

Commercial Space Transportation, Federal Aviation Administration; Alicia Cackley, Director of Financial Markets and Community Investment Team, Government Accountability Office; and public witnesses.

UNDERSTANDING THE REAL COSTS AND BENEFITS OF ENVIRONMENTAL REGULATIONS

Committee on Science, Space, and Technology: Subcommittee on Energy and Environment held a hearing entitled “EPA’s Impact on Jobs and Energy Affordability: Understanding the Real Costs and Benefits of Environmental Regulations”. Testimony was heard from Cass Sunstein, Administrator, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, Michael Honeycutt, Chief Toxicologist, Texas Commission on Environmental Quality; and public witnesses.

SBA’S MANAGEMENT OF ITS CAPITAL ACCESS PROGRAMS

Committee on Small Business: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “SBA’s Management of its Capital Access Programs”. Testimony was heard from Karen Mills, Administrator, Small Business Administration.

THROUGH THE LOOKING GLASS: RETURN TO PPV

Committee on Veterans’ Affairs: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Through the Looking Glass: Return to PPV”. Testimony was heard from W. Scott Gould, Deputy Secretary of Veterans Affairs, Department of Veterans Affairs; Linda A. Halliday, Assistant Inspector General for Audits and Evaluations, Office of the Inspector General, Department of Veterans Affairs; Maureen Regan, Counselor to the Inspector General, Office of Inspector General, Department of Veterans Affairs; and a public witness.

LEGISLATIVE MEASURES

Committee on Veterans’ Affairs: Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs held a hearing on the following measures: H.R. 2355, the “Hallowed Grounds Act”; H.R. 2996, the “Gulf War Syndrome ‘Presumptive Illness’ Extension Act of 2011”; H.R. 4299, the “Quality Housing for Veterans Act”; H.R. 5735, to provide for the establishment of a Tomb of Remembrance at Arlington National Cemetery for interment of cremated fragments of the remains of members of the Armed Forces killed in Afghanistan, Iraq, or a subsequent conflict when the fragments are unidentifiable by use of DNA testing or other means because of the condition of the fragments, are unclaimed, or are identified and authorized by the person designated to direct disposition of the remains for internment in such memorial; H.R. 5880, the “Veterans Disability

Examination Access Improvement Act”; H.R. 5881, the “Access to Veterans Benefits Improvement Act”; and H.R. 2720, to clarify the role of the Department of Veterans Affairs in providing a benefit or service related to the interment or funeral of a veteran, and for other purposes. Testimony was heard from the following Representatives: Stivers; Hartzler; Kissell; and Culberson; Kathryn Condon, Executive Director of Army National Cemeteries Program, Department of Defense; Thomas Murphy, Director of Compensation Service, Veterans Benefits Administration; and public witnesses.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, JUNE 7, 2012

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Subcommittee on Clean Air and Nuclear Safety, to hold hearings to examine recommendations from the Blue Ribbon Commission on America’s Nuclear Future for a consent-based approach to siting nuclear waste storage and management facilities, 10 a.m., SD-406.

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on Western Hemisphere, Peace Corps and Global Narcotics Affairs, to hold hearings to examine countering repression and strengthening civil society in Cuba, 10:45 a.m., SD-419.

Committee on Indian Affairs: to hold an oversight hearing to examine Universal Service Fund Reform, focusing on ensuring a sustainable and connected future for native communities, 2:15 p.m., SD-628.

Committee on the Judiciary: business meeting to consider S. 250, to protect crime victims’ rights, to eliminate the substantial backlog of DNA samples collected from crime scenes and convicted offenders, to improve and expand the DNA testing capacity of Federal, State, and local crime laboratories, to increase research and development of new DNA testing technologies, to develop new training programs regarding the collection and use of DNA evidence, to provide post conviction testing of DNA evidence to exonerate the innocent, to improve the performance of counsel in State capital cases, S. 285, for the relief of Sopuruchi Chukwueke, and the nominations of Robert E. Bacharach, of Oklahoma, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Tenth Circuit, Paul William Grimm, to be United States District Judge for the District of Maryland, John E. Dowdell, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Oklahoma, Mark E. Walker, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District

of Florida, and Brian J. Davis, to be United States District Judge for the Middle District of Florida, 10 a.m., SD-226.

Select Committee on Intelligence, to hold closed hearings to examine certain intelligence matters, 11:30 a.m., SH-219.

Full Committee, to hold closed hearings to examine certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

House

Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, markup of Transportation, Housing and Urban Development Appropriations Bill, FY 2013, 10 a.m., 2358-A Rayburn.

Committee on Armed Services, Subcommittee on Military Personnel, hearing entitled "Military Resale Programs Overview", 2 p.m., 2212 Rayburn.

Committee on Education and the Workforce, Full Committee, markup of H.R. 4297, the "Workforce Investment Improvement Act of 2012", 10 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, Subcommittee on Commerce, Manufacturing, and Trade, continued markup of H.R. 5865, the "American Manufacturing Competitiveness Act of 2012"; and H.R. 5859, to repeal an obsolete provision in title 49, United States Code, requiring motor vehicle insurance cost reporting, 9 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Energy and Power, markup of H.R. 4273, the "Resolving Environmental and Grid Reliability Conflicts Act of 2012"; and H.R. 5892, the "Hydropower Regulatory Efficiency Act of 2012", 10:30 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, Subcommittee on Insurance, Housing and Community Opportunity, hearing entitled "Oversight of Federal Housing Administration's Multifamily Insurance Programs", 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Capital Markets and Government Sponsored Enterprises, hearing entitled "Investor Protection: The Need to Protect Investors from the Government", 2 p.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Foreign Affairs, Full Committee, markup of H.R. 4405, to impose sanctions on persons responsible for the detention, abuse, or death of Sergei Magnitsky, and for other gross violations of human rights in the Russian Federation, and for other purposes; H. Res. 506, calling upon the Government of Turkey to facilitate the reopening of the Ecumenical Patriarchate's Theological School of Halki without condition or further delay; H.R. 4141, to direct the Administrator of the United States Agency for International Development to take appropriate actions to improve the nutritional quality, quality control, and cost effectiveness of United States food assistance, and for other purposes; H. Res. 526, expressing the sense of the House of Representatives with respect toward the establishment of a democratic and prosperous Republic of Georgia and the establishment of a peaceful and just resolution to the conflict with Georgia's internationally recognized borders; H. Res. 583, expressing support for robust efforts by the United States to see Joseph

Kony, the leader of the Lord's Resistance Army, and his top commanders brought to justice and the group's atrocities permanently ended; and H. Res. 663, expressing support for the International Olympic Committee to recognize with a minute of silence at every future Olympics Opening Ceremony those who lost their lives at the 1972 Munich Olympics, and for other purposes, 10 a.m., 2200 Rayburn.

Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Transportation Security, hearing entitled "TSA's Efforts to Fix Its Poor Customer Service Reputation and Become a Leaner, Smarter Agency", 10:00 a.m., 311 Cannon.

Committee on the Judiciary, Full Committee, hearing entitled "Oversight of the United States Department of Justice", 9:30 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Natural Resources, Full Committee markup of the following measures: H.R. 1103, the "American Memorial Park Tinian Annex Act"; H.R. 1171, "Marine Debris Act Reauthorization Amendments of 2011"; H.R. 3065, the "Target Practice and Marksmanship Training Support Act"; H.R. 3100, the "San Antonio Missions National Historical Park Boundary Expansion Act"; H.R. 3210, the "RELIEF Act"; H.R. 3388, the "Wood-Pawcatuck Watershed Protection Act"; H.R. 3685, to amend the Herger-Feinstein Quincy Library Group Forest Recovery Act to extend and expand the scope of the pilot forest management project required by that Act; H.R. 3706, to create the Office of Chief Financial Officer of the Government of the Virgin Islands, and for other purposes; H.R. 4039, the "Yerington Land Conveyance and Sustainable Development Act"; H.R. 4073, to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to accept the quitclaim, disclaimer, and relinquishment of a railroad right of way within and adjacent to Pike National Forest in El Paso County, Colorado, originally granted to the Mt. Manitou Park and Incline Railway Company pursuant to the Act of March 3, 1875; H.R. 4094, the "Preserving Access to Cape Hatteras National Seashore Recreational Area Act"; H.R. 4171, the "Freedom from Over-Criminalization and Unjust Seizures Act of 2012"; H.R. 4234, the "Grazing Improvement Act of 2012"; H.R. 4400, to designate the Salt Pond Visitor Center at Cape Cod National Seashore as the "Thomas P. O'Neill, Jr. Salt Pond Visitor Center", and for other purposes; and S. 270, the "La Pine Land Conveyance Act"; 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, Subcommittee on Government Organization, Efficiency and Financial Management, hearing entitled "Assessing Medicare and Medicaid Program Integrity", 9:30 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on Small Business, Subcommittee on Contracting and Workforce, hearing entitled "Scheduling Success? Issues and Opportunities for Small Businesses on the GSA Schedules", 2 p.m., 2360 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, Full Committee markup of the following measures: H.R. 4965, to preserve existing rights and responsibilities with respect to waters of the United States, and for other purposes; H.R. 5887, the "Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation Authorization Act of 2012"; H.R. 1171, the "Marine Debris Act Reauthorization Amendments of 2011";

H.R. 3742, to designate the United States courthouse located at 100 North Church Street in Las Cruces, New Mexico, as the “Edwin L. Mechem United States Courthouse”; H.R. 4347, to designate the United States courthouse located at 709 West 9th Street in Juneau, Alaska, as the “Robert Boochever United States Courthouse”; General Services Administration Capital Investment and

Leasing Program Resolutions; and Summary of Legislative and Oversight Activities Committee Report, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Joint Meetings

Joint Economic Committee: To hold hearings to examine the current economic outlook, 10 a.m., SD–G50.