long-term unemployment crisis for older workers, after receiving testimony from Charles A. Jeszeck, Director, Education, Workforce, and Income Security, Government Accountability Office; Joseph M. Carbone, The Workplace, Bridgeport, Connecticut; Diana Furchtgott-Roth, Manhattan Institute, New York, New York; Christine L. Owens, National Employment Law Project, Washington, D.C.; and Sheila Whitelaw, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 41 public bills, H.R. 5740–5780; and 3 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 124; and H. Res. 657–658 were introduced. **Pages H2712–14**

Additional Cosponsors: **Page H2715**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows: H.R. 4970, to reauthorize the Violence Against Women Act of 1994, with an amendment (H. Rept. 112–480, Pt. 1);

Supplemental report on H.R. 4310, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2013 for military activities of the Department of Defense, to prescribe military personnel strengths for fiscal year 2013, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 112–479, Pt. 2); and

H. Res. 656, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 4970) to reauthorize the Violence Against Women Act of 1994, and providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 4310) to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2013 for military activities of the Department of Defense, to prescribe military personnel strengths for fiscal year 2013, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 112–481). **Page H2712**

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Bishop (UT) to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H2665**

Recess: The House recessed at 12:05 p.m. and reconvened at 2 p.m. **Page H2665**

Recess: The House recessed at 2:14 p.m. and reconvened at 4:06 p.m. **Page H2667**

Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Mobile Workforce State Income Tax Simplification Act: H.R. 1864, amended, to limit the authority of States to tax certain income of employees for employment duties performed in other States; **Pages H2667–69**

National Blue Alert Act of 2012: H.R. 365, to encourage, enhance, and integrate Blue Alert plans throughout the United States in order to disseminate information when a law enforcement officer is seriously injured or killed in the line of duty, by a 2/3 yea-and-nay vote of 394 yeas to 1 nay, Roll No. 250; **Pages H2673–76, H2693–94**

Security in Bonding Act: H.R. 3534, amended, to amend title 31, United States Code, to revise requirements related to assets pledged by a surety; **Pages H2676–78**

Black Hills Cemetery Act: H.R. 3874, amended, to provide for the conveyance of eight cemeteries that are located on National Forest System land in Black Hills National Forest, South Dakota, by a 2/3 yea-and-nay vote of 400 yeas to 1 nay, Roll No. 251; **Pages H2681–82, H2694**

Agreed to amend the title so as to read: “To provide for the conveyance of certain cemeteries that are located on National Forest System land in Black Hills National Forest, South Dakota.” **Page H2695**

HEARTH Act: H.R. 205, amended, to amend the Act titled “An Act to authorize the leasing of restricted Indian lands for public, religious, educational, recreational, residential, business, and other purposes requiring the grant of long-term leases”, approved August 9, 1955, to provide for Indian tribes to enter into certain leases without prior express approval from the Secretary of the Interior, by a 2/3 yea-and-nay vote of 400 yeas with none voting “nay,” Roll No. 252; and **Pages H2682–85, H2695**

Agreed to amend the title so as to read: “To amend the Act titled ‘An Act to authorize the leasing of restricted Indian lands for public, religious, educational, recreational, residential, business, and other purposes requiring the grant of long-term leases’, approved August 9, 1955, to provide for Indian tribes to enter into certain leases without prior express approval from the Secretary of the Interior, and for other purposes.” **Page H2695**

Ambassador James R. Lilley and Congressman Stephen J. Solarz North Korea Human Rights Reauthorization Act of 2012: H.R. 4240, amended, to reauthorize the North Korean Human Rights Act of 2004; and **Pages H2685–87**

Modifying the Department of Defense Program Guidance relating to the award of Post-Deployment/Mobilization Respite Absence administrative absence days to members of the reserve components: H.R. 4045, amended, to modify the Department of Defense Program Guidance relating to the award of Post-Deployment/Mobilization Respite Absence administrative absence days to members of the reserve components to exempt any member whose qualified mobilization commenced before October 1, 2011, and continued on or after that date, from the changes to the program guidance that took effect on that date. **Pages H2695–98**

Recess: The House recessed at 6:21 p.m. and reconvened at 6:30 p.m. **Page H2693**

Suspensions—Proceedings Postponed: The House debated the following measures under suspension of the rules. Further proceedings were postponed:

Border Tunnel Prevention Act of 2012: H.R. 4119, amended, to reduce the trafficking of drugs and to prevent human smuggling across the Southwest Border by deterring the construction and use of border tunnels; **Pages H2669–73**

Chimney Rock National Monument Establishment Act: H.R. 2621, amended, to establish the Chimney Rock National Monument in the State of Colorado; **Pages H2678–80**

Amending the Mesquite Lands Act of 1986 to facilitate implementation of a multispecies habitat conservation plan: H.R. 2745, amended, to amend the Mesquite Lands Act of 1986 to facilitate implementation of a multispecies habitat conservation plan for the Virgin River in Clark County, Nevada; and **Pages H2680–81**

Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives regarding the importance of preventing the Government of Iran from acquiring a nuclear weapons capability: H. Res. 568, amended, to express the sense of the House of Representatives regarding the importance of preventing the Government of Iran from acquiring a nuclear weapons capability. **Pages H2687–93**

Supplemental Report: Agreed that the Committee on Armed Services be authorized to file a supplemental report on H.R. 4310, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2013 for military activities of the Department of Defense, to prescribe military personnel strengths for fiscal year 2013, and for other purposes. **Page H2693**

Commission on International Religious Freedom—Appointment: The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of the following member on the part of the House to the Commission on International Religious Freedom for a term ending May 14, 2014: Mr. Elliot Abrams of Virginia. **Page H2698**

Senate Messages: Message received from the Senate by the Clerk and subsequently presented to the House today and a message received from the Senate today appear on page H2693.

Senate Referral: S. 418 was held at the desk.

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Quorum Calls Votes: Three yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H2693–94, H2694, H2695. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 12 noon and adjourned at 9:31 p.m.

Committee Meeting

CHEN GUANGCHENG: HIS CASE, CAUSE, FAMILY, AND THOSE WHO ARE HELPING HIM

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on Africa, Global Health, and Human Rights held a hearing entitled “Chen Guangcheng: His Case, Cause, Family, and Those Who are Helping Him”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN REAUTHORIZATION ACT OF 2012; NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION ACT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2013

Committee on Rules: Granted, by a record vote of 7 to 2, a closed rule for H.R. 4970, Violence Against Women Reauthorization Act of 2012. The rule provides one hour of debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on the Judiciary. 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 the Judiciary now printed in the bill, as modified by the amendment printed in the Rules Committee report, shall be considered as adopted. 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 provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions.

The resolution further provides for a general debate rule for H.R. 4310, National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2013. The rule provides one hour of general debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Armed Services. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. Finally, the rule provides that no further consideration of the bill shall occur except pursuant to a subsequent order of the House. Testimony on H.R. 4310 was heard from Chairman McKeon and Representative Smith of Washington. Testimony on H.R. 4970 was heard from Representative Gowdy, LoBiondo, Griffith of Virginia, Biggert, Scott of Virginia, Zoe Lofgren of California, Jackson Lee of Texas, Visclosky, Schakowsky, and Moore.

Joint Meetings

POLITICAL PRISONERS IN CENTRAL ASIA

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe. Commission received a briefing on political prisoners in Central Asia, focusing on Uzbekistan, Turkmenistan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan, and Kazakhstan from Cathy Cosman, United States Commission on International

Religious Freedom, Washington, D.C.; Sanjar Umarov, Sunshine Coalition, Memphis, Tennessee; and Muzaffar Suleymanov, Committee to Protect Journalists, New York, New York.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, MAY 16, 2012

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Department of the Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2013 for the Environmental Protection Agency, 10:30 a.m., SD-124.

Subcommittee on Department of Defense, to receive a closed briefing on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2013 for Northern Command and Southern Command Programs, 10:30 a.m., SVC-217.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: to hold an oversight hearing to examine the Federal Communications Commission, 2:30 p.m., SR-253.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Subcommittee on Children's Health and Environmental Responsibility, to hold hearings to examine growing long-term value, focusing on corporate environmental responsibility and innovation, 10 a.m., SD-406.

Committee on Foreign Relations: to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Peter William Bodde, of Maryland, to be Ambassador to the Federal Democratic Republic of Nepal, Piper Anne Wind Campbell, of the District of Columbia, to be Ambassador to Mongolia, and Dorothea-Maria Rosen, of California, to be Ambassador to the Federated States of Micronesia, all of the Department of State, 2:30 p.m., SD-419.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: to hold hearings to examine identifying opportunities for health care delivery system reform, focusing on lessons from the front line, 10 a.m., SD-430.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: business meeting to consider S. 1910, to provide benefits to domestic partners of Federal employees, S. 1515, to permit certain members of the United States Secret Service and certain members of the United States Secret Service Uniformed Division who were appointed in 1984, 1985, or 1986 to elect to be covered under the District of Columbia Police and Firefighter Retirement and Disability System in the same manner as members appointed prior to 1984, S. 2218, to reauthorize the United States Fire Administration, S. 1100, to amend title 41, United States Code, to prohibit inserting politics into the Federal acquisition process by prohibiting the submission of political contribution information as a condition of receiving a Federal contract, H.R. 2415, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 11 Dock Street in Pittston, Pennsylvania, as the "Trooper Joshua D. Miller Post Office Building", H.R. 3220, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 170 Evergreen Square SW in Pine City, Minnesota, as the

"Master Sergeant Daniel L. Fedder Post Office", H.R. 3413, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1449 West Avenue in Bronx, New York, as the "Private Isaac T. Cortes Post Office", and the nomination of Joseph G. Jordan, of Massachusetts, to be Administrator for Federal Procurement Policy, Executive Office of the President, 10 a.m., SD-342.

Committee on the Judiciary: to hold an oversight hearing to examine the Federal Bureau of Investigation, 10 a.m., SD-226.

United States Senate Caucus on International Narcotics Control: to hold hearings to examine drug threats in West Africa, focusing on drug trafficking and United States efforts to counter emerging narcotics-related threats, 2:30 p.m., SD-562.

House

Committee on Agriculture, Subcommittee on General Farm Commodities and Risk Management, hearing entitled "Formulation of the 2012 Farm Bill: Commodity Programs and Crop Insurance", public witness day, 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

Committee on Appropriations, Full Committee, meeting to consider Revised Suballocation of Budget Allocations for Fiscal Year 2013; Full Committee, markup Homeland Security Appropriations Bill for Fiscal Year 2013; and Military Construction, Veterans Affairs and Related Agencies Appropriations Bill for FY 2013, 10 a.m., 2359 Rayburn.

Committee on Education and the Workforce, Subcommittee on Early Childhood, Elementary, and Secondary Education, hearing entitled "Exploring State Success in Expanding Parent and Student Options", 10 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, Subcommittee on Communications and Technology, hearing entitled "Broadband Loans and Grants", 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Commerce, Manufacturing, and Trade, hearing entitled "Where the Jobs Are: Promoting Tourism to America", 10:15 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

Full Committee, markup of H.R. 4471, the "Gasoline Regulations Act of 2012"; and H.R. 4480, the "Strategic Energy Production Act of 2012", 4 p.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, Subcommittee on Financial Institutions, hearing entitled "The Impact of the Dodd-Frank Act: What It Means to be a Systemically Important Financial Institution", 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled "Oversight of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation's Structured Transaction Program", 2 p.m., 2220 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on International Monetary Policy and Trade, hearing entitled "Increasing Market Access for U.S. Financial Firms in China: Update on Progress of the Strategic and Economic Dialogue", 2 p.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Foreign Affairs, Subcommittee on Middle East and South Asia, hearing entitled "Assessing U.S. Foreign Policy Priorities and Needs Amidst Economic Challenges in South Asia", 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled “Status of the Processing of the Camp Ashraf Residents”, 2:30 p.m., 2200 Rayburn.

Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Transportation Security, hearing entitled “Access Control Point Breaches at Our Nation’s Airports: Anomalies or Systemic Failures?” 10 a.m., 311 Cannon.

Committee on the Judiciary, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Implementation of the Leahy-Smith America Invents Act”, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Full Committee, markup of H.R. 5512, “Divisional Realignment Act of 2012” and H.R. 4377, the “Responsibly And Professionally Invigorating Development Act of 2012”, 12:30 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Natural Resources, Full Committee, markup of the following measures: H.R. 1192, the “Soda Ash Royalty Extension, Job Creation, and Export Enhancement Act of 2011”; H.R. 3973, the “Native American Energy Act”; H.R. 4043, the “Military Readiness and Southern Sea Otter Conservation Act”; H.R. 4381, the “Planning for American Energy Act of 2012”; H.R. 4382, the “Providing Leasing Certainty for American Energy Act of 2012”; H.R. 4383, the “Streamlining Permitting of American Energy Act of 2012”; and H.R. 4402, the “National Strategic and Critical Minerals Production Act of 2012”, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, Subcommittee on Regulatory Affairs, Stimulus and Government Spending, hearing entitled “The Obama Administration’s Green Energy Gamble: What Have All the Taxpayer Subsidies Achieved?”, 9:30 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Federal Workforce, U.S. Postal Service and Labor Policy, hearing entitled “Hatch Act: Options for Reform”, 9:30 a.m., 2247 Rayburn.

Committee on Rules, Full Committee, hearing on H.R. 4310, the “National Defense Authorization Act, FY 2013” (amendment testimony), 2:30 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

Committee on Small Business, Full Committee, hearing entitled “U.S. Trade Strategy: What’s Next for Small Business Exporters?”, 1 p.m., 2360 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime, hearing entitled “Creating American Jobs and Assuring the Safety and Security of America’s Waterways: A Review of the Coast Guard’s 5-year Capital Improvement Plan”, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Committee on Veterans’ Affairs, Subcommittee on Health, hearing entitled “Optimizing Care for Veterans with Prosthetics”, 10 a.m., 334 Cannon.

Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity, hearing entitled “Examining Executive Order #13607 and Its Impact and Schools and Veterans”, 2 p.m., 340 Cannon.

Committee on Ways and Means, Subcommittee on Oversight, hearing entitled “Examining Operations and Oversight of Tax-Exempt Organizations”, 10 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

Joint Meetings

Joint Economic Committee: to hold hearings to examine how the taxation of labor and transfer payments affect growth and employment, 2 p.m., SD-G50.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

9:30 a.m., Wednesday, May 16

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

10 a.m., Wednesday, May 16

Senate Chamber

Program for Wednesday: The Majority Leader will be recognized. Following Leader remarks, Senate will begin consideration of the motions to proceed to consideration of the following budget resolutions en bloc: S. Con. Res. 41, H. Con. Res. 112, S. Con. Res. 37, S. Con. Res. 42, and S. Con. Res. 44, with up to 6 hours of debate, and vote on the motion to proceed to consideration of each resolution at approximately 4 p.m.

House Chamber

Program for Wednesday: Consideration of H.R. 4970—Violence Against Women Reauthorization Act (Subject to a Rule). Begin consideration of H.R. 4310—National Defense Authorization Act for FY 2013 (Subject to a Rule).

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