

Judith A. McHale, of Maryland, to be Under Secretary of State for Public Diplomacy.

Philip J. Crowley, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of State (Public Affairs).

John Q. Easton, of Illinois, to be Director of the Institute of Education Science, Department of Education for a term of six years.

Priscilla E. Guthrie, of Virginia, to be Chief Information Officer, Office of the Director of National Intelligence.

John D. Porcari, of Maryland, to be Deputy Secretary of Transportation.

Daniel Benjamin, of the District of Columbia, to be Coordinator for Counterterrorism, with the rank and status of Ambassador at Large.

Robert Orris Blake, Jr., of Maryland, to be Assistant Secretary of State for South Asian Affairs.

Rebecca M. Blank, of Maryland, to be Under Secretary of Commerce for Economic Affairs.

Peter M. Rogoff, of Virginia, to be Federal Transit Administrator.

Michael S. Barr, of Michigan, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Treasury.

J. Randolph Babbitt, of Virginia, to be Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration for the term of five years.

Aneesh Chopra, of Virginia, to be an Associate Director of the Office of Science and Technology Policy.

5 Air Force nominations in the rank of general.

2 Marine Corps nominations in the rank of general.

1 Navy nomination in the rank of admiral.

Routine lists in the Air Force, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, and Navy.

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**Nominations Received:** Senate received the following nominations:

Paul T. Anastas, of Connecticut, to be an Assistant Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency.

Nancy J. Powell, of Iowa, to be Director General of the Foreign Service.

Cranston J. Mitchell, of Virginia, to be a Commissioner of the United States Parole Commission for a term of six years.

Routine lists in the Air Force, Army, and Navy.

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**Record Votes:** Three record votes were taken today. (Total—202) Pages S5771, S5787, S5804

**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 9 a.m. and adjourned, pursuant to the provisions of H. Con. Res. 133, at 9:51 p.m., until 2 p.m. on Monday, June 1, 2009. (For Senate’s program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today’s Record on page S5888.)

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

### APPROPRIATIONS: NATIONAL INSTITUTES OF HEALTH

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies concluded a hearing to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2010 for the National Institutes of Health, after receiving testimony from Raynard S. Kington, Acting Director, Anthony S. Fauci, Director, National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases, Elizabeth G. Nabel, Director, National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute, and John E. Niederhuber, Director, National Cancer Institute, all of the National Institutes of Health, Department of Health and Human Services.

### APPROPRIATIONS: NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies concluded a hearing to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2010 for the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, after receiving testimony from Christopher J. Scolese, Acting Administrator, National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

### APPROPRIATIONS: FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies concluded a hearing to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2010 for the Food and Drug Administration, after

receiving testimony from Joshua M. Sharfstein, Acting Commissioner, and Patrick McGarey, Director, and Norris Cochran, Deputy Assistant Secretary, both of the Office of Budget, all of the Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services.

**APPROPRIATIONS: GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTABILITY OFFICE, GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE, AND THE CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE**

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Legislative Branch concluded a hearing to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2010 for the Government Accountability Office, the Government Printing Office, and the Congressional Budget Office, after receiving testimony from Gene L. Dodaro, Acting Comptroller General, Government Accountability Office; Robert C. Tapella, Public Printer, Government Printing Office; and Douglas W. Elmendorf, Director, Congressional Budget Office.

**DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE BUDGET**

*Committee on Armed Services:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the Defense Authorization request for fiscal year 2010 and the Future Years Defense Program for the Department of the Air Force, after receiving testimony from Michael B. Donley, Secretary of the Air Force, and General Norton A. Schwartz, USAF, Chief of Staff of the Air Force, both of the Department of Defense.

**BUSINESS MEETING**

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Peter M. Rogoff, of Virginia, to be Federal Transit Administrator, Department of Transportation, Francisco J. Sanchez, of Florida, to be Under Secretary of Commerce for International Trade, Sandra Brooks Henriquez, of Massachusetts, to be Assistant Secretary of Housing and Urban Development for Public and Indian Housing, and Michael S. Barr, of Michigan, to be Assistant Secretary of the Treasury for Financial Institutions.

**IMPORTED DRYWALL HEALTH AND PRODUCT SAFETY ISSUES**

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* Subcommittee on Consumer Protection, Product Safety, and Insurance concluded a hearing to examine health and product safety issues associated with imported drywall, after receiving testimony from Senator Landrieu; Lori Saltzman, Director, Division of Health Sciences, United States Consumer Product Safety Commission; Michael McGeehin, Director, Division of Environmental Hazards and Health Effects, National Center for Environmental Health,

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Department of Health and Human Services; Elizabeth Southerland, Acting Deputy Director, Office of Superfund Remediation and Technology Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency; David Krause, Florida Department of Health State Toxicologist, Tallahassee; Randy Noel, The National Association of Home Builders, LaPlace, Louisiana; and Richard J. Kampf, Cape Coral, Florida.

**NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION BUDGET**

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* Subcommittee on Science and Space concluded a hearing to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2010 for the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, after receiving testimony from Christopher J. Scolese, Acting Administrator, National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION**

*Committee on Environment and Public Works:* Committee concluded an oversight hearing to examine the Economic Development Administration, after receiving testimony from Sandra R. Walters, Chief Financial Officer, Chief Administrative Officer, Economic Development Administration, Department of Commerce; James Kennedy, Butler County Commissioner, Butler, Pennsylvania, on behalf of the National Association of Regional Councils; LaVern W. Phillips, Woodward Industrial Foundation, Woodward, Oklahoma; and Leanne Mazer, Tri-County Council for Western Maryland, Frostburg, on behalf of the National Association of Development Organizations.

**U.S.-PANAMA TRADE PROMOTION AGREEMENT**

*Committee on Finance:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine The United States-Panama Trade Promotion Agreement, after receiving testimony from Everett Eissenstat, Assistant United States Trade Representative for the Americas; James Owens, Caterpillar, Inc., Peoria, Illinois, on behalf of the United States Chamber of Commerce Business Roundtable; Thea Mei Lee, AFL-CIO, Washington, D.C.; and Sam Carney, National Pork Producers Council, Adair, Iowa.

**STRATEGY FOR AFGHANISTAN AND PAKISTAN**

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine a new strategy for Afghanistan and Pakistan, after receiving testimony from Admiral Michael G. Mullen, USN, Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, Department of Defense.

## FINANCIAL REGULATORY LESSONS FROM ABROAD

*Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine financial regulatory lessons from abroad, after receiving testimony from David Green, former Head of International Policy, Financial Services Authority, London, United Kingdom; Jeffrey Carmichael, Promontory Financial Group Australasia, Republic of Singapore; W. Edmund Clark, TD Bank Financial Group, Toronto, Ontario; and David G. Nason, Promontory Financial Group LLC, Washington, D.C.

## TRUST LANDS FOR INDIAN TRIBES

*Committee on Indian Affairs:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine executive branch authority to acquire trust lands for Indian tribes, after receiving testimony from Lawrence E. Long, South Dakota Attorney General, Sacramento, California, on behalf of the Conference of Western Attorneys General; Edward P. Lazarus, Akin Gump Strauss Hauer and Feld, LLP, Los Angeles, California; and W. Ron Allen, National Congress of American Indians, Washington, D.C.

## BUSINESS MEETING

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Committee announced the following subcommittee assignments:

*Subcommittee on Administrative Oversight and the Courts:* Senators Whitehouse (Chair), Feinstein, Feingold, Schumer, Cardin, Kaufman, Sessions, Grassley, Kyl, and Graham.

*Subcommittee on Antitrust, Competition Policy and Consumer Rights:* Senators Kohl (Chair), Schumer, Whitehouse, Wyden, Klobuchar, Kaufman, Specter, Hatch, Grassley, and Cornyn.

*Subcommittee on the Constitution:* Senators Feingold (Chair), Feinstein, Durbin, Cardin, Whitehouse, Specter, Coburn, Kyl, Cornyn, and Graham.

*Subcommittee on Crime and Drugs:* Senators Specter (Chair), Kohl, Feinstein, Feingold, Schumer, Durbin, Cardin, Klobuchar, Kaufman, Graham, Hatch, Grassley, Sessions, and Coburn.

*Subcommittee on Immigration, Refugees and Border Security:* Senators Schumer (Chair), Leahy, Feinstein, Durbin, Whitehouse, Wyden, Cornyn, Grassley, Kyl, and Sessions.

*Subcommittee on Terrorism and Homeland Security:* Senators Cardin (Chair), Kohl, Feinstein, Schumer, Durbin, Wyden, Kaufman, Kyl, Hatch, Sessions, Cornyn, and Coburn.

*Subcommittee on Human Rights and the Law:* Senators Durbin (Chair), Feingold, Cardin, Kaufman, Specter, Coburn, Cornyn, and Graham.

*Senators Leahy and Sessions are ex-officio members of each of the Subcommittees.*

## RECOVERY ACT CONTRACTING AND ROLE OF SMALL BUSINESS

*Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the role of small business in recovery act contracting, after receiving testimony from Joseph G. Jordan, Associate Administrator, Government Contracting and Business Development, Small Business Administration; Gerardo Franco, Chief, Procurement Assistance Division, Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization, Department of Transportation; Sharon Arnold, SSACC, Inc., Pontiac, Illinois; Joe Flynn, University of Tennessee Center for Industrial Services, Nashville, on behalf of the Association of Procurement Technical Assistance Centers; Sylvia Medina, North Wind, Inc., Idaho Falls, Idaho, on behalf of Women Impacting Public Policy; and Theresa Alfaro Daytner, Daytner Construction Group, Mt. Airy, Maryland.

## BUSINESS MEETING

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs:* Committee ordered favorably reported the following items:

S. 252, to amend title 38, United States Code, to enhance the capacity of the Department of Veterans Affairs to recruit and retain nurses and other critical health-care professionals, to improve the provision of health care veterans;

S. 407, to increase, effective as of December 1, 2009, the rates of compensation for veterans with service-connected disabilities and the rates of dependency and indemnity compensation for the survivors of certain disabled veterans;

S. 423, to amend title 38, United States Code, to authorize advance appropriations for certain medical care accounts of the Department of Veterans Affairs by providing two-fiscal year budget authority;

S. 475, to amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to guarantee the equity of spouses of military personnel with regard to matters of residency;

S. 669, to amend title 38, United States Code, to clarify the conditions under which certain persons may be treated as adjudicated mentally incompetent for certain purposes;

S. 728, to amend title 38, United States Code, to enhance veterans' insurance benefits, with an amendment; and

S. 801, to amend title 38, United States Code, to waive charges for humanitarian care provided by the Department of Veterans Affairs to family members accompanying veterans severely injured after September 11, 2001, as they receive medical care from the Department and to provide assistance to family caregivers.

## NOMINATIONS

*Select Committee on Intelligence:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Stephen Woolman Preston, of the District of Columbia, to be

General Counsel of the Central Intelligence Agency, and Robert S. Litt, of Maryland, to be General Counsel of the Office of the Director of National Intelligence, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

## House of Representatives

### Chamber Action

**Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced:** 117 public bills, H.R. 2537–2643; 2 private bills, H.R. 2644–2645; and 25 resolutions, H.J. Res. 54–55; H. Con. Res. 133–136; and H. Res. 469–473, 475–488 were introduced. **Pages H6008–6014**

**Additional Cosponsors:** **Pages H6014–16**

**Reports Filed:** Reports were filed today as follows:

Supplemental report on H.R. 915, to amend title 49, United States Code, to authorize appropriations for the Federal Aviation Administration for fiscal years 2009 through 2012, to improve aviation safety and capacity, and to provide stable funding for the national aviation system (H. Rept. 111–119, Pt. 2);

H. Res. 474, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 2200) to authorize the Transportation Security Administration's programs relating to the provision of transportation security (H. Rept. 111–127); and

H.R. 1736, to provide for the establishment of a committee to identify and coordinate international science and technology cooperation that can strengthen the domestic science and technology enterprise and support United States foreign policy goals, with an amendment (H. Rept. 111–128). **Page H6008**

**Chaplain:** The prayer was offered by the Guest Chaplain, Reverend Troy Ehlke, Christ Lutheran Church, Charlotte, North Carolina. **Page H5895**

**Adjournment Resolution:** The House agreed to H. Con. Res. 133, providing for a conditional adjournment of the House of Representatives and a conditional recess or adjournment of the Senate, by a yeas-and-nays vote of 237 yeas to 184 nays, Roll No. 282. **Page H5904**

**Privileged Resolution—Intent to Offer:** Representative Bishop (UT) announced his intent to offer a privileged resolution. **Pages H5904–05**

**Question of Privilege:** The Chair ruled that the resolution offered by Representative Bishop (UT) did not constitute a question of the privileges of the

House. Agreed to table the motion to appeal the ruling of the Chair by a yeas-and-nays vote of 252 yeas to 172 nays, Roll No. 283. **Pages H5905–06**

**Weapon Systems Acquisition Reform Act of 2009—Conference Report:** The House agreed to the conference report to accompany S. 454, to improve the organization and procedures of the Department of Defense for the acquisition of major weapon systems, by a yeas-and-nays vote of 411 yeas with none voting "no", Roll No. 286. **Pages H5898–H5900, H5907–12**

H. Res. 463, the rule providing for consideration of the conference report, was agreed to by a voice vote, after agreeing to order the previous question without objection. **Page H5907**

**Suspension—Proceedings Resumed:** The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measure which was debated on Tuesday, May 19th:

**Prevent All Cigarette Trafficking Act of 2009:** H.R. 1676, amended, to prevent tobacco smuggling and to ensure the collection of all tobacco taxes, by a yeas-and-nays vote of 397 yeas to 11 nays, Roll No. 287. **Pages H5912–13**

**FAA Reauthorization Act of 2009:** The House passed H.R. 915, to amend title 49, United States Code, to authorize appropriations for the Federal Aviation Administration for fiscal years 2009 through 2012, to improve aviation safety and capacity, and to provide stable funding for the national aviation system, by a recorded vote of 277 yeas to 136 noes, Roll No. 291. **Pages H5901–04, 5906–07, 5913–81**

Rejected the Campbell motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure with instructions to report the same back to the House forthwith with an amendment, by a recorded vote of 154 yeas to 263 noes, Roll No. 290. **Pages H5978–80**

Pursuant to the rule, the amendment in the nature of a substitute printed in part A of H. Rept. 111–126, modified by the amendment printed in part B of such report, shall be considered as adopted in the House and in the Committee of the Whole,