

small business job creation, extend the Build America Bonds program, provide other infrastructure job creation tax incentives, was agreed to by a ye-and-nay vote of 233 yeas to 18 nays, Roll No. 173 after ordering the previous question by a ye-and-nay vote of 240 yeas to 179 nays, Roll No. 172.

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**Suspensions—Proceedings Resumed:** The House agreed to suspend the rules and agree to the following measures which were debated on Monday, March 22nd:

*Recognizing and honoring the Blinded Veterans Association on its 65th anniversary of representing blinded veterans:* H.J. Res. 80, to recognize and honor the Blinded Veterans Association on its 65th anniversary of representing blinded veterans and their families, by a  $\frac{2}{3}$  recorded vote of 416 ayes with none voting “no”, Roll No. 174;

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*Helping Heroes Keep Their Homes Act of 2009:* H.R. 3976, amended, to extend certain expiring provisions providing enhanced protections for servicemembers relating to mortgages and mortgage foreclosure, by a  $\frac{2}{3}$  recorded vote of 416 ayes to 4 “noes”, Roll No. 176 and;

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*Providing for the establishment of a pilot program to encourage the employment of veterans in energy-related positions:* H.R. 4592, amended, to provide for the establishment of a pilot program to encourage the employment of veterans in energy-related positions, by a  $\frac{2}{3}$  recorded vote of 397 ayes to 19 “noes”, Roll No. 177.

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

*Expressing support for designation of April as National Distracted Driving Awareness Month:* H. Res. 1186, to express support for designation of April as National Distracted Driving Awareness Month by a  $\frac{2}{3}$  ye-and-nay vote of 410 yeas with none voting “no” Roll No. 175;

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

*Supporting the goals and ideals of National Public Works Week:* H. Res. 1125, amended, to support the goals and ideals of National Public Works Week;

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*Recognizing the Florida Keys Scenic Highway:* H. Res. 917, amended, to recognize the Florida Keys Scenic Highway on the occasion of its designation as an All-American Road by the U.S. Department of Transportation;

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*“Chaney, Goodman, Schwerner Federal Building” Designation:* H.R. 3562, amended, to designate the Federal building under construction at 1220 Echelon Parkway in Jackson, Mississippi, as the “Chaney, Goodman, Schwerner Federal Building”; and

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*Secure Federal File Sharing Act:* H.R. 4098, amended, to require the Director of the Office of Management and Budget to issue guidance on the use of peer-to-peer file sharing software to prohibit the personal use of such software by Government employees.

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**Senate Message:** Message received from the Senate today appears on page H2245.

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** There were 5 ye-and-nay votes, and there was 1 recorded vote developed during the proceedings today and appear on pages H2227, H2227–28, H2228–29, H2239–40, H2240–41, H2241. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 10:30 a.m. and adjourned at 7:43 p.m.

**Program for Wednesday:** Complete consideration of H.R. 4849—Small Business and Infrastructure Jobs Tax Act of 2010. Begin consideration of H.R. 4899—Disaster Relief and Summer Jobs Act of 2010 (Subject to a Rule).

## Committee Meetings

### RURAL WATER INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT

*Committee on Agriculture:* Subcommittee on Rural Development, Biotechnology, Specialty Crops, and Foreign agriculture held a hearing to review efforts to improve rural water infrastructure. Testimony was heard from Jonathan Adelstein, Administrator, Rural Utilities Service, USDA; and public witnesses.

### COMMERCE, JUSTICE, SCIENCE, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies held a hearing on NASA FY 2011 Budget Overview. Testimony was heard from MG (ret.) Charles F. Bolden, Jr., Administrator, NASA, Department of Commerce.

### DEFENSE APPROPRIATIONS

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Defense held a hearing on Army Posture. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of the Army: John M. McHugh, Secretary; and GEN George W. Casey, Jr., USA, Chief of Staff.

**ENERGY AND WATER DEVELOPMENT AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS**

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development, and Related Agencies held a hearing on Department of Energy—Nuclear Energy FY 2011 Budget. Testimony was heard from Warren F. Miller, Jr., Assistant Secretary, Nuclear Energy, Department of Energy.

**HOMELAND SECURITY APPROPRIATIONS**

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Homeland Security held a hearing on DHS Air and Marine Operations and Investments: Customs and Border Protection and Coast Guard. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Homeland Security: Michael Kostelnik, Assistant Commissioner, Office of Air and Marine, U.S. Customs and Border Protection; and RADM Vince Atkins, USCG, Assistant Commandant for Capability, U.S. Coast Guard.

**INTERIOR, ENVIRONMENT AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS**

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Interior, Environment and Related Agencies, held a hearing on Voices from Our Native American Communities. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

**MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, VETERANS AFFAIRS AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS**

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies, held a hearing on VA Mental Health. Testimony was heard from Ira Katz, M.D., Deputy Chief Officer, Mental Health Services, Office of Patient Care Services, Veterans Health Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs; Thomas R. Insel, M.D., Director, National Institute of Mental Health, NIH, Department of Health and Human Services; and public witnesses.

**STATE, FOREIGN OPERATIONS, AND RELATED PROGRAMS APPROPRIATIONS**

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs held a hearing on Global Health and HIV/AIDS programs at the Department of State and the U.S. Agency for International Development. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of State: Ambassador Eric Goosby, U.S. Global AIDS Coordinator; and Gloria D. Steele, Senior Deputy Assistant Administrator, Bureau for Global Health, U.S. Agency for International Development.

**TRANSPORTATION, HUD, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS**

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies, on Intercity and Commuter Passenger Rail: Moving People Safely and Efficiently (Including FY 2011 Budget Requests for FTA, FRA and Amtrak). Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Transportation: Peter Rogoff, Administrator, Federal Transit Administration; and Joseph Szabo, Administrator, Federal Railroad Administration; and Joseph Boardman, President and CEO, National Railroad Passenger Corporation (AMTRAK).

**MILITARY ASSOCIATIONS' LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES**

*Committee on Armed Services:* Subcommittee on Military Personnel held a hearing on military associations' legislative priorities. Testimony was heard from Sarah Jennings, Unit Chief of Budget Analyst Division, CBO; and public witnesses.

**IRAQ-AFGHANISTAN GRANTS AND CONTRACTS**

*Committee on Armed Services:* Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing on the Inter-agency Coordination of Grants and Contracts in Iraq and Afghanistan: Progress, Obstacles, and Plans. Testimony was heard from Gary Motsek, Assistant Deputy Under Secretary (Program Support), Department of Defense; the following officials of the Department of State: William Moser, Deputy Assistant Secretary (Logistics Management); Ambassador James Michel, Counselor to the Agency, U.S. Agency for International Development; and John Hutton, Director, Acquisition and Sourcing Management, GAO.

**DEFENSE SCIENCE-TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM BUDGET**

*Committee on Armed Services:* Subcommittee on Terrorism, Unconventional Threats and Capabilities held a hearing on FY 2011 National Defense Authorization Budget Request for Department of Defense's Science and Technology Programs. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Defense: Zachary J. Lemnios, Director, Defense Research and Engineering, Office of the Secretary; Thomas H. Killion, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Research and Technology, Department of the Army; RADM Nevin P. Carr, Jr., USN, Chief of Naval Research, Director, Test and Evaluation and Technology Requirements, U.S. Navy; Stephen Walker, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Air Force, Science, Technology and Energy Requirements, Office of the Assistant Secretary, Acquisition, U.S. Air

Force; and Regina E. Dugan, Director, Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency, Office of the Secretary.

#### **OVERSIGHT—FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION**

*Committee on Energy and Commerce:* Subcommittee on Energy and Environment held a hearing on Oversight of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission: John Wellinghoff, Chairman; Mark Spitzer, Philip Moeller, and John Norris, all Commissioners.

#### **NATIONAL CENTER INSTITUTE RESEARCH**

*Committee on Energy and Commerce:* Subcommittee on Health held a hearing entitled “NCI Cancer Research: Today’s Progress; Tomorrow’s Challenges.” Testimony was heard from Anna D. Barker, Deputy Director, National Cancer Institute, NIH, Department of Health and Human Services; and public witnesses.

#### **HOUSING FINANCE FUTURE**

*Committee on Financial Services:* Held a hearing entitled “Housing Finance—What Should the New System Be Able to Do?: Part I—Government and Stakeholder Perspectives.” Testimony was heard from Timothy F. Geithner, Secretary of the Treasury; and public witnesses.

#### **U.S. CITIZENSHIP AND IMMIGRATION SERVICES**

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on Immigration, Citizenship, Refugees, Border Security, and International Law held a hearing on the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Homeland Security: Alejandro Mayorkas, Director, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services; and Frank Deffer, Assistant Inspector General for IT Audits, Office of the Inspector General; and Susan J. Irving, Director, Federal Budget Analysis, GAO.

#### **INVASIVE SPECIES LARGE CONSTRICTOR SNAKES**

*Committee on Natural Resources:* Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Public Lands and the Subcommittee on Insular Affairs, Oceans and Wildlife held a joint oversight hearing entitled “How to Manage Large Constrictor Snakes and Other Invasive Species.” Testimony was heard from Bert Frost, Associate Director, Natural Resources, Stewardship and Science, National Park Service, Department of the Interior; Marcy Hecker, Division of Birds, Smithsonian Institution; and public witnesses.

#### **UNMANNED DEFENSE SYSTEMS FUTURE**

*Committee on Oversight and Government Reform:* Subcommittee on National Security and Foreign Affairs held a hearing entitled “Rise of Drones: Unmanned Systems and the Future of War.” Testimony was heard from Michael J. Sullivan, Director, Acquisition and Sourcing Management, GAO; Dyke Weatherington, Deputy, Unmanned Aerial Vehicle Planning Taskforce, Office of the Under Secretary, Acquisition, Technology and Logistics, Department of Defense; Kevin Wolf, Assistant Secretary, Export Administration, Bureau of Industry and Security, Department of Commerce; and public witnesses.

#### **NIST FEDERAL TECHNICAL STANDARDS COORDINATION**

*Committee on Science:* Subcommittee on Technology and Innovation held a hearing on NIST Structure and Authorities, Its Role in Technical Standard, and Federal Coordination on Technical Standards. Testimony was heard from Patrick Gallagher, Director, National Institute of Standards and Technology, Department of Commerce; and public witnesses.

#### **FEMA’S CAPITAL REGION SNOWSTORM RESPONSE**

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure:* Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings, and Emergency Management held a hearing on Snow Disasters for Local, State, and Federal Governments in the National Capital Region: Response and Recovery Partnerships with FEMA. Testimony was heard from following officials of FEMA, Department of Homeland Security: Patricia Arcuri, Acting Regional Administrator, FEMA Region III; and Steward Beckham, Director, Office of National Capital Region Coordination; John Berry, Director, OPM; and public witnesses.

#### **FEDERAL TAX REVENUES OUTLOOK**

*Committee on Ways and Means:* Subcommittee on Select Revenue Measures held a hearing on the role of taxes as part of the federal budget. Testimony was heard from Thomas A. Barthold, Chief of Staff, Joint Committee on Taxation; Douglas Holtz-Eakin, former Director, CBO; and public witnesses.

#### **CYBERSECURITY BUDGET**

*Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence:* Met in executive session to hold a hearing on Cybersecurity Budget for Fiscal Year 2011. Testimony was heard from Jim Richberg, Assistant Deputy DNI for Cyber Issues, Office of the Director of National Intelligence; RADM Michael Brown, USN, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Cybersecurity and Communications, Department of Homeland Security; and Gordon Snow, Acting Assistant Director, Cyber Division, FBI, Department of Justice.

## Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

### COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, MARCH 24, 2010

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

#### Senate

*Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry:* business meeting to consider an original bill entitled, "Healthy, Hunger-Free Kids Act of 2010", 9:30 a.m., SR-328A.

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Defense, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2011 for the the Guard and Reserve, 10 a.m., SD-192.

Subcommittee on Financial Services and General Government, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2011 for the Office of Personnel Management, 2:30 p.m., SD-192.

*Committee on Armed Services:* Subcommittee on Personnel, to hold hearings to examine Military Health System programs, policies, and initiatives in review of the Defense Authorization request for fiscal year 2011 and the Future Years Defense Program, 10 a.m., SR-232A.

Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine U.S. Pacific Command, U.S. Strategic Command, and U.S. Forces Korea in review of the Defense Authorization request for fiscal year 2011 and the Future Years Defense Program; with the possibility of a closed session in SVC-217 following the open session, 2:30 p.m., SH-216.

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* business meeting to consider S. 773, to ensure the continued free flow of commerce within the United States and with its global trading partners through secure cyber communications, to provide for the continued development and exploitation of the Internet and intranet communications for such purposes, to provide for the development of a cadre of information technology specialists to improve and maintain effective cybersecurity defenses against disruption, S. 2881, to provide greater technical resources to FCC Commissioners, S. 1252, to promote ocean and human health and for other purposes, S. 2870, to establish uniform administrative and enforcement procedures and penalties for the enforcement of the High Seas Driftnet Fishing Moratorium Protection Act and similar statutes, S. 2871, to make technical corrections to the Western and Central Pacific Fisheries Convention Implementation Act, and the nominations of Robert J. Papp Jr., to be Commandant of the U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, Larry Robinson, of Florida, to be Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Oceans and Atmosphere, Earl F. Weener, of Oregon, to be a Member of the National Transportation Safety Board, Michael F. Tillman, of California, and Daryl J. Boness, of Maine, both to be a Member of the Marine Mammal Commission, and Jeffrey R. Moreland, of Texas, to be a Director of the Amtrak Board of Directors, and a promotion list in the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

Commissioned Corps and the U.S. Coast Guard, 10 a.m., SR-253.

*Committee on Environment and Public Works:* to hold hearings to examine opportunities to improve energy security and the environment through transportation policy, 10 a.m., SD-406.

*Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:* to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Major General Robert A. Harding, United States Army (Retired), of Virginia, to be Assistant Secretary of Homeland Security, 10 a.m., SD-342.

Ad Hoc Subcommittee on Contracting Oversight, to hold hearings to examine contracts for Afghan National Police training, 2:30 p.m., SD-342.

*Committee on the Judiciary:* to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Goodwin Liu, of California, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit, and Kimberly J. Mueller, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of California, 2:30 p.m., SD-226.

*Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship:* to hold a hearing to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2011 for the Small Business Administration, 1:30 p.m., SR-485.

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs:* to hold an oversight hearing to examine Veterans' Affairs plan for ending homelessness among veterans, 9:30 a.m., SR-418.

*Special Committee on Aging:* to hold hearings to examine medicine and prescription drugs, focusing on nursing home patients, 2 p.m., SD-106.

#### House

*Committee on Appropriations,* Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies, on NSF FY 2011 Budget Overview, 10 a.m., H-309 Capitol.

Subcommittee on Defense, on Department of Defense Budget Overview, 9:30 a.m., 2359 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development, and Related Agencies, on Department of Energy Fiscal Year 2011 Budget, 2 p.m., 2359 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Homeland Security, on CBP—Balancing Security with Legitimate Trade and Travel, 10 a.m., 2362-A Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Legislative Branch, on FY 2011 Budget of the U.S. Capitol Police, 10:15 a.m., H-144 Capitol.

Subcommittee on Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies, on Pacific Command, 10 a.m., and on Army Budget, 2:30 p.m., H-143 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies, on Housing and Transportation Challenges within Native American Communities and the FY 2011 Budget Request, 2 p.m., 2358A Rayburn.

*Committee on Armed Services,* Subcommittee on Air and Land Forces, and the Subcommittee on Seapower and Expeditionary Forces, joint hearing on Department of the Navy and Air Force combat aviation programs, 2 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

*Committee on Energy and Commerce,* Subcommittee on Commerce, Trade, and Consumer Protection, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 3993, Calling Card Consumer