

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S13589–S13646

Measures Introduced: Thirteen bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2267–2279, and S. Res. 361–362. **Page S13624**

Measures Reported:

S. 2271, to authorize State and local governments to divest assets in companies that conduct business operations in Sudan, to prohibit United States Government contracts with such companies. (S. Rept. No. 110–213) **Page S13624**

Measures Passed:

Collection of Donations to United States Military Personnel: Senate agreed to S. Res. 361, to permit the collection of donations in Senate buildings to be sent to United States military personnel on active duty overseas participating in or in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom, Operation Enduring Freedom, and the war on terrorism. **Page S13645**

American Society of Agronomy 100th Anniversary: Senate agreed to S. Res. 362, recognizing 2007 as the year of the 100th anniversary of the American Society of Agronomy. **Pages S13645–46**

Charlie Norwood Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center: Committee on Veterans' Affairs was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 1808, to designate the Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center in Augusta, Georgia, as the "Charlie Norwood Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center", and the bill was then passed, clearing the measure for the President. **Page S13646**

Navy SEALs National Museum: Committee on Armed Services was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 2779, to recognize the Navy UDT–SEAL Museum in Fort Pierce, Florida, as the official national museum of Navy SEALs and their predecessors, and the bill was then passed, clearing the measure for the President. **Page S13646**

Measures Considered:

State Children's Health Insurance Program: Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of H.R. 3963, to amend title XXI

of the Social Security Act to extend and improve the Children's Health Insurance Program.

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

By 62 yeas to 33 nays (Vote No. 401), 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. **Page S13610**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the vote on the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill be considered as if the vote had occurred at 6:30 p.m., on Wednesday, October 31, 2007 and concluded at 6:50 p.m. with the time following the conclusion of morning business prior to the vote equally divided between the two Leaders, or their designees. **Page S13598**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill at approximately 11 a.m., on Thursday, November 1, 2007; provided further, that all time consumed in morning business during Wednesday, October 31, 2007 as Thursday, November 1, 2007, as well as the time during the adjournment, count post-cloture. **Page S13646**

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Record Votes: One record vote was taken today. (Total—401) **Page S13610**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 12 noon and adjourned at 5:49 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Thursday, November 1, 2007. (For Senate's program, see the

remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S13646.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

CLIMATE DISCLOSURE

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Subcommittee on Securities, Insurance and Investment concluded a hearing to examine climate disclosure, focusing on measuring financial risks and opportunities, including how economics can inform national and global responses to the risks and opportunities of climate change, and how those risks might be connected with the health of financial markets, after receiving testimony from Gary W. Yohe, Wesleyan University, Middletown, Connecticut; Jeffrey A. Smith, Cravath, Swaine and Moore LLP, New York, New York; Mindy S. Lubber, Ceres, on behalf of the Investor Network on Climate Risk, Boston, Massachusetts; and Russell Read, California Public Employees' Retirement System, Sacramento, California.

BIPARTISAN TASK FORCE FOR RESPONSIBLE FISCAL ACTION ACT OF 2007

Committee on the Budget: Committee concluded a hearing to examine S. 2063, to establish a Bipartisan Task Force for Responsible Fiscal Action, to assure the economic security of the United States, and to expand future prosperity and growth for all Americans, after receiving testimony from Representative Hoyer; David M. Walker, Comptroller General of the United States, Government Accountability Office; former Representative Leon E. Panetta, Panetta Institute for Public Policy, Seaside, California; and William D. Novelli, AARP, and Robert L. Bixby, Concord Coalition, both of Washington, DC.

YUCCA MOUNTAIN REPOSITORY

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the licensing process for the Yucca Mountain Repository, after receiving testimony from Senators Reid, Ensign, and DeMint; Edward F. Sproat III, Director of the Office of Civilian Radioactive Waste Management, Department of Energy; Robert J. Meyers, Principal Deputy Assistant Administrator for the Office of Air and Radiation, Environmental Protection Agency; Michael Weber, Director, Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission; Catherine Cortez Masto, Nevada Attorney General, Carson City; and James Y. Kerr II, North Carolina Utilities Commissioner, on behalf of the National Association of Regulatory Utility Com-

missioners, and Kenneth A. Cook, Environmental Working Group, both of Washington, DC.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee ordered favorably reported the following:

United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea, with Annexes, done at Montego Bay, December 10, 1982 (the "Convention"), and the Agreement Relating to the Implementation of Part XI of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982, with Annex, adopted at New York, July 28, 1994 (the "Agreement"), and signed by the United States, subject to ratification, on July 29, 1994 (Treaty Doc. 103-39);

Convention Between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Kingdom of Belgium for the Avoidance of Double Taxation and the Prevention of Fiscal Evasion with Respect to Taxes on Income and accompanying Protocol, signed on November 27, 2006, at Brussels (the "proposed Treaty") (Treaty Doc. 110-03);

Protocol Amending the Convention Between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Kingdom of Denmark for the Avoidance of Double Taxation and the Prevention of Fiscal Evasion with Respect to Taxes on Income signed at Copenhagen May 2, 2006 (the "Protocol") (Treaty Doc. 109-19);

Protocol Amending the Convention Between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Republic of Finland for the Avoidance of Double Taxation and the Prevention of Fiscal Evasion with Respect to Taxes on Income and on Capital, signed at Helsinki May 31, 2006 (the "Protocol") (Treaty Doc. 109-18);

Protocol Amending the Convention Between the United States of America and the Federal Republic of Germany for the Avoidance of Double Taxation and the Prevention of Fiscal Evasion with Respect to Taxes on Income and Capital and to Certain Other Taxes, Signed on August 29, 1989, signed at Berlin June 1, 2006 (the "Protocol"), along with a related Joint Declaration (Treaty Doc. 109-20); and

The nominations of Patrick Francis Kennedy, of Illinois, to be an Under Secretary of State (Management), Sean R. Mulvaney, of Illinois, to be an Assistant Administrator of the United States Agency for International Development, and Daniel D. Heath, of New Hampshire, to be United States Alternate Executive Director of the International Monetary Fund.

MENTAL HEALTH CARE IN THE GULF COAST

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Ad Hoc Subcommittee on Disaster Recovery

concluded a hearing to examine post-catastrophe crisis, focusing on addressing the dramatic need and scant availability of mental health care in the Gulf Coast area, after receiving testimony from A. Kathryn Power, Director, Center for Mental Health Services, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, Department of Health and Human Services; Jan M. Kasofsky, Capital Area Human Services District (CAHSD), Baton Rouge, Louisiana; Ronald C. Kessler, Harvard Medical School Department of Health Care Policy, Boston, Massachusetts, on behalf of the Hurricane Katrina Community Advisory Group (CAG) study; and Anthony H. Speier, Louisiana Department of Health and Hospitals, Kevin U. Stephens, News Orleans Health Department, and Howard J. Osofsky, and Mark H. Townsend, both of Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center Department of Psychiatry, all of New Orleans, Louisiana.

FISA AMENDMENTS

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded a hearing to examine Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act (FISA) amendments, focusing on ways to protect Americans' security and privacy while preserving the rule of law and government accountability, including S. 2248, to amend the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act of 1978, to modernize and streamline the

provisions of that Act, and H.R. 3773, to amend the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act of 1978 to establish a procedure for authorizing certain acquisitions of foreign intelligence, after receiving testimony from Kenneth L. Wainstein, Assistant Attorney General, National Security Division, Department of Justice; and Edward J. Black, Computer and Communications Industry Association, Patrick F. Philbin, former Associate Deputy Attorney General, Kirkland and Ellis, and Morton H. Halperin, Open Society Institute, all of Washington, DC.

UNIFORMED SERVICES EMPLOYMENT AND REEMPLOYMENT RIGHTS ACT

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Committee concluded an oversight hearing to examine the Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act (USERRA), focusing on servicemembers, their families, and our national security, after receiving testimony from George H. Stalcup, Director, Strategic Issues, Government Accountability Office; Charles S. Ciccolella, Assistant Secretary for Veterans Employment and Training, and Patrick Boulay, Chief, USERRA Unit, both of the Department of Labor; James Byrne, Deputy Special Counsel, Office of Special Counsel; and Mathew B. Tully, Tully, Rinckey and Associates, PLLC, Albany, New York.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 23 public bills, H.R. 4014–4036; 2 private bills, H.R. 4037–4038; and 4 resolutions, H.J. Res. 61; H. Con. Res. 244; and H. Res. 786–787 were introduced.

Pages H12383–84

Additional Cosponsors:

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 3890, to amend the Burmese Freedom and Democracy Act of 2003 to waive the requirement for annual renewal resolutions relating to import sanctions, impose import sanctions on Burmese gemstones, expand the number of individuals against whom the visa ban is applicable, and expand the blocking of assets and other prohibited activities, with an amendment (H. Rept. 110–418, Pt. 1) and

H.R. 3355, to ensure the availability and affordability of homeowners' insurance coverage for catastrophic events, with an amendment (H. Rept. 110–419).

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Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the guest Chaplain, Rev. Eric W. Jorgensen, St. Stephen's Reformed Episcopal Church, Eldersburg, Maryland.

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Journal: The House agreed to the Speaker's approval of the Journal by a yea-and-nay vote of 222 yeas to 190 nays with 2 voting "present", Roll No. 1023.

Pages H12252–53

Trade and Globalization Act of 2007: The House passed H.R. 3920, to amend the Trade Act of 1974 to reauthorize trade adjustment assistance and to extend trade adjustment assistance to service workers and firms, by a yea-and-nay vote of 264 yeas to 157 nays, Roll No. 1025.

Pages H12253–H12337

Pursuant to the rule, the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Ways and Means now printed in the bill, modified by the amendment printed in part A of H. Rept. 110–417, shall be considered as adopted.

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Agreed by unanimous consent that during the consideration of H.R. 3920, the amendment printed in part B of H. Rept. 110–417 is modified by the form placed at the desk. **Pages H12289–93**

Rejected:

McCrery modified amendment in the nature of a substitute (printed in part B of H. Rept. 110–417) that would have reauthorized the Trade Adjustment Assistance (TAA) programs for workers, firms and farmers for 5 years. Restructured the TAA to increase training options while retaining the current two years of income support for TAA for workers program participants who remain unemployed and train full-time. Increased the federal share of monthly TAA participant premiums for the Health Coverage Tax Credit (HCTC) from 65% today to 70% and continues HCTC. Allowed States to apply for waivers of unemployment compensation program rules. Expanded the new markets tax credit to benefit firms and workers in local communities impacted by trade, globalization, and other causes of job loss. Extended Workforce Investment Act (WIA) employment and training programs, creates a consolidated funding stream, and increases State and local flexibility. Provided for collection of Unemployment Insurance overpayments (by a yea-and-nay vote of 196 yeas to 226 nays, Roll No. 1024).

Pages H12293–H12336

Agreed that the Clerk be authorized to make technical and conforming changes to reflect the actions of the House. **Page H12348**

H. Res. 781, the rule providing for consideration of the bill, was agreed to by a recorded vote of 222 ayes to 193 noes, Roll No. 1022, after agreeing to order the previous question by a yea-and-nay vote of 224 yeas to 190 nays, Roll No. 1021.

Pages H12244–52

Moment of Silence: The House observed a moment of silence in honor of Peter Hoagland, former Member of Congress. **Page H12336**

Moment of Silence: The House observed a moment of silence in honor of Thomas Meskill, former Member of Congress. **Page H12336**

Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2008—Motion to go to Conference: The House disagreed to the amendment of the Senate to H.R. 3043, making appropriations for the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2008, and agreed to a conference by voice vote. **Pages H12337–48**

Rejected the Lewis (CA) motion to instruct conferees on the bill by a yea-and-nay vote of 191 yeas to 222 nays, Roll No. 1026. **Pages H12343–47**

Appointed as conferees: Representatives Obey, Lowey, DeLauro, Jackson (IL), Kennedy, Roybal-Allard, Lee, Udall (NM), Honda, McCollum (MN), Ryan (OH), Murtha, Edwards, Walsh (NY), Regula, Peterson (PA), Weldon (FL), Simpson, Rehberg, Young (FL), Wicker, and Lewis (CA). **Page H12348**

Committee Resignation: Read a letter from Representative Langevin wherein he resigned from the Committee on Armed Services, effective today. **Page H12348**

Senate Message: Message received from the Senate today appears on page H12253.

Senate Referrals: S. 294 and S. 2265 were referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure and S. 2198 was referred to the Committee on House Administration. **Pages H12253, H12382**

Quorum Calls—Votes: Five yea-and-nay votes and one recorded vote developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H12251–52, H12252, H12252–53, H12335–36, H12337 and H12347. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 10:12 p.m.

Committee Meetings

S–MINER ACT

Committee on Education and Labor: Ordered reported, as amended, H.R. 2768, Supplemental Mine Improvement and New Emergency Response Act of 2007.

DIGITAL TELEVISION TRANSITION (PART III)

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Telecommunications and The Internet, to continued hearings entitled “Status of the DTV Transition—Part 3.” Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Financial Services: Ordered reported the following bills: H.R. 3873, Section 515 Rural Housing Property Transfer Improvement Act of 2007; H.R. 3959, amended, To amend the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968 to provide for the phase-in of actuarial rates for certain pre-FIRM properties; H.R. 3965, amended, Mark-to-Mark Extension and Enhancement Act of 2007; and H.R. 3703, To amend section 5112(p)(1)(A) of title 31, United States Code, to allow an exception for the \$1 coin dispensing capability requirement for certain vending machines.

NON-ABORTION FAMILY PLANNING AID

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Held a hearing on The Mexico City Policy/Global Gag Rule: Its Impact on Family Planning and Reproductive Health. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

STATE DEPARTMENT'S INSPECTOR GENERAL

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on International Organizations, Human Rights, and Oversight held a hearing on the Activities of the Department of State's Office of the Inspector General. Testimony was heard from David M. Walker, Comptroller General, GAO.

HOMELAND SECURITY FAILURES

Committee on Homeland Security: Held a hearing entitled "Homeland Security: TWIC Failures: TWIC Examined." Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Homeland Security: Edmond S. Hawley, Administrator, Transportation Security Administration; and ADM Brian Salerno, USCG, Director, Inspection and Compliance, U.S. Coast Guard; Cathy Berrick, Director, Homeland Security and Justice, GAO; Bethann Rooney, Manager, Port Security, Port Commerce Department, Port Authority of New York and New Jersey; and public witnesses.

NUCLEAR FORENSICS AND ATTRIBUTION ACT

Committee on Homeland Security: Subcommittee on Emerging Threats, Cybersecurity, and Science and Technology approved for full Committee action, as amended, H.R. 2631, Nuclear Forensics and Attribution Act.

CYBERSECURITY ELEMENTS-SECTOR SPECIFIC PLANS

Committee on Homeland Security: Subcommittee on Emerging Threats, Cybersecurity, and Science and Technology and the Subcommittee on Transportation Security and Infrastructure Protection held a joint hearing entitled "Enhancing and Implementing the Cybersecurity Elements of the Sector Specific Plans." Testimony was heard from Greg Garcia, Assistant Secretary, Office of Cyber Security and Telecommunication, Department of Homeland Security; David Powner, Director, Information Technology Management Issues, GAO; and public witnesses.

ANTI-TRAFFICKING PROGRAMS REAUTHORIZATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Held a hearing on Combating Modern Slavery: Reauthorization of Anti-Trafficking Programs. Testimony was heard from Laurence Rothenberg, Deputy Assistant Attorney

General, Office of Legal Policy, Department of Justice; Marcy Forman, Director, Office of Investigations, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, Department of Homeland Security; and public witnesses.

IZEMBEK AND ALASKA PENINSULA WILDLIFE REFUGES

Committee on Natural Resources: Held a hearing on H.R. 2801, Izembek and Alaska Peninsula Wildlife Refuges and Wilderness Enhancement and King Cove Safe Access Act. Testimony was heard from H. Dale Hall, Director, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior; Dick Mylius, Director, Division of Mining, Land and Water, Department of Natural Resources, State of Alaska; and public witnesses.

ENERGY DEVELOPMENT ENVIRONMENT HEALTH EXEMPTIONS

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform: Held a hearing on Oil and Gas Development: Exemptions in Health and Environmental Protections. Testimony was heard from Robert Anderson, Deputy Assistant Director, Minerals, Realty and Resource Protection, Bureau of Land Management, Department of the Interior; Benjamin H. Grumbles, Assistant Administrator, Water, EPA; and public witnesses.

NASA'S AVIATION SAFETY

Committee on Science and Technology: Held a hearing on Aviation Safety: Can NASA Do More To Protect the Public? Testimony was heard from Michael Griffin, Administrator, NASA; and public witnesses.

NANOTECHNOLOGY ENVIRONMENT/ SAFETY IMPACTS

Committee on Science and Technology: Subcommittee on Research and Science Education held a hearing on Research on Environmental and Safety Impacts of Nanotechnology: Current Status of Planning and Implementation under the National Nanotechnology Initiative. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

MEDICAL EQUIPMENT SUPPLIER COMPETITION

Committee on Small Business: Subcommittee on Investigations and Oversight held a hearing entitled "Competitive Bidding for Durable Medical Equipment: Will Small Suppliers Be Able To Compete?" Testimony was heard from Laurence D. Wilson, Director, Chronic Care Policy Group, Center for Medicare Management, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Ordered reported the following measures: H.R. 3999, National Highway Bridge Reconstruction and Inspection Act of 2007; H.R. 3495, amended, Kids in Disasters Well-being, Safety, and Health Act of 2007; H.R. 3986, John F. Kennedy Center Reauthorization Act of 2007; H.R. 2537, amended, Beach Protection Act of 2007; H.R. 3985, Over-the-Road Bus Transportation Accessibility Act of 2007; H.R. 3315, To provide that the great hall of the Capital Visitor Center shall be known as the Emancipation Hall; H.R. 3712, To designate the Federal building and United States courthouse located at 1716 Spielbusch Avenue in Toledo Ohio, as the "James M. And Thomas W. L. Ashley Customs Building and United States Courthouse;" H. Res. 661, Honoring the accomplishments of Barrington Antonio Irving, the youngest pilot and first person of African descent ever to fly solo around the world; and H. Res. 772, Recognizing the American Highway Users Alliance on the occasion of its 75th anniversary.

The Committee also approved U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Survey Resolutions.

U.S.-PERU TRADE PROMOTION AGREEMENT IMPLEMENTATION

Committee on Ways and Means: Ordered reported H.R. 3688, United States-Peru Trade Promotion Agreement Implementation Act.

BRIEFINGS

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Met in executive session to receive briefings on the following: Hot Spots; DNI Personnel; and the CIA. The Committee was briefed by departmental witnesses.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 2007

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Subcommittee on Private Sector and Consumer Solutions to Global Warming and Wildlife Protection, business meeting to consider S. 2191, to direct the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency to establish a program to decrease emissions of greenhouse gases, 9 a.m., SD-406.

Committee on Finance: to hold hearings to examine pending nominations, 10 a.m., SD-215.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Gregory F. Jacob, of New Jersey, to be Solicitor, and Howard

Radzely, of Maryland, to be Deputy Secretary, both of the Department of Labor, 10:30 a.m., SD-430.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Subcommittee on Federal Financial Management, Government Information, Federal Services, and International Security, to hold hearings to examine the Small Business Administration, focusing on the efficacy of the 7(a) loan program, 2 p.m., SD-342.

Committee on Indian Affairs: to hold an oversight hearing to examine the impact of the Flood Control Act of 1944 on Indian Tribes along the Missouri River, 9:30 a.m., SD-628.

Committee on the Judiciary: business meeting to consider S. 2168, to amend title 18, United States Code, to enable increased federal prosecution of identity theft crimes and to allow for restitution to victims of identity theft, S. 1946, to help Federal prosecutors and investigators combat public corruption by strengthening and clarifying the law, S. 352, to provide for media coverage of Federal court proceedings, S. 2135, to prohibit the recruitment or use of child soldiers, to designate persons who recruit or use child soldiers as inadmissible aliens, to allow the deportation of persons who recruit or use child soldiers, and the nominations of John Daniel Tinder, of Indiana, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Seventh Circuit, Julie L. Myers, of Kansas, to be Assistant Secretary of Homeland Security, and Michael J. Sullivan, of Massachusetts, to be Director, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives, 10 a.m., SD-226.

Select Committee on Intelligence: meeting of conferees on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 2008 for the intelligence community, 10 a.m., S-407, Capitol.

Full Committee, to hold closed hearings to examine certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

House

Committee on the Budget, hearing on Counting the Change: Accounting for the Fiscal Impacts of Controlling Carbon Emissions, 11:30 a.m., 210 Cannon.

Committee on Education and Labor, hearing on Barriers to Equal Educational Opportunities: Addressing the Rising Costs of a College Education, 11 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, Subcommittee Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled "FDA Foreign Drug Inspection Program: A System at Risk," 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Transportation Security and Infrastructure Protection, hearing entitled "Aviation Security Part II: A Frontline Perspective on the Need for Enhanced Human Resources and Equipment," 2 p.m., 311 Cannon.

Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on Commercial and Administrative Law, hearing on H.R. 3359, Mobile Workforce State Income Tax Fairness and Simplification Act of 2007, 12 p.m., 2237 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Crime, hearing on H.R. 2878, Enhanced Financial Recovery and Equitable Retirement Treatment Act of 2007; and to mark up the following bills: H.R. 2489, Genocide Accountability Act of 2007; H.R. 3971, Death in Custody Reporting Act of 2007; H.R. 3992, Mentally Ill Offender Treatment and Crime

Reduction Reauthorization and Improvement Act of 2007, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Natural Resources, Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Public Lands, hearing on H.R. 3301, Southeast Arizona Land Exchange and Conservation Act of 2007, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, hearing on The Administration's Regulatory Actions on Medicaid: The Effects on Patients, Doctors, Hospitals, and States, 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Government Management, Organization and Procurement, hearing on Too Many Cooks? Coordinating Federal and State Health IT, 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on Small Business, hearing on Evaluating the Impact of Pending Free Trade Agreements upon U.S. Small Businesses, 10 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, Subcommittee on Highway and Transit, hearing on Drug and Alcohol Testing of Commercial Motor Vehicle Drivers, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs, Subcommittee on Health, hearing on the VA Construction Process, 10 a.m., 334 Cannon.

Committee on Ways and Means, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 3996, Temporary Tax Relief Act of 2007; and H.R. 3997, Heroes Earnings Assistance and Relief Tax Act of 2007, 11:30 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

Select Committee on Energy Independence and Global Warming, hearing entitled "Wildfires and the Climate Crisis," 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Joint Meetings

Joint Hearing: Senate Select Committee on Intelligence, meeting of conferees on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 2008 for the intelligence community, 10 a.m., S-407, Capitol.

Conference: meeting of conferees on H.R. 3043, making appropriations for the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2008, 10 a.m., HC-5, Capitol.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

10 a.m., Thursday, November 1

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

10 a.m., Thursday, November 1

Senate Chamber

Program for Thursday: After the transaction of any morning business (not to extend beyond 60 minutes), Senate will continue consideration of the motion to proceed to the consideration of H.R. 3963, Children's Health Insurance Program Reauthorization Act.

House Chamber

Program for Thursday: H.R. 2262—Hardrock Mining and Reclamation Act of 2007 (Structured Rule).

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