

## CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of September 10 through September 15,  
2007

### Senate Chamber

On Monday, at 10 a.m., Senate will begin consideration of the nominations of William Lindsay Osteen, Jr., to be United States District Judge for the Middle District of North Carolina, Martin Karl Reidinger, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of North Carolina, and Janis Lynn Sammartino, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of California, and after a period of debate, vote on the confirmations of the nominations at 11:00 a.m.; following which, Senator Barrasso will be recognized to speak in morning business; following which, Senate will begin consideration of H.R. 3074, Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act.

During the balance of the week Senate will consider any other cleared legislative and executive business, including appropriation bills and conference reports, when available

### Senate Committees

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

*Committee on Appropriations:* September 11, Subcommittee on Defense, business meeting to mark up H.R. 3222, making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2008, 10 a.m., SD-192.

September 12, Full Committee, business meeting to mark up H.R. 3222, making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2008, 10 a.m., SD-106.

September 12, Subcommittee on Financial Services and General Government, to hold hearings to examine enhancing the safety of toys relating to lead paint, the Consumer Product Safety Commission, and toy safety standards, 11 a.m., SD-192.

*Committee on Armed Services:* September 11, to hold hearings to examine the situation in Iraq, focusing on the progress made by the Government of Iraq in meeting benchmarks, 2 p.m., SH-216.

*Committee on the Budget:* September 11, to hold hearings to examine health care and the federal budget, focusing on options for achieving universal health coverage, 10 a.m., SD-608.

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* September 12, Subcommittee on Interstate Commerce, Trade, and Tourism, to hold hearings to examine the Federal Trade Commission Reauthorization, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* September 11, Subcommittee on National Parks, business meeting to consider S. 127, to amend the Great Sand Dunes National Park and Preserve Act of 2000 to explain the pur-

pose and provide for the administration of the Baca National Wildlife Refuge, S. 327 and H.R. 359, bills to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a special resource study of sites associated with the life of Cesar Estrada Chavez and the farm labor movement, S. 868, to amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to designate segments of the Taunton River in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts as a component of the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System, S. 1051, to authorize National Mall Liberty Fund D.C. to establish a memorial on Federal land in the District of Columbia at Constitution Gardens previously approved to honor free persons and slaves who fought for independence, liberty, and justice for all during the American Revolution, S. 1184 and H.R. 1021, bills to direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a special resources study regarding the suitability and feasibility of designating certain historic buildings and areas in Taunton, Massachusetts, as a unit of the National Park System, S. 1247, to amend the Weir Farm National Historic Site Establishment Act of 1990 to limit the development of any property acquired by the Secretary of the Interior for the development of visitor and administrative facilities for the Weir Farm National Historic Site, S. 1304, to amend the National Trails System Act to designate the Arizona National Scenic Trail, S. 1329, to extend the Acadia National Park Advisory Commission, to provide improved visitor services at the park, H.R. 807, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a special resource study to determine the feasibility and suitability of establishing a memorial to the Space Shuttle Columbia in the State of Texas and for its inclusion as a unit of the National Park System, and H.R. 759, to redesignate the Ellis Island Library on the third floor of the Ellis Island Immigration Museum, located on Ellis Island in New York Harbor, as the "Bob Hope Memorial Library", 2:30 p.m., SD-366.

September 12, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine S. 2017, to amend the Energy Policy and Conservation Act to provide for national energy efficiency standards for general service incandescent lamps, 10 a.m., SD-366.

*Committee on Finance:* September 11, to hold hearings to examine the United States-Peru Trade Promotion Agreement, 10 a.m., SD-215.

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* September 11, to hold hearings to examine Iraq, focusing on the Crocker-Petraeus report, 9:30 a.m., SH-216.

September 11, Full Committee, business meeting to consider S. 968, to amend the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 to provide increased assistance for the prevention, treatment, and control of tuberculosis, S. 805, to amend the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 to assist countries in sub-Saharan Africa in the effort to achieve internationally recognized goals in the treatment and prevention of HIV/AIDS and other major diseases and the reduction of maternal and child mortality by improving human health care capacity and improving retention of medical health professionals in sub-Saharan Africa, S. 1839, to require periodic reports on claims related to acts of terrorism against Americans perpetrated or supported by the Government of Libya, S. 2020, to reauthorize the Tropical

Forest Coral Conservation Reauthorization Act of 2007, H.R. 1678, to amend the Torture Victims Relief Act of 1998 to authorize appropriations to provide assistance for domestic and foreign programs and centers for the treatment of victims of torture, patent Law Treaty and Regulations Under the Patent Law Treaty (the "Treaty"), done at Geneva on June 1, 2000, between the Governments of 53 countries including the United States of America (Treaty Doc. 109–12), the Geneva Act of the Hague Agreement Concerning the International Registration of Industrial Designs (the "Agreement"), adopted in Geneva on July 2, 1999, and signed by the United States on July 6, 1999 (Treaty Doc. 109–21), the Singapore Treaty on the Law of Trademarks (Treaty Doc. 110–2), Protocol to the 1951 Treaty of Friendship, Commerce, and Navigation between the United States and Denmark (Treaty Doc. 108–8), and the nominations of Henrietta Holsman Fore, of Nevada, to be Administrator of the United States Agency for International Development, Harry K. Thomas, Jr., of New York, to be Director General of the Foreign Service, Nancy Goodman Brinker, of Florida, to be Chief of Protocol, and to have the rank of Ambassador during her tenure of service, and Ned L. Siegel, of Florida, to be Ambassador to the Commonwealth of The Bahamas, 2:15 p.m., S–116, Capitol.

*Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:* September 10, to hold hearings to examine confronting the terrorist threat to the Homeland, six years after 9/11, 9:30 a.m., SD–342.

September 12, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Julie L. Myers, of Kansas, to be Assistant Secretary of Homeland Security, 10 a.m., SD–342.

*Committee on the Judiciary:* September 12, to hold hearings to examine regulatory preemption relating to federal agencies usurping congressional and state authority, 11 a.m., SD–226.

*Committee on Rules and Administration:* September 12, to hold a hearing to examine the nomination of Robert Charles Tapella, of Virginia, to be Public Printer for the Government Printing Office, 10 a.m., SR–301.

*Select Committee on Intelligence:* September 11, to hold closed hearings to examine certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH–219.

### House Committees

*Committee on Armed Services,* September 10, full Committee and the Committee on Foreign Affairs, joint hearing on the status of the war and political developments in Iraq, 12:30 p.m., 345 Cannon.

*Committee on Education and Labor,* September 10, hearing on proposals to reauthorize the Elementary and Secondary Education Act, 10 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

September 12, hearing on *Why Weren't 9/11 Recovery Workers Protected at the World Trade Center?* 10 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

*Committee on Science and Technology,* September 11, hearing on *Bridge Safety: Next Steps To Protect the Nation's Critical Infrastructure,* 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

*Committee on Small Business,* September 11, hearing on *SBA Contracting Programs,* 10 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure,* September 11, Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings, and Emergency Management, hearing on *Readiness in the Post-Katrina and Post-9/11 World: An Evaluation of the New National Response Framework,* 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.