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Senate

Chamber Action

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Measures Introduced: Twelve bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 687–698, and S. Res. 86–87.

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Measures Reported: S. 316, to prohibit brand name drug companies from compensating generic drug companies to delay the entry of a generic drug into the market.

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Improving America's Security by Implementing Unfinished Recommendations of the 9/11 Commission Act of 2007: Senate began consideration of the motion to proceed to 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. Pages S2245–53

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

By a unanimous vote of 97 yeas (Vote No. 53), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, having voted in the affirmative, Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill.

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A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill at approximately 10:30 a.m. on Wednesday, February 28, 2007.

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Surface Transportation and Rail Security Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 184, to provide improved rail and surface transportation security, be withdrawn.

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A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill be vitiated.

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Jeffrey A. Taylor, of the District of Columbia, to be United States Attorney for the District of Columbia for the term of four years. 14 Navy nominations in the rank of admiral.

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Executive Communications: Pages \$2270-72
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Record Votes: One record vote was taken today. (Total—53)

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m., and adjourned at 5:23 p.m., until 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday, February 28, 2007.

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: On Tuesday, February 13, 2007 committee approved for reporting the following subcommittee assignments for the 110th Congress:

Subcommittee on Nutrition and Food Assistance, Sustainable and Organic Agriculture, and General Legislation: Senators Leahy (Chairman), Lincoln, Stabenow, Brown, Casey, Klobuchar, Coleman, Lugar, Cochran, McConnell, and Crapo.

Subcommittee on Energy, Science and Technology: Senators Conrad (Chairman), Nelson (NE), Salazar, Brown, Casey, Klobuchar, Thune, Lugar, Graham, Coleman, and Grassley.

Subcommittee on Domestic and Foreign Marketing, Inspection, and Plant and Animal Health: Senators Baucus (Chairman), Conrad, Stabenow, Nelson (NE), Salazar, Casey, Graham, McConnell, Roberts, Crapo, and Thune.

Subcommittee on Production, Income Protection and Price Support: Senators Lincoln (Chairman), Leahy, Conrad, Baucus, Brown, Klobuchar, Roberts, Cochran, Coleman, Thune, and Grassley.

Subcommittee on Rural Revitalization, Conservation, Forestry and Credit: Senators Stabenow (Chairman), Leahy, Baucus, Lincoln, Nelson (NE), Salazar, Crapo, Lugar, Cochran, McConnell, and Graham.

AGRICULTURE PROGRAMS BUDGET

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, and Related Agencies concluded a hearing to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2008 for agriculture programs, after receiving testimony from Mike Johanns, Secretary of Agriculture; and Andrew von Eschenbach, Commissioner, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services.

SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET REQUEST

Committee on Appropriations: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the Supplemental Request for fiscal year 2007, after receiving testimony from Condoleezza Rice, Secretary of State; Robert Gates, Secretary of Defense; and General Peter Pace, Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff.

WORLDWIDE THREATS

Committee on Armed Services: Committee concluded open and closed hearings to examine the current and future worldwide threats to the national security of the United States, after receiving testimony from General Michael D. Maples, USA, Director, Defense Intelligence Agency; Thomas Fingar, Deputy Director of National Intelligence for Analysis, and Chairman, and Joseph DeTrani, North Korea Mission Manager, both of the National Intelligence Council; and Vice Admiral John M. McConnell, USN (Ret.), Director, National Intelligence.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Armed Services: Committee ordered favorably reported 1,281 military nominations in the Army, Navy, Air Force, and Marine Corps.

PASSENGER RAIL INVESTMENT AND IMPROVEMENT ACT

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Surface Transportation and Merchant Marine Infrastructure, Safety and Security concluded a hearing to examine S. 294, to reauthorize Amtrak, after receiving testimony from Senator Casey; Pennsylvania Governor Edward G. Rendell, Harrisburg; Joseph H. Boardman, Administrator, Federal Railroad Administration, Department of Transportation; Frank J. Busalacchi, Wisconsin Department of Transportation, Madison, on behalf of the States for Passenger Rail Coalition; Kelly Taylor, Oregon Department of Transportation Rail Division, Salem; and Alex Kummant, Amtrak, Washington, D.C.

ENERGY

Committee on Finance: Committee concluded a hearing to examine America's energy future, focusing on bold ideas and practical solutions, including the Air Force Energy Strategy for the 21st Century, after receiving testimony from Michael A. Aimone, Assistant Deputy Chief of Staff for Logistics, Installations, and Mission Support, United States Air Force; Montana Governor, Brian Schweitzer, Helena; Dan E. Arvizu, National Renewable Energy Laboratory, Golden, Colorado; Robert Socolow, Princeton University Carbon Mitigation Initiative, Princeton, New Jersey; and Dan W. Reicher, Google Corporation Energy and Climate Initiatives, Mountain View, California.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations Stanley Davis Phillips, of North Carolina, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Estonia, who was introduced by Senators Dole, Burr, and Lieberman, and Sam Fox, of Missouri, to be Ambassador to Belgium, who was introduced by former Senator Danforth and Senators Bond, McCaskill, and Specter, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

TOBACCO REGULATION

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: Committee concluded a hearing to examine S. 625, to protect the public health by providing the Food and Drug Administration with certain authority to regulate tobacco products, after receiving testimony from Lisa Shames, Acting Director, Natural Resources and Environment, Government Accountability Office; Matthew Myers, Campaign for Tobacco-Free Kids, and Elmer Huerta, American Cancer Society, both of Washington, D.C.; Richard Land, Southern Baptist Convention, Nashville, Tennessee; Jack E. Henningfield, Pinney and Associates, and Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine, Baltimore, Maryland; Gregory N. Connolly, Harvard School of Public Health, Cambridge, Massachusetts; and Alan Blum, University of Alabama Center for the Study of Tobacco and Society, Tuscaloosa.

PROSECUTORS AND DEFENDERS INCENTIVE ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded a hearing to examine S. 442, to provide for loan repayment for prosecutors and public defenders, after receiving testimony from Paul A. Logli, Winnebago

County State's Attorney, Rockford, Illinois, on behalf of the National District Attorneys Association; Jessica A. Bergeman, Cook County Assistant State's Attorney, Chicago, Illinois; and George B. Shepherd, Emory University School of Law, Atlanta, Georgia.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 30 public bills, H.R. 1190–1219; 1 private bill, H.R. 1220; and 8 resolutions, H.J. Res. 38; H. Con. Res. 75; and H. Res. 194, 196–200, were introduced.

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Additional Cosponsors:

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Reports Filed: A report was filed on Friday, February 23rd as follows:

H.R. 556, to ensure national security while promoting foreign investment and the creation and maintenance of jobs, to reform the process by which such investments are examined for any effect they may have on national security and to establish the Committee on Foreign Investment in the United States, with an amendment (H. Rept. 110–24, Pt. 1).

A report was filed today as follows:

H. Res. 195, providing for consideration of H.R. 556, to ensure national security while promoting foreign investment and the creation and maintenance of jobs, to reform the process by which such investments are examined for any effect they may have on national security and to establish the Committee on Foreign Investment in the United States (H. Rept. 110–25).

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein she appointed Representative Salazar to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

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

Supporting the goals and ideals of a National Medal of Honor Day to celebrate and bonor the recipients of the Medal of Honor: H. Con. Res. 47, to support the goals and ideals of a National Medal of Honor Day to celebrate and honor the recipients of the Medal of Honor, by a ½3 yea-and-nay vote of 411 yeas with none voting "nay," Roll No. 103;

Pages H1900-03, H1931

Promoting Transparency in Financial Reporting Act of 2007: H.R. 755, to require annual oral testimony before the Financial Services Committee of the Chairperson or a designee of the Chairperson of the

Securities and Exchange Commission, the Financial Accounting Standards Board, and the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board, relating to their efforts to promote transparency in financial reporting, by a ²/₃ yea-and-nay vote of 412 yeas with none voting "nay," Roll No. 104; Pages H1903–05, H1931–32

Depository Institution Community Development Investments Enhancement Act: H.R. 1066, to increase community development investments by depository institutions; Pages H1905-06

Brownfields Redevelopment Enhancement Act: H.R. 644, to facilitate the provision of assistance by the Department of Housing and Urban Development for the cleanup and economic redevelopment of brownfields;

Pages H1906–09

Promoting Antiterrorism Cooperation through Technology and Science Act: H.R. 884, to provide for the establishment of the Science and Technology Homeland Security International Cooperative Programs Office, by a ²/₃ yea-and-nay vote of 396 yeas to 16 nays, Roll No. 105; Pages H1909-14, H1932-33

Recognizing Ann Richards' extraordinary contributions to Texas and American public life: H. Res. 42, to recognize Ann Richards' extraordinary contributions to Texas and American public life;

Pages H1914-19

Pell Grant Equity Act of 2007: H.R. 990, to provide all low-income students with the same opportunity to receive a Pell Grant by eliminating the tuition sensitivity provision in the Pell Grant program;

Pages H1919-21

Agreed to amend the title so as to read: "To provide all low-income students with the same opportunity to receive a Pell Grant by suspending the tuition sensitivity provision in the Pell Grant program.".

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Commending the University of Southern California Trojan football team for its victory in the 2007 Rose Bowl: H. Res. 126, to commend the University of Southern California Trojan football team for its victory in the 2007 Rose Bowl;

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Congratulating the Mount Union College Purple Raiders for winning the 2006 NCAA Division III Football National Championship: H. Res. 103, to congratulate the Mount Union College Purple Raiders for winning the 2006 NCAA Division III Football National Championship; Pages H1923–24

Providing for the construction, operation, and maintenance of an arterial road in St. Louis County, Missouri: H.R. 1129, to provide for the construction, operation, and maintenance of an arterial road in St. Louis County, Missouri;

Pages H1924-26

Providing for the conditional conveyance of any interest retained by the United States in St. Joseph Memorial Hall in St. Joseph, Michigan: H.R. 494, to provide for the conditional conveyance of any interest retained by the United States in St. Joseph Memorial Hall in St. Joseph, Michigan; and

Pages H1926-27

Expressing the sense of the Congress regarding the need for additional research into the chronic neurological condition hydrocephalus: H. Con. Res. 74, to express the sense of the Congress regarding the need for additional research into the chronic neurological condition hydrocephalus. Pages H1929-31

Recess: The House recessed at 5:14 p.m. and reconvened at 6:30 p.m. Page H1931

Suspension—Proceedings Postponed: The House debated the following measure under suspension of the rules. Further proceedings were postponed until Wednesday, February 28th:

Supporting the goals and ideals of American Heart Month: H. Con. Res. 52, to support the goals and ideals of American Heart Month. Pages H1927-29

Senate Message: Message received from the Senate by the Clerk and subsequently presented to the House today appears on page H1899.

Senate Referrals: S. 171 was referred to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

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Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on pages H1970–77.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Three yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H1931, H1932, and H1932–33. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 2 p.m. and adjourned at 11:43 p.m.

Committee Meetings

HOMELAND SECURITY APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Homeland Security held a hearing on Secure Border Initia-

tive. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Homeland Security: W. Ralph Basham, Commissioner, Customs and Border Patrol; Gregory Giddens, Manager, SBInet Program Manager; David Aguilar, Chief, U.S. Border Patrol; and Jayson Ahern, Assistant Commissioner, Field Operations; and the following officials of GAO: Richard Stana, Director, Homeland Security Justice Issues; and Randolph Hite, Director, Information Technology Architect and Systems Issues.

INTERIOR, ENVIRONMENT, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies held a hearing on Interior Context. Testimony was heard from Tracy Mehan, former Assistant Administrator, Water, Water Quality, EPA; and public witnesses.

LABOR, HHS, EDUCATION, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies held a hearing on the Secretary of Health and Human Services. Testimony was heard from Michael O. Leavitt, Secretary of Health and Human Services.

LEGISLATIVE BRANCH APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Legislative Branch held a hearing on the Architect of the Capitol: Long-Range Requirements. Testimony was heard from Stephen Ayers, Acting Architect of the Capitol; Anna Franz, Director, Planning and Project Management; and Frank Tiscione, Superintendent of House Office Buildings.

STRENGTHENING COMMUNITIES

Committee on Education and Labor: Subcommittee on Healthy Families and Communities held a hearing on Strengthening Communities: An Overview of Service and Volunteering in America. Testimony was heard from David Eisner, CEO, Corporation for National and Community Service; and public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT—MINERAL AND LAND MANAGEMENT BUDGET

Committee on Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources held an oversight hearing to review the proposed fiscal year 2008 budget for the Minerals Management Services, the Bureau of Land Management, Energy and Minerals programs, the Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement, the Minerals and Geology Program of the Forest Service, and the U.S. Geological Survey, except for the activities and programs of the Water Resources Division. Testimony was heard from the

following officials of the Department of the Interior: R.M. Johnnie Burton, Director, Minerals Management Service; Mark Myers, Director, U.S. Geological Survey; Jim Hughes, Acting Director, Bureau of Land Management; and Brent Wahlquist, Acting Director, Office of Surface Mining Reclamation Enforcement; and Frederick Norbury, Associate Deputy Chief, National Forest System, U.S. Forest Service, USDA.

OVERSIGHT—NOAA-U.S. FISH AND WILDLIFE BUDGET

Committee on Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Fisheries, Wildlife, and Oceans held an oversight hearing on the Fiscal Year 2008 budget request for NOAA and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. Testimony was heard from VADM Conrad C. Lautenbacher, Jr., USN (Ret.) Under Secretary, Oceans and Atmosphere and Administrator, NOAA, Department of Commerce; and H. Dale Hall, Director, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior.

OVERSIGHT—OFFICE OF INSULAR AFFAIRS BUDGET

Committee on Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Insular Affairs held an oversight hearing on the Fiscal Year 2008 budget request for the Department of the Interior's Office of Insular Affairs. Testimony was heard from David B. Cohen, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Insular Affairs, Department of the Interior; and the following Governors: Togiola T. A. Tulafono, American Samoa; and Felix Perez Camacho, Guam.

OVERSIGHT—BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT AND FOREST SERVICE BUDGETS

Committee on Natural Resources: Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Public Lands held an oversight hearing on the Fiscal Year 2008 Budget Request for the Bureau of Land Management and the Forest Service. Testimony was heard from Abigail Kimbell, Chief, Forest Service, USDA; and Jim Hughes, Acting Director, Bureau of Land Management, Department of the Interior.

NATIONAL SECURITY FOREIGN INVESTMENT REFORM AND STRENGTHENED TRANSPARENCY ACT OF 2007

Committee on Rules: Granted, by a voice vote, an open rule with a preprinting requirement. The rule provides one hour of general debate on H.R. 556. National Security Foreign Investment Reform and Strengthened Transparency Act of 2007, equally divided and controlled by the Chairman and Ranking

Minority Member of the Committee on Financial Services. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill except for clause 9 and 10 of Rule XXI. The rule provides that the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Financial Services now printed in the bill shall be considered as an original bill for the purpose of amendment. The rule provides that the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute shall be considered for amendment by section and that each section shall be considered as read.

The rule also makes in order only those amendments to the amendment in the nature of a substitute that are pre-printed in the Congressional Record or are pro forma amendments for the purpose of debate. The rule provides that each amendment printed in the Congressional Record may be offered only by the Member who caused it to be printed or a designee, and that each amendment shall be considered as read. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or with instructions. Testimony was heard from Chairman Frank, Representatives Maloney of NY, and Paul.

Joint Meetings

DISABLED AMERICAN VETERANS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Committee concluded joint hearings with the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs to examine the legislative presentation of the Disabled American Veterans, after receiving testimony from Bradley S. Barton, Disabled American Veterans, Cold Spring, Kentucky.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D207)

H.R. 742, to amend the Antitrust Modernization Commission Act of 2002, to extend the term of the Antitrust Modernization Commission and to make a technical correction. Signed on February 26, 2007 (Public Law 110–6)

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2007

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Transportation, Treasury, the Judiciary, and Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine AMTRAK 2008, 10:30 a.m., SD–138.

Subcommittee on Defense, to hold hearings to provide an overview of the President's proposed budget for fiscal year 2008 for defense-related matters, 10:30 a.m., SD-192.

Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine one year after the Sago and Alma coalmining disasters relating to efforts to improve mine safety, 2 p.m., SD–124.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: to hold hearings to examine the Terrorism Risk Insurance Program, 10:30 a.m., SD-538.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Sub-committee on Consumer Affairs, Insurance, and Automotive Safety, to hold hearings to examine vehicle safety for children, 10 a.m., SR-253.

Subcommittee on Space, Aeronautics, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine the President's budget request for fiscal year 2008 for the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA), 2:30 p.m., SR–253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: to hold hearings to examine the President's budget request for fiscal year 2008 for the USDA Forest Service, 9:45 a.m., SD-366.

Committee on the Judiciary: to hold hearings to examine comprehensive immigration reform, 10 a.m., SH-216.

Committee on Rules and Administration: to hold hearings to examine Senate Committee Budget Requests, 9:30 a.m., SR-301.

Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship: to hold hearings to examine the President's Budget Request for Fiscal Year 2008 for the Small Business Administration, 10 a.m., SR–428A.

Special Committee on Aging: to hold hearings to examine the aging workforce, focusing on its meaning for businesses and the economy, 10:30 a.m., SD-628.

House

Committee on Agriculture, Subcommittee on Horticulture and Organic Agriculture, hearing to review the proposals of the Department of Agriculture for the 2007 Farm Bill with respect to specialty crops and organic agriculture, 10 a.m., 1302 Longworth.

Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies, on FDA, 10 a.m., 2362A Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies, on National Science Board, 10 a.m., and on Science Funding, 2 p.m., 2359 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development, and Related Agencies, on Energy Outlook—the Next Decade, 10 a.m., 2362B Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Financial Services and General Government, on Consumer Issues, 10 a.m., 2220 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies, on the EPA, 9 a.m., B-308 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies, on Health Resources Services Administration, 10 a.m., 2212 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies, on Fiscal Year 2007 Supplemental Request, 2 p.m., H–143 Capitol.

Subcommittee on Transportation, and Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies, on Transportation and Housing: Trends and Challenges over the Next Decade, 10 a.m., 2358 Rayburn.

Committee on Armed Services, hearing on the Fiscal Year 2008 National Defense Budget Request from the Department of the Air Force, 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Military Personnel, hearing on the impact of changes to the Reserve Montgomery G.I. Bill, 2 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Committee on the Budget, hearing on Fiscal Challenges and the Economy in the Long Term, 10 a.m., 210 Cannon

Committee on Education and Labor, Subcommittee on Early Childhood, Elementary and Secondary Education, hearing on Improving Head Start for America's Children, 10:30 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, Subcommittee on Commerce, Trade, and Consumer Protection, hearing entitled "The Lack of Diversity in Leadership Positions in NCAA Collegiate Sports," 9:30 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Energy and Air Quality, hearing entitled "A Review of the Administration's Energy Proposal for the Transportation Sector," 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Telecommunications and the Internet, hearing entitled "H.R. 251, Truth in Caller ID Act of 2007," 2 p.m., 2322 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled "Insurance Claims Payment Processes in the Gulf Coast after the 2005 Hurricanes," 2 p.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Foreign Affairs, hearing on Iraq and U.S. Foreign Policy, 10 a.m., and a hearing on North Korea: The February 13th Agreement, 1:30 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Emergency Communication, Preparedness, and Response and the Subcommittee on Management, Investigations, and Oversight, joint hearing entitled "Reforming FEMA: Are We Making Progress?" 10 a.m., 311 Cannon.

Committee on House Administration, to consider Committee funding requests, 9:30 a.m., and 2 p.m., 1310 Longworth.

Committee on the Judiciary, to consider the following: pending Committee business; a resolution establishing an Antitrust Task Force; and H.R. 1130, Judicial Disclosure Responsibility Act, 10:15 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Antitrust Task Force, hearing on Competition and the Future of Digital Music, 3 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Natural Resources, oversight hearing on the Evolving West, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, to consider the following: Committee's Budget Views and Estimates for Fiscal Year 2008 for submission to the Committee on the Budget; H. Res. 180, Honoring the life and achievements of Leo T. McCarthy and expressing profound sorrow on his death; H. Res. 162, Recognizing the contributions of the Negro Baseball Leagues and their players; and H. Con. Res. 62, Supporting the goals and

ideals of a National Children and Families Day, in order to encourage adults in the United States to support and listen to children and to help children throughout the Nation achieve their hopes and dreams; followed by a hearing entitled "Reforming the Presidential Library Funding Disclosure Process," 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Government Management, Organization, and Procurement, hearing entitled "9/11 Health Effects: Federal Monitoring and Treatment of Residents and Responders," 12 p.m., 2247 Rayburn.

Committee on Rules, to consider H.R. 800, Employee Free Choice Act, 3 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

Committee on Science and Technology, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 85, Energy Technology Transfer Act; H.R. 1068, To amend the High-Performance Computing Act of 1991; H.R. 1126, To reauthorize the Steel and Aluminum Energy Conservation and Technology Competitiveness Act of 1988; and H.R. 363, Sowing the Seeds through Science and Engineering Research Act, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Small Business, to consider Committee's Budget Views and Estimates for Fiscal Year 2008 for submission to the Committee on the Budget, 10 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing on Information and Security Management at the Department of Veterans Affairs, 2 p.m., 334 Cannon.

Committee on Ways and Means, to consider Committee's Budget Views and Estimates for Fiscal Year 2008 for submission to the Committee on the Budget, 10 a.m., and to hold a hearing on Energy and Tax Policy, focusing on climate change, 10:30 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, executive, hearing on Fiscal Year 2007 Supplemental Request, 10:30 a.m., H–405.

Joint Meetings

Joint Economic Committee: to hold hearings to examine meeting the challenge of income instability, 9:30 a.m., SD-562.

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Senate Chamber

Program for Wednesday: After the transaction of morning business (not to extend beyond 60 minutes), Senate will begin consideration of S. 4, Improving America's Security by Implementing Unfinished Recommendations of the 9/11 Commission Act.

House Chamber

Program for Wednesday: Consideration of H.R. 556-National Security Foreign Investment Reform and Strengthened Transparency Act of 2007.

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