Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate agreed to the Conference Report to accompany H.R. 1268, Emergency Supplemental Appropriations.

House Committee ordered reported the following appropriations for Fiscal Year 2006: The Department of Homeland Security; and the Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies.

Senate

Chamber Action

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Measures Introduced: Ten bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 984–993, S.J. Res. 18, S. Res. 135, and S. Con. Res. 31.

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Measures Reported:

Report to accompany S. 250, to amend the Carl D. Perkins Vocational and Technical Education Act of 1998 to improve the Act.(S. Rept. No. 109–65) Page S4869

Measures Passed:

Enrollment Correction: Senate agreed to S. Con. Res. 31, to correct the enrollment of H.R. 1268.

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Annual Letter Carriers Food Drive: Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 133, recognizing the 13th Annual National Association of Letter Carriers Food Drive, and the resolution was then agreed to. **Page S4883**

Congratulating National Asphalt Pavement Association: Senate agreed to S. Res. 135, congratulating the National Asphalt Pavement Association on its 50th anniversary and recognizing the contributions of members of the Association to the United States. Pages S4883-84

Honoring Tuskegee Airmen: Committee on Armed Services was discharged from further consideration of 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, and the resolution was then agreed to. **Page S4884** Relative to Former Liberia President Charles Ghankay Taylor: Senate agreed to H. Con. Res. 127, calling on the Government of the Federal Republic of Nigeria to transfer Charles Ghankay Taylor, former President of the Republic of Liberia, to the Special Court for Sierra Leone to be tried for war crimes, crimes against humanity, and other serious violations of international humanitarian law.

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Transportation Equity Act: Senate continued consideration of H.R. 3, to authorize funds for Federalaid highways, highway safety programs, and transit programs, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto: Pages S4849-59

Adopted:

Hutchison Amendment No. 617 (to Amendment No. 605), to limit the number offacilities at which the Secretary may collect tolls in the State of Virginia. **Pages S4855-56**

Pending:

Inhofe Amendment No. 605, to provide a complete substitute. Page S4849

A motion was entered to close further debate on Inhofe Amendment No. 605 (listed above) and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on cloture will occur on Thursday, May 12, 2005. Page S4854

A motion was entered to close further debate on the bill and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on cloture will occur on Thursday, May 12, 2005. Page S4854

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill at approximately 10:30 a.m. on Wednesday, May 11, 2005. Page S4885 Emergency Supplemental Appropriations Act— Conference Report: By a unanimous vote of 100 yeas (Vote No. 117), Senate agreed to the conference report to accompany H.R. 1268, making Emergency Supplemental Appropriations for Defense, the Global War on Terror, and Tsunami Relief, for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2005, clearing the measure for the President. Pages S4806-49

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Record Votes: One record vote was taken today. (Total—117) Pages S4848-49

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:45 a.m. and adjourned at 8:24 p.m. until 9:30 a.m., on Wednesday, May 11, 2005. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S4885.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

APPROPRIATIONS: DEFENSE MEDICAL HEALTH PROGRAM

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Defense concluded a hearing to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2006 for the Defense Medical Health Program, after receiving testimony from Lieutenant General Kevin C. Kiley, Surgeon General of the Army; Vice Admiral Donald C. Arthur, Surgeon General of the Navy; Lieutenant General George Peach Taylor, Jr., Surgeon General of the Air Force; Colonel Barbara J. Bruno, Deputy Chief, Army Nurse Corps; Rear Admiral Nancy J. Lescavage, Director, Navy Nurse Corps; and Major General Barbara C. Brannon, Assistant Air Force Surgeon General for Nursing Services.

AUTHORIZATION—DEFENSE

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on SeaPower met in closed session and approved for full committee consideration, those provisions which fall within the jurisdiction of the subcommittee, of the proposed National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2006.

AUTHORIZATION—DEFENSE

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Airland met in closed session and approved for full committee consideration, those provisions which fall within the jurisdiction of the subcommittee, of the proposed National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2006.

AUTHORIZATION—DEFENSE

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Emerging Threats and Capabilities met in closed session and approved for full committee consideration, those provisions which fall within the jurisdiction of the subcommittee, of the proposed National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2006.

IDENTITY THEFT

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee concluded a hearing to examine issues relating to identity theft and fraud, focusing on data broker services and the treatment of such services under existing State and Federal privacy laws, consumer protection, and challenges in securing electronic data, after receiving testimony from Kurt P. Sanford, LexisNexis, Miamisburg, Ohio; Douglas C. Curling, ChoicePoint, Inc., Alpharetta, Georgia; Jennifer T. Barrett, Acxiom Corporation, Little Rock, Arkansas; Paul B. Kurtz, Cyber Security Industry Alliance, Arlington, Virginia; Marc Rotenberg, Electronic Privacy Information Center, and Mari J. Frank, Mari J. Frank and Associates, Laguna Niguel, California.

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on National Parks concluded a hearing to examine the National Park Service's funding needs for administration and management of the national park system, after receiving testimony from Fran P. Mainella, Director, National Park Service, Department of the Interior; Greg Moore, Golden Gate National Parks Conservancy, San Francisco, California; Robert Arnberger, The Coalition of National Park Service Retirees, Tucson, Arizona; and Lee Werst, Association of National Park Rangers, Orem, Utah.

OSHA AND SMALL BUSINESS

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: Subcommittee on Employment and Workplace Safety concluded a hearing to examine ways to improve the relationship between OSHA and small business, focusing on OSHA rules and regulations to protect the health and safety of small business employees, after receiving testimony from Jerrold Dodd, Dayton United Metal Spinners, Inc., Dayton, Ohio, on behalf of the National Association of Manufacturers; Arthur G. Sapper, McDermott, Will and Emery, LLP, on behalf of the U.S. Chamber of Commerce, and Lynn Rhinehart, AFL–CIO, both of Washington, D.C.; and Roy Swindal, Bessemer, Alabama.

USA PATRIOT ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded an oversight hearing to examine the implementation of the USA PATRIOT Act (Public Law 107–56), focusing on civil liberties, national security versus domestic policing, and business records, after receiving testimony from Senators Craig and Durbin; former

Representative Bob Barr, Liberty Strategies, LLC, Atlanta, Georgia, on behalf of the Patriots to Restore Checks and Balances; David Cole, Georgetown University Law Center, James X. Dempsey, Center for Democracy and Technology, Andrew C. McCarthy, The Foundation for the Defense of Democracies, and Suzanne E. Spaulding, The Harbour Group, LLC, all of Washington, D.C.; Daniel P. Collins, Munger, Tolles, and Olsen, LLP, Los Angeles, California.

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

Measures Introduced: 40 public bills, H.R. 2207–2246; 1 private bill, H.R. 2247; and; 2 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 148, and H. Res. 270 were introduced. Pages H3112–13

Additional Cosponsors:

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows: H.R. 1037, to make technical corrections to title 17, United States Code (H. Rept. 109–75);

H. Res. 268, providing for consideration of H.R. 1279 to amend title 18, United States Code, to reduce violent gang crime and protect law-abiding citizens and communities from violent criminals, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 109–76); and

H. Res. 269, providing for consideration of H.R. 1544 to provide faster and smarter funding for first responders, and for other purposes. (H. Rept. 109–77). Pages H3111-12

Recess: The House recessed at 12:47 p.m. and reconvened at 2 p.m. Page H3062

Capitol Preservation Commission—Appointment: Read a letter from Representative Ney, Chairman of the Joint Committee on the Library, wherein he designated Representative Mica to serve on the Capitol Preservation Commission, as provided for in Public Law 101–696 Section 801. Page H3065

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

Charles "Pete" Conrad Astronomy Awards Act: H.R. 1023, to authorize the Administrator of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration to establish an awards program in honor of Charles "Pete" Conrad, astronaut and space scientist, for recognizing the discoveries made by amateur astronomers of asteroids with near-Earth orbit trajectories; Pages H3065-68

Expressing support to the organizers and participants of the Assembly to Promote the Civil Society in Cuba on May 20, 2005: H. Res. 193, expressing support to the organizers and participants of the historic meeting of the Assembly to Promote the Civil Society in Cuba on May 20, 2005, in Havana, by a 2/3 yea-and-nay vote of 392 yeas to 22 nays with one voting "present", Roll No. 162;

Pages H3068-71, H3084-85

Supporting the goals and ideals of a "Rotary International Day": H. Res. 142, supporting the goals and ideals of a "Rotary International Day" and celebrating and honoring Rotary International on the occasion of its centennial anniversary, by a 2/3 yeaand-nay vote of 413 yeas with none voting "nay", Roll No. 163; Pages H3071-75, H3085-86

Authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds for the Greater Washington Soap Box Derby: H. Con. Res. 86, authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds for the Greater Washington Soap Box Derby;

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Authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds for the D.C. Special Olympics Law Enforcement Torch Run: H. Con. Res. 135, authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds for the District of Columbia Special Olympics Law Enforcement Torch Run; and

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Authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds for the National Peace Officers' Memorial Service: H. Con. Res. 136, authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds for the National Peace Officers' Memorial Service. Pages H3077-79

Recess: The House recessed at 3:44 p.m. and reconvened at 5:40 p.m. Page H3079

Point of Personal Privilege: Representative Jackson-Lee rose to a point of personal privilege and was recognized. Pages H3079-84

Senate Message: Message received from the Senate today appears on pages H3063, H3098.

Senate Referral: S. 148 was referred to the Committee on Education and the Workforce and the Committee on Energy and Commerce; S. Con. Res. 31 was held at the desk. Page H3111

Quorum Calls—Votes: Two yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings today and appear on pages H3084–85, H3085–86. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 12:30 p.m. and adjourned at 10:52 p.m.

Committee Meetings

DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY AND THE INTERIOR, ENVIRONMENT, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2006; SUBALLOCATION OF BUDGET ALLOCATIONS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2006

Committee on Appropriations: Ordered reported the following appropriations for fiscal year 2006: The Department of Homeland Security; and the Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies. The Committee also approved the Suballocation of Budget Allocations for Fiscal Year 2006.

TRANSPORTATION, TREASURY, HUD, THE JUDICIARY, DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, AND INDEPENDENT AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on the Departments of Transportation, Treasury, and Housing and Urban Development, the Judiciary, District of Columbia, and Independent Agencies held a hearing on the Federal Highway Administration and the FAA. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Transportation: Mary E. Peters, Administrator, Federal Highway Administration; and Marion C. Blakey, Administrator, FAA.

MUTUAL FUNDS REGULATIONS

Committee on Financial Services, Subcommittee on Capital Markets, Insurance, and Government Sponsored Enterprises held a hearing entitled "Mutual Funds: A Review of the Regulatory Landscape." Testimony was heard from Meyer Eisenberg. Acting Director, Division of Investment Management, SEC; and public witnesses.

DOD COUNTERNARCOTICS BUDGET

Committee on Government Reform: Subcommittee on Criminal Justice, Drug Policy and Human Resources held a hearing entitled "2006 DoD Counternarcotics Budget: Does it Deliver the Necessary Support?" Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Defense: Marybeth Long, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Special Operations and Low Intensity Conflict; COL. John D. Nelson, USA, Director, Plans, Joint Task Force North, U.S. Northern Command; CAPT. Edmund Turner, USN, Deputy Director, Current Operations, U.S. Southern Command; and CAPT. Jim Stahlman, USN, Assistant Operations Officer, U.S. Central Command; and Lennard Wolfson, Assistant Deputy Director, Office of Supply Reduction, Office of National Drug Control Policy.

CENSUS DATA—PUBLIC POLICY AND URBAN AMERICA

Committee on Government Reform: Subcommittee on Federalism and the Census, hearing entitled "Life in the Big City: What is Census Data Telling Us About Urban America and are Policymakers Listening?" Testimony was heard from Charles Louis Kincannon, Director, Bureau of the Census, Department of Commerce; Thomas M. Dowd, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Employment and Training Administration, Department of Labor; Mitchell Silver, Deputy Director, Long Range Planning, Office of Planning, District of Columbia; and public witnesses.

OVERSEAS SECURITY

Committee on Government Reform: Subcommittee on National Security, Emerging Threats and International Relations held a hearing entitled "Overseas Security: Hardening Soft Targets." Testimony was heard from Jess Ford, Director, International Affairs and Trade Division, GAO; the following officials of the Department of State: Greg Starr, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Countermeasures, Bureau of Diplomatic Security and Foreign Missions; Ambassador Prudence Bushnell, Dean, School of Leadership and Management, The George P. Shultz, National Foreign Affairs Training Center; and Keith Miller, Director, Office of Overseas Schools; and public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT—USA PATRIOT ACT IMPLEMENTATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security held an oversight hearing on the Implementation of the USA PA-TRIOT Act: Prohibition of Material Support under Sections 805 of the USA PATRIOT Act and 6603 of the Intelligence Reform and Terrorism Prevention Act of 2004. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Justice: Glenn A. Fine, Inspector General; Gregory Katsas, Deputy Assistant Attorney General; and Barry Sabin, Chief, Counterterrorism Section for the Criminal Division; and a public witness.

FASTER AND SMARTER FUNDING FOR FIRST RESPONDERS ACT

Committee on Rules: The Committee granted, by voice vote, a structured rule providing one hour of general debate on H.R. 1544, Faster and Smarter Funding for First Responders Act, equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Homeland Security. 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 Homeland Security now printed in the bill shall be considered as an original bill for the purpose of amendment. The rule waives all points of order against the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Homeland Security. The rule makes in orderly 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 a 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 from Chairman Cox and Representatives Bass, Thompson of Mississippi, and Cuellar.

GANG DETERRENCE AND COMMUNITY PROTECTION ACT

Committee on Rules: The Committee granted, by voice vote, a structured rule providing one hour of general debate on H.R. 1279, Gang Deterrence and Community Protection Act, equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on the Judiciary. 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. 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 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 a 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 from Representatives Forbes, Scott of Virginia, Jackson-Lee of Texas, Waters, Crowley, Watson, Cardoza and Cuellar.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, MAY 11, 2005

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine the Gynecologic Cancer Education and Awareness Act of 2003, to provide for programs to increase the awareness and knowledge of women and health care providers with respect to gynecologic cancers, 9 a.m., SD–G50. Subcommittee on Defense, to hold hearings to examine the proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2006 for the Missile Defense Program, 10 a.m., SD-192.

Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine issues relating to ALS (Lou Gehrig's Disease), 10 a.m., SD-G50.

Subcommittee on Legislative Branch, to hold hearings to examine the proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2006 for the Government Printing Office, the Congressional Budget Office, and the Office of Compliance, 10:30 a.m., SD-116.

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Strategic Forces, closed business meeting to markup those provisions which fall under the subcommittee's jurisdiction of the proposed National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2006, 9 a.m., SR-222.

Subcommittee on Personnel, closed business meeting to markup those provisions which fall under the subcommittee's jurisdiction of the proposed National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2006, 10 a.m., SR-232A.

Subcommittee on Readiness and Management Support, closed business meeting to markup those provisions which fall under the subcommittee's jurisdiction of the proposed National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2006, 11:30 a.m., SR-222.

Full Committee, closed business meeting to markup the proposed National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2006, 2:30 p.m., SR-222.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: to hold hearings to examine issues relating to spyware, 10 a.m., SR-253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: to hold hearings to examine S. 895, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to establish a rural water supply program in the Reclamation States to provide a clean, safe affordable, and reliable water supply to rural residents, 10 a.m., SD-366.

Subcommittee on Public Lands and Forests, to hold hearings to examine S. 100, to authorize the exchange of certain land in the State of Colorado, S. 235 and H.R. 816, bills to direct the Secretary of Agriculture to sell certain parcels of Federal land in Carson City and Douglas County, Nevada, S. 404, to make a technical correction relating to the land conveyance authorized by Public Law 108-67, S. 741, to provide for the disposal of certain Forest Service administrative sites in the State of Oregon, S. 761, to rename the Snake River Birds of Prey National Conservation Area in the State of Idaho as the Morley Nelson Snake River Birds of Prey National Conservation Area in honor of the late Morley Nelson, an international authority on birds of prey, who was instrumental in the establishment of this National Conservation Area, and H.R. 486, to provide for a land exchange involving private land and Bureau of Land Management land in the vicinity of Holloman Air Force Base, New Mexico, for the purpose of removing private land from the required safety zone surrounding munitions storage bunkers at Holloman Air Force Base, 2 p.m., SD-366.

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on European Affairs, to hold hearings to examine the United

States-European Union regulatory cooperation on emerging technologies, 2:30 p.m., SD-419.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: Subcommittee on Bioterrorism and Public Health Preparedness, to hold hearings to examine 21st century biological threats, 2 p.m.,SD-430.

Committee on Indian Affairs: to hold an oversight hearing to examine Federal recognition of Indian tribes, 9:30 a.m., SD-106.

Committee on the Judiciary: business meeting to resume mark up of S. 852, to create a fair and efficient system to resolve claims of victims for bodily injury caused by asbestos exposure, 9:30 a.m., SD-226.

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

House

Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Foreign Operations, Export Financing, and Related Programs, on the Treasury Department, 10 a.m., 2359 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on the Departments of Transportation, Treasury, and Housing and Urban Development, the Judiciary, District of Columbia, and Independent Agencies, on the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 10 a.m., 2358 Rayburn.

Committee on Armed Services, Subcommittee on Military Personnel, to mark up H.R. 1815, National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2006, 1 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Projection Forces, to mark up H.R 1815, National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2006, 11:30 a.m., 2212 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Terrorism, Unconventional Threats and Capabilities, to mark up H.R. 1815, National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2006, 10 a.m., 2212 Rayburn.

Committee on Education and the Workforce, Subcommittee on Education Reform, to mark up H.R. 2123, School Readiness Act of 2005, 10:30 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, to mark up H.R. 1817m Department of Homeland Security Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2006, 2 p.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Commerce, Trade, and Consumer Protection, hearing entitled "Security Consumers' Data: Options Following Security Breaches," 11 a.m., 2123 Rayburn. Committee on Financial Services, hearing on H.R. 1999, State and Local Housing Flexibility Act of 2005, 2 p.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Credit and the Subcommittee on Domestic and International Monetary Policy, Trade, and Technology, joint hearing entitled "Basel II: Capital Changes in the U.S. Banking System and the Results of the Impact Study," 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Government Reform, Subcommittee on Government Management, Finance, and Accountability, hearing entitled "Information Policy in the 21st Century— A Review of the Freedom of Information Act, 2 p.m., 2247 Rayburn.

Committee on International Relations, hearing entitled "Plan Colombia: MajorSuccesses and New Challenges," 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Europe and Emerging Threats, hearing entitled "The State of U.S.-Turkish Relations," 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on Courts, the Internet and Intellectual Property, oversight hearing on Oversight of Public Performance Rights Organizations, 4 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Resources, Subcommittee on Forests and Forest Health, hearing on the following bills: H.R. 38, Upper White Salmon Wild and Scenic Rivers Act; H.R. 517, Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Reauthorization Act of 2005; H.R. 539, Caribbean National Forest Act of 2005; and H.R. 1905, To amend the Small Tracts Act to facilitate the exchange of small tracts of land, 3:30 p.m., 1334 Longworth.

Committee on Science, Subcommittee on Environment, Technology, and Standards, hearing on Europe, China and the Use of Technical Standards as Trade Barriers: How should the U.S. Respond? 2 p.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, Subcommittee on Highways, Transit, and Pipelines, oversight hearing on Hazardous Materials Endorsement Background Checks, 2 p.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Railroads, oversight hearing on Getting Acela Back on Track, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs, to mark up H.R. 2046, Servicemembers' Health Insurance Protection Act of 2005, 11 a.m., 334 Cannon.

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, hearing on the PATRIOT Act, 10 a.m. 2141 Rayburn.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

9:30 a.m., Wednesday, May 11

Senate Chamber

Program for Wednesday: After the transaction of any routine morning business (not to extend beyond 60 minutes). Senate will continue consideration of H.R. 3. Transportation Equity Act.

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

10 a.m., Wednesday, May 11

House Chamber

Program for Wednesday: Consideration of H.R. 1279, Gang Deterrence and Community Protection Act of 2005 (subject to a rule).

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