

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S6669–S6749

Measures Introduced: Nine bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1277–1285, and S. Res. 187–188. **Pages S6719–20**

Measures Reported:

Special Report entitled “Revised Allocation to Subcommittees of Budget Totals From the Concurrent Resolution, Fiscal Year 2009”. (S. Rept. No. 111–28) **Page S6719**

Measures Passed:

Webcaster Settlement Act: Senate passed H.R. 2344, to amend section 114 of title 17, United States Code, to provide for agreements for the reproduction and performance of sound recordings by webcasters, clearing the measure for the President. **Pages S6740–41**

Antitrust Criminal Penalty Enhancement and Reform Act: Senate passed H.R. 2675, to amend title II of the Antitrust Criminal Penalty Enhancement and Reform Act of 2004 to extend the operation of such title for a 1-year period ending June 22, 2010, clearing the measure for the President. **Page S6741**

J. Herbert W. Small Federal Building and United States Courthouse: Senate passed H.R. 813, to designate the Federal building and United States courthouse located at 306 East Main Street in Elizabeth City, North Carolina, as the “J. Herbert W. Small Federal Building and United States Courthouse”, clearing the measure for the President. **Page S6741**

Ronald H. Brown United States Mission to the United Nations Building: Senate passed H.R. 837, to designate the Federal building located at 799 United Nations Plaza in New York, New York, as the “Ronald H. Brown United States Mission to the United Nations Building”, clearing the measure for the President. **Page S6741**

Year of the Noncommissioned Officer Corps of the United States Army: Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of S.

Res. 66, designating 2009 as the “Year of the Non-commissioned Officer Corps of the United States Army”, and the resolution was then agreed to. **Page S6741**

Congratulating the Los Angeles Lakers: Senate agreed to S. Res. 188, congratulating the Los Angeles Lakers for winning the 2009 National Basketball Championship. **Pages S6741–42**

Photographic Records Relating to Treatment of Individuals: Senate passed S. 1285, to provide that certain photographic records relating to the treatment of any individual engaged, captured, or detained after September 11, 2001, by the Armed Forces of the United States in operations outside the United States shall not be subject to disclosure under section 552 of title 5, United States Code (commonly referred to as the Freedom of Information Act), to amend section 552(b)(3) of title 5, United States Code (commonly referred to as the Freedom of Information Act) to provide that statutory exemptions to disclosure requirements of that Act shall specifically cite to the provision of that Act authorizing exemptions, to ensure and open and deliberative process in Congress by providing for related legislative proposals to explicitly state such required citations. **Page S6742**

Measures Considered:

Travel Promotion Act: Senate began consideration of S. 1023, to establish a non-profit corporation to communicate United States entry policies and otherwise promote leisure, business, and scholarly travel to the United States, after agreeing to the motion to proceed. **Pages S6683–87, S6706–10**

Conference Reports:

Supplemental Appropriations Act—Conference Report: Senate began consideration of the conference report to accompany H.R. 2346, making supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2009. **Page S6710**

A motion was entered to close further debate on the conference report, and, in accordance with the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on cloture will occur on Friday, June 19, 2009. **Page S6743**

Nomination Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nomination:

Hilary Chandler Tompkins, of New Mexico, to be Solicitor of the Department of the Interior.

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Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Vilma S. Martinez, of California, to be Ambassador to Argentina.

Routine lists in the Army and Navy.

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Nomination Withdrawn: Senate received notification of withdrawal of the following nomination:

Donald Michael Remy, of Virginia, to be General Counsel of the Department of the Army, which was sent to the Senate on April 20, 2009.

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Measures Referred:

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Executive Communications:

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m. and adjourned at 7:38 p.m., until 9:45 a.m. on Thursday, June 18, 2009. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S6743.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

APPROPRIATIONS: DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Homeland Security approved for full Committee consideration an original bill making appropriations for the Department of Homeland Security for the fiscal year 2010.

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, ENVIRONMENTAL, AND BASE CLOSURE PROGRAMS BUDGET

Committee on Armed Services: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the Defense Authorization request for fiscal year 2010 and the Future Years Defense Program for military construction, environmental, and base closure programs, after receiving

testimony from B.J. Penn, Assistant Secretary of the Navy for Installations and Environment, Kathleen I. Ferguson, Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for Installations, Joseph F. Calcara, Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Army for Installations and Housing, and Wayne Army, Deputy Under Secretary for Installations and Environment, all of the Department of Defense.

COMMERCIAL AIR CARRIERS

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Aviation Operations, Safety, and Security concluded a hearing to examine aviation safety, focusing on the role and responsibility of commercial air carriers and employees, after receiving testimony from James C. May, Air Transport Association of America, Inc., Roger Cohen, Regional Airline Association, and Captain John Prater, Air Line Pilots Association, International, all of Washington, D.C.; and Scott Maurer, Families of Continental Flight 3407, Moore, South Carolina.

CONSUMER WIRELESS EXPERIENCE

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the consumer wireless experience, focusing on consumers' current satisfaction with wireless phone service, problems consumers have experienced with this service, and the Federal Communications Commission's efforts to assist wireless consumers with complaints, after receiving testimony from Mark Goldstein, Director, Physical Infrastructure Issues, Government Accountability Office; John E. Rooney, United States Cellular Corporation, Chicago, Illinois; Paul Roth, AT&T Inc., Atlanta, Georgia; Rob Frieden, Penn State University, University Park, Pennsylvania; Barbara S. Esbin, The Progress and Freedom Foundation Center for Communications and Competition Policy, Washington, D.C.; and Victor H. Meena, Cellular South, Inc., Ridgeland, Mississippi.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee ordered favorably reported an original bill entitled "The American Clean Energy Leadership Act".

PUBLIC LAND AND FOREST LEGISLATION

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Public Lands and Forests concluded a hearing to examine S. 409, to secure Federal ownership and management of significant natural, scenic, and recreational resources, to provide for the protection of cultural resources, to facilitate the efficient extraction of mineral resources by authorizing and directing an exchange of Federal and non-Federal land, S. 782, to provide for the establishment of the National Volcano Early Warning and Monitoring

System, S. 874, to establish El Rio Grande Del Norte National Conservation Area in the State of New Mexico, S. 1139, to require the Secretary of Agriculture to enter into a property conveyance with the city of Wallowa, Oregon, and S. 1140, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain Federal land to Deschutes County, Oregon, after receiving testimony from Senator Kyl; Ned Farquhar, Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Interior for Land and Minerals Management; Joel Holtrop, Deputy Chief, National Forest System, United States Forest Service, Department of Agriculture; Norman Coeoyate, Zuni Tribe, Phoenix, Arizona, on behalf of the Inter-Tribal Council of Arizona; David Salisbury, Resolution Copper Mining, LLC, and Roy C. Chavez, Retired Miners Coalition, both of Superior, Arizona; and Rosemary Shearer, Superstition Area Land Trust, Apache Junction, Arizona.

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE OVERSIGHT

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded an oversight hearing to examine the Department of Justice, after receiving testimony from Eric H. Holder Jr., Attorney General, Department of Justice.

SOCIAL SECURITY IN THE 21ST CENTURY

Special Committee on Aging: Committee concluded a hearing to examine Social Security in the 21st Century, after receiving testimony from Leon Burzynski, Wisconsin Alliance for Retired Americans, Pewaukee; Kenneth S. Apfel, University of Maryland School of Public Policy, College Park; and Joan Entmacher, National Women's Law Center, Melissa M. Favreault, The Urban Institute, Andrew G. Biggs, American Enterprise Institute, and John S. Irons, Economic Policy Institute, all of Washington, DC.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 23 public bills, H.R. 2908–2917, 2919–2931; and 7 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 155–157; and H. Res. 553–556 were introduced. **Pages H6971–72**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages H6872–73**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H. Res. 520, impeaching Samuel B. Kent, judge of the United States District Court for the Southern District of Texas, for high crimes and misdemeanors (H. Rept. 111–159) and H.R. 2918, making appropriations for the Legislative Branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2010 (H. Rept. 111–160).

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Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the Guest Chaplain, Reverend Dr. Bruce Hargrave, Russia-U.S. Methodist Theological Seminary, Dallas, Texas.

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Recess: The House recessed at 10:07 a.m. and reconvened at 1:25 p.m. **Page H6907**

Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010: The House continued with consideration of H.R. 2847, making appropriations for the Departments of Commerce and Justice, and Science, and Related Agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2010. Consideration is expected to resume tomorrow, June 18th.

Pages H6910–19

Agreed to:

Bordallo amendment (No. 19 printed in the Congressional Record of June 15, 2009) that increases the appropriation for National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration operations, research, and facilities by \$500,000 and decreases the appropriation for Department of Commerce salaries and expenses by \$500,000 (by a recorded vote of 411 ayes to 14 noes, Roll No. 353); **Pages H6920–22, H6933–34**

Moore (WI) amendment (No. 3 printed in the Congressional Record of June 15, 2009) that decreases the appropriation for Department of Commerce salaries and expenses by \$4 million and increases the appropriation for the Office on Violence Against Women by \$4 million (by a recorded vote of 425 ayes to 4 noes, Roll No. 354); and

Pages H6922–24, H6934–35

Boswell amendment (No. 41 printed in the Congressional Record of June 15, 2009) that decreases the appropriation for Department of Justice salaries and expenses by \$2.5 million and increases the appropriation for the National Criminal History Improvement program by \$2.5 million (by a recorded vote of 422 ayes to 2 noes, Roll No. 355).

Pages H6924–26, H6935

Withdrawn:

Broun (GA) amendment (No. 60 printed in the Congressional Record of June 15, 2009) that was offered and subsequently withdrawn that would have prohibited use of funds in the bill for application of

the statistical method known as “sampling” when carrying out the 2010 decennial census.

Pages H6955–56

Proceedings Postponed:

Roe (TN) amendment (No. 25 printed in the Congressional Record of June 15, 2009) that seeks to decrease the appropriations for the Federal prison system by \$97,400,000;

Pages H6926–28

Nadler amendment (No. 31 printed in the Congressional Record of June 15, 2009) that seeks to redirect \$5 million from the Office of Justice programs to Community Oriented Policing Services;

Pages H6928–32

Eddie Bernice Johnson (TX) amendment (No. 35 printed in the Congressional Record of June 15, 2009) that seeks to insert a provision for the Historically Black Colleges and Universities Undergraduate Program;

Pages H6932–33

Hensarling amendment (No. 6 printed in the Congressional Record of June 15, 2009) that seeks to strike appropriations for the Legal Services Corporation;

Pages H6936–40

Lewis (CA) amendment (No. 118 printed in the Congressional Record of June 15, 2009) that seeks to prohibit the use of funds to implement Executive Order 13492, issued January 22, 2009, titled “Review and Disposition of Individuals Detained at the Guantanamo Bay Naval Base and Closure of Detention Facilities”;

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Tiahrt amendment (No. 69 printed in the Congressional Record of June 15, 2009) that seeks to prohibit the use of funds to obligate, or pay the salaries or expenses of personnel who obligate, funds made available under the following headings in title II of division A of Public Law 111–5: (1) “Economic Development Administration—Economic Development Assistance Programs”; (2) “National Telecommunications and Information Administration—Digital-to-Analog Converter Box Program”; and (3) “National Institute of Standards and Technology—Construction of Research Facilities”;

Pages H6942–43

Cuellar amendment (No. 102 printed in the Congressional Record of June 15, 2009) that seeks to prohibit the use of funds to purchase light bulbs unless the bulbs have “Energy Star” or “Federal Energy Management Program” designation;

Pages H6943–44

Price (GA) amendment (No. 96 printed in the Congressional Record of June 15, 2009) that seeks to reduce the appropriation made to the Department of Justice, General Administration, salaries and expenses by \$100,000,000;

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Hodes amendment (No. 98 printed in the Congressional Record of June 15, 2009) that seeks to direct the Director of the Office of Management and Budget to instruct any department, agency, or instrumentality of the United States Government re-

ceiving appropriations under this Act to track undisbursed balances in expired grant accounts and include a detailed annual performance plan;

Pages H6944–45

Nunes amendment (No. 63 printed in the Congressional Record of June 15, 2009) that seeks to prohibit the use of funds to implement the biological opinion entitled “Biological Opinion and Conference Opinion on the Long-Term Operations of the Central Valley Project and State Water Project”, issued by the National Marine Fisheries Service and dated June 4, 2009;

Pages H6945–48

Blackburn amendment (No. 111 printed in the Congressional Record of June 15, 2009) that seeks to decrease by 5 percent funds that are not required to be appropriated or otherwise made available by a provision of law;

Pages H6948–49

Burton (IN) amendment (No. 71 printed in the Congressional Record of June 15, 2009) that seeks to prohibit the use of funds to relocate the Office of the Census or employees from the Department of Commerce to the jurisdiction of the Executive Office of the President;

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Price (GA) amendment (No. 97 printed in the Congressional Record of June 15, 2009) that seeks to reduce the funds appropriated in the Act by \$644,150,000;

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Jordan (OH) amendment (No. 100 printed in the Congressional Record of June 15, 2009) that seeks to reduce the funds appropriated in the Act by \$12,511,000,000;

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Reichert amendment (No. 114 printed in the Congressional Record of June 15, 2009) that seeks to increase the appropriation for Violence Against Women Prevention and Prosecution Programs by \$2.5 million;

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Broun (GA) amendment (No. 59 printed in the Congressional Record of June 15, 2009) that seeks to prohibit the use of funds to establish or implement a National Climate Service;

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Hensarling amendment (No. 79 printed in the Congressional Record of June 15, 2009) that seeks to prohibit the use of funds by the Art Center of the Grand Prairie, Stuttgart, AR, for the Grand Prairie Arts Initiative;

Pages H6956–57

Hensarling amendment (No. 76 printed in the Congressional Record of June 15, 2009) that seeks to prohibit the use of funds for the Maine Department of Marine Resources, Augusta, ME, for Maine Lobster Research and Inshore Trawl Survey;

Pages H6957–58

Campbell amendment (No. 105 printed in the Congressional Record of June 15, 2009) that seeks to prohibit the use of funds for the Training the

Next Generation of Weather Forecasters project of San Jose State University, San Jose, California;

Pages H6958–60

Campbell amendment (No. 104 printed in the Congressional Record of June 15, 2009) that seeks to prohibit the use of funds for the Jamaica Chamber of Commerce, Jamaica, NY, for the Jamaica Export Center;

Pages H6960–62

Campbell amendment (No. 107 printed in the Congressional Record of June 15, 2009) that seeks to prohibit the use of funds for the Summer Flounder and Black Sea Initiative project of the Partnership for the Mid-Atlantic Fisheries, Point Pleasant Beach, New Jersey;

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Flake amendment (No. 87 printed in the Congressional Record of June 15, 2009) that seeks to prohibit the use of funds for operations of the National Drug Intelligence Center and to decrease appropriations for the Department of Justice General Administration by \$44,023,000;

Pages H6963–64

Flake amendment (No. 86 printed in the Congressional Record of June 15, 2009) that seeks to prohibit the use of funds for the Innovative Science Learning Center of ScienceSouth, Florence, South Carolina, and to decrease the appropriation for the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration Cross Agency Support by \$500,000;

Pages H6964–65

Flake amendment (No. 85 printed in the Congressional Record of June 15, 2009) that seeks to prohibit the use of funds for the Drew University Environmental Science Initiative of Drew University, Madison, New Jersey, and to decrease the appropriations for the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration Cross Agency Support by \$1 million;

Pages H6965–66

Flake amendment (No. 91 printed in the Congressional Record of June 15, 2009) that seeks to prohibit the use of funds for the Science Education Through Exploration project of the JASON Project, Ashburn, Virginia, and to decrease the appropriations for the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration Operations, Research, and Facilities by \$4 million; and

Pages H6966–68

Flake amendment (No. 84 printed in the Congressional Record of June 15, 2009) that seeks to prohibit the use of funds for the Institute for Seafood Studies project of the Nicholls State University Department of Biological Sciences, Thibodaux, Louisiana, and to decrease the appropriations for the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration Operations, Research, and Facilities by \$325,000.

Pages H6968–69

H. Res. 552, the rule providing for further consideration of the bill, was agreed to by a yea-and-nay vote of 221 yeas to 201 nays, Roll No. 352, after agreeing to order the previous question by a

yea-and-nay vote of 238 yeas to 180 nays, Roll No. 351.

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Recess: The House recessed at 8:48 p.m. and reconvened at 11:03 p.m.

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Quorum Calls—Votes: Two yea-and-nay votes and three recorded votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H6917–18, H6918, H6933–34, H6934–35, H6935. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 11:59 p.m.

Committee Meetings

STATE, FOREIGN OPERATIONS, AND RELATED PROGRAMS APPROPRIATIONS FY 2010

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs approved for full Committee action the State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs appropriations for Fiscal Year 2010.

FINANCIAL INVESTMENT MEASURES

Committee on Education and Labor: Subcommittee on Health, Employment, Labor and Pensions approved for full Committee action, as amended, the following bills: H.R. 1984, 401(k) Fair Disclosure for Retirement Security Act of 2009; and H.R. 1988, Conflicted Investment Advice Prohibition Act of 2009.

FOOD SAFETY ENHANCEMENT ACT OF 2009

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Ordered reported, as amended, H.R. 2749, Food Safety Enhancement Act of 2009.

NORTH KOREA MISSILE TESTS/PARTY TALKS

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on Asia, the Pacific and the Global Environment, and the Subcommittee on Terrorism, Nonproliferation and Trade held a joint hearing on North Korea's Nuclear and Missile Tests and the Six-Party Talks: Where Do We Go from Here? Testimony was heard from Thomas C. Hubbard, former Ambassador to the Republics of Korea, the Philippines and Palau; Richard C. Bush, III, former National Intelligence Officer for East Asia; and public witnesses.

U.S. BROADCASTING TO CUBA

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on International Organizations, Human Rights, and Oversight held a hearing on TV Marti: A Station in Search of an Audience? Testimony was heard from

Jess Ford, Director, International Affairs and Trade Team, GAO; and public witnesses.

IDENTITY THEFT VICTIMS BILL OF RIGHTS

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform: Subcommittee on Information Policy, Census and National Archives held a hearing entitled “Identity Theft: Victims Bills of Rights.” Testimony was heard from Betsy Broder, Assistant Director, Division of Privacy and Identity Protection, FTC; Jason M. Weinstein, Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division, Department of Justice; Daniel Bertoni, Director, Education, Workforce and Income Security, GAO; and public witnesses.

NUCLEAR FUEL RECYCLING

Committee on Science and Technology: Held a hearing on Advancing Technology for Nuclear Fuel Recycling: What Should Our Research, Development and Demonstration Strategy Be? Testimony was heard from Mark Peters, Deputy Associate Laboratory Director, Argonne National Laboratory, Department of Energy; and public witnesses.

POLAR-ORBITING OPERATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL SATELLITE

Committee on Science and Technology: Subcommittee on Investigations and Oversight continued hearings on Independent Assessment of the National Polar-Orbiting Operational Environmental Satellite System. Testimony was heard from David Powner, Director, Information Technology Management Issues, GAO; Mary Glackin, Deputy Under Secretary, Oceans and Atmosphere and Deputy Administrator, NOAA, Department of Commerce; and a public witness.

INNOVATION RESEARCH TECHNOLOGY PROGRAMS

Committee on Small Business: Held a hearing on Legislative Initiatives to Strengthen and Modernize the SBIR and STTR Programs. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, JUNE 18, 2009

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget

estimates for fiscal year 2010 for the Department of Transportation, 9:30 a.m., SD-138.

Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2010 for the United States Army Corps of Engineers and the Bureau of Reclamation, 10:15 a.m., SD-192.

Subcommittee on Defense, to hold hearings to receive testimony from outside witnesses, 10:30 a.m., SD-124.

Full Committee, business meeting to mark up the Homeland Security and Legislative Branch Appropriations Bills and the 302(b) Allocations for fiscal year 2010, 3 p.m., SD-106.

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Emerging Threats and Capabilities, to hold hearings to examine the Defense Authorization request for fiscal year 2010 and the Future Years Defense Program for United States Special Operations Command, 2:30 p.m., SR-222.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: to hold hearings to examine the President’s proposal to modernize the financial regulatory system, 9:30 a.m., SH-216.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Surface Transportation and Merchant Marine, to hold hearings to examine freight transportation in America, focusing on options for improving the nation’s network, 2:30 p.m., SR-253.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: business meeting to consider S. 787, to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to clarify the jurisdiction of the United States over waters of the United States, S. 878, to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to modify provisions relating to beach monitoring, S. 937, to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to ensure that sewage treatment plants monitor for and report discharges of raw sewage, S. 690, to amend the Neotropical Migratory Bird Conservation Act to reauthorize the Act, S. 479, to amend the Chesapeake Bay Initiative Act of 1998 to provide for the continuing authorization of the Chesapeake Bay Gateways and Watertrails Network, and S. 933, to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act and the Great Lakes Legacy Act of 2002 to reauthorize programs to address remediation of contaminated sediment, 9:30 a.m., SD-406.

Committee on Foreign Relations: to receive a briefing to examine treaty negotiations with Russia, 2 p.m., SVC-217.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: business meeting to continue consideration of Affordable Health Choices Act, subcommittee assignments, and any pending nominations, 10:30 a.m., SR-325.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: to hold hearings to examine state business incorporation practices, focusing on the Incorporation Transparency and Law Enforcement Assistance Act, 2:30 p.m., SD-342.

Committee on the Judiciary: business meeting to consider S. 417, to enact a safe, fair, and responsible state secrets privilege Act, S. 257, to amend title 11, United States Code, to disallow certain claims resulting from high cost credit debts, S. 448 and H.R. 985, bills to maintain the

free flow of information to the public by providing conditions for the federally compelled disclosure of information by certain persons connected with the news media, S. 369, to prohibit brand name drug companies from compensating generic drug companies to delay the entry of a generic drug into the market, S. 1107, to amend title 28, United States Code, to provide for a limited 6-month period for Federal judges to opt into the Judicial Survivors' Annuities System and begin contributing toward an annuity for their spouse and dependent children upon their death, and the nominations of Tristram J. Coffin, of Vermont, to be United States Attorney for the District of Vermont, Joyce White Vance, of Alabama, to be United States Attorney for the Northern District of Alabama, and Preet Bharara, of New York, to be United States Attorney for the Southern District of New York, 10 a.m., SD-226.

Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship: business meeting to mark up S. 1233, to reauthorize and improve the SBIR and STTR programs and for other purposes, and S. 1229, to reauthorize and improve the entrepreneurial development programs of the Small Business Administration, 10 a.m., SR-428A.

Select Committee on Intelligence: to hold closed hearings to examine certain intelligence matters, 2 p.m., S-407, Capitol.

House

Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies, to mark up appropriations for fiscal year 2010 for Interior, Environment and Related Agencies, 11 a.m., 2359 Rayburn.

Committee on the Budget, hearing on Statutory PAYGO, 10:30 a.m., 210 Cannon.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, Subcommittee on Commerce, Trade and Consumer Protection, and the Subcommittee on Communications, Technology and the Internet, joint hearing on Behavioral Advertising: Industry Practices and Consumers' Expectations, 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Health, hearing entitled "Medical Devices: Are Current Regulations Doing Enough for Patients?" 9:30 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, hearing entitled "The Administration's Plan for the Restructuring of the American Financial Regulatory System," 1 p.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled "Strengthening Oversight and Preventing Fraud in FHA and other HUD Programs," 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Foreign Affairs, Subcommittee on Europe, hearing on the Prague Conference on Holocaust Era Assets: An Overview, 1:30 p.m., 2200 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Terrorism, Nonproliferation and Trade, hearing on the Export Administration Act: A Review of Outstanding Policy Considerations, 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Western Hemisphere, hearing on U.S. Efforts to Combat Arms Trafficking to Mexico: Re-

port from the Government Accountability Office (GAO), 11 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on Homeland Security, to mark up H.R. 2868, Chemical Facility Antiterrorism Act of 2009, 10 a.m., 311 Cannon.

Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism and Homeland Security, hearing on Secure and Responsible Drug Disposal, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Natural Resources, Subcommittee on Insular Affairs, Oceans and Wildlife, hearing on H.R. 21, Ocean Conservation Education, and National Strategy for the 21st Century Act, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, to mark up the following measures: H. Con. Res. 127, Recognizing the significance of National Caribbean-American Heritage Month; H. Con. Res. 142, Supporting National Men's Health Week; H. Res. 350, Honoring the life and accomplishments of Harry Kalas for his invaluable contributions to the national pastime of baseball, and the Nation; H. Res. 469, Honoring the life of Wayman Lawrence Tisdale and expressing the condolences of the House of Representatives on his passing; H. Res. 476, Celebrating the 30th anniversary of June as "Black Music Month;" H.R. 483, Supporting the goals and ideals of Veterans of Foreign Wars Day; H.R. 2004, To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 4282 Beach Street in Akron, Michigan, as the "Akron Veterans Memorial Post Office;" and H.R. 2760, To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1615 North Wilcox Avenue in Los Angeles, California, as the "Johnny Grant Hollywood Post Office Building;" 9:45 a.m., followed by a joint hearing with the Subcommittee on National Security, and Foreign Affairs, entitled "Afghanistan and Pakistan: Oversight of a New Interagency Strategy," 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Domestic Policy, hearing entitled "After Injury, the Battle Begins: Evaluating Workers' Compensation for Civilian Contractors in War Zones," 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Government Management, Organization and Procurement, hearing entitled "Oversight of Federal Financial Management," 2 p.m., 2247 Rayburn.

Committee on Rules, to consider Legislative Branch Appropriations Act of 2010, 3 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

Committee on Science and Technology, Subcommittee on Space and Aeronautics, hearing External Perspectives on the FY 2010 NASA Budget Request and Related Issues, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Small Business, Subcommittee on Rural Development, Entrepreneurship and Trade, hearing on Textile Import Enforcement: Is the Playing Field Level for American Small Businesses? 10 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs, Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs, hearing on Addressing the Backlog: Can VA Manage One Million Claims? 2 p.m., 334 Cannon.

Subcommittee on Health, hearing on the following measures: H.R. 2770, Veterans Nonprofit Research and Education Corporations Enhancement Act of 2009; H.R. 1293, Disabled Veterans Home Improvement and Structural Alteration Grant Increase Act of 2009; H.R. 1197,

Medal of Honor Health Care Equity Act of 2009; H.R. 1302, To amend title 38, United States Code, to establish the position of Director of Physician Assistant Services within the office of the Under Secretary of Veterans Affairs for Health; H.R. 1335, To amend title 38, United States Code, to prohibit the Secretary of Veterans Affairs from collecting certain copayments from veterans who are catastrophically disabled; H.R. 1546, Caring for Veterans with Traumatic Brain Injury Act of 2009; H.R. 2734, Health Care for Family Caregivers Act of 2009; H.R. 2738, to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide travel expenses for family caregivers accompanying veterans to medical treatment facilities; and Draft Legislation on Extending Healthcare to Vietnam-era Veterans Exposed to Herbicides and Gulf War Veterans, Providing Supportive Services for Family Caregivers of Veterans, and Requiring VA to Collect Survey Data on Family Caregivers, 10 a.m., 334 Cannon.

Committee on Ways and Means, and the Subcommittee on Select Revenue Measures and the Subcommittee on Domestic Monetary Policy and Technology of the Committee on Financial Services, joint hearing on New Market Tax Credit Program, 10 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, to mark up H.R. 2701, Intelligence Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2010, 9 a.m., 304–HVC.

Select Committee on Energy Independence and Global Warming, hearing entitled “Global Warming’s Growing Concerns: Impacts on Agriculture and Forestry,” 9:30 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Joint Meetings

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