

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed S. 1783, Pension Security and Transparency Act.

Senate agreed to the conference report to accompany H.R. 2862, Science/State/Justice/Commerce Appropriations.

House Committees ordered reported 31 sundry measures

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S12873–S13065

Measures Introduced: Twelve bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 2016–2027, and S. Res. 317. **Pages S12949–50**

Measures Reported: S. 716, to amend title 38, United States Code, to enhance services provided by vet centers, to clarify and improve the provision of bereavement counseling by the Department of Veterans Affairs. (S. Rept. No. 109–180)

S. 363, to amend the Nonindigenous Aquatic Nuisance Prevention and Control Act of 1990 to establish vessel ballast water management requirements, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 109–181)

S. 467, to extend the applicability of the Terrorism Risk Insurance Act of 2002, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

S. 2020, to provide for reconciliation pursuant to section 202(b) of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2006. **Page S12948**

Measures Passed:

Rosa Parks Statue: Committee on Rules and Administration was discharged from further consideration of S. Con. Res. 62, directing the Joint Committee on the Library to procure a statue of Rosa Parks for placement in the Capitol, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto:

Pages S13039–41

Isakson (for Dodd/McConnell) Amendment No. 2585, to make a technical correction. **Page S13041**

Veterans Compensation: Senate passed S. 1234, to increase, effective as of December 1, 2005, the rates of compensation for veterans with service-connected disabilities and the rates of dependency and

indemnity compensation for the survivors of certain disabled veterans, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto: **Pages S13041–42**

Isakson (for Craig) Amendment No. 2584, in the nature of a substitute. **Page S13041**

Pension Security and Transparency Act: By 97 yeas to 2 nays (Vote No. 328), Senate passed S. 1783, to amend the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 and the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to reform the pension funding rules, after taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto: **Pages S12884–S12921**

Adopted:

Enzi (for Grassley) Amendment No. 2581, in the nature of a substitute. (The amendment will be considered as original text for the purpose of further amendment.) **Page S12884**

Isakson Amendment No. 2582, to modify pension funding rules related to airlines. **Pages S12886–92**

By 58 yeas to 41 nays (Vote No. 327), Akaka/Specter Amendment No. 2583, to compute the actuarial value of monthly benefits in the form of a life annuity commencing at age 60 for certain airline pilots. **Pages S12892–97, S12905–06**

Ice Floods National Geologic Trail: Senate passed S. 206, to designate the Ice Floods National Geologic Trail, after agreeing to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Pages S13042–44**

Space Shuttle Columbia Memorials: Senate passed S. 242, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to carry out a study to determine the suitability and feasibility of establishing memorials to the Space Shuttle Columbia on parcels of land in the State of Texas, after agreeing to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Page S13044**

Rocky Mountain National Park: Senate passed S. 584, to require the Secretary of the Interior to allow

the continued occupancy and use of certain land and improvements within Rocky Mountain National Park, after agreeing to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Pages S13044–45**

Ben Franklin National Memorial: Senate passed S. 652, to provide financial assistance for the rehabilitation of the Benjamin Franklin National Memorial in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and the development of an exhibit to commemorate the 300th anniversary of the birth of Benjamin Franklin. **Page S13045**

Rural Water Supply Program: Senate passed 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, after agreeing to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Pages S13045–53**

Franklin National Battlefield Study Act: Senate passed H.R. 1972, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a special resource study to determine the suitability and feasibility of including in the National Park System certain sites in Williamson County, Tennessee, relating to the Battle of Franklin, clearing the measure for the President. **Page S13042**

Star-Spangled Banner Trail: Senate passed S. 958, to amend the National Trails System Act to designate the Star-Spangled Banner Trail in the States of Maryland and Virginia and the District of Columbia as a National Historic Trail, after agreeing to the committee amendments. **Page S13053**

Acadia National Park Improvement Act: Senate passed S. 1154, to extend the Acadia National Park Advisory Commission, to provide improved visitor services at the park, after agreeing to the committee amendments. **Pages S13053–54**

Public Land Corps Healthy Forests Restoration Act: Senate passed S. 1238, to amend the Public Lands Corps Act of 1993 to provide for the conduct of projects that protect forests, after agreeing to the committee amendments, and the following amendment proposed thereto: **Pages S13054–56**

McConnell (for Domenici/Bingaman) Amendment No. 2591, to modify the authorization of appropriations. **Page S13055**

Delaware National Coastal Special Resources Study Act: Senate passed S. 1627, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a special resources study to evaluate resources along the coastal region of the State of Delaware and to determine the suitability and feasibility of establishing a unit of the National Park System in Delaware. **Page S13056**

Cape Lookout National Seashore: Senate passed H.R. 126, to amend Public Law 89–366 to allow for an adjustment in the number of free roaming horses permitted in Cape Lookout National Seashore, clearing the measure for the President. **Page S13056**

Caribbean National Forest Act: Senate passed H.R. 539, to designate certain National Forest System land in the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico as a component of the National Wilderness Preservation System, clearing the measure for the President. **Page S13056**

Department of the Interior Volunteer Recruitment Act: Senate passed H.R. 584, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to recruit volunteers to assist with, or facilitate, the activities of various agencies and offices of the Department of the Interior, clearing the measure for the President. **Page S13056**

Angel Island Immigration Station Restoration and Preservation Act: Senate passed H.R. 606, to authorize appropriations to the Secretary of the Interior for the restoration of the Angel Island Immigration Station in the State of California, clearing the measure for the President. **Page S13057**

National Geologic Mapping Reauthorization Act: Senate passed S. 485, to reauthorize and amend the National Geologic Mapping Act of 1992, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto: **Page S13057**

McConnell (for Domenici/Bingaman) Amendment No. 2592, to extend the authorization of appropriations for the National Geologic Mapping Act of 1992. **Page S13057**

Morley Nelson Snake River Birds of Prey National Conservation Area Act: Senate passed 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, **Page S13057**

Fort Stanton-Snowy River National Cave Conservation Area Act: Senate passed S. 1170, to establish the Fort Stanton-Snowy River Cave National Conservation Area, after agreeing to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, and the following amendment proposed thereto: **Pages S13058–59**

McConnell (for Domenici/Bingaman) Amendment No. 2593, in the nature of a substitute. **Page S13059**

McConnell (for Domenici) Amendment No. 2594, to amend the title. **Page S13059**

Deschutes River Conservancy Reauthorization Act: Senate passed S. 166, to amend the Oregon Resource Conservation Act of 1996 to reauthorize the participation of the Bureau of Reclamation in the Deschutes River Conservancy. **Page S13060**

Little Butte/Bear Creek Subbasins Water Feasibility Act: Senate passed S. 251, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior, acting through the Bureau of Reclamation, to conduct a water resource feasibility study for the Little Butte/Bear Creek Subbasins in Oregon, after agreeing to the committee amendments. **Page S13060**

Rio Arriba County Land Conveyance Act: Senate passed S. 213, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain Federal land to Rio Arriba County, New Mexico, after agreeing to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Pages S13060–61**

Glendo Unit of the Missouri River Basin Project Contract Extension Act: Senate passed S. 592, to extend the contract for the Glendo Unit of the Missouri River Basin Project in the State of Wyoming. **Page S13061**

Pactola Reservoir Reallocation Authorization Act: Senate passed S. 819, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to reallocate costs of the Pactola Dam and Reservoir, South Dakota, to reflect increased demands for municipal, industrial, and fish and wildlife purposes. **Page S13061**

Nebraska Water Service Extension: Senate passed S. 891, to extend the water service contract for the Ainsworth Unit, Sandhills Division, Pick-Sloan Missouri Basin Program, Nebraska. **Page S13061**

Alaska Water Resources Act: Senate passed S. 1338, to require the Secretary of the Interior, acting through the Bureau of Reclamation and the United States Geological Survey, to conduct a study on groundwater resources in the State of Alaska, after agreeing to the committee amendment. **Pages S13061–62**

Catoctin Mountain National Recreation Area Designation Act: Senate passed S. 777, to designate Catoctin Mountain Park in the State of Maryland as the “Catoctin Mountain National Recreation Area”, after agreeing to the committee amendments. **Page S13062**

California Public Land Order: Senate passed H.R. 1101, to revoke a Public Land Order with respect to certain lands erroneously included in the Cibola National Wildlife Refuge, California. **Page S13063**

New Shipper Review Amendment Act: Committee on Finance was discharged from further con-

sideration of S. 695, to suspend temporarily new shipper bonding privileges, and the bill was then passed. **Page S13063**

Subsequently, the bill was then ordered held at the desk. **Page S12947**

Water for the Poor Act: Senate passed H.R. 1973, to make access to safe water and sanitation for developing countries a specific policy objective of the United States foreign assistance programs, clearing the measure for the President.

Internet Corporation Oversight: Senate agreed to S. Res. 317, expressing the sense of the Senate regarding oversight of the Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers. **Pages S13063–65**

Tax Relief Act: Senate began consideration of S. 2020, to provide for reconciliation pursuant to section 202(b) of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2006, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto: **Pages S12923–40**

Pending:

Dorgan Amendment No. 2587, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to impose a temporary windfall profit tax on crude oil and to rebate the tax collected back to the American consumer. **Pages S12926–38**

Durbin Amendment No. 2596, to express the sense of the Senate concerning the provision of health care for children before providing tax cuts for the wealthy. **Pages S12938–40**

A unanimous-consent-time agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill at approximately 10 a.m., on Thursday, November 17, 2005, with 10 hours of debate remaining. **Page S13065**

Science/State/Justice/Commerce Appropriations—Conference Report: By 94 yeas to 5 nays (Vote No. 329), Senate agreed to the conference report to accompany H.R. 2862, making appropriations for Science, the Department of State, Justice, and Commerce, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2006, clearing the measure for the President. **Pages S12921–23**

China Currency—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached to modify the order of July 1, 2005, with respect to S. 295, to authorize appropriate action in the negotiations with the People’s Republic of China regarding China’s undervalued currency are not successful, providing that the Majority Leader, after consultation with the Democratic Leader, shall, no later than March 31, 2006, call up the bill; with all other provisos remaining. **Page S12924**

Executive Reports of Committees: Senate received the following executive report from the Committee on Foreign Relations:

Report to accompany Convention Concerning Migratory Fish Stock in the Pacific Ocean (Treaty Doc. 109-1) (Ex. Rept. 109-8). **Page S12949**

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

Transmitting a draft of proposed legislation entitled "United States-Bahrain Free Trade Agreement Implementation Act"; which was referred to the Committee on Finance. (PM-32) **Pages S12946-47**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Marc L. Kesselman, of Tennessee, to be General Counsel of the Department of Agriculture.

Richard T. Crowder, of Virginia, to be Chief Agricultural Negotiator, Office of the United States Trade Representative, with the rank of Ambassador.

Daniel Meron, of Maryland, to be General Counsel of the Department of Health and Human Services.

Claudia A. McMurray, of Virginia, to be Assistant Secretary of State for Oceans and International Environmental and Scientific Affairs.

Peter N. Kirsanow, of Ohio, to be a Member of the National Labor Relations Board for the term of five years expiring August 27, 2008. **Page S13065**

Messages From the House: **Page S12947**

Measures Referred: **Page S12947**

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Amendments Submitted: **Pages S12960-S13038**

Authorities for Committees to Meet: **Pages S13038-39**

Privileges of the Floor: **Page S13039**

Record Votes: Three record votes were taken today. (Total-329) **Pages S12906, S12921, S12923**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 7:25 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Thursday, November 17, 2005. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S13065.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

CAPITOL VISITOR CENTER

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Legislative Branch resumed hearings to examine the progress of Capitol Visitor Center construction, focusing on the estimate of the cost-to-complete the project, efforts to keep the project on schedule, and the status of critical activities such as stone installation and the utility tunnel construction, receiving testimony from Alan M. Hantman, Architect, and Robert C. Hixon, Jr., Capitol Visitor Center Project Manager, both of the Office of the Architect of the Capitol; Bernard L. Ungar, Director, and Terrell Dorn, Assistant Director, both of Physical Infrastructure Issues, Government Accountability Office; and Marvin Shenkler, Gilbane Company, Washington, D.C.

Hearing recessed subject to the call.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Armed Services: Committee ordered favorably reported 2,442 military Nominations: in the Army, Navy, and Air Force.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 467, to extend the applicability of the Terrorism Risk Insurance Act of 2002, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

An original bill to authorize the Secretary of Homeland Security to award grants to public transportation agencies to improve security; and

The nominations of Ben S. Bernanke, of New Jersey, to be a Member and to be Chairman of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System.

MAGNUSON-STEVENSON FISHERY CONSERVATION AND MANAGEMENT ACT

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Reauthorization Act of 2005, after receiving testimony from James L. Connaughton, Chairman, Council on Environmental Quality; John H. Dunnigan, Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Department of Commerce; Admiral James D. Watkins, U.S. Navy (Ret.), Chairman, U.S. Commission on Ocean Policy; and George LaPointe, State of Maine Department of Marine Resources, Augusta.

VEHICLE FRAUD

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Consumer Affairs, Product Safety, and Insurance concluded a hearing to examine how to protect the consumer from flooded and salvage vehicle fraud, focusing on efforts to provide greater protection to the car buying public and to ensure that the used vehicle marketplace operates more efficiently and fairly, after receiving testimony from William L. Brauch, Iowa Attorney General's Office, Des Moines; Karen Chappell, Virginia Department of Motor Vehicles, on behalf of American Association of Motor Vehicle Administrators, and Donald L. Hall, Virginia Automobile Dealers Association, on behalf of the National Automobile Dealers Association, both of Richmond; Robert M. Bryant, National Insurance Crime Bureau, Fairfax, Virginia; Rosemary Shahan, Consumers for Auto Reliability and Safety, Sacramento, California; and Alan Fuglestad, Experian Automotive, Schaumburg, Illinois.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 310, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey the Newlands Project Headquarters and Maintenance Yard Facility to the Truckee-Carson Irrigation District in the State of Nevada;

S. 435, to amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to designate a segment of the Farmington River and Salmon Brook in the State of Connecticut for study for potential addition to the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System, with an amendment;

S. 648, to amend the Reclamation States Emergency Drought Relief Act of 1991 to extend the authority for drought assistance;

S. 1025, to amend the Act entitled "An Act to provide for the construction of the Cheney division, Wichita Federal reclamation project, Kansas, and for other purposes" to authorize the Equus Beds Division of the Wichita Project, with an amendment;

S. 1096, to amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to designate portions of the Musconetcong River in the State of New Jersey as a component of the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System;

S. 1310, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to allow the Columbia Gas Transmission Corporation to increase the diameter of a natural gas pipeline located in the Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area, with an amendment;

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;

S. 1578, to reauthorize the Upper Colorado and San Juan River Basin endangered fish recovery implementation programs;

S. 1760, to authorize early repayment of obligations to the Bureau of Reclamation within Rogue River Valley Irrigation District or within Medford Irrigation District;

S. 1860, to amend the Energy Policy Act of 2005 to improve energy production and reduce energy demand through improved use of reclaimed waters, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute; and

The nominations of Jeffrey D. Jarrett to be Assistant Secretary for Fossil Energy, and Edward F. Sproat III to be Director, Office of Civilian Radioactive Waste Management, both of the Department of Energy.

TRANSPORTATION FUELS

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Committee concluded an oversight hearing to examine transportation fuels of the future, after receiving testimony from Red Cavaney, American Petroleum Institute, and Richard F. Goodstein, Air Products and Chemicals, Inc., both of Washington, D.C.; Jeffrey McDougall, JMA Energy Company, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, on behalf of the Oklahoma Independent Petroleum Association; Bill Honnef, VeraSun Energy, Brookings, South Dakota; and John B. Holmes, Jr., Syntroleum Corporation, Tulsa, Oklahoma.

OIL CONSUMPTION

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the new currency of foreign policy, focusing on the high costs of crude, including the effects of U.S. oil consumption on American foreign policy and on economic and security interests, after receiving testimony from James R. Schlesinger, Lehman Brothers, Washington, D.C.; and R. James Woolsey, Booz Allen Hamilton, McLean, Virginia.

HURRICANE KATRINA RESPONSE

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine how government can learn from the private sector's response to Hurricane Katrina, focusing on improving disaster readiness and response at all levels of government and within communities, after receiving testimony from David M. Ratcliffe, Southern Company, and Kevin T. Regan, Starwood Hotels and Resorts Worldwide, Inc., both of Atlanta, Georgia; Stanley S. Litow, IBM Corporation, Armonk, New York; and Jason F. Jackson, Wal-Mart Stores, Inc., Bentonville, Arkansas.

HABEAS REFORM

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded a hearing to examine S. 1088, to establish streamlined procedures for collateral review of mixed petitions, amendments, and defaulted claims, after receiving testimony from Judge Howard D. McKibben, U.S. District Court for the District of Nevada, and Chairman of the Judicial Conference Committee on Federal-State Jurisdiction; Ronald Eisenberg, Philadelphia District Attorney's Office, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; and Seth P. Waxman, Wilmer, Cutler, Pickering, Hale, and Dorr, Washington, D.C., former Solicitor General of the United States.

NEW FEDERAL JUDGESHIPS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Administrative Oversight and the Courts concluded a hearing to examine issues relative to creating new Federal judgeships, focusing on recommendations of the Judicial Conference Committee on Judicial Resources, after receiving testimony from W. Royal Furgeson, Jr., District Judge for the Western District of Texas, and Chairman of the Judicial Conference Committee on Judicial Resources; William H. Steele, U.S. District Judge for the Southern District of Alabama; Robyn J. Spalter, Federal Bar Association, Miami, Florida; and Marc Galanter, University of Wisconsin, Madison.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 19 public bills, H.R. 4337–4335, 6 resolutions, H.J. Res. 72; H. Con. Res. 300–302 and H. Res. 556–557 were introduced. **Pages H10501–02**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages H10502–03**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 125, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to construct facilities to provide water for irrigation, municipal, domestic, military, and other uses from the Santa Margarita River, California, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 109–297, Pt. 1);

H.R. 3351, to make technical corrections to laws relating to Native Americans, with an amendment (H. Rept. 109–298, Pt. 1);

H.R. 3889, to further regulate and punish illicit conduct relating to methamphetamine, with amendments (H. Rept. 109–299, Pt. 1); and

H. Res. 558, providing for consideration of the joint resolution (H.J. Res. 72) making further continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 2006 (H. Rept. 109–301);

H. Res. 559, waiving points of order against the conference report to accompany the bill (H.R. 3010) making appropriations for the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and Related Agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2006, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 109–302);

H. Res. 560, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 4241) to provide for reconciliation pursuant to section 201(a) of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2006 (H. Rept. 109–303); and

Conference report on H.R. 3010, making appropriations for the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and Related Agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2006, (H. Rept. 109–300). **Page H10501**

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Aderholt to act as Speaker Pro Tempore for today. **Page H10229**

Discharge Petition: Representative Edwards moved to discharge the Committee on Rules from the consideration of H. Res. 271, providing for the consideration of H.R. 808, to amend title 10, United States Code, to repeal the offset from surviving spouse annuities under the military Survivor Benefit Plan for amounts paid by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs as dependency and indemnity compensation (Discharge Petition No. 3).

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

Hurricane Regulatory Relief Act of 2005: H.R. 3975, amended, to ease the provision of services to individuals affected by Hurricanes Katrina and Rita; **Pages H10235–42**

To render nationals of Denmark eligible to enter the United States as nonimmigrant traders and investors: H.R. 3647, amended, to render nationals of Denmark eligible to enter the United States as nonimmigrant traders and investors; **Page H10243**

To amend title 17, United States Code, to make technical corrections relating to copyright royalty judges: H.R. 1036, amended, to amend title 17, United States Code, to make technical corrections relating to copyright royalty judges; **Pages H10243–46**

Agreed to amend the title so as to read "A bill to amend title 17, United States Code, to make

technical corrections relating to Copyright Royalty Judges, and for other purposes.” Page H10246

To make technical corrections to the United States Code: H.R. 866, to make technical corrections to the United States Code; Pages H10246–47

To complete the codification of title 46, United States Code, “Shipping”, as positive law: H.R. 1442, amended, to complete the codification of title 46, United States Code, “Shipping”, as positive law; Pages H10247–H10312

Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that the United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit deplorably infringed on parental rights in Fields v. Palmdale School District: H. Res. 547, Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that the United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit deplorably infringed on parental rights in Fields v. Palmdale School District, by a yea-and-nay vote of 320 yeas to 91 nays with 12 voting “present”, Roll No. 591; Pages H10312–17, S10342–43

Native American Technical Corrections Act of 2005: H.R. 3351, amended, to make technical corrections to laws relating to Native Americans; Pages H10317–19

To authorize the Government of Ukraine to establish a memorial on Federal land in the District of Columbia to honor the victims of the manmade famine that occurred in Ukraine in 1932–1933: H.R. 562, amended, to authorize the Government of Ukraine to establish a memorial on Federal land in the District of Columbia to honor the victims of the manmade famine that occurred in Ukraine in 1932–1933; Pages H10319–21

To provide for the preservation of the historic confinement sites where Japanese Americans were detained during World War II: H.R. 1492, amended, to provide for the preservation of the historic confinement sites where Japanese Americans were detained during World War II; Pages H10321–26

Expressing the sense of the Congress that the Russian Federation must protect intellectual property rights: H. Con. Res. 230, to express the sense of the Congress that the Russian Federation must protect intellectual property rights, by a yea-and-nay vote of 421 yeas to 2 nays, Roll No. 593; Pages H10326–29, H10356–57

To authorize the Secretary of the Navy to enter into a contract for the nuclear refueling and complex overhaul of the U.S.S. Carl Vinson (CVN–70): H.R. 4326, to authorize the Secretary of the Navy to enter into a contract for the nuclear refueling and complex overhaul of the U.S.S. Carl Vinson (CVN–70); Pages H10330–32

Expressing the sense of the Congress regarding oversight of the Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers: H. Con. Res. 268, to express the sense of the Congress regarding oversight of the Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Num-

bers, by a yea-and-nay vote of 423 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 594; and Pages H10332–36, H10357

National Flood Insurance Program Further Enhanced Borrowing Authority Act of 2005: H.R. 4133, to temporarily increase the borrowing authority of the Federal Emergency Management Agency for carrying out the national flood insurance program. Pages H10336–39

Suspension: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measure which was debated on Tuesday, November 15th:

Child Medication Safety Act of 2005: H.R. 1790, amended, to protect children and their parents from being coerced into administering a controlled substance or a psychotropic drug in order to attend school, by a yea-and-nay vote of 407 yeas to 12 nays with 1 voting “present”, Roll No. 590. Page H10342

Agreed to amend the title so as to read: “A bill to protect children and their parents from being coerced into administering a controlled substance in order to attend school, and for other purposes.” Page H10342

Suspensions—Proceedings Postponed: The House completed debate on the following measures under suspension of the rules. Further consideration will continue at a later date:

Recognizing the 60th anniversary of the disappearance of the 5 naval Avenger torpedo bombers of Flight 19 and the naval Mariner rescue aircraft sent to search for Flight 19: H. Res. 500, amended, to Recognize the 60th anniversary of the disappearance of the 5 naval Avenger torpedo bombers of Flight 19 and the naval Mariner rescue aircraft sent to search for Flight 19; and Pages H10329–30

Condemning in the strongest terms the terrorist attacks that occurred on November 9, 2005, in Amman, Jordan: H. Res. 546, amended, to condemn in the strongest terms the terrorist attacks that occurred on November 9, 2005, in Amman, Jordan. Pages H10343–45

United States Boxing Commission Act: The House failed to pass H.R. 1065, to establish the United States Boxing Commission to protect the general welfare of boxers and to ensure fairness in the sport of professional boxing, by a yea-and-nay vote of 190 yeas to 233 nays, Roll No. 592. Pages H10345–56

Pursuant to the rule, in lieu of the amendments reported by the Committees on Energy and Commerce and the Judiciary now printed in the bill, the amendment in the nature of a substitute printed in part A of H. Rept. 109–295 shall be considered as an original bill for the purpose of amendment and shall be considered as read. Page H10350

Agreed to:

Stearns managers amendment (No. 1 printed in H. Rept. 109–295) which clarifies that fees authorized to be collected shall be available to fund the operations of the Commission and the administration of the Act. The amendment also clarifies that offsetting collections are available to the Commission subject to appropriation; **Page H10353**

Schakowsky amendment (No. 2 printed in H. Rept. 109–295) that adds additional protections for professional boxers by also requiring the Boxing Commission to: (1) require a copy of any contract for a boxing match; (2) establish minimum standards for the availability of medical services at professional boxing matches; (3) encourage a life, accident, and health insurance fund for professional boxers and other members of the professional boxing community; (4) conduct discussions and enter into agreements with foreign boxing entities on methods of applying minimum health standards to foreign boxing events and foreign boxers, trainers, cut men, referees, ringside physicians, and other professional boxing personnel; **Pages H10353–54**

Schakowsky amendment (No. 4 printed in H. Rept. 109–295) that requires the Boxing Commission to establish guidelines for rating boxers; these guidelines must be followed by organizations that sanction boxing events; and **Pages H10354–55**

Sodrel amendment, as modified (No. 5 printed in H. Rept. 109–295) that strikes section 14 in its entirety. As modified, amendment inserts provisions for receipts credited as offsetting collections in lieu of provisions relating to authorization of appropriations. **Page H10355**

H. Res. 553, the rule providing for consideration of the bill was agreed to by a yea-and-nay vote of 366 yeas to 56 nays, Roll No. 589, after agreeing to order the previous question by voice vote. **Pages H10339–42**

Veterans' Compensation Cost-of-Living Adjustment Act of 2005: The House agreed by unanimous consent to S. 1234, to increase, effective as of December 1, 2005, the rates of compensation for veterans with service-connected disabilities and the rates of dependency and indemnity compensation for the survivors of certain disabled veterans—clearing the measure for the President. **Pages H10357–60**

Amending the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for Gulf tax credit bonds and advance refundings of certain tax-exempt bonds, and to provide a Federal guarantee of certain State bonds: The House agreed by unanimous consent to H.R. 4337, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for Gulf tax credit bonds and advance refundings of certain tax-exempt bonds, and to provide a Federal guarantee of certain State bonds. **Pages H10363–65**

Presidential Message: Read a message from the President wherein he transmitted legislation and supporting documents to implement the United

Staes-Bahrain Free Trade Agreement—referred to the Committee on Ways and Means and ordered printed (House Doc. 109–71). **Page H10496**

Senate Message: Messages received from the Senate today appear on pages H10299, H10356, H10383.

Senate Referrals: S. Con. Res. 62 was referred to the Committee on House Administration. **Pages H10499–H10500**

Quorum Calls—Votes: Six yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings today and appear on pages H10341–42, H10342, H10342–43, H10355–56, H10356–57 and H10357. There were no quorum calls.

Recess: The House recessed at 9:51 p.m. and reconvened at 7:59 a.m. on Thursday, November 17th.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 8 a.m. on Thursday, November 17th.

Committee Meetings

AVIAN INFLUENZA ISSUES

Committee on Agriculture: Held a hearing to review issues related to the prevention, detection, and eradication of avian influenza. Testimony was heard from W. Ron DeHaven, Administrator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, USDA.

U.S. IMMIGRATION POLICY—IMPACT ON AMERICAN ECONOMY

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Held a hearing on U.S. Immigration Policy and Its Impact on the American Economy. Testimony was heard from Douglas Holtz-Eakin, Director, CBO; and public witnesses.

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Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Commerce, Trade, and Consumer Protection held a hearing entitled "Fair Use: Its Effects on Consumers and Industry." Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

SUPERFUND LAWS AND ANIMAL AGRICULTURE

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Environment and Hazardous Materials held a hearing entitled "Superfund Laws and Animal Agriculture." Testimony was heard from Barry Breen, Deputy Assistant Administrator, Office of Solid Waste and Emergency Response, EPA; Kelly Hunter Burch, Chief of Environmental Protection Unit and Assistant Attorney General, Office of the Attorney General, State of Oklahoma; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Financial Services: Ordered reported, as amended, the following bills: H.R. 3422, Small Public Housing Authority Act; H.R. 2695, Safe Housing Identity Exception for the Lives of Domestic Violence Victims Act; H.R. 4320, National

Flood Insurance Program Commitment to Policyholders and Reform Act of 2005; H.R. 4314, Terrorism Risk Insurance Revision Act of 2005; and H.R. 3505, Financial Services, Regulatory Relief Act.

**MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES;
INVESTIGATIVE REPORT—RAFAEL
PALMEIRO'S TESTIMONY**

Committee on Government Reform: Ordered reported the following: H.R. 3934, To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 80 Killian Road in Massapequa, New York, as the "Gerard A. Fiorenza Post Office;" H.R. 4101, To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 170 East Main Street in Patchogue, New York, as the "Lieutenant Michael P. Murphy Post Office Building;" H.R. 4107, To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1826 Pennsylvania Avenue in Baltimore, Maryland, as the "Maryland State Delegate Lena K. Lee Post Office Building;" H.R. 4108, To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 3000 Homewood Avenue, Baltimore, Maryland, as the "State Senator Verda Welcome and Dr. Henry Welcome Post Office Building;" H.R. 4109, amended, To designate the United States Postal Service located at 6101 Liberty Road in Baltimore, Maryland, as the "United States Representative Parren J. Mitchell Post Office;" H.R. 4152, To designate the United States Postal Service located at 320 High Street in Clinton, Massachusetts, as the "Raymond J. Salmon Post Office;" H. Con. Res. 218, Recognizing the centennial of sustained immigration from the Phillippines to the United States and acknowledging the contributions of our Filipino-American community to our country over the last century; H.R. 4295, To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 12760 South Park Avenue in Riverton, Utah, as the "Mont and Mark Stephensen Veterans Memorial Post Office Building;" H. Con. Res. 289, Supporting the goal and mission of American Recycles Day; and H. Res. 487, Supporting the goals and ideals of Korean American Day.

The Committee also approved an Investigative Report, Investigation into Rafael Palmeiro's March 17, 2005 Testimony at the Committee on Government Reform's Hearing: "Restoring Faith in America's Pastime: Evaluating Major League Baseball's Efforts to Eradicate Steroid Use."

**HIGH GAS PRICES—AMERICAN
WORKFORCE**

Committee on Government Reform: Subcommittee on Federal Workforce and Agency Organization held a hearing entitled "Mitigating the Impact of High Gas Prices on the American Workforce." Testimony was heard from Representatives Wolf and Moran of Virginia; Daniel A. Green, Deputy Associate Director, Employee and Family Support Policy, OPM;

Dan Matthews, Chief Information Officer, Department of Transportation; and public witnesses.

**BORDER SECURITY AND TERRORISM
PREVENTION ACT OF 2005**

Committee on Homeland Security: Began markup of H.R. 4312, Border Security and Terrorism Prevention Act of 2005.

Will continue tomorrow.

**MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES; U.S.-INDIA
GLOBAL PARTNERSHIP**

Committee on International Relations: Favorably considered and adopted a motion urging the chairman to request that the following measures be considered on the Suspension Calendar: H. Con. Res. 190, Expressing the sense of the Congress that the Russian Federation should fully protect the freedoms of all religious communities without distinction, whether registered and unregistered, as stipulated by the Russian Constitution and international standards; H. Con. Res. 275, Expressing the sense of Congress regarding the education curriculum in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia; 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. 284, amended, Expressing the sense of Congress with respect to the 2005 presidential and parliamentary elections in Egypt; H. Con. Res. 294, Calling on the international community to condemn the Laogai, the system of forced labor prison camps in the People's Republic of China, as a tool for suppression maintained by the Chinese Government; H. Res. 438, amended, Urging member states of the United Nations to stop supporting resolutions that unfairly castigate Israel and to promote within the United Nations General Assembly more balanced and constructive approaches to resolving conflict in the Middle East; H. Res. 456, Expressing support for the memorandum of understanding signed by the Government of the Republic of Indonesia and the Free Aceh Movement on August 15, 2005, to end the conflict in Aceh, a province in Sumatra, Indonesia; 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; H. Res. 479, amended, Recognizing the 50th Anniversary of the Hungarian Revolution that began on October 23, 1956 and reaffirming the friendship between the people and governments of the United States and Hungary; H. Res. 499, Condemning the murder of American journalist Paul Klebnikov on July 9, 2004, in Moscow and the murders of other members of the media in the Russian Federation; H. Res. 529, amended, Recommending the integration

of the Republic of Croatia into the North Atlantic Treaty Organization; and H. Res. 535, Honoring the life, legacy, and example of Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin on the tenth anniversary of his death.

The Committee also held a hearing on the U.S.-India Global Partnership: How Significant for American Interests? Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on Europe and Emerging Threats approved for full Committee action the following resolutions: H. Res. 479, amended, Recognizing the 50th Anniversary of the Hungarian Revolution that began on October 23, 1956 and reaffirming the friendship between the people and governments of the United States and Hungary; H. Res. 499, Condemning the murder of American journalist Paul Klebnikov on July 9, 2004, in Moscow and the murders of other members of the media in the Russian Federation; and H. Res. 529, amended, Recommending the integration of the Republic of Croatia into the North Atlantic Treaty Organization.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Resources: Ordered reported the following bills: H.R. 452, To authorize the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a study to determine the suitability and feasibility of designating the Soldiers' Memorial Military Museum located in St. Louis, Missouri, as a unit of the National Park System; H.R. 1071, amended, Desalination Drought Protection Act of 2005; H.R. 1090, amended, To designate a Forest Service trail at Walso Lake in the Willamette National Forest in the State of Oregon as a national recreation trail in honor of Jim Weaver, a former Member of the House of Representatives; H.R. 1190, amended, San Diego Water Storage and Efficiency Act of 2005; H.R. 1595, amended, Guam World War II Loyalty Recognition Act; H.R. 1728, amended, French Colonial Heritage National Historic Site Study Act of 2005; H.R. 2720, Salt Cedar and Russian Olive Control Demonstration Act; H.R. 3124, amended, Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area Natural Gas Pipeline Enlargement Act; H.R. 3153, Upper Colorado and San Juan Basin Endangered Fish Recovery Implementation Programs Reauthorization Act of 2005; H.R. 3626, amended, Arthur V. Watkins Dam Enlargement Act of 2005; H.R. 3897, amended, Madera Water Supply and Groundwater Enhancement Project Act; H.R. 3929, amended, Dana Point Desalination Project Authorization Act; H.R. 4192, To authorize the Secretary of the Interior, to designate the President William Jefferson Clinton Birthplace Home in Hope, Arkansas, as a National Historic Site and unit of the National Park System; H.R. 4195, Southern Oregon Bureau of Reclamation Repayment Act of 2005; H.R. 4292, To amend Public Law 107-153 to further encourage the negotiated settlement of tribal

claims; and S. 362, amended, Marine Debris Research, Prevention and Reduction Act.

CONTINUING APPROPRIATIONS FY 2006

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a closed rule providing one hour of debate on H.J. Res. 72, making continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 2006, in the House equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropriations. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the joint resolution. The rule provides one motion to recommit. Finally, the rule provides that H. Res. 542 is laid on the table.

CONFERENCE REPORT—LABOR, HHS, EDUCATION AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS, FY 2006

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a rule waiving all points of order against the conference report on H.R. 3010, Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2006, and against its consideration. The rule provides that the conference report shall be considered as read.

DEFICIT REDUCTION ACT OF 2005

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a closed rule providing 2 hours of debate in the House on H.R. 4241, Deficit Reduction Act of 2005, equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on the Budget. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule provides that the amendment printed in the Rules Committee report accompanying the resolution shall be considered as adopted. The rule waives all points of order against provisions in the bill, as amended. 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 provides that after passage of H.R. 4241, it shall be in order to take from the Speaker's table S. 1932 and to consider the Senate bill in the House. The rule waives all points of order against S. 1932 and against its consideration. The rule provides for a motion to strike all after the enacting clause of S. 1932 and to insert in lieu thereof the provisions of H.R. 4241 as passed by the House. The rule waives all points of order against the motion to strike and insert.

NOAA WEATHER SATELLITES

Committee on Science: Held a hearing on Ongoing Problems and Future Plans for NOAA Weather Satellites. Testimony was heard from VADM Conrad C. Lautenbacher, Jr., USN (ret.), Administrator, NOAA, Department of Commerce; Ronald M. Sega, Under Secretary, Air Force, Department of Defense; David Powner, Director, Information Technology Management Issues, GAO; and a public witness.

INDIVIDUAL TAX PROPOSALS

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Select Revenue Measures held a hearing on individuals tax proposals. Testimony was heard from Representatives Cardin, Foley, Tom Davis of Virginia, Ryun of Kansas, Stearns, Fattah, Fossella, Baird, Simmons, Conway, Baldwin, Keller, Garrett, Fortuno, Wolf, Gingrey, Weldon of Pennsylvania, Rohrabacher and Wilson of South Carolina.

Joint Meetings

COAST GUARD AND MARITIME TRANSPORTATION ACT

Conferees met to resolve the differences between the Senate and House passed versions of H.R. 889, to authorize appropriations for the Coast Guard for fiscal year 2006, to make technical corrections to various laws administered by the Coast Guard, but did not complete action thereon, and recessed subject to the call.

APPROPRIATIONS: LABOR/HHS/ EDUCATION

Conferees agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H.R. 3010, making appropriations for the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and Related Agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2006.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 2005

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: to hold hearings to examine the role of United States agriculture in the control and eradication of avian influenza, 10 a.m., SR-328A.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: to hold hearings to examine a Government Accountability Office report on the sale of financial products to military personnel, 10 a.m., SD-538.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Aviation, to hold hearings to examine aviation safety, 10 a.m., SD-562.

Full Committee, business meeting to consider the nominations of William E. Kovacic, of Virginia, to be a Federal Trade Commissioner, J. Thomas Rosch, of California, to be a Federal Trade Commissioner, a Coast Guard Promotion List, S. 1110, to amend the Federal Hazardous Substances Act to require engine coolant and antifreeze to contain a bittering agent in order to render the coolant or antifreeze unpalatable, proposed Polar Bear Treaty, S. 687, to regulate the unauthorized installation of computer software, to require clear disclosure to computer users of certain computer software features that may pose a threat to user privacy, S. 1052, to improve transportation security, S. 1102, to extend the aviation war risk insurance program for 3 years, S. 65, to amend the age restrictions for pilots, and S. 517, to establish a

Weather Modification Operations and Research Board, 2:30 p.m., SH-216.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: business meeting to consider S. 1708, to modify requirements relating to the authority of the Administrator of General Services to enter into emergency leases during major disasters and other emergencies, S. 1714, to modify requirements under the emergency relief program under title 23, United States Code, with respect to projects for repair or reconstruction in response to damage caused by Hurricane Katrina, S. 1496, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a pilot program under which up to 15 States may issue electronic Federal migratory bird hunting stamps, S. 1165, to provide for the expansion of the James Campbell National Wildlife Refuge, Honolulu County, Hawaii, and proposed Army Corps Assessment Authorization for the State of Louisiana, 9:30 a.m., SD-406.

Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the degree to which the preliminary findings on the failure of the levees are being incorporated into the restoration of hurricane protection, 9:35 a.m., SD-406.

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on African Affairs, to hold hearings to examine cross-continental progress relating to African organizations and institutions, 2:30 p.m., SD-419.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: to hold hearings to examine regulations for the National Security Personnel System, 10 a.m., SD-342.

Committee on Indian Affairs: to hold oversight hearings to examine issues relating to In Re Tribal Lobbying Matters, Et Al, 10 a.m., SH-216.

Committee on the Judiciary: business meeting to consider the nominations of Joseph Frank Bianco, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of New York, Timothy Mark Burgess, to be United States District Judge for the District of Alaska, Gregory F. Van Tatenhove, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Kentucky, Eric Nicholas Vitaliano, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of New York, 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, Catherine Lucille Hanaway, to be United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Missouri, Carol E. Dinkins, of Texas, to be Chairman of the Privacy and Civil Liberties Oversight Board, Alan Charles Raul, of the District of Columbia, to be Vice Chairman of the Privacy and Civil Liberties Oversight Board, 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, H.R. 683, to amend the Trademark Act of 1946 with respect to dilution by blurring or tarnishment, S. 1967, to amend title 18, United States Code, with respect to certain activities of the Secret Service, S. 1961, Extending the Child Safety Pilot Program Act of 2005,

S. 1354, Wartime Treatment Study Act, proposed Comprehensive Immigration Reform, and S.J. Res. 1, proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States relating to marriage, 9:30 a.m., SD-226.

Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine recent developments in assessing future asbestos claims under the FAIR Act, 2 p.m., SD-226.

Select Committee on Intelligence: to hold closed hearings to examine the nomination of Dale W. Meyerrose, of Indiana, to be Chief Information Officer, Office of the Director of National Intelligence, 10:30 a.m., SH-219.

Full Committee, closed business meeting to consider certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

House

Committee on Education and the Workforce, Subcommittee on Education Reform, hearing on Combating Methamphetamines through Prevention and Education, 10 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, Subcommittee on Health, hearing entitled "Medicare Physician Payment: How to Build a More Efficient Payment System", 9:30 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled "Thoroughbred Horse Racing Jockeys and Workers: Examining On-Track Injury Insurance and Other Health and Welfare Issues", 1 p.m., 2322 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, hearing on H.R. 4100, Louisiana Recovery Corporation Act, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Capital Markets, Insurance, and Government Sponsored Enterprises, hearing entitled "Self-Regulatory Organizations: Exploring the Need for Reform", 2 p.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Government Reform, Subcommittee on Government Management, Finance and Accountability, hearing entitled "15 Years of the CFO Act—What is the Current State of Federal Financial Management?", 2:30 p.m., 2247 Rayburn.

Committee on Homeland Security, to continue markup H.R. 4312, Border Security and Terrorism Prevention Act of 2005, 10 a.m., 311 Cannon.

Subcommittee on Intelligence, Information Sharing and Terrorism Risk Assessment, hearing entitled "Terrorism Risk Assessment at the Department of Homeland Security", 3 p.m., 311 Cannon.

Committee on International Relations, Subcommittee on Africa, Global Human Rights and International Operations, hearing on Getting to Yes: Resolving the 30-Year Conflict over the Status of Western Sahara, 1:30 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on the Western Hemisphere, hearing on Democracy in Venezuela, 10:30 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security and the Subcommittee on Immigration, Border Security, and Claims, joint oversight hearing on Weak Bilateral Law Enforcement Presence at the U.S.-Mexico Border: Territorial Integrity and Safety Issues for American Citizens, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Immigration, Border Security, and Claims, to continue oversight hearings on How Illegal Immigration Impacts Constituencies: Perspectives from Members of Congress, (Part II), 2 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Resources, Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources, hearing on the Outer Continental Shelf Natural Gas Relief Act, 2 p.m., 1324 Longworth.

Subcommittee on National Parks, oversight hearing on the National Parks Service's efforts to combat the growth of illegal drug farms in national parks, 10 a.m., 1334 Longworth.

NEPA Task Force, hearing on NEPA: Lessons Learned and Next Steps, 10:30 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Committee on Science, hearing on Environmental and Safety Impacts of Nanotechnology: What Research is Needed?, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Small Business, hearing on Building a Wall Between Friends: Passports to and from Canada?, 9 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

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

Next Meeting of the SENATE

9:30 a.m., Thursday, November 17

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

10 a.m., Thursday, November 17

Senate Chamber

Program for Thursday: After the transaction of any morning business (not to extend beyond 30 minutes), Senate will resume consideration of S. 2020, Tax Relief Act of 2005.

House Chamber

Program for Thursday: To be announced.



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