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<u>Order of Business</u>: H.R. 5743 will be considered under a structured rule which provides one hour of general debate, equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence. The rule makes in order only the nine amendments printed in the Rules Committee Report. Each amendment shall be given 10 minutes for debate.

AMENDMENTS MADE IN ORDER

1. Rep. Rogers (**R-MI**) – The amendment would strike sections 401 and 403 of the legislation to comply with House Rules relating to provisions regarding appropriated funds.

The text of the amendment can be viewed <u>here</u>.

- 2. *Rep. Thompson (D-CA)* The amendment would require that by October 1, 2013, the Director of National Intelligence shall submit, to the congressional intelligence committees, a report including:
 - A. An assessment of the current method by which contractors entered into a contract with an element of the intelligence community are notified of classified contracting opportunities.
 - B. An assessment of any problems that may reduce the overall effectiveness of the ability of the intelligence community to identify appropriate contractors.
 - C. An assessment of the role of the existing security clearance process has in enhancing or hindering the ability of the intelligence community to notify such contractors of contracting opportunities.
 - D. An assessment of the role of the current security clearance process in enhancing or hindering the ability of contractors to execute classified contracts.

- E. A description of the method used by the Director of National Intelligence (DNI) for assessing the effectiveness of the notification process of the intelligence community to produce a talented pool of sub-contractors.
- F. A description of appropriate goals, schedules, milestones or metrics used to measure the effectiveness of the notification process for contracting opportunities.
- G. Recommendations for improving the notification process.

The text of the amendment can be viewed here.

3. *Rep. Conyers (D-CA)/ Rep. Ellison (D-MN)/ Lee (D-CA)* – The amendment would require that within 60 days of the enactment of this Act, the DNI shall submit a report containing an assessment of the consequences of a military strike against Iran.

The text of the amendment can be viewed here.

4. *Rep. Farr* (*D-CA*) – The amendment would find that the sense of Congress is that the head of each element of the intelligence community should take into consideration foreign languages and cultures during the development of training, tools, and methodologies to protect the networks of the United States against cyber-attacks and intrusions from foreign entities.

The text of the amendment can be viewed here.

5. **Rep. Cueller (D-TX)** - The amendment would authorize the DNI to allow the sharing of intelligence information with Mexico and Canada if the DNI determines that sharing this information, for the purposes of reducing drug trafficking, would not threaten national security. It would also authorize the DNI to make use of intelligence information provided by Mexico and Canada to us for these purposes. The amendment is primarily designed for sharing information relating to the movements of drug cartels and other criminal behavior.

The text of the amendment can be viewed here.

6. **Rep. Hahn (D-CA)** - The amendment would modify Section 103D(b) of the National security Act of 1947 to add a new paragraph stating that any coordination and training between an element of the intelligence community and a law enforcement agency "does not violate the Constitutional rights of racial or ethnic minorities."

The text of the amendment can be viewed <u>here</u>.

7. **Rep. Lee (D-TX)** – The amendment would find that the sense of Congress that the Director of the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) should take actions as necessary to increase the recruitment and training of ethnic minorities as officers and employees of the CIA.

Some conservatives might argue that race, ethnicity or gender should not be considered a factor in these decisions, but instead solely the merits of the individual.

The text of the amendment can be viewed here.

8. *Rep. Lee* (*D-TX*) – The amendment would find that the sense of Congress that the intelligence community should take "all appropriate actions necessary to protect the civil liberties of religious and ethnic minorities."

The text of the amendment can be viewed here.

- 9. **Rep. Myrick** (**R-NC**)/ **Rep. Wolf** (**R-VA**) The amendment would require that within 90 days of the enactment of this legislation the DNI shall submit a report that:
 - A. Identifies foreign suppliers of information technology (equipment, software and services) that are linked directly or indirectly to a foreign government (including ties to military, intelligence services or benefiting from foreign government subsidized programs)
 - B. Assess the vulnerability to malicious activity, including cybercrime or espionage, of the tele-communications networks of the United States due to this technology.

The text of the amendment can be viewed here.

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