

Pursuant to the rule, an amendment in the nature of a substitute consisting of the text of Rules Committee Print 113–19 shall be considered as an original bill for the purpose of amendment under the five-minute rule, in lieu of the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Energy and Commerce now printed in the bill. **Page H5247**

Proceedings Postponed:

Waxman amendment (No. 1 printed in part B of H. Rept. 113–174) that seeks to strike section 2 of the bill, which allows DOE to effectively veto EPA rules and **Pages H5247–48**

Connolly amendment (No. 3 printed in part B of H. Rept. 113–174) that seeks to prevent section 2 of the bill from applying to rules related to protecting air and water quality. **Pages H5248–49**

H. Res. 315, the rule providing for consideration of the bills (H.R. 2218) and (H.R. 1582) was agreed to on Wednesday, July 24th.

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

Citizen Empowerment Act: H.R. 2711, amended, to amend title 5, United States Code, to establish certain procedures for conducting in-person or telephonic interactions by Executive branch employees with individuals; **Pages H5188–93**

Government Employee Accountability Act: H.R. 2579, amended, to amend title 5, United States Code, to provide for investigative leave requirements with respect to Senior Executive Service employees; **Pages H5196–H5202**

Common Sense in Compensation Act: H.R. 1541, amended, to establish limitations, for fiscal years 2013, 2014, and 2015 on the total amount in awards or other discretionary monetary payments which may be paid to any Federal employee; and **Pages H5202–07**

Vietnam Human Rights Act of 2013: H.R. 1897, amended, to promote freedom and democracy in Vietnam. **Pages H5249–54**

Dwight D. Eisenhower Memorial Commission—Appointment: The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of the following Members on the part of the House to the Dwight D. Eisenhower Memorial Commission: Representatives Bishop (GA) and Thompson (CA). **Page H5256**

Recess: The House recessed at 8:37 p.m. and reconvened at 9:38 p.m. **Page H5257**

Senate Message: Message received from the Senate by the Clerk and subsequently presented to the House today appears on page H5188.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Two yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H5241, H5241–42. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 9:40 p.m.

Committee Meetings

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Appropriations: Full Committee began a markup on Interior and Environment and Related Agencies Appropriations Bill, FY 2014.

WAR ON POVERTY: A PROGRESS REPORT

Committee on the Budget: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “The War on Poverty: A Progress Report”. Testimony was heard from Eloise Anderson, Secretary, Wisconsin Department of Children and Families; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Full Committee held a markup on H.R. 2810, the “Medicare Patient Access and Quality Improvement Act of 2013”; and H.R. 2844, the “Federal Communications Commission Consolidated Reporting Act of 2013”. The following bills were ordered reported, as amended: H.R. 2810; and H.R. 2844.

OVERSIGHT OF DOE'S STRATEGY FOR THE MANAGEMENT AND DISPOSAL OF USED NUCLEAR FUEL AND HIGH-LEVEL RADIOACTIVE WASTE

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Environment and the Economy held a hearing entitled “Oversight of DOE's Strategy for the Management and Disposal of Used Nuclear Fuel and High-Level Radioactive Waste”. Testimony was heard from Ernest Moniz, Secretary, Department of Energy.

IRAN-SYRIA NEXUS AND ITS IMPLICATIONS FOR THE REGION

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on the Middle East and North Africa held a hearing entitled “The Iran-Syria Nexus and Its Implications for the Region”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

TSA INTEGRITY CHALLENGES: EXAMINING MISCONDUCT BY AIRPORT SECURITY PERSONNEL

Committee on Homeland Security: Subcommittee on Oversight and Management Efficiency and Subcommittee on Transportation Security held a joint hearing entitled “TSA Integrity Challenges: Examining Misconduct by Airport Security Personnel”.

Testimony was heard from John Halinski, Deputy Administrator, Transportation Security Administration, Department of Homeland Security; Stephen M. Lord, Director, Forensic Audits and Investigative Services, Government Accountability Office; and Deborah Outten-Mills, Acting Assistant Inspector General for Inspections, Office of the Inspector General, Department of Homeland Security.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on the Judiciary: Full Committee held a markup on H.R. 1123, the “Unlocking Consumer Choice and Wireless Competition Act”; H.R. 2542, the “Regulatory Flexibility Improvements Act of 2013”; H.R. 2641, the “Responsibly and Professionally Invigorating Development Act of 2013”; and H.R. 2655, the “Lawsuit Abuse Reduction Act of 2013”. The following bill was ordered reported, as amended: H.R. 1123. The following bill was ordered reported, without amendment: H.R. 2542.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Natural Resources: Full Committee held a markup on H.R. 255, to amend certain definitions contained in the Provo River Project Transfer Act for purposes of clarifying certain property descriptions, and for other purposes; H.R. 553, to designate the exclusive economic zone of the United States as the “Ronald Wilson Reagan Exclusive Economic Zone of the United States”; H.R. 623, the “Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium Land Transfer Act”; H.R. 908, the “Green Mountain Lookout Heritage Protection Act”; H.R. 930, the “New Philadelphia, Illinois, Study Act”; H.R. 1168, to direct the Secretary of the Interior, acting through the Bureau of Land Management, to convey to the City of Carlin, Nevada, in exchange for consideration, all right, title, and interest of the United States, to any Federal land within that city that is under the jurisdiction of that agency, and for other purposes; H.R. 1170, to direct the Secretary of the Interior, acting through the Bureau of Land Management and the Bureau of Reclamation, to convey, by quitclaim deed, to the City of Fernley, Nevada, all right, title, and interest of the United States, to any Federal land within that city that is under the jurisdiction of either of those agencies; H.R. 1526, the “Restoring Healthy Forests for Healthy Communities Act”; H.R. 1684, the “Ranch A Consolidation and Management Improvement Act”; H.R. 1818, the “Polar Bear Conservation and Fairness Act of 2013”; H.R. 1963, the “Bureau of Reclamation Conduit Hydro-power Development Equity and Jobs Act”; H.R. 2388, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to take certain Federal lands located in El Dorado County, California, into trust for the benefit of the Shingle Springs Band of Miwok Indians, and for

other purposes; H.R. 2463, the “Target Practice and Marksmanship Training Support Act”; H.R. 2650, the “Fond du Lac Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Non-Intercourse Act of 2013”; H.R. 2728, the “Protecting States’ Rights to Promote American Energy Security Act”. The following bills were ordered reported as amended: H.R. 623; H.R. 930; H.R. 1168; H.R. 1170; H.R. 1526; H.R. 1963; H.R. 2388; and H.R. 2728. The following bills were ordered reported without amendment: H.R. 255; H.R. 553; H.R. 908; H.R. 1684; H.R. 1818; H.R. 2463; and H.R. 2650.

OVERSIGHT OF THE IRS’S LEGAL BASIS FOR EXPANDING OBAMACARE’S TAXES AND SUBSIDIES

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform: Subcommittee on Energy Policy, Health Care and Entitlements held a hearing entitled “Oversight of the IRS’s Legal Basis for Expanding ObamaCare’s Taxes and Subsidies”. Testimony was heard from Scott Pruitt, Attorney General, State of Oklahoma; Emily S. McMahon, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Tax Policy, Department of the Treasury; and public witnesses.

REGULATIONS FROM THE EXECUTIVE IN NEED OF SCRUTINY ACT OF 2013; KEEP THE IRS OFF YOUR HEALTH CARE ACT OF 2013; AND STOP GOVERNMENT ABUSE ACT

Committee on Rules: Full Committee held a hearing on H.R. 367, the “Regulations From the Executive in Need of Scrutiny Act of 2013”; H.R. 2009, the “Keep the IRS Off Your Health Care Act of 2013”; and H.R. 2879, the “Stop Government Abuse Act”. The Committee granted by record vote of 9–3, a structured rule for H.R. 367. The rule provides one hour of general debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on the Judiciary. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule makes in order as original text for the purpose of amendment the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on the Judiciary now printed in the bill modified by the amendment printed in part A of the Rules Committee report and provides that it shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against that amendment in the nature of a substitute. The rule makes in order only those further amendments printed in Part B of the report. Each such amendment may be offered only in the order printed in the report, may be offered only by a Member designated in the report, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, shall not be subject to amendment, and shall

not be subject to a demand for division of the question. The rule waives all points of order against the amendments printed in Part B of the report. The rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. In section 2, the rule provides a closed rule for H.R. 2009. The rule provides one hour of debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Ways and Means. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill and provides that it shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against provisions in the bill. The rule provides one motion to recommit. In section 3, the rule provides that H. Res. 292 is laid on the table. In section 4, the rule provides that on any legislative day during the period from August 3, 2013, through September 6, 2013: the Journal of the proceedings of the previous day shall be considered as approved; the Chair may at any time declare the House adjourned to meet at a date and time to be announced by the Chair in declaring the adjournment; and bills and resolutions introduced shall be numbered, listed in the Congressional Record, and when printed shall bear the date of introduction, but may be referred at a later time. In section 5, the rule provides that the Speaker may appoint Members to perform the duties of the Chair for the duration of the period addressed by section 4 of the resolution. In section 6, the rule provides that each day during the period addressed by section 4 of the resolution shall not constitute a calendar day for purposes of section 7 of the War Powers Resolution (50 U.S.C. 1546). In section 7, the rule provides that each day during the period addressed by section 4 of the resolution shall not constitute a legislative day for purposes of clause 7 of rule XIII resolutions of inquiry). In section 8, the rule provides a closed rule for H.R. 2879. The rule provides one hour of debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill and provides that it shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against provisions in the bill. The rule provides one motion to recommit. In section 9, the rule provides that upon passage of H.R. 2879, the following bills are laid on the table: H.R. 1541, H.R. 2579, and H.R. 2711. Testimony was heard from Chairman Goodlatte, Chairman Issa and Representatives Smith of Missouri, Scalise, Price of Georgia, Conyers, Jackson Lee, Johnson of Georgia and McDermott.

FRONTIERS OF HUMAN BRAIN RESEARCH

Committee on Science, Space, and Technology: Subcommittee on Research and Technology held a hear-

ing entitled “The Frontiers of Human Brain Research”. Testimony was heard from Dr. Story Landis, Director of National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke, National Institutes of Health; Master Sergeant Joseph Deslauriers Jr., U.S. Air Force; and a public witness.

HOW TO IMPROVE THE EFFICIENCY, SAFETY, AND SECURITY OF MARITIME TRANSPORTATION: BETTER USE AND INTEGRATION OF MARITIME DOMAIN AWARENESS DATA

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime held a hearing entitled “How to Improve the Efficiency, Safety, and Security of Maritime Transportation: Better Use and Integration of Maritime Domain Awareness Data”. Testimony was heard from Rear Admiral Mark E. Butt, Assistant Commandant for Capability, United States Coast Guard; Stephen Caldwell, Director, Homeland Security and Justice, Government Accountability Office; and public witnesses.

IMPROVING THE SAFETY NET: BETTER COORDINATING TODAY’S MAZE OF PROGRAMS TO ENSURE FAMILIES RECEIVE REAL HELP

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Human Resources held a hearing entitled “Improving the Safety Net: Better Coordinating Today’s Maze of Programs to Ensure Families Receive Real Help”. Testimony was heard from Eloise Anderson, Secretary, Wisconsin Department of Children and Families; Clarence Carter, Director, Arizona Department of Economic Security; Michelle Saddler, Secretary, Illinois Department of Human Services; and Larry Woods, Chief Executive Officer, House Authority of Winston-Salem.

Joint Meetings

TAX REFORM

Joint Economic Committee: Committee concluded a hearing to examine how tax reform can boost economic growth, focusing on lessons from Reagan, after receiving testimony from Jane G. Gravelle, Senior Specialist in Economic Policy, Congressional Research Service, Library of Congress; former Virginia Governor James S. Gilmore III, Free Congress Foundation, Alexandria, Virginia; Laura D’Andrea Tyson, University of California Haas School of Business, Berkeley; and Kevin A. Hassett, American Enterprise Institute for Public Policy Research, Washington, DC.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT IN CENTRAL ASIA

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe: Commission concluded a hearing to examine implications for economic development in Central Asia, focusing on if the government can create the necessary conditions for more trade and exchange, including infrastructure development, efficient customs regimes and reliable transportation networks, after receiving testimony from Danica Starks, Senior Desk Officer for Russia, Caucasus and Central Asia, Department of Commerce; and Craig Steffenson, Asian Development Bank, Eric Stewart, U.S.-Turkmen Business Council, and Joshua Kucera, all of Washington, DC.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, AUGUST 1, 2013

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Appropriations: business meeting to mark up proposed legislation making appropriations for fiscal year 2014 for the Department of Defense, 10:30 a.m., SD-106.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: to hold hearings to examine the November 6, 2012 referendum on the political status of Puerto Rico and the Administration's response, 9:30 a.m., SD-366.

Committee on Foreign Relations: business meeting to consider S. 1386, to provide for enhanced embassy security, and the nominations of Steve A. Linick, of Virginia, to be Inspector General, Matthew Winthrop Barzun, of Kentucky, to be Ambassador to the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, David Hale, of New Jersey, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Lebanon, Liliana Ayalde, of Maryland, to be Ambassador to the Federative Republic of Brazil, Evan Ryan, of Virginia, to be Assistant Secretary for Educational and Cultural Affairs, Kirk W.B. Wagar, of Florida, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Singapore, Daniel A. Sepulveda, of Florida, to be Deputy Assistant Secretary for International Communications and Information Policy in the Bureau of Economic, Energy, and Business Affairs and U. S. Coordinator for International Communications and Information Policy, Terence Patrick McCulley, of Washington, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Cote d'Ivoire, James C. Swan, of California, to be Ambassador to the Democratic Republic of the Congo, John R. Phillips, of the District of Columbia, to be Ambassador to the Italian Republic, and to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador to the Republic of San Marino, Kenneth Francis Hackett, of Maryland, to be Ambassador to the Holy See, and Alexa Lange Wesner, of Texas, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Austria, all of the Department of State, 10:15 a.m., SD-419.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Subcommittee on Financial and Contracting Oversight, to hold hearings to examine Prisoner of War (POW) and

Missing in Action (MIA) accounting, 10:30 a.m., SD-342.

Committee on the Judiciary: business meeting to consider S. 987, to maintain the free flow of information to the public by providing conditions for the federally compelled disclosure of information by certain persons connected with the news media, S. 933, to amend title I of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 to extend the authorization of the Bulletproof Vest Partnership Grant Program through fiscal year 2018, and the nominations of Patricia Ann Millett, of Virginia, to be United States Circuit Judge for the District of Columbia Circuit, Gregory Howard Woods, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of New York, Elizabeth A. Wolford, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of New York, and Debra M. Brown, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Mississippi, 9:30 a.m., SD-226.

Subcommittee on Oversight, Federal Rights and Agency Action, to hold hearings to examine the human cost of regulatory paralysis, 2 p.m., SD-226.

House

Committee on Armed Services, Subcommittee on Military Personnel, hearing entitled "Department of Defense's Challenges in Accounting for Missing Persons from Past Conflicts", 8 a.m., 2212 Rayburn.

Full Committee, hearing entitled "Initial Conclusions Formed by the Defense Strategic Choices and Management Review", 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Readiness; and Subcommittee on Seapower and Projection Forces, joint subcommittee hearing entitled "Ensuring Navy surface force effectiveness with limited maintenance resources", 3:30 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, Full Committee, hearing entitled "PPACA Pulse Check", 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Foreign Affairs, Full Committee, markup on H.R. 2848, the "Department of State Operations and Embassy Security Authorization Act, Fiscal Year 2014"; and H.R. 419, to strengthen and clarify the commercial, cultural, and other relations between the people of the United States and the people of Taiwan, as codified in the Taiwan Relations Act, and for other purposes, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Terrorism, Nonproliferation, and Trade, hearing entitled "The Trans-Pacific Partnership: Outlook and Opportunities", 1:30 p.m., 2200 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on the Middle East and North Africa; and Subcommittee on the Western Hemisphere, joint hearing entitled "Examining the State Department's Report on Iranian Presence in the Western Hemisphere 19 Years After AMIA Attack", 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Africa, Global Health, Global Human Rights, and International Organizations, hearing entitled "The Impact of U.S. Water Programs on Global Health", 2 p.m., 2255 Rayburn.

Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Cybersecurity, Infrastructure Protection, and Security Technology, hearing entitled "West Fertilizer, Off the Grid: