

Committee on Financial Services 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 Representatives Waters, Taylor, Lee of California, Capito, Rohrabacher, Miller of Michigan, and Scalise.

OIL POLLUTION; GAS-OIL DRILLING MEASURES

Committee on Science and Technology: Ordered reported, as amended, the following bills: H.R. 2693, Federal Oil Spill Research Program Act; and H.R. 5716, Safer Oil and Natural Gas Drilling Technology Research and Development Act.

BONUS DEPRECIATION TAX INCENTIVES

Committee on Small Business: Held a hearing entitled “Bonus Depreciation: What It Means for Small Business.”

AIRLINE FEES

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Aviation held a hearing on Airline Fees. Testimony was heard from Gerald Dillingham, Director, Civil Aviation Issues, GAO; Robert S. Rivkin, General Counsel, Department of Transportation; and public witnesses.

VA SUICIDE PREVENTION OUTREACH EFFORTS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing on Examining the Progress of Suicide Prevention Outreach Efforts at the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs. Testimony was heard from COL Robert W. Saum, USA, Director, Defense Centers of Excellence for Psychological Health and Traumatic Brain Injury, Department of Defense; Robert L. Jesse, M.D., Principal Deputy Under Secretary, Health, Veterans Health Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs; representatives of veterans organizations; and public witnesses.

REINSURANCE

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Select Revenue Measures held a hearing on the taxation of reinsurance between affiliated entities. Testimony was heard from Stephen E. Shay, Deputy Assistant Secretary, International Tax Affairs, Department of the Treasury; and public witnesses.

Joint Meetings

ECONOMIC OUTLOOK

Joint Economic Committee: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the economic outlook, after re-

ceiving testimony from Christina D. Romer, Chair, Council of Economic Advisors, Washington, D.C.

TRAFFICKING IN PERSONS REPORT

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe. Commission concluded a hearing to examine the future outlook for the annual Trafficking in Persons (TIP) Report prepared by the United States Department of State and help facilitate greater use of the report as a valuable tool of diplomacy, after receiving testimony from Luis CdeBaca, Ambassador-at-Large, Office to Monitor and Combat Trafficking in Persons, Department of State; Maria Grazia Giammarinaro, Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe Special Representative and Coordinator for Combating Trafficking in Human Beings, Vienna, Austria; and Jolene Smith, Free the Slaves, and Jeffrey Blom, International Justice Mission, both of Washington, D.C.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D772)

S. 3104, to permanently authorize Radio Free Asia. Signed on July 13th, 2010. (Public Law 111–202)

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, JULY 15, 2010

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine the use of dispersants in response to the Deepwater Horizon oil spill, 10 a.m., SD–192.

Full Committee, business meeting to mark up proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2011 for Military Construction and Veterans Affairs, Department of Homeland Security, Department of Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies, 2:30 p.m., SD–106.

Committee on Armed Services: to hold hearings to examine sustaining nuclear weapons under the New START; to be immediately followed by a closed hearing in SVC–217, 9:30 a.m., SD–106.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Janet L. Yellen, of California, to be Vice Chairman of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, Peter A. Diamond, of Massachusetts, Sarah Bloom Raskin, of Maryland, all to be a Member of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, Osvaldo Luis Gratacós Munet, of Puerto Rico, to be Inspector General, Export-Import Bank, and Steve A. Linick, of Virginia, to be Inspector General of the Federal Housing Finance Agency, 9 a.m., SD–538.