

Ashley J. Lewis, Director, Office of Acquisition Policy and Oversight, Immigration and Custom Enforcement; and public witnesses.

### VETERANS MEASURES

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs:* Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity held a hearing on the following bills: H.R. 1750, To amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to extend from 90 days the period after release of a member of the Armed Forces from active duty during which the member is protected from mortgage foreclosure under that act; H.R. 1824, To amend title 38, United States Code, to expand the scope of programs of education for which accelerated payments of educational assistance under the Montgomery GI Bill may be used; H.R. 1598, Servicemembers Credit Protection Act; H.R. 1315, To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide specially adaptive housing assistance to certain disabled members of the Armed Forces residing temporarily in housing owned by a family member; H.R. 1240, To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to establish a scholarship program for students seeking a degree or certificate in the areas of visual impairment and orientation and mobility; H.R. 675, Disabled Veterans Adaptive Housing Improvement Act; H.R. 513, National Heroes Credit Protection Act; H.R. 2259, To ensure that members of the National Guard and Reserves are able to fully participate in the benefits delivery at discharge program administered jointly by the Secretary of Defense and the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to provide information and assistance on available benefits and other transition assistance to members of the Armed Forces who are separating from the Armed Forces; H.R. 2475, Veteran Home Equity Conversation Mortgage Act of 2007; H.R. 1632, Improving Veterans' Reemployment Act of 2007; H.R. 112, G.I. Advanced Education in Science and Technology Act; H.R. 2579, To amend title 38, United States Code, to authorize the use of funds in the Department of Veterans Affairs readjustment benefits accounts and funds appropriated for such purpose to provide funding for state approving agencies; and H.R. 1370, Disabled Veterans Sports and Special Events Promotion Act of 2007. Testimony was heard from Representatives Wynn, Brady of Pennsylvania, Israel, Jackson-Lee of Texas, Welch of Vermont, Michaud, Reichert; the following officials of Veterans Affairs, Keith Pedigo, Director, Loan Guaranty Service; Keith M. Wilson, Director, Education Service; and Dean Gallin, Deputy Assistant Counsel; representatives of veterans' organizations; and public witnesses.

### MEDICARE PART D BENEFICIARY PROTECTIONS

*Committee on Ways and Means:* Subcommittee on Health held a hearing on Beneficiary Protections in Medicare Part D. Testimony was heard from Leslie V. Norwalk, Acting Administrator, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services; Kathleen M. King, Director, Medicare Payment, GAO; and public witnesses.

### SSI IDENTIFY THEFT PROTECTION

*Committee on Ways and Means:* Subcommittee on Social Security held a hearing on Protecting the Privacy of the Social Security Number from Identity Theft. Testimony was heard from: Senator Schumer; Representatives Markey and Barton of Texas; Patrick O'Carroll, Inspector General, SSA; Joel Winston, Director, Division of Privacy and Information Protection, FTC; Dan Bertoni, Director, Education, Workforce, and Income Security, GAO; and public witnesses.

### FISA

*Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence:* Met in executive to hold a hearing on FISA. Testimony was heard from former Attorney General John Ashcroft.

## Joint Meetings

### GUANTANAMO BAY

*Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe:* Commission concluded a hearing to examine the Guantanamo Bay detention camp, focusing on the implications for United States human rights leadership, including the international perspective of Guantanamo, particularly in the 56 participating States of the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe (OSCE), after receiving testimony from John B. Bellinger, III, Legal Adviser, Department of State; Anne-Marie Lizin, Belgium Senate, OSCE Parliamentary Assembly Special Representative on Guantanamo, Brussels; Tom Malinowski, Human Rights Watch, Washington, D.C.; and Gabor Rona, Human Rights First, New York, New York.

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### COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY, JUNE 22, 2007

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

#### Senate

*Committee on Appropriations:* 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.

*Select Committee on Intelligence*: closed business meeting to markup the Department of Defense Authorization bill for fiscal year 2008, 2 p.m., SH-219.

### House

*Committee on Energy and Commerce*, Subcommittee on Environment and Hazardous Materials, hearing on H.R. 1534, Mercury Export Ban Act of 2007, 10 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Telecommunications and the Internet, hearing entitled “Images Kids See on the Screen,” 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

*Committee on Financial Services*, Subcommittee on Housing and Community Opportunity, hearing entitled “Homeowner Downpayment Assistance Programs and Related Issues,” 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

*Committee on Foreign Affairs*, hearing on the Future of NATO: How Valuable an Asset? 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

*Committee on Oversight and Government Reform*, 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 Science and Technology*, to consider the following measures: H.R. 2698, Federal Aviation Research and Development Reauthorization Act of 2007; and H. Res. 487, Recognizing the contribution of modeling and simulation technology to the security and prosperity of the United States, and recognizing modeling and simulation as a National Critical Technology, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

*Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence*, executive, DCIA briefing on a recent report, 10 a.m., H-405 Capitol.