

Georgette Mosbacher, of New York, to be a Member of the United States Advisory Commission on Public Diplomacy for a term expiring July 1, 2018.

Todd A. Fisher, of New York, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Overseas Private Investment Corporation for a term expiring December 17, 2016.

Deven J. Parekh, of New York, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Overseas Private Investment Corporation for a term expiring December 17, 2016.

Robert Annan Riley III, of Florida, to be Ambassador to the Federated States of Micronesia.

Karen Brevard Stewart, of Florida, to be Ambassador to the Republic of the Marshall Islands.

Matthew John Matthews, of Oregon, for the rank of Ambassador during his tenure of service as United States Senior Official for the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) Forum.

Marcela Escobari, of Massachusetts, to be an Assistant Administrator of the United States Agency for International Development.

Swati A. Dandekar, of Iowa, to be United States Director of the Asian Development Bank, with the rank of Ambassador.

Adam H. Sterling, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Slovak Republic.

Kelly Keiderling-Franz, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Oriental Republic of Uruguay.

Stephen Michael Schwartz, of Maryland, to be Ambassador to the Federal Republic of Somalia.

Christine Ann Elder, of Kentucky, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Liberia.

Elizabeth Holzhall Richard, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Lebanese Republic. **Page S2914**

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Record Votes: Three record votes were taken today. (Total—75) **Pages S2851–52**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 7:15 p.m., until 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday, May 18, 2016. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S2911.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies approved for full committee consideration an original bill entitled, "Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2017".

STATUS OF ADVANCED NUCLEAR TECHNOLOGIES

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the status of advanced nuclear technologies, after receiving testimony from Mark Peters, Director, Idaho National Laboratory, Department of Energy; Jacob DeWitte, Oklo Inc., Sunnyvale, California; John Gilleland, TerraPower, Bellevue, Washington; John L. Hopkins, NuScale Power, Portland, Oregon; and Stephen E. Kuczynski, Southern Nuclear Operating Company, Inc., Atlanta, Georgia.

WATER AND POWER LEGISLATION

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Water and Power concluded a hearing to examine S. 2524, to insure adequate use and access to the existing Bolts Ditch headgate and ditch segment within the Holy Cross Wilderness in Eagle County, Colorado, S. 2533, to provide short-term water supplies to drought-stricken California and provide for long-term investments in drought resiliency throughout the Western United States, S. 2616, to modify certain cost-sharing and revenue provisions relating to the Arkansas Valley Conduit, Colorado, S. 2902, to provide for long-term water supplies, optimal use of existing water supply infrastructure, and protection of existing water rights, and S. 2907, to amend the Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2015, to strike the termination date for funding for pilot projects to increase Colorado River System water in Lake Mead, after receiving testimony from Senators Feinstein and McCain; Estevan Lopez, Commissioner, Bureau of Reclamation, Department of the Interior; Leslie Weldon, Deputy Chief, National Forest System, Forest Service, Department of Agriculture; Thomas Buschatzke, Arizona Department of Water Resources Director, Phoenix; Bill Long, Southeastern Colorado Water Conservancy District, Pueblo; Timothy Quinn, Association of California Water Agencies, Sacramento; Laura Ziemer, Trout

Unlimited, Bozeman, Montana; and Dan Keppen, Family Farm Alliance, Klamath Falls, Oregon.

MARINE DEBRIS AND WILDLIFE

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Subcommittee on Fisheries, Water, and Wildlife concluded a hearing to examine marine debris and wildlife, focusing on impacts, sources, and solutions, after receiving testimony from Jim Kurth, Deputy Director, Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior; Chris Pallister, Gulf of Alaska Keeper, Anchorage; Jenna R. Jambeck, University of Georgia College of Engineering, Athens; Nicholas J. Mallos, Ocean Conservancy Trash Free Seas, Washington, D.C.; and Jonathan Stone, Save The Bay, Providence, Rhode Island.

INTEGRATING THE CORPORATE AND INDIVIDUAL TAX SYSTEMS

Committee on Finance: Committee concluded a hearing to examine integrating the corporate and individual tax systems, focusing on the dividends paid deduction considered, after receiving testimony from Michael J. Graetz, Columbia Law School, New York, New York; Judy A. Miller, American Retirement Association, Arlington, Virginia; Steven M. Rosenthal, Urban Institute and Brookings Institution Tax Policy Center, Washington, D.C.; and Bret Wells, University of Houston Law Center, Houston, Texas.

WAR IN SYRIA

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the War in Syria, focusing on next steps to mitigate the crisis, after receiving testimony from Robert S. Ford, Middle East Institute, Nancy Lindborg, United States Institute of Peace, and Tamara Cofman Wittes, Brookings Institution Center for Middle East Policy, all of Washington, D.C.

INTERNATIONAL CYBERSECURITY STRATEGY

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on East Asia, the Pacific, and International Cybersecurity Policy received a closed briefing on international cybersecurity strategy from Christopher Painter, Coordinator for Cyber Issues, and Judith Strotz, Director, Office of Cyber Affairs, Bureau of Intelligence and Research, both of the Department of State.

AMERICA'S DEMAND FOR DRUGS

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine America's insatiable demand for drugs, focusing on assessing the Federal response, after receiving testimony from Michael P. Botticelli, Director of National Drug Control Policy; Kana Enomoto, Principal Deputy Administrator, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, Department of Health and Human Services; and Diana C. Maurer, Director, Homeland Security and Justice, Government Accountability Office.

FOSTER CARE AND JUVENILE JUSTICE SYSTEMS

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded a hearing to examine National Foster Care Month, focusing on supporting youth in the foster care and juvenile justice systems, after receiving testimony from Lisa Nelson, Iowa 3rd Judicial District Juvenile Court Services, Sioux City; Jeffrey Lind, Beltrami County Health and Human Services, Bemidji, Minnesota; Macon Stewart, Georgetown University McCourt School of Public Policy Center for Juvenile Justice Reform, Washington, D.C.; and Sonya Brown, New Orleans, Louisiana.

INTELLIGENCE

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee met in closed session to receive a briefing on certain intelligence matters from officials of the intelligence community.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 14 public bills, H.R. 5258–5271; and 3 resolutions, H.J. Res. 94; H. Con. Res. 131; and H. Res. 734 were introduced.

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Additional Cosponsors:

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 3484, to authorize the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to enter into certain leases at the Department of Veterans Affairs West Los Angeles Campus in Los Angeles, California, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 114–570);