

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHT

See *Résumé of Congressional Activity*.

Senate

Chamber Action

The Senate was not in session today. It will next meet at 2 p.m. on Monday, April 4, 2011.

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 34 public bills, H.R. 1307–1340; and 3 resolutions, H. Res. 197–199 were introduced. **Pages H2265–68**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages H2268–69**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 910, to amend the Clean Air Act to prohibit the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency from promulgating any regulation concerning, taking action relating to, or taking into consideration the emission of a greenhouse gas to address climate change, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 112–50) and

H.J. Res. 37, disapproving the rule submitted by the Federal Communications Commission with respect to regulating the Internet and broadband industry practices (H. Rept. 112–51). **Page H2265**

FAA Reauthorization and Reform Act of 2011: The House passed 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, and to provide stable funding for the national aviation system, by a recorded vote of 223 ayes to 196 noes, Roll No. 220. Consideration of the measure began yesterday, March 31st.

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Rejected the Loretta Sanchez motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure with instructions to report the same back to the House forthwith with an amendment, by a ye-a-and-nay vote of 184 yeas to 235 nays, Roll No. 219. **Pages H2235–37**

Agreed to:

Shuster amendment (No. 24 printed in H. Rept. 112–46) that was debated on March 31st that improves Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) rule-making activities by requiring the Agency to recognize that the United States aviation industry is composed of a variety of different segments with different operating characteristics and requiring the FAA to tailor regulations to address the unique characteristics of each industry segment. The amendment also requires the FAA to conduct appropriate cost/benefit studies on all proposed regulations and only enact regulations upon a finding that the costs are justified by the benefits (by a recorded vote of 215 ayes to 209 noes, Roll No. 218). **Pages H2234–35**

Rejected:

Pearce amendment (No. 27 printed in H. Rept. 112–46) that was debated on March 31st that sought to authorize an equitable transfer of land and property, in the form of a road, between Dona Ana County in New Mexico and Verde Corporate Realty Services. Dona Ana County would continue to use the land for airport purposes (by a recorded vote of 207 ayes to 215 noes, Roll No. 214); **Page H2232**

Schiff amendment (No. 29 printed in H. Rept. 112-46) that was debated on March 31st that sought to allow airports that meet specific requirements—already had at least a partial curfew in effect before the 1990 Airport Noise and Control Act (ANCA)—to implement mandatory nighttime curfews. Would define a nighttime curfew (10 p.m. to 7 a.m.), establish the process for implementing and administering the curfew and is not intended to open the door to any further exemptions from ANCA (by a recorded vote of 178 ayes to 243 noes, Roll No. 215);

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Sessions amendment (No. 20 printed in H. Rept. 112-46) that was debated on March 31st that sought to prevent any funds from this act to be used to administer or enforce Davis Bacon (by a recorded vote of 183 ayes to 238 noes, Roll No. 216); and

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LaTourette amendment (No. 21 printed in H. Rept. 112-46) that was debated on March 31st that sought to strike section 903, which repeals a National Mediation Board (NMB) rule, finalized last year, which provides for union representation elections among airline and railroad workers covered by the Railway Labor Act (by a recorded vote of 206 ayes to 220 noes, Roll No. 217).

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H. Res. 189, the rule providing for consideration of the bill, was agreed to yesterday, March 31st.

Government Shutdown Prevention Act of 2011: The House passed H.R. 1255, to prevent a shutdown of the government of the United States, by a recorded vote of 221 ayes to 202 noes with 1 voting “present”, Roll No. 224.

Pages H2219-32, H2238-51

Rejected the Walz motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on House Administration with instructions to report the same back to the House forthwith with an amendment, by a yea-and-nay vote of 188 yeas to 237 nays, Roll No. 223.

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H. Res. 194, the rule providing for consideration of the bill, was agreed to by a recorded vote of 229 ayes to 187 noes, Roll No. 222, after the previous question was ordered by a yea-and-nay vote of 230 yeas to 187 nays, Roll No. 221.

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A point of order was raised against the consideration of H. Res. 194 and it was agreed to proceed with consideration of the resolution by a yea-and-nay vote of 219 yeas to 172 nays, Roll No. 213.

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Meeting Hour: Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Monday, April 4th, when it shall convene at noon for morning hour debate and 2 p.m. for legislative business. Page H2251

Quorum Calls—Votes: Four yea-and-nay votes and eight recorded votes developed during the pro-

ceedings of today and appear on pages H2222, H2232, H2233, H2233-34, H2234, H2235, H2236-37, H2237, H2238, H2238-39, H2250 and H2250-51. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 9 a.m. and adjourned at 4:48 p.m.

Committee Meetings

AGRICULTURE, RURAL DEVELOPMENT, FDA

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies held a hearing on USDA FY 2012 Budget Request. Testimony was heard from Kevin Concannon, USDA Undersecretary for Food, Nutrition, and Consumer Services.

COMMERCE, JUSTICE, AND SCIENCE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies held a hearing on National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration—FY 2012 Budget Request. Testimony was heard from Jane Lubchenco, Under Secretary of Commerce for Oceans and Atmosphere and NOAA Administrator.

FINANCIAL SERVICES AND GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Financial Services and General Government held a hearing on OPM—FY 2012 Budget. Testimony was heard from John Berry, Director, OPM.

HOMELAND SECURITY

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Homeland Security held a hearing on Terrorist Travel—Programs and Funding. Testimony was heard from Kevin K. McAleena, Deputy Assistant Commissioner, Customs and Border Protection; Joe Salvator, Deputy Assistant Administrator, Transportation Security Administration; Timothy Healy, Director, Terrorist Screening Center; John Woods, Deputy Assistant Director (National Security Division), Office of Investigations, Immigration and Customs Enforcement; and Geoff O’Connell, Principal Deputy Director, National Counterterrorism Center. This was a CLASSIFIED and CLOSED hearing.

LABOR, HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, EDUCATION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education and Related Agencies held a hearing on Health Reform. Testimony was heard from Andrew Sherrill, Director, Education, Workforce, and Income Security, GAO; and public witnesses.

IMPLEMENTATION PLANS FOR DADT

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Military Personnel held a hearing on a review of the implementation plans for the repeal of law and policies governing service by openly gay and lesbian service members. Testimony was heard from Clifford L. Stanley, Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness, Co-Chair Don't Ask, Don't Tell Repeal Implementation Team; and Vice Admiral William E. Gortney, USN, Director, Joint Staff, Joint Chiefs of Staff.

ARMY AND AIR FORCE NATIONAL GUARD AND RESERVE COMPONENT EQUIPMENT POSTURE

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Tactical Air and Land Forces held a hearing on Army and Air Force National Guard and Reserve component equipment posture. Testimony was heard from Lieutenant General Harry M. Wyatt III, USAF, Director, Air National Guard; Major General Raymond W. Carpenter, USA, Acting Director, Army National Guard; Lieutenant General Jack C. Stultz, USA, Chief, U.S. Army Reserve; and Lieutenant General Charles E. Stenner, Jr., USAF, Chief, U.S. Air Force Reserve.

UNION TRANSPARENCY AND ACCOUNTABILITY

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Subcommittee on Health, Employment, Labor, and Pensions held a hearing entitled "The Future of Union Transparency and Accountability." Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

NTIA AND RUS AUTHORITY TO RETURN RECLAIMED STIMULUS FUNDS; MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Communications and Technology held a hearing on legislation to Clarify NTIA and RUS Authority to Return Reclaimed Stimulus Funds to the U.S. Treasury. Testimony was heard from Lawrence E. Strickling, Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Communications and Information, National Telecommunications and Information Administration, Department of Commerce; and Jonathan Adelstein, Administrator, Rural Utility Service, Department of Agriculture. Following the hearing the Subcommittee held a markup on the legislation. The bill was forwarded to the full Committee without amendment.

PPACA'S HIGH RISK POOL REGIME

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing entitled "The PPACA's High Risk Pool Regime: High Cost,

Low Participation." Testimony was heard from Steven B. Larsen, Deputy Administrator and Director, Center for Consumer Information and Insurance Oversight, Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services.

NATIONAL FLOOD INSURANCE REFORM

Committee on Financial Services: Subcommittee on Insurance, Housing, and Community Opportunity held a hearing on Legislative Proposals to Reform the National Flood Insurance Program, Part II. Testimony was heard from W. Craig Fugate, Administrator, FEMA.

BELARUS AND HUMAN RIGHTS

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on Africa, Global Health, and Human Rights and the Subcommittee on Europe and Eurasia held a joint hearing on the Government of Belarus: Crushing Human Rights at Home? Testimony was heard from Daniel A. Russell, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Russia, Ukraine, Moldova, and Belarus, Bureau of European and Eurasian Affairs, Department of State; and public witnesses.

COMPETITION AND CONSOLIDATION IN FINANCIAL MARKETS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Intellectual Property, Competition and the Internet held a hearing on Competition and Consolidation in Financial Markets. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

TRIBAL DEVELOPMENT OF ENERGY RESOURCES AND THE CREATION OF ENERGY JOBS ON INDIAN LAND

Committee on Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Indian and Alaska Native Affairs held a hearing entitled "Tribal development of energy resources and the creation of energy jobs on Indian lands. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

AARP OVER THE PAST DECADE

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Health and Oversight held a hearing on AARP's organizational structure, management, and financial growth over the last decade. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

FY 2012 BUDGET—INTELLIGENCE

House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Full Committee held a hearing on the FY 2012 Budget Overview. This was a CLOSED hearing.

Joint Meetings

EMPLOYMENT

Joint Economic Committee: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the employment situation for

March 2011, after receiving testimony from Keith Hall, Commissioner, Bureau of Labor Statistics.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D276)

H.R. 1079, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend the funding and expenditure authority of the Airport and Airway Trust Fund, to amend title 49, United States Code, to extend the airport improvement program. Signed on March 31, 2011. (Public Law 112-7)

CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of April 4 through April 9, 2011

Senate Chamber

On *Monday*, at 4:30 p.m., Senate will begin consideration of the nomination of Jimmie V. Reyna, of Maryland, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Federal Circuit, and after a period of debate, vote on confirmation of the nomination, at approximately 5:30 p.m.

On *Tuesday*, at 11 a.m., Senate will begin consideration of H.R. 4, Comprehensive 1099 Taxpayer Protection and Repayment of Exchange Subsidy Overpayments Act, and after a period of debate, vote on or in relation to an amendment offered by Senator Menendez, to be followed by a vote on passage of the bill.

During the balance of the week, Senate may consider any cleared legislative and executive business.

Senate Committees

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Committee on Appropriations: April 6, Subcommittee on Department of Defense, to hold hearings to examine Department of Defense Health Program, 10 a.m., SD-192.

April 7, Subcommittee on Transportation and Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine an overview of the Federal Housing Administration and the future of housing finance, 9:30 a.m., SD-138.

April 7, Subcommittee on Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2012 for the Department of Education, 10 a.m., SD-124.

April 7, Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies, to hold closed hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2012 for the Federal Bureau of Investigation; to be followed by an open session in SD-192 at approximately 11:15 a.m., 10 a.m., SH-219.

April 7, Subcommittee on Military Construction and Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2012

for the Department of Defense and the Department of Navy, 2 p.m., SD-124.

Committee on Armed Services: April 5, to hold hearings to examine U.S. Northern Command and U.S. Southern Command in review of the Defense Authorization request for fiscal year 2012 and the Future Years Defense Program; with the possibility of a closed session in SVC-217 following the open session, 9:30 a.m., SD-G50.

April 5, Subcommittee on Airland, to hold hearings to examine Army modernization in review of the Defense Authorization Request for fiscal year 2012 and the Future Years Defense Program, 2:30 p.m., SR-232A.

April 6, Subcommittee on Strategic Forces, to hold hearings to examine strategic systems in review of the Defense Authorization request for fiscal year 2012 and the Future Years Defense Program; with the possibility of a closed session in SVC-217 following the open session, 2:30 p.m., SR-232A.

April 7, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine U.S. Transportation Command and U.S. Africa Command in review of the Defense Authorization request for fiscal year 2012 and the Future Years Defense Program; with the possibility of a closed session in SVC-217 following the open session, 9:30 a.m., SD-106.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: April 6, Subcommittee on Securities, Insurance and Investment, to hold hearings to examine the role of the accounting profession in preventing another financial crisis, 9:30 a.m., SD-538.

April 6, Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Protection, to hold hearings to examine the state of community banking, focusing on opportunities and challenges, 3 p.m., SD-538.

Committee on the Budget: April 5, business meeting to consider the nomination of Heather A. Higginbottom, of the District of Columbia, to be Deputy Director of the Office of Management and Budget, Executive Office of the President, Time to be announced, S-219, Capitol.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: April 5, Subcommittee on Competitiveness, Innovation, and Export Promotion, to hold hearings to examine tourism in America, focusing on removing barriers and promoting growth, 10 a.m., SR-253.

April 5, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine closing the digital divide, focusing on connecting native nations and communities to the 21st century, 2:30 p.m., SR-253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: April 7, to hold hearings to examine Department of Energy biofuel programs and biofuel infrastructure issues, including S. 187, to provide for the expansion of the biofuels market, 9:30 a.m., SD-366.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: April 6, to hold hearings to examine state and local perspectives on transportation, 10 a.m., SD-406.

Committee on Finance: April 7, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of David S. Cohen, of Maryland, to be Under Secretary for Terrorism and Financial Crimes, and Jenni Rane LeCompte, of the District of Columbia, to be Assistant Secretary, both of the Department of the Treasury, 10 a.m., SD-215.

Committee on Foreign Relations: April 5, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Mara E. Rudman, of Massachusetts, to be an Assistant Administrator of the United States Agency for International Development, and Robert Patterson, of New York, to be Ambassador to Turkmenistan, Department of State, 10:15 a.m., SD-419.

April 5, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Jonathan Scott Gration, of New Jersey, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Kenya, and Michelle D. Gavin, of the District of Columbia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Botswana, both of the Department of State, 2:30 p.m., SD-419.

April 6, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of David Bruce Shear, of New York, to be Ambassador to the Socialist Republic of Vietnam, and Kurt Walter Tong, of Maryland, for the rank of Ambassador during his tenure of service as United States Senior Official for the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) Forum, both of the Department of State, 2:30 p.m., SD-419.

April 7, Subcommittee on East Asian and Pacific Affairs, to hold hearings to examine combating human trafficking in Asia, 2:15 p.m., SD-419.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: April 6, to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Rafael Borrás, of Maryland, to be Under Secretary of Homeland Security for Management, 10 a.m., SD-342.

April 6, Subcommittee on Federal Financial Management, Government Information, Federal Services, and International Security, to hold hearings to examine the census, focusing on learning lessons from 2010 and planning for 2020, 1:30 p.m., SD-342.

April 7, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine securing the border, focusing on progress at the local level, 2:30 p.m., SD-342.

Committee on Indian Affairs: April 7, to hold an oversight hearing to examine the role of the SBA 8(a) Program in enhancing economic development in Indian Country, 2:15 p.m., SD-628.

Committee on the Judiciary: April 6, to hold hearings to examine the Electronic Communications Privacy Act, focusing on government perspectives on protecting privacy in the digital age, 10 a.m., SD-226.

April 7, Full Committee, business meeting to consider S. 410, to provide for media coverage of Federal court proceedings, S. 627, to establish the Commission on Freedom of Information Act Processing Delays, S. 394, to amend the Sherman Act to make oil-producing and exporting cartels illegal, and the nominations of Goodwin Liu, of California, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit, Esther Salas, to be United States District Judge for the District of New Jersey, J. Paul Oetken and Paul A. Engelmayer, both to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of New York, and Ramona Villagomez Manglona, to be Judge for the District Court for the Northern Mariana Islands, 10 a.m., SD-226.

Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship: April 7, to hold hearings to examine Small Business Administration programs, focusing on eliminating inefficiencies, duplications, and fraud and abuse, 10 a.m., SR-428A.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: April 6, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Allison A. Hickey, of Virginia, to be Under Secretary for Benefits and Steve L. Muro, of California, to be Under Secretary for Memorial Affairs, both of the Department of Veterans Affairs, 10 a.m., SR-418.

Select Committee on Intelligence: April 5, to hold closed hearings to examine certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

April 7, Full Committee, to hold closed hearings to examine certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

House Committees

Committee on Agriculture, April 6, Subcommittee on Livestock, Dairy, and Poultry, hearing on the state of the beef industry, 9:30 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

April 7, Subcommittee on Rural Development, Research, Biotechnology, and Foreign Agriculture, hearing to review market promotion programs and their effectiveness on expanding exports of U.S. agricultural products, 9:30 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

Committee on Appropriations, April 5, Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies, hearing on National Arts Advocacy Day, 9:30 a.m., 2359 Rayburn.

April 5, Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies, hearing on Department of Agriculture—FY 2012 Budget Request, 10 a.m., 2362-A Rayburn.

April 5, Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies, hearing on Legal Services Corporation—FY 2012 Budget Request, 10 a.m., H-309 Capitol.

April 5, Subcommittee on Defense, hearing on FY 2012 budget, 10 a.m., H-140 Capitol.

April 5, Subcommittee on Financial Services and General Government, hearing on General Services Administration—FY 2012 Budget, 10 a.m., B-308 Rayburn.

April 5, Subcommittee on Transportation and Housing and Urban Development and Related Agencies, hearing on HUD—FY 2012 Oversight and Budget, 10 a.m., 2358 Rayburn.

April 5, Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies, hearing on Office of the United States Trade Representative—FY 2012 Budget Request, 2 p.m., H-309 Capitol.

April 5, Subcommittee on Homeland Security, hearing on WMD Countermeasures—Threat, Programs and Funding, 2 p.m., H-140 Capitol.

April 5, Subcommittee on Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies, hearing on United States Court of Appeal for Veterans Claims, 2 p.m., HT-2 Capitol.

April 5, Subcommittee on Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies, hearing on Armed Forces Retirement Home, 3 p.m., HT-2 Capitol.

April 6, Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies, hearing on Federal Bureau of Investigation—FY 2012 Budget Request, 9 a.m., 2359 Rayburn.

April 6, Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies, hearing on National Endowment for

the Arts—FY 2012 Budget Oversight, 9:30 a.m., B-308 Rayburn.

April 6, Subcommittee on Homeland Security, hearing on FEMA budget, 10 a.m., 2362-A Rayburn.

April 6, Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education and Related Agencies, hearing on National Labor Relations Board—FY 2012, 10 a.m., 2358-C Rayburn.

April 6, Subcommittee on State, Foreign Operations and Related Agencies, hearing on FY 2012 Budget Request for the United Nations and other International Organizations, 10 a.m., B-308 Rayburn.

April 6, Subcommittee on Transportation and Housing and Urban Development and Related Agencies, hearing on Federal Aviation Administration—FY 2012 Oversight & Budget, 10 a.m., 2358 Rayburn.

April 6, Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies, hearing on National Endowment for the Humanities FY12 Budget Oversight, 11 a.m., B-308 Rayburn.

April 6, Subcommittee on Financial Services and General Government, hearing on Administrative Office of the U.S. Courts—FY 2012 Budget, 2 p.m., 2359 Rayburn.

April 6, Subcommittee on Legislative Branch, hearing on Government Printing Office, 2 p.m., HT-2 Capitol.

April 6, Subcommittee on Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies, hearing on the Army, 2 p.m., H-140 Capitol.

April 6, Subcommittee on Legislative Branch, Congressional Budget Office, 3 p.m., HT-2 Capitol.

April 7, Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies, hearing on Smithsonian Institution—FY 2012 Budget Oversight, 9:30 a.m., B-308 Rayburn.

April 7, Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies, hearing on National Institute of Standards and Technology—FY 2012 Budget Request, 10 a.m., H-309 Capitol.

April 7, Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education and Related Agencies, hearing on DOL Job Training Programs, 10 a.m., 2358-C Rayburn.

April 7, Subcommittee on Legislative Branch, hearing on U.S. Capitol Police, 10 a.m., HT-2 Capitol.

April 7, Subcommittee on Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies, hearing on Air Force Posture, 10 a.m., H-140 Capitol.

April 7, Subcommittee on Transportation and Housing and Urban Development and Related Agencies, hearing on Amtrak—FY 2012 Oversight & Budget, 10 a.m., 2358 Rayburn.

April 7, Subcommittee on Homeland Security, hearing on Secret Service—Budget, 2 p.m., H-140 Capitol. This is a CLASSIFIED and CLOSED hearing.

Committee on Armed Services, April 5, Subcommittee on Strategic Forces, hearing on fiscal year 2012 national defense authorization budget request for Department of Energy atomic energy defense activities and Department of Defense nuclear forces programs, 11:30 a.m., 2212 Rayburn.

April 5, full Committee, hearing on fiscal year 2012 national defense authorization budget requests from the

U.S. Transportation Command and U.S. Africa Command, 2 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

April 6, full Committee, hearing on the fiscal year 2012 national defense authorization budget requests from the U.S. Pacific Command and U.S. Forces Korea, 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

April 6, Subcommittee on Emerging Threats and Capabilities, hearing on improving management and acquisition of information technology systems in the Department of Defense, 2 p.m., 2212 Rayburn.

April 7, Subcommittee on Readiness, hearing on Sustaining the Force: Challenges to Readiness, 10:30 a.m., 2212 Rayburn.

April 7, full Committee, hearing on repeal of law and policies governing service by openly gay and lesbian service members, 1 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Committee on Education and the Workforce, April 6, full Committee, hearing with The Honorable Gene L. Dodaro, Comptroller General of the United States, on "Streamlining Federal Education and Workforce Programs: A Look at the GAO Report on Government Waste." 10 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

April 7, full Committee, hearing on Education Reforms: Promoting Flexibility and Innovation, 10 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, April 4, Subcommittee on Energy and Power, hearing entitled "The American Energy Initiative," 3 p.m., 2322 Rayburn.

April 5, full Committee, markup on the following: a bill to Clarify NTIA and RUS Authority to Return Reclaimed Stimulus Funds to the U.S. Treasury, pending a markup of that legislation in the Subcommittee on Communications and Technology to be held on Friday, April 1, 2011; H.R. 1217, to repeal the Prevention and Public Health Fund, as reported by the Subcommittee on Health; H.R. 1216, to amend the Public Health Service Act to convert funding for graduate medical education in qualified teaching health centers from direct appropriations to an authorization of appropriations, as reported by the Subcommittee on Health; H.R. 1215, to amend title V of the Social Security Act to convert funding for personal responsibility education programs from direct appropriations to an authorization of appropriations, as reported by the Subcommittee on Health; H.R. 1214, to repeal mandatory funding for school-based health center construction, as reported by the Subcommittee on Health; and H.R. 1213, to repeal mandatory funding provided to States in the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act to establish American Health Benefit Exchanges, as reported by the Subcommittee on Health. 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

April 6, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled "The U.S. Government Response to the Nuclear Power Plant Incident in Japan," 9 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

April 6, Subcommittee on Health, hearing entitled "The Cost of the Medical Liability System Proposals for Reform, including H.R. 5, the Help Efficient, Accessible, Low-cost, Timely Healthcare (HEALTH) Act of 2011." 9:30 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

April 7, Subcommittee on Energy and Power, hearing on the American Energy Initiative, focusing on discussion draft legislation of the “Transparency in Regulatory Analysis of Impacts on the Nation Act of 2011,” 1 p.m., 2322 Rayburn.

April 7, Subcommittee on Commerce, Manufacturing, and Trade, hearing on discussion draft legislation to revise the Consumer Product Safety Improvement Act, 9 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, April 5, Subcommittee on Capital Markets and Government Sponsored Enterprises, markup on the following: H.R. 31, the Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac Accountability and Transparency for Taxpayers Act; H.R. 1221, the Equity in Government Compensation Act of 2011; H.R. 1222, the GSE Subsidy Elimination Act of 2011; H.R. 1223, GSE Credit Risk Equitable Treatment Act of 2011; H.R. 1224, the Portfolio Risk Reduction Act of 2011; H.R. 1225, the GSE Debt Issuance Approval Act of 2011; H.R. 1226, the GSE Mission Improvement Act of 2011; and H.R. 1227, the GSE Risk and Activities Limitation Act of 2011; 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

April 6, Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Credit, hearing entitled “Legislative Proposals to Improve the Structure of the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau,” 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

April 7, Subcommittee on Domestic Monetary Policy and Technology, hearing entitled “Bullion Coin Programs of the United States Mint: Can They Be Improved?” 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Foreign Affairs, April 5, full Committee, hearing on Watching the Watchers: The Need for Systemic Reforms and Independence of the State Department Inspector General, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

April 5, Subcommittee on the Middle East and South Asia, hearing on Assessing U.S. Foreign Policy Priorities and Needs Amidst Economic Challenges in South Asia, 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

April 6, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing on Is America’s Overseas Broadcasting Undermining our National Interest and the Fight Against Tyrannical Regimes? 2 p.m., 2200 Rayburn.

April 6, Subcommittee on Terrorism, Nonproliferation and Trade, hearing on Financial Hardball: Corraling Terrorists and Proliferators, 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn. April 7, full Committee, hearing on Reforming the United Nations: The Future of U.S. Policy, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on Homeland Security, April 5, Subcommittee on Border and Maritime Security, hearing entitled “Using Resources Effectively to Secure Our Border at Ports of Entry—Stopping the Illicit Flow of Money, Guns and Drugs,” 10 a.m., 311 Cannon.

April 6, Subcommittee on Counterterrorism and Intelligence, hearing entitled “Unrest in the Middle East and North Africa: Ramifications for U.S. Homeland Security,” 10:30 a.m., 311 Cannon.

Committee on the Judiciary, April 5, Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism and Homeland Security, hearing entitled “Justice for America: Using Military Commissions to Try the 9/11 Conspirators,” 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

April 5, Subcommittee on Immigration Policy and Enforcement, hearing on H.R. 704, SAFE for America Act, 1:30 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

April 6, Subcommittee on Intellectual Property, Competition and the Internet, hearing on Promoting Investment and Protecting Commerce Online: Legitimate Sites v. Parasites, Part II, 10:45 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Natural Resources, April 5, full Committee, hearing entitled “Effect of the President’s FY 2012 Budget and Legislative Proposals for the Bureau of Land Management and the U.S. Forest Service’s Energy and Minerals Programs on Private Sector Job Creation, Domestic Energy and Minerals Production and Deficit Reduction.” 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

April 5, Subcommittee on Indian and Alaska Affairs, hearing on H.R. 887, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to submit a report on Indian land fractionation, and for other purposes, 11 a.m., 1334 Longworth.

April 5, Subcommittee on Water and Power, hearing on “Creating Abundant Water and Power Supplies and Job Growth by Restoring Common Sense to Federal Regulations,” 2 p.m., 1324 Longworth.

April 6, Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources, hearing on H.R. 1229, to amend the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act to facilitate the safe and timely production of American energy resources from the Gulf of Mexico; H.R. 1230, Restarting American Offshore Leasing Now Act; and H.R. 1231, to amend the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act to require that each 5-year offshore oil and gas leasing program offer leasing in the areas with the most prospective oil and gas resources, to establish a domestic oil and natural gas production goal, and for other purposes, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

April 7, Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources, hearing entitled “Effect of the President’s FY 2012 Budget and Legislative Proposals for the Office of Surface Mining on Private Sector Job Creation, Domestic Energy Production, State Programs and Deficit Reduction,” 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

April 7, Subcommittee on Fisheries, Wildlife, Oceans, and Insular Affairs, markup of the following: H.R. 306, Corolla Wild Horses Protection Act; H.R. 588, to redesignate the Noxubee National Wildlife Refuge as the Sam D. Hamilton Noxubee National Wildlife Refuge; S. 266, to redesignate the Noxubee National Wildlife Refuge as the Sam D. Hamilton Noxubee National Wildlife Refuge; H.R. 258, Chesapeake Bay Accountability and Recovery Act of 2011, 10 a.m., 1334 Longworth.

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, April 5, full Committee, hearing entitled “Are Postal Workforce Costs Sustainable?” 9:45 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

April 5, Subcommittee on Health Care, DC, Census and the National Archives, hearing entitled “Waste, Abuse and Mismanagement in Government Health Care,” 1:30 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

April 6, Subcommittee on Regulatory Affairs, Stimulus Oversight and Government, hearing entitled “Assessing the Impact of Greenhouse Gas Regulations on Small Business,” 1:30 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

April 7, Subcommittee on Technology, Information Policy, Intergovernmental Relations and Procurement Reform, hearing entitled "Regulatory Barriers to American Indian Job Creation," 1:30 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on Rules, April 4, hearing on H.J. Res. 37, disapproving the rule submitted by the Federal Communications Commission with respect to regulating the Internet and broadband industry practices, 5 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

April 5, hearing on H.R. 910, Energy Tax Prevention Act of 2011, 3 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, April 6, Subcommittee on Investigations and Oversight, hearing on Behavioral Science and Security: Evaluating TSA's SPOT Program, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

April 6, Subcommittee on Energy and Environment, hearing on Offshore Drilling Safety and Response Technologies, 2 p.m., 2318 Rayburn.

April 7, Subcommittee on Technology and Innovation, hearing on Are We Prepared? Assessing Earthquake Risk Reduction in the United States, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Small Business, April 6, full Committee, hearing entitled "Help Wanted: How Passing Free Trade Agreements Will Help Small Businesses Create New Jobs," 1 p.m., 2360 Rayburn.

April 7, Subcommittee on Health Care and Technology, 10 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, April 5, Subcommittee on Highways and Transit, hearing on Policy Proposals from Members of Congress to Reform the

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Committee on Veterans' Affairs, April 5, full Committee, hearing on Deconstructing the Department of Veterans Affairs Construction Planning, 10:30 a.m., 334 Cannon.

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April 7, Subcommittee on Trade, hearing on the pending trade agreement with South Korea, 10 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

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DATA ON LEGISLATIVE ACTIVITY

January 5 through March 31, 2011

	<i>Senate</i>	<i>House</i>	<i>Total</i>
Days in session	33	35	..
Time in session	235 hrs., 5'	266 hrs., 20'	..
Congressional Record:			
Pages of proceedings	2,061	2,216	..
Extensions of Remarks .....	..	593	..
Public bills enacted into law	1	6	7
Private bills enacted into law .....	..	..	..
Bills in conference .....	..	..	..
Measures passed, total	88	79	167
Senate bills	7	1	..
House bills	4	23	..
Senate joint resolutions	3	..	..
House joint resolutions	2	2	..
Senate concurrent resolutions	5	2	..
House concurrent resolutions	4	5	..
Simple resolutions	63	46	..
Measures reported, total	*27	*47	74
Senate bills	8	..	..
House bills .....	..	24	..
Senate joint resolutions .....	..	..	..
House joint resolutions .....	..	..	..
Senate concurrent resolutions .....	..	..	..
House concurrent resolutions .....	..	1	..
Simple resolutions	19	22	..
Special reports	9	2	..
Conference reports .....	..	..	..
Measures pending on calendar	17	6	..
Measures introduced, total	859	1,587	2,446
Bills	713	1,306	..
Joint resolutions	10	53	..
Concurrent resolutions	10	32	..
Simple resolutions	126	196	..
Quorum calls	1	2	..
Yea-and-nay votes	46	63	..
Recorded votes .....	..	147	..
Bills vetoed .....	..	..	..
Vetoes overridden .....	..	..	..

DISPOSITION OF EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS

January 5 through March 31, 2011

Civilian nominations, totaling 214, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	22
Unconfirmed	192
Other Civilian nominations, totaling 408, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	397
Unconfirmed	11
Air Force nominations, totaling 1,145, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	448
Unconfirmed	697
Army nominations, totaling 329, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	226
Unconfirmed	103
Navy nominations, totaling 106, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	78
Unconfirmed	28
Marine Corps nominations, totaling 1,243, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	148
Unconfirmed	1,095
<i>Summary</i>	
Total nominations carried over from the First Session	0
Total nominations received this Session	3,445
Total confirmed	1,319
Total unconfirmed	2,126
Total withdrawn	0
Total returned to the White House	0

These figures include all measures reported, even if there was no accompanying report. A total of 11 written reports have been filed in the Senate, 49 reports have been filed in the House.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

2 p.m., Monday, April 4

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

12 noon, Monday, April 4

Senate Chamber

Program for Monday: After the transaction of any morning business (not to extend beyond 4:30 p.m.), Senate will begin consideration of the nomination of Jimmie V. Reyna, of Maryland, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Federal Circuit, and after a period of debate, vote on confirmation of the nomination, at approximately 5:30 p.m.

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