

was heard from Representatives Culberson, Fattah, Diaz-Balart, and Price of North Carolina.

CIRCUMVENTION OF CONTRACTS IN THE PROVISION OF NON-VA HEALTHCARE

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing entitled "Circumvention of Contracts in the Provision of Non-VA Healthcare". Testimony was heard from Edward J. Murray, Acting Assistant Secretary for Management and Interim Chief Financial Officer, Office of Management, Department of Veterans Affairs; Jan Frye, Deputy Assistant Secretary and Senior Procurement Executive, Office of Acquisition and Logistics, Department of Veterans Affairs; Randall Williamson, Director, Healthcare, Government Accountability Office; and a public witness.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY, JUNE 2, 2015

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: to hold hearings to examine perspectives on the Export-Import Bank of the United States, 10 a.m., SD-538.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Communications, Technology, Innovation, and the Internet, to hold hearings to examine Lifeline, focusing on improving accountability and effectiveness, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: to hold hearings to examine the status of drought conditions throughout the western United States and actions states and others are taking to address them, 10 a.m., SD-366.

Committee on Finance: to hold hearings to examine Internal Revenue Service data theft affecting taxpayer information, 10 a.m., SD-215.

Committee on Foreign Relations: to hold closed hearings to examine understanding Iran's nuclear program, 5 p.m., SVC-217.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: to hold hearings to examine the IRS data breach, focusing on steps to protect Americans' personal information, 2 p.m., SD-342.

Select Committee on Intelligence: to receive a closed briefing on certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

House

Committee on Agriculture, Subcommittee on General Farm Commodities and Risk Management, hearing entitled "Update on the Financial Health of Farm Country", 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

Committee on Appropriations, Full Committee, markup on the Defense Appropriations Bill for FY 2016, 10:15 a.m., 2359 Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, Subcommittee on Energy and Power, hearing entitled "Quadrennial Energy Review and Related Discussion Drafts", 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled "Medicaid Program Integrity: Screening Out Errors, Fraud, and Abuse", 10:15 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Commerce, Manufacturing and Trade, hearing entitled "An Update on the Takata Airbag Ruptures and Recalls", 2 p.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Full Committee, markup on H.R. 2576, the "TSCA Modernization Act of 2015"; and H.R. 2583, the "Federal Communications Commission Process Reform Act of 2015", 5 p.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, Subcommittee on Housing and Insurance, hearing entitled "The National Flood Insurance Program: Oversight of Superstorm Sandy Claims", 2 p.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Foreign Affairs, Full Committee, hearing entitled "Americans Detained in Iran"; markup on H. Res. 233, expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that Iran should immediately release the three United States citizens it holds, as well as provide all known information on any United States citizens that have disappeared within its borders, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Terrorism, Nonproliferation, and Trade, hearing entitled "State Department's Counterterrorism Bureau", 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Border and Maritime Security, hearing entitled "The Outer Ring of Border Security: DHS's International Security Programs", 10 a.m., 311 Cannon.

Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on Regulatory Reform, Commercial and Antitrust Law, hearing on H.R. 2315, the "Mobile Workforce State Income Tax Simplification Act of 2015"; H.R. 1643 the "Digital Goods and Services Tax Fairness Act of 2015"; and the "Business Activity Tax Simplification Act of 2015", 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on the Constitution and Civil Justice, business meeting to adopt rules of procedure for Private Claims Bills; hearing entitled "First Amendment Protections on Public College and University Campuses", 2 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, Full Committee, hearing entitled "Ensuring Transparency through the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA)", 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on Rules, Full Committee, hearing on H.R. 2289, the "Commodity End-User Relief Act", 3 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, Full Committee, hearing entitled "Oversight of the Amtrak Accident in Philadelphia", 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs, Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity, hearing on H.R. 356, the "Wounded Warrior Employment Improvement Act"; H.R. 832, the

“Veterans Employment and Training Service Longitudinal Study Act of 2015”; H.R. 1994, the “VA Accountability Act of 2015”; H.R. 2133, the “Servicemembers’ Choice in Transition Act”; H.R. 2275, the “Jobs for Veterans Act of 2015”; H.R. 2344, to amend title 38, United States Code, to make certain improvements in the vocational rehabilitation programs of the Department of Veterans Affairs; H.R. 2360, to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the approval of certain programs of education for purposes of educational assistance provided by the Department of Veterans Affairs; H.R. 2361, to amend title 38, United States Code, to extend the authority to provide work-study allowance for certain activities by individuals receiving educational assistance by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs; and a draft bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to make certain modifications and improvements in the transfer of unused educational assistance benefits under the Post 9/11 Educational Assistance Program of the Department of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes, 2 p.m., 334 Cannon.

Committee on Ways And Means, Full Committee, markup on H.R. 160, the “Protect Medical Innovation Act of 2015”; H.R. 1190, the “Protecting Seniors’ Access to Medicare Act of 2015”; S. 984, the “Steve Gleason Act of 2015”; S. 971, the “Medicare Independence at Home Medical Practice Demonstration Improvement Act of 2015”; H.R. 2580, the “LTCH Technical Correction Act of 2015”; H.R. 2505, the “Medicare Advantage Coverage Transparency Act of 2015”; H.R. 2506, the “Seniors’ Health Care Plan Protection Act of 2015”; H.R. 2507, the “Increasing Regulatory Fairness Act of 2015”; H.R. 2579, the “Securing Care for Seniors Act of 2015”; and H.R. 2581, the “Preservation of Access for Seniors in Medicare Advantage Act of 2015”, 10:15 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of June 2 through June 5, 2015

Senate Chamber

On *Tuesday*, Senate will continue consideration of H.R. 2048, USA FREEDOM Act, with a vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the bill at 10:30 a.m. The filing deadline for second-degree amendments to the bill is at 10 a.m.

Upon disposition of H.R. 2048, USA FREEDOM Act, Senate will vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the motion to proceed to consideration of H.R. 1735, National Defense Authorization Act.

During the balance of the week, Senate may consider any cleared legislative and executive business.

Senate Committees

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: June 2, to hold hearings to examine perspectives on the Export-Import Bank of the United States, 10 a.m., SD-538.

June 4, Full Committee, to hold an oversight hearing to examine the Export-Import Bank of the United States, 10 a.m., SD-538.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: June 2, Subcommittee on Communications, Technology, Innovation, and the Internet, to hold hearings to examine Lifeline, focusing on improving accountability and effectiveness, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

June 4, Full Committee, business meeting to consider the nomination of Peter V. Neffenger, of Ohio, to be an Assistant Secretary of Homeland Security, Time to be announced, Room to be announced.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: June 2, to hold hearings to examine the status of drought conditions throughout the western United States and actions states and others are taking to address them, 10 a.m., SD-366.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: June 3, to hold hearings to examine challenges and implications of EPA’s proposed national ambient air quality standard for ground-level ozone, including S. 638, to amend the Clean Air Act with respect to exceptional event demonstrations, S. 751, to improve the establishment of any lower ground-level ozone standards, and S. 640, to amend the Clean Air Act to delay the review and revision of the national ambient air quality standards for ozone, 9:30 a.m., SD-406.

Committee on Finance: June 2, to hold hearings to examine Internal Revenue Service data theft affecting taxpayer information, 10 a.m., SD-215.

June 3, Full Committee, business meeting to consider an original bill entitled, “Audit & Appeal Fairness, Integrity, and Reforms in Medicare Act of 2015”, 10 a.m., SD-215.

Committee on Foreign Relations: June 2, to hold closed hearings to examine understanding Iran’s nuclear program, 5 p.m., SVC-217.

June 3, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine implications of the Iran nuclear agreement for United States policy in the Middle East, 9:30 a.m., SD-419.

June 4, Subcommittee on Africa and Global Health Policy, to hold hearings to examine security assistance in Africa, 10 a.m., SD-419.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: June 3, to hold hearings to examine reauthorizing the Higher Education Act, focusing on ensuring college affordability, 10 a.m., SD-430.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: June 2, to hold hearings to examine the IRS data breach, focusing on steps to protect Americans’ personal information, 2 p.m., SD-342.

June 3, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine top government investigator positions left unfilled for years, 10 a.m., SD-342.

June 4, Subcommittee on Regulatory Affairs and Federal Management, to hold hearings to examine practical solutions to improve the federal regulatory process, 1:15 p.m., SD-342.

Committee on the Judiciary: June 4, business meeting to consider S. 1137, to amend title 35, United States Code,