

# House of Representatives

## Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. The House is scheduled to meet at 10:30 a.m. on Monday, July 23, 2007.

## Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

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### CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD Week of July 23 through July 27, 2007 Senate Chamber

On *Monday*, at 10 a.m., Senate will begin consideration of S. 1642, Higher Education Amendments Act and consider certain amendments.

On *Tuesday*, following the disposition of S. 1642, Higher Education Amendments Act, Senate will begin consideration of H.R. 2638, Department of Homeland Security Appropriations 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 Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* July 25, Subcommittee on Security and International Trade and Finance, to hold hearings to examine reforming key international financial institutions for the 21st century, 3:30 p.m., SD-538.

*Committee on the Budget:* July 26, business meeting to consider the nomination of Jim Nussle, of Iowa, to be Director of the Office of Management and Budget, 10 a.m., SD-608.

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* July 24, to hold hearings to examine the protection of children on the internet, 10 a.m., SR-253.

July 25, Subcommittee on Interstate Commerce, Trade, and Tourism, to hold hearings to examine United States trade relations with China, 2:30 p.m., SR-253.

July 26, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine preparation taken for digital television transition, 10 a.m., SR-253.

July 26, Subcommittee on Surface Transportation and Merchant Marine Infrastructure, Safety and Security, to continue hearings to examine the Railroad Safety Enhancement Act, 2:30 p.m., SR-253.

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* July 25, business meeting to consider pending calendar business, 11:30 a.m., SD-366.

July 26, Subcommittee on Water and Power, to hold hearings to examine S. 300, to authorize appropriations for the Bureau of Reclamation to carry out the Lower Colorado River Multi-Species Conservation Program in the States of Arizona, California, and Nevada, S. 1258, to amend the Reclamation Safety of Dams Act of 1978 to

authorize improvements for the security of dams and other facilities, S. 1477, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to carry out the Jackson Gulch rehabilitation project in the State of Colorado, S. 1522, to amend the Bonneville Power Administration portions of the Fisheries Restoration and Irrigation Mitigation Act of 2000 to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 2008 through 2014, and H.R. 1025, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a study to determine the feasibility of implementing a water supply and conservation project to improve water supply reliability, increase the capacity of water storage, and improve water management efficiency in the Republican River Basin between Harlan County Lake in Nebraska and Milford Lake in Kansas, 2:30 p.m., SD-366.

*Committee on Environment and Public Works:* July 24, Subcommittee on Private Sector and Consumer Solutions to Global Warming and Wildlife Protection, to hold hearings to examine economic and international issues, focusing on global warming policy, 2:30 p.m., SD-406.

July 25, Subcommittee on Superfund and Environmental Health, to hold an oversight hearing to examine the Environmental Protection Agency's Environmental Justice programs, 2 p.m., SD-406.

July 26, Full Committee, to hold 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:* July 23, business meeting to consider S.J. Res. 16, approving the renewal of import restrictions contained in the Burmese Freedom and Democracy Act of 2003, 5 p.m., SD-215.

July 24, Full Committee, to hold an oversight hearing to examine the government tax policy in farm country, 10 a.m., SD-215.

July 25, Full Committee, business meeting to consider the nominations of David H. McCormick, of Pennsylvania, to be an Under Secretary, and Peter B. McCarthy, of Wisconsin, to be an Assistant Secretary, both of the Department of the Treasury, Kerry N. Weems, of New Mexico, to be Administrator of the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Tevi David Troy, of New York, to be Deputy Secretary of Health and Human Services, and Charles E. F. Millard, of New York, to be Director of the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation, 10 a.m., SD-215.

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* July 24, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Michael W. Michalak, of Michigan, to be Ambassador to the Socialist Republic of Vietnam, and Eric G. John, of Indiana, to be Ambassador to the Kingdom of Thailand, 10 a.m., SD-419.

July 24, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Henrietta Holsman Fore, of Nevada, to be Administrator of the United States Agency for International Development, 2:15 p.m., SD-419.

July 24, Full Committee, to hold a closed briefing regarding Gulf Security dialogue, 4 p.m., S-407, Capitol.

July 25, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine S. 732, to empower Peace Corps volunteers, 9:30 a.m., SD-419.

July 25, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine Pakistan's future, focusing on the challenges of building a democracy, 2:30 p.m., SD-419.

July 26, Subcommittee on International Operations and Organizations, Democracy and Human Rights, to hold hearings to examine the United Nations Human Rights Council, focusing on its shortcomings and prospects for reform, 2:30 p.m., SD-419.

*Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:* July 24, to hold hearings to examine the BioShield and Preparedness programs, focusing on improvements needed for epidemics, 10 a.m., SD-628.

July 25, Full Committee, business meeting to consider S. 625, to protect the public health by providing the Food and Drug Administration with certain authority to regulate tobacco products, S. 1183, to enhance and further research into paralysis and to improve rehabilitation and the quality of life for persons living with paralysis and other physical disabilities, S. 579, to amend the Public Health Service Act to authorize the Director of the National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences to make grants for the development and operation of research centers regarding environmental factors that may be related to the etiology of breast cancer, S. 898, to amend the Public Health Service Act to fund breakthroughs in Alzheimer's disease research while providing more help to caregivers and increasing public education about prevention, an original bill entitled, "Newborn Screening Saves Lives Act of 2007", and the nominations of Diane Auer Jones, of Maryland, to be Assistant Secretary for Postsecondary Education, Department of Education, David C. Geary, of Missouri, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the National Board for Education Sciences, and Miguel Campaneria, of Puerto Rico, to be a Member of the National Council on the Arts, 10 a.m., SD-106.

*Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:* July 24, to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Jim Nussle, of Iowa, to be Director of the Office of Management and Budget, 10 a.m., SD-342.

July 25, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Dennis R. Schrader, of Maryland, to be Deputy Administrator for National Preparedness, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, 10 a.m., SD-342.

July 25, Subcommittee on Federal Financial Management, Government Information, Federal Services, and International Security, to hold hearings to examine the implementation of the Postal Accountability and Enhancement Act. (Public Law 109-435), 3 p.m., SD-342.

*Committee on Indian Affairs:* July 26, to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Charles W. Grim, of Oklahoma, to be Director of the Indian Health Service, Department of Health and Human Services, 9:30 a.m., SR-485.

*Committee on the Judiciary:* July 24, to continue oversight hearings to examine the Department of Justice, 9:30 a.m., SH-216.

July 26, Full Committee, business meeting to consider S. 1060, to reauthorize the grant program for reentry of offenders into the community in the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968, to improve reentry planning and implementation, S. 453, to prohibit deceptive practices in Federal elections, S. 1692, to grant a Federal charter to Korean War Veterans Association, Incorporated, an original bill entitled, "School Safety and Law Enforcement Act", and the nomination of Rosa Emilia Rodriguez-Velez, of Puerto Rico, to be United States Attorney for the District of Puerto Rico, 10 a.m., SD-226.

*Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship:* July 25, to hold an oversight hearing to examine Gulf Coast disaster loans, focusing on the future of the disaster assistance program, 10 a.m., SR-428A.

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs:* July 24, business meeting to mark up the nomination of Charles L. Hopkins, of Massachusetts, to be an Assistant Secretary of Veterans Affairs (Operations, Preparedness, Security and Law Enforcement), 2 p.m., Room to be announced.

July 25, Full Committee, to hold an oversight hearing to examine Department of Veterans Affairs health care funding, 9:30 a.m., SD-562.

*Select Committee on Intelligence:* July 24, to hold closed hearings to examine certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

July 26, Full Committee, to hold closed hearings to examine certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

### House Committees

*Committee on Appropriations,* July 25, to consider Defense Appropriations for Fiscal Year 2008, 9 a.m., 2359 Rayburn.

*Committee on Armed Services,* July 24, Subcommittee on Seapower and Expeditionary Forces, hearing on the surface combatant construction update, 2 p.m., 2212 Rayburn.

July 25, full Committee and the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, joint hearing on hearing on Implications of the National Intelligence Estimate regarding Al-Qaeda, 1 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

July 25, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, to continue hearings on A Third Way: Alternatives for Iraq's Future, Part 3, 10 a.m., 2212 Rayburn.

July 26, full Committee, hearing on Upholding the Principle of Habeas Corpus for Detainees, 9 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

*Committee on the Budget,* July 25, hearing on Perspectives on Renewing Statutory PAYGO, 10 a.m., 210 Cannon.

*Committee on Education and Labor,* July 24, Subcommittee on Health, Employment, Labor and Pensions and the Subcommittee on Workforce Protections, joint hearing on the Misclassification of Workers as Independent Contractors: What Policies and Practices Best Protect Workers? 10:30 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

July 24, Subcommittee on Healthy Families and Communities, hearing on Runaway, Homeless, and Missing Children: Perspectives on Helping the Nation's Vulnerable Youth, 3 p.m., 2175 Rayburn.

July 26, Subcommittee on Higher Education, Lifelong Learning and Competitiveness, hearing on the Workforce Investment Act: Ideas to Improve the Workforce Development System, 10 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

July 26, Subcommittee on Workforce Protections, hearing on the S-Miner Act (H.R. 2768) and the Miner Health Improvement Enhancement Act of 2007 (H.R. 2769), 2 p.m., 2175 Rayburn.

*Committee on Energy and Commerce*, July 24, Subcommittee on Telecommunications and the Internet, hearing entitled "Oversight of the Federal Communications Commission—Part 2," 9:30 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

*Committee on Financial Services*, July 24, Subcommittee on Capital Markets, Insurance, and Government Sponsored Enterprises, to consider H.R. 2761, Terrorism Risk Insurance Revision and Extension Act of 2007, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

July 25, full Committee, hearing on Improving Federal Consumer Protection in Financial Services—Consumer and Industry Perspectives, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

July 25, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing on Rooting Out Discrimination in Mortgage Lending: Using HMDA as a Tool for Fair Lending Enforcement, 2 p.m., 2128 Rayburn.

July 27, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing on Credit-Based Insurance Scores: Are They Fair? 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

*Committee of Foreign Affairs*, July 24, Subcommittee on the Western Hemisphere, briefing and hearing on Deportees in Latin America and the Caribbean, 3 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

July 25, full Committee, hearing on Central and Eastern Europe: Assessing the Democratic Transition, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

July 25, Subcommittee on Asia, the Pacific, and the Global Environment, hearing on an Overview of the Compact of Free Association between the United States and the Republic of the Marshall Islands: Are Changes Needed? 2 p.m., 2255 Rayburn.

July 26, Subcommittee on Asia, the Pacific, and the Global Environment, hearing on Is the Millennium Challenge Corporation Overstating Its Impact: The Case of Vanuatu, 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

July 26, Subcommittee on Terrorism, Nonproliferation, and Trade, hearing on Export Controls: Are We Protecting Security and Facilitating Exports? 2 p.m., B-318 Rayburn.

*Committee on Homeland Security*, July 24, Subcommittee on Emerging Threats, Cybersecurity, and Science and Technology, hearing on Federal Efforts to Mitigate Vulnerabilities in the Food Supply Chain, 10 a.m., 311 Cannon.

July 24, Subcommittee on Transportation Security and Infrastructure Protection, hearing entitled "Chemical Security—Rising Concern for America: Examination of the Department's Chemical Security Regulation and Its Effect on the Public and Private Sector," 1 p.m., 311 Cannon.

July 25, full Committee, hearing entitled "An Overview of Department of Homeland Security Federal Advisory Committees," 10 a.m., 311 Cannon.

July 26, Subcommittee on Border, Maritime and Global Counterterrorism, hearing on Frequent Traveler Programs: Balancing Security and Commerce at our Land Borders, 2 p.m., 311 Cannon.

*Committee on the Judiciary*, July 24, Subcommittee on Commercial and Administrative Law, oversight hearing on Privacy in the Hands of the Government: the Privacy and Civil Liberties Oversight Board and the Privacy Officer for the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, 1 p.m., 2237 Rayburn.

July 24, Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism and Homeland Security, hearing on H.R. 2908, Deaths in Custody Reporting Act of 2007, 1 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

July 26, Subcommittee on Commercial and Administrative Law, hearing on the Internet Tax Freedom Act, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

July 26, full Committee, oversight hearing on the Federal Bureau of Investigations, 1:30 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

*Committee on Natural Resources*, July 24, Subcommittee on Insular Affairs, oversight hearing on the Implementation of the Compact of Free Association between the United States and the Republic of the Marshall Islands, 2 p.m., 1324 Longworth.

July 24, Subcommittee on Water and Power, hearing on H.R. 1970, Northwestern New Mexico Rural Water Projects Act; and H.R. 2515, Lower Colorado River Multi-Species Conservation Program Act, 10 a.m., 1334 Longworth.

July 25, full Committee, oversight hearing on the Surfacing Reclamation Act of 1977: A 30th Anniversary Review, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

July 26, Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources, hearing on H.R. 2262, Hardrock Mining and Reclamation Act of 2007, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

July 26, Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Public Lands, hearing on H.R. 3058, Public Land Communities Transition Assistance Act of 2007, Community Self-Determination Act of 2000, 2 p.m., 1334 Longworth.

*Committee on Oversight and Government Reform*, July 24, hearing on Inadvertent File Sharing Over Peer-to-Peer Networks, 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

July 25, Subcommittee on Domestic Policy, hearing on ExxonMobil and Shell Answer Questions about Hot Fuels Double Standards, 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

July 26, full Committee, hearing on Iraq Embassy, 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

July 26, Subcommittee on Federal Workforce, Postal Service and the District of Columbia, oversight hearing on the Postal Service: Planning for the 21st Century, 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

July 26, Subcommittee on Information Policy, Census, and National Archives, hearing on 2010 Census Workforce, 2 p.m., 2247 Rayburn.

*Committee on Rules*, July 23, to consider H.R. 3093, Making appropriations for the Departments of Commerce, and Justice, and Science, and Related Agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2008, 5 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

*Committee on Small Business*, July 25, hearing on Competitive Bidding for Clinical Lab Services: Where's it

Heading and What Small Businesses Can Expect, 10 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

July 26, Subcommittee on Investigations and Oversight, hearing to examine the impact that the flooding has had on small businesses in Beaver County, PA and to review SBA's response in meeting the needs of those affected by the floods, 10 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

*Committee on Science and Technology*, July 24, Subcommittee on Space and Aeronautics, hearing on NASA's Space Shuttle and International Space Station Programs: Status and Issues, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

July 26, full Committee, to continue hearings on Globalization of R&D and Innovation, Part II: the University Response, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure*, July 24, Subcommittee on Aviation, hearing on FAA's Aging ATC Facilities: Investigating the Need to Improve Facilities and Worker Conditions, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

July 26, Subcommittee on Railroads, Pipelines, and Hazardous Materials, hearing on Amtrak Labor Negotiations, 2 p.m., 2167 Rayburn.

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs*, July 24, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing on IT Inventory Management, 2 p.m., 334 Cannon.

July 25, full Committee, hearing on PTSD and Personality Disorders: Challenges for the VA, 10 a.m., 334 Cannon.

July 26, Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity, hearing on Contract Bundling Oversight, 2 p.m., 334 Cannon.

July 26, Subcommittee on Health, hearing on Gulf War Exposures, 10 a.m., 334 Cannon.

*Committee on Ways and Means*, July 24, Subcommittee on Oversight, oversight hearing on Tax-Exempt Organizations, focusing on Charities and Foundations, 10 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

*Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence*, July 24, Subcommittee on Human Intelligence, Analysis and Counterintelligence, executive, to continue hearings on Weapons of Mass Destruction, 10 a.m., H-405 Capitol.

July 25, full Committee, executive, briefing on Hot Spots, 8:45 a.m., H-405 Capitol.

July 26, full Committee, briefing on National Drug Intelligence Center, 1:15 p.m., H-405 Capitol.

July 26, Subcommittee on Terrorism, Human Intelligence, Analysis and Counterintelligence, executive, briefing on Russia Counterintelligence, 10 a.m., H-405 Capitol.

### Joint Meetings

*Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe*: July 23, to hold hearings to examine energy and democracy, focusing on whether the development of democracy is incompatible with the development of a country's energy resources, 3 p.m., SD-419.

*Joint Economic Committee*: July 25, to hold hearings to examine the national foreclosure crisis, focusing on subprime mortgage fallout, 10 a.m., SH-216.