

in New York Harbor, as the “Bob Hope Memorial Library;” H.R. 326, amended, To amend the Yuma Crossing National Heritage Area Act of 2000 to adjust the boundary of the Yuma Crossing National Heritage Area and to extend the authority of the Secretary of the Interior to provide assistance under that Act; H.R. 679, To direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey a parcel of real property to Beaver County, Utah; H.R. 1096, amended, Act Commemorating the LITE; H.R. 1183, To require the Secretary of the Interior to provide public access to Navassa National Wildlife Refuge and Desecheo National Wildlife Refuge; H.R. 1436, To remove certain use restrictions on property located in Navajo County, Arizona; H.R. 1564, Yakima-Tieton Irrigation District Conveyance Act of 2005; H.R. 1972, amended, Franklin National Battlefield Study Act; H.R. 3443, To direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain water distribution facilities to the Northern Colorado Water Conservancy District; H.R. 3818, amended, Forest Service Partnership Enhancement Act of 2005; and S. 229, Albuquerque Biological Park Title Clarification Act.

STATUS—OFFICE OF DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Subcommittee on Oversight held a hearing entitled “Status of the Office of the Director of National Intelligence.” Testimony was heard from former Speaker of the House Newt Gingrich of Georgia; and public witnesses.

HURRICANE KATRINA

Select Bipartisan Committee to Investigate the Preparation for and Response to Hurricane Katrina: Continued hearings on Hurricane Katrina. Testimony was heard from Michael Chertoff, Secretary of Homeland Security.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, P. D1039)

H.R. 2360, making appropriations for the Department of Homeland Security for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2006. Signed on October 18, 2005. (Public Law 109–90)

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2005

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: to resume hearings to examine the implementation of the Exon-Florio provision by the Committee on Foreign In-

vestment in the United States (CFIUS), Department of the Treasury, which seeks to serve U.S. investment policy through reviews that protect national security while maintaining the credibility of open investment policy, 10 a.m., SD–538.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: to hold hearings to examine S. 1052, to improve transportation security, including public and private sector actions taken since September 11, 2001, and the attacks on rail systems overseas, to enhance the security of passenger and freight rail transportation, 10 a.m., SD–562.

Full Committee, business meeting to consider proposed DTV bill, S. 1753, to establish a unified national hazard alert system, S. 967, to amend the Communications Act of 1934 to ensure that prepackaged news stories contain announcements that inform viewers that the information within was provided by the United States Government, and S. 1063, to promote and enhance public safety and to encourage the rapid deployment of IP-enabled voice services, 2 p.m., SR–325.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: to hold hearings to examine S. 1016, to direct the Secretary of Energy to make incentive payments to the owners or operators of qualified desalination facilities to partially offset the cost of electrical energy required to operate the facilities, and S. 1860, to amend the Energy Policy Act of 2005 to improve energy production and reduce energy demand through improved use of reclaimed waters, 2:30 p.m., SD–366.

Committee on Foreign Relations: to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Benson K. Whitney, of Minnesota, to be Ambassador to Norway, Roland Arnall, of California, to be Ambassador to the Kingdom of the Netherlands, Susan Rasinski McCaw, of Washington, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Austria, and Nicholas F. Taubman, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to Romania, 9:30 a.m., SD–419.

Subcommittee on Near Eastern and South Asian Affairs, to hold hearings to examine U.S. foreign policy, petroleum, and the Middle East, 2:30 p.m., SD–419.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: to hold hearings to examine Federal employment programs for persons with disabilities, 2 p.m., SD–106.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: to hold hearings to examine the response to Hurricane Katrina in New Orleans, 9:30 a.m., SD–342.

Committee on the Judiciary: business meeting to consider pending calendar business, 9:30 a.m., SD–226.

Subcommittee on Constitution, Civil Rights and Property Rights, to hold hearings to examine the constitutional amendment on marriage, 2 p.m., SD–226.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: to hold hearings to examine IT Management by the VA, 10 a.m., SR–418.

Select Committee on Intelligence: to receive a closed briefing regarding certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH–219.