

HELIUM-3 SUPPLY CRISIS

Committee on Science and Technology: Subcommittee on Investigations and Oversight held a hearing on Caught by Surprise: Causes and Consequences of the Helium-3 Supply Crisis. Testimony was heard from William Hagan, Acting Director, Domestic Nuclear Detection Office, Department of Homeland Security; William Brinkman, Director, Office of Science, Department of Energy; and public witnesses.

HAZARDOUS MATERIALS MANAGEMENT

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Held a hearing on the Department of Transportation's Oversight and Management of Hazardous Materials Special Permits and Approvals. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Transportation: Calvin L. Scovel III, Inspector General; and Cynthia Quarterman, Administrator, Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration; and a public witness.

VA'S FIDUCIARY PROGRAM

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs held a hearing on Examining VA's Fiduciary Program: How Can VA Better Protect Vulnerable Veterans and Their Families? Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Veterans Affairs: Belinda J. Finn, Assistant Inspector General, Audits and Evaluations, Office of Inspector General; and Bradley G. Mayes, Director, Compensation and Pension Service, Veterans Benefits Administration; Daniel Bertoni, Director, Education, Workforce, and Income Security Issues, GAO; representatives of veterans organizations; and a public witness.

TEMPORARY ASSISTANCE RECIPIENT EDUCATION/TRAINING

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Income Security and Family Support held a hearing to examine the role of education and training in the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) program. Testimony was heard from Representative Moore of Wisconsin; and public witnesses.

BRIEFING—GUANTANAMO DETAINEE TASK FORCE

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Met in executive session to receive a briefing on Guantanamo Detainee Task Force. The Committee was briefed by departmental witnesses.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY, APRIL 23, 2010

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations, to resume hearings to examine Wall Street and the financial crisis, focusing on the role of credit rating agencies, 9:30 a.m., SD-G50.

House

No committee meetings are scheduled.

CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of April 26 through May 1, 2010

Senate Chamber

On *Monday*, at approximately 3 p.m., Senate will resume consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of 3217, Restoring American Financial Stability Act, and after a period of debate, vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill at 5 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: April 28, Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development, to hold hearings to examine a national assessment of energy policies, focusing on significant achievements since the 1970s and an examination of U.S. energy policies and goals in the coming decades, 10 a.m., SD-124.

April 28, Subcommittee on Financial Services and General Government, to hold hearings to examine the President's proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2011 for the Commodity Futures Trading Commission and for the Securities and Exchange Commission, 2:30 p.m., SD-138.

April 29, Subcommittee on Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2011 for the Federal Railroad Administration and the National Railroad Passenger Corporation (Amtrak), 9:30 a.m., SD-138.

April 29, Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2011 for the Department of Justice, 10 a.m., SD-192.

April 29, Subcommittee on Legislative Branch, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2011 for the Library of Congress and the Open World Leadership Center, 2:30 p.m., SD-138.

April 29, Subcommittee on Financial Services and General Government, to hold hearings to examine holding banks accountable, focusing on if treasury and banks