

certain foreign entities and foreign countries of concern, require certain staff and faculty to report foreign gifts and contracts, and require disclosure of certain foreign investments within endowments; and providing for consideration of the joint resolution (H.J. Res. 88) providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the Department of Education relating to “Improving Income Driven Repayment for the William D. Ford Federal Direct Loan Program and the Federal Family Education Loan (FFEL) Program”, by a recorded vote of 213 ayes to 201 noes, Roll No. 693, after the previous question was ordered by a yea-and-nay vote of 209 yeas to 200 nays, Roll No. 692.

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Suspensions—Proceedings Resumed: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

One Seat Ride Act: H.R. 1547, amended, to direct the Secretary of Transportation to conduct a study on the costs and benefits of commuter rail passenger transportation involving transfers, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yea-and-nay vote of 356 yeas to 61 nays, Roll No. 694;

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Housing our Military Veterans Effectively Act of 2023: H.R. 3848, amended, to make certain improvements in the laws administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs relating to homelessness, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yea-and-nay vote of 408 yeas to 10 nays, Roll No. 695;

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Elizabeth Dole Home- and Community-Based Services for Veterans and Caregivers Act of 2023: H.R. 542, amended, to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve certain programs of the Department of Veterans Affairs for home and community based services for veterans, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yea-and-nay vote of 414 yeas to 5 nays, Roll No. 696; and

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Strongly condemning and denouncing the drastic rise of antisemitism in the United States and around the world: H. Res. 894, strongly condemning and denouncing the drastic rise of antisemitism in the United States and around the world, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yea-and-nay vote of 311 yeas to 14 nays with 92 answering “present”, Roll No. 697.

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Committee Election: The House agreed to H. Res. 908, electing a Member to a certain standing committee of the House of Representatives.

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Privileged Resolution—Intent to Offer: Representative McClain announced her intent to offer a privileged resolution.

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Senate Referrals: S. 1278 was held at the desk. S. 2087 was held at the desk. S. 2644 was held at the desk.

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Senate Message: Message received from the Senate today appears on page H6118.

Quorum Calls Votes: Five yea-and-nay votes and one recorded vote developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H6128, H6128–29, H6129–30, H6130, H6130–31, and H6131–32.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 4:36 p.m.

Committee Meetings

HOLDING CAMPUS LEADERS ACCOUNTABLE AND CONFRONTING ANTISEMITISM

Committee on Education and Workforce: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Holding Campus Leaders Accountable and Confronting Antisemitism”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

AMERICA’S FUTURE: LEADING A NEW ERA OF ENERGY DOMINANCE, SECURITY, AND ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Energy, Climate, and Grid Security held a hearing entitled “America’s Future: Leading a New Era of Energy Dominance, Security, and Environmental Stewardship”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT OF THE NATIONAL TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION ADMINISTRATION

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Communications and Technology held a hearing entitled “Oversight of the National Telecommunications and Information Administration”. Testimony was heard from Alan Davidson, Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Communications and Information and Administrator, National Telecommunications and Information Administration, Department of Commerce.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Full Committee began a markup on H.R. 5677, the “5G Spectrum Authority Licensing Enforcement Act”; H.R. 6544, the “Atomic Energy Advancement Act”; H.R. 5718, the “Nuclear Fuel Security Act of 2023”; H.R. 4167, the “Protecting America’s Distribution Transformer Supply Chain Act”; H.R. 6192, the “Hands Off Our Home Appliances Act”; H.R. 6185, the “Guaranteeing Reliable Infrastructure Development Act”; H.R. 6421, the “Affordable HOMES Act”;

H.R. 4045, the “Hydropower Clean Energy Future Act”; legislation on the Promoting Resilient Supply Chains Act; legislation on the Deploying American Blockchains Act; H.R. 5390, the “Critical Infrastructure Manufacturing Feasibility Act”; H.R. 5398, the “Advancing Tech Startups Act”; H.R. 5146, the “Advancing Gig Economy Act”; H.R. 3950, the “Transparency In Charges for Key Events Ticketing Act”; H.R. 6568, the “STOP Act of 2023”; H.R. 6543, the “No Hidden Fees on Extra Expenses for Stays Act”; H.R. 6125, the “Online Dating Safety Act of 2023”; H.R. 5202, the “Virginia Graeme Baker Pool and Spa Safety Reauthorization Act”; H.R. 2964, the “Wastewater Infrastructure Pollution Prevention and Environmental Safety”; H.R. 1797, the “Setting Consumer Standards for Lithium-Ion Batteries Act”; H.R. 6132, the “Awning Safety Act of 2023”; H.R. 4310, the “Youth Poisoning Protection Act”; H.R. 4814, the “Consumer Safety Technology Act”; H.R. 2365, the “National Plan to End Parkinson’s Act”; H.R. 5372, the “Expanding Seniors’ Access to Lower Cost Medicines Act of 2023”; H.R. 2880, the “Protecting Patients Against PBM Abuses Act”; H.R. 5393, to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to ensure fair assessment of pharmacy performance and quality under Medicare part D, and for other purposes; H.R. 5385, the “Medicare PBM Accountability Act”; H.R. 5386, the “Cutting Copays Act”; H.R. 4881, to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to limit cost sharing for drugs under the Medicare program; H.R. 5389, the “National Coverage Determination Transparency Act”; H.R. 133, the “Mandating Exclusive Review of Individual Treatments Act”; H.R. 5396, the “Coverage Determination Clarity Act of 2023”; H.R. 5371, the “Choices for Increased Mobility Act of 2023”; H.R. 5388, the “Supporting Innovation for Seniors Act”; H.R. 5380, to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to increase data transparency for supplemental benefits under Medicare Advantage; H.R. 3842, the “Expanding Access to Diabetes Self-Management Training Act of 2023”; H.R. 5397, the “Joe Fiandra Access to Home Infusion Act of 2023”; H.R. 6366, to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act with respect to the work geographic index for physician payments under the Medicare program and to revise the phase-in of clinical laboratory test payment changes under such program; H.R. 6369, to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to extend incentive payments for participation in eligible alternative payment models; H.R. 5555, the “DMEPOS Relief Act of 2023”; H.R. 6545, the “the Physician Fee Schedule Update and Improvements Act”; H.R. 6364, the “Medicare Telehealth

Privacy Act of 2023”; and H.R. 1352, the “Increasing Access to Biosimilars Act of 2023”.

FOSTERING FINANCIAL INNOVATION: HOW AGENCIES CAN LEVERAGE TECHNOLOGY TO SHAPE THE FUTURE OF FINANCIAL SERVICES

Committee on Financial Services: Subcommittee on Digital Assets, Financial Technology and Inclusion held a hearing entitled “Fostering Financial Innovation: How Agencies Can Leverage Technology to Shape the Future of Financial Services”. Testimony was heard from Valerie A. Szczepanik, Director, Strategic Hub for Innovation and Financial Technology, U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission; Donna Murphy, Acting Deputy Comptroller, Office of Financial Technology, and Deputy Comptroller, Compliance Risk Policy, Office of the Comptroller of the Currency; Mark Mulholland, Deputy Chief Information Officer for Management, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation; Ann Epstein, Assistant Director, Office of Competition and Innovation, Consumer Financial Protection Bureau; Charles Vice, Director, Financial Technology and Access, National Credit Union Administration; Ann Epstein, Assistant Director of the Office of Competition and Innovation, Consumer Financial Protection Bureau; and Michael S. Gibson, Director, Division of Supervision and Regulation, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System.

THE FUTURE OF FREEDOM AND DEMOCRACY IN BELARUS

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on Europe held a hearing entitled “The Future of Freedom and Democracy in Belarus”. Testimony was heard from a public witness.

THE SAHEL IN CRISIS: EXAMINING U.S. POLICY OPTIONS

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on Africa held a hearing entitled “The Sahel in Crisis: Examining U.S. Policy Options”. Testimony was heard from Robert Jenkins, Assistant to the Administrator, Bureau for Conflict Prevention and Stabilization, U.S. Agency for International Development; Molly Phee, Assistant Secretary, Bureau of African Affairs, Department of State; and Celeste Wallander, Assistant Secretary of Defense for International Security Affairs, Office of the Secretary of Defense for Policy, Department of Defense.

PROTECTING OUR PREPAREDNESS: ASSESSING THE IMPACT OF THE BORDER CRISIS ON EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

Committee on Homeland Security: Subcommittee on Emergency Management and Technology held a

hearing entitled “Protecting our Preparedness: Assessing the Impact of the Border Crisis on Emergency Management”. Testimony was heard from Bruce Blakeman, County Executive, Nassau County, New York; and public witnesses.

IDENTITY MANAGEMENT INNOVATION: LOOKING BEYOND REAL ID

Committee on Homeland Security: Subcommittee on Transportation and Maritime Security held a hearing entitled “Identity Management Innovation: Looking Beyond REAL ID”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT OF THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE CIVIL RIGHTS DIVISION

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on the Constitution and Limited Government held a hearing entitled “Oversight of the Department of Justice Civil Rights Division”. Testimony was heard from Kristen Clarke, Assistant Attorney General, Civil Rights Division, Department of Justice.

LEGISLATIVE MEASURES

Committee on Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Indian and Insular Affairs held a hearing on H.R. 4524, the “Parity for Tribal Law Enforcement Act”; H.R. 4748, the “Unrecognized Southeast Alaska Native Communities Recognition and Compensation Act”; H.R. 6368, the “Indian Buffalo Management Act”; and H.R. 6443, the “Jamul Indian Village Land Transfer Act”. Testimony was heard from Jason Freihage, Deputy Assistant Secretary of Management, Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior; Chris French, Deputy Chief, U.S. Forest Service, Department of Agriculture; and public witnesses.

LIMITING ACCESS AND DAMAGING GATEWAY ECONOMIES: EXAMINING THE NATIONAL PARKS AIR TOUR MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

Committee on Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing entitled “Limiting Access and Damaging Gateway Economies: Examining the National Parks Air Tour Management Program”. Testimony was heard from Raymond Sauvajot, Associate Director, Natural Resource Stewardship and Science, U.S. National Park Service, Department of the Interior; and public witnesses.

EXAMINING OPPORTUNITIES TO PROMOTE AND ENHANCE TRIBAL FOREST MANAGEMENT

Committee on Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Federal Lands held a hearing entitled “Examining Opportunities to Promote and Enhance Tribal Forest Management”. Testimony was heard from John

Crockett, Associate Deputy Chief, State, Private, and Tribal Forestry, U.S. Forest Service, Department of Agriculture; Bodie Shaw, Deputy Regional Director, Trust Services (Northwest Region), Bureau of Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior; and public witnesses.

THE IMPORTANCE OF PROTECTING FEMALE ATHLETICS AND TITLE IX

Committee on Oversight and Accountability: Subcommittee on Health Care and Financial Services held a hearing entitled “The Importance of Protecting Female Athletics and Title IX”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

WATER RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT ACTS: STATUS OF PAST PROVISIONS AND FUTURE NEEDS

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment held a hearing entitled “Water Resources Development Acts: Status of Past Provisions and Future Needs”. Testimony was heard from Michael L. Connor, Assistant Secretary, U.S. Army; and Lieutenant General Scott Spellmon, Chief of Engineers and Commanding General, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Full Committee held a markup on H.R. 522, the “Deliver for Veterans Act”; H.R. 3738, to amend title 38, United States Code, to establish in the Department of Veterans Affairs the Veterans Economic Opportunity and Transition Administration, and for other purposes; H.R. 5914, to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the processes to approve programs of education for purposes of the educational assistance programs of the Department of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes; H.R. 3722, the “Daniel J. Harvey, Jr., and Adam Lambert Improving Servicemember Transition to Reduce Veteran Suicide Act”; H.R. 5938, the “Veterans Exam Expansion Act of 2023”; H.R. 1753, the “Jax Act”; H.R. 5890, the “Every Veterans Claim Act of 2023”; H.R. 5785, to amend title 38, United States Code, to modify the requirements of the Edith Nourse Rogers STEM Scholarship; H.R. 3790, the “Justice for ALS Veterans Act of 2023”; H.R. 4016, the “Veteran Fraud Reimbursement Act”; and H.R. 4190, the “Restoring Benefits to Defrauded Veterans Act”. H.R. 522, H.R. 3738, H.R. 5914, H.R. 3722, H.R. 5938, H.R. 1753, H.R. 5890, H.R. 5785, and H.R. 3790 were ordered reported, as amended. H.R. 4016 and H.R. 4190 were ordered reported, without amendment.

HEARING WITH THE IRS WHISTLEBLOWERS: HUNTER BIDEN INVESTIGATION OBSTRUCTION IN THEIR OWN WORDS

Committee on Ways and Means: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Hearing with the IRS Whistleblowers: Hunter Biden Investigation Obstruction in Their Own Words”. Testimony was heard from Gary Shapley, Supervisory Special Agent in Charge, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury; and Joseph Ziegler, Special Agent in Charge, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury. This hearing was closed.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Ways and Means: Full Committee held a business meeting on documents protected under Internal Revenue Code section 6103. A motion to submit documents protected under Internal Revenue Code Section 6103 to the United States House of Representatives was agreed to. This meeting was closed.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 6, 2023

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: business meeting to consider the nominations of Basil Ivanhoe Gooden, of Virginia, to be Under Secretary of Agriculture for Rural Development, and Summer K. Mersinger, of South Dakota, to be a Commissioner of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission, 12:30 p.m., S-219, Capitol.

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Personnel, to hold hearings to examine the status of Department of Defense recruiting efforts and plans for fiscal year 2024, 3 p.m., SR-222.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: to hold an oversight hearing to examine Wall Street firms, 9:30 a.m., SH-216.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: to hold hearings to examine Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act investments in habitat and ecosystem restoration, pollinators, and wildlife crossings, 10 a.m., SD-406.

Committee on Foreign Relations: to hold hearings to examine transnational repression, focusing on authoritarians targeting dissenters abroad, 10 a.m., SD-419.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: business meeting to consider the nominations of Hampton Y. Dellinger, of North Carolina, to be Special Counsel, Office of Special Counsel, and Henry J. Kerner, of

Virginia, to be a Member of the Merit Systems Protection Board, 11 a.m., SD-562.

Committee on Indian Affairs: to hold an oversight hearing to examine fentanyl in Native communities, focusing on Federal perspectives on the growing crisis, 2:30 p.m., SD-628.

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

House

Committee on Agriculture, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Member Day”, 9 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

Committee on Armed Services, Subcommittee on Cyber, Information Technologies, and Innovation, hearing entitled “Back to the Future”, 2 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Committee on the Budget, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Member Day”, 9 a.m., 210 Cannon.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, Full Committee, continue markup on H.R. 5677, the “5G Spectrum Authority Licensing Enforcement Act”; H.R. 6544, the “Atomic Energy Advancement Act”; H.R. 5718, the “Nuclear Fuel Security Act of 2023”; H.R. 4167, the “Protecting America’s Distribution Transformer Supply Chain Act”; H.R. 6192, the “Hands Off Our Home Appliances Act”; H.R. 6185, the “Guaranteeing Reliable Infrastructure Development Act”; H.R. 6421, the “Affordable HOMES Act”; H.R. 4045, the “Hydropower Clean Energy Future Act”; legislation on the Promoting Resilient Supply Chains Act; legislation on the Deploying American Blockchains Act; H.R. 5390, the “Critical Infrastructure Manufacturing Feasibility Act”; H.R. 5398, the “Advancing Tech Startups Act”; H.R. 5146, the “Advancing Gig Economy Act”; H.R. 3950, the “Transparency In Charges for Key Events Ticketing Act”; H.R. 6568, the “STOP Act of 2023”; H.R. 6543, the “No Hidden Fees on Extra Expenses for Stays Act”; H.R. 6125, the “Online Dating Safety Act of 2023”; H.R. 5202, the “Virginia Graeme Baker Pool and Spa Safety Reauthorization Act”; H.R. 2964, the “Wastewater Infrastructure Pollution Prevention and Environmental Safety”; H.R. 1797, the “Setting Consumer Standards for Lithium-Ion Batteries Act”; H.R. 6132, the “Awning Safety Act of 2023”; H.R. 4310, the “Youth Poisoning Protection Act”; H.R. 4814, the “Consumer Safety Technology Act”; H.R. 2365, the “National Plan to End Parkinson’s Act”; H.R. 5372, the “Expanding Seniors’ Access to Lower Cost Medicines Act of 2023”; H.R. 2880, the “Protecting Patients Against PBM Abuses Act”; H.R. 5393, to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to ensure fair assessment of pharmacy performance and quality under Medicare part D, and for other purposes; H.R. 5385, the “Medicare PBM Accountability Act”; H.R. 5386, the “Cutting Copays Act”; H.R. 4881, to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to limit cost sharing for drugs under the Medicare program; H.R. 5389, the “National Coverage Determination Transparency Act”; H.R. 133, the “Mandating Exclusive Review of Individual Treatments Act”; H.R. 5396, the “Coverage Determination Clarity Act of 2023”; H.R. 5371, the “Choices for Increased Mobility Act of 2023”; H.R. 5388, the “Supporting Innovation for