

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S3119–S3293

Measures Introduced: Thirteen bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 3307–3319, S.J. Res. 29, and S. Res. 514. **Page S3164**

Measures Reported:

S. 3307, to reauthorize child nutrition programs. (S. Rept. No. 111–178)

S. 920, to amend section 11317 of title 40, United States Code, to improve the transparency of the status of information technology investments, to require greater accountability for cost overruns on Federal information technology investment projects, to improve the processes agencies implement to manage information technology investments, to reward excellence in information technology acquisition, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 111–179)

S. 373, to amend title 18, United States Code, to include constrictor snakes of the species *Python* genera as an injurious animal, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 111–180)

S. 1421, to amend section 42 of title 18, United States Code, to prohibit the importation and shipment of certain species of carp. (S. Rept. No. 111–181)

S. 1519, to provide for the eradication and control of nutria in Maryland, Louisiana, and other coastal States. (S. Rept. No. 111–182)

S. 1965, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to provide financial assistance to the State of Louisiana for a pilot program to develop measures to eradicate or control feral swine and to assess and restore wetlands damaged by feral swine. (S. Rept. No. 111–183) **Pages S3162–63**

Measures Passed:

Faster FOIA Act: Senate passed S. 3111, to establish the Commission on Freedom of Information Act Processing Delays, after agreeing to the committee amendments, and the following amendment proposed thereto: **Pages S3289–91**

Dodd (for Leahy/Cornyn) Amendment No. 3847, to provide for the Archivist of the United States to

provide staff and administrative support services to the Commission. **Pages S3290–91**

Clarify United States Code: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 5148, to amend title 39, United States Code, to clarify the instances in which the term “census” may appear on mailable matter, and the bill was then passed, clearing the measure for the President. **Page S3291**

11th Annual National Charter Schools Week: Senate agreed to S. Res. 514, congratulating the students, parents, teachers, and administrators of charter schools across the United States for ongoing contributions to education and supporting the ideals and goals of the 11th annual National Charter Schools Week, to be held May 2 through May 8, 2010. **Page S3291**

Measures Considered:

Restoring American Financial Stability Act—Agreement: Senate continued consideration of S. 3217, to promote the financial stability of the United States by improving accountability and transparency in the financial system, to end “too big to fail”, to protect the American taxpayer by ending bailouts, to protect consumers from abusive financial services practices, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto:

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Adopted:

By 96 yeas to 1 nay (Vote No. 130), Reid (for Boxer) Amendment No. 3737 (to Amendment No. 3739), to prohibit taxpayers from ever having to bail out the financial sector. **Pages S3121, S3147**

By 93 yeas to 5 nays (Vote No. 131), Shelby/Dodd Amendment No. 3827 (to Amendment No. 3739), to improve the bill. **Pages S3147–48**

Snowe/Shahen Amendment No. 3755 (to Amendment No. 3739), to strike section 1071.

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Snowe Amendment No. 3757 (to Amendment No. 3739), to provide for consideration of seasonal income in mortgage loans. **Pages S3121, S3148**

Pending:

Reid (for Dodd/Lincoln) Amendment No. 3739, in the nature of a substitute. **Page S3121**

Shelby Amendment No. 3826 (to Amendment No. 3739), to establish a Division of Consumer Financial Protection within the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation. **Pages S3148–49**

Tester Amendment No. 3749 (to Amendment No. 3739), to require the Corporation to amend the definition of the term “assessment base”.

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A unanimous-consent-time agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill at approximately 9:30 a.m., on Thursday, May 6, 2010, and the time until 10 a.m., be for debate with respect to Tester Amendment No. 3749 (to Amendment No. 3739) (listed above), with the time equally divided and controlled in the usual form; that at 10 a.m., Senate vote on or in relation to Tester Amendment No. 3749 (to Amendment No. 3739) (listed above), with no amendment in order to the amendment prior to the vote; provided further, that Sanders Amendment No. 3738 be the next democratic amendment in order, and to clarify for the Record the amendment would be called up upon disposition of Shelby Amendment No. 3826 (to Amendment No. 3739) (listed above). **Page S3156**

Message from the President: Senate received the following message from the President of the United States:

Transmitting, pursuant to the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, the proposed Agreement for Cooperation Between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of Australia Concerning Peaceful Uses of Nuclear Energy; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations. (PM–52) **Page S3161**

Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

By unanimous vote of 98 yeas (Vote No. EX. 128), Gloria M. Navarro, of Nevada, to be United States District Judge for the District of Nevada.

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By 96 yeas 1 nay (Vote No. EX. 129), Nancy D. Freudenthal, of Wyoming, to be United States District Judge for the District of Wyoming.

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Denzil Price Marshall Jr., of Arkansas, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Arkansas. **Pages S3147, S3293**

David B. Fein, of Connecticut, to be United States Attorney for the District of Connecticut for the term of four years. **Pages S3292–93**

Clifton Timothy Massanelli, of Arkansas, to be United States Marshal for the Eastern District of Arkansas for the term of four years. **Pages S3292–93**

Paul Ward, of North Dakota, to be United States Marshal for the District of North Dakota for the term of four years. **Pages S3292–93**

Zane David Memeger, of Pennsylvania, to be United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania for the term of four years.

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Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

1 Air Force nomination in the rank of general.

9 Navy nominations in the rank of admiral.

Routine lists in the Air Force, Army, and Navy.

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Messages from the House: **Pages S3161–62**

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Record Votes: Four record votes were taken today. (Total—131) **Page S3146, S3146–47, S3147, S3148**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m. and adjourned at 6:46 p.m., until 9:30 a.m. on Thursday, May 6, 2010. (For Senate’s program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today’s Record on page S3291.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

APPROPRIATIONS: NATIONAL INSTITUTES OF HEALTH

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies concluded a hearing to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2011 for the National Institutes of Health, after receiving testimony from Francis S. Collins, Director, National Institutes of Health, Department of Health and Human Services.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Armed Services: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Elizabeth A. McGrath, of Virginia, to be Deputy Chief Management Officer, Michael J. McCord, of Virginia, to be Principal Deputy Under Secretary, Comptroller, Sharon E. Burke, of Maryland, to be Director of Operational Energy Plans and Programs, Solomon B. Watson IV, of New York, to be General Counsel of the Department of the Army, and Katherine Hammack, of Arizona, to be Assistant Secretary of the Army, all of the Department of Defense, and Donald L. Cook, of Washington, to be Deputy Administrator for Defense Programs, National Nuclear Security Administration, Department of Energy, and 2,799 nominations in the Army, Navy, Air Force, and Marine Corps.

AMERICAN RECOVERY AND REINVESTMENT ACT

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on National Parks concluded a hearing to examine the National Park Service's implementations of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act, after receiving testimony from C. Bruce Sheaffer, Comptroller, National Park Service, Department of the Interior.

NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION OVERSIGHT

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Subcommittee on Clean Air and Nuclear Safety concluded an oversight hearing to examine the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, after receiving testimony from Gregory B. Jaczko, Chairman, and Kristine L. Svinicki, George Apostolakis, William D. Magwood, IV, and William C. Ostendorff, each a Commissioner, all of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission; Richard Meserve, Bipartisan Policy Center, and George Vanderheyden, UniStar Nuclear Energy, LLC, both of Washington, D.C.; Peter A. Bradford, Vermont Law School, South Royalton; and K.P. Singh, Holtec International, Marlton, New Jersey.

TERRORISTS AND GUNS

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine terrorists and guns, focusing on the nature of the threat and proposed reforms, and if the FBI has enhanced its use of information from firearm and explosives background checks to support counterterrorism efforts, after receiving testimony from Senator Lautenberg; Representative Peter King; Daniel D. Roberts, Assistant Director, Criminal Justice Information Services, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Department of Justice; Eileen R. Larence, Director, Homeland Security and Justice, Government Account-

ability Office; Mayor Michael R. Bloomberg, and Raymond W. Kelly, Police Commissioner, both of New York, New York; Sandy Jo MacArthur, Los Angeles Assistant Chief of Police, Los Angeles, California; and Aaron Titus, Liberty Coalition, Washington, D.C.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: Committee ordered favorably reported the the nominations of Joshua Gotbaum, of the District of Columbia, to be Director of the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation, Eduardo M. Ochoa, of California, to be Assistant Secretary of Education for Postsecondary Education, James L. Taylor, of Virginia, to be Chief Financial Officer, Department of Labor, Robert Wedgeworth, of Illinois, Carla D. Hayden, of Illinois, John Coppola, of Florida, Winston Tabb, of Maryland, and Lawrence J. Pijaux, Jr., of Alabama, all to be a Member of the National Museum and Library Services Board, and Jonathan Andrew Hatfield, of Virginia, to be Inspector General, Corporation for National and Community Service.

VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the increased importance of the Violence Against Women Act in a time of economic crisis, after receiving testimony from Susan B. Carbon, Director, Office of Violence Against Women, Department of Justice; Auburn Watersong, Vermont Network Against Domestic and Sexual Violence, Montpelier; Lolita Ulloa, Hennepin County Attorney's Office Victim Services Division, Minneapolis, Minnesota; and Richard J. Gelles, University of Pennsylvania School of Social Policy and Practice, Philadelphia.

VOTING BY MAIL

Committee on Rules and Administration: Committee concluded a hearing to examine voting by mail, focusing on state and local experiences, after receiving testimony from Senator Wyden; Representative Susan Davis; Kate Brown, Oregon Secretary of State, Salem; and John C. Fortier, American Enterprise Institute, and Rokey W. Suleman, II, District of Columbia Board of Elections and Ethics, both of Washington, D.C.

TRAUMATIC BRAIN INJURY

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Committee concluded an oversight hearing to examine traumatic brain injury (TBI), focusing on progress in treating the signature wounds of the current conflicts, after receiving testimony from Lucille Beck, Chief Consultant, Office of Rehabilitation Services, Office of Patient Care Services, Veterans Health Administration,

Karen Guice, Director, Federal Recovery Coordination Program, Joel Scholten, Associate Chief of Staff, Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation, Washington D.C. Veterans Affairs Medical Center, all of the Department of Veterans Affairs; Sonja Batten, Deputy Director, Center of Excellence for Psychological Health and Traumatic Brain Injury, and Colonel Michael Jaffee, National Director, Defense and Veterans Brain Injury Center (DVBIC), Traumatic Brain Injury Program, both of the Department of Defense; Bruce M. Gans, Kessler Institute for Rehabilitation, West Orange, New Jersey; Michael F. Dabbs, Brain Injury Association of Michigan, Brighton; Michelle C. LaPlaca, Georgia Institute of Technology Wallace H. Coulter Department of Biomedical Engineering, Atlanta; Karen L. Bohlinger, Helena, Montana; and Jonathan Barrs, Cameron, North Carolina.

VIOLENCE ON U.S.-MEXICO BORDER

United States Senate Caucus on International Narcotics Control: Caucus concluded a hearing to examine violence in Mexico and Ciudad Juarez and its implications for the United States, after receiving testimony from David T. Johnson, Assistant Secretary of State for International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Affairs; Janice Ayala, Assistant Director, Office of Investigations, Immigration and Customs Enforcement, Department of Homeland Security; Anthony P. Placido, Assistant Administrator for Intelligence, Drug Enforcement Administration, and Kevin L. Perkins, Assistant Director, Criminal Investigative Division, Federal Bureau of Investigation, both of the Department of Justice; Leonard L. Miranda, Chula Vista Police Department, Chula Vista, California; and Donald L. Reay, Texas Border Sheriffs' Coalition, El Paso.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 21 public bills, H.R. 5207–5227; and 7 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 274; and H. Res. 1326–1328, 1330–1332 were introduced. **Pages H3200–02**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages H3202–03**

Report Filed: A report was filed today as follows:

H. Res. 1329, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 5019) to provide for the establishment of the Home Star Retrofit Rebate Program (H. Rept. 111–475). **Page H3200**

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein she appointed Representative Serrano to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H3127**

Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the guest Chaplain, Rabbi Dov Hillel Klein, Tannenbaum Chabad House, Evanston, Illinois. **Page H3127**

President's Export Council—Appointment: The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of the following Members of the House to the President's Export Council: Representatives Linda T. Sánchez (CA), Wu, and Schauer. **Page H3132**

Committee Resignation: Read a letter from Representative Wasserman Schultz, wherein she resigned from the Committee on the Judiciary, effective today. **Page H3132**

Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Haiti Economic Lift Program Act of 2010: H.R. 5160, amended, to extend the Caribbean Basin Economic Recovery Act and to provide customs support services to Haiti; **Pages H3132–40**

Expressing support for the vigilance and prompt response to the attempted terrorist attack in Times Square on May 1, 2010: H. Res. 1320, amended, to express support for the vigilance and prompt response of the citizens of New York City, the New York Police Department, the New York Police Department Bomb Squad, the Fire Department of New York, other first responders, the Federal Bureau of Investigation, United States Customs and Border Protection, the United States Attorney's Office for the Southern District of New York, the Department of Homeland Security, the Department of Justice, the New York Joint Terrorism Task Force, the Bridgeport Police Department, Detective Bureau, Patrol Division, and other law enforcement agencies in Connecticut to the attempted terrorist attack in Times Square on May 1, 2010, their exceptional professionalism and investigative work following the attempted attack, and their consistent commitment to preparedness for and collective response to terrorism, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeas-and-nays vote of 418 yeas with none voting "nay", Roll No. 246; **Pages H3140–44, H3166–67**

Commemorating the 40th anniversary of the May 4, 1970, Kent State University shootings: H. Res. 1272, to commemorate the 40th anniversary of the May 4, 1970, Kent State University shootings, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ ye-a-and-nay vote of 415 yeas with none voting “nay” and 2 voting “present”, Roll No. 247;

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Congratulating the National Urban League on its 100th year of service to the United States: H. Res. 1157, amended, to congratulate the National Urban League on its 100th year of service to the United States;

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Recognizing the roles and contributions of America’s teachers to building and enhancing our Nation’s civic, cultural, and economic well-being: H. Res. 1312, amended, to recognize the roles and contributions of America’s teachers to building and enhancing our Nation’s civic, cultural, and economic well-being;

Pages H3148–50

Supporting the goals and ideals of National Charter School Week: H. Res. 1149, to support the goals and ideals of National Charter School Week, to be held May 2 through May 8, 2010;

Pages H3150–52

Mother’s Day Centennial Commemorative Coin Act: H.R. 2421, amended, to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of the centennial of the establishment of Mother’s Day;

Pages H3152–53

Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that public servants should be commended for their dedication and continued service to the Nation: H. Res. 1247, to express the sense of the House of Representatives that public servants should be commended for their dedication and continued service to the Nation during Public Service Recognition Week, May 3 through 9, 2010, and throughout the year;

Pages H3156–58

Supporting the goals and ideals of National Train Day: H. Res. 1301, amended, to support the goals and ideals of National Train Day, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ ye-a-and-nay vote of 296 yeas to 119 nays, Roll No. 248;

Pages H3163–66, H3168

Authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds for the District of Columbia Special Olympics Law Enforcement Torch Run: H. Con. Res. 263, to authorize the use of the Capitol Grounds for the District of Columbia Special Olympics Law Enforcement Torch Run;

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Authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds for the Greater Washington Soap Box Derby: H. Con. Res. 247, to authorize the use of the Capitol Grounds for the Greater Washington Soap Box Derby; and

Pages H3170–71

In support and recognition of National Safe Digging Month, April, 2010: H. Res. 1278, amended, to support and recognize National Safe Digging Month, April, 2010.

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Moment of Silence: The House observed a moment of silence in honor of the men and women in uniform who have given their lives in the service of our nation in Iraq and Afghanistan, their families, and all who serve in the armed forces and their families.

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Suspensions—Proceedings Postponed: The House debated the following measures under suspension of the rules. Further proceedings were postponed:

Celebrating the role of mothers in the United States and supporting the goals and ideals of Mother’s Day: H. Res. 1295, to celebrate the role of mothers in the United States and to support the goals and ideals of Mother’s Day and

Pages H3153–56

Telework Improvements Act: H.R. 1722, amended, to improve teleworking in executive agencies by developing a telework program that allows employees to telework at least 20 percent of the hours worked in every 2 administrative workweeks.

Pages H3158–63

Committee Resignation: Read a letter from Representative Luján, wherein he resigned from the Committee on Homeland Security.

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Presidential Message: Read a message from the President wherein he transmitted to Congress the text of a proposed Agreement between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of Australia Concerning Peaceful Uses of Nuclear Energy—referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs and ordered printed (H. Doc. 111–106).

Pages H3172–73

Quorum Calls—Votes: Three ye-a-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H3166, H3167, H3168. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 6:35 p.m.

Committee Meetings

DEFENSE APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Defense met in executive session to hold a hearing on the Missile Defense Agency. Testimony was heard from LTG Patrick J. O’Reilly, USA, Director, Missile Defense Agency, Department of Defense.

AFGHANISTAN SECURITY-STABILITY DEVELOPMENTS

Committee on Armed Services: Held a hearing on developments in security and stability in Afghanistan. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Defense: Michele Flournoy, Under Secretary, Policy; and LTG John M. Paxton, Jr., USMC, Director, Operations, J-3, Joint Chiefs of Staff.

PROTECTING OLDER WORKERS AGAINST DISCRIMINATION ACT

Committee on Education and Labor: Subcommittee on Health, Employment, Labor and Pensions held a hearing on H.R. 3721, Protecting Older Workers Against Discrimination Act. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Ordered reported, as amended, H.R. 3993, Calling Card Consumer Protection Act.

The Committee also began consideration of H.R. 3655, Bereaved Consumer's Bill of Rights Act.

U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Committee on the Judiciary: Held a hearing on the United States Patent and Trademark Office. Testimony was heard from David Kappos, Under Secretary, Intellectual Property and Director, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, Department of Commerce; and public witnesses.

ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS PRIVACY ACT REFORM

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Constitution, Civil Rights, and Civil Liberties held a hearing on Electronic Communications Privacy Act Reform. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Natural Resources: Ordered reported the following bills: H.R. 4349, amended, Hoover Power Allocation Act of 2009; H.R. 2889, amended, Oregon Caves National Monument Boundary Adjustment Act of 2009; H.R. 4438, amended, San Antonio Missions National Historical Park Leasing and Boundary Expansion Act of 2010; H.R. 4491, Buffalo Soldiers in the National Parks Study Act; H.R. 4493, amended, Marianas Trench Marine National Monument Management Enhancement Act of 2010; H.R. 3511, amended, Marianas Trench Marine National Monument Visitor Facility Authorization Act of 2009; and H. Res. 1254, without recommendation, Directing the Secretary of the Interior to transmit to the House of Representatives certain information relating to the Secretary's Treasured Landscape

Initiative, potential designation of National Monuments, and High Priority Land-Rationalization Efforts.

HOUSING D.C. CODE FELONS

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform: Subcommittee on Federal Workforce, Postal Service and the District of Columbia held a hearing entitled "Housing D.C. Code Felons Far Away From Home: Effects on Crime, Recidivism and Reentry." Testimony was heard from Harley Lappin, Director, Federal Bureau of Prisons, Department of Justice; Adrienne Poteat, Deputy Director, Court Services and Offender Supervision Agency; and public witnesses.

FEDERAL INFORMATION SECURITY AMENDMENTS ACT OF 2010

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform: Subcommittee on Government Management, Organization, and Procurement approved for full Committee action, as amended, H.R. 4900, Federal Information Security Amendments Act of 2010.

HOME STAR ENERGY RETROFIT ACT OF 2010

Committee on Rules: Granted, by nonrecord vote, a structured rule providing for consideration of H.R. 5019, the "Home Star Energy Retrofit Act of 2010." The rule provides one hour of general debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Energy and Commerce. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill except those arising under clause 9 or 10 of rule XXI.

The rule provides that the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Energy and Commerce shall be considered as an original bill for the purpose of amendment and shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against the amendment in the nature of a substitute except for clause 10 of rule XXI.

The rule further makes in order only those amendments printed in the report. The amendments made in order may be offered only in the order printed in the report, may be offered only by a Member designated in the report, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, shall not be subject to amendment, and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question. All points of order against the amendments are waived except those arising under clause 9 or 10 of rule XXI.

The rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. The rule provides that the Chair may entertain a motion that the Committee rise only if offered by the chair of the Committee on

Energy and Commerce or a designee. Finally, the rule provides that the Chair may not entertain a motion to strike out the enacting words of the bill. Testimony was heard from Chairman Waxman and Representatives Markey of Massachusetts, Boswell, Herseth Sandlin, Schauer, Burgess and Latta.

VOLCANIC ASH CLOUDS AND AVIATION

Committee on Science and Technology: Subcommittee on Space and Aeronautics held a hearing on Mitigating the Impact of Volcanic Ash Clouds on Aviation—What Do We Need to Know.” Testimony was heard from the following officials of the NASA: Tony Strazisar, Senior Technical Advisor, Aeronautics Research Mission Directorate; and Jack A. Kaye, Earth Science Division; Victoria Cox, Senior Vice President, NextGen and Operations Planning Air Traffic Organization, FAA, Department of Transportation; and a public witness.

SMALL BUSINESS GROWTH TAX INITIATIVES

Committee on Small Business: Held a hearing entitled “Tax Initiatives that Promote Small Business Growth.” Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

LOS ANGELES/LONG BEACH PORTS CLEAN TRUCK PROGRAM

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Highways and Transit held a hearing on Assessing the Implementation and Impacts of the Clean Truck Programs at the Port of Los Angeles and the Port of Long Beach. Testimony was heard from CPT John Holmes, Deputy Executive Director, Operations, Port of Los Angeles; J. Chris Lytle, Deputy Executive Director, Port of Long Beach; and public witnesses.

VIETNAM WAR—HEALTH EFFECTS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Held a hearing on Health Effects of the Vietnam War—The Aftermath. Testimony was heard from Randall B. Williamson, Director, Health Care, GAO; Joel Kupersmith, M.D., Chief Research and Development Officer, Veterans Health Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs; representatives of veterans organizations; and a public witness.

BRIEFING—IC PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Met in executive session to receive a briefing on Intelligence Community Personnel Management. The Committee was briefed by departmental witnesses.

Joint Meetings

JOB CREATION

Joint Economic Committee: Committee concluded a hearing to examine how to promote job creation, after receiving testimony from Alan B. Krueger, Assistant Secretary of the Treasury for Economic Policy and Chief Economist.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, MAY 6, 2010

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2011 for the Interagency Partnership for Sustainable Communities, 9:30 a.m., SD-138.

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.

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on SeaPower, to hold hearings to examine Navy shipbuilding programs in review of the Defense Authorization request for fiscal year 2011 and the Future Years Defense Program, 2:30 p.m., SR-222.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: to hold hearings to examine competition in America, focusing on building a high-tech workforce, 10 a.m., SR-253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: business meeting to consider the nominations of Philip D. Moeller, of Washington, and Cheryl A. LaFleur, of Massachusetts, both to be a Member of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, and Jeffrey A. Lane, of Virginia, to be Assistant Secretary of Energy for Congressional and Intergovernmental Affairs, 9:30 a.m., SD-106.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: to hold hearings to examine the Water Resources Development Act of 2010, focusing on jobs and economic opportunities, 9:30 a.m., SD-406.

Committee on Foreign Relations: to hold hearings to examine the meaning of Marjah, 9:30 a.m., SD-419.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: to hold hearings to examine ensuring fairness for older workers, 10 a.m., SD-430.

Committee on the Judiciary: business meeting to consider S. 1346, to penalize crimes against humanity and for other purposes, H.R. 3237, to enact certain laws relating to national and commercial space programs as title 51, United States Code, “National and Commercial Space Programs”, S. Res. 511, commemorating and acknowledging the dedication and sacrifices made by the Federal, State, and local law enforcement officers who have been killed or injured in the line of duty, and the nominations of Kimberly J. Mueller, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of California, Richard Mark Gergel, and J. Michelle Childs, both to be United States District Judge for the District of South Carolina, Catherine C. Eagles, to be United States District Judge for the Middle District of North Carolina, Leonard Philip Stark,

to be United States District Judge for the District of Delaware, Goodwin Liu, of California, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit, and Raymond Joseph Lohier, Jr., of New York, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Second Circuit, and Parker Loren Carl, to be United States Marshal for the Eastern District of Kentucky, Gerald Sidney Holt, to be United States Marshal for the Western District of Virginia, Robert R. Almonte, to be United States Marshal for the Western District of Texas, and Jerry E. Martin, of Tennessee, to be United States Attorney for the Middle District of Tennessee, all of the Department of Justice, 10 a.m., SD-226.

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

House

Committee on Energy and Commerce, Subcommittee on Commerce, Trade, and Consumer Protection, hearing on the Motor Vehicle Safety Act, 11 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Health, hearing on the following bills: H.R. 4700, Transparency in All Health Care Pricing Act of 2010; H.R. 2249, Health Care Price Transparency Promotion Act of 2009; and H.R. 4803, "Patients' Right to Know Act," 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled "The Role and Performance of FDA in Ensuring Food Safety," 2 p.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled "The End of Excess (Part One): Reversing Our Addiction to Debt and Leverage," 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Foreign Affairs, Subcommittee on International Organizations, Human Rights and Oversight, and the Subcommittee on Asia, the Pacific and the Global Environment, joint hearing on U.S. Leadership in the International Whaling Commission and H.R. 2455, International Whale Conservation and Protection Act of 2009, 10 a.m., 2200 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Terrorism, Nonproliferation and Trade, hearing on the Future of U.S. International Nuclear Cooperation, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on House Administration, hearing on H.R. 5175, Democracy is Strengthened by Casting Light on Spending in Elections Act, 11 a.m., Longworth.

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

Committee on Natural Resources, Subcommittee on Insular Affairs, Oceans and Wildlife, hearing on the following bills: H.R. 2864, To amend the Hydrographic Services Improvement Act of 1998 to authorize funds to acquire hydrographic data and provide hydrographic services specific to the Arctic for safe navigation, delineating the United States extended continental shelf, and the monitoring and description of coastal changes; H.R. 3805, Electronic Duck Stamp Extension Act of 2009; and H.R. 4973, National Wildlife Refuge Volunteer Improvement Act of 2010, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, to mark up the following measures: H. Con. Res. 268, Supporting the goals and ideals of National Women's Health Week;

H. Res. 403, Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that there should be established a National Teacher Day to honor and celebrate teachers in the United States; H. Res. 792, Honoring Robert Kelly Slater for his outstanding and unprecedented achievements in the world of surfing and for being an ambassador of the sport and excellent role model; H. Res. 879, Supporting the goals and ideals of American Education Week; H. Res. 1187, Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives with respect to raising public awareness of and helping to prevent attacks against Federal employees while engaged in or on account of the performance of official duties; H. Res. 1256, Congratulating Phil Mickelson on winning the 2010 Masters golf tournament; H. Res. 1297, Supporting the goals and ideals of American Craft Beer Week; H. Res. 1316, Celebrating Asian/Pacific American Heritage Month; H.R. 5051, To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 23 Genesee Street in Hornell, New York, as the "Zachary Smith Post Office Building;" H.R. 5099, To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 15 Main Street in Sharon, Massachusetts, as the "Michael C. Rothberg Post Office;" H.R. 5133, To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 331 1st Street in Carlstadt, New Jersey, as the "Staff Sergeant Frank T. Carvill, and Lance Corporal Michael A. Schwartz Post Office Building;" H. Res. 1328, Honoring the life and accomplishments of William Earnes "Ernie" Harwell; and H. Res. 1294, Expressing support for designation of the first Saturday in May as National Explosive Ordnance Disposal Day to honor those who are serving and have served in the noble and self-sacrificing profession of Explosive Ordnance Disposal in the United States Armed Forces, 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

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