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# U.S. Senate Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation

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## Commerce Committee Roundup

**March 31<sup>st</sup> – April 4<sup>th</sup>, 2008**

### Press Releases

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April 3<sup>rd</sup>: [Stevens Calls for Aggressive Approach to Protect Arctic Ocean Fisheries](#)

### Commerce Committee Hearings

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April 3<sup>rd</sup>: [International Fisheries: Management and Enforcement](#)

This hearing focused on international fisheries issues, including Regional Fisheries Management Councils (RFMO's), compliance reporting and enforcement on the high seas. Deputy Secretary of State John Negroponte testified at the hearing.

For audio of Secretary Negroponte's testimony please click [here](#).

For audio of witness testimony and Senator Stevens' Q&A, click [here](#).

### Upcoming Committee Hearings

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April 8<sup>th</sup>: [Federal Trade Commission Reauthorization](#)  [Add To My Calendar](#)

This will be an oversight hearing reviewing the performance of the Commission.

April 8<sup>th</sup>: [Oversight of DTV Transition](#)  [Add To My Calendar](#)

The Full Committee will examine U.S. readiness for the nationwide transition from analog television broadcasting to digital television (DTV) broadcasting. The hearing will focus on consumer awareness, the role of broadcasters and the Federal Communications Commission (FCC), and the status of the National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA) converter box program.

April 9<sup>th</sup>: [Coal Gasification Technologies](#)  [Add To My Calendar](#)

The Science, Technology, and Innovation Subcommittee will examine coal gasification technologies, including the challenges and advantages over traditional technologies, and the need for large scale integrated gasification combined cycle (IGCC) demonstration projects that feature carbon capture and sequestration.

April 10<sup>th</sup>: [Aviation Safety Oversight Hearing](#)  [Add To My Calendar](#)

There have been a series of high-profile events that have raised concerns regarding the Federal Aviation Administration's (FAA) oversight of safety in the National Airspace System (NAS). This hearing will examine these safety issues regarding the inspections, runway safety and operational errors. The hearing will also review the FAA's implementation of the Air Transportation Oversight System (ATOS), the new systematic approach the agency has implemented to address safety oversight.