

## SENATE COMMITTEE MEETINGS

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Meetings scheduled for Thursday, October 15, 2009 may be found in the Daily Digest of today's RECORD.

MEETINGS SCHEDULED  
OCTOBER 20

- 9:30 a.m.  
Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs  
To hold hearings to examine the state of the nation's housing market.  
SD-538
- 10 a.m.  
Finance  
To hold hearings to examine S. 1631, to reauthorize customs facilitation and trade enforcement functions and programs.  
SD-215
- Judiciary  
Administrative Oversight and the Courts Subcommittee  
To hold hearings to examine medical debt, focusing on bankruptcy reform.  
SD-226
- 10:30 a.m.  
Small Business and Entrepreneurship  
To hold hearings to examine health care solutions for America's small businesses.  
Room to be announced
- 2:30 p.m.  
Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs  
To hold hearings to examine the nominations of Susan Tsui Grundmann, of Virginia, to be Chairman, and Anne Marie Wagner, of Virginia, to be a Member, both of the Merit Systems Protection Board.  
SD-342
- Intelligence  
To receive a closed briefing on certain intelligence matters from officials of the intelligence community.  
S-407, Capitol

## OCTOBER 21

- 9:30 a.m.  
Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs  
To hold hearings to examine H1N1 flu, focusing on monitoring the nation's response.  
SD-342
- Veterans' Affairs  
To hold hearings to examine S. 977, to amend title 38, United States Code, to

provide improved benefits for veterans who are former prisoners of war, S. 1109, to provide veterans with individualized notice about available benefits, to streamline application processes or the benefits, S. 1118, to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for an increase in the amount of monthly dependency and indemnity compensation payable to surviving spouses by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, S. 1155, to amend title 38, United States Code, to establish the position of Director of Physician Assistant Services within the office of the Under Secretary of Veterans Affairs for health, S. 1204, to amend the Department of Veterans Affairs Health Care Programs Enhancement Act of 2001 to require the provision of chiropractic care and services to veterans at all Department of Veterans Affairs medical centers, S. 1237, to amend title 38, United States Code, to expand the grant program for homeless veterans with special needs to include male homeless veterans with minor dependents and to establish a grant program for reintegration of homeless women veterans and homeless veterans with children, S. 1302, to provide for the introduction of pay-for-performance compensation mechanisms into contracts of the Department of Veterans Affairs with community-based outpatient clinics for the provisions of health care services, S. 1394, to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to acknowledge the receipt of medical, disability, and pension claims and other communications submitted by claimants, S. 1427, to amend title 38, United States Code, to establish a Hospital Quality Report Card Initiative to report on health care quality in Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Centers, S. 1429, to establish a commission on veterans and members of the Armed Forces with post traumatic stress disorder, traumatic brain injury, or other mental health disorders, to enhance the capacity of mental health care providers to assist such veterans and members, to ensure such veterans are not discriminated against, S. 1444, to amend title 38, United States Code, to clarify the meaning of "combat with the enemy" for purposes of service-connection of disabilities, S. 1467, to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide coverage under Traumatic Servicemembers' Group Life Insurance for adverse reactions to vaccinations administered by the Department of Defense, S. 1483, to designate the Department of Veterans Affairs outpatient clinic in Alexandria, Minnesota, as the "Max J. Beilke Department of Veterans Affairs Outpatient Clinic", S. 1518, to amend title 38, United States Code, to furnish hospital care, medical services, and nursing home care to veterans who were stationed at Camp Lejeune, North Carolina, while the water was contaminated at Camp Lejeune, S. 1531, to amend title 38, United States Code, to establish within the Department of Veterans Affairs the position of Assistant Secretary for Acquisition, Logistics, and Construction, S. 1547, to amend title 38, United States Code, and the United States Housing Act of 1937 to enhance and expand the assistance provided by the Department of Vet-

erans Affairs and the Department of Housing and Urban Development to homeless veterans and veterans at risk of homelessness, S. 1556, to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to permit facilities of the Department of Veterans Affairs to be designated as voter registration agencies, S. 1607, to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for certain rights and benefits for persons who are absent from positions of employment to receive medical treatment for service-connected disabilities, and S. 1668, to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for the inclusion of certain active duty service in the reserve components as qualifying service for purposes of Post-9/11 Educational Assistance Program, and any pending calendar business.

SR-418

9:45 a.m.

Energy and Natural Resources

To hold hearings to examine the costs and benefits for energy consumers and energy prices associated with the allocation of greenhouse gas emission allowances.

SD-366

10 a.m.

Judiciary

To hold hearings to examine effective strategies for preventing health care fraud.

SD-226

2 p.m.

Judiciary

To hold hearings to examine the nominations of Jane Branstetter Stranch, of Tennessee, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Sixth Circuit, and Benjamin B. Tucker, of New York, to be Deputy Director for State, Local, and Tribal Affairs, Office of National Drug Control Policy.

SD-226

## OCTOBER 22

10 a.m.

Foreign Relations

To hold hearings to examine the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO), focusing on a strategic concept for transatlantic security.

SD-419

Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

To hold hearings to examine the past, present, and future of policy czars.

SD-342

2:30 p.m.

Intelligence

To hold closed hearings to consider certain intelligence matters.

S-407, Capitol

## OCTOBER 28

2:30 p.m.

Commerce, Science, and Transportation

To hold hearings to examine combating distracted driving, focusing on managing behavioral and technological risks.

SR-253

## NOVEMBER 5

10 a.m.

Veterans' Affairs

To hold hearings to examine Veterans' Affairs and Indian Health Service cooperation.

SR-418