

MONETARY POLICY/STATE OF THE ECONOMY

Committee on Financial Services: Concluded hearings on monetary policy and the state of the economy. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

U.S.-INDIA RELATIONS AFTER MUMBAI

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on Middle East and South Asia held a hearing on Building a Strategic Partnership: U.S.-India Relations in the Wake of Mumbai. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

TICKETMASTER/LIVE NATIONAL MERGER

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Courts and Competition Policy held a hearing on Competition in the Ticketing and Promotion Industry. Testimony was heard from Representative Pascrell; and public witnesses.

HARDROCK MINING AND RECLAMATION ACT OF 2009

Committee on National Resources: Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources held a hearing on H.R. 699, Hardrock Mining and Reclamation Act of 2009. Testimony was heard from Representative Heller; Robin M. Nazzaro, Director, Natural Resources and Environment, GAO; and public witnesses.

NEW FEDERAL CONTRACTS—HOW CONVICTS AND CON ARTISTS RECEIVE THEM

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform: Held a hearing on How Convicts and Con Artists Receive New Federal Contracts. Testimony was heard from Gregory Kutz, Managing Director, Forensic Audits and Special Investigations, GAO; the following officials of the GSA: James Williams, Commissioner, Federal Acquisition Service; and David Drabkin, Acting Chief Acquisition Officer and Senior Procurement Executive; BG Edward Harrington, USA (ret.), Deputy Assistant Secretary, Procurement, Department of the Army; and CAPT Michael Jaggard, U.S. Navy (ret.), Chief of Staff/Policy for the Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Navy (DASN) for Acquisition and Logistics Management (A&LM); and public witnesses.

INFORMAL STEM EDUCATION

Committee on Science and Technology: Subcommittee on Research and Science Education held a hearing on Beyond the Classroom: Informal STEM Education.

Testimony was heard from Joan Ferrini-Mundy, Division Director, Division of Research on Learning in Formal and Informal Settings, Education and Human Resources Directorate, NSF; and public witnesses.

VA'S GI BILL IMPLEMENTATION

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity held a hearing on VA's Update on Short and Long-Term Strategies for Implementing New G.I. Bill Requirements. Testimony was heard from Keith M. Wilson, Director, Office of Education Service, Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs; and CAPT Mark Krause, USN, Chief Staff Officer, Space and Naval Warfare Systems Center, Atlantic, Department of the Navy.

ECONOMICALLY DISTRESSED TAXPAYER ASSISTANCE

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Oversight held a hearing on IRS Assistance for Taxpayers Experiencing Economic Difficulties. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the IRS, Department of the Treasury: Linda E. Stiff, Deputy Commissioner, Services and Enforcement; and Nina E. Olson, National Taxpayer Advocate.

Joint Meetings

RESTORING THE ECONOMY

Joint Economic Committee: Committee concluded a hearing to examine restoring the economy, focusing on strategy for short-term and long-term change, after receiving testimony from Paul A. Volcker, Chairman, President's Economic Advisory Board; Roger C. Altman, Evercore Partners, New York, New York; Adam S. Posen, Peterson Institute for International Economics, Washington, D.C.; and Joseph R. Mason, Louisiana State University, Berwyn, Pennsylvania.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 2009

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

No meetings/hearings are scheduled.

House

No committee meetings are scheduled.