

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

APPROPRIATIONS: FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies concluded open and closed hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2011 for the Federal Bureau of Investigation, after receiving testimony from Robert S. Mueller, III, Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation.

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 2011 for the Government Accountability Office (GAO), the Government Printing Office (GPO), and the Congressional Budget Office (CBO), after receiving testimony from Gene L. Dodaro, Acting Comptroller General, Government Accountability Office; Robert C. Tapella, Public Printer, Government Printing Office; and Douglas Elmendorf, Director, Congressional Budget Office.

APPROPRIATIONS: DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Military Construction and Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies concluded a hearing to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2011 for the Department of Veterans Affairs, after receiving testimony from Eric K. Shineski, Secretary, Robert A. Petzel, Under Secretary for Health, Veterans Health Administration, Michael Walcoff, Acting Under Secretary for Benefits, Veterans Benefits Administration, Steve L. Muro, Acting Under Secretary for Memorial Affairs, National Cemetery Administration, W. Todd Grams, Acting Assistant Secretary for Management and Chief Financial Officer, and Roger W. Baker, Assistant Secretary for Information and Technology, Office of Information and Technology, all of the Department of Veterans Affairs.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Armed Services: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Vice Admiral James A. Winnefeld, Jr., United States Navy, to be admiral and Commander, United States Northern Command, and to be Commander, North American Aerospace Defense Command, and Lieutenant General Keith B. Alexander, United States Army, to be

general and Director, National Security Agency, to be Chief, Central Security Service, and to be Commander, United States Cyber Command, who was introduced by Senator Mikulski, both of the Department of Defense, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION AND FUTURE YEARS DEFENSE PROGRAM

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Airland concluded a hearing to examine Army modernization in review of the Defense Authorization request for fiscal year 2011 and the Future Years Defense Program, focusing on opportunities and challenges for Army Ground Force modernization efforts, after receiving testimony from Lieutenant General Robert P. Lennox, Deputy Chief of Staff of the Army, G-8, Lieutenant General William N. Phillips, Principal Military Deputy to the Assistant Secretary of the Army for Acquisition, Logistics, and Technology, and Director, Acquisition Career Management, and David W. Duma, Principal Deputy Director, Operational Test and Evaluation, Office of the Secretary, all of the Department of Defense; and Michael J. Sullivan, Director, Acquisition and Sourcing Management, Government Accountability Office.

DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT BUDGET

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine legislative proposals in the Department of Housing and Urban Development's fiscal year 2011 budget request, after receiving testimony from Shaun Donovan, Secretary of Housing and Urban Development.

PACIFIC SALMON STRONGHOLD CONSERVATION ACT OF 2009

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Oceans, Atmosphere, Fisheries, and Coast Guard concluded a hearing to examine S. 817, to establish a Salmon Stronghold Partnership program to conserve wild Pacific salmon, after receiving testimony from Gordon H. Reeves, Research Fish Biologist and Team Leader, Pacific Northwest Research Station, U.S. Forest Service, Department of Agriculture; Sara LaBorde, Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW), Olympia; Guido Rahr, Wild Salmon Center, Portland, Oregon; and Joe Childers, United Fisherman of Alaska (UFA), Juneau.

INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE

Committee on Finance: Committee concluded a hearing to examine filing season update, focusing on current IRS issues, after receiving testimony from Steven T.

Miller, Deputy Commissioner for Services and Enforcement, and Nina E. Olson, National Taxpayer Advocate, both of the Internal Revenue Service.

UNITED STATES—JAPAN RELATIONS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on East Asian and Pacific Affairs concluded a hearing to examine United States and Japan relations, after receiving testimony from George R. Packard, United States-Japan Foundation, and Richard Katz, *Oriental Economist Report*, both of New York, New York; and Michael R. Auslin, American Enterprise Institute for Public Policy Research, Washington, D.C.

CONTRACTS FOR AFGHAN NATIONAL POLICE TRAINING

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Ad Hoc Subcommittee on Contracting Oversight concluded a hearing to examine contracts for Afghan National Police training, after receiving testimony from Gordon S. Heddell, Inspector General, and David Sedney, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Afghanistan, Pakistan, and Central Asia, both of the Department of Defense; and Evelyn R. Klemstine, Assistant Inspector General, Audit, and David T. Johnson, Assistant Secretary, Bureau of International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Affairs, both of the Department of State.

ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION ACT

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: Committee concluded a hearing to examine Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) reauthorization, focusing on teachers and leaders, after receiving testimony from Randi Weingarten, American Federation of Teachers, and Jon Schnur, New Leaders for New Schools, both of Washington, D.C.; Timothy Daly, New Teacher Project, Brooklyn, New York; Ellen Moir, New Teacher Center, Santa Cruz, California; Stephanie Hirsh, National Staff Development Council, Dallas, Texas; Camilla Benbow, Vanderbilt University Peabody College, Nashville, Tennessee; Jose Valenzuela, Boston Teacher Residency Program, Boston, Massachusetts; Thomas Kane, Harvard Graduate School of Education, Cambridge, Massachusetts; Diana Fesmire, Sierra Elementary School, Alamogordo, New Mexico; and Layne Parmenter, Urie Elementary School, Lyman, Wyoming.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 3111, to establish the Commission on Freedom of Information Act Processing Delays, with an amendment;

S. 3031, to authorize Drug Free Communities enhancement grants to address major emerging drug issues or local drug crises, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute; and

The nominations of Sharon Johnson Coleman, and Gary Scott Feinerman, 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, and Loretta E. Lynch, to be United States Attorney for the Eastern District of New York, Noel Culver March, to be United States Marshal for the District of Maine, George White, to be United States Marshal for the Southern District of Mississippi, and Brian Todd Underwood, to be United States Marshal for the District of Idaho, all of the Department of Justice.

NOMINATION

Committee on Rules and Administration: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nomination of Stephen T. Ayers, of Maryland, to be Architect of the Capitol, after the nominee, who was introduced by Senator Pryor, testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

MINORITY SMALL BUSINESS OWNERS

Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship: Committee concluded a hearing to examine assessing access, focusing on obstacles and opportunities for minority small business owners in today's capital markets, after receiving testimony from Grady Hedgespeth, Director of Financial Assistance, Office of Capital Access, Small Business Administration; David A. Hinson, National Director, Minority Business Development Agency, Department of Commerce; Robert L. Johnson, The RLJ Companies, Bethesda, Maryland; Natalie Madeira Cofield, NMC Consulting Group, Inc., Washington, D.C.; Margaret Henningsen, Legacy Bank, Milwaukee, Wisconsin; Paul C. Hudson, Broadway Federal Bank, Los Angeles, California; and Robert W. Fairlie, University of California, Santa Cruz.

INTELLIGENCE

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee held closed hearings on intelligence matters, receiving testimony from officials of the intelligence community.

Committee recessed subject to the call.