# Daily Digest

## Senate

### Chamber Action

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Measures Introduced: One bill was introduced, as follows: S. 1311.

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### Measures Reported:

S. 735, to amend title 18, United States Code, to improve the terrorist hoax statute, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 110–61)

S. 621, to establish commissions to review the facts and circumstances surrounding injustices suffered by European Americans, European Latin Americans, and Jewish refugees during World War II. (S. Rept. No. 110–62)

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Authority for Committees—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that

on Friday, May 4, 2007, notwithstanding the adjournment of the Senate, that Senate committees may report legislative and executive calendar business.

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Measures Placed on the Calendar:

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Additional Statements: Pages S5615-16

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 10:21 a.m., until 2:15 p.m. on Monday, May 7, 2007. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page \$5622.)

## Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

## House of Representatives

## Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. The House is scheduled to meet at 12:30 p.m. on Monday, May 7, 2007.

## Committee Meetings

No Committee meetings were held.

#### **NEW PUBLIC LAWS**

(For last listing of Public Laws, SEE DAILY DIGEST, p. D619)

H.R. 137, to amend title 18, United States Code, to strengthen prohibitions against animal fighting. Signed on May 3, 2007 (Public Law 110–22)

H.R. 727, to amend the Public Health Service Act to add requirements regarding trauma care. Signed on May 3, 2007 (Public Law 110–23)

H.R. 1130, to amend the Ethics in Government Act of 1978 to extend the authority to withhold

from public availability a financial disclosure report filed by an individual who is a judicial officer or judicial employee, to the extent necessary to protect the safety of that individual or a family member of that individual. Signed on May 3, 2007 (Public Law 110–24)

#### CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of May 7 through May 12, 2007

#### Senate Chamber

On *Monday*, at 4:00 p.m. Senate will resume consideration of S.1082, Prescription Drug User Fee Amendments, and vote on, or in relation to, certain amendments, and vote on the motions to invoke cloture on the modified substitute amendment and the bill. Also, Senate will vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the motion to proceed to consideration of H.R. 1495, Water Resources Development Act.

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During the balance of the week, Senate may consider any cleared legislative and executive business.

#### Senate Committees

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: May 9, to hold hearings to examine farm bill policy proposals relating to farm and energy issues and rural development, 9:30 a.m., SR-328A.

Committee on Appropriations: May 7, Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2008 for the National Institutes of Health: Frontiers of Science, 1:30 p.m., SD–116.

May 8, Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development, to hold hearings to examine the policies and funding necessary for reducing U.S. oil dependence relating to the results of an analysis conducted to assess the economic impact of implementing the Energy Security Leadership Council's recommendations to the Nation, 2:30 p.m., SD–192.

May 9, Subcommittee on Defense, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2008 for the Department of Defense, 10:30 a.m., SD–192.

May 9, Subcommittee on Financial Services and General Government, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2008 for the Internal Revenue Service, 3 p.m., SD–192.

May 10, Subcommittee on Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine the Federal Aviation Administration's budget performance and treatment, 9:30 a.m., SD–138.

May 10, Subcommittee on State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2008 for the Department of State and foreign operations, 10 a.m., SD–192.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: May 10, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of David George Nason, of Rhode Island, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the National Consumer Cooperative Bank, Nguyen Van Hanh, of California, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the National Consumer Cooperative Bank, David George Nason, of Rhode Island, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Treasury, Mario Mancuso, of New York, to be Under Secretary of Commerce for Export Administration, Michael W. Tankersley, of Texas, to be Inspector General, Export-Import Bank, Bijan Rafiekian, of California, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Export-Import Bank of the United States, Scott A. Keller, of Florida, to be an Assistant Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, Robert M. Couch, of Alabama, to be General Counsel of the Department of Housing and Urban Development, and Janis Herschkowitz, of Pennsylvania, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the National Consumer Cooperative Bank, 3 p.m., SD-538.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: May 8, business meeting to consider pending calendar business, 10 a.m., SR-253.

May 9, Subcommittee on Consumer Affairs, Insurance, and Automotive Safety, to hold hearings to examine All-Terrain Vehicle (ATV) safety, 2:30 p.m., SR–253.

May 10, Subcommittee on Oceans, Atmosphere, Fisheries, and Coast Guard, to hold hearings to examine the effects of climate change and ocean acidification on living marine resources, 10 a.m., SR–253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: May 10, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Joseph Timothy Kelliher, of the District of Columbia, to be a Member of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, and R. Lyle Laverty, of Colorado, to be Assistant Secretary for Fish and Wildlife, 9:30 a.m., SD–366.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: May 9, Sub-committee on Private Sector and Consumer Solutions to Global Warming and Wildlife Protection, to hold hearings to examine emerging technologies and practices for reducing greenhouse gas emissions, 10 a.m., SD–406.

Committee on Finance: May 8, to hold an oversight hearing to examine the Medicare prescription drug benefit, 10 a.m., SD-215.

May 10, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine economic issues for America's working families and middle class, 10 a.m., SD–215.

Committee on Foreign Relations: May 9, to hold hearings to examine climate change relating to national security threats, 9:30 a.m., SD-419.

May 9, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Dell L. Dailey, of South Dakota, to be Coordinator for Counterterrorism, with the rank and status of Ambassador at Large, and Mark P. Lagon, of Virginia, to be Director of the Office to Monitor and Combat Trafficking, with the rank of Ambassador at Large, 2:30 p.m., SD–419.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: May 8, to hold hearings to examine community integration and recovery, focusing on transforming mental health and substance abuse systems of care, 10 a.m., SD–628.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: May 10, Subcommittee on Oversight of Government Management, the Federal Workforce, and the District of Columbia, to hold hearings to examine a status report on reform efforts by the Under Secretary of Homeland Security for Management, 9:30 a.m., SD–342.

May 10, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine violent Islamist extremism, focusing on government efforts to defeat it, 2:30 p.m., SD-342.

Committee on Indian Affairs: May 10, business meeting to consider pending legislative business, 9:30 a.m., SR-485.

Committee on the Judiciary: May 8, to hold hearings to examine privacy and civil liberties concerns, focusing on the REAL ID Act (Public Law 109–13), 10 a.m., SD–226.

May 9, Full Committee, business meeting to consider S. 376, to amend title 18, United States Code, to improve the provisions relating to the carrying of concealed weapons by law enforcement officers, and S. 221, to

amend title 9, United States Code, to provide for greater fairness in the arbitration process relating to livestock and poultry contracts, 10 a.m., SD–226.

May 10, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine judicial nominations, 10 a.m., SD-226.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: May 9, to hold hearings to examine on benefits legislation, 9:30 a.m., SD-562.

Select Committee on Intelligence: May 8, closed business meeting to consider certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH–219.

May 10, Full Committee, to hold closed hearings to examine certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

Special Committee on Aging: May 9, to hold hearings to examine the future of Medicare, focusing on recognizing the need for chronic care coordination, 3 p.m., SD-106.

#### **House Committees**

Committee on Agriculture, May 8, Subcommittee on Livestock, Dairy, and Poultry, hearing to review the welfare of animals in agriculture, 10:30 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

May 9, full Committee, hearing to review the impact of imported contaminated food and feed ingredients and of recent food safety emergencies on food safety and animal health systems, 11 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

May 10, Subcommittee on Conservation, Credit, Energy, and Research, hearing to review agricultural research programs, 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

May 10, Subcommittee on Specialty Crops, Rural Development, and Foreign Agriculture, hearing to review food aid and agriculture trade programs operated by the USDA and the U.S. Agency for International Development, 1 p.m., 1300 Longworth.

Committee on Appropriations, May 7, Select Intelligence Oversight Panel, executive, on National Geospatial Agency, 5 p.m., H–140 Capitol.

May 9, Subcommittee on Defense, on Guantanamo, Panel I, executive, and Panel II, open, 10 a.m., H–140 Capitol.

May 10, Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies, on Marketing and Regulatory Programs, 10 a.m., 2362A Rayburn.

May 10, Subcommittee on Defense, on Contracting Out, 10 a.m., and 1:30 p.m., 2359 Rayburn.

Committee on Armed Services, May 8, Subcommittee on Readiness, to mark up H.R. 1585, National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2008, 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

May 9, full Committee, to mark up H.R. 1585, National Defense Authorization for Fiscal Year 2008, 9 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Committee on Education and Labor, May 8, Subcommittee on Health, Education, Labor and Pensions, hearing on "Are NLRB and Court Rulings Misclassifying Skilled and Professional Employees as Supervisors? 2:30 p.m., 2175 Rayburn.

May 10, full Committee, hearing on Accountability for the Department of Education's Oversight of Student Loans and the Reading First Program, 10:30 a.m., 2175 Rayburn. May 10, Subcommittee on Healthy Families and Communities, hearing on Using School Wellness Plans to Help Fight Childhood Obesity, 2 p.m., 2175 Rayburn.

May 11, full Committee, hearing on ESEA Reauthorization: Boosting Quality in the Teaching Profession, 9:30 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, May 8, Subcommittee on Energy and Air Quality, hearing entitled "Alternative Fuels: Current Status, Proposals for New Standards, and Related Infrastructure Issues," 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

May 9, Subcommittee on Health, hearing entitled "Assessing the Safety of our Nation's Drug Supply," 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

May 10, Subcommittee on Telecommunications and the Internet, to continue hearings entitled "Digital Future of the United States: Part V: The Future of Video, "9:30 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, May 8, Subcommittee on Housing and Community Opportunity, hearing entitled "Rural Housing Programs: Review Fiscal Year 2008 Budget and Pending Rural Housing Legislation," 2 p.m., 2128 Rayburn.

May 10, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled "Suspicious Activity and Currency Transaction Reports: Balancing Law Enforcement Utility and Regulatory Requirements," 9 a.m., 2128 Rayburn. Committee on Foreign Affairs, May 8, Subcommittee on

Committee on Foreign Affairs, May 8, Subcommittee on the Middle East and South Asia, hearing on Two Sides of the Same Coin: Jewish and Palestinian Refugees, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

May 9, Subcommittee on International Organizations, Human Rights and Oversight, hearing on the Economic and Military Support for the U.S. Efforts in Iraq: The Coalition of the Willing, Then and Now, 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

May 10, full Committee, hearing on Every State a Superpower? Stopping the Spread of Nuclear Weapons in the 21st Century, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

May 19, Subcommittee on International Organizations, Human Rights, and Oversight, and the Subcommittee on Africa and Global Health, hearing on Is There a Human Rights Double Standard? U.S. Policy Toward Equatorial Guinea, Ethiopia, and Zimbabwe, 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on Homeland Security, May 9, Subcommittee on Emergency Communications, Preparedness and Response, hearing entitled "Assessing the Capabilities and Coordination of Federal Emergency Response Teams," 10 a.m., 1539 Rayburn.

May 10, Subcommittee on Intelligence, Information Sharing and Terrorism Risk Assessment, hearing entitled "Fixing the Homeland Security Information Network: Finding the Way Forward for Better Information Sharing," 10 a.m., 311 Cannon.

Committee on House Administration, May 8, to consider the following: H.R. 811, Voter Confidence and Increased Accessibility Act of 2007; Russell v. Brown-Waite (FL-5); Gonzalez v. Diaz-Balart (FL-21); Curtis v. Feeney (FL-24); and Cox v. McCrery (LA-4); and a Committee Franking Allocation Resolution, 1 p.m., 1310 Longworth.

Committee on the Judiciary, May 8, Antitrust Task Force, hearing on the findings and recommendations of the

Antitrust Modernization Commission, as established by the Antitrust Modernization Commission Act of 2002, 2 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

May 8, Subcommittee on Immigration, Citizenship, Refugees, Border Security, and International Law, hearing on the Role of Family-Based Immigration in the U.S. Immigration System, 9:30 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

May 10, full Committee, oversight hearing on the U.S. Department of Justice, 9:30 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

May 11, Subcommittee on Immigration, Citizenship, Refugees, Border security, and International Law, hearing on Impact of Immigration on States and Localities, 9 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Natural Resources, May 9, oversight hearing on Endangered Species Act Implementation: Science or Politics? 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

May 10, Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Public Lands, hearing on the following bills: H.R. 523, Douglas County, Washington, PUD Conveyance Act; and H.R. 1011, Virginia Ridge and Valley Act of 2007, 10 a.m., 1334 Longworth.

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, May 8, hearing entitled "Use of RNC Accounts by White House Officials," 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

May 9, Subcommittee on Government Management, Organization, and Procurement, to consider pending business, 1 p.m., 2203 Rayburn.

May 9, Subcommittee on National Security and Foreign Affairs, hearing entitled "Making the Grade on the 9/11 Commission Report Card: American Support of Pakistani Education Reform," 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

May 10, Subcommittee on Domestic Policy, hearing entitled "Lethal Loopholes: Deficiencies in State and Federal Gun Purchase Laws," 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

May 10, Subcommittee on Federal Workforce, Postal Service, and the District of Columbia, hearing entitled "The Lack of Diversity in the Top Levels of the Federal Government," 2 p.m., 2247 Rayburn.

Committee on Rules, May 7, to consider the following: H.R. 1873, Small Business Fairness in Contracting Act; and H.R. 1294, Thomasina E. Jordan Indian Tribes of Virginia Federal Recognition Act of 2006, 5 p.m., H–313 Capitol.

May 8, to consider H.R. 1684, Department of Homeland Security Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2008, 3 p.m., H–313 Capitol.

Committee on Science and Technology, May 10, Sub-committee on Energy and Environment, to mark up H.R. 632, H-Prize Act of 2007, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

May 10, Subcommittee on Technology and Innovation, hearing on Green Transportation Infrastructure: Challenges to Access and Implementation, 2 p.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Small Business, May 9, Subcommittee on Rural and Urban Entrepreneurship, hearing entitled "Maximizing the Value of Broadband Services to Rural Communities," 10 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, May 8, Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings and Emergency Management and the Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment, joint hearing on National Levee Safety and Dam Safety Programs, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

May 8, Subcommittee on Railroads, Pipelines and Hazardous Materials, hearing on Rail Safety Legislation, 2 p.m., 2167 Rayburn.

May 9, Subcommittee on Aviation, hearing on the Future of Air Traffic Control Modernization, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

May 10, Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings, and Emergency Management, hearing on General Services Administration's Fiscal Year 2008 Capital Investment and Leasing Program, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

May 10 Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings, and Emergency Management, hearing on Legislative Fixes for Lingering Problems that Hinder Katrina Recovery," 2 p.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs, May 8, Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs, hearing on Veterans Cemeteries: Honoring Those Who Served, 2 p.m., 334 Cannon.

May 8, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing on Sharing of Electronic Medical Records between Department of Defense and Department of Veterans' Affairs, 10 a.m., 334 Cannon.

May 9, full Committee, hearing on the Results of the Administration's Task Force on Returning Global War on Terror Heroes, 2 p.m., 334 Cannon.

May 9, Subcommittee on Health, hearing to examine VA's Long-Term Care Programs, 10 a.m., 334 Cannon.

Committee on Ways and Means, May 8, Subcommittee on Income Security and Family Support and the Subcommittee on Select Revenue Measures, joint hearing Independent Workers, 9:30 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

May 9, Subcommittee on Trade and the Subcommittee on Commerce, Trade and Consumer Protection of the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and the Subcommittee on Domestic and International Monetary Policy, Trade and Technology of the Committee on Financial Services, joint hearing on Currency Manipulation, 9:30 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

May 10, Subcommittee on Health, hearing on Options To Improve Quality and Efficiency Among Medicare Physicians, 10 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

Select Committee on Energy Independence and Global Warming, May 9, hearing entitled "Economics of Dependence on Foreign Oil—Rising Gasoline Prices," 2 p.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Next Meeting of the SENATE 2:15 p.m., Monday, May 7

### Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 12:30 p.m., Monday, May 7

#### Senate Chamber

Program for Monday: After the transaction of any morning business (not to extend beyond 4 p.m.), Senate will resume consideration of S. 1082, Prescription Drug User Fee Amendments, and vote on, or in relation to, Cochran Amendment No. 1010, and Dorgan Amendment No. 990, as amended, if amended, and vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, as modified. Also, Senate will vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the motion to proceed to consideration of H.R. 1495, Water Resources Development Act.

#### House Chamber

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