

pages H8654–55 and H8655. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and at 1:16 p.m., pursuant to the provisions of H. Con. Res. 496, the House stands adjourned until 1:30 p.m. on Friday, November 17, 2006, unless it sooner has received a message from the Senate transmitting its adoption of the concurrent resolution, in which case the House shall stand adjourned pursuant to that concurrent resolution until 10 a.m. on Tuesday, December 5, 2006.

Committee Meetings

IRAQ—CURRENT SITUATION AND MILITARY OPERATIONS

Committee on Armed Services: Held a hearing on the current situation and military operations in Iraq. Testimony was heard from David M. Satterfield, Senior Advisor to the Secretary and Coordinator for Iraq, Department of State; and GEN John Abizaid, USA, Commander, U.S. Central Command, Department of Defense.

SECURE BORDER INITIATIVE

Committee on Homeland Security: Subcommittee on Management, Integration, and Oversight held a hearing entitled “The Secure Border Initiative: Ensuring Effective Implementation and Financial Accountability of SBInet.” Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Homeland Security: Gregory L. Giddens, Director, Secure Border Initiative Program; Deborah J. Spero, Deputy Commissioner, Customs and Border Protection; Elaine Duke, Chief Procurement Officer; and Richard L. Skinner, Inspector General; and public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT—NORTH KOREA’S NUCLEAR TEST: NEXT STEPS

Committee on International Relations: Held an oversight hearing on North Korea’s Nuclear Test: Next Steps. Testimony was heard from R. Nicholas Burns, Under Secretary, Political Affairs, Department of State.

PREVENTING HARASSMENT THROUGH OUTBOUND NUMBER ENFORCEMENT ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security held a hearing on H.R. 5304, Preventing Harassment through Outbound Number Enforcement Act. Testimony was heard from Representative Murphy; Barry Sabin, Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division, Department of Justice; Philip G. Kiko, Chief of Staff and General Counsel, House Committee on the Judiciary; and a public witness.

OVERSIGHT—ENERGY EMPLOYEES OCCUPATIONAL ILLNESS COMPENSATION PROGRAM

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Immigration, Border Security, and Claims continued oversight hearings entitled “The Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Program Act: Are We Fulfilling the Promise We Made to Cold War Veterans When We Created the Program?” (Part IV) Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 2006

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Readiness and Management Support, to hold hearings to examine Department of Defense business systems modernization and financial management accountability efforts, 9:30 a.m., SR–232A.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: to hold hearings to examine the reauthorization of the Pipeline Safety Program, 10 a.m., SR–253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Kevin M. Kolevar, of Michigan, to be an Assistant Secretary of Energy (Electricity Delivery and Energy Reliability), 10 a.m., SD–366.

Subcommittee on Public Lands and Forests, to hold hearings to examine S. 3636, to establish wilderness areas, promote conservation, improve public land, and provide for high quality economic development in Washington County, Utah, and S. 3772, to establish wilderness areas, promote conservation, improve public land, and provide for high quality development in White Pine County, Nevada, 2:30 p.m., SD–366.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: business meeting to consider the nomination of Alex A. Beehler, of Maryland, to be Inspector General, Environmental Protection Agency, Time to be announced, Room to be announced.

Committee on Finance: Subcommittee on Health Care, to hold hearings to examine the States’ perspective of the Children’s Health Insurance Program (CHIP), 2:30 p.m., SD–215.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: to hold hearings to examine proposals to improve drug safety and innovation, 10 a.m., SD–430.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: business meeting to consider S. 4046, to extend oversight and accountability related to United States reconstruction funds and efforts in Iraq by extending the termination date of the Office of the Special Inspector General for Iraq Reconstruction, and the nominations of Thurgood Marshall, Jr., of Virginia, and James H. Bilbray, of Nevada, each to be a Governor of the United States Postal Service, Stephen Thomas Conboy, of Virginia, to be