

CORRECTION

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 10 public bills, H.R. 5727–5736; and 1 resolution, H.J. Res. 758, were introduced. **Pages H8070–71**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages H8071–72**

Reports Filed: There were no reports filed today.

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Thompson (PA) to act as Speaker Pro tempore for today. **Page H8035**

Recess: The House recessed at 11:05 a.m. and reconvened at 12 noon. **Page H8042**

Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the guest chaplain, Reverend Arne Panula, Catholic Information Center, Washington, DC. **Page H8042**

Recess: The House recessed at 2:29 p.m. and reconvened at 5:01 p.m. **Page H8060**

EPA Science Advisory Board Reform Act: The House passed H.R. 1422, to amend the Environmental Research, Development, and Demonstration Authorization Act of 1978 to provide for Scientific Advisory Board member qualifications and public participation, by a recorded vote of 229 ayes to 191 noes, Roll No. 525. **Pages H8050–60, H8060–64**

Rejected the Sean Patrick Maloney (NY) motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology with instructions to report the same back to the House forthwith with an amendment by a recorded vote of 195 ayes to 225 noes, Roll No. 524. **Pages H8062–63**

Pursuant to the Rule, the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology now printed in the bill shall be considered as adopted. **Page H8050**

Agreed to:

Stewart amendment (No. 1 printed in part A of H. Rept. 113–626) that makes technical changes to conform with recent amendments to the underlying statute. It also reiterates the independence of the Science Advisory Board and clarifies pre-existing language (by a yea-and-nay vote of 232 yeas to 184 nays, Roll No. 523). **Pages H8060–62**

H. Res. 756, the rule providing for consideration of the bills (H.R. 1422), (H.R. 4012), and (H.R. 4795), was agreed to by a recorded vote of 227 ayes to 192 noes, Roll No. 522, after the previous question was ordered by a yea-and-nay vote of 225 yeas to 190 nays, Roll No. 521. **Pages H8045–50**

Moment of Silence: The House observed a moment of silence in memory of William Frenzel, former Member of Congress. **Page H8064**

Senate Message: Message received from the Senate by the Clerk and subsequently presented to the House today appears on page H8044.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Two yea-and-nay votes and three recorded votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H8040–50, H8050, H8061–62, H8062–63, H8063–64. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 7:13 p.m.

Committee Meetings

UPDATE ON THE U.S. PUBLIC HEALTH RESPONSE TO THE EBOLA OUTBREAK

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing entitled “Update on the U.S. Public Health Response to the Ebola Outbreak”. Testimony was heard from Thomas R. Frieden, Director, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention; Nicole Lurie, Assistant Secretary, Preparedness and Response, Department of Health and Human Services; Rear Admiral Boris Lushniak, Acting Surgeon General, Department of Health and Human Services; David Lakey, Commissioner, Texas Department of State Health Services; and public witnesses.

THE IMPACT OF INTERNATIONAL REGULATORY STANDARDS ON THE COMPETITIVENESS OF U.S. INSURERS, PART II

Committee on Financial Services: Subcommittee on Housing and Insurance held a hearing entitled “The Impact of International Regulatory Standards on the Competitiveness of U.S. Insurers, Part II”. Testimony was heard from Michael McRaith, Director, Federal Insurance Office, Department of the Treasury; Neil D. Breslin, Senator, State of New York; Michael F. Consedine, Commissioner, Pennsylvania State Insurance Department; and Thomas Sullivan, Senior Advisor, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System.

FIGHTING EBOLA: A GROUND-LEVEL VIEW

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on Africa, Global Health, Global Human Rights, and International Organizations held a hearing entitled “Fighting Ebola: A Ground-Level View”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

IRANIAN NUCLEAR TALKS: NEGOTIATING A BAD DEAL?

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on Terrorism, Nonproliferation, and Trade held a hearing entitled “Iranian Nuclear Talks: Negotiating a Bad Deal?”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

WATER SHARING CONFLICTS AND THE THREAT TO INTERNATIONAL PEACE

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on Europe, Eurasia, and Emerging Threats held a hearing entitled “Water Sharing Conflicts and the Threat to International Peace”. Testimony was heard from Paul Sullivan, Professor of Economics, National Defense University; and public witnesses.

UNACCOMPANIED ALIEN CHILDREN: PRESSING THE ADMINISTRATION FOR A STRATEGY

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on the Western Hemisphere held a hearing entitled “Unaccompanied Alien Children: Pressing the Administration for a Strategy”. Testimony was heard from Roberta S. Jacobson, Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Western Hemisphere Affairs, Department of State; Elizabeth Hogan, Acting Assistant Administrator, Bureau for Latin America and the Caribbean, U.S. Agency for International Development; Robert N. Kaplan, President and Chief Executive Officer, Inter-American Foundation; and Catherine Wiesner, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Population, Refugees, and Migration, Department of State.

INTEROPERABLE COMMUNICATIONS: ASSESSING PROGRESS SINCE 9/11

Committee on Homeland Security: Subcommittee on Emergency Preparedness, Response, and Communications held a hearing entitled “Interoperable Communications: Assessing Progress Since 9/11”. Testimony was heard from Rear Admiral Ronald Hewitt, USCG (Ret.), Director, Office of Emergency Communications, Department of Homeland Security; TJ Kennedy, Acting General Manager, First Responder Network Authority; and Mark A. Grubb, Director, Delaware Department of Safety and Homeland Security, Division of Communications.

ABUSE OF USPTO’S TELEWORK PROGRAM: ENSURING OVERSIGHT, ACCOUNTABILITY AND QUALITY

Committee on the Judiciary: Full Committee, and the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, held a joint hearing entitled “Abuse of USPTO’s Telework Program: Ensuring Oversight, Accountability and Quality”. Testimony was heard from Representative Wolf; Margaret A. Focarino, Commissioner for Patents, U.S. Patent and Trademark

Office; Todd J. Zinser, Inspector General, Department of Commerce; and public witnesses.

FAA REAUTHORIZATION: ISSUES IN MODERNIZING AND OPERATING THE NATION’S AIRSPACE

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “FAA Reauthorization: Issues in Modernizing and Operating the Nation’s Airspace”. Testimony was heard from Calvin Scovel, Inspector General, Department of Transportation; and public witnesses.

VA’S LONGSTANDING INFORMATION SECURITY WEAKNESSES CONTINUE TO ALLOW EXTENSIVE DATA MANIPULATION

Committee on Veterans’ Affairs: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “VA’s Longstanding Information Security Weaknesses Continue to Allow Extensive Data Manipulation”. Testimony was heard from Stephen Warren, Executive in Charge and Chief Information Officer, Office of Information and Technology, Department of Veterans Affairs; Sondra McCauley, Deputy Assistant Inspector General for Audits and Evaluations, Office of Inspector General, Department of Veterans Affairs; and Greg Wilshusen, Director of Information Security Issues, Government Accountability Office.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 2014

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: business meeting to consider the nominations of Lourdes Maria Castro Ramirez, of California, to be an Assistant Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, and Therese W. McMillan, of California, to be Federal Transit Administrator, Department of Transportation; to be immediately followed by an oversight hearing to examine the Federal Housing Finance Agency, focusing on balancing stability, growth, and affordability in the mortgage market, 10 a.m., SD-538.

Committee on Foreign Relations: to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Antony Blinken, of New York, to be Deputy Secretary of State, 2:45 p.m., SD-419.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: business meeting to consider S. 2917, Adding Ebola to the FDA Priority Review Voucher Program Act, H.R. 669, to amend the Public Health Service Act to improve the health of children and help better understand and enhance awareness about unexpected sudden death in early life, and the nominations of P. David Lopez, of Arizona,