

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S10051–S10107

Measures Introduced: Three bills and four resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 3932–3934, S. Res. 582–584, and S. Con. Res. 118. **Page S10072**

Measures Reported:

S. 3879, to implement the Convention on Supplementary Compensation for Nuclear Damage, with amendments. (S. Rept. No. 109–346)

S. 2348, to amend the Atomic Energy Act of 1954 to require a licensee to notify the Atomic Energy Commission, and the State and county in which a facility is located, whenever there is an unplanned release of fission products in excess of allowable limits, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 109–347)

S. 3771, to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide additional authorizations of appropriations for the health centers program under section 330 of such Act, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Page S10071**

Measures Passed:

Global Family Day: Senate agreed to S. Res. 582, urging the people of the United States to observe Global Family Day and One Day of Peace and Sharing. **Page S10099**

National Youth Court Month: Senate agreed to S. Res. 583, designating September 2006 as “National Youth Court Month”. **Page S10100**

Senate Document Production Authority: Senate agreed to S. Res. 584, to authorize the production of records, testimony, and legal representation. **Page S10100**

Drivers’ License Requirement: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation was discharged from further consideration of H. Con. Res. 235, expressing the sense of the Congress that States should require candidates for driver’s licenses to demonstrate an ability to exercise greatly increased caution when driving in the proximity of a potentially visually impaired individual, and the resolution was then agreed to. **Page S10100**

National Transportation Safety Board Reauthorization Act: Senate passed S. 3679, to authorize appropriations for the National Transportation Safety Board, after agreeing to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Pages S10100–14**

Railroad Retirement Technical Improvement Act: Senate passed H.R. 5074, to amend the Railroad Retirement Act of 1974 to provide for continued payment of railroad retirement annuities by the Department of the Treasury, clearing the measure for the President. **Page S10105**

Secure Fence Act: Senate resumed consideration of H.R. 6061, to establish operational control over the international land and maritime borders of the United States, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto: **Pages S10097–98**

Withdrawn:

Frist Amendment No. 5031, to establish the effective date. **Page S10097**

Pending:

Frist Amendment No. 5036, to establish military commissions. **Page S10097**

Frist Amendment No. 5037 (to Amendment No. 5036), to establish the effective date. **Page S10097**

Motion to commit the bill to the Committee on the Judiciary, with instructions to report back forthwith, with an amendment. **Page S10098**

Frist Amendment No. 5038 (to the instructions of the motion to commit H.R. 6061 to the Committee on the Judiciary), to establish military commissions.

Frist Amendment No. 5039 (to the instructions of the motion to commit H.R. 6061 to the Committee on the Judiciary), to establish the effective date. **Page S10098**

Frist Amendment No. 5040 (to Amendment No. 5039), to amend the effective date. **Page S10098**

A motion was entered to close further debate on Frist Amendment No. 5036 (listed above) and, in accordance with the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on cloture will occur on Wednesday, September 27, 2006.

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A motion was entered to close further debate on the bill and, in accordance with the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a

vote on cloture will occur on Wednesday, September 27, 2006. **Pages S10097–98**

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

Frist Amendment No. 5032 (to Amendment No. 5031), to amend the effective date, fell when Frist Amendment No. 5031 (listed above) was withdrawn. **Page S10097**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill at approximately 10:45 a.m., on Tuesday, September 26, 2006; provided further, that it be in order to file first degree amendments as provided for under rule XXII until 2:30 p.m. on Tuesday, September 26, 2006. **Page S10105**

Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

By unanimous vote of 87 yeas (Vote No. EX. 253), Francisco Augusto Besosa, of Puerto Rico, to be United States District Judge for the District of Puerto Rico. **Pages S10066–67, S10107**

Charles F. Conner, of Indiana, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Commodity Credit Corporation. (Prior to this action, Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition and Forestry was discharged from further consideration). **Pages S10099, S10107**

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Authorities for Committees to Meet: **Page S10097**

Record Votes: One record vote was taken today. (Total—253) **Page S10067**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 2 p.m., and adjourned at 7:15 p.m., until 9:45 a.m., on Tuesday, September 26, 2006. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S10105.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

NOMINATION

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee ordered favorably reported the nomination of Mary E. Peters, of Arizona, to be Secretary of Transportation.

HABEAS CORPUS REVIEW

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded a hearing to examine proposals to limit Guantanamo detainees' access to habeas corpus review, after receiving testimony from Lieutenant Commander Charles D. Swift, USN, Judge Advocate General Corps; Rear Admiral John D. Hutson, USN (Ret.), Franklin Pierce Law Center, Concord, New Hampshire; Thomas P. Sullivan, Jenner and Block, Chicago, Illinois; and Bruce Fein, Fein and Fein, David B. Rivkin, Jr., Baker and Hostetler, LLP, and Bardford A. Berenson, Sidley Austin, LLP, all of Washington, D.C.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 16 public bills, H.R. 6159–6174; and 4 resolutions, H.J. Res. 97; H. Con. Res. 479–480; and H. Res. 1040 were introduced. **Pages H7348–49**

Additional Cosponsors: **Page H7349**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 2134, to establish the Commission to Study the Potential Creation of a National Museum of the American Latino Community to develop a plan of

action for the establishment and maintenance of a National Museum of the American Latino Community in Washington, DC, with an amendment (H. Rept. 109–584, Pt. 2);

H.R. 4942, to establish a capability and office to promote cooperation between entities of the United States and its allies in the global war on terrorism for the purpose of engaging in cooperative endeavors focused on the research, development, and commercialization of high-priority technologies intended to

detect, prevent, respond to, recover from, and mitigate against acts of terrorism and other high consequence events and to address the homeland security needs of Federal, State, and local governments, with an amendment (H. Rept. 109–674);

H.R. 2840, to amend title 5, United States Code, to require that agencies, in promulgating rules, take into consideration the impact of such rules on the privacy of individuals, with an amendment (H. Rept. 109–675);

Conference report on H.R. 5631, making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2007 (H. Rept. 109–676);

H.R. 6054, to amend title 10, United States Code, to authorize trial by military commission for violations of the law of war, with amendments (H. Rept. 109–664, Pt. 2);

H. Res. 1037, waiving points of order against the conference report to accompany the bill (H.R. 5631) making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2007 (H. Rept. 109–677);

H. Res. 1038, providing for consideration of H.R. 2679, to amend the Revised Statutes of the United States to eliminate the chilling effect on the constitutionally protected expression of religion by State and local officials that results from the threat that potential litigants may seek damages and attorney's fees (H. Rept. 109–678);

H. Res. 1039, providing for consideration of S. 403, to amend title 18, United States Code, to prohibit taking minors across State lines in circumvention of laws requiring the involvement of parents in abortion decisions (Rept. 109–679); and

H.R. 5825, to update the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act of 1978, with amendments (H. Rept. 109–680, Pts. 1 and 2).

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

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Recess: The House recessed at 12:31 p.m. and reconvened at 2 p.m.

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

Lower Farmington River and Salmon Brook Wild and Scenic River Study Act: H.R. 1344, amended, to amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to designate a segment of the Farmington River and Salmon Brook in the State of Connecticut for study for potential addition to the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System;

Pages H6937–38

Authorizing the National Park Service to pay for services rendered by subcontractors under a General Services Administration Indefinite Deliver/Indefinite Quantity Contract issued for work to be completed at the Grand Canyon National Park: H.R. 3961, to authorize the National Park Service to pay for services rendered by subcontractors under a General Services Administration Indefinite Deliver/Indefinite Quantity Contract issued for work to be completed at the Grand Canyon National Park;

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Southern Nevada Readiness Center Act: H.R. 4382, to provide for the conveyance of certain land in Clark County, Nevada, for use by the Nevada National Guard;

Pages H6938–39

Water Resources Research Act Amendments of 2006: H.R. 4588, amended, to reauthorize grants for and require applied water supply research regarding the water resources research and technology institutes established under the Water Resources Research Act of 1984;

Pages H6939–40

Oregon Water Resources Management Act of 2006: H.R. 5079, amended, to provide for the modification of an amendatory repayment contract between the Secretary of the Interior and the North Unit Irrigation District;

Pages H6940–41

Agreed to amend the title so as to read: "To update the management of Oregon water resources, and for other purposes."

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Ice Age Floods National Geologic Trail Designation Act of 2005: H.R. 383, amended, to designate the Ice Age Floods National Geologic Trail;

Pages H6941–42

Agreed to amend the title so as to read: "To designate the Ice Age Floods National Geologic Route, and for other purposes."

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Jean Lafitte National Historical Park and Preserve Boundary Adjustment Act of 2005: H.R. 1515, amended, to adjust the boundary of the Barataria Preserve Unit of the Jean Lafitte National Historical Park and Preserve in the State of Louisiana;

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National Historic Preservation Act Amendments of 2006: H.R. 5861, amended, to amend the National Historic Preservation Act;

Pages H6945–46

Amending Public Law 106–348 to extend the authorization for establishing a memorial in the District of Columbia or its environs to honor veterans who became disabled while serving in the Armed Forces of the United States: H.R. 4275, to amend Public Law 106–348 to extend the authorization for establishing a memorial in the District of

Columbia or its environs to honor veterans who became disabled while serving in the Armed Forces of the United States; **Pages H6946–48**

Authorizing the Secretary of Interior to convey to The Missouri River Basin Lewis and Clark Interpretive Trail and Visitor Center Foundation, Inc. certain Federal land associated with the Lewis and Clark National Historic Trail in Nebraska, to be used as an historical interpretive site along the trail: H.R. 3871, amended, to authorize the Secretary of Interior to convey to The Missouri River Basin Lewis and Clark Interpretive Trail and Visitor Center Foundation, Inc. certain Federal land associated with the Lewis and Clark National Historic Trail in Nebraska, to be used as an historical interpretive site along the trail; **Pages H6948–49**

River Raisin National Battlefield Study Act: H.R. 5132, amended, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a special resource study to determine the suitability and feasibility of including in the National Park System certain sites in Monroe County, Michigan, relating to the Battles of the River Raisin during the War of 1812; **Pages H6949–50**

Mississippi River Trail Study Act: H.R. 1796, to amend the National Trails System Act to designate the route of the Mississippi River from its headwaters in the State of Minnesota to the Gulf of Mexico for study for potential addition to the National Trails System as a national scenic trail, national historic trail, or both; **Pages H6950–51**

Piedras Blancas Historic Light Station Outstanding Natural Area Act of 2005: H.R. 3534, to designate the Piedras Blancas Light Station and the surrounding public land as an Outstanding Natural Area to be administered as a part of the National Landscape Conservation System; **Pages H6951–52**

Authorizing salary adjustments for Justices and judges of the United States for fiscal year 2007: H.R. 5454, to authorize salary adjustments for Justices and judges of the United States for fiscal year 2007; **Pages H6961–62**

Copyright Royalty Judges Program Technical Corrections Act: H.R. 1036, to amend title 17, United States Code, to make technical corrections relating to Copyright Royalty Judges. The House concur in Senate amendment—clearing the measure for the President; **Pages H6962–63**

Trademark Dilution Revision Act of 2006: H.R. 683, to amend the Trademark Act of 1946 with respect to dilution by blurring or tarnishment. The House concur in Senate amendment—clearing the measure for the President; **Pages H6963–65**

Proud to Be an American Citizen Act: H.R. 5323, amended, to require the Secretary of Homeland Security to provide for ceremonies on or near Independence Day for administering oaths of allegiance to legal immigrants whose applications for naturalization have been approved; **Pages H6971–72**

General Services Administration Modernization Act: H.R. 2066, to amend title 40, United States Code, to establish a Federal Acquisition Service, to replace the General Supply Fund and the Information Technology Fund with an Acquisition Services Fund. The House concur in Senate amendments—clearing the measure for the President; **Pages H6972–73**

2005 District of Columbia Omnibus Authorization Act: H.R. 3508, to authorize improvements in the operation of the government of the District of Columbia. The House concur in Senate amendment—clearing the measure for the President; **Pages H6973–80**

Designating the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 200 Lawyers Road, NW in Vienna, Virginia, as the “Captain Christopher Petty Post Office Building”: H.R. 6102, amended, To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 200 Lawyers Road, NW in Vienna, Virginia, as the “Captain Christopher Petty Post Office Building”, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yea-and-nay vote of 383 yeas to 1 nay, Roll No. 473; **Pages H6980–81, H6995**

Designating the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 350 Uinta Drive in Green River, Wyoming, as the “Curt Gowdy Post Office Building”: H.R. 5224, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 350 Uinta Drive in Green River, Wyoming, as the “Curt Gowdy Post Office Building”; **Page H6981**

Congratulating The Professional Golfers’ Association of America on its 90th anniversary and commending the members of The Professional Golfers’ Association of America and The PGA Foundation for the charitable contributions they provide to the United States: H. Con. Res. 471, to congratulate The Professional Golfers’ Association of America on its 90th anniversary and commending the members of The Professional Golfers’ Association of America and The PGA Foundation for the charitable contributions they provide to the United States; **Pages H6981–83**

Supporting the goals and ideals of Pancreatic Cancer Awareness Month: H. Res. 745, to support the goals and ideals of Pancreatic Cancer Awareness Month; **Pages H6983–84**

Designating the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 7172 North Tongass Highway, Ward Cove, Alaska, as the "Alice R. Brusich Post Office Building": S. 1275, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 7172 North Tongass Highway, Ward Cove, Alaska, as the "Alice R. Brusich Post Office Building"—clearing the measure for the President;

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Designating the facility of the United States Postal Service located on Lindbald Avenue, Girdwood, Alaska, as the "Dorothy and Connie Hibbs Post Office Building": S. 1323, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located on Lindbald Avenue, Girdwood, Alaska, as the "Dorothy and Connie Hibbs Post Office Building"—clearing the measure for the President;

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Supporting the goals and ideals of National Myositis Awareness Day: H. Res. 974, to support the goals and ideals of National Myositis Awareness Day;

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Designating the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 8801 Sudley Road in Manassas, Virginia, as the "Harry J. Parrish Post Office": S. 2690, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 8801 Sudley Road in Manassas, Virginia, as the "Harry J. Parrish Post Office"—clearing the measure for the President;

Pages H6984, H6986

Designating the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1501 South Cherrybell Avenue in Tucson, Arizona, as the "Morris K. 'Mo' Udall Post Office Building": H.R. 5857, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1501 South Cherrybell Avenue in Tucson, Arizona, as the "Morris K. 'Mo' Udall Post Office Building";

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Designating the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 29–50 Union Street in Flushing, New York, as the "Dr. Leonard Price Stavisky Post Office": H.R. 5923, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 29–50 Union Street in Flushing, New York, as the "Dr. Leonard Price Stavisky Post Office";

Pages H6987–88

Urging the President to appoint a Presidential Special Envoy for Sudan: H.R. 992, amended, to urge the President to appoint a Presidential Special Envoy for Sudan;

Pages H6988–93

Darfur Peace and Accountability Act of 2006: H.R. 3127, to impose sanctions against individuals responsible for genocide, war crimes, and crimes against humanity, to support measures for the pro-

tection of civilians and humanitarian operations, and to support peace efforts in the Darfur region of Sudan. The House concur in Senate amendment—clearing the measure for the President; Page H7313–19

Commending the people of Montenegro on the conduct of the referendum on independence, welcoming United States recognition of the sovereignty and independence of the Republic of Montenegro, and welcoming Montenegrin membership in the United Nations and other international organizations: H. Res. 965, amended, to commend the people of Montenegro on the conduct of the referendum on independence, welcoming United States recognition of the sovereignty and independence of the Republic of Montenegro, and welcoming Montenegrin membership in the United Nations and other international organizations;

Pages H7319–21

Recognizing the 185th anniversary of the independence of Peru on July 28, 2006: H. Res. 940, amended, to recognize the 185th anniversary of the independence of Peru on July 28, 2006; and

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Recognizing the accomplishments of the American Council of Young Political Leaders for providing 40 years of international exchange programs, increasing international dialogue, and enhancing global understanding, and commemorating its 40th anniversary: H. Con. Res. 430, to recognize the accomplishments of the American Council of Young Political Leaders for providing 40 years of international exchange programs, increasing international dialogue, and enhancing global understanding, and commemorating its 40th anniversary.

Pages H7323–24

SUSPENSIONS—Failed: The House failed to agree to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

New Hampshire Wilderness Act of 2006: H.R. 5059, to designate the Wild River Wilderness in the White Mountain National Forest in the State of New Hampshire, by a 2/3 yeas-and-nays vote of 223 yeas to 167 nays, Roll No. 471; and

Pages H6943–44, H6993–94

New Hampshire Wilderness Act of 2006: H.R. 5062, to designate as wilderness certain National Forest System land in the State of New Hampshire, by a 2/3 yeas-and-nays vote of 220 yeas to 169 nays, Roll No. 472.

Pages H6944–45, H6994–95

SUSPENSIONS—Proceedings Postponed: The House completed debate on the following measures under suspension of the rules. Further consideration of the measures is expected to resume at a later date:

Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives (BATFE) Modernization and Reform Act of 2006: H.R. 5092, amended, to modernize and reform the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives; **Pages H6953–61, H6993**

Private Property Rights Implementation Act of 2006: H.R. 4772, amended, to simplify and expedite access to the Federal courts for injured parties whose rights and privileges under the United States Constitution have been deprived by final actions of Federal agencies or other government officials or entities acting under color of State law;

Pages H6965–71, H6993

Urging the President to appoint a Presidential Special Envoy for Sudan: H. Res. 992, amended, to urge the President to appoint a Presidential Special Envoy for Sudan; **Pages H6988–93**

Calling on the President to take immediate steps to help improve the security situation in Darfur, Sudan, with a specific emphasis on civilian protection: H. Res. 723, amended, to call on the President to take immediate steps to help improve the security situation in Darfur, Sudan, with a specific emphasis on civilian protection; **Pages H7309–13**

Commending the United Kingdom for its efforts in the War on Terror: H.R. 989, amended, to commend the United Kingdom for its efforts in the War on Terror; and **Pages H7324–25**

Affirming support for the sovereignty and security of Lebanon and the Lebanese people: H. Res. 1017, amended, to affirm support for the sovereignty and security of Lebanon and the Lebanese people.

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Correcting the enrollment of H.R. 3127: The House agreed by unanimous consent to H. Con. Res. 480, to correct the enrollment of H.R. 3127.

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Discharge Petition: Representative Barrow moved to discharge the Committee on Rules from the consideration of H. Res. 998, providing for consideration of H.R. 5099, to provide disaster assistance to agricultural producers for crop and livestock losses.

Senate Messages: Message received from the Senate and messages received from the Senate by the Clerk and subsequently presented to the House today appear on pages H7321.

Senate Referrals: S. 3679 was referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure; and S. Con. Res. 116, S. 2562 and S. 3850 were held at the desk. **Page H7346**

Quorum Calls—Votes: Three yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings today and appear on

pages H6993–94, H6994–95, and H6995. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 12:30 p.m. and adjourned at 11:59 p.m.

Committee Meetings

CHILD INTERSTATE ABORTION NOTIFICATION ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a closed rule providing 1 hour of debate in the House on S. 403, to amend title 18, United States Code, to prohibit taking minors across State lines in circumvention of laws requiring the involvement of parents in abortion decisions, equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on the Judiciary. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule provides that the amendment in the nature of a substitute printed in the Rules Committee report shall be considered as adopted. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Chairman Sensenbrenner.

VETERANS' MEMORIAL, BOY SCOUTS, PUBLIC SEALS, AND OTHER PUBLIC EXPRESSIONS OF RELIGION PROTECTION ACT OF 2006

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a closed rule providing for 1 hour of debate in the House on H.R. 2679, to amend the Revised Statutes of the United States to eliminate the chilling effect on the constitutionally protected expression of religion by State and local officials that results from the threat that potential litigants may seek damages and attorney's fees, equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on the Judiciary. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule provides that the amendment in the nature of a substitute as reported by the Committee on the Judiciary shall be considered as adopted. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Representative Smith of Texas.

CREDIT RATING AGENCY REFORM ACT OF 2006

Committee on Rules: Testimony was heard from Representative Baker of Louisiana but action was deferred on S. 3850, Credit Rating Agency Reform Act of 2006.

**DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE
APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2007—
CONFERENCE REPORT**

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a rule waiving all points of order against the conference report to accompany H.R. 5631, Department of Defense Appropriations Act, 2007, and against its consideration. The rule provides that the conference report shall be considered as read. Testimony was heard from Representative C.W. Bill Young of Florida.

Joint Meetings

**APPROPRIATIONS—DEPARTMENT OF
HOMELAND SECURITY**

Conferees agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the Senate and House passed versions of H.R. 5441, making appropriations for the Department of Homeland Security for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2007.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D 908)

S. 3534, to amend the Workforce Investment Act of 1998 to provide for a YouthBuild program. Signed on September 22, 2006. (Public Law 109-281).

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 2006

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Armed Services: to hold a closed briefing on the situation in Afghanistan, 4:30 p.m., SR-222.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: to hold hearings to examine implications of the New Basel Capital Accord designed to bring order to international capital markets, 10 a.m., SD-538.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: with the Committee on Foreign Relations, to hold joint hearings to examine International Polar Year, 3:15 p.m., SR-253.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: business meeting to consider H.R.1463, to designate a portion of the Federal building located at 2100 Jamieson Avenue, in Alexandria, Virginia, as the "Justin W. Williams United States Attorney's Building", and the nominations of Roger Romulus Martella, Jr., of Virginia, to be an Assistant Administrator, and Alex A. Beehler, of Maryland, to be Inspector General, both of the Environmental Protection Agency, William H. Graves, of Tennessee, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Tennessee Valley Authority, and Brigadier General Bruce Arlan Berwick,

United States Army, Colonel Gregg F. Martin, United States Army, Brigadier General Robert Crear, United States Army, and Rear Admiral Samuel P. De Bow, Jr., NOAA, each to be a Member of the Mississippi River Commission, and other pending committee business, 2:15 p.m., S-216, Capitol.

Committee on Finance: Subcommittee on Health Care, to hold hearings to examine health savings accounts, 2:30 p.m., SD-215.

Committee on Foreign Relations: to hold hearings to examine a new initiative to combat child hunger, 9 a.m., SD-419.

Full Committee, with the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, to hold joint hearings to examine International Polar Year, 3:15 p.m., SR-253.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Subcommittee on Oversight of Government Management, the Federal Workforce, and the District of Columbia, to hold hearings to examine the Federal government's implementation of pay for performance systems for its senior executives, focusing on the regulatory structure for the systems, the agency certification process, and the effectiveness of the role of the Office of Personnel Management in evaluating and monitoring these systems, 10:45 a.m., SD-342.

Subcommittee on Federal Financial Management, Government Information, and International Security, to hold hearings to examine uncollected taxes and issues of transparency relating to deconstructing the tax code, focusing on the 2006 updated estimate of the tax gap by the IRS, examine IRS efforts to close the tax gap as well as legislative solutions to increase taxpayer compliance, and explore the transparency of the tax code, 2:30 p.m., SD-342.

Committee on the Judiciary: to hold hearings to examine issues relating to illegal insider trading, focusing on the scope of the problem and is there adequate criminal enforcement, 9:30 a.m., SD-226.

Full Committee, business meeting to consider the nominations of Terrence W. Boyle, of North Carolina, and William James Haynes II, of Virginia, each to be a United States Circuit Judge for the Fourth Circuit, Kent A. Jordan, of Delaware, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Third Circuit, Peter D. Keisler, of Maryland, to be United States Circuit Judge for the District of Columbia Circuit, William Gerry Myers III, of Idaho, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit, Nora Barry Fischer, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Pennsylvania, Gregory Kent Frizzell, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Oklahoma, Marcia Morales Howard, to be United States District Judge for the Middle District of Florida, John Alfred Jarvey, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Iowa, Sara Elizabeth Lioi, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Ohio, and Lisa Godbey Wood, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Georgia, 2:30 p.m., SD-226.

Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Vanessa Lynne Bryant, to be United States District Judge for the District of Connecticut, and

Michael Brunson Wallace, of Mississippi, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Fifth Circuit, 3:30 p.m., SD-226.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs, to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Robert T. Howard, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Veterans Affairs (Information and Technology); to be followed by a business meeting off the floor after the first roll call vote, to consider the nomination of Mr. Howard, 10 a.m., SR-418.

House

Committee on Agriculture, Subcommittee on Livestock and Horticulture, hearing to review federal farm policy affecting the specialty crop industry, 9:30 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

Committee on Armed Services, Subcommittee on Terrorism, Unconventional Threats and Capabilities and the Subcommittee on Readiness, joint hearing on Alternative Energy and Energy Efficiency Programs of the Department of Defense, 2 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Committee on Education and the Workforce, Subcommittee on 21st Century Competitiveness, hearing entitled "The Internet and the College Campus: How the Entertainment Industry and Higher Education Are Working To Combat Illegal Piracy," 11 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, Subcommittee on Commerce, Trade, and Consumer Protection, hearing on Editing Hollywood's Editors: Cleaning Flicks for Families, 2 p.m., 2322 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled "Sexual Exploitation of Children Over the Internet: The Face of a Child Predator and Other Issues," 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Government Reform, hearing entitled "Medical Device Safety: How FDA Regulates the Reprocessing of Supposedly Single-Use Devices," 10:30 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on National Security, Emerging Threats and International Relations, hearing entitled "Weapons of Mass Destruction: Reviving Disarmament," 1 p.m., 2247 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Regulatory Affairs, hearing entitled "H.R. 5242, Small Business Paperwork Amnesty Act," 2 p.m., 2203 Rayburn.

Committee on Homeland Security, hearing entitled "The Department of Homeland Security: Major Initiatives for 2007 and Beyond," 10 a.m., 311 Cannon.

Committee on International Relations, briefing and hearing on Enhancing the Global Fight To End Human Trafficking, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on Commercial and Administrative Law, hearing on H.R. 6101, Legal Services Corporation Improvement Act, 2 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

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