

**Presidential Message:** Read a message from the President wherein he notified Congress of the issuance of an Executive Order that takes additional steps with respect to the national emergency declared in Executive Order 13047 relating to Burma—referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs and ordered to be printed (H. Doc. 110–107).

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**Senate Messages:** Messages received from the Senate today appear on pages H2951 and H2987.

**Senate Referral:** S. 1760 was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce and S. 2954 was held at the desk.

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**Quorum Calls—Votes:** Six yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H2979–80, H2980, H2981, H2981–82, H2988–89, and H2989. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 6:46 p.m.

## Committee Meetings

### FDA GLOBALIZATION ACT

*Committee on Energy and Commerce:* Subcommittee on Health held a hearing on the Food and Drug Administration Globalization Act, focusing on Drug Safety Provisions. Testimony was heard from Janet Woodcock, M.D., Director, Center for Drug Evaluation and Research, FDA, Department of Health and Human Services; and public witnesses.

### BROADBAND ACCESS DISABLED

*Committee on Energy and Commerce:* Subcommittee on Telecommunications and the Internet held a hearing on a measure Enhancing Access to Broadband Technology and Services for Persons with Disabilities. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### FHA HOUSING STABILIZATION AND HOMEOWNERSHIP RETENTION ACT

*Committee on Financial Services:* Ordered reported, as amended, H.R. 5830, FHA Housing Stabilization and Homeownership Retention Act of 2008.

### IRAQI REFUGEES/DISPLACED PERSONS

*Committee on Foreign Affairs:* Subcommittee on the Middle East and South Asia, and the Subcommittee on International Organizations, Human Rights and Oversight held a joint hearing on No Direction Home: An NGO Perspective on Iraqi Refugees and IDPs. Testimony was heard from Representative Blumenauer; and public witnesses.

## MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

*Committee on Homeland Security:* Subcommittee on Transportation and Infrastructure Protection began markup of the following measures: H.R. 4179, Fair, Accurate, Secure and Timely Redress Act of 2007; H.R. 4749, National Bombing Prevention Act of 2008; H.R. 5909, To amend the Aviation and Transportation Security Act to prohibit advance notice to certain individuals, including security screeners, of covert testing of security screening procedures for the purpose of enhancing transportation security at airports, and for other purposes; and H. Res. 1150, Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that the Transportation Security Administration should, in accordance with the congressional mandate provided for in the Implementing Recommendations of the 9/11 Commission Act of 2007, enhance security against terrorist attack and other security threats to our Nation's rail and mass transit lines.

## U.S. CAPITOL—ADMINISTRATION AND MANAGEMENT

*Committee on House Administration:* Subcommittee on Capitol Security held a hearing on the Administration and Management of the United States Capitol. Testimony was heard from Chief Phillip D. Morse, U.S. Capitol Police; Richard M. Stana, Director, Homeland Security and Justice, GAO; and Matthew Tighe, Chairman, U.S. Capitol Police Labor Committee.

## UNSAFE FOREIGN PRODUCTS

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on Commercial and Administrative Law held a hearing on H.R. 5913, Protecting Americans from Unsafe Foreign Products Act. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

## TOBACCO TAX ENFORCEMENT

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security held a hearing on the following bills: H.R. 4081, Prevent All Cigarette Trafficking Act of 2007; and H.R. 5689, Smuggled Tobacco Prevention Act of 2008. Testimony was heard from Representatives Weiner and Kildee; William Hoover, Assistant Director, Office of Field Operations, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives, Department of Justice; David Lapp, Chief Counsel, Tobacco Enforcement Unit, Office of the Attorney General, State of Maryland; and public witnesses.

## MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

*Committee on Oversight and Government Reform:* Ordered reported the following measures: H.R. 5683, amended, Government Accountability Office Act; H.R.

3774, amended, Senior Executive Service Diversity Assurance Act; H.R. 5787, amended, Federal Real Property Disposal Enhancement Act of 2008; H.R. 5912, amended, To amend title 39, United States Code, to make cigarettes and certain other tobacco products nonmailable, and for other purposes; H.R. 5811, amended, Electronic Communications Preservation Act; the Thrift Savings Plan Enhancement Act; H. Res. 923, Recognizing the State of Minnesota's 150th anniversary; H. Res. 1113, Celebrating the role of mothers in the United States and supporting the goals and ideals of Mother's Day; H. Res. 1114, Supporting the goals and ideals of the Arbor Day Foundation and National Arbor Day; H. Res. 1122, Recognizing Armed Forces Day; and H. Res. 1132, Supporting the goals and ideals of Peace Officers Memorial Day.

#### **NASA'S AERONAUTICS RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT**

*Committee on Science and Technology:* Subcommittee on Space and Aeronautics held a hearing on NASA's Aeronautics Research and Development: Status and Issues. Testimony was heard from Jaiwon Shin, Associate Administrator, Aeronautics Research Mission Directorate, NASA; and public witnesses.

#### **SMALL BUSINESS-FARMS RAIL TRANSPORTATION ACCESS**

*Committee on Small Business:* Held a hearing entitled "Rail Transportation Access for Small Businesses and Family Farmers." Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

#### **EDUCATION TAX INCENTIVES**

*Committee on Ways and Means:* Subcommittee on Select Revenue Measures held a hearing on Education Tax Incentives. Testimony was heard from Michael Brostek, Director, Tax Issues, Strategic Issues Team, GAO; Karen Gilbreath Sowell, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Tax Policy, Department of the Treasury; Dan Ebersole, Director, Office of Treasury and Fiscal Services, State of Georgia; and public witnesses.

## *Joint Meetings*

### **IMPACT OF HIGH FOOD PRICES**

*Joint Economic Committee:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the ways that high food prices are impacting American families, after receiving testimony from Joseph Glauber, Chief Economist, Department of Agriculture; George Braley, America's Second Harvest, and Tom Buis, National Farmers Union, both of Washington, D.C.; and Richard Reinwald, Reinwald's Bakery, Huntington, New York, on behalf of the Retail Bakers of America and the American Bakers Association.

### **FARM BILL EXTENSION ACT**

*Conferees* met to resolve the differences between the Senate and House passed versions of H.R. 2419, to provide for the continuation of agricultural programs through fiscal year 2012, but did not complete action thereon, and recessed subject to the call.

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### **NEW PUBLIC LAWS**

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D518)

H.R. 1119, to amend title 36, United States Code, to revise the congressional charter of the Military Order of the Purple Heart of the United States of America, Incorporated, to authorize associate membership in the corporation for the spouse and siblings of a recipient of the Purple Heart medal. Signed on April 30, 2008. (Public Law 110-207)

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### **COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY, MAY 2, 2008**

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

#### **Senate**

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

#### **House**

No Committee meetings are scheduled.

#### **Joint Meetings**

*Joint Economic Committee:* to hold hearings to examine the employment-unemployment situation for April 2008, 9:30 a.m., SD-562.