

HEARING ON THE WEAPONIZATION OF THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

Committee on the Judiciary: Select Subcommittee on the Weaponization of the Federal Government held a hearing entitled “Hearing on the Weaponization of the Federal Government”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

LEGISLATIVE MEASURES

Committee on Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Federal Lands held a hearing on H.R. 3283, the “Facilitating DIGITAL Applications Act”; H.R. 3299, the “DIGITAL Applications Act”; H.R. 5401, the “9/11 Memorial and Museum Act”; H.R. 6012, the “Fire Safe Electrical Corridors Act of 2023”; H.R. 7976, the “Civil War Defenses of Washington National Historical Park Act”; and H.R. 8012, the “Jackie Robinson Commemorative Site Act”. Testimony was heard from Representatives Miller-Meeks, D’Esposito, Waltz, and Norton; Chris French, Deputy Chief, National Forest System, U.S. Forest Service, Department of Agriculture; Mike Caldwell, Associate Director, Park Planning, Facilities, and Lands, U.S. National Park Service, Department of the Interior; and public witnesses.

LEGISLATIVE MEASURES

Committee on Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Water, Wildlife and Fisheries held a hearing on H.R. 7544, the “Water Rights Protection Act of 2024”; H.R. 8308, the “Nutria Eradication and Control Reauthorization Act of 2024”; H.R. 8811, the “America’s Conservation Enhancement Reauthorization Act of 2024”; and legislation on the ESA Amendments Act of 2024. Testimony was heard from Chairman Westerman, and Representatives Maloy, Harder, and Wittman; Stephen Guertin, Deputy Director for Program Management and Policy, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior; Brian Steed, Great Salt Lake Commissioner, Office of the Great Salt Lake Commissioner, Salt Lake City, Utah; and public witnesses.

AN EXAMINATION OF THE CALIFORNIA AIR RESOURCES BOARD’S (CARB) IN USE LOCOMOTIVE REGULATION

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Railroads, Pipelines, and Hazardous Materials held a hearing entitled “An Examination of the California Air Resources Board’s (CARB) In Use Locomotive Regulation”. Testimony was heard from Heather Arias, Chief, Transportation and Toxics Division, California Air Resources Board; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Ways and Means: Full Committee held a markup on H.R. 8914, the “University Accountability Act”; H.R. 8913, the “Protecting American Students Act”; H.R. 8915, the “Education and Workforce Freedom Act”; and H.J. Res. 148, disapproving the rule submitted by the Department of the Treasury related to “Clean Vehicle Credits Under Sections 25E and 30D; Transfer of Credits; Critical Minerals and Battery Components; Foreign Entities of Concern”. H.R. 8913, H.R. 8914, and H.R. 8915 were ordered reported, as amended. H.J. Res. 148 was ordered reported, without amendment.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, JULY 10, 2024

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: to hold an oversight hearing to examine digital commodities, 10 a.m., SR-328A.

Subcommittee on Rural Development and Energy, to hold hearings to examine the state of rural infrastructure, focusing on emergency response, recovery, and resilience, 2:30 p.m., SR-328A.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Shannon A. Estenoz, of Florida, to be Deputy Secretary of the Interior, 10 a.m., SD-366.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: to hold hearings to examine the state and federal response to the Francis Scott Key Bridge collapse on March 26, 2024, 10 a.m., SD-406.

Committee on Finance: to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Jeffrey Samuel Arbeit, of the District of Columbia, Benjamin A. Guider III, of Louisiana, and Cathy Fung, of California, each to be a Judge of the United States Tax Court, 10 a.m., SD-215.

Committee on Foreign Relations: to receive a closed briefing on the Columbia River Treaty, 2:15 p.m., SVC-217.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: to hold an oversight hearing to examine the Permitting Council, focusing on improving transparency and coordination, 10 a.m., SD-342.

Committee on Indian Affairs: to hold hearings to examine S. 2783, to amend the Micosukee Reserved Area Act to authorize the expansion of the Micosukee Reserved Area and to carry out activities to protect structures within the Osceola Camp from flooding, S. 3406, to amend the Omnibus Public Land Management Act of 2009 to make a technical correction to the Navajo Nation Water Resources Development Trust Fund, to amend the Claims Resolution Act of 2010 to make technical corrections to

the Taos Pueblo Water Development Fund and Aamodt Settlement Pueblos' Fund, S. 3857, to take certain land in the State of California into trust for the benefit of the Jamul Indian Village of California, and S. 4365, to provide public health veterinary services to Indian Tribes and Tribal organizations for rabies prevention, 2:30 p.m., SD-628.

Committee on the Judiciary: to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Mary Kathleen Costello, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, Laura Margarete Provinzino, to be United States District Judge for the District of Minnesota, and Noel Wise, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of California, 10 a.m., SD-226.

Select Committee on Intelligence: to hold hearings to examine personnel vetting, security clearance reform, and Trusted Workforce 2.0, 2:30 p.m., SH-216.

House

Committee on Agriculture, Full Committee, hearing entitled "Examining the Consequences of EPA's Actions on American Agriculture", 2 p.m., 1300 Longworth.

Committee on Appropriations, Full Committee, markup on the Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies Appropriations Bill, FY 2025; the Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies Appropriations Bill, FY 2025; and the Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies Appropriations Bill, FY 2025; and the Revised Report on the Suballocation of the Budget Allocations for FY 2025, 9 a.m., 2359 Rayburn.

Committee on Education and Workforce, Full Committee, markup on H.R. 8932, the "FAFSA Deadline Act"; H.R. 2941, the "Recognizing the Role of Direct Support Professionals Act"; H.R. 6319, the "Supporting Accurate Views of Emergency Services Act of 2023"; H.R. 2574, the "EMS Counts Act"; and H.J. Res. 142, providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the Department of Labor relating to "Retirement Security Rule: Definition of an Investment Advice Fiduciary", 10:15 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, Full Committee, hearing entitled "The Federal Reserve's Semi-Annual Monetary Policy Report", 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Foreign Affairs, Full Committee, markup on H.R. 8926, to modify and reauthorize the Better Utilization of Investments Leading to Development Act of 2018; H.R. 8345, to limit funds to the United Nations and other organizations that provide any status, rights, or privileges beyond observer status to the Palestine Liberation Organization, and for other purposes; H. Res. 1323, rejecting the United Nations decision to place the Israel Defense Force on a list of child's rights abusers; H.R. 7151, to amend the Export Control Reform Act of 2018 to provide for expedited consideration of proposals for additions to, removals from, or other modifications with respect to entities on the Entity List, and for other purposes; H. Res. 837, reaffirming ties between the United States and the Philippines; H.R. 8566, to require reports and certain actions with respect to the Republic of Geor-

gia; H. Res. 554, affirming the nature and importance of the support of the United States for the religious and ethnic minority survivors of genocide in Iraq; H.R. 1425, to require any convention, agreement, or other international instrument on pandemic prevention, preparedness, and response reached by the World Health Assembly to be subject to Senate ratification; H.R. 7025, to extend and authorize annual appropriations for the United States Commission on International Religious Freedom through fiscal year 2026; H.J. Res. 164, providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the Department of Commerce relating to "Revision of Firearms License Requirements"; H. Res. 1328, recognizing the actions of the Rapid Support Forces and allied militias in the Darfur region of Sudan against non-Arab ethnic communities as acts of genocide; H.R. 3042, to modify the requirements for candidate countries under the Millennium Challenge Act of 2003, and for other purposes; H.R. 7914, to require the imposition of sanctions on the Popular Resistance Committees and other associated entities, and for other purposes; H.R. 8232, to authorize the Secretary of State to withdraw from the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East Federal funds previously made available to such organization; H.R. 8924, to require the Secretary of Commerce to identify and report on foreign adversary entities using intellectual property related to emerging technology without a license, and for other purposes; H.R. 8892, to modify certain provisions relating to bilateral agreements and AUKUS defense trade cooperation under the Arms Export Control Act, and for other purposes; H.R. 8936, to provide protection, support, and humanitarian assistance to Rohingya refugees and internally displaced people as well as promote accountability and a path out of genocide and crimes against humanity for Rohingya; and H.R. 8934, to require the imposition of sanctions with respect to foreign persons engaged in piracy, and for other purposes, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on House Administration, Full Committee, hearing entitled "Oversight of the Library of Congress", 10:15 a.m., 1310 Longworth.

Committee on the Judiciary, Full Committee, hearing entitled "Collusion in the Global Alliance for Responsible Media", 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Oversight and Accountability, Full Committee, hearing entitled "Oversight of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency", 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, Full Committee, markup on legislation on the NASA Reauthorization Act of 2024, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Small Business, Full Committee, hearing entitled "Main Street Realities: Examining the Current Economic Landscape in America", 10 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, Subcommittee on Aviation, hearing entitled "Eliminating Bottlenecks: Examining Opportunities to Recruit, Retain, and Engage Aviation Talent", 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs, Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs, hearing on H.R.

2971, the “Veterans Claims Education Act of 2023”; H.R. 6362, the “Protecting Benefits for Disabled Veterans Act of 2023”; H.R. 6507, the “Mark Our Place Act”; H.R. 7729, the “Dennis and Lois Krisfalusy Act”; H.R. 8792, the “Flowers for Fallen Heroes Act of 2024”; H.R. 8854, the “Ensuring Veterans’ Final Resting Place Act of 2024”; H.R. 8910, the “Dayton National Cemetery Expansion Act of 2024”; H.R. 8893, the “Preserving Veterans’ Legacy Act of 2024”; H.R. 8874, the “Modernizing All Veterans and Survivors Claims Processing Act”; H.R. 8881, the “Rural Veterans’ Improved Access to Benefits Act of 2024”; H.R. 8879, the “Improving VA Training for Military Sexual Trauma Claims Act”; legislation on the Veterans 2nd Amendment Restoration Act;

legislation on the Safeguarding Veterans 2nd Amendment Rights Act; legislation on the Simplifying Forms for Veterans Claims Act; legislation on the Board of Veterans Appeals’ Attorney Retention and Backlog Reduction Act; legislation on the Veterans’ Burial Improvement Act; legislation on the VA Insurance Improvement Act; and legislation on the Survivor Benefits Update Act, 10:15 a.m., 360 Cannon.

Joint Meeting

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe: to hold hearings to examine war crimes and complicity from Syria to Ukraine, 2 p.m., 2247, Rayburn Building.

Résumé of Congressional Activity

SECOND SESSION OF THE ONE HUNDRED EIGHTEENTH CONGRESS

The first table gives a comprehensive résumé of all legislative business transacted by the Senate and House.

The second table accounts for all nominations submitted to the Senate by the President for Senate confirmation.

DATA ON LEGISLATIVE ACTIVITY

January 3 through June 30, 2024

| | <i>Senate</i> | <i>House</i> | <i>Total</i> |
|--------------------------------------|---------------|--------------|--------------|
| Days in session | 95 | 89 | .. |
| Time in session | 495 hrs., 21' | 363 hrs., 3' | .. |
| Congressional Record: | | | |
| Pages of proceedings | 4,209 | 4,447 | .. |
| Extensions of Remarks | .. | 686 | .. |
| Public bills enacted into law | 11 | 20 | 31 |
| Private bills enacted into law | .. | .. | .. |
| Bills in conference | .. | .. | .. |
| Bills through conference | .. | .. | .. |
| Measures passed, total | 214 | 317 | 531 |
| Senate bills | 48 | 13 | .. |
| House bills | 22 | 233 | .. |
| Senate joint resolutions | 3 | 1 | .. |
| House joint resolutions | 2 | 2 | .. |
| Senate concurrent resolutions | 8 | 6 | .. |
| House concurrent resolutions | 7 | 10 | .. |
| Simple resolutions | 124 | 52 | .. |
| Measures reported, total | *102 | 228 | 330 |
| Senate bills | 88 | .. | .. |
| House bills | 10 | 201 | .. |
| Senate joint resolutions | .. | .. | .. |
| House joint resolutions | .. | 4 | .. |
| Senate concurrent resolutions | 1 | .. | .. |
| House concurrent resolutions | .. | 2 | .. |
| Simple resolutions | 3 | 21 | .. |
| Special reports | 4 | 5 | .. |
| Conference reports | .. | .. | .. |
| Measures pending on calendar | 317 | 91 | .. |
| Measures introduced, total | 1,363 | 2,496 | 3,859 |
| Bills | 1,071 | 2,001 | .. |
| Joint resolutions | 47 | 65 | .. |
| Concurrent resolutions | 12 | 36 | .. |
| Simple resolutions | 233 | 394 | .. |
| Quorum calls | 5 | 1 | .. |
| Yea-and-nay votes | 202 | 195 | .. |
| Recorded votes | .. | 139 | .. |
| Bills vetoed | 1 | 2 | .. |
| Vetoes overridden | .. | .. | .. |

*These figures include all measures reported, even if there was no accompanying report. A total of 37 written reports have been filed in the Senate, 233 reports have been filed in the House.

DISPOSITION OF EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS

January 3 through June 30, 2024

| | |
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| Civilian nominees, totaling 306 (including 78 nominees carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows: | |
| Confirmed | 108 |
| Unconfirmed | 195 |
| Withdrawn | 3 |
| Other Civilian nominees, totaling 1,210 (including 745 nominees carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows: | |
| Confirmed | 781 |
| Unconfirmed | 349 |
| Withdrawn | 80 |
| Air Force nominees, totaling 3,146 (including 111 nominees carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows: | |
| Confirmed | 2,993 |
| Unconfirmed | 153 |
| Army nominees, totaling 5,422 (including 1,906 nominees carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows: | |
| Confirmed | 4,544 |
| Unconfirmed | 878 |
| Navy nominees, totaling 1,999 (including 7 nominees carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows: | |
| Confirmed | 1,022 |
| Unconfirmed | 977 |
| Marine Corps nominees, totaling 154 (including 6 nominees carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows: | |
| Confirmed | 152 |
| Unconfirmed | 2 |
| Space Force nominees, totaling 16 (including 2 nominees carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows: | |
| Confirmed | 12 |
| Unconfirmed | 4 |
| <i>Summary</i> | |
| Total nominees carried over from the First Session | 2,855 |
| Total nominees received this Session | 9,398 |
| Total confirmed | 9,612 |
| Total unconfirmed | 2,558 |
| Total withdrawn | 83 |
| Total returned to the White House | 0 |