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Senate

Chamber Action

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Measures Introduced: Ten bills were introduced, as follows: S. 746–755. **Page S2559**

Improving America's Security by Implementing Unfinished Recommendations of the 9/11 Commission Act: Senate continued consideration of S. 4, to make the United States more secure by implementing unfinished recommendations of the 9/11 Commission to fight the war on terror more effectively, to improve homeland security, withdrawing the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto:

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Adopted:

By a unanimous vote of 82 yeas (Vote No. 57), Sununu Amendment No. 292 (to Amendment No. 275), to expand the reporting requirement on cross border interoperability, and to prevent lengthy delays in the accessing frequencies and channels for public safety communication users and others.

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By 82 yeas to 1 nay (Vote No. 58), Salazar Amendment No. 280 (to Amendment No. 275), to create a Rural Policing Institute as part of the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center.

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Pending:

Reid Amendment No. 275, in the nature of a substitute. Page S2544

Sununu Amendment No. 291 (to Amendment No. 275), to ensure that the emergency communications and interoperability communications grant program does not exclude Internet Protocol-based interoperable solutions.

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Salazar/Lieberman Modified Amendment No. 290 (to Amendment No. 275), to require a quadrennial homeland security review. Page S2544

DeMint Amendment No. 314 (to Amendment No. 275), to strike the provision that revises the personnel management practices of the Transportation Security Administration.

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Lieberman Amendment No. 315 (to Amendment No. 275), to provide appeal rights and employee en-

gagement mechanisms for passenger and property screeners. Page S2544

McCaskill Amendment No. 316 (to Amendment No. 315), to provide appeal rights and employee engagement mechanisms for passenger and property screeners.

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Dorgan/Conrad Amendment No. 313 (to Amendment No. 275), to require a report to Congress on the hunt for Osama Bin Laden, Ayman al-Zawahiri, and the leadership of al Qaeda.

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Landrieu Amendment No. 321 (to Amendment No. 275), to require the Secretary of Homeland Security to include levees in the list of critical infrastructure sectors.

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Landrieu Amendment No. 296 (to Amendment No. 275), to permit the cancellation of certain loans under the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act. Pages S2545, S2552

Landrieu Amendment No. 295 (to Amendment No. 275), to provide adequate funding for local governments harmed by Hurricane Katrina of 2005 or Hurricane Rita of 2005. Pages \$2545, \$2551–52

Allard Amendment No. 272 (to Amendment No. 275), to prevent the fraudulent use of social security account numbers by allowing the sharing of social security data among agencies of the United States for identity theft prevention and immigration enforcement purposes.

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McConnell (for Sessions) Amendment No. 305 (to Amendment No. 275), to clarify the voluntary inherent authority of States to assist in the enforcement of the immigration laws of the United States and to require the Secretary of Homeland Security to provide information related to aliens found to have violated certain immigration laws to the National Crime Information Center.

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McConnell (for Cornyn) Amendment No. 310 (to Amendment No. 275), to strengthen the Federal Government's ability to detain dangerous criminal aliens, including murderers, rapists, and child molesters, until they can be removed from the United States.

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McConnell (for Cornyn) Amendment No. 311 (to Amendment No. 275), to provide for immigration injunction reform.

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McConnell (for Cornyn) Amendment No. 312 (to Amendment No. 275), to prohibit the recruitment of persons to participate in terrorism. Page S2549

McConnell (for Kyl) Amendment No. 317 (to Amendment No. 275), to prohibit the rewarding of suicide bombings and allow adequate punishments for terrorist murders, kidnappings, and sexual assaults.

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McConnell (for Kyl) Amendment No. 318 (to Amendment No. 275), to protect classified information.

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McConnell (for Kyl) Amendment No. 319 (to Amendment No. 275), to provide for relief from (a)(3)(B) immigration bars from the Hmong and other groups who do not pose a threat to the United States, to designate the Taliban as a terrorist organization for immigration purposes.

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McConnell (for Kyl)Amendment No. 320 (to Amendment No. 275), to improve the Classified Information Procedures Act. Page S2551

McConnell (for Grassley) Amendment No. 300 (to Amendment No. 275), to clarify the revocation of an alien's visa or other documentation is not subject to judicial review.

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McConnell (for Grassley) Amendment No. 309 (to Amendment No. 275), to improve the prohibitions on money laundering. Pages \$2551, \$2555-56

Thune Amendment No. 308 (to Amendment No. 275), to expand and improve the Proliferation Security Initiative while protecting the national security interests of the United States.

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Cardin Amendment No. 326 (to Amendment No. 275), to provide for a study of modification of area of jurisdiction of Office of National Capital Region Coordination.

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Cardin Amendment No. 327 (to Amendment No. 275), to reform mutual aid agreements for the National Capital Region. Page S2554

Cardin Amendment No. 328 (to Amendment No. 275), to require Amtrak contracts and leases involving the State of Maryland to be governed by the laws of the District of Columbia.

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A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill at 3 p.m., on Monday, March 5, 2007. Page S2565

ESCORT COMMITTEE-AGREEMENT: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the President of the Senate be authorized to appoint a committee on the part of the Senate to join with a like committee on the part of the House of Representatives to escort His Majesty King Abdullah II bin Al Hussein, King of the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan, into the House Chamber for a joint meeting at 11 a.m., on Wednesday, March 7, 2007.

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Measures Placed on the Calendar: Page \$2559

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Record Votes: Two record votes were taken today. (Total—58)

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 1:02 p.m., until 1:30 p.m. on Monday, March 5, 2007. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page \$2565.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

APPROPRIATIONS: ARCHITECT OF THE CAPITOL

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on the Legislative Branch concluded a hearing to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2008 for the Office of the Architect of the Capitol, after receiving testimony from Stephen T. Ayers, Acting Architect of the Capitol.

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, March 5, 2007.

Committee Meetings

INTERIOR, ENVIRONMENT, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies held a hearing on Agency for Toxic Substance and Disease Registry/Chemical Safety Board/National Institute on

Environment Health Sciences. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Chemical Safety and Hazard Investigation Board: Carolyn W. Merritt, Chairman; and Elizabeth Robinson, CFO; and the following officials of the Department of Health and Human Services: David A. Schwartz, M.D., Director, National Institute of Environmental Health; Julie Louise Gerberding, M.D., Director, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the Administrator of the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry; and Howard Frumkin, M.D., Director, National Center for Environmental Health/Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry.

CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of March 5 through March 10, 2007

Senate Chamber

On *Monday*, at 3 p.m., Senate will resume consideration of S. 4, Improving America's Security by Implementing Unfinished Recommendations of the 9/11 Commission Act.

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: March 6, to hold hearings to examine child nutrition and the school setting, 9:30 a.m., SH-216.

March 7, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine investing in our Nation's future through agricultural research, 9:30 a.m., SR–328A.

Committee on Appropriations: March 7, Subcommittee on Defense, to hold hearings to examine Department of Defense medical programs, 10 a.m., SD-192.

March 7, Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2008 for the Department of Energy, 2 p.m., SD–138.

March 8, Subcommittee on Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine cross-border trucking with Mexico, 9:15 a.m., SD–138.

March 8, Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2008 for the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration and the National Science Foundation, 10 a.m., SD–192.

March 8, Subcommittee on Homeland Security, to hold hearings to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2008 for the Department of Homeland Security, 2:30 p.m., SD–192.

March 9, Subcommittee on Financial Services and General Government, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2008 for the Commodity

Futures Trading Commission and the Small Business Administration, 9 a.m., SD-138.

Committee on Armed Services: March 6, to hold hearings to examine the care, living conditions, and administration of outpatients at the Walter Reed Army Medical Center, 9:30 a.m., SD–106.

March 8, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Admiral Timothy J. Keating, USN, for reappointment to the grade of admiral and to be Commander, United States Pacific Command, Lieutenant General Victor E. Renuart, Jr., USAF, for appointment to be general and to be Commander, United States Northern Command/Commander, North American Aerospace Defense Command, and Lieutenant General Robert L. Van Antwerp, USA, for reappointment to the grade of lieutenant general and to be Chief of Engineers/Commanding General, United States Army Corps of Engineers, 9:30 a.m., SH–216.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: March 6, to hold oversight hearings to examine the Corporate Average Fuel Economy (CAFE) Program, 10 a.m., SR-253.

March 7, Subcommittee on Interstate Commerce, Trade, and Tourism, to hold hearings to examine policy implications of pharmaceutical importation for U.S. consumers, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

March 7, Subcommittee on Space, Aeronautics, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine national imperatives for Earth Science research, 2:30 p.m., SR-253.

March 8, Subcommittee on Aviation Operations, Safety, and Security, to hold hearings to examine the Administration's proposal to reauthorize the Federal Aviation Administration Part II, 9:30 a.m., SR–253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: March 7, to hold hearings to examine market constraints on large investments in advanced energy technologies and investigate ways to stimulate additional private-sector investment in the deployment of these technologies, 9:30 a.m., SD–366.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: March 7, to hold hearings to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2008 for the Environmental Protection Agency, 3 p.m., SD—406.

Committee on Finance: March 8, to hold hearings to examine perspectives on the 2007 trade agenda, 10 a.m., SD-215.

Committee on Foreign Relations: March 6, business meeting to consider committee rules of procedure for the 110th Congress, S. 377, to establish a United States-Poland parliamentary youth exchange program, S. 494, to endorse further enlargement of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) and to facilitate the timely admission of new members to NATO, S. 676, to provide that the Executive Director of the Inter-American Development Bank or the Alternate Executive Director of the Inter-American Development Bank may serve on the Board of Directors of the Inter-American Foundation, S. Res. 65, condemning the murder of Turkish-Armenian journalist and human rights advocate Hrant Dink and

urging the people of Turkey to honor his legacy of tolerance, and the nominations of Ryan C. Crocker, of Washington, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Iraq, and William B. Wood, of New York, to be Ambassador to the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan, 2:15 p.m., S–116, Capitol.

March 8, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine time for a new strategy relating to Afghanistan, 9:30 a.m., SD—419.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: March 6, to hold hearings to examine strategies for attracting, supporting, and retaining high quality educators relating to No Child Left Behind Reauthorization, 10 a.m., SD-430.

March 7, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine strengthening American competitiveness for the 21st Century, 9:30 a.m., SH–216.

March 8, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine follow-on biologics, 10 a.m., SD-430.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: March 5, Subcommittee on Oversight of Government Management, the Federal Workforce, and the District of Columbia, to hold an oversight hearing to examine the Transportation Security Administration Personnel System, focusing on proposed legislation relating to the personnel system, 2:30 p.m., SD–342.

March 7, Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations, to hold hearings to examine fees, interests rates and grace periods relating to credit card practices, focusing on high fees charged for late payments, over-the-limit charges, including how those fees are assessed, how they add to interest costs, and how they contribute to consumer debt, and an industry practice requiring consumer payments to be applied first to balances with the lowest interest rates instead of to balances with the highest interest rates, 10 a.m., SD–342.

Committee on Indian Affairs: March 8, to hold hearings to examine the Indian Health Care Improvement Act Amendments of 2007, 9:30 a.m., SR-485.

Committee on the Judiciary: March 6, Subcommittee on Terrorism, Technology and Homeland Security, to hold hearings to examine identity theft, focusing on innovative solutions for an evolving problem, 10 a.m., SD–226.

March 7, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the McCarran-Ferguson Act and Antitrust Immunity, 9:30 a.m., SD–226.

March 7, Subcommittee on Antitrust, Competition Policy and Consumer Rights, to hold an oversight hearing to examine the enforcement of the antitrust laws, 2 p.m., SD–226.

March 8, Full Committee, business meeting to consider the nominations of Thomas M. Hardiman, of Pennsylvania, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Third Circuit, and Vanessa Lynne Bryant, to be United States District Judge for the District of Connecticut, S. 236, to require reports to Congress on Federal agency use of data mining, S. 261, to amend title 18, United States Code, to strengthen prohibitions against animal fighting, S. 376, to amend title 18, United States Code, to improve the provisions relating to the carrying of concealed weapons by law enforcement officers, S. 231, to authorize the

Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program at fiscal year 2006 levels through 2012, S. 368, to amend the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 to enhance the COPS ON THE BEAT grant program, S. 655, to amend the Congressional Charter of The American National Red Cross to modernize its governance structure, to enhance the ability of the board of governors of The American National Red Cross to support the critical mission of The American Red Cross in the 21st century, S. 627, to amend the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act of 1974 to improve the health and well-being of maltreated infants and toddlers through the creation of a National Court Teams Resource Center, to assist local Court Teams, S. Res. 88, honoring the extraordinary achievements of Massachusetts Governor Deval Patrick, and S. Con. Res. 14, commemorating the 85th anniversary of the founding of the American Hellenic Educational Progressive Association, a leading association for the 1,300,000 United States citizens of Greek ancestry and Philhellenes in the United States, 10 a.m., SD-226.

Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship: March 8, to hold hearings to examine small business solutions for combating climate change, 10 a.m., SR-428A.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: March 6, to hold joint hearings with the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs to examine the legislative presentation of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, 9:30 a.m., 345 CHOB.

March 7, Full Committee, to hold an oversight hearing to examine the Veterans Administration adjudication process, 9:30 a.m., SR-418.

March 8, Full Committee, to hold joint hearings with the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs to examine the legislative presentation of the Paralyzed Veterans of America, Jewish War Veterans, and Blinded Veterans Association, 9:30 a.m., SD–106.

House Committees

Committee on Agriculture, March 7, Subcommittee on Conservation, Credit, Energy, and Research, hearing to review the financial structure of renewable energy resources, 1 p.m., 1302 Longworth.

March 8, Subcommittee on Livestock, Dairy, and Poultry, hearing to review the impact of feed costs on the livestock industry, 10 a.m., 1302 Longworth.

Committee on Appropriations, March 5, Subcommittee on Defense, on Walter Reed Infrastructure, 1:30 p.m., 2359 Rayburn.

March 5, Subcommittee on Financial Services, and General Government, on Tax Fairness: Policy and Enforcement, 2 p.m., 2128 Rayburn.

March 6, Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies, on Natural Resources and Conservation Service, 10 a.m., 2362A Rayburn.

March 6, Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies, on Department of Commerce Overview, 10 a.m., H–309 Capitol, and on Secretary of Commerce, 2 p.m., 2359 Rayburn.

March 6, Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development, and Related Agencies, on Secretary of Energy, 10 a.m., 2362B Rayburn.

March 6, Subcommittee on Financial Services and General Government, on Issues in the Federal Workforce, 10 a.m., 2220 Rayburn.

March 6, Subcommittee on Homeland Security, on Container Security Challenges and Goals, 10 a.m., 2212 Rayburn.

March 6, Subcommittee on Interior, Environment and Related Agencies, on Secretary of the Interior, 9:30 a.m., B-308 Rayburn.

March 6, Subcommittee on Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education and Related Agencies, on NIH Director with National Cancer Institute/National Heart, Lung and Blood Institute/National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Disease/National Institute of Child Health and Human Development/National Center on Minority Health and Health Disparities, 10 a.m., 2359 Rayburn.

March 6, Subcommittee on Military Construction, Veterans' Affairs and Related Agencies, on VA Medical Care, 10 a.m., and on Department of Veterans' Affairs Panel, 1 p.m., H–143 Capitol.

March 6, Subcommittee on State, Foreign Operations and Related Programs, on Iraq Political and Reconstruction Strategy, Alternative Perspectives, 10 a.m., 2358 Rayburn.

March 6, Subcommittee on Transportation, and Housing and Urban Development and Related Agencies, on Department of Transportation Inspector General Management Challenges and GAO High Risk Series, 2 p.m., 2358 Rayburn.

March 7, Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science and Related Agencies, on Economic and Statistics Administration/Census/Bureau of Economic Analysis, 10 a.m., and on Economic Development Administration/Minority Business Development Agency, 2 p.m., H–309 Capitol.

March 7, Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development, and Related Agencies, on U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, 10 a.m., 2362B Rayburn.

March 7, Subcommittee on Financial Services, and General Government, on Ensuring the Integrity of Elections, 10 a.m., 2220 Rayburn.

March 7, Subcommittee on Interior, Environment and Related Agencies, on National Park Service, 9:30 a.m., B-308 Rayburn.

March 7, Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education and Related Agencies, on (Panel I) Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services/SSA/(Panel II) Administration on Aging, Community Service Employment for Older Americans, 10 a.m., 2359 Rayburn.

March 7, Subcommittee on Military Construction, Veterans' Affairs and Related Agencies, on Pacific Command, 2 p.m., H–143 Capitol.

March 8, Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies, on Food and Nutrition Service, 10 a.m., 2362A Rayburn.

March 8, Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science and Related Agencies, on National Institute of Standards and Technology, 10 a.m., and on National Telecommunications and Information Administration/Patent and Trademark Office, 2 p.m., H–309 Capitol.

March 8, Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies, on Department of Energy: Environmental Management, Legacy Management, 10 a.m., 2362B Rayburn.

March 8, Subcommittee on Financial Services and General Government, on Supreme Court, 10 a.m., 2220 Rayburn.

March 8, Subcommittee on Interior, Environment and Related Agencies, on U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 9:30 a.m., B-308 Rayburn.

March 8, Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education and Related Agencies, on Administration for Children and Families, 10 a.m., 2359 Rayburn.

March 8, Subcommittee on Legislative Branch, on U.S. Capitol Police Budget, 10 a.m., H–144 Capitol.

March 8, Subcommittee on Military Construction, Veterans' Affairs and Related Agencies, on VA Mental Health Programs and Initiatives, 10 a.m., and on VA Homeless Programs, 1 p.m., H–143 Capitol.

March 8, Subcommittee on State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs, on Development, Diplomacy and U.S. National Security, 10 a.m., 2212 Rayburn; and on Foreign Assistance Budget, Foreign Affairs Restructuring, 2 p.m., 2359 Rayburn.

March 8, Subcommittee on Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies, on Building Sustainable Communities: Sensible Links between Housing and Transportation, 10 a.m., 2358 Rayburn.

March 9, Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science and Related Agencies, on NASA Overview, 10 a.m., 2362B Rayburn.

March 9, Subcommittee on Homeland Security, on Preparing for Disasters, Natural or Otherwise, 10 a.m., 2358 Rayburn.

March 9, Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies, on U.S. Geological Survey, 9:30 a.m., B-308 Rayburn.

March 9, Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies, on (Panel I) Centers for Disease Control/(Panel II) Emergency Preparedness: Office of the Secretary, Centers for Disease Control, NIH, 10 a.m., 2359 Rayburn.

Committee on Armed Services, March 6, Subcommittee on Readiness, hearing on the National Security Personnel System—Is it Working? 2 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

March 7, full Committee, hearing on the Fiscal Year 2008 National Defense Authorization Budget Request from the U.S. Pacific Command and U.S. Forces Korea, 8:30 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

March 7, Subcommittee on Air and Land Forces, hearing on Air Force and Army airlift and aerial refueling fixed-wing aircraft programs, 3 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

March 8, full Committee, hearing on challenges and obstacles wounded and injured service members face during recovery, 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

March 8, Subcommittee on Seapower and Expeditionary Forces, hearing on submarine force structure and acquisition policy, 2 p.m., 2212 Rayburn.

March 8, Subcommittee on Strategic Forces, hearing on the posture of the U.S. Strategic Command, 3 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Committee on the Budget, March 6, hearing on the Department of Defense and the Fiscal Year 2008 Budget, 10 a.m., 210 Cannon.

Committee on Education and Labor, March 6, hearing on Are Hidden 401(k) Fees Undermining Retirement Security? 10:30 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

March 8, Subcommittee on Higher Education, Lifelong Learning and Competitiveness, hearing on The State of Higher Education: How Students Access and Finance a College Education," 10:30 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, March 7, Sub-committee on Telecommunications and the Internet, hearing entitled "Digital Future of the United States: Part II—The Future of Radio," 2:30 p.m., 2123 Rayburn.

March 8, Subcommittee on Environment and Hazardous Materials and the Subcommittee on Energy and Air Quality, joint hearing entitled "The Environmental Protection Agency's Budget Request for Fiscal Year 2008," 9 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

March 8, Subcommittee on Health, hearing entitled "H.R. 493, Genetic Information Nondiscrimination Act," 1 p.m., 2123 Rayburn.

March 9, full Committee, hearing entitled "Combating Pretexting: H.R. 936."

Committee on Financial Services, March 6, to consider H.R. 1227, Gulf Coast Hurricane Housing Recovery Act of 2007, 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

March 7, Subcommittee on Domestic and International Policy, Trade, and Technology, hearing entitled "The Role of Remittances in Leveraging Sustainable Development in Latin America and the Caribbean," 2 p.m., 2128 Rayburn.

March 8, full Committee, hearing entitled "Empowering Shareholders on Executive Compensation: H.R. 1257, Shareholder Vote on Executive Compensation Act," 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

March 9, Subcommittee on Housing and Community Opportunity, hearing entitled "The Section 8 Voucher Reform Act," 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Foreign Affairs, March 6, hearing on The Iranian Challenge, 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

March 6, Subcommittee on International Organizations, Human Rights, and Oversight, hearing on Global Polling Data on Opinion of American Policies, Values and People, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

March 7, Subcommittee on the Middle East and South Asia, hearing on A Regional Overview of South Asia, 2:30 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

March 8, full Committee, hearing on Foreign Assistance Reform, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

March 8, Subcommittee on International Organizations, Human Rights, and Oversight and the Subcommittee on the Western Hemisphere, joint hearing on Polling Data on Latin American Opinion of the United States Policies, Values and People, 3 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on Homeland Security, March 6, hearing on a measure entitled "Rail and Public Transportation Security Act of 2007," 10 a.m., 311 Cannon.

Act of 2007," 10 a.m., 311 Cannon.

March 8, Subcommittee on Border, Maritime, and Global Counterterrorism, to continue hearings entitled "Border Security: Infrastructure, Technology, and the Human Element, Part II," 1 p.m., 311 Cannon.

Committee on the Judiciary, March 6, Subcommittee on Commercial and Administrative Law, hearing on H.R. 580, to amend chapter 35 of title 28, United States Code, to provide for a 120-day limit to the term of a United States Attorney appointed on an interim basis by the Attorney General, 2 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

March 7, full Committee, hearing on "Protecting the Right to Vote: Election Deception and Irregularities in Recent Federal Elections," 3 p.m., 2141 Rayburm.

March 8, Subcommittee on Courts, the Internet and Intellectual Property, hearing on "An Update—Piracy on University Networks," 2 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

March 8, Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism and Homeland Security, hearing on the McNulty Memorandum's Effect on the Right to Counsel in Corporate Investigations, 9:30 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Natural Resources, March 6, Subcommittee on Fisheries, Wildlife and Oceans, hearing on the Coral Reef Conservation Reauthorization Act of 2007, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

March 7, full Committee, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 162, Jean Lafitte National Historical Park and Preserve Boundary Adjustment Act of 2007; H.R. 249, To restore the prohibition on the commercial sale and slaughter of wild free-roaming horses and burros; H.R. 285, Steel Industry National Historic Site Act; H.R. 309, To direct the Secretary of the Interior to establish a demonstration program to facilitate landscape restoration programs within certain units of the National Park System established by law to preserve and interpret resources associated with American history; H.R. 319, Journey Through Hallowed Ground National Heritage Area Act; H.R. 505, Native Hawaiian Government Reorganization Act of 2007; H.R. 865, Copper Valley Native Allotment Resolution Act of 2007; and H.R. 886, Wild Sky Wilderness Act of 2007, 11 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

March 8, Subcommittee on Water and Power, oversight hearing on the fiscal year 2008 budget requests for the Bureau of Reclamation, the Federal Power Marketing Administrations, and the Water Resources division of the U.S. Geological Survey, 2 p.m., 1324 Longworth.

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, March 6, Subcommittee on Information Policy, Census and National Archives, to consider the following: A Citizen's Guide on Using the Freedom of Information Act and the Privacy Act of 1974 to Request Government Records; a measure Openness Promotes Effectiveness in our National (OPEN) Government Act of 2007; and a measure Presidential Records Act Amendment of 2007, 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

March 8, full Committee, to consider pending business, 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

March 8, Subcommittee on Federal Workforce, Postal Service and the District of Columbia, hearing on the "Status of Federal Personnel Reform," 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on Rules, March 6, to consider the following: H.R. 569, Water Quality Investment Act of 2007; and H.R. 700, Healthy Communities Water Supply Act of 2007, 2:30 p.m., H–313 Capitol.

Committee on Science and Technology, March 7, Sub-committee on Energy and Environment, hearing on the Department of Energy Fiscal Year 2008 Research and Development Budget Proposal, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

March 7, Subcommittee on Investigations and Oversight, to consider issuing subpoenas in the matter of the investigation into NASA's Inspector General, 2 p.m., 2318 Rayburn.

March 8, Subcommittee on Research and Science Education, hearing on Improving the Laboratory Experience for America's High School Students and to mark up H.R. 524, To establish a laboratory pilot program at the National Science Foundation, 2 p.m., 2318 Rayburn.

March 8, Subcommittee on Technology and Innovation, hearing on the Department of Homeland Security's R&D Budget Priorities for Fiscal Year 2008, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

March 9, Subcommittee on Space and Aeronautics, hearing on the FAA's R&D Budget Priorities for Fiscal Year 2008, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Small Business, March 7, hearing entitled "Advancing the Innovation Agenda: The Perspective of the Technology and Telecommunications Industry," 10 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

March 8, hearing to review legislation affecting the SBA's Disaster and Access to Capital programs, 10 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, March 7, Subcommittee on Highways and Transit and the Subcommittee on Railroads, Pipelines, and Hazardous Materials, joint hearing on Transit and Rail Security, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

March 7, Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment, hearing on the impact of Aquatic Invasive Species on the Great Lakes, 2 p.m., 2167 Rayburn.

March 8, Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation, oversight hearing on the Coast Guard Budget and Authorization for Fiscal Year 2008, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Committee on Veterans Affairs, March 7, Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity, hearing Performance Review of Services, 2 p.m., 340 Cannon.

March 8, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing on Service Members Seamless Transition into Civilian Life—The Heroes Return, 3:30 p.m., 334 Cannon.

Committee on Ways and Means, March 6, Subcommittee on Health, hearing on the Medicare Payment Advisory Commission's report on the Sustainable Growth Rate, 2 p.m., 1100 Longworth.

March 6, Subcommittee on Income Security and Family Support, hearing on Recent Changes to Programs Assisting Low-Income Families, 11 a.m., B–318 Rayburn.

March 7, Subcommittee on Select Revenue Measures, hearing on the Alternative Minimum Tax, 2 p.m., 11200 Longworth.

March 8, Subcommittee on Health and the Subcommittee on Oversight, joint hearing on Medicare Program Integrity, 10 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, March 6, executive, hearing on Director of National Intelligence (DNI) and National Intelligence Program (NIP) Budget Rollout, 2:30 p.m., H–405 Capitol.

March 7, briefing on Hot Spots, 8:45 a.m., H-405 Capitol.

March 8, executive, hearing on Military Intelligence Program (MIP) Budget Overview, 10:30 a.m., H–405 Capitol.

Joint Meetings

Joint Hearing: March 8, Senate Committee on Veterans' Affairs, to hold joint hearings with the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs to examine the legislative presentation of the Paralyzed Veterans of America, Jewish War Veterans, and Blinded Veterans Association, 9:30 a.m., SD–106.

March 6, Full Committee, to hold joint hearings with the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs to examine the legislative presentation of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, 9:30 a.m., 345 CHOB. Next Meeting of the SENATE 1:30 p.m., Monday, March 5

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 12:30 p.m., Monday, March 5

Senate Chamber

Program for Monday: After the transaction of any morning business (not to extend beyond 3 p.m.), Senate will resume consideration of S. 4, Improving America's Security by Implementing Unfinished Recommendations of the 9/11 Commission Act.

House Chamber

Program for Monday: To be announced.



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