

SOUTHEASTERN U.S. WATER MANAGEMENT

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment held a hearing on Comprehensive Watershed Management and Planning: Drought-related Issues in the Southeastern United States. Testimony was heard from Representatives Lewis of Georgia, Boyd of Florida and Johnson of Georgia; from the following officials of the Department of the Interior: Jess D. Weaver, Regional Executive, Southeast Asia, U.S. Geological Survey; and Sam D. Hamilton, Regional Director, Southeast Region, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service; BG Joseph Schroedel, USA, Commander, South Atlantic Division, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Department of the Army; J. John Feldt, Hydrologist-In-Charge, National Weather Service, NOAA, Department of Commerce; Robert J. Hunter, Commissioner, Department of Watershed Management, Atlanta, Georgia; and public witnesses.

SUBSTANCE ABUSE/CO-MORBID DISORDERS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Subcommittee on Health held a hearing on Substance Abuse/Co-morbid Disorders: Comprehensive Solutions to a Complex Problem. Testimony was heard from Antonette Zeiss, Associate Chief Consultant, Mental Health Services, Veterans Health Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs; representatives of veterans organizations; and public witnesses.

MEDICARE PAYMENT ADVISORY COMMISSION REPORT

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Health held a hearing on Medicare Payment Advisory Commission's annual report on Medicare payment policies. Testimony was heard from Glen M. Hackman, Chairman, Medicare Payment Advisory Commission.

BRIEFING—ADVANCED R&D BUDGET

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Met in executive session to receive a briefing on Advanced R&D Budget. The Committee was briefed by departmental witnesses.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D247)

S. 2478, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 59 Colby Corner in East Hampstead, New Hampshire, as the "Captain

Jonathan D. Grassbaugh Post Office". Signed on March 11, 2008. (Public Law 110-194)

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, MARCH 12, 2008

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Defense, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2009 for the Air Force, 10:30 a.m., SD-192.

Subcommittee on Financial Services and General Government, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2009 for the federal judiciary, 4 p.m., SD-138.

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Readiness and Management Support, to receive a briefing on the current readiness of the armed forces of the United States, 9:30 a.m., SH-219.

Subcommittee on Strategic Forces, to hold hearings to examine strategic forces programs in review of the defense authorization request for fiscal year 2009 and the future years defense program, 10 a.m., SR-232A.

Subcommittee on SeaPower, to hold hearings to examine the defense authorization request for fiscal year 2009, for the strategic lift programs, and the future years defense program, 2 p.m., SR-222.

Subcommittee on Emerging Threats and Capabilities, to hold hearings to examine technologies to combat weapons of mass destruction, 2:30 p.m., SD-106.

Subcommittee on Readiness and Management Support, to hold hearings to examine the defense authorization request for fiscal year 2009, the future years defense program, and military installation, environmental, and base closure programs, 2:30 p.m., SR-232A.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: to hold hearings to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2009 for the Department of Housing and Urban Development and conduct oversight, 10 a.m., SD-538.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Interstate Commerce, Trade, and Tourism, to hold hearings to examine the gross domestic product as a measurement of national strength, 1:30 p.m., SR-253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: to hold hearings to examine hardrock mining, focusing on issues relating to abandoned mine lands and uranium mining, 2:15 p.m., SD-366.

Committee on Finance: to hold hearings to examine alternatives to the current federal estate tax system, 10 a.m., SD-215.

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on East Asian and Pacific Affairs, to hold hearings to examine the United States and Vietnam, focusing on the bilateral relationship, 2:30 p.m., SD-419.