

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

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Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S2253–S2312

Measures Introduced: Four bills and four resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2791–2794, S. Res. 493–495, and S. Con. Res. 72–73. **Page S2295**

Measures Reported:

Report to accompany S. 1638, to adjust the salaries of Federal justices and judges. (S. Rept. No. 110–277)

S. 2304, to amend title I of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 to provide grants for the improved mental health treatment and services provided to offenders with mental illnesses, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

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Measures Passed:

Financial Literacy Month: Senate agreed to S. Res. 495, designating April 2008 as “Financial Literacy Month”. **Pages S2306–07**

Ryan Haight Online Pharmacy Consumer Protection Act: Senate passed S. 980, to amend the Controlled Substances Act to address online pharmacies, after agreeing to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, and the following amendment proposed thereto: **Pages S2307–10**

Nelson (FL) (for Feinstein) Amendment No. 4383, in the nature of a substitute. **Pages S2307–10**

Measures Considered:

New Direction for Energy Independence, National Security, and Consumer Protection Act and the Renewable Energy and Energy Conservation Tax Act—Agreement: Senate began consideration of the motion to reconsider the vote by which cloture was not invoked on the motion to proceed to consideration of H.R. 3221, moving the United States toward greater energy independence and security, developing innovative new technologies, reducing carbon emissions, creating green jobs, protecting

consumers, increasing clean renewable energy production, and modernizing our energy infrastructure, and to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide tax incentives for the production of renewable energy and energy conservation, and the motion was agreed to. **Pages S2268–85**

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

By 94 yeas to 1 nay (Vote No. 86), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, having voted in the affirmative, Senate upon reconsideration 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 motion to proceed to consideration of the bill at approximately 9:30 a.m., on Wednesday, April 2, 2008, and that all time during any adjournment, recess or period of morning business count post-cloture; provided further, that at 12:30 p.m., on Wednesday, April 2, 2008, the Majority Leader be recognized. **Page S2312**

Child Protection Improvements Act Referral—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions be discharged from further consideration of S. 2756, to amend the National Child Protection Act of 1993 to establish a permanent background check system, and that the bill be referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

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Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

Deborah K. Jones, of New Mexico, to be Ambassador to the State of Kuwait.

Kevin J. O’Connor, of Connecticut, to be Associate Attorney General. **Pages S2310–11, S2312**

Messages from the House: **Page S2292**

Measures Referred: **Pages S2292–93**

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Record Votes: One record vote was taken today.
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Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 6:19 p.m., until 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday, April 2, 2008. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on pages S2311–12.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

APPROPRIATIONS: U.S. FOREST SERVICE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies concluded a hearing to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2009 for the United States Forest Service, after receiving testimony from Mark Rey, Under Secretary for Natural Resources and Environment, and Abigail Kimbell, Chief, United States Forest Service, both of the Department of Agriculture.

DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION REQUEST

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Airland concluded a hearing to examine the defense authorization request for fiscal year 2009 relative to the Army's new doctrine (Field Manual 3–0, Operations), and the future years defense program, after receiving testimony from Lieutenant General William B. Caldwell, IV, USA, Commanding General, United States Army Combined Arms Center and Fort Leavenworth.

DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION REQUEST

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Readiness and Management Support concluded a hearing to examine the defense authorization request for fiscal year 2009 for the current readiness of the armed forces, and the future years defense program, after receiving testimony from General Richard A. Cody, USA, Vice Chief of Staff, United States Army, General Robert Magnus, USMC, Assistant Commandant of the Marine Corps, Admiral Patrick M. Walsh, USN, Vice Chief of Naval Operations, and General Duncan J. McNabb, USAF, Vice Chief of Staff,

United States Air Force, all of the Department of Defense.

DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION REQUEST

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Strategic Forces concluded a hearing to examine the defense authorization request for fiscal year 2009 for ballistic missile defense programs, and the future years defense program, after receiving testimony from John J. Young, Jr., Under Secretary for Acquisition, Technology and Logistics, Lieutenant General Henry A. Obering III, USAF, Director, Missile Defense Agency, Lieutenant General Kevin T. Campbell, USA, Commanding General, United States Army Space and Missile Defense Command, and Charles E. McQueary, Director, Operational Test and Evaluation, all of the Department of Defense; and Paul L. Francis, Director, Acquisition and Sourcing Management, Government Accountability Office.

FOREST LANDSCAPE RESTORATION ACT

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee concluded a hearing to examine S. 2593, to establish a program at the Forest Service and the Department of the Interior to carry out collaborative ecological restoration treatments for priority forest landscapes on public land, after receiving testimony from Gail Kimbell, Chief, Forest Service, Department of Agriculture; Henri Bisson, Deputy Director, Bureau of Land Management, Department of the Interior; Scott Simon, Nature Conservancy, Little Rock, Arkansas; Christopher I. West, American Forest Resource Council, Portland, Oregon; Nathaniel Lawrence, Natural Resources Defense Council, Olympia, Washington; and Howard Gross, Forest Guild, Santa Fe, New Mexico.

ANTI-TERRORISM FINANCING

Committee on Finance: Committee concluded a hearing to examine anti-terrorism financing, focusing on progress made and the challenges ahead, after receiving testimony from Stuart Levey, Under Secretary of the Treasury for Terrorism and Financial Intelligence.

IRAQ

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee met in closed session to receive a briefing on the situation in Iraq from Stephen S. Kaplan, Vice Chairman, and Alan R. Pino, National Intelligence Officer for the Near East, both of the National Intelligence Council, and certain other members of the intelligence community.

OSHA VIOLATIONS

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: Subcommittee on Employment and Workplace Safety concluded a hearing to examine Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) violations, focusing on strategies for breaking dangerous patterns, after receiving testimony from Eric Frumin, Change to Win, New York, New York; Doris Morrow, United Food and Commercial Workers International Union (UFCW) Local 227, Robards, Kentucky; Carman J. Bianco, Behavioral Science Technology, Inc., Ojai, California; and Gerard Scannell, Washington, D.C.

ACCOUNTABILITY FOR SEXUAL VIOLENCE IN WAR

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Human Rights and the Law concluded a hearing to examine

rape as a weapon of war, focusing on accountability for sexual violence in conflict, after receiving testimony from Karin Wachter, International Rescue Committee, Kelly Dawn Askin, Open Society Justice Initiative, and Lisa F. Jackson, all of New York, New York; and Denis Mukwege, Panzi General Referral Hospital, Bukavu, South Kivu, Democratic Republic of the Congo.

BUSINESS MEETING

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee met in closed session to consider pending intelligence matters.

Committee recessed subject to the call.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 9 public bills, H.R. 5668–5676; and 6 resolutions, H. Res. 1064, 1066–1070, were introduced. **Pages H1888–89**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages H1889–90**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 2016, to establish the National Landscape Conservation System, with an amendment (H. Rept. 110–561) and

H. Res. 1065, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 5501) to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 2009 through 2013 to provide assistance to foreign countries to combat HIV/AIDS, tuberculosis, and malaria (H. Rept. 110–562). **Page H1888**

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein she appointed Representative Israel to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H1825**

Recess: The House recessed at 10:59 a.m. and reconvened at noon. **Page H1828**

Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the guest Chaplain, Rev. Jeri B. Greenwell, National Chaplain, American Legion Auxiliary. **Page H1828**

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

Expressing the strong support of the House of Representatives for the North Atlantic Treaty Organization to enter into a Membership Action Plan with Georgia and Ukraine: H. Res. 997,

amended, to express the strong support of the House of Representatives for the North Atlantic Treaty Organization to enter into a Membership Action Plan with Georgia and Ukraine; **Pages H1832–36**

Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives regarding the creation of refugee populations in the Middle East, North Africa, and the Persian Gulf region as a result of human rights violations: H. Res. 185, amended, to express the sense of the House of Representatives regarding the creation of refugee populations in the Middle East, North Africa, and the Persian Gulf region as a result of human rights violations; **Pages H1836–39**

Expressing the sense of Congress that the fatal radiation poisoning of Russian dissident and writer Alexander Litvinenko raises significant concerns about the potential involvement of elements of the Russian Government in Mr. Litvinenko's death and about the security and proliferation of radioactive materials: H. Con. Res. 154, amended, to express the sense of Congress that the fatal radiation poisoning of Russian dissident and writer Alexander Litvinenko raises significant concerns about the potential involvement of elements of the Russian Government in Mr. Litvinenko's death and about the security and proliferation of radioactive materials; **Pages H1839–41**

Civil Rights Act of 1964 Commemorative Coin Act: H.R. 2040, amended, to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of

the semicentennial of the enactment of the Civil Rights Act of 1964; **Pages H1841–44**

Expressing support for a national day of remembrance for Harriet Ross Tubman: H. Con. Res. 310, to express support for a national day of remembrance for Harriet Ross Tubman, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeas-and-nay vote of 416 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 150; **Pages H1844–47, H1865**

Supporting the goals and ideals of Borderline Personality Awareness Month: H. Res. 1005, amended, to support the goals and ideals of Borderline Personality Awareness Month, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeas-and-nay vote of 414 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 151; **Pages H1847–48, H1865–66**

Agreed to amend the title so as to read: “Supporting the goals and ideals of Borderline Personality Disorder Awareness Month.” **Page H1866**

Supporting the goals, ideals, and history of National Women’s History Month: H. Res. 1021, amended, to support the goals, ideals, and history of National Women’s History Month, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeas-and-nay vote of 413 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 152; **Pages H1848–51, H1866–67**

Cody Grater Post Office Building Designation Act: H.R. 5168, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 19101 Cortez Boulevard in Brooksville, Florida, as the “Cody Grater Post Office Building”; **Pages H1851–52**

Amending title 11, District of Columbia Official Code, to implement the increase provided under the District of Columbia Appropriations Act, 2008, in the amount of funds made available for the compensation of attorneys representing indigent defendants in the District of Columbia courts: H.R. 5551, to amend title 11, District of Columbia Official Code, to implement the increase provided under the District of Columbia Appropriations Act, 2008, in the amount of funds made available for the compensation of attorneys representing indigent defendants in the District of Columbia courts; **Pages H1852–53**

Preserving existing judgeships on the Superior Court of the District of Columbia: S. 550, to preserve existing judgeships on the Superior Court of the District of Columbia—clearing the measure for the President; **Pages H1853–54**

Raising awareness and promoting education on the criminal justice system by establishing March 2008 as “National Criminal Justice Month”: H. Res. 945, to raise awareness and promote education on the criminal justice system by establishing March 2008 as “National Criminal Justice Month”; **Pages H1854–57**

Arts Require Timely Service (ARTS) Act: H.R. 1312, amended, to expedite adjudication of employer petitions for aliens of extraordinary artistic ability; and **Pages H1857–60**

Commemorating the 40th anniversary of the assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., and encouraging people of the United States to pause and remember the life and legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.: H. Res. 1061, to commemorate the 40th anniversary of the assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., and to encourage people of the United States to pause and remember the life and legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. **Pages H1860–64**

Discharge Petition: Representative Boustany moved to discharge the Committee on Rules from the consideration of H. Res. 1025, providing for the consideration of the bill (H.R. 1843) to extend the termination date for the exemption of returning workers from the numerical limitations for temporary workers (Discharge Petition No. 6).

Moment of Silence: The House observed a moment of silence in honor of William L. Dickinson, former Member of Congress. **Page H1865**

Committee Election: The House agreed to H. Res. 1066, electing the following Members to serve on the Committee on Financial Services: Representative Foster and Representative Carson. **Page H1867**

Quorum Calls—Votes: Three yeas-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H1865, H1865–66, and H1866–67. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10:30 a.m. and adjourned at 7:18 p.m.

Committee Meetings

RURAL DEVELOPMENT

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration and Related Agencies held a hearing on Rural Development. Testimony was heard from Thomas Dorr, Under Secretary, Rural Development, USDA.

FBI

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science and Related Agencies held a hearing on the FBI. Testimony was heard from Robert S. Mueller III, Director, FBI, Department of Justice.

NATIONAL ARCHIVES

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Financial Services and General Government held a hearing on the National Archives. Testimony was heard from

Allen Weinstein, Archivist, National Archives and Records Administration.

HOMELAND SECURITY'S OFFICE OF HEALTH CARE; PROTECTING THE NATION'S PHYSICAL AND CYBER INFRASTRUCTURE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Homeland Security held a hearing on Department of Homeland Security, Office of Health Affairs. Testimony was heard from Jeffrey W. Runge, M.D., Assistant Secretary Health Affairs and Chief Medical Director, Department of Homeland Security.

The Subcommittee also held a hearing on Addressing the Challenges of Protecting the Nation's Physical and Cyber Infrastructure. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Homeland Security: Robert Jamison, Under Secretary, National Protection Programs Directorate; Robert Stephen, Assistant Secretary, Infrastructure Protection; and Gregory Garcia, Assistant Secretary, Cyber Security and Communications.

NATIONAL ENDOWMENT FOR THE ARTS; ARTS ADVOCACY DAY

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Interior, Environment and Related Agencies held a hearing on National Endowment for the Arts and Arts Advocacy Day. Testimony was heard from Representatives Shays and Slaughter; Dana Gioia, Chairman, National Endowment for the Arts; and public witnesses.

AIR MOBILITY/TRANSPORTATION COMMANDS BUDGET

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Air and Land Forces held a hearing on Fiscal Year 2009 National Defense Authorization Budget Request from the U.S. Transportation Command and Air Force Mobility Aircraft Programs. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of the Air Force: GEN Arthur J. Lichte, USAF, Commander, Air Mobility Command; GEN Norton A. Schwartz, USAF, Commander, U.S. Transportation Command; and Sue Payton, Assistant Secretary, Acquisition.

RESERVES/NATIONAL GUARD READINESS BUDGET

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Readiness held a hearing on Fiscal Year 2009 National Defense Authorization Budget Request on the Readiness of the Army and Air Force Reserves and National Guard Forces. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the National Guard Bureau: LTG H. Steven Blum, USA, Chief; LTG Clyde A. Vaughn, USA, Director, Army National Guard; and

LTG Craig R. McKinley, USAF, Director, Air National Guard; LTG Jack Stultz, USA, Chief, U.S. Army Reserve; and LTG John A. Bradley, USAF, Chief, U.S. Air Force Reserve.

CYBERSECURITY ENABLING NETWORK CENTRIC OPERATIONS

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Terrorism, Unconventional Threats and Capabilities held a hearing on the Holistic Approaches to Cybersecurity Enabling Network Centric Operations. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

ONLINE VIRTUAL WORLDS

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Telecommunications and the Internet held a hearing entitled "Online Virtual Worlds: Applications and Avatars in a User-Generated Medium." Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

HOMELAND SECURITY SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

Committee on Homeland Security: Subcommittee on Emerging Threats, Cybersecurity and Science and Technology held a hearing entitled "The Future of Science and Technology at the Department of Homeland Security." Testimony was heard from Jay Cohen, Under Secretary, Science and Technology, Department of Homeland Security.

NATIONAL VOTER REGISTRATION ACT—CHALLENGES THAT PUBLIC ASSISTANCE AGENCIES FACE

Committee on House Administration: Subcommittee on Elections held a hearing on the National Voter Registration Act, section 7: The Challenges that public assistance agencies face. Testimony was heard from Johnnie McLean, Chief Deputy Director, Board of Elections, North Carolina; Catherine Truss, Departmental Specialist, Department of Human Services, Michigan; and public witnesses.

MILITARY RESERVE MEMBERS BANKRUPTCY PROTECTION

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Commercial and Administrative Law held a hearing on H.R. 4044, To amend the Bankruptcy Abuse Prevention and Consumer Protection Act of 2005 to exempt from the means test in bankruptcy cases, for a limited period, qualifying reserve-component members who, after September 11, 2001, are called to active duty or to perform a homeland defense activity for not less than 60 days. Testimony was heard from Representatives Schakowsky and Rohrabacher; and public witnesses.

9/11 WORKER HEALTH COMPENSATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Immigration, Citizenship, Refugees, Border Security and International Law and the Subcommittee on Constitution, Civil Rights and Civil Liberties, joint hearing on Paying With Their Lives: The Status of Compensation for 9/11 Health Effects. Testimony was heard from Anne-Marie Lasowski, Acting Director, Education, Workforce and Income Security, GAO; Michael Cardozo, Corporation Counsel, City of New York; and public witnesses.

U.S. HIV/AIDS, TB, MALARIA REAUTHORIZATION ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a rule providing for consideration of H.R. 5501, the Tom Lantos and Henry J. Hyde United States Global Leadership Against HIV/AIDS, Tuberculosis, and Malaria Reauthorization Act of 2008, under a structured rule. The rule provides 2 hours of general debate equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Foreign Affairs. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill except clauses 9 and 10 of Rule XXI. The rule provides that the bill shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against provisions of the bill. The rule makes in order only those amendments printed in the Rules Committee report. The amendments made in order may be offered only in the order printed in the report, may be offered only by a Member designated in the report, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, shall not be subject to amendment, and shall not be subject to a demand for a division of the question in the House or in the Committee of the Whole. All points of order against the amendments except for clauses 9 and 10 of Rule XXI are waived. The rule 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. Testimony was heard from Chairman Berman, Representatives McCollum of Minnesota, Carson of Indiana, Ros-Lehtinen, Fortenberry and Gingrey.

CDC'S FEMA TRAILER TESTING

Committee on Science and Technology: Subcommittee on Investigations and Oversight held a hearing on Toxic Trailers: Have the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Failed to Protect Public Health? Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry, Department of Health and Human Services: Howard

Frumkin, Director, Tom Sinks, Deputy Director, both with the National Center for Environmental Health; Harvey E. Johnson, Jr., Deputy Administrator, FEMA; Christopher De Rosa, former Director, Division of Technology and Environmental Medicine, Agency for Toxic Substances, and Disease Registry, Department of Health and Human Services; and public witnesses.

CAPITOL COMPLEX OPERATIONAL NEEDS

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings, and Emergency Management held a hearing on A Growing Capitol Complex and Visitor Center: Needs for Transportation Security, Greening, Energy, and Maintenance Testimony was heard from Stephen T. Ayers, Acting Architect of the Capitol; Terrie Rouse, Chief Executive Officer for Visitor Services; Daniel P. Beard, Chief Administrative Officer of the House; Chief Philip Morse, U.S. Capitol; Emeka Moneme, Director, Department of Transportation, District of Columbia; and public witnesses.

POST TRAUMATIC STRESS DISORDER

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Subcommittee on Health held a hearing on PTSD Treatment and Research: Moving Ahead Toward Recovery. Testimony was heard from COL Charles W. Hoge, M.D., USA, Director, Division of Psychiatry and Neuroscience, Walter Reed Army Institute of Research, Department of the Army, Department of Defense; Ira Katz, M.D., Deputy Chief Patient Care Services Officer for Mental Health; Veterans Health Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs; representatives of veterans organizations; and public witnesses.

2008 MEDICARE TRUSTEES REPORT

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Health held a hearing on the 2008 Medicare Trustees Report. Testimony was heard from Richard S. Foster, Chief Actuary, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services.

BRIEFING—CYBER TECHNOLOGY

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Met in executive session to receive a briefing on Cyber Technology. The Committee was briefed by departmental witnesses.

DRILLING FOR ANSWERS—OIL COMPANY PROFITS

Select Committee on Energy Independence and Global Warming: Held a hearing on Drilling for Answers: Oil Company Profits, Runaway Prices and the Pursuit of Alternatives. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY,
APRIL 2, 2008

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2009 for the Department of Energy, 9:30 a.m., SD-124.

Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine National Labor Relations Board Representation elections and initial collective bargaining agreements, focusing on safeguarding workers' rights, 10:30 a.m., SD-138.

Subcommittee on Defense, to meet in closed session to examine National Reconnaissance Office (NRO)/Space Programs, 10:30 a.m., S-407, Capitol.

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Emerging Threats and Capabilities, to hold hearings to examine the defense authorization request for fiscal year 2009 for the Cooperative Threat Reduction Program and the Proliferation Security Initiative at the Department of Defense, and nuclear nonproliferation programs at the National Nuclear Security Administration, and the future years defense program, 10 a.m., SR-232A.

Subcommittee on Readiness and Management Support, to hold hearings to examine the Department of Defense contracting in Iraq and Afghanistan, 2:30 p.m., SR-222.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: business meeting to consider S. 2688, to improve the protections afforded under Federal law to consumers from contaminated seafood by directing the Secretary of Commerce to establish a program, in coordination with other appropriate Federal agencies, to strengthen activities for ensuring that seafood sold or offered for sale to the public in or affecting interstate commerce is fit for human consumption, S.J. Res. 28, disapproving the rule submitted by the Federal Communications Commission with respect to broadcast media ownership, S. 2607, to make a technical correction to section 3009 of the Deficit Reduction Act of 2005, H.R. 3985, to amend title 49, United States Code, to direct the Secretary of Transportation to register a person providing transportation by an over-the-road bus as a motor carrier of passengers only if the person is willing and able to comply with certain accessibility requirements in addition to other existing requirements, H.R. 802, to amend the Act to Prevent Pollution from Ships to implement MARPOL Annex VI, and the nomination of Robert A. Sturgell, of Maryland, to be Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration, 2:30 p.m., SR-253.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: to hold an oversight hearing to examine the listing decision for the polar bear under the Endangered Species Act, 10 a.m., SD-406.

Committee on Foreign Relations: to hold hearings to examine Iraq after the surge, focusing on military prospects, 9:30 a.m., SD-419.

Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine Iraq after the surge, focusing on political prospects, 2:30 p.m., SD-419.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: to hold hearings to examine nuclear terrorism, focusing on assessing the threat to the United States, 11 a.m., SD-342.

Committee on the Judiciary: to hold oversight hearings to examine the Department of Homeland Security, 9:30 a.m., SH-216.

House

Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies, on Food and Drug Administration Center for Biologics Evaluation and Research, 11 a.m., 2362A Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies, on Outside Witnesses, 10 a.m., and on Legal Services Corporation, 2 p.m., H-309 Capitol.

Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development, and Related Agencies, on Department of Energy—Weapons Activities and Naval Reactors, 10 a.m., 2362-B Rayburn.

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

Subcommittee on Homeland Security, on Cargo, Container and Supply Chain Security, 10 a.m., 2359 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Interior, Environment and Related Agencies, on Indian Health Service, 11 a.m., B-308 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Military Construction, Veterans' Affairs and Related Agencies, on Department of Defense—Budget Overview, 1:30 p.m., H-143 Capitol.

Subcommittee on State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs, on Contributions to International Peacekeeping Activities (CIPA) and the Contributions to International Organizations (CID) accounts, 10 a.m., 2358-C Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies, on Highways and Transit Programs: The DOT Perspective on the Urgent Funding Needs for Today and Tomorrow, 10 a.m., and on Thoughts and Recommendations from the National Surface Transportation Policy and Revenue Study Commission, 2 p.m., 2358-A Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, to mark up H.R. 1108, Family Smoking Prevention and Tobacco Control Act, 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, Subcommittee on Domestic and International Monetary Policy, Trade and Technology, hearing entitled "Proposed UIGEA Regulations: Burden without Benefit?" 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Foreign Affairs, Subcommittee on International Organizations, Human Rights, and Oversight, hearing and briefing on the United Nations Peacekeeping Operations: An Underfunded International Mandate—the Role of the United States, 2 p.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on the Middle East and South Asia, hearing on the Strategic Chaos and Taliban Resurgence in Afghanistan, 2 p.m., 210 Cannon.

Committee on House Administration, to consider the following: H.R. 5493, To provide that the usual day for paying salaries in or under the House of Representatives may be established by regulations of the Committee on House Administration; a measure To permit membership in the exercise facility established for employees of the House of Representatives and in the House Staff Fitness Program to be made available to other Federal employees who are assigned to official duty at the House of Representatives; H.R. 5036, Emergency Assistance for Secure Elections Act of 2008; H.R. 281, Universal Right to Vote by Mail Act of 2007; H.R. 3032, To amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to permit candidates for election for Federal office to designate an individual who will be authorized to disburse funds of the authorized campaign committees of the candidate in the event of the death of the candidate; and an amendment to Regulations Governing the Use of Official Funds: Alternate Ride Home, 11 a.m., 1310 Longworth.

Committee on the Judiciary, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 2176, To provide for an approve the settlement of certain land claims of the Bay Mills Indian Community; H.R. 4115, To provide for and approve the settlement of certain land claims of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians; H.R. 5570, Religious Worker Visa Extension Act of 2008; H.R. 5060, To amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to allow athletes admitted as nonimmigrants described in section 101(a)(15)(P) of such Act to renew their period of authorized admission in 5-year increments; H.R. 5569, To extend for 5 years the EB-5 regional center pilot program; H.R. 5571, To extend for 5 years the program relating to waiver of the foreign country residence requirement with respect to international medical graduates; H.R. 1777, Need-Based Educational Aid Act of 2007; and a private relief bill, 10:15 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Natural Resources, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 3513, Cooper Salmon Wilderness Act; H.R. 5151, Wild Monongahela Act: A National Legacy for West Virginia's Special Places; H.R. 831, Coffman Cove Administrative Site Conveyance Act; and a H.R. 3734, Morley Nelson Snake River Birds of Prey National Conservation Area Act, 11 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, Subcommittee on Information Policy, Census, and National Archives, hearing on Examining the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA) of 2008, 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on Rules, to consider H.R. 4847, United States Fire Administration Reauthorization Act of 2007, 3:30 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

Committee on Science and Technology, Subcommittee on Research and Science Education, hearing on International Science and Technology Cooperation, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings, and Energy Management, hearing on National Flood Plain Remapping: The Practical Impact, 9 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing on Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI) Related Vision Issues, 10 a.m., 334 Cannon.

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, Subcommittee on Terrorism, Human Intelligence, Analysis and Counterintelligence, executive, briefing on Hot Spots, 8:45 a.m., H-405 Capitol.

Select Committee on Energy Independence and Global Warming, to meet to authorize the Select Committee to issue subpoenas to the EPA as necessary to obtain information concerning the EPA's regulatory response to the *Massachusetts v. EPA* decision and the Administration's finding of "endangerment" as provided for under the Clean Air Act; followed by a hearing entitled, "From the Wright Brothers to the Right Solutions: Curbing Soaring Aviation Emissions," 1:30 p.m., 1310 Longworth.

Joint Meetings

Joint Congressional Committee on Inaugural Ceremonies—2008: organizational business meeting to consider an original resolution authorizing expenditures for committee operations and committee's rules and procedure for the 110th Congress, 5:15 p.m., S-219, Capitol.

Joint Economic Committee: to hold hearings to examine the current economic outlook, 9:30 a.m., SD-106.

Résumé of Congressional Activity

SECOND SESSION OF THE ONE HUNDRED TENTH CONGRESS

The first table gives a comprehensive résumé of all legislative business transacted by the Senate and House. The second table accounts for all nominations submitted to the Senate by the President for Senate confirmation.

DATA ON LEGISLATIVE ACTIVITY

January 3 through March 31, 2008

	<i>Senate</i>	<i>House</i>	<i>Total</i>
Days in session	45	32	..
Time in session	248 hrs., 32'	183 hrs., 13'	..
Congressional Record:			
Pages of proceedings	2,252	1,823	..
Extensions of Remarks .....	..	457	..
Public bills enacted into law	8	10	..
Private bills enacted into law .....	..	..	..
Bills in conference	4	6	..
Measures passed, total	93	158	251
Senate bills	12	7	..
House bills	11	61	..
Senate joint resolutions	1	1	..
House joint resolutions .....	..	..	..
Senate concurrent resolutions	6	2	..
House concurrent resolutions	9	20	..
Simple resolutions	54	67	..
Measures reported, total*	28	54	82
Senate bills	22	..	..
House bills	4	32	..
Senate joint resolutions .....	..	..	..
House joint resolutions .....	..	..	..
Senate concurrent resolutions	1	..	..
House concurrent resolutions .....	..	1	..
Simple resolutions	1	21	..
Special reports .....	..	..	..
Conference reports .....	..	..	..
Measures pending on calendar	387	47	..
Measures introduced, total	344	935	1,279
Bills	260	737	..
Joint resolutions	3	4	..
Concurrent resolutions	7	42	..
Simple resolutions	74	152	..
Quorum calls	1	2	..
Yea-and-nay votes	85	110	..
Recorded votes .....	..	37	..
Bills vetoed .....	..	1	..
Vetoes overridden .....	..	..	..

DISPOSITION OF EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS

January 3 through March 31, 2008

Civilian nominations, totaling 293 (including 180 nominations carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:		
Confirmed	44	
Unconfirmed	228	
Withdrawn	21	
Other civilian nominations, totaling 502 (including 8 nominations carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:		
Confirmed	41	
Unconfirmed	461	
Air Force nominations, totaling 4,795 (including 5 nominations carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:		
Confirmed	1,179	
Unconfirmed	3,616	
Army nominations, totaling 1,245 (including 19 nominations carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:		
Confirmed	621	
Unconfirmed	624	
Navy nominations, totaling 195 (including 3 nominations carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:		
Confirmed	95	
Unconfirmed	100	
Marine Corps nominations, totaling 1,519 (including 1 nomination carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:		
Confirmed	1,501	
Unconfirmed	18	
<i>Summary</i>		
Total nominations carried over from the First Session	216	
Total nominations received this Session	8,333	
Total confirmed	3,481	
Total unconfirmed	5,047	
Total withdrawn	21	
Total returned to the White House	0	

*These figures include all measures reported, even if there was no accompanying report. A total of 22 reports have been filed in the Senate, a total of 53 reports have been filed in the House.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

9:30 a.m., Wednesday, April 2

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

10 a.m., Wednesday, April 2

Senate Chamber

Program for Wednesday: Senate will continue consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of H.R. 3221, New Direction for Energy Independence, National Security, and Consumer Protection Act.

House Chamber

Program for Wednesday: Consideration of H.R. 5501—Tom Lantos and Henry J. Hyde United States Global Leadership Against HIV/AIDS, Tuberculosis, and Malaria Reauthorization Act of 2008 (Subject to a Rule).

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