

of Ralph Bunche as one of the great leaders of the United States, the first African-American Nobel Peace Prize winner, an accomplished scholar, a distinguished diplomat, and a tireless campaigner of civil rights for people throughout the world; H. Con. Res. 262, expressing the sense of the Congress in support of the National Anthem "SingAmerica" project; H. Res. 262, supporting the goals and ideals of Pancreatic Cancer Awareness Month; H. Res. 306, congratulating the New York Yankees on the occasion of their 100th anniversary; H. Res. 352, remembering and honoring the March on Washington of August 28, 1963; H.R. 1882, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 440 South Orange Blossom Trail in Orlando, Florida, as the Arthur "Pappy" Kennedy Post Office; H.R. 1883, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1601-1 Main Street in Jacksonville, Florida, as the "Eddie Mae Steward Post Office;" and H.R. 2452, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 339 Hicksville Road in Bethpage, New York, as the "Brian C. Hickey Post Office Building;" followed by a hearing entitled "Black Men and Boys in the District of Columbia and their Impact on the Future of the Black Family," 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of September 15 through September 20,
2003

Senate Chamber

On *Monday*, at 2:30 p.m., Senate will resume consideration of H.R. 2754, Energy and Water Development Appropriations. Also, pursuant to the order of July 30, 2003, Senate will debate a motion to go to conference on S. 3, Partial Birth Abortion Ban.

On *Tuesday*, at 9:30 a.m., Senate will resume consideration of S.J. Res. 17, FCC Media Ownership, with a vote on final passage to occur thereon.

During the balance of the week, Senate may consider other cleared legislative and executive business, including appropriation bills and certain nominations, when available.

Senate Committees

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: September 16, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Harvey S. Rosen, of New Jersey, and Kristin J. Forbes, of Massachusetts, each to be a Member of the Council of Economic Advisers, Julie L. Myers, of Kansas, to be Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Export Enforcement, and Peter Lichtenbaum, of Virginia, to be Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Export Administration, 10 a.m., SD-538.

September 16, Subcommittee on International Trade and Finance, to hold hearings to examine financial reconstruction in Iraq, 2:30 p.m., SD-538.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: September 17, to hold hearings to examine digital right management and privacy issues, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

September 17, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Gwendolyn Brown, of Virginia, to be Chief Financial Officer, National Aeronautics and Space Administration, Karen K. Bhatia, of Maryland, to be an Assistant Secretary of Transportation, and Charles Darwin Snelling, of Pennsylvania, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority, 2:30 p.m., SR-253.

September 18, Subcommittee on Surface Transportation and Merchant Marine, to hold hearings to examine railroad shipper issues and S. 919, to amend title 49, United States Code, to enhance competition among and between rail carriers in order to ensure efficient rail service and reasonable rail rates, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: September 17, business meeting to consider pending calendar business, 10 a.m., SD-366.

September 18, Subcommittee on Water and Power, to hold hearings to examine S. 213, to clear title to certain real property in New Mexico associated with the Middle Rio Grande Project, S. 1236, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to establish a program to control or eradicate tamarisk in the western States, S. 1516, to further the purposes of the Reclamation Projects Authorization and Adjustment Act of 1992 by directing the Secretary of the Interior, acting through the commissioner of Reclamation, to carry out an assessment and demonstration program to assess potential increases in water availability for Bureau of Reclamation projects and other uses through control of salt cedar and Russian olive, H.R. 856, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to revise a repayment contract with the Tom Green County Water Control and Improvement District No. 1, San Angelo project, Texas, and H.R. 961, to promote Department of the Interior efforts to provide a scientific basis for the management of sediment and nutrient loss in the Upper Mississippi River Basin, 2:30 p.m., SD-366.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: September 16, Subcommittee on Fisheries, Wildlife, and Water, to hold oversight hearings to examine the implementation of the Clean Water Act, 9:30 a.m., SD-406.

September 18, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Michael O. Leavitt, of Utah, to be Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, 9 a.m., SD-406.

Committee on Foreign Relations: September 17, Subcommittee on International Economic Policy, Export and Trade Promotion, to hold hearings to examine West Africa and Latin America in relation to U.S. Energy Security, 2:30 p.m., SD-419.

Committee on Governmental Affairs: September 15, Financial Management, the Budget, and International Security, to hold hearings to examine defined benefit pension plans and the Pension Benefits Guaranty Corporation, focusing on specific changes that may be required within the current pension system to help ensure the financial stability of companies with underfunded pension liabilities, 2:30 p.m., SD-342.

September 16, Full Committee, to hold oversight hearings to examine the future of the GAO; to be immediately followed by a hearing to consider the nomination of C. Suzanne Mencer, of Colorado, to be the Director of the Office for Domestic Preparedness, Department of Homeland Security, 9:30 a.m., SD-342.

September 17, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine what can be done to ensure the future viability of the U.S. Postal Service, 10 a.m., SD-342.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: September 18, Subcommittee on Aging, to hold hearings to examine financial abuse of the elderly, 10 a.m., SD-430.

Committee on Indian Affairs: September 17, to hold hearings to examine S. 420, to provide for the acknowledgment of the Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina, 10 a.m., SR-485.

Committee on the Judiciary: September 16, with the Committee on Rules and Administration, to hold joint hearings to examine the continuity of the United States government in relation to the Presidency, 9:30 a.m., SR-325.

September 16, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the importance of the H-1 visa to the American economy, 2:30 p.m., SD-226.

September 17, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Margaret Catharine Rodgers, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Florida, Roger W. Titus, to be United States District Judge for the District of Maryland, George W. Miller, of Virginia, to be a Judge of the United States Court of Federal Claims, and David W. McKeague, of Michigan, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Sixth Circuit, 10 a.m., SD-226.

September 17, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine effective federal, state, and local law enforcement strategies to combat gang violence in America, 2 p.m., SD-226.

September 18, Subcommittee on Immigration, Border Security and Citizenship, to hold hearings to examine state and local law enforcement of immigration laws in relation to stopping terrorism, 2:30 p.m., SD-226.

Committee on Rules and Administration: September 16, with the Committee on the Judiciary, to hold joint hearings to examine the continuity of the United States government in relation to the Presidency, 9:30 a.m., SR-325.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: September 16, to hold joint hearings with the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs to receive the legislative presentation of The American Legion, 10 a.m., SH-216.

Select Committee on Intelligence: September 18, to hold closed hearings to examine certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

House Chamber

To be announced.

House Committees

Committee on Agriculture, September 18, Subcommittee on General Farm Commodities and Risk Management,

hearing to review crop insurance for specialty crop producers, 9:30 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

Committee on Armed Services, September 18, hearing on United States Policy and operations in Iraq, 9 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Committee on Education and the Workforce, September 17, Subcommittee on Select Education, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 3076, Graduate Opportunities in Higher Education Act; and H.R. 3077, International Studies in Higher Education Act, 10:30 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

September 17, Subcommittee on Workforce Protections, hearing on H.R. 2731, Occupational Safety and Health Small Employer Access to Justice Act of 2003, 2 p.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, September 17, Subcommittee on Commerce, Trade and Consumer Protection, hearing on the International Consumer Protection Act of 2003, 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, September 17, hearing entitled "Accounting under Sarbanes-Oxley: Are financial statements more reliable?" 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

September 18, hearing on the following: H.R. 2575, Secondary Mortgage Market Enterprises Regulatory Improvement Act; and the Administration's proposals on GSE regulation, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Government Reform, September 16, hearing on "Holocaust Era Insurance Restitution after *AIA v. Garamedi*: Where Do We Go From Here?", 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

September 16, Subcommittee on Human Rights and Wellness, hearing entitled "A Medicare Prescription Drug Safety Net: Creating a Target Benefit for Low-Income Seniors," 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

September 17, Subcommittee on Civil Service and Agency Organization, oversight hearing titled "Human Capital Planning: Exploring the National Commission on the Public Service's Recommendations for Reorganizing the Federal Government," 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

September 17, Subcommittee on Criminal Justice, Drug Policy and Human Resources, hearing entitled "Implementation of National Supply Reduction Strategy," 10 a.m., 2203 Rayburn.

September 17, Subcommittee on Technology, Information Policy, Intergovernmental Relations and the Census, oversight hearing titled "Exploring Common Criteria: Can It Ensure That the Federal Government Gets Needed Security in Software?", 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

September 18, full Committee, hearing titled "What Happened to GPRA? A Retrospective Look At Government Performance and Results," 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

September 18, Subcommittee on Technology, Information Policy, Intergovernmental Relations and the Census, executive, hearing titled "Security of Industrial Control Systems in Our Nation's Critical Infrastructure," 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on House Administration, September 18, hearing on H.R. 2844, Continuity in Representation Act of 2003, 10 a.m., 1310 Longworth.

Committee on International Relations, September 16, Subcommittee on Middle East and Central Asia, hearing on

Syria: Implications for U.S. Security and Regional Stability—Part I, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

September 18, full Committee, hearing on United States Policy in Afghanistan: Current Issues in Reconstruction—Part II, 10:30 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

September 18, Subcommittee on Africa, hearing on U.S. Policy Toward Liberia, 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

September 18, Subcommittee on Europe, hearing on Turkey's Future Direction and U.S.-Turkey Relations, 1:30 p.m., 2200 Rayburn.

September 18, Subcommittee on International Terrorism, Nonproliferation and Human Rights and the Subcommittee on Asia and the Pacific, joint hearing on Human Rights in Burma: Fifteen Years Post Military Coup, 12:30 a.m., 2237 Rayburn.

Committee on Resources, September 16, Subcommittee on National Parks, Recreation and Public Lands, hearing on the following bills: H.R. 280, National Aviation Heritage Area Act; H.R. 646, Fort Donelson National Battlefield Act of 2003; H.R. 1594, St. Croix National Heritage Area Study Act; H.R. 1618, Arabia Mountain National Heritage Area Act; and H.R. 1862, Oil Region National Heritage Act, 2 p.m., 1334 Longworth.

September 17, Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources, oversight hearing on "Environmental Aspects of Modern Oil and Gas Development," 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

September 17, Subcommittee on Forests and Forests Health, oversight hearing on the Forest Service Recreation Fee Demonstration Program, 2 p.m., 1334 Longworth.

September 18, full Committee, to hold a hearing on the following bills: H.R. 1899, Cape Fox Land Entitlement Adjustment Act of 2003; and H.R. 2010, to protect the voting rights of members of the Armed Services in elections for the Delegate representing American Samoa in the United States House of Representatives, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Committee on Small Business, September 17, hearing on small business success stories, 1 p.m., 2360 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, September 16, Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings and Emergency Management, oversight hearing on Emergency Preparedness Issues, including Reauthorization of the Pre-disaster Mitigation Program, 2 p.m., 2167 Rayburn.

September 17, Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment, oversight hearing on Contributions of Ports and Inland Waterways to the Nation's Intermodal Transportation System, 11 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

September 18, Subcommittee on Aviation, oversight hearing on the DOT Inspector General's September 4th Report on the Safety of the FAA's Contract Tower Program, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Committee on Ways and Means, September 18, Subcommittee on Social Security, hearing on the SSA's Management of the Office of Hearings and Appeals, 10 a.m., B-318 Rayburn.

Select Committee on Homeland Security. September 16, Subcommittee on Cybersecurity, Science, and Research and Development, hearing entitled "The Invisible Battleground: What the Department of Homeland Security is Doing to Make America's Cyberspace More Secure," 9:30 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

September 17, Subcommittee on Cybersecurity, Science, and Research and the Subcommittee on Infrastructure and Border Security, to continue joint hearings entitled "Implications of Power Blackouts for the Nation's Cybersecurity and Critical Infrastructure Protection: The Electric Grid, Critical Interdependencies, Vulnerabilities, and Readiness," 3 p.m., HC-5 Capitol.

Joint Meetings

Joint Meetings: September 16, Senate Committee on Veterans' Affairs, to hold joint hearings with the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs to receive the legislative presentation of The American Legion, 10 a.m., SH-216.