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COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, MARCH 24, 2004

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development, to hold hearings to examine the Bureau of Reclamation's Animas-La Plata Project, 10 a.m., SD-124.

Subcommittee on Defense, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2005 for the Department of the Air Force, 10 a.m., SD-192.

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Strategic Forces, to hold hearings to examine the proposed Defense Authorization Request for fiscal year 2005, focusing on strategic forces and capabilities, 9:30 a.m., SR-222.

Subcommittee on Airland, to hold hearings to examine the Defense Authorization request for fiscal year 2005 and future years defense program, focusing on Navy and Air Force aviation programs, 2 p.m., SR-232A.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Subcommittee on Housing and Transportation, to hold hearings to examine the real estate appraisal industry, focusing on related issues involving financial markets and community investments, risk management, and consumer protection, 2:30 p.m., SD-538.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: to hold hearings to examine port security, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: business meeting to consider pending calendar business, 11:30 a.m., SD-366.

Subcommittee on Public Lands and Forests, to hold hearings to examine S. 433, to provide for enhanced collaborative forest stewardship management within the Clearwater and Nez Perce National Forests in Idaho, S. 2180, to direct the Secretary of Agriculture to exchange certain lands in the Arapaho and Roosevelt National Forests in the State of Colorado, and H.R. 1964, to assist the States of Connecticut, New Jersey, New York, and Pennsylvania in conserving priority lands and natural resources in the Highlands region, 2:30 p.m., SD-366.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: to hold hearings to examine the environmental impacts on the United States natural gas supply, 10 a.m., SD-406.

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations, to hold hearings to examine problems facing the credit counseling industry, focusing on cases of misconduct among credit card counseling agencies and their for-profit service providers and what solutions may be available to repair the industry, 9 a.m., SD-342.

Committee on Indian Affairs: to hold hearings to examine S. 1529, to amend the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act to include provisions relating to the payment and administration of gaming fees, 11 a.m., SD-562.

Committee on the Judiciary: to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Paul S. Diamond, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, 9 a.m., SD-226.

House

Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration and Related Agencies, on Food and Nutrition Service, 9:30 a.m., 2362A Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, State, Judiciary and Related Agencies, on Legal Activities; DEA; Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives, 10 a.m., and on U.S. Marshals Service and Federal Prison System, 2 p.m., H-309 Capitol.

Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development, on Nuclear Waste Disposal and Environmental Management, 10 a.m., 2362B Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Homeland Security, on Emergency Preparedness and Response, 10 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education and Related Agencies, on Health Resources and Services Administration, 10:15 a.m., on Administration for Children and Families, 11:20 a.m., and on Secretary of Education, 1 p.m., 2358 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Transportation, Treasury and Independent Agencies, on OMB, 10 a.m., 2358 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on VA, HUD and Independent Agencies, on Chemical Safety Hazard Investigation Board, 10 a.m., and on Corporation for National and Community Service, 11 a.m., H-143 Capitol.

Committee on Armed Services, hearing on the Fiscal Year 2005 National Defense Authorization budget request from the Department of Defense, 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Readiness, hearing on the Pre-positioned Equipment Programs of the United States Army and United States Marine Corps, 2 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Total Force, hearing on the Fiscal Year 2005 National Defense Authorization budget request—Military Personnel Policy, Benefits and Compensation Overview, 1 p.m., 2212 Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, hearing on "The State of U.S. Industry," 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, Subcommittee on Housing and Community Opportunity, hearing on H.R. 3755, Zero Downpayment Act of 2004, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Government Reform, Subcommittee on Civil Service and Agency Organization, oversight hearing entitled "Oversight of the Federal Employees Health Benefits Program and the Federal Long-Term Care Insurance Program," 2 p.m., 2203 Rayburn

Subcommittee on Energy Policy, Natural Resources and Regulatory Affairs and the Subcommittee on National Security, Emerging Threats and International Relations, joint hearing entitled "The Homeland Security Department's Plan to Consolidate and Co-locate Regional and Field Offices: Improving Communication and Coordination," 1 p.m., 2247 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Human Rights and Wellness, hearing entitled "10 Years after the Implementation of

DSHEA: The Status of Dietary Supplements in the United States,” 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Technology, Information Policy, Intergovernmental Relations and the Census, oversight hearing entitled “Electronic Government: A Progress Report on the Successes and Challenges of Government-wide Information Technology Solutions,” 2:30 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on International Relations, hearing on Safety and Security of Peace Corps Volunteers, 10:30 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on the Middle East and Central Asia, hearing on Saudi Arabia and the Fight Against Terrorism Financing, 1:30 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on Immigration, Border Security, and Claims, oversight hearing entitled “How Would Millions of Guestworkers Impact Working Americans and Americans Seeking Employment?” 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Resources, Subcommittee on Water and Power, oversight hearing on the Bureau of Reclamation’s Facility Title Transfers: Lessons Learned and Future Opportunities; followed by a hearing on H.R. 3747, Wallowa Lake Dam Rehabilitation and Water Management Act of 2004, 2 p.m., 1324 Longworth.

Committee on Rules, to consider H. Con. Res. 393, Establishing the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2005 and setting forth appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2004 and 2006 through 2009, 1 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

Committee on Science, Subcommittee on Energy, hearing on the Priorities in the Department of Energy Budget for Fiscal Year 2005, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Research and the Subcommittee on Environment, Technology and Standards, joint hearing on H.R. 3980, National Windstorm Impact Reduction Act of 2004, 2 p.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, to mark up the following measures: H. Con. Res. 376, Authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds for the Greater Washington Soap Box Derby; H. Con. Res. 388, Authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds for the National Peace Officers’ Memorial Service; H. Con. Res. 389, authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds for the D.C. Special Olympics Law Enforcement Torch Run; H.R. 3550, Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users; and H.R. 3994, Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users, 11 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Committee on Veterans’ Affairs, hearing entitled “Employing Veterans of Our Armed Forces,” 11 a.m., 334 Cannon.

Committee on Ways and Means, hearing on Board of Trustees 2004 Annual Reports, 1 p.m., 1100 Longworth.

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, executive, hearing on Central Intelligence Agency Program Budget, 2 p.m., H-405 Capitol.

Select Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Rules, hearing entitled “Homeland Security Jurisdiction: The Perspective of Committee Leaders,” 12:30 p.m., 2237 Rayburn.