

# Daily Digest

## HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed H.R. 514, PATRIOT Act/FISA Extension Act, as amended.

## Senate

### Chamber Action

*Routine Proceedings, pages S705–S763*

**Measures Introduced:** Twelve bills and five resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 347–358, and S. Res. 50–54. **Pages S746–47**

#### Measures Reported:

S. Res. 50, authorizing expenditures by the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

S. Res. 52, authorizing expenditures by the Special Committee on Aging.

S. Res. 53, authorizing expenditures by the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

S. Res. 54, authorizing expenditures by the Select Committee on Intelligence. **Page S747**

#### Measures Passed:

***PATRIOT Act/FISA Extension Act:*** By 86 yeas to 12 nays (Vote No. 19), Senate passed H.R. 514, to extend expiring provisions of the USA PATRIOT Improvement and Reauthorization Act of 2005 and Intelligence Reform and Terrorism Prevention Act of 2004 relating to access to business records, individual terrorists as agents of foreign powers, and roving wiretaps until December 8, 2011, after taking action on the following amendment proposed thereto: **Pages S727–31**

Adopted:

Reid/McConnell Amendment No. 90, in the nature of a substitute. **Page S727**

#### Measures Considered:

***FAA Air Transportation Modernization and Safety Improvement Act—Agreement:*** Senate continued consideration of S. 223, to modernize the air traffic control system, improve the safety, reliability, and availability of transportation by air in the United States, provide modernization of the air traffic control system, reauthorize the Federal Aviation Administration, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto: **Pages S709–27, S731–39**

Adopted:

Nelson (NE) Modified Amendment No. 85 (to Amendment No. 58), to improve the amendment. **Pages S714–15**

By a unanimous vote of 98 yeas (Vote No. 16), Nelson (NE) Amendment No. 58, to impose a criminal penalty for unauthorized recording or distribution of images produced using advanced imaging technology during screenings of individuals at airports and upon entry to Federal buildings. (A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the amendment, having achieved 60 affirmative votes, be agreed to). **Pages S710, S713–15**

Blunt Modified Amendment No. 5, to require the Under Secretary of Transportation for Security to reconsider certain applications from airports to authorize passenger and property screening to be carried out by a qualified private screening company and to report to Congress if the Under Secretary denies any such application. **Pages S709, S739**

Reid Amendment No. 55, to require the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain Federal land to the city of Mesquite, Nevada. **Pages S710, S739**

Rejected:

Paul Amendment No. 21, to reduce the total amount authorized to be appropriated for the Federal Aviation Administration for fiscal year 2011 to the total amount authorized to be appropriated for the Administration for fiscal year 2008. (By 51 yeas to 47 nays (Vote No. 18), Senate tabled the amendment.) **Pages S709, S720–27**

Withdrawn:

By 47 yeas to 51 nays (Vote No. 17), Wicker Modified Amendment No. 14, to exclude employees of the Transportation Security Administration from the collective bargaining rights of Federal employees and provide employment rights and an employee engagement mechanism for passenger and property screeners. (A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the amendment, having failed to achieve 60 affirmative votes, be withdrawn). **Pages S709, S716–20**

Pending:

Rockefeller (for Wyden) Amendment No. 27, to increase the number of test sites in the National Airspace System used for unmanned aerial vehicles and to require one of those test sites to include a significant portion of public lands. **Page S709**

Inhofe Modified Amendment No. 7, to provide for an increase in the number of slots available at Ronald Reagan Washington National Airport. **Pages S709, S732–33**

Rockefeller (for Ensign) Amendment No. 32, to improve provisions relating to certification and flight standards for military remotely piloted aerial systems in the National Airspace System. **Page S709**

McCain Amendment No. 4, to repeal the essential air service program. **Pages S709, S715–16**

Rockefeller (for Leahy) Amendment No. 50, to amend title 1 of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 to include nonprofit and volunteer ground and air ambulance crew members and first responders for certain benefits, and to clarify the liability protection for volunteer pilots that fly for public benefit. **Pages S709–10**

Reid Amendment No. 54, to allow airports that receive airport improvement grants for the purchase of land to lease the land and develop the land in a manner compatible with noise buffering purposes. **Page S710**

Udall (NM) Modified Amendment No. 49, to authorize Dona Ana County, New Mexico, to exchange certain land conveyed to the County for airport purposes. **Pages S710, S731**

Udall (NM) Modified Amendment No. 51, to require that all advanced imaging technology used as a primary screening method for passengers be equipped with automatic target recognition software. **Pages S710, S732**

Paul Amendment No. 18, to strike the provisions relating to clarifying a memorandum of understanding between the Federal Aviation Administration and the Occupational Safety and Health Administration. **Pages S710–13**

Rockefeller (for Baucus) Further Modified Amendment No. 75, of a perfecting nature. **Page S710**

Hutchison Modified Amendment No. 93 (to Modified Amendment No. 7), to provide for an increase in the number of slots available at Ronald Reagan Washington National Airport. **Pages S733–35**

A motion was entered to close further debate on Inhofe Modified Amendment No. 7 (listed above), and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on cloture will occur on Thursday, February 17, 2011. **Page S734**

A motion was entered to close further debate on the bill, and, in accordance with the provisions of

Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on cloture will occur upon disposition of Inhofe Modified Amendment No. 7 (listed above). **Page S734**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill at 11 a.m., on Wednesday, February 16, 2011. **Page S762**

**Messages From the House:** **Page S744**

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**Privileges of the Floor:** **Page S762**

**Record Votes:** Four record votes were taken today. (Total—19) **Pages S714–31**

**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 8:36 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Wednesday, February 16, 2011. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S762.)

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

### MEDICARE AND MEDICAID

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies concluded a hearing to examine fighting fraud and waste in Medicare and Medicaid, after receiving testimony from Peter Budetti, Deputy Administrator and Director, Center for Program Integrity Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services; Tony West, Assistant Attorney General, Civil Division, Department of Justice; Rebecca Nurick, Pennsylvania Senior Medicare Patrol Program, Philadelphia; and Robert Rolf, CGI Federal, Inc., Fairfax, Virginia.

### NOMINATIONS

*Committee on Armed Services:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Michael Vickers, of Virginia, to be Under Secretary for Intelligence, and Jo Ann Rooney, of Massachusetts, to be Principal Deputy Under Secretary for Personnel and Readiness, both of the Department of Defense, after

the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

## BUDGET

*Committee on the Budget:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2012, after receiving testimony from Jacob J. Lew, Director, Office of Management and Budget.

## NOMINATION

*Committee on Environment and Public Works:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nomination of Daniel M. Ashe, of Maryland, to be Director of the United States Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, after the nominee, who was introduced by Senator Cardin, testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

## BUSINESS MEETING

*Committee on Environment and Public Works:* Committee ordered favorably reported an original resolution authorizing expenditures by the committee.

Also, committee adopted its rules of procedure for the 112th Congress and announced the following subcommittee assignments:

*Subcommittee on Transportation and Infrastructure:* Senators Baucus (Chair), Carper, Lautenberg, Cardin, Sanders, Whitehouse, Udall (NM), Vitter, Barrasso, Sessions, Crapo, Johanns, and Boozman.

*Subcommittee on Clean Air and Nuclear Safety:* Senators Carper (Chair), Baucus, Lautenberg, Cardin, Sanders, Merkley, Barrasso, Vitter, Sessions, Alexander, and Johanns.

*Subcommittee on Superfund, Toxics and Environmental Health:* Senators Lautenberg (Chair), Baucus, Carper, Merkley, Gillibrand, Crapo, Alexander, Johanns, and Boozman.

*Subcommittee on Water and Wildlife:* Senators Cardin (Chair), Baucus, Lautenberg, Whitehouse, Udall (NM), Gillibrand, Sessions, Barrasso, Vitter, Crapo, and Alexander.

*Subcommittee on Green Jobs and the New Economy:* Senators Sanders (Chair), Carper, Merkley, Boozman, and Sessions.

*Subcommittee on Oversight:* Senators Whitehouse (Chair), Cardin, Sanders, Johanns, and Boozman.

*Subcommittee on Children's Health and Environmental Responsibility:* Senators Udall (NM) (Chair), Whitehouse, Gillibrand, Alexander, and Vitter.

*Senators Boxer and Inhofe are ex officio members of each subcommittee.*

## GREEN JOBS AND TRADE

*Committee on Environment and Public Works:* Subcommittee on Green Jobs and the New Economy concluded a hearing to examine green jobs and trade,

after receiving testimony from Leo W. Gerard, United Steelworkers (USW), Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; Paul N. Cicio, Industrial Energy Consumers of America (IECA), W. David Montgomery, Charles River Associates, and Kate Gordon, The Center for American Progress Action Fund, all of Washington, D.C.; and John P. Danner, Northern Power Systems, Barre, Vermont.

## BUDGET

*Committee on Finance:* Committee began hearings to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2012, after receiving testimony from Kathleen Sebelius, Secretary of Health and Human Services.

Committee will meet again Wednesday, February 16, 2011.

## BUSINESS MEETING

*Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:* Committee ordered favorably reported an original resolution authorizing expenditures by the committee.

Also, committee adopted its rules of procedure for the 112th Congress and announced the following subcommittee assignments:

*Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations:* Senators Levin (Chair), Carper, Landrieu, McCaskill, Tester, Begich, Coburn, Collins, Brown (MA), McCain, and Paul.

*Subcommittee on Oversight of Government Management, the Federal Workforce, and the District of Columbia:* Senators Akaka (Chair), Levin, Landrieu, Begich, Johnson (WI), Coburn, and Ensign.

*Subcommittee on Federal Financial Management, Government Information, Federal Services, and International Security:* Senators Carper (Chair), Levin, Akaka, Pryor, McCaskill, Begich, Brown (MA), Coburn, McCain, Johnson (WI), and Portman.

*Ad Hoc Subcommittee on Disaster Recovery and Intergovernmental Affairs:* Senators Pryor (Chair), Akaka, Landrieu, Tester, Ensign, Brown (MA), and Johnson (WI).

*Ad Hoc Subcommittee on Contracting Oversight:* Senators McCaskill (Chair), Carper, Pryor, Tester, Begich, Portman, Collins, McCain, and Paul.

*Senators Lieberman and Collins are ex officio members of each subcommittee.*

## COUNTERTERRORISM LESSONS FROM FORT HOOD ATTACK

*Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine counterterrorism lessons from the U.S. government's failure to prevent the Fort Hood attack, after receiving testimony from Charles E. Allen, former Under Secretary of Homeland Security for Intelligence and

Analysis, and Assistant DCI for Collection, Central Intelligence Agency; General Jack Keane, USA, Retired, former Vice Chief of Staff of the United States Army, and Samuel J. Rascoff, New York University School of Law Center on Law and Security, both of New York, New York; and Philip Mudd, Oxford Analytica, Alexandria, Virginia.

#### BUSINESS MEETING

*Select Committee on Intelligence:* Committee ordered favorably reported an original resolution authorizing expenditures by the Committee and rules of procedure for the 112th Congress; and

The nomination of Stephanie O'Sullivan, of Virginia, to be Principal Deputy Director of National Intelligence.

#### INTELLIGENCE

*Select Committee on Intelligence:* Committee met in closed session to receive a briefing on certain intelligence matters from officials of the intelligence community.

#### BUSINESS MEETING

*Special Committee on Aging:* Committee ordered favorably reported an original resolution authorizing expenditures by the committee.

Also, committee adopted its rules of procedure for the 112th Congress.

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## House of Representatives

### Chamber Action

**Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced:** 28 public bills, H.R. 702–709; 3 private bills, H.R. 730–732; 3 and resolutions, H. Con. Res. 17–18; and H. Res. 19 were introduced. **Pages H922–24**

**Additional Cosponsors:** **Page H924**

**Report Filed:** A report was filed today as follows:

H. Res. 93, providing for consideration of the Senate amendment to the bill (H.R. 514) to extend expiring provisions of the USA PATRIOT Improvement and Reauthorization Act of 2005 and Intelligence Reform and Terrorism Prevention Act of 2004 relating to access to business records, individual terrorists as agents of foreign powers, and roving wiretaps until December 8, 2011 (H. Rept. 112–14). **Page H922**

**Speaker:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Ellmers to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H797**

**Recess:** The House recessed at 10:58 a.m. and reconvened at 12 noon. **Page H803**

**Adjournment Resolution:** The House agreed to H. Con. Res. 17, providing for a conditional adjournment of the House of Representatives and a conditional recess or adjournment of the Senate, by a recorded vote of 243 ayes to 176 noes, Roll No. 40. **Pages H815, H817**

**Full-Year Continuing Appropriations Act, 2011:** The House began consideration of H.R. 1, making appropriations for the Department of Defense and the other departments and agencies of the Govern-

ment for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2011. Consideration is expected to resume tomorrow, February 16th. **Pages H804–15, H817–H913**

Agreed to:

Holt amendment (No. 12 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that redirects \$20,000,000 within the Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, State and Local Law Enforcement Assistance and **Pages H888–89**

McClintock amendment (No. 297 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that reduces funding for the Department of the Interior, Bureau of Reclamation, Water and Related Resources by \$1,897,000 **Pages H902–03**

Rejected:

Flake amendment (No. 370 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that sought to reduce funding for unneeded boards and commissions by \$18,750,000 (by a recorded vote of 207 ayes to 223 noes, Roll No. 41); **Pages H830–44, H851**

Pompeo amendment (No. 87 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that sought to eliminate funding for the Innovative Research Fund (by a recorded vote of 72 ayes to 358 noes, Roll No. 42); **Pages H844–46, H851–52**

Gutierrez amendment (No. 63 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that sought to reduce the amount for Aircraft Procurement, Navy by \$21,985,000 and Aircraft Procurement, Air Force by \$393,098,000 and increase Defense by \$415,083,000 (by a recorded vote of 105 ayes to 326 noes, Roll No. 43); **Pages H846–49, H852–53**

Pompeo amendment (No. 86 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that sought

to reduce funds in Title IV for Research, Development, Test and Evaluation and increase Defense by \$115,520,000 (by a recorded vote of 109 ayes to 320 noes, Roll No. 44); **Pages H849–51, H853**

Quigley amendment (No. 162 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that sought to reduce funds in Title IV for Research, Development, Test and Evaluation by 10%; and **Pages H853–54**

McClintock amendment (No. 315 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that sought to reduce funds for the Department of Energy, Energy Programs, Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy by \$247,000,000. **Page H903**

Withdrawn:

Olson amendment (No. 78 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that was offered and subsequently withdrawn that would have redirected \$517,000,000 within the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, Space Operations. **Pages H893–95**

Point of order sustained against:

Baldwin amendment (No. 45 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that sought to increase funding, by offset, for Community Health Centers by \$1,000,000,000. **Pages H878–81**

Connolly (VA) amendment (No. 93 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that sought to increase funding, by offset, for the Washington Metro Transit Authority by \$200,000,000; **Pages H882–86**

Jackson Lee (TX) amendment (No. 240 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that sought to strike 1332 of Title III, which reduces the funding level for the Department of Justice, Community Oriented Policing Services to \$290,500,000; and **Pages H889–90**

Cohen amendment (No. 173 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that sought to increase funding for the Legal Services Corporation by \$70,000,000. **Pages H895–97**

Proceedings Postponed:

Rooney amendment (No. 2 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that seeks to reduce Research, Development, Test, and Evaluation, Navy by \$225,000,000 and reduce Research, Development, Test, and Evaluation, Air Force by \$225,000,000 and increase Defense by \$450,000,000; **Pages H855–73**

Jones amendment (No. 95 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that seeks to eliminate funding for the Afghanistan Infrastructure Fund; **Pages H873–75**

Holt amendment (No. 237 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that seeks

to eliminate funding for the Iraq Security Forces Fund; **Pages H875–78**

DeFazio amendment (No. 97 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that seeks to increase funding, by offset, for the Organic Transition Program by \$5,000,000; **Pages H881–82**

Michaud amendment (No. 153 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that seeks to increase funding, by offset, for the Department of Commerce, Economic Development Administration, Economic Development Assistance Programs by \$80,000,000; **Page H886**

Flake amendment (No. 368 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that seeks to eliminate funding for the National Drug Intelligence Center; **Pages H886–87**

Latta amendment (No. 260 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that seeks to reduce funding for the Department of Commerce, National Institute of Standards and Technology, Construction of Research Facilities by \$10,000,000; **Page H888**

Weiner amendment (No. 125 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011), as modified, that seeks to increase funding, by offset, for the Department of Justice, Community Oriented Policing Services by \$298,000,000; **Pages H890–93**

Duncan (SC) amendment (No. 110 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that seeks to reduce funding for the Legal Services Corporation by \$324,400,000; **Pages H897–H900**

Biggett amendment (No. 192 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that seeks to reduce funding for the Department of Energy, Energy Programs, Advanced Research Projects Agency—Energy by \$50,000,000; **Pages H900–01**

Inslee amendment (No. 395 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that seeks to increase funding, by offset, for the Department of Energy, Energy Programs, Advanced Research Projects Agency—Energy by \$20,000,000; **Pages H901–02**

Tonko amendment (No. 4 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that seeks to strike the prohibition on Weatherization and State Energy Program funding; **Pages H903–04**

Latta amendment (No. 259 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that seeks to reduce funding for Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy by \$70,000,000; **Pages H904–07**

DeFazio amendment (No. 98 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that seeks to eliminate the funding for the Selective Service System; and **Pages H907–10**

Pascrell amendment (No. 223 printed in the Congressional Record of February 14, 2011) that seeks

to increase funding, by offset, for the Department of Homeland Security, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Firefighter Assistance Grants by \$510,000,000. **Pages H910–13**

H. Res. 92, the rule providing for consideration of the bill, was agreed to by a yea-and-nay vote of 242 yeas to 174 nays with 2 voting “present”, Roll No. 39, after the previous question was ordered by a yea-and-nay vote of 240 yeas to 179 nays, Roll No. 38. **Pages H804–05, H815–17**

**Amendments:** Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on pages H924–35.

**Senate Message:** Message received from the Senate today appears on page 853.

**Quorum Calls Votes:** Two yea-and-nay votes and five recorded votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H815–16, H816–17, H817, H851, H851–52, H852–53 and H853. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 1:13 a.m. on Wednesday, February 16th.

## Committee Meetings

### DODD-FRANK WALL STREET REFORM AND CONSUMER PROTECTION

*Committee on Agriculture:* Subcommittee on General Farm Commodities and Risk Management continued hearings to review implementation of title VII of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act, Part II. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### DEFINITIONS OF RURAL UNDER AGRICULTURE PROGRAMS

*Committee on Agriculture:* Subcommittee on Rural Development, Research, Biotechnology and Foreign Agriculture held a hearing to review the various definitions of rural applied under programs operated by the USDA. Testimony was heard from Cheryl Cook, Deputy Under Secretary, Rural Development, USDA; Don Larson, Commissioner, Brookings County Commission Office, Brookings, South Dakota; and public witnesses.

### FY 2012 BUDGET

*Committee on the Budget:* Held a hearing on the President’s Fiscal Year 2012 Budget. Testimony was heard from Jacob J. Lew, Director, OMB.

### OSHA’S IMPACT ON JOBS CREATION

*Committee on Education and the Workforce:* Subcommittee on Workforce Protections held a hearing on Investigating OSHA’s Regulatory Agenda and Its Impact on Job Creation. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

## MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

*Committee on Energy and Commerce:* Ordered reported the following bills: H.R. 358, Protect Life Act, as amended; H.R. 525, Veterinary Public Health Amendments Act of 2011; H.R. 528, Neglected Infections of Impoverished Americans Act of 2011; and H.R. 570, Dental Emergency Responder Act of 2011.

The Committee also approved its Oversight Plan for the 112th Congress.

## ENVIRONMENTAL REGULATIONS

*Committee on Energy and Commerce* Subcommittee on Environment and the Economy held a hearing entitled “Environmental Regulations, the Economy, and Jobs.” Testimony was heard from Vince Ryan, Harris County Attorney, Houston, Texas; and public witnesses.

## DODD-FRANK DERIVATIVES TITLE

*Committee on Financial Services:* Held a hearing entitled “Assessing the Regulatory, Economic and Market Implications of the Dodd-Frank Derivatives Title.” Testimony was heard from Mary Schapiro, Chairman, SEC; Gary Gensler, Chairman, CFTC; Daniel K. Tarullo, Member, Board of Governors, Federal Reserve System; and public witnesses.

## FANNIE MAE AND FREDDIE MAC

*Committee on Financial Services:* Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing entitled “An Analysis of the Post-Conservatorship Legal Expenses of Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac.” Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Federal Housing Finance Agency: Edward DeMarco, Acting Director; and Alfred Pollard, General Counsel; the following officials of Fannie Mae: Michael Williams, CEO; and Timothy J. Mayopoulos, General Counsel; and Mike DeWine, Attorney General, Ohio; and public witnesses.

## POLICY TOWARDS LATIN AMERICA

*Committee on Foreign Affairs:* Subcommittee on the Western Hemisphere held a hearing on Does the U.S. Have a Policy toward Latin America? Assessing the Impact to U.S. Interests and Allies. Testimony was heard from Arturo Valenzuela, Assistant Secretary of State, Bureau of Western Hemisphere Affairs, Department of State.

## SECURING OUR BORDERS

*Committee on Homeland Security:* Subcommittee on Border and Maritime Security held a hearing entitled “Securing Our Borders—Operational Control and the Path Forward.” Testimony was heard from Michael J. Fisher, Chief, Border Control, Department of Homeland Security; Richard M. Stana, Director,

Homeland Security and Justice, GAO; and Raul G. Salinas, Mayor, Laredo, Texas.

#### MILITARY AND OVERSEAS VOTING

*Committee on House Administration:* Held a hearing on Military and Overseas Voting: Effectiveness of the MOVE Act in the 2010 Election. Testimony was heard from Thomas E. Perez, Assistant Attorney General, Civil Rights, Department of Justice; Natalie E. Tennant, Secretary of State, West Virginia; J. Bradley King, Co-Director, Election Division, Secretary of State, Indiana; David Stafford, Supervisor of Elections, Escambia County, Florida; and public witnesses.

#### ADAM WALSH ACT REAUTHORIZATION

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism and Homeland Security held a hearing on the reauthorization of the Adam Walsh Act. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Justice: Dawn Doran, Deputy Director, SMART Office; and Stacia A. Hylton, Director, U.S. Marshals Service; Representative Patricia Colloton, Chair, Corrections and Juvenile Justice Committee, House of Representatives, Kansas; and a public witness.

#### NET NEUTRALITY AND ANTITRUST

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on Intellectual Property, Competition and the Internet held a hearing on Ensuring Competition on the Internet: Net Neutrality and Antitrust. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

#### UNFUNDED MANDATES AND REGULATORY OVERREACH

*Committee on Oversight and Government Reform:* Subcommittee on Technology, Information Policy, Intergovernmental Relations and Procurement Reform held a hearing on Unfunded Mandates and Regulatory Overreach. Testimony was heard from Denise M. Fantone, Director, Strategic Issues, GAO; Patrice Douglas, Mayor, Edmond, Oklahoma; Anthony H. Griffin, County Executive, Fairfax, Virginia; and a public witness.

#### TO EXTEND EXPIRING PROVISIONS OF THE USA PATRIOT IMPROVEMENT AND REAUTHORIZATION ACT OF 2005 AND INTELLIGENCE REFORM AND TERRORISM PREVENTION ACT OF 2004 RELATING TO ACCESS TO BUSINESS RECORDS, INDIVIDUAL TERRORISTS AS AGENTS OF FOREIGN POWERS, AND ROVING WIRETAPS UNTIL DECEMBER 8, 2011

*Committee on Rules:* Granted, by voice vote, a closed rule providing for the consideration of the Senate

amendment to H.R. 514, to extend expiring provisions of the USA PATRIOT Improvement and Reauthorization Act of 2005 and Intelligence Reform and Terrorism Prevention Act of 2004 relating to access to business records, individual terrorists as agents of foreign powers, and roving wiretaps until December 8, 2011. The rule makes in order a motion by the chair of the Committee on the Judiciary that the House concur in the Senate amendment. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the motion. The rule provides that the Senate amendment and the motion shall be considered as read. The rule provides on hour of debate on the motion with 40 minutes equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on the Judiciary and 20 minutes equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence. No testimony was heard.

#### PROJECT DELIVERY PROCESS

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure:* Subcommittee on Highways and Transit held a hearing on Accelerating the Project Delivery Process: Eliminating Bureaucratic Red Tape and Making Every Dollar Count. Testimony was heard from Victor M. Mendez, Administrator, FHA, Department of Transportation; Debra L. Miller, Secretary, Department of Transportation, Kansas; and public witnesses.

#### PRESIDENT'S FISCAL YEAR 2012 BUDGET

*Committee on Ways and Means:* Held a hearing on the President's Fiscal Year 2012 Budget Proposal. Testimony was heard from Timothy F. Geithner, Secretary of the Treasury.

Prior to the hearing, the Committee approved its Oversight Plan for the 112th Congress.

### *Joint Meetings*

No joint committee meetings were held.

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#### COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 2011

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

#### Senate

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* To hold hearings to examine safeguarding our future, focusing on building a nationwide network for first responders, 10 a.m., SR-253.

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* To hold hearings to examine the U.S. Department of Energy's budget for fiscal year 2012; to be immediately followed by an organizational business meeting to examine subcommittee assignments, revise recusal policy for executive nominees, and an original resolution authorizing expenditures by the

committee during the 112th Congress, 9:30 a.m., SD-366.

*Committee on Environment and Public Works:* To hold hearings to examine national leaders' call to action on transportation, 10 a.m., SD-406.

*Committee on Finance:* Organizational business meeting to consider committee rules, and an original resolution authorizing expenditures by the committee during the 112th Congress, Time to be announced, SD-215.

Full Committee, to continue hearings to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2012, 10 a.m., SD-215.

*Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:* Organizational business meeting to consider committee rules, an original resolution authorizing expenditures by the committee during the 112th Congress, Public Health Service nominations, and an original bill entitled Technical Amendment to the Education Sciences Reform Act, 10:30 a.m., SD-430.

*Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:* To hold hearings to examine saving the D.C. Opportunity Scholarship Program, 9:15 a.m., SD-342.

Subcommittee on Oversight of Government Management, the Federal Workforce, and the District of Columbia, to hold hearings to examine improving Federal employment of people with disabilities, 2:30 p.m., SD-342.

*Committee on Indian Affairs:* Organizational business meeting to consider electing Chairman and Vice Chairman, committee rules, and any other organizational business items during the 112th Congress, 11:30 a.m., SD-628.

*Committee on the Judiciary:* To hold hearings to examine targeting Web sites dedicated to stealing American intellectual property, 10 a.m., SD-226.

Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Jimmie V. Reyna, of Maryland, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Federal Circuit, John A. Kronstadt, to be United States District Judge for the Central District of California, Vincent L. Briccetti, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of New York, Arenda L. Wright Allen, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Virginia, and Michael Francis Urbanski, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Virginia, 3 p.m., SD-226.

*Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship:* Organizational business meeting to consider committee rules, and an original resolution authorizing expenditures by the committee during the 112th Congress, Time to be announced, Room to be announced.

*Select Committee on Intelligence:* To hold hearings to examine the worldwide threat, 10 a.m., SH-216.

## House

*Committee on Agriculture,* Subcommittee on Nutrition and Horticulture and the Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment of the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, joint hearing to consider reducing the regulatory burdens posed by the case *National Cotton Council v. EPA* (6th Cir. 2009) and to review related draft legislation, 1 p.m., 1300 Longworth.

*Committee on Armed Services,* hearing on the Fiscal Year 2012 National Defense Authorization Budget request from the Department of Defense, 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

*Committee on the Budget,* hearing on the Department of the Treasury Fiscal Year 2012 Budget, 2 p.m., 210 Cannon.

*Committee on Education and the Workforce,* hearing on Policies and Priorities at the U.S. Department of Labor, 10 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

*Committee on Energy and Commerce,* Subcommittee on Communications and Technology hearing entitled "Network Neutrality and Internet Regulation: Warranted or More Economic Harm Than Good?" 9:30 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled "Health Care Issues Involving the Center for Consumer Information and Insurance Oversight," 9:30 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

*Committee on Financial Services,* hearing entitled "The Final Report of the Financial Crisis Inquiry Commission," 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Insurance, Housing and Community Opportunity hearing entitled "Are There Government Barriers to the Housing Market Recovery?" 2 p.m., 2128 Rayburn.

*Committee on the Judiciary,* hearing on the Constitutionality of the Individual Mandate, 9:30 a.m., and to continue mark-up of H.R. 5, Help Efficient, Accessible, Low-cost, Timely Healthcare (HEALTH) Act of 2011, 1 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

*Committee on Oversight and Government Reform,* Subcommittee on Government Organizations, Efficiency and Financial Management, hearing on Making Sense of the Numbers: Improving the Federal Financial Reporting Model, 1:30 p.m., 2203 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Regulatory Affairs, Stimulus Oversight and Government Spending, hearing on the Stimulus: Two Years Later, 9:30 a.m., 210-HVC.

*Committee on Science, Space, and Technology,* Subcommittee on Space and Aeronautics hearing on a review of the Federal Aviation Administration's Research and Development Budget for Fiscal Year 2012, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

*Committee on Small Business,* hearing entitled "Putting Americans Back to Work: The State of the Small Business Economy," 1 p.m., 2360 Rayburn,

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure,* to mark up the following: a measure to reduce facility costs by consolidating National Gallery of Art and Federal Trade Commission operations in the District of Columbia; H.R. 690, Federal Trade Commission and National Gallery of Art Facility Consolidation, Savings, and Efficiency Act of 2011; H.R. 362, to redesignate the Federal building and United States Courthouse located at 200 East Wall Street in Midland, Texas, as the "George H.W. Bush and George W. Bush United States Courthouse and George Mahon Federal Building"; H.R. 658, to amend title 49, United States Code, to authorize appropriations for the Federal Aviation Administration for fiscal years 2011 through 2014, to streamline programs, create efficiencies, reduce waste, and improve aviation safety and capacity, to provide stable funding for the national aviation system,



and for other purposes; and H.R. 662, to provide an extension of Federal-aid highway, highway safety, motor carrier safety, transit, and other programs funded out of the Highway Trust Fund pending enactment of a multiyear law reauthorizing such programs, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

*Committee on Ways and Means*, to continue hearings on the President's Fiscal Year 2012 Budget Proposal, 10 a.m. and 2 p.m., 1100 Longworth.

### Joint Meetings

*Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe*: To hold hearings to examine Lithuania's leadership of the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe (OSCE), focusing on the challenges that the Lithuanian chairmanship faces, 3:30 p.m., SD-562.

*Next Meeting of the SENATE*

10 a.m., Wednesday, February 16

*Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES*

10 a.m., Wednesday, February 16

## Senate Chamber

**Program for Wednesday:** After the transaction of any morning business (not to extend beyond 11 a.m.), Senate will continue consideration of S. 223, FAA Air Transportation Modernization and Safety Improvement Act, with a 1 p.m. filing deadline for first-degree amendments.

## House Chamber

**Program for Wednesday:** Continue consideration of H.R. 1—Full-Year Continuing Appropriations Act, 2011.

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