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Senate

Chamber Action

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Measures Introduced: Nine bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2594–2602, S. Res. 444, and S. Con. Res. 65. Page S733

Measures Passed:

Do-Not-Call Improvement Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 3541, to amend the Do-Not-Call Implementation Act to eliminate the automatic removal of telephone numbers registered on the Federal "do-not-call" registry, and the bill was then passed, clearing the measure for the President.

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Measures Considered:

FISA Amendments Act: Senate continued consideration of S. 2248, to amend the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act of 1978, to modernize and streamline the provisions of that Act, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto:

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Withdrawn:

By 49 yeas and 46 nays (Vote No. 7), Cardin Amendment No. 3930 (to Amendment No. 3911), to modify the sunset provision. (A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the amendment, having failed to achieve 60 affirmative votes, be withdrawn).

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Pending:

Rockefeller/Bond Amendment No. 3911, in the nature of a substitute. Page S688

Whitehouse Amendment No. 3920 (to Amendment No. 3911), to provide procedures for compliance reviews.

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Feingold Amendment No. 3979 (to Amendment No. 3911), to provide safeguards for communications involving persons inside the United States. Page S688

Feingold/Dodd Amendment No. 3915 (to Amendment No. 3911), to place flexible limits on the use of information obtained using unlawful procedures.

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Feingold Amendment No. 3913 (to Amendment No. 3911), to prohibit reverse targeting and protect

the rights of Americans who are communicating with people abroad. Pages S686, S688

Feingold/Dodd Amendment No. 3912 (to Amendment No. 3911), to modify the requirements for certifications made prior to the initiation of certain acquisitions.

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Dodd Amendment No. 3907 (to Amendment No. 3911), to strike the provisions providing immunity from civil liability to electronic communication service providers for certain assistance provided to the Government.

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Bond/Rockefeller Modified Amendment No. 3938 (to Amendment No. 3911), to include prohibitions on the international proliferation of weapons of mass destruction in the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act of 1978.

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Bond/Rockefeller Modified Amendment No. 3941 (to Amendment No. 3911), to expedite the review of challenges to directives under the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act of 1978.

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Feinstein Amendment No. 3910 (to Amendment No. 3911), to provide a statement of the exclusive means by which electronic surveillance and interception of certain communications may be conducted.

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Feinstein Amendment No. 3919 (to Amendment No. 3911), to provide for the review of certifications by the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Court.

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Specter/Whitehouse Amendment No. 3927 (to Amendment No. 3911), to provide for the substitution of the United States in certain civil actions.

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Recovery Rebates and Economic Stimulus for the American People Act: Senate continued consideration of H.R. 5140, to provide economic stimulus through recovery rebates to individuals, incentives for business investment, and an increase in conforming and FHA loan limits, and taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto:

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Pending:

Reid Amendment No. 3983, of a perfecting nature. Page S715

Reid Amendment No. 3984 (to Amendment No. 3983), to change the enactment date. Page S715

Motion to commit the bill to the Committee on Finance, with instructions to report back forthwith, with Reid Amendment No. 3985. Page S715

Reid Amendment No. 3986 (to the instructions of the Reid motion to commit), of a perfecting nature.

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Reid Amendment No. 3987 (to Amendment No. 3986), of a perfecting nature. Page S715

During consideration of this measure today, Senate also took the following action:

By 58 yeas to 41 nays (Vote No. 8), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, not having voted in the affirmative, Senate rejected the motion to close further debate on Reid Amendment No. 3983 (listed above).

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Senator Reid entered a motion to reconsider the vote by which the motion to invoke cloture on Reid Amendment No. 3983 (listed above) failed.

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Message from the President: Senate received the following message from the President of the United States:

Transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on the continuation of the national emergency that was declared with respect to the Government of Cuba's destruction of two unarmed U.S.-registered civilian aircraft; which was referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. (PM–36)

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Removal of Injunction of Secrecy: The injunction of secrecy was removed from the following treaty:

International Convention Against Doping in Sport (Treaty Doc. No. 110–14).

The treaty was transmitted to the Senate today, considered as having been read for the first time, and referred, with accompanying papers, to the Committee on Foreign Relations and ordered to be printed.

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Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Susan D. Peppler, of California, to be an Assistant Secretary of Housing and Urban Development.

Linda Thomas-Greenfield, of Louisiana, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Liberia.

Ralph E. Martinez, of Florida, to be a Member of the Foreign Claims Settlement Commission of the United States for a term expiring September 30, 2010

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Record Votes: Two record votes were taken today. (Total—8)

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Recess: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m. and recessed at 7:32 p.m., until 10:30 a.m. on Thursday, February 7, 2008. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page \$751.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Armed Services: Committee ordered favorably reported 782 nominations in the Army, Navy, Air Force, and Marine Corps.

DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION

Committee on Armed Services: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the defense authorization request for fiscal year 2009, the future years defense program, and for operations in Iraq and Afghanistan, after receiving testimony from Robert M. Gates, Secretary, Admiral Michael G. Mullen, USN, Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff, and Tina W. Jonas, Under Secretary (Comptroller), all of the Department of Defense.

2009: BUDGET

Committee on the Budget: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the President's fiscal year 2009 budget and revenue proposals, after receiving testimony from Henry M. Paulson, Jr., Secretary, Department of the Treasury.

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY BUDGET

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the President's proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2009 for the Department of Energy, after receiving testimony from Samuel W. Bodman, Secretary of Energy.

SURFACE TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION REPORT

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Committee concluded a hearing to examine perspectives

on the Surface Transportation Commission report, focusing on current and future transportation needs of the United States, after receiving testimony from Mary E. Peters, Secretary of Transportation; JayEtta Z. Hecker, Director, Physical Infrastructure Issues, Government Accountability Office; Debra L. Miller, Kansas Department of Transportation, Topeka, on behalf of the American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials; and Janet F. Kavinoky, U.S. Chamber of Commerce, and Gregory M. Cohen, American Highway Users Alliance, both of Washington, D.C.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Committee ordered favorably reported S. 2146, to authorize the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency to accept, as part of a settlement, diesel emission reduction Supplemental Environmental Projects.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES BUDGET

Committee on Finance: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2009 for the Department of Health and Human Services, after receiving testimony from

Michael O. Leavitt, Secretary, Department of Health and Human Services.

KOREAN PENINSULA DENUCLEARIZATION

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the Six-Party Talks for the denuclearization of the Korean Peninsula, after receiving testimony from Christopher R. Hill, Assistant Secretary of State for East Asia and Pacific Affairs.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Margaret Scobey, of Tennessee, to be Ambassador to the Arab Republic of Egypt, James Francis Moriarty, of Massachusetts, to be Ambassador to the People's Republic of Bangladesh, and Deborah K. Jones, of New Mexico, to be Ambassador to the State of Kuwait, all of the Department of State, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

SUDAN

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee met in closed session to receive a briefing on Sudan from Richard Williamson, President's Special Envoy to Sudan, Department of State.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 21 public bills, H.R. 5222–5242; 1 private bill, H.R. 5243; and 7 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 288; and H. Res. 957–962 were introduced. **Page H620**

Additional Cosponsors:

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Reports Filed: A report was filed on February 1, 2008 as follows:

H.R. 3111, to provide for the administration of Port Chicago Naval Magazine National Memorial as a unit of the National Park System (H. Rept. 110–506, Pt. 1).

Reports were filed today as follows:

H. Res. 955, waiving a requirement of clause 6(a) of Rule XIII with respect to consideration of certain resolutions reported from the Committee on Rules (H. Rept. 110–522) and H. Res. 956, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 4137) to amend and extend the Higher Education Act of 1965 (H. Rept. 110–523).

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein she appointed Representative Baird to act as Speaker Pro Tempore for today.

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Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the guest Chaplain, Dr. Stephen L. Swisher, Lovers Lane United Methodist Church, Dallas, Texas. Page H561

Whole Number of the House: The Chair announced to the House that, in light of the resignation of the gentleman from Louisiana, Mr. Baker, the whole number of the House is adjusted to 430.

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Commission on Civil Rights—Appointment: The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of the following member on the part of the House of Representatives to the Commission on Civil Rights to fill the existing vacancy thereon and effective February 12, 2008, the Speaker's reappointment of the same member to a six-year term expiring February 11, 2014: Mr. Todd Gaziano of Falls Church, Virginia.

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

Recognizing the 50th Anniversary of the National Academy of Recording Arts & Sciences: H. Con. Res. 273, to recognize the 50th Anniversary of the National Academy of Recording Arts & Sciences;

Pages H564-65

Commending the Houston Dynamo soccer team for winning the 2007 Major League Soccer Cup: H. Res. 867, to commend the Houston Dynamo soccer team for winning the 2007 Major League Soccer Cup, by a ²/₃ yea-and-nay vote of 373 yeas with none voting "nay", Roll No. 29;

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Recognizing the significance of Black History Month: H. Res. 942, to recognize the significance of Black History Month, by a ²/₃ yea-and-nay vote of 367 yeas with none voting "nay", Roll No. 30;

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Expressing support for designation of February 17, 2008, as "Race Day in America" and highlighting the 50th running of the Daytona 500: H. Res. 931, to express support for designation of February 17, 2008, as "Race Day in America" and to highlight the 50th running of the Daytona 500;

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Remembering the space shuttle Challenger disaster and honoring its crew members, who lost their lives on January 28, 1986: H. Res. 943, to remember the space shuttle Challenger disaster and to honor its crew members, who lost their lives on January 28, 1986, by a ²/₃ yea-and-nay vote of 371 yeas with none voting "nay", Roll No. 31;

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Celebrating the 50th anniversary of the United States Explorer I satellite, the world's first scientific spacecraft, and the birth of the United States space exploration program: H. Con. Res. 287, to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the United States Explorer I satellite, the world's first scientific spacecraft, and the birth of the United States space exploration program;

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Congratulating the X PRIZE Foundation's leadership in inspiring a new generation of viable, super-efficient vehicles: H. Res. 907, amended, to congratulate the X PRIZE Foundation's leadership in inspiring a new generation of viable, super-efficient vehicle; and

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Do-Not-Call Registry Fee Extension Act of 2007: S. 781, to extend the authority of the Federal Trade Commission to collect Do-Not-Call Registry fees to fiscal years after fiscal year 2007—clearing the measure for the President.

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Recess: The House recessed at 5:07 p.m. and reconvened at 6:30 p.m. Page H591

Suspensions—Proceedings Postponed: The House debated the following measures under suspension of the rules. Further proceedings were postponed until Thursday, February 7th:

Calling for a peaceful resolution to the current electoral crisis in Kenya: H. Con. Res. 283, amended, to call for a peaceful resolution to the current electoral crisis in Kenya;

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Congratulating Lee Myung-Bak on his election to the Presidency of the Republic of Korea and wishing him well during his time of transition and his inauguration on February 25, 2008: H. Res. 947, to congratulate Lee Myung-Bak on his election to the Presidency of the Republic of Korea and wishing him well during his time of transition and his inauguration on February 25, 2008; and

Pages H580-83

Extending for one year parity in the application of certain limits to mental health benefits: H.R. 4848, amended, to extend for one year parity in the application of certain limits to mental health benefits.

Pages H583-88

Presidential Messages: Read a message from the President wherein he transmitted to Congress the Budget of the Federal Government for Fiscal Year 2009—referred to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered printed (H. Doc. 110–84). Page H563

Read a message from the President wherein he notified Congress of the continuation of the national emergency with respect to the Government of Cuba's destruction of two unarmed U.S.-registered civilian aircraft in international airspace north of Cuba on February 24, 1996 is to continue in effect beyond March 1, 2008—referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs and ordered printed (H. Doc. 110–93).

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Senate Messages: Messages received from the Senate by the Clerk and subsequently presented to the House today appear on page H617.

Senate Referrals: S. 550 was referred to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform; S. J. Res. 25 and S. 2571 were held at the desk.

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Quorum Calls Votes: Three yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H591–92, H592, H593. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 2 p.m. and adjourned at 10:45 p.m.

Program for Thursday: Consideration of H.R. 4137—College Opportunity and Affordability Act (Subject to a Rule).

Committee Meetings

F-15 AIRCRAFT; WORLD-WIDE THREAT

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Defense met in executive session to hold a hearing on F–15 Aircraft. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of the Air Force: GEN T. Michael Moseley, USAF, Chief of Staff; and GEN John D.W. Corley, USAF, Commander, Air Combat Command.

The Subcommittee also met in executive session to hold a briefing on World-Wide Threat. The Subcommittee was briefed by J. Michael McConnell, Director, Office of the Director of National Intelligence; and Michael V. Hayden, Director, CIA.

NATIONAL DEFENSE BUDGET REQUEST

Committee on Armed Services: Held a hearing on Fiscal Year 2009 National Defense Budget Request from the Department of Defense. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Defense: Robert M. Gates, Secretary; and ADM Michael G. Mullen, USN, Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff.

KENYA—POLITICAL CRISIS

Committee on Foreign Affairs, Subcommittee on Africa and Global Health held a hearing on the Political Crisis in Kenya: A Call for Justice and Peaceful Resolution. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of State: James C. Sawn, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Bureau of African Affairs; and Gregory Gottlieb, Deputy Assistant Administrator, Bureau for Democracy, Conflict, and Humanitarian Assistance, U.S. Agency for International Development; Mia Farrow, Goodwill Ambassador, United Nations Children's Fund; and public witnesses.

INDIAN LAND CLAIMS MEASURES

Committee on Natural Resources: Held a hearing on the following bills: H.R. 2176, To provide for and approve the settlement of certain land claims of the Bay Mills Indian Community; and H.R. 4115, To provide for and approve the settlement of certain land claims of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians. Testimony was heard from Representatives Dingell, Stupak, Kilpatrick, Rogers of Michigan, Miller of Michigan, Conyers, Berkley and Thompson of Mississippi; Carl Artman, Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior; the following Mayors of Michigan: Alan

R. Lambert, Romulus; and Kwame Kilpatrick, Detroit; and public witnesses.

SAME DAY CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTIONS REPORTED BY THE RULES COMMITTEE

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a rule waiving clause 6(a) of rule XIII with respect to consideration of certain resolutions reported from the Committee on Rules.

The rule provides that the requirement of clause 6(a) of rule XIII for a two-thirds vote to consider a report from the Committee on Rules on the same day it is presented to the House is waived with respect to any rule reported on the legislative day of Thursday, February 7, 2008, relating to a bill to provide economic stimulus.

COLLEGE OPPORTUNITY AND AFFORDABILITY ACT OF 2007

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a structured rule providing one hour of general debate on H.R. 4137, College Opportunity and Affordability Act of 2007, equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Education and Labor. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill except clauses 9 and 10 of rule XXI. The rule provides that the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Education and Labor 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 waives all points of order against the amendment in the nature of a substitute except for clause 10 of rule XXI.

The rule makes in order only those amendments printed in the Rules Committee report and the amendments en bloc. The amendments made in order 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. All points of order against the amendments except for clauses 9 and 10 of rule XXI are waived. The rule also permits the chairman of the Committee on Education and Labor or his designee to offer amendments en bloc consisting of those amendments that have been printed in this report and not earlier disposed of. The rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. The rule provides that, notwithstanding the operation of the previous question, the Chair may postpone further consideration of the bill to a time designated by the

Speaker. The rule tables House Resolution 941. Testimony was heard from Chairman George Miller of CA, Representatives Susan Davis of CA, Dann Davis of IL, Alcee Hastings of FL, Edwards, Stupak, Etheridge, Baird, Cooper, Tim Ryan of OH, Lincoln Davis of TN, McKeon, Castle and Shays.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D79)

H.R. 3432, to establish the Commission on the Abolition of the Transatlantic Slave Trade. Signed on February 5, 2008. (Public Law 110–183)

H.R. 2110, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for tax exempt qualified small issue bonds to finance agricultural processing property. Signed on February 6, 2008. (Public Law 110–184)

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 2008

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Armed Services: to hold hearings to examine the final report of the Commission on the National Guard and Reserves, 9:30 a.m., SD-106.

Subcommittee on Readiness and Management Support, to hold hearings to examine business transformation and financial management at the Department of Defense, 2:30 p.m., SR–222.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: to hold hearings to examine ways to reform the regulation of government sponsored enterprises, 10 a.m., SD–538.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Robert A. Sturgell, of Maryland, to be Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration, and Simon Charles Gros, of New Jersey, to be an Assistant Secretary for Governmental Affairs, both of the Department of Transportation, 10 a.m., SR–253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: to hold an oversight hearing to examine the energy market effects of the recently-passed renewable fuel standard, 9:30 a.m., SD-366.

Committee on Finance: to hold hearings to examine selling to seniors, focusing on the need for accountability and oversight of marketing and sales by Medicare private plans, 10 a.m., SD–215.

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on African Affairs, to hold hearings to examine the immediate and underlying causes and consequences of Kenya's flawed election, 9:30 a.m., SD–419.

Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Hector E. Morales, of Texas, to be Permanent Representative of the United States of America to the Organization of American States, with the rank of Ambassador, Department of State, Larry Woodrow

Walther, of Arkansas, to be Director of the Trade and Development Agency, and Ana M. Guevara, of Florida, to be United States Alternate Executive Director of the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development, 2:30 p.m., SD—419.

Committee on Indian Affairs: to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Robert G. McSwain, of Maryland, to be Director of the Indian Health Service, Department of Health and Human Services, 9:30 a.m., SD–628.

Committee on the Judiciary: to hold hearings to examine the Founding Fathers papers, focusing on ensuring public access to our national treasures, 10 a.m., SD-226.

Select Committee on Intelligence: closed business meeting to consider pending calendar business, 2:30 p.m., SH–219.

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Committee on Agriculture, Subcommittee on Livestock, Dairy, and Poultry, hearing to review the National Veterinary Medical Service Act, 10:30 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Defense, executive, on DOD Force Health Protection, 1:30 p.m., and, executive, on Surgeon Generals of the Services, 2:30 p.m., H–140 Capitol.

Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies, on Department of Interior, Overview with the Secretary, 10 a.m., B–308 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Legislative Branch, on Capitol Visitor Center, 10 a.m., 2362–A Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies, on Quality of Life, 2 p.m., H–143 Capitol.

Subcommittee on Transportation, and Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies, on Department of Transportation Fiscal Year Budget Request, 1 p.m., 2359 Rayburn.

Committee on Armed Services, Subcommittee on Military Personnel, hearing on beneficiary advocacy overview, 3 p.m., 2212 Rayburn.

Committee on the Budget, hearing on the President's Fiscal Year 2009 Budget, 11 a.m., 210 Cannon.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, hearing entitled "Department of Energy's Fiscal Year 2009 Budget Proposal," 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, hearing entitled "The Holocaust Insurance Accountability Act of 2007 (H.R. 1746): Holocaust Era Insurance Restitution After ICHEIC, the International Commission on Holocaust Era Insurance Claims," 9:30 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled "Diversity in the Financial Services Sector," 2:30 p.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Foreign Affairs, Subcommittee on Western Hemisphere, hearing on U.S. Obligations under the Merida Initiative, 10 a.m., 2212 Rayburn.

Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Emerging Threats, Cybersecurity, and Science and Technology, hearing entitled "Other Transaction Authority: Flexibility at the Expense of Accountability?" 2 p.m., 311 Cannon.

Committee on the Judiciary, oversight hearing on the Department of Justice, 11 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Science and Technology, Subcommittee on Research and Science Education, hearing on Visas for Foreign Scholars and Students, 2 p.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Technology and Innovation, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 3916, To provide for the next generation of border and maritime security technologies; H.R. 4847, United States Fire Administration Reauthorization Act of 2007; and H.R. 5161, Green Transportation Infrastructure Research and Technology Transfer Act, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Small Business, hearing entitled "The Small Business Administration's Budget for Fiscal Year 2009, 10 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, Subcommittee on Aviation, hearing on the President's Fiscal Year 2009 Federal Aviation Administration Budget, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn. Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment, hearing on Agency Budgets and Priorities for Fiscal Year 2009, 2 p.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs, hearing on the Department of Veterans Affairs Budget Request for Fiscal Year 2009, 1 p.m., 334 Cannon.

Committee on Ways and Means, hearing on President Bush's budget proposals for fiscal year 2009, 9:30 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, hearing on World Wide Threats, 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

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Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe: to continue hearings to examine anti-Semitism in the Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe (OSCE) region, 2:30 p.m., SD—406.

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Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 10 a.m., Thursday, February 7

Senate Chamber

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Program for Thursday: Consideration of H.R. 4137— College Opportunity and Affordability Act (Subject to a Rule).

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