

# Daily Digest

## Senate

### Chamber Action

*Routine Proceedings, pages S1149–S1218*

**Measures Introduced:** Seventeen bills were introduced, as follows: S. 324–340. **Pages S1198–99**

**Class Action Fairness Act Agreement:** Senate continued consideration of S. 5, to amend the procedures that apply to consideration of interstate class actions to assure fairer outcomes for class members and defendants, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto:

**Pages S1150–52, S1157–89**

Pending:

Durbin (Modified) Amendment No. 3, to preserve State court procedures for handling mass actions.

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Feingold Amendment No. 12, to establish time limits for action by Federal district courts on motions to remand cases that have been removed to Federal court.

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Rejected:

Pryor Amendment No. 5, to exempt class action lawsuits brought by the attorney general of any State from the modified civil procedures required by this Act. (By 60 yeas to 39 nays (Vote No. 5), Senate tabled the amendment.)

**Pages S1157–65**

By 40 yeas to 59 nays (Vote No. 6), Kennedy Amendment No. 2, to amend the definition of class action in title 28, United States Code, to exclude class actions relating to civil rights of the payment of wages.

**Pages S1165–66, S1180–83**

By 38 yeas to 61 nays (Vote No. 7), Feinstein/Bingaman Amendment No. 4, to clarify the application of State law in certain class actions.

**Pages S1166–71, S1183–84**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill at approximately 11:30 a.m., on Thursday, February 10, 2005.

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**Messages From the President:** Senate received the following message from the President of the United States:

Transmitting, pursuant to law, a report concerning the plan for securing nuclear weapons, material, and expertise of the states of the former Soviet

Union; which was referred to the Committee on Armed Services. (PM–4) **Page S1197**

**Appointments:**

*Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution:* The Chair, on behalf of the Vice President, pursuant to the provisions of 20 U.S.C., sections 42 and 43, appointed Senator Leahy as a member of the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution.

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*Senate National Security Working Group:* The Chair announced, on behalf of the Democratic Leader, pursuant to the provisions of S. Res. 105 (adopted April 13, 1989), as amended by S. Res. 149 (adopted October 5, 1993), as amended by Public Law 105–275 (adopted October 21, 1998), further amended by S. Res. 75 (adopted March 25, 1999), amended by S. Res. 383 (adopted October 27, 2000), and amended by S. Res. 355 (adopted November 13, 2002), and further amended by S. Res. 480 (adopted November 20, 2004), the appointment of the following Senators to serve as members of the Senate National Security Working Group for the 109th Congress: Senators Byrd (Democratic Administrative Co-Chairman), Levin (Democratic Co-Chairman), Biden (Democratic Co-Chairman), Kennedy, Sarbanes, Dorgan, Durbin, Nelson (FL) and Dayton.

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**Nominations Received:** Senate received the following nominations:

2 Air Force nominations in the rank of general.

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**Executive Communications:**

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**Authority for Committees to Meet:**

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**Privilege of the Floor:** Page S1218

**Record Votes:** Three record votes were taken today. (Total—7) Pages S1165, S1183, S1184

**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 5:58 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Thursday, February 10, 2005. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of Majority Leader in today's Record on page S1218.)

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

### 2006 BUDGET

*Committee on the Budget:* Committee held a hearing to examine the President's proposed budget for fiscal year 2006, receiving testimony from Joshua B. Bolten, Director, Office of Management and Budget.

### BUSINESS MEETING

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* Committee ordered favorably reported the following bills:

S. 47, to provide for the exchange of certain Federal land in the Santa Fe National Forest; and certain non-Federal land in the Pecos National Historical Park in the State of New Mexico;

S. 63, to establish the Northern Rio Grande National Heritage Area in the State of New Mexico, with an amendment;

S. 74, to designate a portion of the White Salmon River as a component of the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System;

S. 134, to adjust the boundary of Redwood National Park in the State of California;

S. 153, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a resource study of the Rim of the Valley Corridor in the State of California to evaluate alternatives for protecting the resources of the Corridor;

S. 156, to designate the Ojito Wilderness Study Area as wilderness, to take certain land into trust for the Pueblo of Zia, with an amendment;

S. 163, to establish the National Mormon Pioneer Heritage Area in the State of Utah, with an amendment;

S. 176, to extend the deadline for commencement of construction of a hydroelectric project in the State of Alaska;

S. 177, to further the purposes of the Reclamation Projects Authorization and Adjustment Act of 1992 by directing the Secretary of the Interior, acting through the Commissioner of Reclamation, to carry out an assessment and demonstration program to control salt cedar and Russian olive;

S. 178, to provide assistance to the State of New Mexico for the development of comprehensive State water plans;

S. 200, to establish the Arabia Mountain National Heritage Area in the State of Georgia, with an amendment;

S. 203, to reduce temporarily the royalty required to be paid for sodium produced on Federal lands;

S. 204, to establish the Atchafalaya National Heritage Area in the State of Louisiana;

S. 205, to authorize the American Battle Monuments Commission to establish in the State of Louisiana a memorial to honor the Buffalo Soldiers;

S. 207, to adjust the boundary of the Barataria Preserve Unit of the Jean Lafitte National Historical Park and Preserve in the State of Louisiana;

S. 212, to amend the Valles Caldera Preservation Act to improve the preservation of the Valles Caldera;

S. 214, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to cooperate with the States on the border with Mexico and other appropriate entities in conducting a hydrogeologic characterization, mapping, and modeling program for priority transboundary aquifers;

S. 225, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to undertake a program to reduce the risks from and mitigate the effects of avalanches on recreational users of public land, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 229, to clear title to certain real property in New Mexico associated with the Middle Rio Grande Project;

S. 231, to authorize the Bureau of Reclamation to participate in the rehabilitation of the Wallowa Lake Dam in Oregon;

S. 232, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior, acting through the Bureau of Reclamation, to assist in the implementation of fish passage and screening facilities at non-Federal water projects;

S. 243, to establish a program and criteria for National Heritage Areas in the United States;

S. 244, to extend the deadline for commencement of construction of a hydroelectric project in the State of Wyoming;

S. 249, to establish the Great Basin National Heritage Route in the States of Nevada and Utah;

S. 252, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain land in Washoe County, Nevada, to the Board of Regents of the University and Community College System of Nevada;

S. 253, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain land to the land to the Edward H. McDaniel American Legion Post No. 22 in Pahrump, Nevada, for the construction of a post building and memorial park for use by the American Legion, other veterans' groups, and the local community, with an amendment;

S. 254, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain land to Lander County, Nevada, and

the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain land to Eureka County, Nevada, for continued use as cemeteries;

S. 263, to provide for the protection of paleontological resources on Federal lands, with an amendment; and

S. 264, to amend the Reclamation Wastewater and Groundwater Study and Facilities Act to authorize certain projects in the State of Hawaii.

#### BUDGET: EPA

*Committee on Environment and Public Works:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the President's proposed budget for fiscal year 2006 for the Environmental Protection Agency, after receiving testimony from Stephen L. Johnson, Acting Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency.

#### SIX POWER TALKS

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* Committee met in closed session to receive a briefing of an update on six-party talks from Joseph DeTrani, Special Envoy to the Six Power Talks.

#### BUSINESS MEETING

*Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:* Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 265, to amend the Public Health Service Act to add requirements regarding trauma care;

S. 306, to prohibit discrimination on the basis of genetic information with respect to health insurance and employment;

S. 302, to make improvements in the Foundation for the National Institutes of Health;

S. 285, to reauthorize the Children's Hospitals Graduate Medical Education Program;

S. 288, to extend Federal funding for operation of State high risk health insurance pools; and

The nominations of A. Wilson Greene, of Virginia, to be a Member of the National Museum and Library Services Board, Katina P. Strauch, of South Carolina, to be a Member of the National Museum and Library Services Board, and Edward L. Flippen, of Virginia, to be Inspector General, Corporation for National and Community Services.

#### BUSINESS MEETING

*Committee on Rules and Administration:* Committee ordered favorably reported an original resolution authorizing expenditures by all committees of the Senate.

#### INTELLIGENCE

*Select Committee on Intelligence:* Committee met in closed session to receive a briefing on certain intelligence matters from officials of the intelligence community.

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## House of Representatives

### *Chamber Action*

**Measures Introduced:** 60 public bills, H.R. 3, 679–737; 1 private bill, H.R. 738; and 11 resolutions, H.J. Res. 17; H. Con. Res. 50–52, and H. Res. 76–83, were introduced. **Pages H520–24**

**Additional Cosponsors:** **Page H520**

**Reports Filed:** Reports were filed today as follows:

H. Res. 75, providing for further consideration of H.R. 418, to establish and rapidly implement regulations for State driver's license and identification document security standards, to prevent terrorists from abusing the asylum laws of the United States, to unify terrorism-related grounds for inadmissibility and removal, and to ensure expeditious construction of the San Diego border fence (H. Rept. 109–4).

**Speaker:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Emerson to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H417**

**Chaplain:** The prayer was offered by Rev. David F. Allen, Pastor, Welcome Baptist Church in Beckley, West Virginia. **Page H417**

**Committee Resignation:** Read a letter from Representative Pearce wherein he resigned from the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, effective immediately. **Page H419**

**Committee Resignation:** Read a letter from Representative Harris wherein she resigned from the Committee on Government Reform, effective immediately. **Page H419**

**Committee Elections:** The House agreed to H. Res. 73, electing the following members to the Committee on Homeland Security, with previously elected members restated for the purpose of ranking: Representatives Young (AL), Smith (TX), Weldon (PA), Shays, King (NY), Linder, Souder, Tom Davis

(VA), Lungren, Gibbons, Simmons, Rogers (AL), Pearce, Harris, Jindahl, Reichert, McCaul, and Dent.

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**Suspensions:** The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

*Sense of the House that the Department of Defense should continue to support the activities of the Boy Scouts of America:* H. Con. Res. 6, expressing the sense of the Congress that the Department of Defense should continue to exercise its statutory authority to support the activities of the Boy Scouts of America, in particular the periodic national and world Boy Scout Jamborees, by a  $\frac{2}{3}$  yeas-and-nay vote of 418 yeas to 7 nays, Roll No. 24;

Pages H419–22, H479–80

*Honoring the Tuskegee Airmen for their bravery in World War II:* H. Con. Res. 26, honoring the Tuskegee Airmen for their bravery in fighting for our freedom in World War II, and for their contribution in creating an integrated United States Air Force, by a  $\frac{2}{3}$  yeas-and-nay vote of 423 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 25;

Pages H422–30, H480–81

*Supporting the goals and ideals of National Black HIV/AIDS Awareness Day:* H. Con. Res. 30, amended, supporting the goals and ideals of National Black HIV/AIDS Awareness Day, by a  $\frac{2}{3}$  yeas-and-nay vote of 422 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 26; and

Pages H430–37, H481

*Honoring the life and accomplishments of the late Ossie Davis:* H. Res. 69, honoring the life and accomplishments of the late Ossie Davis.

Pages H472–79

**Committee Election:** The House agreed to H. Res. 74, electing the following Members and Delegates to certain standing committees:

Committee on the Budget: Representative Schwartz (PA).

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Committee on the Judiciary: Representatives Smith (WA) and VanHollen.

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Committee on Homeland Security: Representatives Loretta Sanchez (CA), Markey, Dicks, Harman, DeFazio, Lowey, Norton, Zoe Lofgren (CA), Jackson-Lee (TX), Pascrell, Christensen, Etheridge, Langevin, and Meek (FL).

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Committee on Standards of Official Conduct: Representatives Jones (OH), Gene Green (TX), Roybal-Allard, and Doyle.

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**Committee Resignation:** Read a letter from Representative Simmons wherein he resigned from the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

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**REAL ID Act of 2005:** The House began consideration of H.R. 418, to establish and rapidly imple-

ment regulations for State driver's license and identification document security standards, to prevent terrorists from abusing the asylum laws of the United States, to unify terrorism-related grounds for inadmissibility and removal, and to ensure expeditious construction of the San Diego border fence. Further consideration of the bill will resume tomorrow, February 10.

Pages H437–71, H481

H. Res. 71, the rule providing for consideration of the bill was agreed to by voice vote.

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A point of order was raised against the consideration of the resolution and it was agreed to proceed with consideration by a yeas-and-nay vote of 228 yeas to 191 nays, Roll No. 23.

Pages H437–42

**Presidential Message:** Read a message from the President wherein he transmitted a report on implementation during 2003 of the plan for securing nuclear weapons, material, and expertise of the states of the former Soviet Union—referred to the Committee on International Relations.

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**Quorum Calls—Votes:** Four yeas-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings today and appear on pages H441–42, H479–80, H480–81 and H481. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 9:38 p.m.

## Committee Meetings

### NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION BUDGET REQUEST FISCAL YEAR 2006

*Committee on Armed Services:* Held a hearing on the Fiscal Year 2006 National Defense Authorization budget request. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of the Army: Francis J. Harvey, Secretary; and GEN Peter J. Schoomaker, USA, Chief of Staff.

Hearings continue February 16.

### SOCIAL SECURITY; DEFINING THE PROBLEM

*Committee on the Budget:* Held a hearing on Social Security: Defining the Problem. Testimony was heard from John W. Snow, Secretary of the Treasury; David M. Walker, Comptroller General, GAO; Douglas J. Holtz-Eakin, Director, CBO; and a public witness.

### JOB TRAINING IMPROVEMENT ACT

*Committee on Education and the Workforce:* Subcommittee on 21st Century Competitiveness approved for full Committee action, as amended, H.R. 27, Job Training Improvement Act of 2005.

### **BROADCAST DECENCY ENFORCEMENT ACT; OVERSIGHT PLAN**

*Committee on Energy and Commerce:* Ordered reported H.R. 310, Broadcast Decency Enforcement Act 2005.

The Committee approved an Oversight plan for the 109th Congress.

### **DOE'S FISCAL YEAR 2006 BUDGET PROPOSAL AND THE ENERGY POLICY ACT OF 2005**

*Committee on Energy and Commerce:* Held a hearing entitled "Department of Energy's Fiscal Year 2006 Budget Proposal and the Energy Policy Act of 2005: Ensuring Jobs for Our Future with Secure and Reliable Energy." Testimony was heard from Samuel W. Bodman, Secretary of Energy.

### **INTERNET PROTOCOL-ENABLED SERVICES—CHANGING FACE OF COMMUNICATIONS**

*Committee on Energy and Commerce:* Subcommittee on Telecommunications and the Internet held a hearing entitled "How Internet Protocol-Enabled Services are Changing the Face of Communications: A View from Technology Companies." Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### **FANNIE MAE ACCOUNTING IRREGULARITIES—IMPACT ON INVESTORS**

*Committee on Financial Services:* Subcommittee on Capital Markets, Insurance, and Government Sponsored Enterprises held a hearing entitled "Accounting Irregularities at Fannie Mae and the Impact on Investors." Testimony was heard from Donald T. Nicolaisen, Chief Accountant, SEC.

### **MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES; COMMITTEE ORGANIZATION; OVERSIGHT PLAN**

*Committee on Government Reform:* Ordered reported the following measures: H.R. 324, To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service. Located at 321 Montgomery Road in Altamonte Springs, Florida, as the "Arthur Stacey Mastrapa Post Office Building"; and H. Con. Res. 25, Recognizing the contributions of Jibreel Khazan (Ezell Blair, Jr.), David Richmond, Joseph McNeil, and Franklin McCain, known as the "Greensboro Four," to the civil rights movement.

Prior to this action, the Committee met for organizational purposes.

The Committee approved an Oversight Plan for the 109th Congress.

### **U.S. GOVERNMENT FINANCIAL REPORT FISCAL YEAR 2004**

*Committee on Government Reform:* Subcommittee on Government Management, Finance, and Accountability held a hearing entitled "Financial Report of the United States Government for Fiscal Year 2004." Testimony was heard from David M. Walker, Comptroller, GAO; Jack Martin, Chief Financial Officer, Department of Education; and Donald V. Hammond, Fiscal Assistant Secretary, Department of the Treasury.

### **COMMITTEE ORGANIZATION; OVERSIGHT PLAN**

*Committee on Homeland Security:* Met for organizational purposes.

The Committee approved an Oversight Plan for the 109th Congress.

### **HELP AMERICA VOTE ACT IMPLEMENTATION; COMMITTEE ORGANIZATION; OVERSIGHT PLAN**

*Committee on House Administration:* Held a hearing on Implementation of the Help America Vote Act. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Election Assistance Commission: Gracia Hillman, Chair; and Paul DeGregorio, Vice Chair; Rebecca Vigil-Giron, Secretary of State, New Mexico; Ron Thornburgh, Secretary of State, Kansas; Todd Rokita, Secretary of State, Indiana; and Chet Culver, Secretary of State/Commissioner of Elections, Iowa.

Prior to this action, the Committee met for organizational purposes.

The Committee approved an Oversight Plan for the 109th Congress.

### **COMMITTEE ORGANIZATION**

*Committee on International Relations:* Met for organizational purposes.

The Committee approved an Oversight Plan for the 109th Congress.

### **VOLCKER INTERIM REPORT—U.N. OIL-FOR-FOOD PROGRAM**

*Committee on International Relations:* Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing on The Volcker Interim Report on the United Nations Oil-for-Food Program. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### **REAL ID ACT OF 2005**

*Committee on Rules:* Granted, by voice vote, a rule providing for further consideration of H.R. 418, REAL ID Act of 2005, under a structured rule. The rule provides that no further general debate shall be in order. The rule provides that the amendment

printed in Part A of the Rules Committee report accompanying the resolution shall be considered as adopted in the House and in the Committee of the Whole. The rule provides that the bill, as amended, shall be considered as the original bill for the purpose of further amendment and shall be considered as read. The rule makes in order only those amendments printed in Part B of the report. The rule provides that the amendments printed in Part B of the report may be offered only in the order printed in the report, may be offered only by a Member designated in the report, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, shall not be subject to amendment, and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question in the House or in the Committee of the Whole. The rule waives all points of order against the amendments printed in Part B of the report. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions.

#### NATION'S ENERGY SECURITY

*Committee on Science:* Held a hearing on Improving the Nation's Energy Security: Can Cars and Trucks Be Made More Fuel Efficient? Testimony was heard from Paul Portney, Chairman, Committee on Effectiveness and Impact of Corporate Fuel Economy (CAFÉ) Standards, National Academy of Sciences; and public witnesses.

#### OVERSIGHT—COMMERCIAL SPACE TRANSPORTATION

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure:* Subcommittee on Aviation held an oversight hearing on Commercial Space Transportation: Beyond the X Prize. Testimony was heard from Representative Boehlert; Marion C. Blakey, Administrator, FAA, Department of Transportation; and public witnesses.

#### PRESIDENT'S BUDGET FISCAL YEAR 2005

*Committee on Ways and Means:* Continued hearings on the President's Budget for Fiscal Year 2006. Testimony was heard from Joshua Bolten, Director, OMB.

#### COMMITTEE ORGANIZATION

*Committee on Ways and Means:* Subcommittee on Select Revenue Measures met for organizational purposes.

#### COMMITTEE ORGANIZATION

*Committee on Ways and Means:* Subcommittee on Social Security met for organizational purposes.

### COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2005

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

#### Senate

*Committee on Armed Services:* to hold hearings to examine the proposed Defense Authorization Request for Fiscal Year 2006 and the Future Years Defense Program, 9:30 a.m., SH-216.

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* to hold hearings to examine the role of government-sponsored enterprises in the mortgage market, 10 a.m., SD-538.

*Committee on the Budget:* to continue hearings to examine the President's proposed budget for fiscal year 2006, 10 a.m., SD-608.

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* to hold hearings to examine lessons learned regarding the tsunami response, 9:30 a.m., SD-419.

*Committee on the Judiciary:* to hold hearings to examine bankruptcy reform, 10:15 a.m., SD-226.

*Select Committee on Intelligence:* to hold closed hearings to examine certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

#### House

*Committee on Energy and Commerce,* Subcommittee on Energy and Air Quality, hearing entitled "The Energy Policy Act of 2005: Ensuring Jobs for Our Future with Secure and Reliable Energy," 9:30 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Health, hearing entitled "Current Issues Related to Medical Liability Reform," 1 p.m., 2322 Rayburn.

*Committee on Government Reform,* hearing entitled "The Perplexing Shift from Shortage to Surplus: Managing This Season's Flu Shot Supply and Preparing for the Future," 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Criminal Justice, Drug Policy and Human Resources, hearing entitled "Fiscal Year 2006 Drug Budget," 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

*Committee on Homeland Security,* Subcommittee on Emergency Preparedness, Science, and Technology, hearing entitled "The Proposed Fiscal Year 2006 Budget: Enhancing Terrorism Preparedness for First Responders," 10 a.m., 2212 Rayburn.

*Committee on International Relations,* hearing on The Way Forward in the Middle East Peace Process, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

*Committee on the Judiciary,* Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security, oversight hearing on the "Implications of the Booker/Fanfan Decisions for the Federal Sentencing Guidelines, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

*Committee on Resources,* hearing on H.R. 512, to require the prompt review by the Secretary of the Interior of the longstanding petitions for Federal recognition of certain Indian tribes, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Subcommittee on Water and Power, oversight hearing entitled "Opportunities and Challenges on Enhancing Federal Power Generation and Transmission," 1 p.m., 1334 Longworth.

*Committee on Science*, to meet for organizational purposes, and to mark up H.R. 610, Energy Research, Development, Demonstration, and Commercial Application Act of 2005, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

*Committee on Small Business*, to meet for organizational purposes, and to consider an Oversight Plan for the 109th Congress, 9:30 a.m.; followed by a hearing on the President's Fiscal Year 2006 Budget Request impact upon small business, 10 a.m., 311 Cannon.

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure*, Subcommittee on Highways, Transit, and Pipelines, to meet for organizational purposes, 11 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs*, to meet for organizational purposes, 1 p.m., 334 Cannon.

*Committee on Ways and Means*, Subcommittee on Health, to meet for organizational purposes, 9:30 a.m., 1129 Longworth, and to hold a hearing on Medicare Payments to Physicians, 10 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

Subcommittee on Human Resources, to meet for organizational purposes; followed by a hearing on Welfare Reform Reauthorization proposals, 1 p.m., B-318 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Oversight, to meet for organizational purposes, 9 a.m., 1129 Rayburn.

*Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence*, executive, briefing on Global Updates, 9 a.m., and executive, hearing on Security Clearance Process, 2 p.m., H-405 Capitol.

## Next Meeting of the SENATE

9:30 a.m., Thursday, February 10

## Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

10 a.m., Thursday, February 10

## Senate Chamber

**Program for Thursday:** After the transaction of any morning business (not to extend beyond 2 hours), Senate will continue consideration of S. 5, Class Action Fairness Act.

## House Chamber

**Program for Thursday:** Continue consideration of H.R. 418, REAL ID Act of 2005.

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