

House Commission on Congressional Mailing Standards—Appointment: The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of the following Members of the House of Representatives to the House Commission on Congressional Mailing Standards: Representative Capuano, Chairman; Representatives Sherman, Davis (AL), Ehlers, Price (GA) and McCarthy (CA).

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Abraham Lincoln Bicentennial Commission—Appointment: The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of Representative Jackson (IL) to the Abraham Lincoln Bicentennial Commission.

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Abraham Lincoln Bicentennial Commission—Appointment: The Chair read a letter from Mr. Boehner, Minority Leader, in which he re-appointed Representative LaHood to the Abraham Lincoln Bicentennial Commission.

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Presidential Message: Read a message from the President wherein he notified Congress of the continuation of the national emergency and related measures blocking the property of certain persons undermining democratic processes or institutions in Belarus—referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs and ordered printed (H. Doc. 110-39).

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Senate Message: Message received from the Senate today appears on page H6518.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Three yea-and-nay votes and thirty recorded votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H6480-81, H6481-82, H6482, H6483, H6483-84, H6484, H6485, H6485-86, H6486-87, H6487, H6488, H6488-89, H6489-90, H6490, H6490-91, H6491-92, H6492, H6493, H6493-94, H6494-95, H6495, H6495-96, H6496-97, H6497, H6516-17, H6517-18, H6561-62, H6562, H6562-63, H6563-64, H6564, H6564-65 and H6565-66. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 9 a.m. and adjourned at 6:20 p.m.

Committee Meetings

PAUL WELLSTONE MENTAL HEALTH AND ADDICTION EQUITY ACT OF 2007

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Health held a hearing on H.R. 1424, Paul Wellstone Mental Health and Addiction Equity Act of 2007. Testimony was heard from Representatives Kennedy and Ramstad; and public witnesses.

SMITHSONIAN/KENNEDY CENTER OVERSIGHT

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings, and Emergency Management, hearing on Public and Private Responsibility for Maintaining Our National Treasures: The Smithsonian Institution and the John F. Kennedy Center. Testimony was heard from Cristian Samper, Acting Secretary, Smithsonian Institution; and Michael Kaiser, President, John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D760)

S. 214, to amend chapter 35 of title 28, United States Code, to preserve the independence of United States attorneys. Signed on June 14, 2007. (Public Law 110-34)

H.R. 1675, to suspend the requirements of the Department of Housing and Urban Development regarding electronic filing of previous participation certificates and regarding filing of such certificates with respect to certain low-income housing investors. Signed on June 15, 2007. (Public Law 110-35)

S. 1104, to increase the number of Iraqi and Afghani translators and interpreters who may be admitted to the United States as special immigrants. Signed on June 15, 2007. (Public Law 110-36)

CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of June 18 through June 23, 2007

Senate Chamber

On *Monday*, at 3:30 p.m., Senate will resume consideration of H.R. 6, CLEAN Energy Act.

During the balance of the week, Senate may consider any cleared legislative and executive business.

Senate Committees

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Committee on Appropriations: June 19, Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies, business meeting to mark up proposed legislation making appropriations for Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2008, 10 a.m., SD-124.

June 19, Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies, business meeting to mark up proposed legislation making appropriations for Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2008, 4 p.m., SD-124.

June 21, Full Committee, business meeting to mark up proposed legislation making appropriations for Labor,

Health and Human Services, and Education, Interior, and Legislative Branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2008, 2 p.m., SD-106.

June 22, Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine a new vision for medical research relating to the fiscal year 2008 budget for the National Institutes of Health, 10 a.m., SD-116.

Committee on Armed Services: June 19, business meeting to consider the nomination of Preston M. Geren, of Texas, to be Secretary of the Army, 9:30 a.m., SH-216.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: June 20, to hold hearings to examine reauthorization of the Hope VI Program, 2 p.m., SD-538.

June 21, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine working towards ending homelessness, focusing on the reauthorization of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act (Public Law 100-77), 10 a.m., SD-538.

Committee on the Budget: June 21, to hold hearings to examine health care and the budget, focusing on issues and challenges for reform, 10 a.m., SD-608.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: June 20, Subcommittee on Aviation Operations, Safety, and Security, to hold an oversight hearing to examine foreign aviation repair stations, 2:30 p.m., SR-253.

June 21, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine telephone number porting and caller-ID spoofing, 10 a.m., SR-253.

June 21, Subcommittee on Science, Technology, and Innovation, to hold hearings to examine energy efficiency technologies and programs, 2:30 p.m., SR-253.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: June 20, Subcommittee on Superfund and Environmental Health, to hold hearings to examine the Environmental Protection Agency's response to 9-11, focusing on lessons learned for future emergency preparedness, 10 a.m., SD-406.

June 21, Full Committee, to continue hearings to examine the case for the California waiver, including an update from the Environmental Protection Agency, 10 a.m., SD-406.

Committee on Finance: June 19, business meeting to consider an original bill entitled, "Energy Advancement and Investment Act of 2007", 10 a.m., SD-215.

June 21, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine barriers to work to be overcome for individuals receiving Social Security Disability Benefits, 10 a.m., SD-215.

Committee on Foreign Relations: June 19, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of June Carter Perry, of the District of Columbia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Sierra Leone, Frederick B. Cook, of Florida, to be Ambassador to the Central African Republic, Robert B. Nolan, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Kingdom of Lesotho, and Maurice S. Parker, of California, to be Ambassador to the Kingdom of Swaziland, 10 a.m., SD-419.

June 19, Subcommittee on International Operations and Organizations, Democracy and Human Rights, to hold hearings to examine the passport backlog and the Department of State's response to the Western Hemisphere Travel Initiative, 2:30 p.m., SD-419.

June 20, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of William R. Brownfield, of Texas, to

be Ambassador to the Republic of Colombia, Peter Michael McKinley, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Peru, and Patrick Dennis Duddy, of Maine, to be Ambassador to the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, 10 a.m., SD-419.

June 20, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Anne Woods Patterson, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Islamic Republic of Pakistan, Nancy J. Powell, of Iowa, to be Ambassador to Nepal, Joseph Adam Erel, of the District of Columbia, to be Ambassador to the Kingdom of Bahrain, Richard Boyce Norland, of Iowa, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Uzbekistan, and Stephen A. Seche, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Yemen, 3 p.m., SD-419.

June 21, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine a strategic assessment of United States and Russia relations, 9:30 a.m., SD-419.

June 21, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of John L. Withers II, of Maryland, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Albania, Charles Lewis English, of New York, to be Ambassador to Bosnia and Herzegovina, Cameron Munter, of California, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Serbia, Roderick W. Moore, of Rhode Island, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Montenegro, and J. Christian Kennedy, of Indiana, to be Ambassador during his tenure of service as Special Envoy for Holocaust Issues, 2 p.m., SD-419.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: June 20, business meeting to consider original bills entitled, "The Higher Education Access Reconciliation Act", and "The Higher Education Amendments of 2007", and other pending calendar business, 9:30 a.m., SD-628.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: June 19, to hold hearings to examine the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation and the federal government, focusing on a model public-private partnership accelerating research toward a cure, 9:30 a.m., SD-106.

June 21, Ad Hoc Subcommittee on State, Local, and Private Sector Preparedness and Integration, to hold hearings to examine the state of public-private collaboration in preparing for and responding to national catastrophes, 2 p.m., SD-342.

Committee on Indian Affairs: June 21, to continue oversight hearings to examine law enforcement in Indian Country, 9:30 a.m., SR-485.

Committee on the Judiciary: June 20, to hold hearings to examine rising crime in the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina, 10 a.m., SD-226.

June 20, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine pending judicial nominations, 2:30 p.m., SD-226.

June 21, Full Committee, business meeting to consider S. 1145, to amend title 35, United States Code, to provide for patent reform, S. Res. 230, designating the month of July 2007, as "National Teen Safe Driver Month", S. Res. 231, recognizing the historical significance of Juneteenth Independence Day and expressing the sense of the Senate that history should be regarded as a means for understanding the past and solving the challenges of the future, and the nomination of Leslie Southwick, of Mississippi, to be United States Circuit Judge

for the Fifth Circuit, and possible authorization of subpoenas in connection with the investigation of the legal basis for the warrantless wiretap program, 10 a.m., SD-226.

June 21, Full Committee, to hold an oversight hearing to examine the Civil Rights Division of the Department of Justice, 2 p.m., SD-226.

Committee on Rules and Administration: June 20, to hold hearings to examine S. 1285, to reform the financing of Senate elections, 10 a.m., SR-301.

Select Committee on Intelligence: June 19, to hold hearings to examine the nomination of John A. Rizzo, of the District of Columbia, to be General Counsel of the Central Intelligence Agency, 2:30 p.m., SD-106.

June 21, Full Committee, to hold closed hearings to examine certain intelligence matters, 3:30 p.m., SH-219.

Special Committee on Aging: June 21, to hold hearings to examine America's aging farming population, focusing on the threat to the future of American agriculture as aging farmers are not being replaced by younger generations, 11 a.m., SR-325.

House Committees

Committee on Agriculture, June 19, Subcommittee on General Farm Commodities and Risk Management, to consider H.R. 2419, Farm Bill Extension Act of 2007, 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

Committee on Armed Services, June 20, hearing on Organizing the Roles, Missions, and Requirements of the Department of Defense, 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Committee on Education and Labor, June 19, Subcommittee on Higher Education, Lifelong Learning and Competitiveness, hearing on Building on the Success of 35 Years of Title IX, 10 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

June 20, full Committee, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 980, Public Safety Employer-Employee Cooperation Act of 2007; and H.R. 2693, To direct the Occupational Safety and Health Administration to issue a standard regulating worker exposure to diacetyl, 10:30 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

June 21, Subcommittee on Workforce Protection, hearing on Balancing Work and Family: What Policies Best Support American Families? 1:30 p.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, June 19, Subcommittee on Health, to mark up the following: Prescription Drug User Fee Amendments of 2007; Medical Device User Fee Amendments of 2007; Best Pharmaceuticals for Children Amendment of 2007; Pediatric Research Improvement Act; to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to improve drug safety; To amend the Public Health Service to provide for the establishment of a clinical trial registry database and a clinical trial results database; To amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act with respect to conflicts of interest; To amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to provide for the establishment of the Reagan-Udall Institute for Applied Biomedical Research; and the Pediatric Medical Device Safety and Improvement of 2007, 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

June 22, Subcommittee on Environment and Hazardous Materials, hearing on H.R. 1534, Mercury Export Ban Act of 2007, 10 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

June 22, Subcommittee on Telecommunications and the Internet, hearing entitled "Images Kids See on the Screen," 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, June 19, hearing on Credit Reports: Consumers' Ability to Dispute and Change Inaccurate Information, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

June 20, full Committee, hearing to receive the annual testimony of the Secretary of the Treasury regarding the State of the International Financial System, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

June 21, Subcommittee on Capital Markets, Insurance, and Government Sponsored Enterprises, hearing entitled "Examining a Legislative Solution to Extend and Revise the Terrorism Risk Insurance Act," 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

June 21, Subcommittee on Housing and Community Opportunity, hearing entitled "Reauthorization of the HOPE VI Program," 2 p.m., 2128 Rayburn.

June 22, Subcommittee on Housing and Community Opportunity, hearing entitled "Homeowner Downpayment Assistance Programs and Related Issues, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Foreign Affairs, June 19, hearing on South America and the United States: How to Fix a Broken Relationship, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

June 19, Subcommittee on Middle East and South Asia, hearing on Working in a War Zone: Post Traumatic Stress Disorders in Civilians Returning from Iraq, 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

June 20, Subcommittee on Africa and Global Health, hearing on World Refugee Day 2007, 9:30 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

June 20, Subcommittee on Europe, hearing on Adding Hezbollah to the EU Terrorist List, 1 p.m., 2200 Rayburn.

June 21, Subcommittee on Terrorism, Nonproliferation, and Trade, to mark up the Overseas Private Investment Corporation Reauthorization Act of 2007, 1 p.m., 2255 Rayburn.

June 22, full Committee, hearing on the Future of NATO: How Valuable an Asset? 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on Homeland Security: June 19, Subcommittee on Management, Investigations and Oversight, hearing on Ensuring We Have Well-Trained Boots on the Ground at the Border, 11 a.m., 311 Cannon.

June 19, Subcommittee on Transportation Security, and Infrastructure Protection, hearing on Keeping the Border Secure: Examining Potential Threats Posed by Cross Border Trucking, 1:30 p.m., 1539 Rayburn.

June 20, Subcommittee on Emerging Threats, Cybersecurity, and Science and Technology, hearing on Hacking the Homeland: Investigating Cybersecurity Vulnerabilities at the Department of Homeland Security, 2 p.m., 311 Cannon.

June 21, Subcommittee on Management, Investigations and Oversight, to continue hearings on You Don't Know

What You Don't Know: Has the Department of Homeland Security Improved its Ability to Maintain Situational Awareness Since Hurricane Katrina? 12 noon, 1539 Longworth.

June 21, Subcommittee on Emerging Communications, Preparedness, and Response, hearing on Challenges Facing First Responders in Border Communities, 10 a.m., 1539 Longworth.

Committee on the Judiciary: June 19, Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security, hearing on War Profiteering and Other Contractor Crimes Committed Overseas, 2 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

June 19, Subcommittee on Immigration, Citizenship, Refugees, Border Security, and International Law, to continue hearings on Comprehensive Immigration Reform: Government Perspectives on Immigration Statistics, 4 p.m., 2237 Rayburn.

June 21, Subcommittee on Commercial and Administrative Law, to continue hearings on the Continuing Investigation into the U.S. Attorney Controversy and Related Matters, 12 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

June 21, Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights, and Civil Liberties, hearing on the following bills: H.R. 558, African American Farmers Benefit Relief Act of 2007; and H.R. 899, Pigford Claims Remedy Act of 2007, 9 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Natural Resources: June 19, Subcommittee on Fisheries, Wildlife and Oceans, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 1834, National Ocean Exploration Program Act; and H.R. 2400, Ocean and Coastal Mapping Integration Act, 10 a.m., 1334 Longworth.

June 19, Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Public Lands, oversight hearing on Wildfire Preparedness: An Ounce of Prevention is Worth a Pound of Cure, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

June 21, Subcommittee on Fisheries, Wildlife and Oceans, hearing on H.R. 767, Refuge Ecology Protection, Assistance, and Immediate Response Act, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, June 19, to consider pending business, 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

June 19, Subcommittee on Information Policy, Census, and National Archives, hearing on Protecting Patient Privacy in Healthcare Information Systems, 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

June 20, Subcommittee on Government Management, Organization, and Procurement, hearing on Inspectors General: Independence Accountability, 2 p.m., 2247 Rayburn.

June 21, Subcommittee on Federal Workforce, Postal Services, and the District of Columbia, hearing on Ensuring a Merit-Based Employment System: An Examination of the Merit Systems Protection Board and the Office of Special Counsel; followed by a meeting on the District of Columbia Autonomy legislation, 2 p.m., 2247 Rayburn.

June 22, full Committee, hearing on the Response of the Department of Health and Human Services to the Nation's Emergency Care Crisis, 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on Rules, June 19, to consider the State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs appropriations for fiscal year 2008, 2 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

Committee on Science and Technology, June 19, Subcommittee on Energy and Environment, hearing on Research, Education and Training Programs to Facilitate Adoption of Solar Energy Technologies, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

June 19, Subcommittee on Research and Science Education, hearing on the Role of Community Colleges and Industry in Meeting the Demand for Skilled Production Workers and Technicians in the 21st Century Economy, 3 p.m., 2318 Rayburn.

June 21, Subcommittee on Energy and Environment, to consider the following measures: the Biofuels Research and Development Enhancement Act; and H.R. 1933, Department of Energy Carbon Capture and Storage Research, Development, and Demonstration Act of 2007, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

June 22, full Committee, to consider H.R. 2698, Federal Aviation Research and Development Reauthorization Act of 2007, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Small Business, June 20, Subcommittee on Contracting and Technology, hearing on meeting the Workforce Demands of Small Bio-Energy Businesses, 10 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

June 21, full Committee, hearing on Increasing Investment in Our Nation's Small Businesses, 2 p.m., 2360 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, June 19, Subcommittee on Railroads, Pipelines, and Hazardous Materials, hearing on Benefits of Intercity Passenger Rail, 2 p.m., 2167 Rayburn.

June 20, full Committee, to continue consideration H.R. 2701, Transportation Energy Security and Climate Change Mitigation Act of 2007, 11 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

June 21, Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings, and Emergency Management, hearing on the Responsibility of the Department of Homeland Security and the Federal Protective Service to Ensure Contract Guards Protect Federal Employees and Workplaces, 10 a.m., 2253 Rayburn.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs, June 19, Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs, hearing on the following bills: H.R. 585, To amend title 38, United States Code, to expand the number of individuals qualifying for retroactive benefits from traumatic injury protection coverage under Servicemembers' Group Life Insurance; H.R. 156, To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for payment of dependency and indemnity compensation to the Survivors of former prisoners of war who died on or before September 30, 1999, under the same eligibility conditions as apply to payment of dependency and indemnity compensation to the Survivors of former prisoners of war who died after that date; and H.R. 704, To amend title 38, United States Code, to reduce from age 57 to age 55 the age after which the remarriage of the surviving spouse of a deceased veteran shall not result in termination of dependency and indemnity compensation otherwise payable to that surviving spouse, 2 p.m., 334 Cannon.

June 20, full Committee, hearing on Priority 8 Veterans, 10 a.m., 334 Cannon.

Committee on Ways and Means, June 19, Subcommittee on Income Security and Family Support, hearing on Disconnected and Disadvantaged Youth, 1 p.m., B-318 Rayburn.

June 21, Subcommittee on Health, hearing on Beneficiary Protections in Medicare Part D, 2 p.m., 1100 Longworth.

June 21, Subcommittee on Social Security, hearing on Protecting the Privacy of the Social Security Number from Identity Theft, 10 a.m., B-318 Rayburn.

Select Committee on Energy Independence and Global Warming, June 19, hearing on Green Cities: Mayoral Initiatives to Reduce Global Warming Pollution, 2 p.m., room to be announced.

Joint Meetings

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe: June 21, to hold hearings to examine the Guantanamo Bay detention camp, focusing on the implications for United States human rights leadership, 10 a.m., 2325 Rayburn.