

**Nominations Received:** Senate received the following nominations: Routine lists in the Air Force, Army, Navy. **Pages S3456–57**

**Nomination Withdrawn:** Senate received notification of withdrawal of the following nomination:

George A. Krol, of New Jersey, to be Ambassador to Turkmenistan, which was sent to the Senate on June 27, 2007. **Page S3457**

**Messages from the House:** **Page S3441**

**Measures Placed on the Calendar:** **Pages S3441, S3415**

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**Record Votes:** One record vote was taken today. (Total—114) **Pages S3430–31**

**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 2 p.m. and adjourned at 6:51 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Tuesday, April 29, 2008. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S3454.)

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

### NOMINATIONS

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of William J. Burns, of the District of Columbia, to be an Under Secretary of State (Political Affairs), Janice L. Jacobs, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of State (Bureau of Consular Affairs), and T. Vance McMahan, of Texas, to be Representative of the United States of America on the Economic and Social Council of the United Nations, with the rank of Ambassador, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

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# House of Representatives

## Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. The House is scheduled to meet at 12:30 p.m. on Tuesday, April 29, 2008.

## Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

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### NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D500)

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. Signed on April 24, 2008. (Public Law 110–204)

S. 2903, to amend Public Law 110–196 to provide for a temporary extension of programs authorized by the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act

of 2002 beyond April 25, 2008. Signed on April 25, 2008. (Public Law 110–205)

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### COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY, APRIL 29, 2008

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

#### Senate

*Committee on Armed Services:* Subcommittee on Personnel, closed business meeting to markup those provisions which fall under the subcommittee's jurisdiction of the proposed National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2009, 9:30 a.m., SR–222.

Subcommittee on SeaPower, closed business meeting to markup those provisions which fall under the subcommittee's jurisdiction of the proposed National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2009, 2:30 p.m., SR–222.

Subcommittee on Readiness and Management Support, closed business meeting to markup those provisions which fall under the subcommittee's jurisdiction of the proposed National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2009, 3 p.m., SR–232A.

Subcommittee on Emerging Threats and Capabilities, closed business meeting to markup those provisions

which fall under the subcommittee's jurisdiction of the proposed National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2009, 4 p.m., SR-222.

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* Subcommittee on Interstate Commerce, Trade, and Tourism, to hold hearings to examine improving consumer protection in subprime home lending, 10:30 a.m., SR-253.

*Committee on Environment and Public Works:* to hold an oversight hearing to examine the Environmental Protection Agency's toxic chemical policies, 10 a.m., SD-406.

*Committee on Finance:* to hold an oversight hearing to examine trade functions, focusing on customs and other trade agencies, 10 a.m., SD-215.

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Robert Stephen Beecroft, of California, to be Ambassador to the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan, James B. Cunningham, of New York, to be Ambassador to Israel, Richard E. Hoagland, of the District of Columbia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Kazakhstan, and Joseph Evan LeBaron, of Oregon, to be Ambassador to the State of Qatar, all of the Department of State, 2:30 p.m., SD-419.

*Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:* to hold hearings to examine the Occupational Safety and Health Administration, focusing on penalties related to workplace safety, 10 a.m., SD-430.

*Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:* Subcommittee on Oversight of Government Management, the Federal Workforce, and the District of Columbia, to hold hearings to examine the REAL ID Act and the Western Hemisphere Travel Initiative, focusing on the impact of implementation, 9:30 a.m., SD-342.

*Committee on the Judiciary:* to hold hearings to examine living on the street, focusing on finding solutions to protect runaway and homeless youth, 10 a.m., SD-226.

*Select Committee on Intelligence:* closed business meeting to markup certain pending legislation, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

### House

*Committee on Appropriations,* Subcommittee on Defense/Select Intelligence Oversight Panel, executive, Military Intelligence Program, 5 p.m., H-140 Capitol.

*Committee on Energy and Commerce,* Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled "The Hep-arin Disaster: Chinese Counterfeits and American Failures," 11 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

*Committee on Oversight and Government Reform,* and the Subcommittee on National Security and Foreign Affairs, joint hearing on Oversight of Defense Department Acquisitions, 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Federal Workforce, Postal Service and the District of Columbia, hearing on Catching Up: Benefits That Will Help Recruit and Retain Federal Employees; and to mark up the following: H.R. 5550, To amend title 5, United States Code, to increase the maximum age to qualify for coverage as a "child" under the health benefits program for Federal employees; and a measure Prohibiting Certain Tobacco products for Transport by the Postal Service, 2 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

*Committee on Rules,* to consider the following: H.R. 6622, Combustible Dust Explosion and Fire Prevention Act of 2008; and a resolution providing for consideration of the Senate Amendment to the bill (H.R. 493) to prohibit discrimination on the basis of genetic information with respect to health insurance and employment, 5 p.m., H-313 Rayburn.

*Select Committee on Energy Independence and Global Warming,* hearing entitled "Rising Taxes, Rising Temperatures: Global Warming's Impact on the Oceans," 1:30 p.m., 2318 Rayburn.

### Joint Meetings

*Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe:* to hold hearings to examine challenges and opportunities of Europe's Black population, focusing on hate crimes and discrimination, anti-immigration and national identity debates, and growing security concerns, 10 a.m., B318, Rayburn Building.

*Conference:* meeting of conferees on H.R. 2419, to provide for the continuation of agricultural programs through fiscal year 2012, 2:30 p.m., 1100, Longworth Building.