

# Daily Digest

## Senate

### Chamber Action

*Routine Proceedings, pages S12149–S12284*

**Measures Introduced:** Five bills and four resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1951–1955, and S. Res. 294–297. **Pages S12237–38**

#### Measures Reported:

S. 1953, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 and the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 to protect the retirement security of American workers by ensuring that pension benefits are funded and that pension assets are adequately diversified and by providing workers with adequate access to, and information about, their pension plans. (S. Rept. No. 109–174) **Page S12236**

#### Measures Passed:

*Arrest of Sanjar Umarov:* Senate agreed to S. Res. 295, expressing the sense of the Senate on the arrest of Sanjar Umarov in Uzbekistan. **Pages S12279–80**

*Honoring Dr. Richard Errett Smalley:* Senate agreed to S. Res. 296, honoring the life of and expressing the condolences of the Senate on the passing of Dr. Richard Errett Smalley. **Page S12280**

*Gaylord Nelson Wilderness:* Senate agreed to S. Res. 297, marking the dedication of the Gaylord Nelson Wilderness within the Apostle Islands National Lakeshore. **Pages S12280–81**

**Budget Reconciliation:** Senate continued consideration of S. 1932, to provide for reconciliation pursuant to section 202(a) of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2006 (H. Con. Res. 95), taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto: **Pages S12149–S12219**

#### Adopted:

Gregg Amendment No. 2392, to provide that the language on pages 41, beginning on line 3 through line 11, entitled Amendments to the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985, be stricken. **Pages S12210–11**

#### Pending:

Gregg (for Frist/Gregg) Amendment No. 2347, to provide amounts to address influenza and newly emerging pandemics. **Page S12149**

Conrad Amendment No. 2351, to fully reinstate the pay-as-you-go requirement through 2010. **Pages S12149, S12217–19**

Enzi Modified Amendment No. 2352, to provide elementary and secondary education assistance to students and schools impacted by Hurricane Katrina and to lower origination fees. **Pages S12149, S12212–17**

Lincoln Amendment No. 2356, to provide emergency health care and other relief for survivors of Hurricane Katrina. **Page S12149**

Inhofe/Chambliss Amendment No. 2355, to cap non-defense, non-trust-fund, discretionary spending at the previous fiscal year's level, beginning with fiscal year 2007. **Page S12149**

Nelson (FL) Amendment No. 2357, to hold Medicare beneficiaries harmless for the increase in the 2007 Medicare monthly part B premium that would otherwise occur because of the 2006 increase in payments under the physician fee schedule. **Page S12149**

Cantwell Amendment No. 2358, to strike the title relating to the establishment of an oil and gas leasing program in the Coastal Plain. **Pages S12150–72**

Wyden/Talent Amendment No. 2362 (to the language proposed to be stricken by Amendment No. 2358), to enhance the energy security of the United States by prohibiting the exportation of oil and gas produced under leases in the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge. **Pages S12172–75**

Grassley Amendment No. 2359, to clarify certain payment limitations applicable to certain payments under title I of the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002 and section 1101 of the Agricultural Reconciliation Act of 2005 and to partially restore funding to programs reduced by sections 1101, 1201, and 1202 of the Agricultural Reconciliation Act of 2005. **Pages S12175–85**

Bingaman Amendment No. 2365, to prevent a severe reduction in the Federal medical assistance percentage determined for a State for fiscal year 2006 and to extend rebates for prescription drugs to enrollees in Medicaid managed care organizations. **Pages S12185–89**

Byrd Amendment No. 2367, to replace title VIII of the bill with an amendment to section 214(c) of the Immigration and Nationality Act to impose a fee on employers who hire certain nonimmigrants.

**Pages S12189–93**

Lott/Lautenberg Amendment No. 2360, to reauthorize Amtrak.

**Pages S12193–97**

McCain Amendment No. 2370, to move forward the date on which the transition to digital television is to occur.

**Pages S12197–S12202**

Murray Amendment No. 2372, to provide a 6-month transition period for coverage of prescription drugs under Medicaid for individuals whose drug coverage is to be moved to the Medicare prescription drug program.

**Pages S12202–07**

Ensign Amendment No. 2368, to cut \$2,000,000,000 from the convertor box subsidy program.

**Pages S12207–10**

Landrieu Amendment No. 2366, to provide funds for payments to producing States and coastal political subdivisions under the coastal impact assistance program.

**Pages S12211–12**

A unanimous consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill on Thursday, November 3, 2005, with votes to occur on or in relation to the pending amendments (listed above).

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**Agriculture Appropriations Conference Report:** Senate began consideration of the conference report to accompany H.R. 2744, making appropriations for Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2006.

**Pages S12219–28**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the conference report at 9 a.m., on Thursday, November 3, 2005, with a vote on adoption of the conference report to occur thereon.

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

Susan C. Schwab, of Maryland, to be a Deputy United States Trade Representative, with the rank of Ambassador.

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**Messages From the House:**

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**Measures Referred:**

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**Executive Communications:**

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**Statements on Introduced Bills/Resolutions:**

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**Additional Statements:**

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**Amendments Submitted:**

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**Authorities for Committees to Meet: Page S12279**

**Privileges of the Floor: Page S12279**

**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 8:30 a.m., and adjourned at 7:56 p.m., until 9 a.m., on Thursday, November 3, 2005. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S12281.)

## *Committee Meetings*

*(Committees not listed did not meet)*

### **PANDEMIC INFLUENZA PREPAREDNESS**

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies concluded a hearing to examine funding needs for pandemic influenza preparedness, focusing on vaccines, antivirals, and disease surveillance, public health infrastructure, and risk communication, after receiving testimony from Michael O. Leavitt, Secretary, Julie Gerberding, Director, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Anthony Fauci, Director, National Institute on Allergy and Infectious Diseases, National Institutes of Health, and Bruce Gellin, Director, National Vaccine Program Office, all of the Department of Health and Human Services; and John M. Barry, New Orleans, Louisiana.

### **BUSINESS MEETING**

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 1063, to promote and enhance public safety and to encourage the rapid deployment of IP-enabled voice services, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute; and

The nominations of Shana L. Dale, of Georgia, to be Deputy Administrator of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, and Mark V. Rosenker, of Maryland, and Kathryn Higgins, of South Dakota, each to be a Member of the National Transportation Safety Board, and nomination lists in the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration and the Coast Guard.

### **PUBLIC LANDS**

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* Subcommittee on Public Lands and Forests concluded a hearing to examine S. 1548, to provide for the conveyance of certain Forest Service land to the city of Coffman Cove, Alaska, S. 1541, to protect, conserve, and restore public land administered by the Department of the Interior or the Forest Service and adjacent land through cooperative cost-shared grants to control and mitigate the spread of invasive species, S. 1552, to amend Public Law 97–435 to extend the

authorization for the Secretary of the Interior to release certain conditions contained in a patent concerning certain land conveyed by the United States to Eastern Washington University until December 31, 2009, H.R. 482, to provide for a land exchange involving Federal lands in the Lincoln National Forest in the State of New Mexico, and S. 405, to provide for the conveyance of certain public land in Clark County, Nevada, for use as a heliport, after receiving testimony from Gloria Manning, Associate Deputy Chief for National Forest Systems, Forest Service, Department of Agriculture; and Scott J. Cameron, Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Interior for Performance, Accountability, and Human Resources.

### HURRICANE KATRINA RESPONSE

*Committee on Environment and Public Works:* Committee concluded oversight hearings to examine the response to Hurricane Katrina, focusing on the actions of certain federal agencies, and efforts to provide economic revitalization on the Gulf Coast of the United States, after receiving testimony from Nils J. Diaz, Chairman, Nuclear Regulatory Commission; Sandy K. Baruah, Acting Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Economic Development; H. Dale Hall, Director, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior; David L. Winstead, Commissioner, Public Buildings Service, General Services Administration; and Mayor C. Ray Nagin, Kim Dunn Chapital, Dillard University Deep South Center for Environmental Justice, and William H. Hines, Jones, Walker, Waechter, Poitevent, Carrere and Denegre, L.L.P., all of New Orleans, Louisiana.

### BUSINESS MEETING

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* On Tuesday, November 1, Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

The Convention for the Strengthening of the Inter-American Tropical Tuna Commission established by the 1949 Convention between the United States of America and the Republic of Costa Rica, with Annexes (Treaty Doc. 109–2);

S. 1315, to require a report on progress toward the Millennium Development Goals, with an amendment;

S. 1184, to waive the passport fees for a relative of a deceased member of the Armed Forces proceeding abroad to visit the grave of such member or to attend a funeral or memorial service for such member; and

The nominations of Donald A. Gambatesa, of Virginia, to be Inspector General, United States Agency

for International Development, Roland Arnall, of California, to be Ambassador to the Kingdom of the Netherlands, Jeffrey Thomas Bergner, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of State for Legislative Affairs, and James Caldwell Cason, of Florida, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Paraguay.

### U.S.-INDIAN NUCLEAR ENERGY COOPERATION

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine security and nonproliferation implications relating to U.S.-Indian nuclear energy cooperation, after receiving testimony from R. Nicholas Burns, Under Secretary for Political Affairs, and Robert G. Joseph, Under Secretary for Arms Control and International Security, both of the Department of State; Ronald F. Lehman, II, Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory Center for Global Security Research, Livermore, California; Ashton B. Carter, Harvard University Belfer Center for Science and International Affairs, Cambridge, Massachusetts; and Henry D. Sokolski, Nonproliferation Policy Education Center, and Michael Krepon, Henry L. Stimson Center, both of Washington, D.C.

### HURRICANE KATRINA: NEW ORLEANS LEVEE SYSTEM

*Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the effect of Hurricane Katrina on the infrastructure of coastal Louisiana, focusing on the performance of the levee system that surrounds New Orleans, after receiving testimony from Paul F. Mlakar, Senior Research Scientist, U.S. Army Research and Development Center, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers; Ivor L. van Heerden, Louisiana Forensic Data Gathering Team, Baton Rouge; Raymond B. Seed, University of California, Berkeley, on behalf of the National Science Foundation-sponsored Levee Investigation Team; and Peter G. Nicholson, University of Hawaii, Manoa, on behalf of the American Society of Civil Engineers.

### TRIBAL LOBBYING MATTERS

*Committee on Indian Affairs:* Committee held an oversight hearing to examine In Re Tribal Lobbying Matters, Et Al, focusing on lobbying fraud, after receiving testimony from J. Steven Griles, former Deputy Secretary, and Michael Rossetti, former Counsel to the Secretary, both of the Department of the Interior; Kevin Sickey and David Sickey, both of the Coushatta Tribe of Louisiana, Elton; Fred Baggett, Greenberg Traurig, Tallahassee, Florida; B.R. McConnon, Democracy Data and Communications,

Alexandria, Virginia; William Worfel, Kinder, Louisiana; Kathryn Van Hoof, Lecompte, Louisiana; Christopher Cathcart, Washington, D.C.; and Gail Halpern, Silver Spring, Maryland.

Hearings recessed subject to the call.

## INTELLIGENCE

*Select Committee on Intelligence:* Committee held closed hearings on intelligence matters, receiving testimony from officials of the intelligence community.

Committee recessed subject to call.

# House of Representatives

## Chamber Action

**Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced:** 21 public bills, H.R. 4196–4216; and 5 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 288–289; and H. Res. 528–530 were introduced. **Pages H9554–55**

**Additional Cosponsors:** **Pages H9555–56**

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

Report on the Revised Suballocation of Budget Allocations for Fiscal Year 2006 (H. Rept. 109–264);

Conference report on H.R. 3057, making appropriations for foreign operations, export financing, and related programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2006, (H. Rept. 109–265); and

H. Res. 527, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 4128) to protect private property rights (H. Rept. 109–266). **Pages H9499–H9533, H9554**

**Chaplain:** The prayer was offered today by Rev. Bruce Bigelow, Pastor, Lake Hills Baptist Church, Schererville, Indiana. **Page H9475**

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

*Department of Veterans Affairs Information Technology Management Improvement Act of 2005:* H.R. 4061, to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the management of information technology within the Department of Veterans Affairs by providing for the Chief Information Officer of that Department to have authority over resources, budget, and personnel related to the support function of information technology, by a  $\frac{2}{3}$  yeas-and-nay vote of 408 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 560; **Pages H9484–87, H9497–98**

*Designating the Department of Veterans Affairs outpatient clinic in Appleton, Wisconsin, as the “John H. Bradley Department of Veterans Affairs Outpatient Clinic”:* H.R. 1691, to designate the Department of Veterans Affairs outpatient clinic in Appleton, Wisconsin, as the “John H. Bradley Department of Veterans Affairs Outpatient Clinic”, by

a  $\frac{2}{3}$  yeas-and-nay vote of 407 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 561; and **Pages H9487–89, H9498–99**

*Designating the Federal building located at 333 Mt. Elliott Street in Detroit, Michigan, as the “Rosa Parks Federal Building”:* S. 1285, to designate the Federal building located at 333 Mt. Elliott Street in Detroit, Michigan, as the “Rosa Parks Federal Building”—clearing the measure for the President. **Pages H9490–92**

**Suspensions—Failed:** The House failed to agree to suspend the rules and pass the following measure:

*Online Freedom of Speech Act:* H.R. 1606, to amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to exclude communications over the Internet from the definition of public communication, by a  $\frac{2}{3}$  yeas-and-nay vote of 225 yeas to 182 nays, Roll No. 559. **Pages H9478–84, H9497**

**Departments of Commerce and Justice, Science, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2006—Motion to go to Conference:** The House disagreed to the Senate amendment and agreed to a conference on H.R. 2862, an act making appropriations for the Departments of Commerce and Justice, Science, and related agencies, for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2006. **Page H9492**

The House agreed to the Schwartz motion to instruct conferees by voice vote after agreeing to order the previous question. **Pages H9492–96**

Later, the Chair appointed conferees: Representatives Messrs. Wolf, Taylor of North Carolina, Kirk, Weldon of Florida, Goode, LaHood, Culberson, Alexander, Lewis of California, Mollohan, Serrano, Cramer, Kennedy of Rhode Island, Fattah, and Obey. **Page H9497**

**Recess:** The House recessed at 4:35 p.m. and reconvened at 7:41 p.m. **Pages H9496–97**

**Advisory Committee on Student Financial Assistance:** The Chair announced the Speaker’s reappointment of Ms. Judith Flink of Morton Grove, Illinois, to the Advisory Committee on Student Financial Assistance for a three-year term. **Page H9533**

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

*Congratulating the Chicago White Sox on winning the 2005 World Series:* H. Con. Res. 281, to congratulate the Chicago White Sox on winning the 2005 World Series. **Pages H9533–36**

**Senate Message:** Message received from the Senate today appears on page H9475.

**Senate Referrals:** S. Con. Res. 56 was referred to the Committee on International Relations.

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**Quorum Calls—Votes:** 3 yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H9497, H9497–98, and H9498–99. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 2 p.m. and adjourned at 11:19 p.m.

## Committee Meetings

### AGRICULTURAL NEGOTIATIONS—DOLA DEVELOPMENT FUND

*Committee on Agriculture:* Held a hearing to review Agricultural Negotiations in the Doha Development Round. Testimony was heard from Mike Johanns, Secretary of Agriculture; Rob Portman, U.S. Trade Representative; and public witnesses.

### REVISED SUBALLOCATION OF BUDGET ALLOCATIONS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2006

*Committee on Appropriations:* Approved the Revised Suballocation of Budget Allocations for Fiscal Year 2006.

### PANDEMIC INFLUENZA

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on the Department of Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies held a hearing on Pandemic Influenza. Testimony was heard from Michael O. Leavitt, Secretary of Health and Human Services.

### ACQUISITION REFORM

*Committee on Armed Services:* Held a hearing on acquisition reform. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Defense: Kenneth J. Krieg, Under Secretary, Acquisition, Technology and Logistics; Claude M. Bolton, Jr., Assistant Secretary, Army, (Acquisition, Logistics and Technology); John J. Young, Jr., Assistant Secretary, Navy, Research, Development and Acquisition; and LTG Donald J. Hoffman, USAF, Military Deputy, Office of the Assistant Secretary of the Air Force, Acquisition.

### NATURAL GAS—HEATING OIL FOR AMERICAN HOMES

*Committee on Energy and Commerce:* Subcommittee on Energy and Air Quality held a hearing entitled “Natural Gas and Heating Oil for American Homes.” Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Energy: Joseph T. Kelliher, Chairman, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission; and Mark R. Maddox, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary, Office of Fossil Energy; Reuben Jeffrey, III, Chairman, CFTC; Donald L. Mason, Commissioner, Public Utilities Commission, State of Ohio; Mary Ann Manoogian, Director, Office of Energy and Planning, State of New Hampshire; and public witnesses.

### ISSUANCE OF SUBPOENAS—SILICOSIS INVESTIGATION

*Committee on Energy and Commerce:* Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations approved a motion authorizing the issuance of subpoenas decus tecum to the following individuals: James Ballard; Todd Coulter; Andrew W. Harron; and Ray A. Harron for certain records in connection with its silicosis investigation.

### MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

*Committee on International Relations:* Subcommittee on the Western Hemisphere approved for full Committee action the following measures: H. Con. Res. 280, Mourning the horrific loss of life caused by the floods and mudslides that occurred in October 2005 in Central America and Mexico and expressing the sense of Congress that the United States should do everything possible to assist the affected people and communities; H. Con. Res. 90, Conveying the sympathy of Congress to the families of the young women murdered in the State of Chihuahua, Mexico, and encouraging increased United States involvement in bringing an end to these crimes; and H. Res. 458, Remembering and commemorating the lives and work of Maryknoll Sisters Maura Clarke and Ita Ford, Ursuline Sister Dorothy Kazel, and Cleveland Lay Mission Team Member Jean Donovan, who were executed by members of the armed forces of El Salvador on December 2, 1980.

### PRIVATE PROPERTY RIGHTS PROTECTION ACT

*Committee on Rules:* Granted, by voice vote, a structured rule on H.R. 4128, to protect private property rights, providing 90 minutes of general debate with 60 minutes equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on the Judiciary and 30 minutes equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Agriculture.

The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule provides that the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on the Judiciary now printed in the bill shall be considered as an original bill for the purpose of amendment and shall be considered as read.

The rule makes in order only those amendments printed in the Rules Committee report accompanying the resolution. The rule provides that the amendments printed in the report may be considered 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 the report. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard by Chairman Sensenbrenner, Chairman Goodlatte and Representatives Gingrey, Turner, Sodrel and Cuellar.

#### 2005 SOLAR DECATHLON

*Committee on Science:* Subcommittee on Energy held a hearing on Winning Teams and Innovation Technologies from the 2005 Solar Decathlon. Testimony was heard from Richard Moorer, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Technology Development, Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, Department of Energy; and public witnesses.

#### RESOLUTION—REQUESTING THE PRESIDENT TO TRANSMIT INFORMATION RELATING TO CONTRACTS FOR SERVICES OR CONSTRUCTION RELATING TO HURRICANE KATRINA RECOVERY

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure:* Ordered reported, without recommendation, H. Res. 488, Requesting that the President transmit to the House of Representatives information in his possession relating to contracts for services or construction related to Hurricane Katrina recovery.

#### HURRICANE KATRINA—GOVERNMENT'S USE OF CONTRACTORS

*Select Bipartisan Committee to Investigate the Preparation for and Response to Hurricane Katrina:* Held a hearing entitled "Hurricane Katrina: The Federal Government's Use of Contractors to Prepare and Respond." Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Homeland Security: Greg Rothwell, Chief Procurement Officer; Patricia English, Senior Procurement Executive, FEMA; and

Richard L. Skinner, Inspector General; COL Norbert Doyle, USA, Acting Principal Assistant Responsible for Contracting, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers; David E. Cooper, Director, Acquisition and Sourcing Management, GAO; and public witnesses.

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#### COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2005

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

#### Senate

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* business meeting to consider the nominations of Matthew Slaughter, of New Hampshire, and Katherine Baicker, of New Hampshire, each to be a Member of the Council of Economic Advisers, Orlando J. Cabrera, of Florida, to be Assistant Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, and Gigi Hyland, of Virginia, and Rodney E. Hood, of North Carolina, each to be a Member of the National Credit Union Administration Board, 10:30 a.m., S-216, Capitol.

*Committee on the Judiciary:* business meeting to consider the nominations of Wan J. Kim, of Maryland, to be Assistant Attorney General, Civil Rights Division, Steven G. Bradbury, of Maryland, to be Assistant Attorney General for the Office of Legal Counsel, Sue Ellen Wooldridge, of Virginia, to be Assistant Attorney General, Environment and Natural Resources Division, Thomas O. Barnett, of Virginia, to be Assistant Attorney General, Antitrust Division, all of the Department of Justice, James F.X. O'Gara, of Pennsylvania, to be Deputy Director for Supply Reduction, Office of National Drug Control Policy, Emilio T. Gonzalez, of Florida, to be Director of the Bureau of Citizenship and Immigration Services, Department of Homeland Security, and Julie L. Myers, of Kansas, to be an Assistant Secretary of Homeland Security, S. 1088, to establish streamlined procedures for collateral review of mixed petitions, amendments, and defaulted claims, S. 1789, to prevent and mitigate identity theft, to ensure privacy, to provide notice of security breaches, and to enhance criminal penalties, law enforcement assistance, and other protections against security breaches, fraudulent access, and misuse of personally identifiable information, S. 751, to require Federal agencies, and persons engaged in interstate commerce, in possession of data containing personal information, to disclose any unauthorized acquisition of such information, S. 1699, to amend title 18, United States Code, to provide criminal penalties for trafficking in counterfeit marks, S. 1095, to amend chapter 113 of title 18, United States Code, to clarify the prohibition on the trafficking in goods or services, H.R. 683, to amend the Trademark Act of 1946 with respect to dilution by blurring or tarnishment, S. 1787, to provide bankruptcy relief for victims of natural disasters, and S. 1647, to amend title 11, United States Code, to provide relief to victims of Hurricane Katrina and other natural disasters, 9:30 a.m., SD-226.

### House

*Committee on Armed Services*, hearing on Your Troops: Their Story, 8:30 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Terrorism and Radical Islam Gap Panel, hearing on Understanding Aspirations of Radical Islam: Why Mainstream Islam is Radically Different, 3 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

*Committee on the Budget*, to mark up the Deficit Reduction Act of 2005, 10 a.m., 219 Cannon.

*Committee on Energy and Commerce*, Subcommittee on Commerce, Trade, and Consumer Protection, to mark up H.R. 4127, Data Accountability and Trust Act, 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

*Committee on Homeland Security*, Subcommittee on Economic Security, Infrastructure Protection, Cybersecurity, hearing entitled "The Future of TSA's Registered Traveler Program," 12 p.m., 311 Cannon.

Subcommittee on Economic Security, Infrastructure Protection, and Cybersecurity and the Subcommittee Intelligence, Information Sharing, and Terrorism Risk Assessment, executive, briefing on the security vulnerabilities of portable electronic devices and U.S. government cyber systems, 3 p.m., John Adams.

Subcommittee on Prevention of Nuclear and Biological Attack, hearing entitled "Bioscience and the Intelligence Community," 10 a.m., 334 Cannon.

*Committee on the Judiciary*, Subcommittee on Courts, the Internet, and Intellectual Property, oversight hearing entitled "Content Protection in the Digital Age: The Broadcast Flag, High-Definition Radio, and the Analog Hole," 2 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security, hearing on H.R. 1704, Second Chance Act of 2005; and to mark up H.R. 3889, Methamphetamine Epidemic Elimination Act, 9:30 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security, oversight hearing entitled "Offender Re-entry: What is Needed to Provide Offenders with a Real Second Chance?" 12 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

*Committee on Resources*, Subcommittee on Fisheries and Oceans, oversight hearing on the Growing Problem of Invasive Asian Carp in the Great Lakes and Mississippi River System, 10 a.m., 1334 Longworth.

Subcommittee on National Parks, hearing on H.R. 3699, Federal and District of Columbia Government Real Property Act of 2005, 2 p.m., 1324 Longworth.

Subcommittee on Water and Power, hearing on the following bills: H.R. 1190, San Diego Water Storage and Efficiency Act of 2005; H.R. 2563, To authorize the Secretary of the Interior to conduct feasibility studies to address certain water shortages within the Snake, Boise, and Payette River systems in Idaho; and H.R. 3153, Upper Colorado and San Juan River Basin Endangered Fish Recovery Implementation Programs Reauthorization Act of 2005, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

*Committee on Science*, hearing on Status of NASA's Programs, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure*, Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings and Emergency Management, hearing on proposals in response to Hurricane Katrina, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs*, Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs, oversight hearing on the development of the Veterans Benefits Administration's annual budget request, 2 p.m., 334 Cannon.

*Committee on Ways and Means*, hearing on Review of Credit Union Tax Exemption; followed by consideration of the draft implementing proposal on the United States-Bahrain Free Trade Agreement Implementation Act, 10 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

*Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence*, executive, briefing on Global Updates/Hotspots, 9 a.m., H-405 Capitol.

### Joint Meetings

*Joint Economic Committee*: to hold hearings to examine the current economic outlook, 10 a.m., 2175 RHOB.

*Next Meeting of the SENATE*

9 a.m., Thursday, November 3

*Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES*

10 a.m., Thursday, November 3

## Senate Chamber

**Program for Thursday:** Senate will continue consideration of the conference report to accompany H.R. 2744, Agriculture Appropriations, with a vote on adoption of the conference report to occur thereon; following which, Senate will continue consideration of S. 1932, Budget Reconciliation, with votes to occur on or in relation to the pending amendments. Senate is expected to complete action on the bill.

## House Chamber

**Program for Thursday:** Consideration of H.R. 4128—Private Property Rights Protection Act of 2005 (Subject to a Rule).



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