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The Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure met at 10:00 a.m. in 2167 Rayburn House Office Building pursuant to notice, in an open session, a quorum being present, and considered the following measures:

- Revised Rules of the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure;
- Updated Subcommittee Roster;
- Committee Views and Estimates on the President's Budget Request for Fiscal Year 2021;
- H.R. 2914** – To make available necessary disaster assistance for families affected by major disasters, and for other purposes. The “Housing Survivors of Major Disasters Act of 2019”;
- H.R. 4470** – To rename the Saint Lawrence Seaway Development Corporation the Great Lakes St. Lawrence Seaway Development Corporation;
- H.R. 5756** – To amend the Bipartisan Budget Act of 2018 to extend the provision of assistance for critical services with respect to certain disasters, and for other purposes. The “Resiliency Enhancement Act of 2020”;
- H.R. 5912** – To amend title 49, United States Code, to permit the use of incentive payments to expedite certain federally financed airport development projects. The “Expedited Delivery of Airport Infrastructure Act of 2020”.
- H.R. 5953** – To amend the Disaster Recovery Reform Act to require the Administrator of the Federal Emergency Management Agency to waive certain debts owed to the United States related to covered assistance provided to an individual or household, and for other purposes. The “Preventing Disaster Revictimization Act”;
- H. Con. Res. 90** – Authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds for the National Peace Officers Memorial Service and the National Honor Guard and Pipe Band Exhibition; and
- 24** – General Services Administration Capital Investment and Leasing Program Resolutions.

The Committee took the following actions:

The Committee adopted changes to the Rules of the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure revising Rule VIII(a)(3) to increase size and ratio on the Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings, and Emergency Management.; was AGREED TO by voice vote

The Committee adopted Subcommittee assignments reflecting the addition of Mr. John Katko of New York to the Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings, and Emergency Management; and his appointment as Ranking Member.

The Committee adopted the Committee Views and Estimates on the President's Budget Request for Fiscal Year 2020. And ordered the views to be reported to the Committee on the Budget with a favorable recommendation, without amendment, by voice vote.

H. Con. Res. 90, Authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds for the National Peace Officers Memorial Service and the National Honor Guard and Pipe Band Exhibition; was ordered to be reported to the House of Representatives, with a favorable recommendation, without amendment by voice vote.

The Chair discharged the Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings, and Emergency Management from further consideration of H. Con. Res. 90.

H.R. 4470, To rename the Saint Lawrence Seaway Development Corporation the Great Lakes St. Lawrence Seaway Development Corporation.; was ordered to be reported to the House of Representatives, with a favorable recommendation, without amendment, by voice vote.

The Chair discharged the Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment from further consideration of H.R. 4470.

H.R. 5756, To amend the Bipartisan Budget Act of 2018 to extend the provision of assistance for critical services with respect to certain disasters, and for other purposes.; was ordered to be reported to the House of Representatives, with a favorable recommendation, without amendment by voice vote.

The Chair discharged the Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings, and Emergency Management from further consideration of H.R. 5756.

The following amendment was offered:

An amendment offered by Mr. Graves of Louisiana (#1); Page 2, line 11, insert “, any major disaster (as such term is defined in section 102 of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act) declared under section 401 of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act” before “, and”.; was WITHDRAWN by unanimous consent.

A unanimous consent request by Mr. Graves of Louisiana to withdraw his amendment was not objected to.

H.R. 2914, To make available necessary disaster assistance for families affected by major disasters, and for other purposes.; was ordered to be reported to the House of Representatives, with a favorable recommendation, as amended, by voice vote.

The Chair discharged the Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings, and Emergency Management from further consideration of H.R. 2914.

The following amendments were offered:

An Amendment in the Nature of a Substitute offered by Mr. Espaillat of New York (#1); was AGREED TO, as amended, by voice vote.

An en bloc amendment to the Amendment in the Nature of a Substitute offered by Mr. Graves of Louisiana (#1A) consisting of the following;
Page 4, insert after line 9 the following: (K) In a State that does not require a will and testament for transfer of immovable property, a death certificate and birth certificate that establishes an automatic transfer of legal ownership.
Page 6 after line 10 insert a new section entitled “Sec. 5. Repair and Rebuilding.”; was AGREED TO by voice vote.

An amendment to the Amendment in the Nature of a Substitute offered by Mr. Graves of Louisiana (#1B); Page 1, line 14, strike “subsection (c)” and insert “subsection (b)”.
Page 2, strike lines 3 through 7 (and redesignate accordingly).; was WITHDRAWN by unanimous consent.

A unanimous consent request by Mr. Graves of Louisiana to withdraw his amendment was not objected to.

An amendment to the Amendment in the Nature of a Substitute offered by Mr. Graves of Louisiana (#1C); Page 2, line 17, insert “, applying on behalf of the primary residence of such individual or household,” after “such property”.; was WITHDRAWN by unanimous consent.
Discussion included a second amendment, not offered.

A unanimous consent request by Mr. Graves of Louisiana to withdraw his amendment was not objected to.

H.R. 5912, To amend title 49, United States Code, to permit the use of incentive payments to expedite certain federally financed airport development projects.; was ordered to be reported to the House of Representatives, with a favorable recommendation, without amendment, by voice vote.

The Chair discharged the Subcommittee on Aviation from further consideration of H.R. 5912.

H.R. 5953 , to amend the Disaster Recovery Reform Act to require the Administrator of the Federal Emergency Management Agency to waive certain debts owed to the United States related to covered assistance provided to an individual or household, and for other purposes.; was ordered to be reported to the House of Representatives, with a favorable recommendation, as amended, by voice vote.

The Chair discharged the Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings, and Emergency Management from further consideration of H.R. 5953

The following amendment was offered:

An amendment offered by Mr. Davis of Illinois (on behalf of Mr. Perry) (#1); Page 3, insert after line 8 a new section entitled “Sec. 3. Report to Congress.”; was AGREED TO by voice vote.

The Committee adopted, en bloc, the following Committee Resolutions, by voice vote:

Committee Resolution: GSA Resolution - Lease Department of Justice, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Washington, DC PDC-03-WA19

Committee Resolution: GSA Resolution - Lease Department of Veterans Affairs, Washington, DC PDC-11-WA19

Committee Resolution: GSA Resolution - Lease Department of Veterans Affairs, Daytona Beach, FL PFL-01-VA19

Committee Resolution: GSA Resolution - Lease Department of Veterans Affairs, Jacksonville, FL PFL-02-VA19

Committee Resolution: GSA Resolution - Lease Department of Veterans Affairs, Raleigh, NC PNC-01-VA19

Committee Resolution: GSA Resolution - Lease U.S. Secret Service, Brooklyn, NY PNY-02-BR20

Committee Resolution: GSA Resolution - Lease Social Security Administration, Albuquerque, NM PNM-01-AL20

Committee Resolution: GSA Resolution - Lease Department of Education, New York, NY PNY-02-NY20

Committee Resolution: GSA Resolution - Lease Department of Veterans Benefits Administration, San Diego, CA PCA-01-SD20

Committee Resolution: GSA Resolution - Lease Department of Health and Human Services; Department of Commerce; and Federal Housing Administration, Chicago, IL PIL-01-CH20

Committee Resolution: GSA Resolution - Lease Federal Aviation Administration, Chicago, IL PIL-01-OH20

Committee Resolution: GSA Resolution - Lease Bureau of Engraving and Printing, Landover, MD PMD-01-WA20

Committee Resolution: GSA Resolution - Lease Veterans Health Administration, Tampa, FL PFL-01-TA20

Committee Resolution: GSA Resolution - Lease Architect of the Capitol, Washington, DC PDC-02-WA20

Committee Resolution: GSA Resolution - Lease Veterans Health Administration, Lakeland, FL PFL-01-LA20

Committee Resolution: GSA Resolution - Lease Department of Veterans Affairs, Washington, DC, PDC-04-WA20

Committee Resolution: GSA Resolution - Lease National Archives and Records Administration, Lenexa, KS PKS-01-LE20

Committee Resolution: GSA Resolution - Lease Department of Veterans Affairs, Austin, TX PTX-01-AU20

Committee Resolution: GSA Resolution - Lease Department of Health and Human Services, Washington, DC PDC-08-WA20

Committee Resolution: GSA Resolution - Lease Citizenship and Immigration Services, Suburban Kansas City, MO PMO-01-KC20

Committee Resolution: GSA Resolution - Lease Veterans Health Administration, Denver, CO PCO-01-DE20

Committee Resolution: GSA Resolution - Lease Department of State, Arlington, VA PVA-05-WA20

Committee Resolution: GSA Resolution - Lease Department of State, Arlington, VA PVA-07-WA20

Committee Resolution: GSA Resolution - Alteration Administrative Offices of the Courts, Huntsville, AL *Modification of PAL-CTC-HU18

A unanimous consent request by Mr. DeFazio that each bill ordered reported today will be reported as a single Amendment in the Nature of a Substitute incorporating any amendments adopted, was NOT OBJECTED TO.

A unanimous consent request by Mr. DeFazio that staff be authorized to make all necessary technical, clarifying and conforming changes to H. Con. Res. 90, H.R. 2914, H.R. 4470, H.R. 5756, H.R. 5912, and H.R. 5953; was NOT OBJECTED TO.

A motion by Mr. DeFazio that, pursuant to Rule XXII, clause 1, the Committee authorizes the Chair, or designee, to offer such motions as may be necessary in the House to go to conference with the Senate on H. Con. Res. 90, H.R. 2914, H.R. 4470, H.R. 5756, H.R. 5912, H.R. 5953; or any similar measure, was NOT OBJECTED TO.

A motion by Mr. DeFazio that, pursuant to Rule XI clause 2(1), Members may have two calendar days in which to file any supplemental, minority, additional, or dissenting views H. Con. Res. 90, H.R. 2914, H.R. 4470, H.R. 5756, H.R. 5912, and H.R. 5953; was NOT OBJECTED TO.

A unanimous consent request by Mr. DeFazio that, the Chair, after consultation with the Ranking Member, has authority to strike or revise any provision of the bills ordered reported today that would cause a sequential referral to another committee, or that would cause the bills to concurrent resolutions to be subject to a Budget Act of Rule 21 PAYGO point of order, was NOT OBJECTED TO.

Pursuant to Rule 5 of the Rules of the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, the Chair notes the presence of a quorum for actions taken on all Committee business today.

