

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

The House voted to override the President's veto of H.R. 1495, Water Resources Development Act of 2007.

The House agreed to the conference report to accompany H.R. 3043, Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2008.

Senate

Chamber Action

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Measures Introduced: Six bills and four resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2309–2314, and S. Res. 367–370. **Page S13989**

Measures Reported:

S. 2113, to implement the United States-Peru Trade Promotion Agreement. **Page S13989**

Measures Passed:

Drive Safer Sunday: Senate agreed to S. Res. 369, designating November 25, 2007, as "Drive Safer Sunday". **Page S14024**

Veterans Day Support: Senate agreed to S. Res. 370, supporting and encouraging greater support for Veterans Day each year. **Page S14024**

Measures Considered:

Farm Bill Extension Act: Senate continued consideration of H.R. 2419, to provide for the continuation of agricultural programs through fiscal year 2012, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto: **Pages S13947–81**

Pending:

Harkin Amendment No. 3500, in the nature of a substitute. **Page S13947**

Reid (for Dorgan/Grassley) Amendment No. 3508 (to Amendment No. 3500), to strengthen payment limitations and direct the savings to increased funding for certain programs. **Page S13947**

Reid Amendment No. 3509 (to Amendment No. 3508), to change the enactment date. **Pages S13947–48**

Reid Amendment No. 3510 (to the language proposed to be stricken by Amendment No. 3500), to change the enactment date. **Page S13948**

Reid Amendment No. 3511 (to Amendment No. 3510), to change the enactment date. **Page S13948**

Motion to commit the bill to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry, with instructions to report back forthwith, with Reid Amendment No. 3512. **Page S13948**

Reid Amendment No. 3512 (to the instructions of the motion to commit to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry, with instructions), to change the enactment date. **Page S13948**

Reid Amendment No. 3513 (to the instructions of the motion to recommit), to change the enactment date. **Page S13948**

Reid Amendment No. 3514 (to Amendment No. 3513), to change the enactment date. **Page S13948**

Labor/HHS/Education Appropriations Act Conference Report—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that at 12:15 p.m., on Wednesday, November 7, 2007, Senate begin consideration of the conference report to accompany 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, if it has been received from the House of Representatives; that there be one hour for debate equally divided between Senators Harkin, Reed, Specter, and Hutchison and two hours for debate under the control of the two Leaders, or their designees; provided further, that following the use or yielding back of time, Senator Hutchison be recognized to make a Rule 28 scope point of order, that Senator Harkin then be recognized to move to waive Rule 28 and Senate debate the motion as under the provisions of Rule 28; that if the point of order is sustained, Senator Coburn be recognized to move to suspend the rules, provided the motion had been timely filed, that there then be 30 minutes of

debate equally divided in the usual form, and that at the conclusion or yielding back of time, Senate vote on Senator Coburn's motion to suspend the rules; provided further, that if the motion to suspend is adopted, Senator Coburn's amendment be agreed to and Senate proceed to concur with the further amendment as under the rule, that if Senator Coburn's motion fails Senate vote immediately on the motion to recede and concur with the further amendment as under the rule; provided further, that if the motion to waive is successful, Senate vote on Thursday, November 8, 2007, on the motion to invoke cloture on the conference report as if it had been filed on Tuesday, November 6, 2007.

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Escort Committee—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the President pro tempore of the Senate be authorized to appoint a committee on the part of the Senate to join with a like committee on the part of the House of Representatives to escort His Excellency Nicolas Sarkozy, President of France, into the House Chamber for a joint meeting at 11 a.m. on Wednesday, November 7, 2007.

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Nomination Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nomination:

Patrick Francis Kennedy, of Illinois, to be an Under Secretary of State (Management). **Page S14024**

Messages from the House: **Pages S13988–89**

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 8:57 p.m., until 10:30 a.m. on Wednesday, November 7, 2007. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S14024.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

DOMESTIC ENERGY INDUSTRY

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the efficacy of the domestic energy industry, focusing on its available workforce to meet our Nation's growing energy needs, after receiving testimony from Emily S. DeRocco, Assistant Secretary, Employment and Training Administration, Department of Labor; Patricia A. Hoffman, Deputy Director of Research and Development, and Acting Chief Operating Officer, Office of Electricity Delivery and Energy Reliability, and Ray Stults, Associate Director for Energy Sciences, National Renewable Energy Laboratory, both of the Department of Energy; Andra Cornelius, Workforce Florida, Inc., Tallahassee; Norm Szydlowski, Colonial Pipeline Company, Alpharetta, Georgia; James L. Hunter, International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Utility Department, and Carol L. Berrigan, Nuclear Energy Institute, both of Washington, DC; and W. Paul Bowers, Southern Company Generation, Atlanta, Georgia.

PENSIONS

Committee on Finance: Subcommittee on Social Security, Pensions and Family Policy concluded a hearing to examine the Government Pension Offset (GPO), and the Windfall Elimination Provision (WEP), focusing on policies affecting pensions from employment not covered by Social Security, after receiving testimony from Senator Collins; Barbara D. Bobbjerg, Director, Education, Workforce, and Income Security, Government Accountability Office; Priya S. Mathur, California Public Employees' Retirement System (CalPERS), Sacramento, on behalf of the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees; Lawrence H. Thompson, Urban Institute, Washington, DC; and Margaret Kane, Medford, Massachusetts.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee ordered favorably reported the nomination of Michael B. Mukasey, of New York, to be Attorney General.

VA MEDICAL FACILITIES

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Committee concluded an oversight hearing to examine the hiring practices and quality control in Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) medical facilities, after receiving testimony from Gerald Cross, Principal Deputy Under Secretary for Health, Peter Almenoff, Director, VA Heartland Network, VISN 15, George O. Maish, Jr.,

Chief of Surgery, Lebanon, Pennsylvania, VA Medical Center, and Kathryn Enchelmayer, Director of Quality Standards, Office of Quality Performance, Veterans' Health Administration, all of the Department of Veterans Affairs; Randall B. Williamson, Acting Director, Health Care, Government Accountability Office; Tammy Duckworth, Illinois Depart-

ment of Veterans' Affairs, Springfield; and Steve McCarty, Bedford, Texas.

INTELLIGENCE

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee held closed hearings on intelligence matters, receiving testimony from officials of the intelligence community.

Committee recessed subject to the call.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 19 public bills, H.R. 4082–4100; 1 private bill, H.R. 4101; and 8 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 246–248; and H. Res. 799–800, 803–805 were introduced.

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Additional Cosponsors:

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 1119, to amend title 36, United States Code, to revise the congressional charter of the Military Order of the Purple Heart of the United States of America, Incorporated, to authorize associate membership in the corporation for the spouse of a recipient of the Purple Heart medal, with amendments (H. Rept. 110–428);

H.R. 2884, to assist members of the Armed Forces in obtaining United States citizenship, with an amendment (H. Rept. 110–429);

H.R. 3887, to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 2008 through 2011 for the Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000 and to enhance measures to combat forced labor, with amendments (H. Rept. 110–430, Pt. 1);

H.R. 3996, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend certain expiring provisions, with an amendment (H. Rept. 110–431);

H. Res. 801, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 3688) to implement the United States-Peru Trade Production Agreement (H. Rept. 110–432);

H. Res. 802, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 3355) to ensure the availability and affordability of homeowners' insurance coverage for catastrophic events (H. Rept. 110–433); and

Conference report on H.R. 3222, making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2008 (H. Rept. 110–434).

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Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein she appointed Representative Cohen to act as Speaker Pro Tempore for today. **Page H12741**

Recess: The House recessed at 9:06 a.m. and reconvened at 10:00 a.m. **Page H12742**

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

Expressing the sense of Congress that Congress and the President should increase basic pay for members of the Armed Forces: H. Con. Res. 162, amended, to express the sense of Congress that Congress and the President should increase basic pay for members of the Armed Forces, by a 2/3 yeas-and-nay vote of 409 yeas with none voting "nay", Roll No. 1041; **Pages H12750–52, H12798–99**

Heroes Earnings Assistance and Relief Tax Act of 2007: H.R. 3997, amended, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide earnings assistance and tax relief to members of the uniformed services, volunteer firefighters, and Peace Corps volunteers, by a 2/3 yeas-and-nay vote of 410 yeas with none voting "nay", Roll No. 1042;

Pages H12752–64, H12799

Expressing the support and sympathy of the House of Representatives and the people of the United States for the victims of the tragic fire that occurred in Ocean Isle Beach, North Carolina, on October 28, 2007: H. Res. 787, to express the support and sympathy of the House of Representatives and the people of the United States for the victims of the tragic fire that occurred in Ocean Isle Beach, North Carolina, on October 28, 2007;

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Expressing the support and sympathy of the House of Representatives and the people of the United States for the victims of the devastating flooding that occurred across many parts of Ohio in August 2007 and commending the communities, volunteer organizations, churches and emergency

response agencies for their continuing work to restore the affected areas across the state: H. Res. 728, to express the support and sympathy of the House of Representatives and the people of the United States for the victims of the devastating flooding that occurred across many parts of Ohio in August 2007 and to commend the communities, volunteer organizations, churches and emergency response agencies for their continuing work to restore the affected areas across the state; **Pages H12766–67**

Expressing the sense of the House with respect to the Boston Red Sox victory in the 2007 Major League Baseball World Series: H. Res. 782, to express the sense of the House with respect to the Boston Red Sox victory in the 2007 Major League Baseball World Series; **Pages H12767–70**

Purple Heart Family Equity Act of 2007: H.R. 1119, amended, to amend title 36, United States Code, to revise the congressional charter of the Military Order of the Purple Heart of the United States of America, Incorporated, to authorize associate membership in the corporation for the spouse of a recipient of the Purple Heart medal; **Pages H12770–71**

Agreed to amend the title so as to read: “To amend title 36, United States Code, to revise the congressional charter of the Military Order of the Purple Heart of the United States of America, Incorporated, to authorize associate membership in the corporation for the spouse and siblings of a recipient of the Purple Heart medal.” **Page H12771**

Kendell Frederick Citizenship Assistance Act: H.R. 2884, amended, to assist members of the Armed Forces in obtaining United States citizenship; **Pages H12771–73**

Small Business Programs Act of 2007: H.R. 3866, amended, to reauthorize certain programs under the Small Business Act for each of fiscal years 2008 and 2009; **Pages H12773–76**

Kids in Disasters Well-being, Safety, and Health Act of 2007: H.R. 3495, amended, to establish a National Commission on Children and Disasters and a National Resource Center on Children and Disasters, by a 2/3 yeas-and-nays vote of 402 yeas to 8 nays, Roll No. 1043; and

Pages H12778–82, H12799–H12800

Agreed to amend the title so as to read: “To establish a National Commission on Children and Disasters, and for other purposes.” **Page H12800**

Extending the existing provisions regarding the eligibility for essential air service subsidies through fiscal year 2008: S. 2265, amended, to extend the existing provisions regarding the eligibility for essential air service subsidies through fiscal year 2008. **Pages H12782–83**

Agreed to amend the title so as to read: “To extend the existing provisions regarding the eligibility for essential air service subsidies through fiscal year 2008, and for other purposes.” **Page H12783**

Privileged Resolution—Intent to Offer: Representative Kucinich announced his intention to offer a privileged resolution. **Pages H12776–78**

Privileged Resolution: The House rejected the motion to table H. Res. 799, relating to a question of the privileges of the House, by a yeas-and-nays vote of 162 yeas to 251 nays, Roll No. 1037. **Pages H12783–86**

Motion to Refer: Agreed to refer H. Res. 799 to the Committee on the Judiciary by a recorded vote of 218 yeas to 194 nays, Roll No. 1039, after agreeing to order the previous question by a recorded vote of 218 yeas to 194 nays, No. 1038. **Pages H12786–88**

Water Resources Development Act of 2007—Presidential Veto: The House voted to override the President’s veto of H.R. 1495, to provide for the conservation and development of water and related resources and to authorize the Secretary of the Army to construct various projects for improvements to rivers and harbors of the United States, by a yeas-and-nays vote of 361 yeas to 54 nays, Roll No. 1040 (two-thirds of those present voting to override). **Pages H12788–98**

Improving Head Start Act of 2007—Motion to go to Conference: The House disagreed to the Senate amendment and agreed to a conference on H.R. 1429, to reauthorize the Head Start Act, to improve program quality, and to expand access. **Pages H12800–02**

Agreed to the Castle motion to instruct conferees by a yeas-and-nays vote of 400 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 1045. **Page H12805**

Appointed as conferees: Representatives George Miller (CA), Kildee, Woolsey, Davis (IL), Grijalva, Linda T. Sánchez (CA), Sarbanes, Sestak, Loebbeck, Hirono, Shea-Porter, McKeon, Castle, Fortuño, Bishop (UT), Keller (FL), Wilson (SC), Boustany, and Heller (NV). **Page H12814**

Question of Consideration: The House agreed to consider H. Res. 794, providing for consideration of the conference report to accompany the bill (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, by a yeas-and-nays vote of 203 yeas to 178 nays, Roll No. 1044. **Pages H12802–05**

Suspension—Proceedings Resumed: The House agreed to suspend the rules and agree to the following measure which was debated on Monday, November 5th:

Congratulating Nicolas Sarkozy on his election to the presidency of France: H. Res. 379, amended, to congratulate Nicolas Sarkozy on his election to the presidency of France, by a 2/3 yeas-and-nays vote of 395 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 1046.

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Agreed to amend the title so as to read: “Congratulating Nicolas Sarkozy on his election to the presidency of France and welcoming President Sarkozy on the occasion of his appearance before a Joint Meeting of Congress.”

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Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2008: The House agreed to the conference report to accompany 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, by a yeas-and-nays vote of 269 yeas to 142 nays, Roll No. 1050.

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H. Res. 794, the rule providing for consideration of the conference report, was agreed to by a yeas-and-nays vote of 216 yeas to 182 nays, Roll No. 1048, after agreeing to order the previous question by a yeas-and-nays vote of 218 yeas to 183 nays, Roll No. 1047.

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Motion to Adjourn: Rejected the Putnam motion to adjourn by a yeas-and-nays vote of 158 yeas to 248 nays, Roll No. 1049.

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Senate Message: Message received from the Senate today appears on page H12742.

Senate Referrals: S. 1347 was referred to the Committee on Natural Resources.

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Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on pages H13206–08.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Twelve yeas-and-nays votes and two recorded votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H12785–86, H12787, H12787–88, H12797–98, H12798–99, H12799, H12799–H12800, H12804–05, H12805, H12806, H12813, H12813–14, H13198–99, H13199. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 9 a.m. and adjourned at 11:05 p.m.

Committee Meetings

CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY COMMISSION REFORM PROPOSALS

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Commerce, Trade, and Consumer Protection held a hearing entitled “Comprehensive Children’s Product Safety and Consumer Product Safety Commission Reform Legislation.” Testimony was heard from the

following officials of the Consumer Product Safety Commission: Nancy A. Nord, Acting Chairman; and Thomas H. Moore, Commissioner; and public witnesses.

MORTGAGE REFORM AND ANTI-PREDATORY LENDING ACT OF 2007

Committee on Financial Services: Ordered reported, as amended, H.R. 3915, Mortgage Reform and Anti-Predatory Lending Act of 2007.

YAHOO’S PROVISION OF FALSE INFORMATION TO CONGRESS

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Held a hearing on Yahoo! Inc.’s Provision of False Information to Congress. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

VIETNAM—HUMAN RIGHTS CONCERNS

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on International Organizations, Human Rights, and Oversight held a hearing on Human Rights Concerns in Vietnam. Testimony was heard from Representatives Lofgren, Loretta Sanchez and Smith of New Jersey; Scott Marciel, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Southeast Asia, Bureau of East Asian and Pacific Affairs, Department of State; and public witnesses.

USING THE WEB AS A WEAPON

Committee on Homeland Security: Subcommittee on Intelligence, Information Sharing and Terrorism Risk Assessment held a hearing entitled “Using the Web as a Weapon: the Internet as a Tool for Violent Radicalization and Homegrown Terrorism.” Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT—CONGRESSIONAL REVIEW ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Commercial and Administrative Law held an oversight hearing on the Congressional Review Act. Testimony was heard from John V. Sullivan, Parliamentarian, House of Representatives; Mort Rosenberg, Specialist in American Public Law, CRS, Library of Congress; and a public witness.

MANAGING ARSON THROUGH CRIME HISTORY (MATCH) ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Crime approved for full Committee action H.R. 1759, Managing Arson Through Criminal History (MATCH) Act of 2007.

Prior to this action, the Subcommittee held a hearing on this measure. Testimony was heard from Representatives Bono and Schiff; Tracy Pansini, Fire Chief, Burbank Fire Department, Burbank, California; and William M. Soqui, Fire Chief, Cathedral City Fire Department, Cathedral City, California.

TELEWORK: BREAKING NEW GROUND

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform: Subcommittee on Federal Workforce, Postal Service, and the District of Columbia held a hearing on Telework: Breaking New Ground. Testimony was heard from Representative Wolf; Daniel A. Green, Deputy Associate Director, Center for Employee and Family Support Policy, OPM; Stan Kaczmarczk, Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Government-wide Policy, GSA; Bernice Steinhardt, Director, Strategic Issues, GAO; Margaret J.A. Peterlin, Deputy Under Secretary, Intellectual Property and Deputy Director, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, Department of Commerce; Lee J. Lofthus, Assistant Attorney General, Administration, Department of Justice; and public witnesses.

STRATEGY FOR SECURITY IN POST-9/11 WORLD

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on National Security, and Foreign Affairs continued hearings on Six Years Later: Smart Power and the U.S. Strategy for Security in a Post-9/11 World. Testimony was heard from Richard L. Armitage, former Deputy Secretary of State; and a public witness.

UNITED STATES-PERU TRADE PROMOTION AGREEMENT IMPLEMENTATION ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by a vote of 10 to 0 (with one Member voting Present), a closed rule providing 3 hours of debate on H.R. 3688, to implement the United States-Peru Trade Promotion Agreement, with 45 minutes in favor of the bill controlled by Representative Rangel of New York or his designee, 45 minutes in favor of the bill controlled by Representative McCrery of Louisiana or his designee, 45 minutes in opposition to the bill controlled by Representative Michaud of Maine or his designee, and 45 minutes in opposition to the bill controlled by the Minority Leader or his designee.

The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill except those arising under clause 9 or 10 of rule XXI. The rule provides that the bill shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against the bill. The rule provides that pursuant to section 151(f)(2) of the Trade Act of 1974, the previous question shall be considered as ordered on the bill to final passage without intervening motion. Finally, the rule permits the Chair, during consideration of the bill, to postpone further consideration of it to a time designated by the Speaker. Testimony was heard from Representatives Mahoney of Florida, Klein of Florida, and Capito.

HOMEOWNERS' DEFENSE ACT OF 2007

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, an open rule with a pre-printing requirement providing 1 hour of general debate on H.R. 3355, to ensure the availability and affordability of homeowners' insurance coverage for catastrophic events, equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Financial Services. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill except those arising under clauses 9 or 10 of rule XXI. The rule makes in order the Committee on Financial Services amendment in the nature of a substitute now printed in the bill as an original bill for the purpose of amendment. The amendment in the nature of a substitute shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order except clause 10 of rule XXI against the amendment in the nature of a substitute.

The rule provides that notwithstanding clause 11 of rule XVIII, no amendment to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute shall be in order except those printed in the portion of the Congressional Record designated for that purpose in clause 8 of rule XVIII and except pro forma amendments for the purpose of debate. Each amendment so printed may be offered only by the Member who caused it to be printed or a designee and shall be considered as read. The rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. The rule also provides that, notwithstanding the operation of the previous question, the Chair may postpone further consideration of the bill to a time designated by the Speaker. Testimony was heard from Representatives Levin, Pascrell, Crowley, Schwartz of Pennsylvania, Sutton, Kaptur, Michaud, Linda Sanchez of California, Ellison, Hare and Hunter.

GLOBALIZATION OF R&D AND INNOVATION

Committee on Science and Technology: Subcommittee on Technology and Innovation continued hearings on Globalization of R&D and Innovation, Part IV: Implications for the Science and Engineering Workforce. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

Joint Meetings**DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE APPROPRIATIONS**

Conferees agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the Senate and House passed versions of H.R. 3222, making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2008.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2007

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Science, Technology, and Innovation, to hold hearings to examine carbon sequestration technologies, 2:30 p.m., SR-253.

Committee on the Judiciary: to hold hearings to examine the United States government enforcement of intellectual property rights, 2 p.m., SD-226.

Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship: business meeting to mark up an original bill entitled, "Small Business Contracting Revitalization Act of 2007", 9:30 a.m., SR-428A.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: to hold an oversight hearing to examine the performance and structure of the United States Court of Appeals for Veterans Claims, 9:30 a.m., SD-562.

House

Committee on Agriculture, Subcommittee on Livestock, Dairy and Poultry, hearing to review recent recalls in the meat industry, 2 p.m., 1300 Longworth.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, to mark up H.R. 1328, Indian Health Care Improvement Act Amendments of 2007, 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 3837, Escrow, Appraisal, and Mortgage Servicing Improvements Act; H.R. 4051, Housing Assistance Authorization Act of 2007; H.R. 4043, Preserving and Expanding Minority Depository Institutions Act; and H.R. 4050, Levee-Like Structure Consideration Act of 2007, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Foreign Affairs, hearing on Democracy, Authoritarianism, and Terrorism in Contemporary Pakistan, 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on House Administration, to mark up H.R. 3690, U.S. Capitol Police and Library of Congress Merger Implementation Act of 2007, 12:30 p.m., followed by a hearing on the Construction of the United States Capitol: Recognizing the Contributions of Slave Labor, 1 p.m., 1310 Longworth.

Committee on the Judiciary, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 3609, Emergency Home Ownership and Mortgage Equity Protection Act of 2007; H.R. 1312, Arts Require Timely Service (ARTS) Act; H.R. 1759, Managing Arson Through Criminal History (MATCH)

Act of 2007; 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 Act of 2007; and H.R. 971, Community Pharmacy Fairness Act of 2007, 1 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Natural Resources, to mark up the following measures: H.R. 3079, Northern Mariana Islands Covenant Implementation Act; Northern Mariana Islands Delegate Act; H.R. 1497, Legal Timber Protection Act; H.R. 3998, To authorize the Secretary of the Interior to conduct special resources studies of certain lands and structures to determine the appropriate means for preservation, use and management of the resources associated with such lands and structures; a measure To authorize the implementation of the San Joaquin River Restoration Settlement Act; H.R. 1662, To amend the Reclamation Safety Dams Act of 1978 to authorize improvements for the security of dams and other facilities; and H.R. 2246, To validate certain conveyances made by the Union Pacific Railroad Company of lands located in Reno, Nevada, that were originally conveyed by the United States to facilitate construction of transcontinental railroads, 11 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, hearing on Drug Resistant Infections in the Community: Consequences for Public Health, 9:15 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on National Security and Foreign Affairs, to continue hearings on Iran: Reality, Options and Consequences, Part 2, Negotiating with Iranians: Missed Opportunities and Paths Forward, 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on Rules, to consider H.R. 3996, Temporary Tax Relief Act of 2007, 2 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

Committee on Small Business, hearing entitled "The State of The Small Business Economy," to examine the production, employment and output of our Nation's small businesses, 9 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs, to mark up H.R. 3882, To amend title 38, United States Code, to change the length of the obligated period of service on active duty required for receiving certain education benefits administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, 10 a.m., 334 Cannon.

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, executive, briefing on Pakistan, 12 p.m., and, executive, briefing on CIA Inspector General, 2 p.m., H-405 Capitol.

Select Committee on Energy Independence and Global Warming, hearing entitled "Oil Shock: Potential for Crisis," 9 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

10:30 a.m., Wednesday, November 7

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

10:30 a.m., Wednesday, November 7

Senate Chamber

Program for Wednesday: At 12:15 p.m., Senate will begin consideration of the conference report to accompany H.R. 3043, Labor/HHS/Education Appropriations Act.

(At 10:30 a.m., Senators will meet in the Senate Chamber to proceed to the House of Representatives for a Joint Meeting of Congress, to begin at 11 a.m., to receive an address from His Excellency Nicolas Sarkozy, President of France.)

House Chamber

Program for Wednesday: Joint Meeting with the Senate to receive His Excellency Nicolas Sarkozy, President of the French Republic, followed by consideration of H.R. 3688—United States-Peru Trade Promotion Agreement Implementation Act.

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