

**Senate Referral:** S. 546 was referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

**Pages H2164, H2211–12**

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** Two yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H2192–93 and H2193. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 12 noon and adjourned at 9:34 p.m.

## *Committee Meetings*

### **WILL PRESIDENT OBAMA PRIORITIZE THE RELEASE OF PRISONERS OF CONSCIENCE IN VIETNAM?**

*Committee on Foreign Affairs:* Subcommittee on Africa, Global Health, Global Human Rights, and International Organizations held a hearing entitled “Will President Obama Prioritize the Release of Prisoners of Conscience in Vietnam?”. Testimony was heard from a public witness.

### **A BILL TO PROVIDE FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF AN INTER-AGENCY TASK FORCE TO REVIEW, MODIFY, AND UPDATE BEST PRACTICES FOR PAIN MANAGEMENT AND PRESCRIBING PAIN MEDICATION, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES; COMPREHENSIVE OPIOID ABUSE REDUCTION ACT OF 2016**

*Committee on Rules:* Full Committee held a hearing on H.R. 4641, to provide for the establishment of an inter-agency task force to review, modify, and update best practices for pain management and prescribing pain medication, and for other purposes; and H.R. 5046, the “Comprehensive Opioid Abuse Reduction Act of 2016”. The committee granted, by voice vote, a structured rule for H.R. 4641. The rule provides one hour of general debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Energy and Commerce. 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 Energy and Commerce now printed in the bill 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 A of the Rules Committee 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 pro-

ponent 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 A of the report. The rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Additionally, the rule grants a structured rule for H.R. 5046. 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 an amendment in the nature of a substitute consisting of the text of Rules Committee Print 114–52 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 Rules Committee 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. Testimony was heard from Representatives Issa, Jackson Lee, Donovan, Danny K. Davis of Illinois, Mica, Keating, Rothfus, Levin, Brooks of Indiana, Kennedy, and Carter of Georgia.

## *Joint Meetings*

No joint committee meetings were held.

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## **NEW PUBLIC LAWS**

*(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D469)*

H.R. 1493, to protect and preserve international cultural property at risk due to political instability, armed conflict, or natural or other disasters. Signed on May 9, 2016. (Public Law 114–151)

H.R. 2908, to adopt the bison as the national mammal of the United States. Signed on May 9, 2016. (Public Law 114–152)

## COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, MAY 11, 2016

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

### Senate

*Committee on Armed Services:* closed business meeting to mark up the proposed National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2017, 9:30 a.m., SR-222.

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* to hold hearings to examine leveraging the United States science and technology enterprise, 10 a.m., SR-253.

*Committee on Finance:* to hold an oversight hearing to examine the Customs and Border Protection agency, 10 a.m., SD-215.

Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Charles P. Blahous, III, and Robert D. Reischauer, both of Maryland, both to be a Member of the Board of Trustees of the Federal Hospital Insurance Trust Fund, a Member of the Board of Trustees of the Federal Old-Age and Survivors Insurance Trust Fund and the Federal Disability Insurance Trust Fund, and a Member of the Board of Trustees of the Federal Supplementary Medical Insurance Trust Fund, 3 p.m., SD-215.

*Committee on Indian Affairs:* business meeting to consider S. 1163, to amend the Native American Programs Act of 1974 to provide flexibility and reauthorization to ensure the survival and continuing vitality of Native American languages, S. 2580, to establish the Indian Education Agency to streamline the administration of Indian education, and S. 2739, to provide for equitable compensation to the Spokane Tribe of Indians of the Spokane Reservation for the use of tribal land for the production of hydropower by the Grand Coulee Dam; to be immediately followed by hearings to examine S. 2417, to amend the Indian Health Care Improvement Act to allow the Indian Health Service to cover the cost of a copayment of an Indian or Alaska Native veteran receiving medical care or services from the Department of Veterans Affairs, and S. 2842, to amend and reform the Johnson-O'Malley Act to award contracts to certain tribal organizations, Indian corporations, school districts, States, and consortia of tribal organizations, 2:15 p.m., SD-628.

*Committee on Judiciary:* Subcommittee on Privacy, Technology and the Law, to hold hearings to examine the proposed Federal Communications Commission privacy rules, 2:30 p.m., SD-226.

*Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship:* to hold hearings to examine the Administration's overtime rule and the rising costs of doing business, 9:30 a.m., SR-428A.

### House

*Committee on Appropriations,* Subcommittee on Defense, markup on the Defense Appropriations Bill, FY 2017, 5:30 p.m., H-140 Capitol. This markup will be closed.

*Committee on Armed Services,* Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled "U.S. Industry Perspectives on the Department of Defense's Policies, Roles and Responsibilities for Foreign Military Sales", 10 a.m., 2212 Rayburn.

*Committee on Energy and Commerce,* Subcommittee on Health, hearing entitled "Health Care Solutions: Increasing Patient Choice and Plan Innovation", 10 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Commerce, Manufacturing, and Trade, hearing entitled "Daily Fantasy Sports: Issues and Perspectives", 10:15 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Energy and Power, markup on H.R. 4775, the "Ozone Standards Implementation Act of 2016"; and H.R. 4979, the "Advanced Nuclear Technology Development Act of 2016", 5 p.m., 2123 Rayburn.

*Committee on Foreign Affairs,* Subcommittee on Asia and the Pacific, hearing entitled "FY 2017 Budget Priorities for South Asia: Recovery, Development, and Engagement", 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Africa, Global Health, Global Human Rights, and International Organizations, hearing entitled "The U.S. Role in Helping Nigeria Confront Boko Haram and Other Threats in Northern Nigeria", 2:30 p.m., 2255 Rayburn.

*Committee on the Judiciary,* Full Committee, markup on H.R. 5063, the "Stop Settlement Slush Funds Act of 2016", 10:15 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

*Committee on Oversight and Government Reform,* Full Committee, hearing entitled "Reforming the Postal Service: Finding a Viable Solution", 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

*Committee on Science, Space, and Technology,* Subcommittee on Energy, hearing entitled "Department of Energy Oversight: Office of Fossil Energy", 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

*Committee on Small Business,* Full Committee, hearing entitled "Inspiring Entrepreneurs: Learning from the Experts", 11 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs,* Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity, markup on H.R. 3286, the "HIRE Vets Act"; H.R. 4138, to authorize the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to recoup relocation expenses paid to or on behalf of employees of the Department of Veterans Affairs; a draft of the "Veterans Education Enhancement Act of 2016"; a draft of the "Veterans Success on Campus Act of 2016"; a draft bill to direct the Secretary of Labor to carry out a research program to evaluate the effectiveness of Transition Assistance Program in addressing needs of certain minority veterans; and a draft of the "GI Bill Oversight Act of 2016", 11 a.m., 334 Cannon.

Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs, markup on H.R. 4892, to amend title 38, United States Code, to pay special compensation to certain veterans with the loss or loss of use of creative organs; H.R. 3715, the "Final Farewell Act of 2015"; H.R. 4758, to amend title 38, United States Code, to authorize the award of the Presidential Memorial Certificate to certain deceased members of the reserve components of the Armed Forces and certain deceased members of the Reserve Officers' Training Corps; H.R. 4087, the "Fair Treatment for Families of Veterans Act"; H.R. 4759, to amend title 38, United States Code, to authorize the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to pay costs relating to the transportation of certain deceased veterans to veterans' cemeteries owned by a State or tribal organization; H.R.