

Speaker. Testimony was heard from Chairman Peterson (MN), Representatives Cardoza, Gillibrand, Lincoln Davis (TN), Jackson-Lee (TX), Hastings (FL), Welch, Arcuri, Chairman Waxman, Cooper, Chairman Thompson (MS), Blumenauer, Cummings, Doyle, Davis (IL), Inslee, Kind, Holt, Schakowsky, Weiner, Bishop (NY), Davis (AL), Goodlatte, Boustany, Schmidt, Hastings (WA), Manzullo, Buyer, Whitfield, Wamp, Wilson (NM), Ryan (WI), Kirk, Alexander, Fortuño and Gohmert.

CLINICAL LAB SERVICES BIDDING

Committee on Small Business: Held a hearing entitled "Competitive Bidding for Clinical Lab Services: Where's it Heading and What Small Businesses Can Expect." Testimony was heard from Timothy P. Love, Director, Office of Research, Development and Information, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services; and public witnesses.

VA MENTAL HEALTH CHALLENGES

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Held a hearing on PTSD and Personality Disorders: Challenges for the VA. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Veterans Affairs: Tracie Shea, Psychologist, Post Traumatic Stress Disorder Clinic, Veterans Affairs Medical Center, Providence, Rhode Island; Ira R. Katz, Deputy Chief PCS Officer, Mental Health, Veterans Health Administration; and COL Bruce Crow, USA, Chief, Department of Behavioral Medicine, Brooke Army Medical Center and Clinical Psychology Consultant to the Army Surgeon General; representatives of veterans organizations; and public witnesses.

BRIEFING—HOT SPOTS

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Met in executive session to receive a briefing on Hot Spots. The Committee was briefed by departmental witnesses.

Joint Meetings

NATIONAL FORECLOSURE CRISIS

Joint Economic Committee: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the national foreclosure crisis, focusing on subprime mortgage fallout, after receiving testimony from James Rokakis, Cuyahoga County, and Anthony Brancatelli, City Council, both of Cleveland, Ohio; Kenneth D. Wade, Neighbor Works America, Washington, D.C.; Barbara Anderson, Empowering and Strengthening Ohio's People, Slavic Village, Ohio; and Audrey Sweet, Maple Heights, Ohio.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, JULY 26, 2007

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on the Budget: 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: to hold hearings to examine preparation taken for digital television transition, 10 a.m., SR-253.

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: 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: 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: business meeting to consider S. 1607, to provide for identification of misaligned currency, require action to correct the misalignment, and other pending calendar business, 3 p.m., SD-215.

Committee on Foreign Relations: to hold hearings to examine extraordinary rendition, extraterritorial detention, and treatment of detainees, focusing on restoring our moral credibility and strengthening our diplomatic standing, 9:30 a.m., SD-419.

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: to hold hearings to examine S. 625, to protect the public health by providing the Food and Drug Administration with certain authority to regulate tobacco products, 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, and S. 1858, to amend the Public Health Service Act to establish grant programs to provide for education and outreach on newborn screening and coordinated followup

care once newborn screening has been conducted, to reauthorize programs under part A of title XI of such Act, 9:30 a.m., SR-325.

Committee on Indian Affairs: 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: 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.

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

House

Committee on Armed Services, hearing on Upholding the Principle of Habeas Corpus for Detainees, 9 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Committee on Education and Labor, 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.

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, 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, 11:30 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, to consider the following: H.R. 3002, Native American Economic Development and Infrastructure for Housing Act of 2007; H.R. 180, Darfur Accountability and Divestment Act of 2007; the HOPE VI Improvement and Reauthorization Act of 2007; H.R. 3121, Flood Insurance Reform and Modernization Act of 2007; H.R. 2895, National Affordable Housing Trust Fund Act of 2007; and H.R. 2761, Terrorism Risk Insurance Revision and Extension Act of 2007, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Foreign Affairs: 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.

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

Subcommittee on Intelligence, Information Sharing and Terrorism Risk Assessment, hearing entitled "Private Sector Information Sharing: What is It, Who Does It, and What's working at DHS?" 10 a.m., 311 Cannon.

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

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

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

Subcommittee on Fisheries, Wildlife and Oceans, to mark up H.R. 767, Refuge Ecology Protection, Assistance, and Immediate Response Act, 10 a.m., 1334 Longworth.

Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Public Lands, hearing on H.R. 3058, Public Land Communities Transition Assistance Act of 2007, 2 p.m., 1334 Longworth.

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, hearing on Iraq Embassy, 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

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.

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

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

Committee on Small Business, 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 Veterans' Affairs, Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity, hearing on Contract Bundling Oversight, 2 p.m., 334 Cannon.

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

Committee on Ways and Means, to mark up the Children's Health and Medicare Protection Act of 2007, 1 p.m., 1100 Longworth.

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, executive, briefing on National Drug Intelligence Center, 1:15 p.m., H-405 Capitol.

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