

James, USAF, Commander, 14th Air Force, Air Force Space Command, and Commander, Joint Functional Component Command for Space, U.S. Strategic Command, Department of Defense; Nicholas Johnson, Chief Scientist, Orbital Debris, NASA; and public witnesses.

HIGH PRIORITY PROJECT PROGRAM

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Highways and Transit held a hearing on High Priority Project Program. Testimony was heard from Representatives Blumenauer, Heller, Larsen of Washington, Posey, DeGette, McKeon, Brown of South Carolina, Boozman, Edwards of Maryland, Dent, Carney, Davis of Kentucky, Driehaus, Foster, Melancon, Hare, Napolitano and Schrader.

FEDERAL RECOVERY COORDINATION PROGRAM

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing on Leaving No One Behind: Is the Federal Recovery Coordination Program Working? Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Veterans Affairs: Karen Guice, M.D., Executive Director, Federal Recovery Coordination Program; and Madhulika Agarwal, M.D., Chief Officer, Office of Patient Care Services, Veterans Health Administration; and representatives of veterans organizations; and public witnesses.

SSA RECOVERY ACT IMPLEMENTATION

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Social Security held an oversight hearing on the Social Security Administration's provisions in the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the SSA: Mary Glenn-Croft, Deputy Commissioner, Budget, Finance and Management; and Patrick O'Carroll, Inspector General; Rob Hewell, Acting Deputy Commissioner, Public Buildings Service, GSA; Valerie Melvin, Director of Information Management and Human Capital Issues, GAO; and Sylvester J. Schieber, Chairman, Social Security Advisory Board.

BRIEFING—FUNDING INTELLIGENCE PRIORITIES

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Met in executive session to receive a briefing on Funding Intelligence Priorities. The Committee was briefed by departmental witnesses.

Joint Meetings

BUDGET RESOLUTION

On Monday, April 27, 2009 *Conferees* agreed to file a conference report on the differences between

the Senate and House passed versions of S. Con. Res. 13, setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2010, revising the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal year 2009, and setting forth the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2011 through 2014.

GENDER PAY GAP

Joint Economic Committee: Committee concluded a hearing to examine new evidence on the persistence of the gender pay gap, after receiving testimony from Andrew Sherrill, Director, Education, Workforce, and Income Security Issues, Government Accountability Office; Randy Albelda, University of Massachusetts Boston Center for Social Policy; and Lisa M. Maatz, American Association of University Women, and Diana Furchtgott-Roth, Hudson Institute, both of Washington, D.C.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, APRIL 29, 2009

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Personnel, to hold hearings to examine the implementation of Wounded Warrior policies and programs, 2:30 p.m., SH-216.

Committee on Finance: to hold a closed meeting to examine transforming the health care delivery system, focusing on proposals to improve patient care and reduce health care costs, 10 a.m., SD-215.

Committee on Foreign Relations: to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Johnnie Carson, of Illinois, to be Assistant Secretary for African Affairs, and Luis C. de Baca, of Virginia, to be Director of the Office to Monitor and Combat Trafficking, both of the Department of State, 9:30 a.m., SD-419.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: business meeting to consider the nominations of Russlynn Ali, of California, to be Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights, Carmel Martin, of Maryland, to be Assistant Secretary for Planning, Evaluation, and Policy Development, Charles P. Rose, of Illinois, to be General Counsel, Peter Cunningham, of Illinois, to be Assistant Secretary for Communications and Outreach, and Gabriella Cecilia Gomez, of California, to be Assistant Secretary for Legislation and Congressional Affairs, all of the Department of Education, Brian Kennedy, of Virginia, to be Assistant Secretary for Congressional and Intergovernmental Affairs, and T. Michael Kerr, of the District of Columbia, to be Assistant Secretary for Administration and Management, both of the Department of Labor, and Thomasina Rogers, of Maryland, to be a Member of the Occupational Safety and Health Review Commission, 10 a.m., SD-430.

Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the swine flu epidemic, focusing on the public health and medical response, 3 p.m., SD-430.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: to hold hearings to examine swine flu, focusing on coordinating the federal response, 10 a.m., SD-342.

Subcommittee on Oversight of Government Management, the Federal Workforce, and the District of Columbia, to hold hearings to examine the federal government's role in empowering Americans to make informed financial decisions, 2:30 p.m., SD-342.

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Crime and Drugs, to hold hearings to examine restoring fairness to federal sentencing, focusing on addressing the crack-powder disparity, 10 a.m., SD-226.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: to hold hearings to examine pending benefits related legislation, 9:30 a.m., SR-418.

Special Committee on Aging: to hold hearings to examine the life settlement market, focusing on what is at stake for seniors, 2 p.m., SD-106.

House

Committee on Agriculture, Subcommittee on Department Operations, Oversight, Nutrition and Forestry, hearing on the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights, 10:30 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies, on NASA, 10 a.m., 2359 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Financial Services, General Government and Related Agencies, on the FCC, 10 a.m., B-308 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Legislative Branch, on the Library of Congress and Open World Leadership Center, 1:30 p.m., H-144 Capitol.

Committee on Armed Services, hearing on Effective Counterinsurgency: The Administration's Perspective on the Future of the U.S.-Pakistan Military Partnership, 1 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Military Personnel, hearing on Military Health System: Health Affairs/TRICARE Management Activity Organization, 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Committee on Education and Labor, hearing on Strengthening America's Competitiveness through Common Academic Standards, 10 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, to continue markup of H.R. 1728, Mortgage Reform and Anti-Predatory Lending Act, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Homeland Security, Member briefing on Transportation Worker Identification Card, 10 a.m., 311 Cannon.

Committee on House Administration, hearing on Library of Congress IT Strategic Planning, 11 a.m., 1310 Longworth.

Committee on Natural Resources, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 1018, To amend the Wild and Free-Roaming Horses and Burros Act to improve the management and long-term health of wild and free-roaming horses and burros, and for other purposes; and H.R. 689, To interchange the administrative jurisdiction of certain Federal lands between the Forest Services and the Bureau of Land Management, and for other purposes, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, Subcommittee on Federal Workforce, Postal Service and the District of Columbia, oversight hearing on the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA), 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on National Security, hearing entitled "National Security Implications of U.S. Policy toward Cuba," 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on Rules to consider H.R. 627, Credit Cardholders' Bill of Rights Act of 2009, 3 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

Committee on Science and Technology, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 2020, Networking and Information Technology Research and Development Act of 2009; H.R. 1736, International Science and Technology Cooperation Act of 2009; and H.R. 1709, STEM Education Coordination Act of 2009, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Small Business, hearing entitled "Climate Change Solutions for Small Businesses and Family Farmers," 1 p.m., 2360 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, hearing on Recovery Act: 10-Week Progress Report for Transportation and Infrastructure Programs, 11 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs, hearing on Funding the VA of the Future, 10 a.m., 334 Cannon.

Committee on Ways and Means, to continue hearings on Health Reform in the 21st Century: Employer Sponsored Insurance, 10 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, executive, a briefing on HUMINT/HUMINT-Enabling, 10 a.m., and, executive, a briefing on Overhead, 3:30 p.m., 304-HVC.