

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: No public bills or resolutions were introduced today.

Reports Filed: There were no reports filed today.

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein she appointed Representative Edwards (MD) to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H1171**

Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the guest Chaplain, Reverend Dr. Alan Keiran, Office of the United States Senate Chaplain. **Pages H1171**

Quorum Calls—Votes: There were no Yea and Nay votes, and there were no Recorded votes. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 9 a.m. and adjourned at 9:02 a.m.

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

Joint Meetings

EMPLOYMENT

Joint Economic Committee: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the employment situation for February 2010, after receiving testimony from Keith Hall, Commissioner, Bureau of Labor Statistics.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D183)

H.R. 1299, to make technical corrections to the laws affecting certain administrative authorities of the United States Capitol Police. Signed on March 4, 2010. (Public Law 111-145)

CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of March 8 through March 13, 2010

Senate Chamber

On *Monday*, Senate will resume consideration of H.R. 4213, Tax Extenders Act.

On *Tuesday*, Senate will continue consideration of H.R. 4213, and after a period of debate, vote on or in relation to a series of amendments; following

which, Senate will vote on the motion to invoke cloture on Baucus Amendment No. 3336 at 2:30 p.m.

During the balance of the week, Senate may consider any cleared legislative and executive business.

Senate Committees

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Committee on Appropriations: March 9, Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2011 for the Department of the Interior, 9:30 a.m., SD-124.

March 10, Subcommittee on Defense, to hold hearings to examine Department of Defense health programs, 10 a.m., SD-192.

March 10, Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2011 for the National Nuclear Security Administration, 10:15 a.m., SD-116.

March 10, Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2011 for the Department of Health and Human Services, 2 p.m., SD-124.

March 11, Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2011 for the Army Corps of Engineers and the Bureau of Reclamation, 9 a.m., SD-192.

March 11, Subcommittee on Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2011 for the Department of Housing and Urban Development, 9:30 a.m., SD-138.

Committee on Armed Services: March 9, to hold hearings to examine U.S. European Command, U.S. Africa Command, and U.S. Joint Forces Command in review of the Defense Authorization request for fiscal year 2011 and the Future Years Defense Program; with the possibility of a closed session in SR-222 following the open session, 9:30 a.m., SH-216.

March 10, Subcommittee on Emerging Threats and Capabilities, to hold hearings to examine U.S. government efforts to counter violent extremism and the role of the U.S. military in those efforts, 10 a.m., SR-222.

March 10, Subcommittee on Personnel, to hold hearings to examine the Active, Guard, Reserve, and civilian personnel programs in review of the Defense Authorization request for fiscal year 2011 and the Future Years Defense Program, 10:30 a.m., SR-232A.

March 10, Subcommittee on Strategic Forces, to hold hearings to examine the military space programs in review of the Defense Authorization request for fiscal year

2011 and the Future Years Defense Program, 2:30 p.m., SR-232A.

March 11, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine U.S. Northern Command and U.S. Southern Command in review of the Defense Authorization request for fiscal year 2011 and the Future Years Defense Program; to be immediately followed by a hearing to examine the Joint Strike Fighter, 9 a.m., SD-G50.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: March 10, to hold hearings to examine advancing American innovation and competitiveness, 2:30 p.m., SR-253.

March 11, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine consumers, competition, and the proposed Comcast-NBC Universal merger, 10 a.m., SR-253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: March 9, to hold hearings to examine financial transmission rights and other electricity market mechanisms, 10 a.m., SD-366.

March 10, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine S. 1696, to require the Secretary of Energy to conduct a study of video game console energy efficiency, and S. 2908, to amend the Energy Policy and Conservation Act to require the Secretary of Energy to publish a final rule that establishes a uniform efficiency descriptor and accompanying test methods for covered water heaters, 9:30 a.m., SD-366.

March 10, Subcommittee on Public Lands and Forests, to hold hearings to examine S. 2895, to restore forest landscapes, protect old growth forests, and manage national forests in the eastside forests of the State of Oregon, S. 2907, to establish a coordinated avalanche protection program, S. 2966 and H.R. 4474, bills to authorize the continued use of certain water diversions located on National Forest System land in the Frank Church-River of No Return Wilderness and the Selway-Bitterroot Wilderness in the State of Idaho, and S. 2791 and H.R. 3759, bills to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to grant market-related contract extensions of certain timber contracts between the Secretary of the Interior and timber purchasers, 2:30 p.m., SD-366.

March 11, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine legislative proposals designed to create jobs related to energy efficiency, including proposed legislation on energy efficient building retrofits, 10 a.m., SD-366.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: March 9, Subcommittee on Superfund, Toxics and Environmental Health, to hold hearings to examine business perspectives on reforming U.S. chemical safety laws, 10 a.m., SD-406.

March 11, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine Federal, state and local partnerships to accelerate transportation benefits, 10 a.m., SD-406.

Committee on Finance: March 9, to hold hearings to examine United States preference programs, focusing on options for reform, 10 a.m., SD-215.

Committee on Foreign Relations: March 10, to hold hearings to examine new directions in global health, 10 a.m., SD-419.

March 10, Subcommittee on International Operations and Organizations, Human Rights, Democracy and Global Women's Issues, to hold hearings to examine the future of U.S. public diplomacy, 3 p.m., SD-419.

March 11, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Elizabeth L. Littlefield, of the District of Columbia, to be President of the Overseas Private Investment Corporation, and Carolyn Hessler Radelet, of the District of Columbia, to be Deputy Director of the Peace Corps, 2:30 p.m., SD-419.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: March 9, to hold hearings to examine Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) reauthorization, focusing on K-12 education for economic success, 2 p.m., SD-430.

March 10, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Patrick K. Nakamura, of Alabama, to be a Member of the Federal Mine Safety and Health Review Commission, Gwendolyn E. Boyd, of Maryland, and Peggy Goldwater-Clay, of California, both to be a Member of the Board of Trustees of the Barry Goldwater Scholarship and Excellence in Education Foundation, and Sharon L. Browne, of California, Charles Norman Wiltse Keckler, of Virginia, and Victor B. Maddox, of Kentucky, all to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Legal Services Corporation, Time to be announced, Room to be announced.

March 11, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine pay equity in the new American workplace, 10 a.m., SD-430.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: March 10, to hold hearings to examine the lessons and implications of the Christmas day attack, focusing on watchlisting and pre-screening, 10 a.m., SD-342.

March 11, Ad Hoc Subcommittee on State, Local, and Private Sector Preparedness and Integration, to hold hearings to examine U.S. officials involved in drug cartels, 11 a.m., SD-342.

Committee on the Judiciary: March 10, to hold hearings to examine corporate spending in American elections after Citizens United, 10 a.m., SD-226.

March 10, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Robert Neil Chatigny, of Connecticut, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Second Circuit, Gary Scott Feinerman, and Sharon Johnson Coleman, both to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Illinois, and William Joseph Martinez, to be United States District Judge for the District of Colorado, 2:30 p.m., SD-226.

March 11, Full Committee, business meeting to consider S. 1789, to restore fairness to Federal cocaine sentencing, S. 2772, to establish a criminal justice reinvestment grant program to help States and local jurisdictions reduce spending on corrections, control growth in the prison and jail populations, and increase public safety, S. 1624, to amend title 11 of the United States Code, to

provide protection for medical debt homeowners, to restore bankruptcy protections for individuals experiencing economic distress as caregivers to ill, injured, or disabled family members, and to exempt from means testing debtors whose financial problems were caused by serious medical problems, S. 1765, to amend the Hate Crime Statistics Act to include crimes against the homeless, S. 148, to restore the rule that agreements between manufacturers and retailers, distributors, or wholesalers to set the minimum price below which the manufacturer's product or service cannot be sold violates the Sherman Act, and the nominations of Jane E. Magnus-Stinson, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Indiana, and Kelvin Corneilius Washington, to be United States Marshal for the District of South Carolina, and Christopher Tobias Hoyer, to be United States Marshal for the District of Nevada, both of the Department of Justice, 10 a.m., SD-226.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: March 9, to hold a joint hearing with the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs to examine a legislative presentation from Veterans of Foreign Wars, 9:30 a.m., SDG-50.

Select Committee on Intelligence: March 9, to hold a closed meeting to consider certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

March 11, Full Committee, to hold closed hearings to consider certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

House Committees

Committee on Agriculture, March 10, Subcommittee on Department Operations, Oversight, Nutrition, and Forestry, hearing to review USDA's information technology systems, 10 a.m., 1302 Longworth.

March 11, full Committee, hearing to review U.S. agricultural sales to Cuba, 1 p.m., 1300 Longworth.

Committee on Appropriations, March 9, Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies, on National System of Public Lands: Bureau of Land Management Fiscal Year 2011 Budget Request, 2 p.m., B-308 Rayburn.

March 9, Select Defense Oversight Panel, executive, on National Reconnaissance Office Budget, 5 p.m., H-405 Capitol.

March 10, Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies, on Food and Drug Administration, 10 a.m., 2362A Rayburn.

March 10, Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies, on Economic Development Administration, 10 a.m., H-310 Capitol.

March 10, Subcommittee on Defense, on Air Force Posture, 1:30 p.m., H-140 Capitol.

March 10, Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development, and Related Agencies, on Fiscal Year 2011 Budget for DOE Nuclear Nonproliferation, 2 p.m., 2362B Rayburn.

March 10, Subcommittee on Financial Services and General Government, on Fiscal Year 2011 Budget for the Department of the Treasury, 2 p.m., 2359 Rayburn.

March 10, Subcommittee on Homeland Security, on FEMA—Preparing for Disasters and Minimizing Losses, 10 a.m., 2362B Rayburn.

March 10, Subcommittee on Interior, Environment and Related Agencies, on Reclaiming Abandoned Mines and Regulating Surface Coal Mining: Office of Surface Mining Fiscal Year 2011 Budget Request, 9:30 a.m., and on Science for America's Lands, Water and Biota: U.S. Geological Survey Fiscal Year 2011 Budget Request, 10:30 a.m., B-308 Rayburn.

March 10, Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies, on Department of Labor Fiscal Year 2011 Budget Overview, 10 a.m., 2359 Rayburn.

March 10, Subcommittee on Legislative Branch, on Fiscal Year 2011 House of Representatives Budget, 10:15 a.m., H-144 Capitol.

March 10, Subcommittee on Military Construction, Veterans Affairs and Related Agencies, on Navy/Marine Corps Budget, 10 a.m., H-143 Capitol.

March 10, Subcommittee on Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies, on Sustainability in Practice, 9:30 a.m., and on HUD and DOT's Sustainability and Livability Initiatives in the Fiscal Year 2011 Budget Request, 11 a.m., 2358A Rayburn.

March 11, Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies, on Global Food Security, 1 p.m., 2362A Rayburn.

March 11, Subcommittee on Defense, on Navy and Marine Corps Posture, 1:30 p.m., H-140 Capitol.

March 11, Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development, and Related Agencies, on Fiscal Year 2011 Budget for the Department of Energy, 10 a.m., 2359 Rayburn.

March 11, Subcommittee on Financial Services and General Government, on Fiscal Year Budget for the SEC, 10 a.m., 2226 Rayburn.

March 11, Subcommittee on Homeland Security, on Fiscal Year 2011 Budget for ICE, 10 a.m., 2362B Rayburn.

March 11, Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies, on Fiscal Year 2011 Budget for the Fish and Wildlife Services: Sustainable Conservation; Species, Partnerships and Science, 9:30 a.m., B-308 Rayburn.

March 11, Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies, on Fiscal Year 2011 Budget Overview; Jobs, Training and Education, 10 a.m., 2358C Rayburn.

March 11, Subcommittee on Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies, on Defense Budget Overview, 10 a.m., and on European Command, 1:30 p.m., H-143 Capitol.

March 11, Subcommittee on State, Foreign Operations and Related Programs, on Millennium Challenge Corporation (MCC) 10 a.m., 2362A Rayburn.

March 11, Subcommittee on Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies, on The Status of the Federal Housing Administration including the Fiscal Year 2011 Budget Request, 10 a.m., 2358A Rayburn.

Committee on Armed Services, March 9, Subcommittee on Military Personnel, hearing on reviewing studies of the effects of deployment on military children, 5:30 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

March 10, full Committee, on Fiscal Year 2011 National Defense Authorization Budget Requests from U.S. European Command, U.S. Africa Command, and U.S. Joint Forces Command, 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

March 10, Subcommittee on Air and Land Forces, hearing on Army acquisition and modernization programs, 2 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

March 11, Defense Acquisition Reform Panel, hearing on Administration perspectives on managing the defense acquisition system and the defense acquisition workforce, 3 p.m., 2261 Rayburn.

Committee on Education and Labor, March 10, Subcommittee on Health, Employment, Labor and Pensions, hearing on H.R. 413, Public Safety Employer-Employee Cooperation Act of 2009, 10:30 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

March 11, Subcommittee on Healthy Families and Communities, hearing on Meeting the Challenges Faced by Girls in the Juvenile Justice System, 10 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, March 10, Subcommittee on Health, hearing entitled “Drug Safety: An Update from the FDA,” 2 p.m., 2123 Rayburn.

March 11, Subcommittee on Commerce, Trade, and Consumer Protection, hearing entitled “NHTSA Oversight: The Road Ahead,” 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

March 12, Subcommittee on Energy and Environment, hearing entitled “HomeStar: Job Creation through Home Energy Retrofits,” 9:30 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, March 9, hearing entitled “Community Development Financial Institutions (CDFIs): Their Unique Role and Challenges Serving Lower-Income, Underserved and Minority Communities,” 2 p.m., 2128 Rayburn.

March 10, Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Credit, hearing entitled “Regulation of Money Service Businesses,” 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

March 10, Subcommittee on Housing and Community Opportunity and the Subcommittee on Capital Markets, Insurance, and Government Sponsored Enterprises, joint hearing entitled “Approaches to Mitigating and Managing Natural Catastrophe Risk: H.R. 2555, Homeowners’ Defense Act,” 2 p.m., 2128 Rayburn.

March 11, Subcommittee on Capital Markets, Insurance, and Government Sponsored Enterprises, hearing en-

titled “Corporate Governance after *Citizens United*,” 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

March 11, Subcommittee on Housing and Community Opportunity, hearing entitled “The FHA Reform Act of 2010,” 2 p.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Foreign Affairs, March 10, hearing on The Google Predicament: Transforming U.S. Cyberspace Policy to Advance Democracy, Security, and Trade, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

March 10, Subcommittee on Western Hemisphere, hearing on U.S. Policy Toward the Americas in 2010 and Beyond, 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

March 10, Subcommittee on Terrorism, Nonproliferation and Trade, and the Subcommittee on International Organizations, Human Rights and Oversight, joint hearing on International Worker Rights, U.S. Foreign Policy and the International Economy, 2 p.m., 2200 Rayburn.

March 11, Subcommittee on Africa and Global Health, hearing on U.S. Investments in HIV/AIDS: Opportunities and Challenges Ahead, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

March 11, Subcommittee on the Middle East and South Asia, hearing on Bad Company: Lashkar e-Tayyiba and the Growing Ambition of Islamist Militancy in Pakistan, 2:30 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on Homeland Security, March 11, Subcommittee on Border, Maritime and Global Counterterrorism, hearing entitled “Visa Security and Passenger Pre-Screening Efforts in the Wake of Flight 253,” 10 a.m., 311 Cannon.

Committee on the Judiciary, March 11, Subcommittee on Commercial and Administrative Law, hearing on State Taxation: The Role of Congress in Developing Apportionment Standards, 10:30 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

March 11, Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights, and Civil Liberties, hearing on Protecting the American Dream: A Look at the Fair Housing Act, 1:30 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Natural Resources, March 10, oversight hearing on Proposed settlement of the Corbell v Salazar Litigation, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

March 11, Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Public Lands, hearing on H.R. 4289, Colorado Wilderness Act of 2009, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

March 11, Subcommittee on Water and Power, oversight hearing on the President’s Fiscal Year 2011 Budget Request for the Bureau of Reclamation and Water Resources Division of the United States Geological Survey (USGS), United States Department of the Interior, 2 p.m., 1324 Longworth.

Committee on Rules, March 9, to consider H. Con. Res. 248, Directing the President, pursuant to section 5 (c) of the War Powers Resolution, to remove the United States Armed Forces from Afghanistan, 5 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

Committee on Science and Technology, March 10, hearing on Fiscal Year 2011 Research and Development Budget Proposals and EPA and NOAA, 2 p.m., 2318 Rayburn.

March 10, Subcommittee on Research and Science Education, hearing on the National Science Foundation's Fiscal Year 2011 Budget Request, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, March 11, Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation, hearing on A Review of Coast Guard Acquisition Programs and Policies, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs, March 10, to mark up pending legislation; followed by a hearing on Structuring the VA of the 21st Century, 10 a.m., 334 Cannon.

March 11, Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity, hearing on VA's Center for Veteran Enterprise, 1 p.m., 334 Cannon.

Committee on Ways and Means, March 11, Subcommittee on Income Security and Family Support, hearing on the

Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) Role in Providing Assistance to Struggling Families, 10 a.m., B-318 Rayburn.

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, March 10, executive, hearing on MIP and Service Elements Budget for Fiscal Year 2011, 10 a.m., and executive, hearing on Covert Action Budget for Fiscal Year 2011, 3 p.m., 304 HVC.

March 11, executive, hearing on NIP & MIP Overview for Fiscal Year 2011, 9:30 a.m., 304 HVC.

Select Committee on Energy Independence and Global Warming, March 10, hearing entitled "The Clean Energy Recovery: Creating Jobs, Building New Industries and Saving Money," 9:30 a.m., room to be announced.