Foreign Affiliates Sharing Pilot Program Extension Act: H.R. 5524, amended, to amend the start date of the pilot program on sharing with foreign branches, subsidiaries and affiliates, by a <sup>2</sup>/<sub>3</sub> yea-andnay vote of 396 yeas to 28 nays, Roll No. 714; and Pages H6835–36

Support for Patients and Communities Reauthorization Act: H.R. 4531, amended, to reauthorize certain programs that provide for opioid use disorder prevention, recovery, and treatment, by a <sup>2</sup>/<sub>3</sub> yea-and-nay vote of 386 yeas to 37 nays, Roll No. 715.

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**Recess:** The House recessed at 2:58 p.m. and reconvened at 4:30 p.m. **Page H6840** 

Ensuring Accountability in Agency Rulemaking Act: The House passed H.R. 357, to require the head of an agency to issue and sign any rule issued by that agency, by a recorded vote of 218 ayes to 203 noes, Roll No. 717.

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Pursuant to the Rule, the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on the Judiciary now printed in the bill shall be considered as adopted.

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Rejected the Mrvan motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on the Judiciary, by a yea-and-nay vote of 206 yeas to 211 nays, Roll No. 716.

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H. Res. 922, the rule providing for consideration of the bills (H.R. 1147) and (H.R. 357) was agreed to by a recorded vote of 215 ayes to 207 noes, Roll No. 711, after the previous question was ordered by a yea-and-nay vote of 216 yeas to 205 nays, Roll No. 710.

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Quorum Calls—Votes: Six yea-and-nay votes and two recorded votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H6832–33, H6833, H6834, H6834–35, H6835, H6836, H6841, and H6841–42.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 7:36 p.m.

### Committee Meetings

#### F-35 ACQUISITION PROGRAM UPDATE

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Tactical Air and Land Forces held a hearing entitled "F–35 Acquisition Program Update". Testimony was heard from William LaPlante, Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment, Office of the Secretary of Defense, Department of Defense; Lieutenant General Michael Schmidt, U.S. Air Force, Program Executive Officer and Director, F–35 Lightning II Program, Department of the Air Force;

and Jon Ludwigson, Director, Contracting and National Security Acquisitions, Government Accountability Office.

#### MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Education and Workforce: Full Committee held a markup on H.R. 6585, the "Bipartisan Workforce Pell Act"; H.R. 6655, the "A Stronger Workforce for America Act"; H.J. Res. 98, providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the National Labor Relations Board relating to "Standard for Determining Joint Employer Status"; and H.R. 3400, the "Small Businesses before Bureaucrats Act". H.R. 3400, H.R. 6655, and H.R. 6585 were ordered reported, as amended. H.J. Res. 98 was ordered reported, without amendment.

#### RESTRICTING ROGUE-STATE REVENUE: STRENGTHENING ENERGY SANCTIONS ON RUSSIA, IRAN, AND VENEZUELA

Committee on Financial Services: Subcommittee on National Security, Illicit Finance, and International Financial Institutions held a hearing entitled "Restricting Rogue-State Revenue: Strengthening Energy Sanctions on Russia, Iran, and Venezuela". Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

#### EXAMINING THE AGENDA OF REGULATORS, SROS, AND STANDARDS-SETTERS FOR ACCOUNTING, AUDITING

Committee on Financial Services: Subcommittee on Capital Markets held a hearing entitled "Examining the Agenda of Regulators, SROs, and Standards-Setters for Accounting, Auditing". Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

#### REVIEWING THE BUREAU OF INDUSTRY AND SECURITY, PART II: U.S. EXPORT CONTROLS IN AN ERA OF STRATEGIC COMPETITION

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on Oversight and Accountability held a hearing entitled "Reviewing the Bureau of Industry and Security, Part II: U.S. Export Controls in an Era of Strategic Competition". Testimony was heard from Matthew S. Axelrod, Assistant Secretary for Export Enforcement, Department of Commerce; and Thea D. Rozman Kendler, Assistant Secretary for Export Administration, Department of Commerce.

#### ADDRESSING THE SCOURGE OF ANTI-SEMITISM IN EUROPE

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on Europe held a hearing entitled "Addressing the Scourge of Anti-Semitism in Europe". Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

## CONSIDERING DHS' AND CISA'S ROLE IN SECURING ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE

Committee on Homeland Security: Subcommittee on Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Protection held a hearing entitled "Considering DHS' and CISA's Role in Securing Artificial Intelligence". Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

## FROM FESTIVE CHEER TO RETAIL FEAR: ADDRESSING ORGANIZED RETAIL CRIME

Committee on Homeland Security: Subcommittee on Counterterrorism, Law Enforcement, and Intelligence held a hearing entitled "From Festive Cheer to Retail Fear: Addressing Organized Retail Crime". Testimony was heard from Michael Krol, Special Agent in Charge, Homeland Security Investigations, Department of Homeland Security, New England; Jason Kane, Special Agent in Charge, U.S. Secret Service, Department of Homeland Security, Nashville Field Office, Tennessee; Jose Perez, Deputy Assistant Director, Criminal Investigative Division, Federal Bureau of Investigation; and public witnesses.

## LOOKING AHEAD SERIES: OVERSIGHT OF THE SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION

Committee on House Administration: Full Committee held a hearing entitled "Looking Ahead Series: Oversight of the Smithsonian Institution". Testimony was heard from Lonnie G. Bunch III, Secretary, Smithsonian Institution.

#### LEGISLATIVE MEASURES

Committee on Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources held a hearing on H.R. 5482, the "Energy Poverty Prevention and Accountability Act of 2023"; H.R. 6474, to amend the Energy Policy Act of 2005 to expedite geothermal exploration and development in previously studied or developed areas; and H.R. 6481, to amend the Mineral Leasing Act to require the Secretary of the Interior to reimburse the fee for an expression of interest if the expression of interest becomes inactive, and for other purposes. Testimony was heard from Representatives Hageman and Steel; and public witnesses.

## THE MINERAL SUPPLY CHAIN AND THE NEW SPACE RACE

Committee on Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing entitled "The Mineral Supply Chain and the New Space Race". Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

#### LEFT IN THE DARK: EXAMINING THE BIDEN ADMINISTRATION'S EFFORTS TO ELIMINATE THE PACIFIC NORTHWEST'S CLEAN ENERGY PRODUCTION

Committee on Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Water, Wildlife and Fisheries held a hearing entitled "Left in the Dark: Examining the Biden Administration's Efforts to Eliminate the Pacific Northwest's Clean Energy Production". Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

#### MISCELLANEOUS MEASURE

Committee on Rules: Full Committee held a markup on H. Res. 918, directing certain committees to continue their ongoing investigations as part of the existing House of Representatives inquiry into whether sufficient grounds exist for the House of Representatives to exercise its Constitutional power to impeach Joseph Biden, President of the United States of America, and for other purposes [Original Jurisdiction Markup]. H. Res. 918 was ordered reported, without amendment.

## A YEAR IN REVIEW: THE STATE OF SMALL BUSINESS IN AMERICA

Committee on Small Business: Full Committee held a hearing entitled "A Year in Review: The State of Small Business in America". Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

#### **BUSINESS MEETING**

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Full Committee held a business meeting on updated Committee rosters. The Committee rosters were approved.

# ENSURING TRANSPARENCY IN THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT: AN EXAMINATION OF GSA'S SITE SELECTION FOR THE FBI HEADQUARTERS

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings, and Emergency Management held a hearing entitled "Ensuring Transparency in the Federal Government: An Examination of GSA's Site Selection for the FBI Headquarters". Testimony was heard from Elliot Doomes, Commissioner, Public Building Service, General Services Administration; and Nicholas Dimos, Assistant Director, Finance and Facilities Division, Federal Bureau of Investigation.

## GUARDIANS OF THE SEA: NATIONAL SECURITY MISSIONS OF THE UNITED STATES COAST GUARD

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation held a hearing entitled "Guardians of the Sea: National Security Missions of the United States Coast Guard". Testimony was heard from Vice Admiral Peter Gautier, Deputy Commandant for Operations, U.S. Coast Guard.

## SSG FOX SUICIDE PREVENTION GRANTS: SAVINGS VETERANS' LIVES THROUGH COMMUNITY CONNECTION

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Subcommittee on Health held a hearing entitled "SSG Fox Suicide Prevention Grants: Savings Veterans' Lives Through Community Connection". Testimony was heard from Erica Scavella, M.D., Assistant Undersecretary for Health for Clinical Services, Veterans Health Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs; Todd Burnett, Senior Consultant for Operations, Suicide Prevention Program, Veterans Health Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs; and public witnesses.

#### **BUSINESS MEETING**

Select Committee on the Strategic Competition Between the United States and the Chinese Communist Party: Full Committee held a business meeting on a committee report addressing America's economic and technological competition with the Chinese Communist Party. The report passed.

### Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

#### COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 13, 2023

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

#### Senate

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Space and Science, to hold hearings to examine government promotion of safety and innovation in the new space economy, 2:30 p.m., SR-253.

Committee on the Judiciary: to hold hearings to examine pending nominations, 10 a.m., SD-226.

Subcommittee on Competition Policy, Antitrust, and Consumer Rights, to hold hearings to examine the impact of algorithms on competition and consumer rights, 3 p.m., SD–226.

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

#### House

Committee on Armed Services, Subcommittee on Military Personnel, hearing entitled "Recruiting Shortfalls and Growing Mistrust: Perceptions of the US Military", 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Committee on Education and Workforce, Subcommittee on Health, Employment, Labor, and Pensions, hearing entitled "Protecting Workers and Small Businesses from

Biden's Attack on Worker Free Choice and Economic Growth", 10:15 a.m., 2174 Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, Full Committee, hearing entitled "Leveraging Agency Expertise to Foster American AI Leadership and Innovation", 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled "Moving the Money Part 2: Getting Answers from the Biden Administration on the Iranian Regime's Support of Terrorism", 9 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Foreign Affairs, Full Committee, markup on H.R. 6602, to amend the Export Control Reform Act of 2018 relating to the review of the interagency dispute resolution process; H.R. 6606, to amend the Export Control Reform Act of 2018 relating to the statement of policy; H.R. 5613, to require a review of whether individuals or entities subject to the imposition of certain sanctions through inclusion on certain sanctions lists should also be subject to the imposition of other sanctions and included on other sanctions lists; H.R. 6614, to amend the Export Control Reform Act of 2018 relating to licensing transparency; H.R. 1135, to grant certain authorities to the President to combat economic coercion by foreign adversaries, and for other purposes; H.R. 5917, to amend the Sanctioning the Use of Civilians as Defenseless Shields Act to modify and extend that Act, and for other purposes; H.R. 3016, to amend the Anti-Boycott Act of 2018 to apply the provisions of that Act to international governmental organizations; H.R. 3569, to provide for the expansion of the Starr-Camargo Bridge near Rio Grande City, Texas, and for other purposes; H.R. 6586, to require a strategy to oppose financial or material support by foreign countries to the Taliban, and for other purposes; H.R. 6306, to amend the State Department Basic Authorities Act of 1956 to prohibit the acquisition or lease of a consular or diplomatic post built or owned by an entity beneficially owned by the People's Republic of China, and for other purposes; H.R. 6610, to provide for the modernization of the passport issuance process, and for other purposes; and H.R. 6416, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to impose certain tax penalties in connection with the invasion of Ukraine, 10 a.m., HVC-210.

Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Oversight, Investigations, and Accountability, hearing entitled "Censorship Laundering Part II: Preventing the Department of Homeland Security's Silencing of Dissent", 2 p.m., 310 Cannon.

Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on Courts, Intellectual Property, and the Internet, hearing entitled "Digital Copyright Piracy: Protecting American Consumers, Workers, and Creators", 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Crime and Federal Government Surveillance, hearing entitled "Second Amendment Rights Empower Women's Rights", 2 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Oversight and Accountability, Select Sub-committee on the Coronavirus Pandemic, hearing entitled "Reforming the WHO: Ensuring Global Health Security and Accountability", 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.