

SMALL HEALTHCARE GROUPS/ELECTRONIC RECORDS

Committee on Small Business: Subcommittee on Regulatory Reform and Oversight held a hearing entitled “Can Small Healthcare Groups Feasibly Adopt Electronic Medical Records Technology?” Testimony was heard from Representative Gingrey; and public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT—NATIONAL LEVEE SAFETY PROGRAM ACT

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment held an oversight hearing on H.R. 4650, National Levee Safety Program Act of 2005. Testimony was heard from MG Don T. Riley, USA Director, Civil Works, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers; and public witnesses

VETERANS LEGISLATION

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs held a hearing on the following measures: H.R. 23, Belated Thank You to the Merchant Marines of World War II Act of 2005; H.R. 601, Native American Veterans Cemetery Act of 2005; H.R. 2188, To amend title 38, United States Code, to authorize the placement in a national cemetery of memorial markers for the purpose of commemorating service members or other persons whose remains are interred in an American Battle Monuments Commission cemetery; H.R. 2963, Dr. James Allen Disabled Veterans Equity Act; H.R. 4843, Veterans' Compensation Cost-of-Living Adjustment Act of 2006; H.R. 5037, Respect for America's Fallen Heroes Act; and H.R. 5038, To amend title 38, United States Code, to extend and expand the application of the Department of Veterans Affairs benefit for Government markers for marked graves of veterans buried in private cemeteries and to provide Government markers or memorial headstones for deceased dependent children of veterans whose remains are unavailable for burial. Testimony was heard from Representatives Rogers of Michigan, Chabot, Reyes, Filner, Baldwin, Langevin, and Udall of New Mexico; William F. Tuerk, Under Secretary, Memorial Affairs, National Cemetery Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs; John C. Metzler, Jr., Superintendent, Arlington National

Cemetery, Department of the Army; and representatives of veterans organizations.

HEALTH INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (IT)

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Health held a hearing on health information technology (IT). Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Health and Human Services: David Brailer, M.D., Technology Coordinator; and Lewis Morris, Chief Counsel to the Inspector General; and public witnesses.

TAX SEASON/IRS BUDGET

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Oversight held a hearing on the 2006 tax return filing season, the Internal Revenue Service budget for fiscal year 2007, and other issues in tax administration. Testimony was heard from of the Department of the Treasury: Mark W. Everson, Commissioner, IRS; and J. Russell George, Inspector General, Tax Administration; Raymond T. Wagner, Chairman, Internal Revenue Service Oversight Board; James R. White, Director, Tax Issues, GAO; and public witnesses.

BRIEFING—GLOBAL UPDATES/HOTSPOTS

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Met in executive session to receive a briefing on Global Updates/Hotspots. The Committee was briefed by departmental witnesses.

**COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY,
APRIL 7, 2006**

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

House

Committee on Armed Services, hearing on building the capacity of foreign military forces, 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Committee on Government Reform, hearing entitled “Out at Home: Why Most Nats Fans Can't See Their Team on TV,” 12:30 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary, Task Force on Telecom and Antitrust, oversight hearing on Network Neutrality: Competition, Innovation, and Nondiscriminatory Access, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

8:30 a.m., Friday, April 7

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

2 p.m., Tuesday, April 25

Senate Chamber

Program for Friday: Senate will continue consideration of S. 2454, Securing America's Borders Act, with a vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the pending motion to commit to occur at approximately 9:45 a.m.; following which, if cloture is not invoked, Senate will then vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the bill.

Also, Senate will resume consideration of the nominations of Dorrance Smith, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Defense, and Peter Cyril Wyche Flory, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Defense, with votes on the motions to invoke cloture on each nomination, respectively.

House Chamber

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