

BRIEFING—JULY 20TH EXECUTIVE ORDER ON DETENTION AND INTERROGATION

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Met in executive session to receive a briefing on the July 20th Executive Order on Detention and Interrogation. The Committee was briefed by departmental witnesses.

WEAPONS OF MASS DESTRUCTION

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Subcommittee on Human Intelligence, Analysis and Counterintelligence met in executive session to continue hearings on Weapons of Mass Destruction, Part II. Testimony was heard from departmental witnesses.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, JULY 25, 2007

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

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

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: business meeting to consider S. 169, to amend the National Trails System Act to clarify Federal authority relating to land acquisition from willing sellers for the majority of the trails in the System, S. 278, to establish a program and criteria for National Heritage Areas in the United States, S. 289, to establish the Journey Through Hallowed Ground National Heritage Area, S. 443, to establish the Sangre de Cristo National Heritage Area in the State of Colorado, S. 444, to establish the South Park National Heritage Area in the State of Colorado, S. 471, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to convey to The Missouri River Basin Lewis and Clark Interpretive Trail and Visitor Center Foundation, Inc. certain Federal land associated with the Lewis and Clark National Historic Trail in Nebraska, to be used as a historical interpretive site along the trail, S. 637, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to study the suitability and feasibility of establishing the Chattahoochee Trace National Heritage Corridor in Alabama and Georgia, S. 645, to amend the Energy Policy Act of 2005 to provide an alternate sulfur dioxide removal measurement for certain coal gasification project goals, S. 647, to designate certain land in the State of Oregon as wilderness, S. 722, to direct the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture to jointly conduct a study of certain land adjacent to the Walnut Canyon National Monument in the State of Arizona, S. 800, to establish the Niagara Falls National Heritage Area in the State of New York, S. 817, to amend the Omnibus Parks and Public Lands Management Act of 1996 to provide additional authorizations for certain National Heritage Areas, S. 838, to authorize funding for eligible joint ventures between United States and Israeli

businesses and academic persons, to establish the International Energy Advisory Board, S. 955, to establish the Abraham Lincoln National Heritage Area, S. 1089, to amend the Alaska Natural Gas Pipeline Act to allow the Federal Coordinator for Alaska Natural Gas Transportation Projects to hire employees more efficiently, S. 1148, to establish the Champlain Quadracentennial Commemoration Commission and the Hudson-Fulton 400th Commemoration Commission, S. 1182, to amend the Quinebaug and Shetucket Rivers Valley National Heritage Corridor Act of 1994 to increase the authorization of appropriations and modify the date on which the authority of the Secretary of the Interior terminates under the Act, S. 1203, to enhance the management of electricity programs at the Department of Energy, S. 1281, to amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to designate certain rivers and streams of the headwaters of the Snake River System as additions to the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System, S. 1728, to amend the National Parks and Recreation Act of 1978 to reauthorize the Na Hoa Pili O Kaloko-Honokohau Advisory Commission, H.R. 85, to provide for the establishment of centers to encourage demonstration and commercial application of advanced energy methods and technologies, H.R. 247, to designate a Forest Service trail at Waldo Lake in the Willamette National Forest in the State of Oregon as a national recreation trail in honor of Jim Weaver, a former Member of the House of Representatives, H.R. 356, to remove certain restrictions on the Mammoth Community Water District's ability to use certain property acquired by that District from the United States, H.R. 407, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a study to determine the feasibility of establishing the Columbia-Pacific National Heritage Area in the States of Washington and Oregon, and H.R. 995, to amend Public Law 106-348 to extend the authorization for establishing a memorial in the District of Columbia or its environs to honor veterans who became disabled while serving in the Armed Forces of the United States, and other pending calendar business, 11:30 a.m., SD-366.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: 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.

Committee on Finance: to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Peter B. McCarthy, of Wisconsin, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Treasury, David H. McCormick, of Pennsylvania, to be an Under Secretary 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: to hold hearings to examine S. 732, to empower Peace Corps volunteers, 9:30 a.m., SD-419.

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

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: 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, a 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, and other pending calendar business, 10 a.m., SD-106.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: 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.

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 Small Business and Entrepreneurship: 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: to hold an oversight hearing to examine Department of Veterans Affairs health care funding, 9:30 a.m., SD-562.

House

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

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

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

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

Committee on Energy and Commerce, to mark up the following measures: H.R. 20, Melanie Blocker-Stokes

Postpartum Depression Research and Care Act; H.R. 2295, ALS Registry Act; H.R. 507, Vision Car for Kids Act of 2007; and the Children's Health and Medicare Protection (CHAMP) Act of 2007, 4 p.m., 2123 Rayburn.

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

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.

Committee on Foreign Affairs, hearing on Central and Eastern Europe: Assessing the Democratic Transition, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

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.

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

Committee on the Judiciary, to consider a resolution and report recommending to the House of Representatives that former White House Counsel Harriet Miers and White House Chief of Staff Joshua Bolten be coted for contempt of Congress; and to mark up the following bills: H.R. 1943, Stop AIDS In Prison Act of 2007; H.R. 1199, Drug Endangered Children Act of 2007; H.R. 400, War Profiteering Prevention Act of 2007; and H.R. 2740, MEJA Expansion and Enforcement Act of 2007, 10:15 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

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

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, Subcommittee on Domestic Policy, hearing on ExxonMobil and Shell Answer Questions about Hot Fuels Double Standards, 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on Rules, to consider H.R. 2419, Farm Bill Extension Act of 2007, 3 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

Committee on Small Business, hearing entitled "Competitive Bidding for Clinical Lab Services: Where's it Heading and What Small Businesses Can Expect," 10 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs, hearing on PTSD and Personality Disorders: Challenges for the VA, 10 a.m., 334 Cannon.

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, executive, briefing on Hot Spots, 8:45 a.m., H-405 Capitol.

Joint Meetings

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