

INFORMATION SHARING IN THE ERA OF WIKILEAKS

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine information sharing in the era of WikiLeaks, focusing on balancing security and collaboration, after receiving testimony from Patrick Kennedy, Under Secretary of State for Management; Teresa Takai, Chief Information Officer, and Acting Assistant Secretary for Networks and Information Integration, and Thomas Ferguson, Principal Deputy Under Secretary for Intelligence, both of the Department of Defense; and Corin R. Stone, Intelligence Community Information Sharing Executive, and Kshemendra Paul, Program Manager, Information Sharing Environment, both of the Office of the Director of National Intelligence.

BRIDGEPOINT EDUCATION, INC.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: Committee concluded a hearing to examine Bridgepoint Education, Inc., focusing on a case study in for-profit education and oversight, after receiving testimony from Kathleen S. Tighe, Inspector General, Department of Education; Arlie Thoreson Willems, Practitioner Preparation, Anamosa, Iowa; Sylvia Manning, North Central Association of Col-

leges and Schools Higher Learning Commission, Chicago, Illinois; and Jose Cruz, Education Trust, Washington, D.C.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 193, to extend the sunset of certain provisions of the USA PATRIOT Act, with amendments; and

The nominations of Caitlin Joan Halligan, of New York, to be United States Circuit Judge for the District of Columbia Circuit, Jimmie V. Reyna, of Maryland, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Federal Circuit, John A. Kronstadt, to be United States District Judge for the Central District of California, Vincent L. Briccetti, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of New York, Arenda L. Wright Allen, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Virginia, and Michael Francis Urbanski, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Virginia.

INTELLIGENCE

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee held closed hearings on intelligence matters, receiving testimony from officials of the intelligence community.

Committee recessed subject to the call.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 39 public bills, H.R. 992–1030; and 5 resolutions, H. Res. 160–164, were introduced. **Pages H1722–25**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages H1726–27**

Reports Filed: A report was filed today as follows:

H.R. 658, to 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, and to provide stable funding for the national aviation system, with an amendment (H. Rept. 112–29).

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Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Latta to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H1669**

Recess: The House recessed at 10:51 a.m. and reconvened at 12 noon. **Page H1675**

Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the guest chaplain, Reverend Raymond Bowman, Spruce Street Baptist Church, Nashville, Tennessee. **Page H1675**

FHA Refinance Program Termination Act: The House passed H.R. 830, to rescind the unobligated funding for the FHA Refinance Program and to terminate the program, by a recorded vote of 256 ayes to 171 noes, Roll No. 171. **Pages H1678–H1704**

Rejected the Deutch motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Financial Services with instructions to report the same back to the House forthwith with amendments, by a recorded vote of 185 ayes to 243 noes, Roll No. 170. **Pages H1702–04**

Pursuant to the rule, the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Financial Services now printed in the bill shall be considered as an original bill for the purpose of amendment under the five-minute rule. **Page H1686**

Agreed to:

Fitzpatrick amendment (No. 11 printed in the Congressional Record of March 9, 2011) that requires any unexpended balances for the FHA Refinance Program that are rescinded and canceled under the bill be retained in the general fund of the Treasury for reducing the debt of the Federal Government; **Page H1690**

Paulsen amendment (No. 4 printed in the Congressional Record of March 9, 2011) that includes military servicemembers and veterans who have service-connected injuries, as well as survivors and dependents of such individuals, in a study on use of the FHA Refinance program; and **Pages H1692–93**

Waters amendment (No. 6 printed in the Congressional Record of March 9, 2011), as modified, that requires the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development to post a statement prominently on the HUD website stating that the FHA Short Refinance Program has been terminated and including contact information for borrowers who are uncertain as to how to proceed (by a recorded vote of 278 ayes to 147 noes, Roll No. 169). **Pages H1700, H1701–02**

Rejected:

Lynch amendment (No. 3 printed in the Congressional Record of March 8, 2011) that sought to strike language in the bill terminating the Mortgage Letter 2010–23, which provided guidance for the FHA Refinance Program (by a recorded vote of 184 ayes to 243 noes, Roll No. 168). **Pages H1690–92, H1700–01**

Point of Order sustained against:

Maloney amendment (No. 9 printed in the Congressional Record of March 9, 2011) that sought to add a section which lists the number of underwater mortgages in 43 states and the District of Columbia; **Pages H1686–88**

Inslee amendment (No. 12 printed in the Congressional Record of March 9, 2011) that sought to modify the bill's required study by the Department of Housing and Urban Development on the FHA Refinance Program's use by, and effects on, certain homeowners to include a study on the need and appropriate guidelines for a replacement mortgage insurance program; **Page H1693**

Waters amendment (No. 5 printed in the Congressional Record of March 9, 2011) that sought to direct the Department of Housing and Urban Development, in consultation with the Treasury Department, to conduct a study on the negative impacts of underwater mortgage loans on the housing market and economy of the United States and to report on the findings; **Pages H1694–95**

Loretta Sanchez amendment (No. 15 printed in the Congressional Record of March 9, 2011) that

sought to insert a complete new text detailing use of funding for the FHA Refinancing Program; **Pages H1695–96**

Inslee amendment (No. 14 printed in the Congressional Record of March 9, 2011) that sought to add a new section directing the Attorney General to pursue criminal prosecution of those who have failed to comply with State laws relating to foreclosure of mortgages on residential real property; **Page H1696**

Holt amendment (No. 8 printed in the Congressional Record of March 9, 2011) that sought to add a new section detailing modifications of real property standard deduction; and **Page H1697**

Garamendi amendment (No. 7 printed in the Congressional Record of March 9, 2011) that sought to add a new section regarding treatment of bonuses for financial sector employees. **Pages H1697–98**

Agreed that the Clerk be authorized to make technical and conforming changes to reflect the actions of the House. **Page H1704**

H. Res. 150, the rule providing for consideration of the bill, was agreed to yesterday, March 9th.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Four recorded votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H1700–01, H1701–02, H1703–04, and H1704. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 6:56 p.m.

Committee Meetings

EPA REGULATION ON AGRICULTURE

Committee on Agriculture: Full Committee held a hearing to review the impact of EPA regulation on agriculture. Testimony was heard from Lisa P. Jackson, Administrator, EPA.

INTERIOR, ENVIRONMENT

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies held a hearing on Bureau of Land Management FY 2012 Budget Oversight. Testimony was heard from Bob Abbey, Director, Bureau of Land Management.

AGRICULTURE, RURAL DEVELOPMENT, FDA

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies held a hearing on Department of Agriculture FY 2012 Budget Request. Testimony was heard from Edward Avalos, Under Secretary for Marketing and Regulatory Programs.