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Due to the shutdown, please excuse any information that is out of date.

2 October 2013. **Signed into law by the President:** S. 793: Organization of American States Revitalization and Reform Act of 2013. [Read the full text here.](#)

4 October 2013. **Signed into law by the President:** H.R. 3233: To extend the period during which Iraqis who were employed by the United States Government in Iraq may be granted special immigrant status and to temporarily increase the fee or surcharge for processing machine-readable nonimmigrant visas. [Read the full text here.](#)

- **MONDAY, OCTOBER 7**

Representative Doug Lamborn (R-CO) introduced [H. R. 3271: Military and Federal Civilian Employee Pay Act](#). H. R. 3271 makes continuing appropriations for the compensation of Federal employees and members of the reserve components of the Armed Forces in the event of a government shutdown. The bill was referred to the House Committees on Appropriations and Oversight and Government Relations.

Committee on Homeland Security: Full Committee held a hearing entitled "From al-Shabaab to al-Nusra: How Westerners Joining Terror Groups Overseas Affect the Homeland."

- **TUESDAY, OCTOBER 8**

Subcommittee on African Affairs (Committee on Foreign Relations): a hearing entitled, "Security and governance in Somalia: Consolidating Gains, Confronting Challenges, and Charting the Path Forward."

- **WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 9**

Subcommittee on Readiness (House Committee on Armed Service) a hearing entitled, "The Interpretation of H. R. 3210: 'Pay Our Military Act'".

Subcommittee on Seapower and Projection Forces: a hearing on USAF, USN and USMC Development and Integration of Air/Sea Battle Strategy, Governance and Policy into the Services' Annual Program, Planning, Budgeting and Execution (PPBE) Process.

- **THURSDAY, OCTOBER 10**

[H.J. Res. 79: Border Security and Enforcement Continuing Appropriations Resolutions](#) passed the House on 10 October 2013. H. J. Res. 79 provides immediate funding for border security programs at the Department of Homeland Security, allowing normal operations to continue until another appropriations bill is enacted OR until December 15, whichever comes first.

Representative Gus Bilirakis (R-FL) introduced [H.R. 3283: a bill to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002](#) to direct the Secretary of Homeland Security to modernize and implement the national integrated public alert and warning system to disseminate homeland security information and other information, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security, and in addition to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

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