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MANAGING THE DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Subcommittee on Oversight of Government Management, the Federal Workforce, and the District of Columbia, concluded a hearing to examine a status report on reform efforts by the Under Secretary of Homeland Security for Management, after receiving testimony from Paul A. Schneider, Under Secretary of Homeland Security; and David M. Walker, Comptroller General of the United States, Government Accountability Office.

VIOLENT EXTREMISM

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine government efforts to defeat violent Islamist extremism, after receiving testimony from Jeremy F. Curtin, Coordinator, Bureau of International Information Programs, Department of State; Chip Poncy, Director, Office of Strategic Policy, Terrorist Financing and Financial Crimes, Department of the Treasury; John J. Miller, Assistant Director, Office of Public Affairs, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Department of Justice; and Jeffrey J. Grieco, Acting Assistant Administrator for Legislative and Public Affairs, United States Agency for International Development.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Indian Affairs: Committee ordered favorably reported the following items:

S. 1200, to amend the Indian Health Care Improvement Act to revise and extend the Act;

S. 310, to express the policy of the United States regarding the United States relationship with Native Hawaiians and to provide a process for the recognition by the United States of the Native Hawaiian governing entity;

H.R. 835, to reauthorize the programs of the Department of Housing and Urban Development for housing assistance for Native Hawaiians; and

S.J. Res. 4, to acknowledge a long history of official depredations and ill-conceived policies by the United States Government regarding Indian tribes and offer an apology to all Native Peoples on behalf of the United States.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Leslie Southwick, of Mississippi, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Fifth Circuit, who was introduced by Senators Cochran and Lott, Janet T. Neff, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Michigan, who was introduced by Senators Levin and Stabenow, and Liam O'Grady, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Virginia, who was introduced by Senator Warner, after each nominee testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 29 public bills, H.R. 2260–2288; and 7 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 147; and H. Res. 392–397 were introduced. **Pages H4912–14**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages H4914–15**

Report Filed: A report was filed today as follows:
H.R. 1036, to authorize the Administrator of General Services to convey a parcel of real property to the Alaska Railroad Corporation (H. Rept. 110–145). **Page H4912**

Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the guest Chaplain, Rev. Ronald L. Calkins, Mary, Queen of Peace Catholic Church, Mandeville, Louisiana. **Page H4755**

Recess: The House recessed at 9:06 a.m. and reconvened at 10:23 p.m. **Page H4755**

Reception in the House Chamber to Receive Former Members of Congress: The House recessed to receive the United States Association of Former Members of Congress in the House Chamber. Later, agreed to the Yarmuth motion that the proceedings had during the recess be printed in the Record. **Pages H4755–63**

Congratulating the City of Chicago for being chosen to represent the United States in the

international competition to host the 2016 Olympic and Paralympic Games: The House agreed by unanimous consent to discharge from the Committee on Foreign Affairs and pass S. Con. Res. 28, congratulating the City of Chicago for being chosen to represent the United States in the international competition to host the 2016 Olympic and Paralympic Games, and encouraging the International Olympic Committee to select Chicago as the site of the 2016 Olympic and Paralympic Games. **Page H4766**

Small Business Fairness in Contracting Act: The House passed H.R. 1873, to reauthorize the programs and activities of the Small Business Administration relating to procurement, by a recorded vote of 409 ayes to 13 noes, Roll No. 323. Consideration of the bill began on Wednesday, May 9th.

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Rejected the English (PA) motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Small Business with instructions to report the same back to the House forthwith with an amendment, by a recorded vote of 209 ayes to 216 noes, Roll No. 322. **Pages H4770–71**

Agreed to:

Sestak modified amendment (No. 4 printed in H. Rept. 110–137) that closes a loophole in the current bill that allows agencies to avoid doing small business impact studies by designating contracts as “transformed” and lowers the new dollar threshold to ensure a greater portion of contracts are reviewed for their impact on small business as well as taxpayer savings (by a recorded vote of 423 ayes with none voting “no”, Roll No. 319); **Pages H4767–68**

Shuler amendment (No. 2 printed in H. Rept. 110–137) that extends small business contracting goals to overseas contracts (by a recorded vote of 398 ayes to 29 noes, Roll No. 320); and **Page H4768**

Bean amendment (No. 3 printed in H. Rept. 110–137) that raises the government-wide small business procurement goal from 25 percent to 30 percent (by a recorded vote of 371 ayes to 55 noes, Roll No. 321). **Pages H4768–69**

H. Res. 383, the rule providing for consideration of the bill, was agreed to on Wednesday, May 9th.

Motion to resolve into Secret Session: The House rejected the Flake motion that the House resolve itself into secret session, that the House be cleared of all persons except the Members, Delegates, Resident Commissioner, and officers of the House to consider certain communications, by a recorded vote of 207 ayes to 217 noes, Roll No. 328.

Pages H4795–96

Providing for the redeployment of United States Armed Forces and defense contractors from Iraq: The House failed to pass H.R. 2237, to provide for the redeployment of United States Armed

Forces and defense contractors from Iraq, by a recorded vote of 171 ayes to 255 noes, Roll No. 330.

Pages H4772–79, H4794–H4807

Rejected the Saxton motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Armed Services with instructions to report the same back to the House forthwith with an amendment, by a yea-and-nay vote of 210 yeas to 218 nays, Roll No. 329. **Page H4805**

H. Res. 387, the rule providing for consideration of the bills H.R. 2237, H.R. 2206, and H.R. 2207 was agreed to by a yea-and-nay vote of 219 yeas to 199 nays, Roll No. 327, after agreeing to order the previous question by a yea-and-nay vote of 222 yeas to 201 nays, Roll No. 326. **Pages H4794–95**

Motion to resolve into Secret Session: The House rejected the Issa motion that the House resolve itself into secret session, that the House be cleared of all persons except the Members, Delegates, Resident Commissioner, and officers of the House to consider certain communications, by a yea-and-nay vote of 198 yeas to 216 nays, Roll No. 331. **Page H4808**

Making Emergency Supplemental Appropriations for the Fiscal Year Ending September 30, 2007: The House passed H.R. 2206, amended, to make emergency supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2007, by a yea-and-nay vote of 221 yeas to 205 nays, Roll No. 333.

Pages H4808–67

Rejected the Lewis (CA) motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Appropriations with instructions to report the same back to the House forthwith with an amendment, by a yea-and-nay vote of 195 yeas to 229 nays, Roll No. 332.

Pages H4865–66

Pursuant to the rule, the amendment printed in part A of H. Rept. 110–143 shall be considered as adopted. **Page H4831**

H. Res. 387, the rule providing for consideration of the bills H.R. 2237, H.R. 2206, and H.R. 2207 was agreed to by a yea-and-nay vote of 219 yeas to 199 nays, Roll No. 327, after agreeing to order the previous question by a yea-and-nay vote of 222 yeas to 201 nays, Roll No. 326. **Pages H4794–95**

Motion to resolve into Secret Session: Representative Issa moved that the House resolve itself into secret session and that the House be cleared of all persons except the Members, Delegates, Resident Commissioner, and officers of the House to consider certain communications. The House agreed to table the Issa motion by a recorded vote of 219 ayes to 199 noes, Roll No. 334. **Pages H4867–68**

Committee Elections: The House agreed to H. Res. 393, electing the following Members to serve on certain standing committees of the House of Representatives: Committee on Appropriations: Representative

Calvert. Committee on Armed Services: Representative Shuster, to rank after Representative Franks (AZ). Committee on Financial Services: Representative McCotter. Committee on Foreign Affairs: Representative Bilirakis. Committee on Natural Resources: Representative Fallin and Representative McCarthy (CA). Committee on Oversight and Government Reform: Representative Jordan. **Page H4868**

Making Supplemental Appropriations for Agricultural and Other Emergency Assistance for the Fiscal Year Ending September 30, 2007: The House passed H.R. 2207, amended, to make supplemental appropriations for agricultural and other emergency assistance for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2007, by a yea-and-nay vote of 302 yeas to 120 nays, Roll No. 336. **Pages H4868–80**

Rejected the Lewis (CA) motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Appropriations with instructions to report the same back to the House forthwith with an amendment, by a yea-and-nay vote of 184 yeas to 233 nays, Roll No. 335.

Pages H4878–79

Pursuant to the rule, the amendment printed in part B of H. Rept. 110–143 shall be considered as adopted. **Page H4870**

H. Res. 387, the rule providing for consideration of the bills H.R. 2237, H.R. 2206, and H.R. 2207 was agreed to by a yea-and-nay vote of 219 yeas to 199 nays, Roll No. 327, after agreeing to order the previous question by a yea-and-nay vote of 222 yeas to 201 nays, Roll No. 326. **Pages H4794–95**

Intelligence Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2008: The House passed H.R. 2082, amended, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2008 for intelligence and intelligence-related activities of the United States Government, the Community Management Account, and the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement and Disability System, by a recorded vote of 225 yeas to 197 noes, Roll No. 341.

Pages H4779–86, H4787–94, H4881–H4910

Rejected the Rogers (MI) motion to recommit the bill to the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence with instructions to report the same back to the House forthwith with amendments, by a recorded vote of 181 yeas to 241 noes, Roll No. 340.

Pages H4907–09

Pursuant to the rule, the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence now printed in the bill shall be considered as the original bill for the purpose of amendment. **Page H4889**

Agreed to:

Holt amendment (No. 3 printed in H. Rept. 110–144) that amends the reporting requirement in the Intelligence Identities Protection Act (codified in

Sec. 603 of the National Security Act) to include a requirement that the President, based on information from the Director of National Intelligence, provide Congress with an assessment of the need for any modification to existing law to improve legal protection for covert agents; **Pages H4896–97**

Thompson (CA) amendment (No. 4 printed in H. Rept. 110–144) that requires that the Office of the Director of National Intelligence submit a report to the Congressional Intelligence committees, no later than 120 days after enactment, that provides: (1) the number of collectors and analysts, by agency, and (2) a plan to maximize the number of collectors and decrease the number of personnel authorized to the Office of the Director of National Intelligence; **Pages H4897–98**

Fossella amendment (No. 6 printed in H. Rept. 110–144) that authorizes \$5 million for a study conducted by DHS and the Director of National Intelligence to identify the best practices for sharing terrorist-threat information between the Federal, State, and local levels of government and authorizes \$10 million to establish centers of best practices based on the study with \$3 million authorized for the following five years to cover operational expenses of the centers; **Pages H4899–H4900**

Lee amendment (No. 7 printed in H. Rept. 110–144) that requires a report to House and Senate Intelligence committees describing any authorization granted during the past 10 years to engage in intelligence activities related to the overthrow of a democratically elected government; **Page H4901**

Price (NC) amendment (No. 8 printed in H. Rept. 110–144) that requires the Director of National Intelligence to submit a report on the uses of contractors for personal services activities; **Pages H4901–02**

Berkley amendment (No. 9 printed in H. Rept. 110–144) that requires the Director of National Intelligence to submit to Congress a report on the advisability of providing Federal retirement benefits to employees of Air America; **Pages H4902–03**

Rogers (MI) amendment (No. 5 printed in H. Rept. 110–144) that places a limit on the number of personnel in the Office of the Director of National Intelligence (ODNI) (by a recorded vote of 297 yeas to 122 noes, Roll No. 338); and **Pages H4898–99, H4906**

Schiff amendment (No. 10 printed in H. Rept. 110–144) that states that the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act of 1978 (FISA) shall be the exclusive means by which domestic electronic surveillance for the purpose of gathering foreign intelligence information may be conducted, and makes clear that this applies until specific statutory authorization for electronic surveillance, other than as an amendment

to FISA, is enacted (by a recorded vote of 245 ayes to 178 noes, Roll No. 339). **Pages H4903–05, H4906–07**
Rejected:

Hoekstra amendment (No. 2 printed in H. Rept. 110–144) that sought to strike section 407, which requires that a National Intelligence Estimate on global climate change be submitted to Congress (by a recorded vote of 185 ayes to 230 noes, Roll No. 337). **Pages H4895–96, H4905–06**

H. Res. 388, the rule providing for consideration of the bill, was agreed to by a recorded vote of 226 ayes to 198 noes, Roll No. 325, after agreeing to order the previous question by a yea-and-nay vote of 223 yeas to 199 nays, Roll No. 324. **Pages H4788–94**

Meeting Hour: Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 10:30 a.m. on Monday, May 14th for Morning Hour debate.

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Calendar Wednesday: Agreed by unanimous consent to dispense with the Calendar Wednesday business of Wednesday, May 16th. **Page H4910**

Senate Message: Message received from the Senate today appears on page H4763.

Senate Referral: S. 1082 was held at the desk.

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Quorum Calls—Votes: Fourteen yea-and-nay votes and nine recorded votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H4767–68, H4768, H4768–69, H4770–71, H4771–72, H4792–93, H4793–94, H4794, H4794–95, H4795–96, H4806–07, H4807, H4808, H4866, H4866–67, H4867–68, H4879, H4879–80, H4905–06, H4906, H4906–07, H4909 and H4909–10. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 9:00 a.m. and adjourned at 1:33 a.m. on Friday, May 11th.

Committee Meetings

AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH PROGRAMS

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on Conservation, Credit, Energy, and Research held a hearing to review agricultural research programs. Testimony was heard from Gale Buchanan, Under Secretary, Research, Education and Economics, USDA; and public witnesses.

FOOD AID/AGRICULTURE TRADE PROGRAMS

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on Specialty Crops, Rural Development, and Foreign Agriculture held a hearing to review food aid and agriculture trade programs operated by the USDA and the U.S. Agency for International Development. Testimony

was heard from Representatives McGovern and Emerson; Michael Yost, Administrator, Foreign Agriculture Service, USDA; William Hammink, Director, Office of Food for Peace, U.S. Agency for International Development, Department of State; and public witnesses.

AGRICULTURE, RURAL DEVELOPMENT, FDA, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies held a hearing on Marketing and Regulatory Programs. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the USDA: Bruce Knight, Under Secretary, Marketing and Regulatory Programs; Kenneth C. Clayton, Associate Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service; W. Ron DeHaven, Administrator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service; James E. Link, Administrator, Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration; and W. Scott Steele, Budget Officer.

DEFENSE APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Defense held a hearing on Contracting Out. Testimony was heard from John P. Hutton, Director, Acquisition and Sourcing Management, GAO; Joseph T. McDermott, Assistant Inspector General, Audits, and Special Inspector General, Iraq Reconstruction, and public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT—EDUCATION DEPARTMENT STUDENT LOAN AND THE READING FIRST PROGRAM

Committee on Education and Labor: Held a hearing on Accountability for the Department of Education's Oversight of Student Loans and the Reading First Program. Testimony was heard from Margaret Spellings, Secretary of Education.

FIGHT CHILDHOOD OBESITY SCHOOL PROGRAMS

Committee on Education and Labor: Subcommittee on Healthy Families and Communities held a hearing on Using School Wellness Plans To Help Fight Childhood Obesity. Testimony was heard from Representative Woolsey; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Ordered reported, as amended, the following bills: H.R. 964, Securely Protect Yourself Against Cyber Trespass Act; and H.R. 948, Social Security Number Protection Act of 2007.