

the Chair may entertain a motion that the Committee rise only if offered by the chair of the Committee on Appropriations or his designee and that the Chair may not entertain a motion to strike out the enacting words of the bill (as described in clause 9 of rule XVIII). Finally, the rule provides that during consideration of the bill, the Chair may reduce to two minutes the minimum time for electronic voting. Testimony was heard from Chairman Serrano; Representatives Inslee; Davis of Tennessee; Emerson; Tiahr; LaTourette; Frelinghuysen; Sessions; Gingrey; Brady of Texas; Walden; Pence; King of Iowa; Jordan of Ohio and Lee of New York.

## WIND AND SOLAR RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT

*Committee on Science and Technology:* Subcommittee on Energy and Environment held a hearing on New Roadmaps for Wind and Solar Research and Development. Testimony was heard from John Saintcross, Program Manager, Energy and Environmental Markets, Energy Research and Development Authority, State of New York; and public witnesses.

## DEFENSE—VA ELECTRONIC HEALTH RECORD INTEROPERABILITY

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs:* Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing on Examining the Progress of Electronic Health Record Interoperability Between VA and DOD. Testimony was heard from Valerie C. Melvin, Director, Information Management and Human Capital Issues, GAO; RADM Gregory Timberlake, USN, Acting Director, Department of Defense/Department of Veterans Affairs Interagency Program Office; the following officials of the Department of Veterans Affairs: Douglas E. Rosendale, Director, Joint Interoperability Ventures, Office of Health Administration, Veterans Health Administration; and Roger W. Baker, Assistant Secretary, Information and Technology; and Mary Ann Rockey, Deputy Chief Information Officer, Military Health System, Department of Defense.

## Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

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## COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, JULY 15, 2009

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

### Senate

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* Subcommittee on Securities, Insurance and Investment, to

hold hearings to examine the regulation of hedge funds and other private investment pools, 2:30 p.m., SD-538.

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* to hold hearings to examine the public safety impact of contraband cell phones in correctional facilities, 10 a.m., SR-253.

Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Mignon L. Clyburn, of South Carolina, and Meredith Atwell Baker, of Virginia, both to be a Member of the Federal Communications Commission, 2:30 p.m., SR-253.

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* Subcommittee on National Parks, to hold hearings to examine S. 227, to establish the Harriet Tubman National Historical Park in Auburn, New York, and the Harriet Tubman Underground Railroad National Historical Park in Caroline, Dorchester, and Talbot Counties, Maryland, S. 625, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to establish the Waco Mammoth National Monument in the State of Texas, S. 853, to designate additional segments and tributaries of White Clay Creek, in the States of Delaware and Pennsylvania, as a component of the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System, S. 1053, to amend the National Law Enforcement Museum Act to extend the termination date, S. 1117, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to provide assistance in implementing cultural heritage, conservation, and recreational activities in the Connecticut River watershed of the States of New Hampshire and Vermont, S. 1168 and H.R. 1694, bills to authorize the acquisition and protection of nationally significant battlefields and associated sites of the Revolutionary War and the War of 1812 under the American Battlefield Protection Program, and H.R. 714, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to lease certain lands in Virgin Islands National Park, 2:30 p.m., SD-366.

*Committee on Environment and Public Works:* business meeting to consider an original bill to extend the programs of SAFETEA-LU, and the nominations of Robert Perciasepe, of New York, to be Deputy Administrator, and Craig E. Hooks, of Kansas, to be an Assistant Administrator, both of the Environmental Protection Agency, 10:30 a.m., SD-406.

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Vilma S. Martinez, of California, to be Ambassador to Argentina, Nicole A. Avant, of California, to be Ambassador to the Commonwealth of The Bahamas, Vinai K. Thummalappally, of Colorado, to be Ambassador to Belize, and John R. Nay, of Michigan, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Suriname, all of the Department of State, 9:30 a.m., SD-419.

Subcommittee on East Asian and Pacific Affairs, to hold hearings to examine maritime disputes and sovereignty issues in East Asia, 2:30 p.m., SD-419.

*Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:* to hold hearings to examine the REAL ID Act, 10 a.m., SD-342.

*Committee on Rules and Administration:* business meeting to mark up S. 1415, to amend the Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act to ensure that absent uniformed services voters and overseas voters are aware of their voting rights and have a genuine opportunity to

register to vote and have their absentee ballots cast and counted, 9:30 a.m., SR-301.

*Select Committee on Intelligence*: closed business meeting to mark up an original bill authorizing funds for fiscal year 2010 for the intelligence community, 2:30 p.m., SVC-217.

### House

*Committee on Armed Services*, hearing on Addressing a New Generation of Threats from Weapons of Mass Destruction: Department of Energy Nonproliferation Programs and the Department of Defense Cooperative Threat Reduction Program, 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing on Beyond Service Core Competency: Are Our Junior Officers Prepared for Today's Security Environment? 2 p.m., 2212 Rayburn.

*Committee on Education and Labor*, to mark up H.R. 3200, America's Affordable Health Choices Act of 2009, 3 p.m., 2175 Rayburn.

*Committee on Financial Services*, hearing entitled "Banking Industry Perspectives on the Obama Administration's Financial Regulatory Reform Proposals," 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Subcommittee Housing and Community Opportunity, to continue hearings entitled "Legislative Options for Preserving Federally- and State-Assisted Affordable Housing and Preventing Displacement of Low-Income, Elderly and Disabled Tenants," 2 p.m., 2128 Rayburn.

*Committee on Homeland Security*, Subcommittee on Transportation Security and Infrastructure Protection, hearing entitled "General Aviation Security: Assessing Risks and the Road Ahead," 2 p.m., 311 Cannon.

*Committee on House Administration*, Subcommittee on Elections, hearing on Examining Uniformity in Election Standards, 2 p.m., 1310 Longworth.

*Committee on the Judiciary*, Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism and Homeland Security, hearing on H.R. 1064, Youth Prison Reduction Through Opportunities,

Mentoring, Intervention, Support and Education Act, 3 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

*Committee on Natural Resources*, hearing on the following bills: H.R. 2678, Duwamish Tribal Recognition Act; H.R. 1358, Burt Lake of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians Reaffirmation Act; H.R. 3084 (2576), Chinook Nation Restoration Act; and H.R. 3120, Little Shell Tribe of Chippewa Indians Restoration Act of 2009, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

*Committee on Science and Technology*, Subcommittee on Technology and Innovation, to consider H.R. 2569, To authorize surface transportation research, development, and technology transfer activities, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

*Committee on Small Business*, hearing entitled "Economic Recovery: Tax Stimulus Items that Benefitted Small Business with a Look Ahead," 1 p.m., 2360 Rayburn.

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure*, Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings and Emergency Management, hearing on Evaluating GSA's First Experience with National Broker Contracts, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment, hearing on "Opportunities and Challenges in the Creation of a Clean Water Trust Fund," 2 p.m., 2167 Rayburn.

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs*, to mark up the following: H.R. 2770, Veterans Nonprofit Research and Education Corporations Enhancement Act of 2009; H.R. 1293, Disabled Veterans Home Improvement and Structural Alteration Grant Increase Act of 2009; H.R. 3155, Caregiver Assistance and Resources Enhancement Act; and a measure to amend title 38, United States Code, to make certain improvement in the laws administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs relating to insurance and health care, 10:15 a.m., 334 Cannon.

*Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence*, Subcommittee on Terrorism, Human Intelligence, Analysis and Counterintelligence, executive, briefing on Hot Spots, 4 p.m., 304-HVC.