

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S7303–S7366

Measures Introduced: Twelve bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 3817–3828, S. Res. 638, and S. Con. Res. 72. **Page S7352**

Measures Reported:

H.R. 3553, to exclude from consideration as income under the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act of 1996 amounts received by a family from the Department of Veterans Affairs for service-related disabilities of a member of the family. (S. Rept. No. 111–299)

H.R. 2092, to amend the National Children's Island Act of 1995 to expand allowable uses for Kingman and Heritage Islands by the District of Columbia, with amendments. (S. Rept. No. 111–300)

S. 2925, to establish a grant program to benefit victims of sex trafficking, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Page S7351**

Measures Passed:

Twenty-First Century Communications and Video Accessibility Act: Senate passed S. 3828, to make technical corrections in the Twenty-First Century Communications and Video Accessibility Act of 2010 and the amendments made by that Act. **Page S7363**

Veterans' Compensation Cost-of-Living Adjustment Act: Committee on Veterans' Affairs was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 4667, to increase, effective as of December 1, 2010, the rates of compensation for veterans with service-connected disabilities and the rates of dependency and indemnity compensation for the survivors of certain disabled veterans, and the bill was then passed; S. 3107, Senate companion measure was read the third time. **Pages S7363–64**

Subsequently, S. 3107 was returned to the Senate calendar.

Lease Authority for Trust Land: Senate passed S. 1448, to amend the Act of August 9, 1955, to authorize the Coquille Indian Tribe, the Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians, the Confederated Tribes of the Coos, Lower Umpqua, and Siuslaw, the Klamath

Tribes, and the Burns Paiute Tribe to obtain 99-year lease authority for trust land. **Page S7364**

Certain Indian Tribe Leases: Senate passed S. 2906, to amend the Act of August 9, 1955, to modify a provision relating to leases involving certain Indian tribes, after agreeing to the committee amendments. **Page S7364**

Redundancy Elimination and Enhanced Performance for Preparedness Grants Act: Senate passed H.R. 3980, to provide for identifying and eliminating redundant reporting requirements and developing meaningful performance metrics for homeland security preparedness grants, after agreeing to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Page S7364**

House of Representatives Facilities and Programs: Committee on Rules and Administration was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 5682, to improve the operation of certain facilities and programs of the House of Representatives, and the bill was then passed. **Page S7365**

Commending the Entertainment Industry: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 623, commending the encouragement of interest in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics by the entertainment industry, and the resolution was then agreed to. **Pages S7365–66**

30th Anniversary of the Small Business Development Center Network: Senate agreed to S. Res. 638, celebrating the 30th anniversary of the Small Business Development Center network. **Page S7366**

Appointments:

Election Assistance Board of Advisors: The Chair, on behalf of the Majority Leader pursuant to Public Law 107–252, Title II, Section 214, appointed the following individual to serve as a member of the Election Assistance Board of Advisors:

Dr. Barbara Simons, of California. **Page S7366**

Disclose Act—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that on Thursday, September 23, 2010, upon disposition of S.J. Res. 30, Senate proceed to consideration of the motion to

reconsider the vote by which cloture was not invoked on the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 3628, Disclose Act; that the motion to reconsider be agreed to, and that at 2:15 p.m., Senate vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the motion to proceed to S. 3628, with the time until then equally divided and controlled between the two Leaders, or their designees.

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Messages from the House:

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m. and adjourned at 7:20 p.m., until 9:30 a.m. on Thursday, September 23, 2010. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S7366.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

U.S. SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION OVERSIGHT

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee concluded an oversight hearing to examine the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) Inspector General's Report on the "Investigation of the SEC's Response to Concerns Regarding Robert Allen Stanford's Alleged Ponzi Scheme" and Improving SEC Performance, after receiving testimony from H. David Kotz, Inspector General, Robert Khuzami, Director, Division of Enforcement, Carlo di Florio, Director, Office of Compliance Inspections and Examinations, and Rose L. Romero, Regional Director, Fort Worth Regional Office, all of the United States Securities and Exchange Commission.

NATIONAL FLOOD INSURANCE PROGRAM

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine reauthorization of the National Flood Insurance Program, fo-

cus on continued actions needed to address financial and operational issues, after receiving testimony from Senators Durbin and Wicker; Orice Williams Brown, Director, Financial Markets and Community Investment, Government Accountability Office; and Sally McConkey, Association of State Floodplain Managers, Nick D'Ambrosia, Long & Foster, and Steve Ellis, Taxpayers for Common Sense, all of Washington, D.C.

FEDERAL POLICY RESPONSE TO THE ECONOMIC CRISIS

Committee on the Budget: Committee concluded a hearing to examine assessing the Federal policy response to the economic crisis, after receiving testimony from Alan S. Blinder, Princeton University Center for Economic Policy Studies, Princeton, New Jersey; Mark Zandi, Moody's Analytics, West Chester, Pennsylvania; and John B. Taylor, Stanford University, Palo Alto, California.

PROTECTING PERSONAL INFORMATION DATA

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Consumer Protection, Product Safety, and Insurance concluded a hearing to examine S. 3742, to protect consumers by requiring reasonable security policies and procedures to protect data containing personal information, and to provide for nationwide notice in the event of a security breach, after receiving testimony from Maneesha Mithal, Associate Director, Division of Privacy and Identity Protection, Federal Trade Commission; Mark Bregman, Symantec Corporation, Mountain View, California, on behalf of TechAmerica; and Ioana Rusu, Consumers Union, Stuart K. Pratt, Consumer Data Industry Association, and Melissa Bianchi, American Hospital Association, all of Washington, D.C.

TAX AND FISCAL POLICY IN THE MILITARY AND VETERANS COMMUNITY

Committee on Finance: Committee concluded a hearing to examine tax and fiscal policy, focusing on the effects on the military and veterans community, after receiving testimony from Dan Dobyms, Montana National Guard, Helena; Mark I. Darrah, Athena GTX, Des Moines, Iowa; Captain Marshall Hanson, USNR (Ret.), Reserve Officers Association (ROA), on behalf of the Reserve Enlisted Association (REA), and Tim Embree, Iraq and Afghanistan Veterans of America (IAVA), both of Washington, D.C.; and Michael Noyce Merino, Melrose, Montana.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Mark M.

Boulware, of Texas, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Chad, Jo Ellen Powell, of Maryland, to be Ambassador to the Islamic Republic of Mauritania, Christopher J. McMullen, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Angola, Wanda L. Nesbitt, of Pennsylvania, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Namibia, and Pamela Ann White, of Maine, to be Ambassador to the Republic of The Gambia, who was introduced by Senator Nelson (FL), all of the Department of State, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Donald Kenneth Steinberg, of California, to be Deputy Administrator, and Nancy E. Lindborg, of the District of Columbia, to be an Assistant Administrator, both of the United States Agency for International Development, and Robert P. Mikulak, of Virginia, for the rank of Ambassador during his tenure of service as United States Representative to the Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons, Department of State, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Kristie Anne Kenney, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Kingdom of Thailand, and Karen Brevard Stewart, of Florida, to be Ambassador to the Lao People's Democratic Republic, both of the Department of State, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

NINE YEARS AFTER 9/11

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine nine years after 9/11, focusing on confronting the terrorist threat to the homeland, after receiving testimony from Janet A. Napolitano, Secretary of Homeland Security; Robert S. Mueller III, Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Department of Justice; and Michael Leiter, Director, National Counterterrorism Center, Office of the Director of National Intelligence.

ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS PRIVACY ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the Electronic Communications

Privacy Act, focusing on promoting security and protecting privacy in the digital age, after receiving testimony from Cameron F. Kerry, General Counsel, Department of Commerce; James A. Baker, Associate Deputy Attorney General, Department of Justice; James X. Dempsey, Center for Democracy & Technology, San Francisco, California; Brad Smith, Microsoft Corporation, Redmond, Washington; and Jamil N. Jaffer, Washington, D.C.

FRAUD ENFORCEMENT AND RECOVERY ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded a hearing to examine investigating and prosecuting financial fraud after the Fraud Enforcement and Recovery Act, after receiving testimony from Lanny Breuer, Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division, and Kevin Perkins, Assistant Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation, both of the Department of Justice; and Robert Khuzami, Director, Division of Enforcement, United States Securities and Exchange Commission.

FILIBUSTER

Committee on Rules and Administration: Committee resumed hearings to examine the filibuster, focusing on legislative proposals to change Senate procedures, including S. Res. 416, amending the Standing Rules of the Senate to provide for cloture to be invoked with less than a three-fifths majority after additional debate, and S. Res. 619, expressing the sense of the Senate that the Senate of each new Congress is not bound by the Rules of previous Senates, after receiving testimony from Senators Harkin and Udall (NM); Robert Dove, United States Senate Parliamentarian Emeritus; Mimi Marzinani, New York University School of Law Brennan Center for Justice, New York, New York; and Steven S. Smith, Washington University Weidenbaum Center on the Economy, Government, and Public Policy, St. Louis, Missouri.

THE AMERICAN LEGION

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Committee concluded a joint hearing with the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs to examine a legislative presentation focusing on the American Legion, after receiving testimony from Jimmie Foster, The American Legion, Anchorage, Alaska.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 31 public bills, H.R. 6159–6189; and 13 resolutions, H.J. Res. 96; H. Con. Res. 319; and H.Res. 1639, 1641–1650, were introduced. **Pages H6878–80**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages H6880–82**

Reports Filed: Reports omitted from the Record of September 20, 2010 with a redesignation:

H.R. 5717, to authorize the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution to plan, design, and construct a facility and to enter into agreements relating to education programs at the National Zoological Park facility in Front Royal, Virginia, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 111–612, Pt. 1) and

H.R. 5717, to authorize the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution to plan, design, and construct a facility and to enter into agreements relating to education programs at the National Zoological Park facility in Front Royal, Virginia, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 111–612, Pt. 2).

Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 4714, to amend title 49, United States Code, to authorize appropriations for the National Transportation Safety Board for fiscal years 2011 through 2014, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 111–613);

H.R. 1997, to direct the Secretary of Transportation to update a research report and issue guidance to the States with respect to reducing lighting on the Federal-aid system during periods of low traffic density, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 111–614, Pt. 1);

H.R. 2923, to enhance the ability to combat methamphetamine (H. Rept. 111–615, Pt. 1);

H.R. 5710, to amend and reauthorize the controlled substance monitoring program under section 399O of the Public Health Service Act, with an amendment (H. Rept. 111–616);

H.R. 5756, to amend title I of the Developmental Disabilities Assistance and Bill of Rights Act of 2000 to provide for grants and technical assistance to improve services rendered to children and adults with autism, and their families, and to expand the number of University Centers for Excellence in Developmental Disabilities Education, Research, and Service, with amendments (H. Rept. 111–617);

H.R. 5809, to amend the Controlled Substances Act to provide for take-back disposal of controlled substances in certain instances, and for other pur-

poses, with an amendment (H. Rept. 111–618, Pt. 1);

H.R. 2336, to encourage energy efficiency and conservation and development of renewable energy sources for housing, commercial structures, and other buildings, and to create sustainable communities, with an amendment (H. Rept. 111–619);

H.R. 4790, to amend the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 to require shareholder authorization before a public company may make certain political expenditures, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 111–620, Pt. 1);

H. Res. 1640, providing for consideration of the Senate amendment to the bill (H.R. 5297) to create the Small Business Lending Fund Program to direct the Secretary of the Treasury to make capital investments in eligible institutions in order to increase the availability of credit for small businesses, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide tax incentives for small business job creation, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 111–621); and

H. Res. 252, calling upon the President to ensure that the foreign policy of the United States reflects appropriate understanding and sensitivity concerning issues related to human rights, ethnic cleansing, and genocide documented in the United States record relating to the Armenian Genocide, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 111–622). **Page H6878**

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein she appointed Representative Cuellar to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H6811**

Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the guest chaplain, Reverend Douglas Fisher, Grace Church, Millbrook, New York. **Page H6811**

Order of Business: Agreed by unanimous consent that the Speaker be authorized to entertain motions to suspend the rules on Thursday, September 23, 2010, relating to the following measures: S. 1674; H.R. 5307; H. Res. 1545; H. Res. 1560; H. Res. 1582; a bill to renew the authority of the Secretary of Health and Human Services to approve demonstration projects designed to test innovative strategies in state child welfare programs; and a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend the funding and expenditure authority of the Airport and Airway Trust Fund, to amend title 49, United States Code, to extend the airport improvement program, and for other purposes. **Page H6814**

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

Department of the Interior Tribal Self-Governance Act: H.R. 4347, amended, to amend the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act to provide further self-governance by Indian tribes;

Pages H6814–21

Amending the Ysleta del Sur Pueblo and Alabama and Coushatta Indian Tribes of Texas Restoration Act: H.R. 5811, to amend the Ysleta del Sur Pueblo and Alabama and Coushatta Indian Tribes of Texas Restoration Act to allow the Ysleta del Sur Pueblo Tribe to determine blood quantum requirement for membership in that tribe;

Pages H6821–22

Directing the Director of the National Park Service and the Secretary of the Interior to transfer certain properties to the District of Columbia: H.R. 5494, amended, to direct the Director of the National Park Service and the Secretary of the Interior to transfer certain properties to the District of Columbia;

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Agreed to amend the title so as to read: "To direct the Secretary of the Interior to transfer certain properties to the District of Columbia." Page H6826

Authorizing the Peace Corps Commemorative Foundation to establish a commemorative work in the District of Columbia and its environs: H.R. 4195, amended, to authorize the Peace Corps Commemorative Foundation to establish a commemorative work in the District of Columbia and its environs;

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Kennesaw Mountain National Battlefield Park Boundary Adjustment Act of 2010: H.R. 5152, to adjust the boundary of the Kennesaw Mountain National Battlefield Park to include the Wallis House and Harriston Hill;

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Mt. Andrea Lawrence Designation Act of 2010: H.R. 5194, to designate Mt. Andrea Lawrence;

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Commemorating the 75th Anniversary of the Blue Ridge Parkway: H. Con. Res. 294, to commemorate the 75th Anniversary of the Blue Ridge Parkway;

Pages H6829–30

Expressing support for the goals and ideals of National Estuaries Day: H. Res. 1503, to express support for the goals and ideals of National Estuaries Day;

Pages H6830–32

Celebrating the 200th Anniversary of John James Audubon in Henderson, Kentucky: H. Res. 1508, to celebrate the 200th Anniversary of John James Audubon in Henderson, Kentucky; Page H6832

Multinational Species Conservation Funds Semipostal Stamp Act of 2010: Concurred in the Senate amendment to H.R. 1454, to provide for the

issuance of a Multinational Species Conservation Funds Semipostal Stamp;

Pages H6832–34

Strengthening Medicare Anti-Fraud Measures Act of 2010: H.R. 6130, amended, to amend title XI of the Social Security Act to expand the permissive exclusion from participation in Federal health care programs to individuals and entities affiliated with sanctioned entities;

Pages H6837–39

NEWBORN Act: H.R. 3470, amended, to authorize funding for the creation and implementation of infant mortality pilot programs in standard metropolitan statistical areas with high rates of infant mortality, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeas-and-nays vote of 324 yeas to 64 nays, Roll No. 533;

Pages H6842–43, H6858

Combat Methamphetamine Enhancement Act: H.R. 2923, amended, to enhance the ability to combat methamphetamine;

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Rosa's Law: S. 2781, to change references in Federal law to mental retardation to references to an intellectual disability, and to change references to a mentally retarded individual to references to an individual with an intellectual disability;

Pages H6852–54

Expressing support for designation of September 2010 as Blood Cancer Awareness Month: H. Res. 1433, amended, to express support for designation of September 2010 as Blood Cancer Awareness Month; and

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Safe Drug Disposal Act of 2010: H.R. 5809, amended, to amend the Controlled Substances Act to provide for take-back disposal of controlled substances in certain instances.

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Suspension—Failed: The House failed to agree to suspend the rules and pass the following measure:

Coltsville National Historical Park Act: H.R. 5131, amended, to establish Coltsville National Historical Park in the State of Connecticut, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeas-and-nays vote of 215 yeas to 174 nays, Roll No. 532.

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

Casa Grande Ruins National Monument Boundary Modification Act of 2010: H.R. 5110, amended, to modify the boundary of the Casa Grande Ruins National Monument;

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Sedona-Red Rock National Scenic Area Act of 2010: H.R. 4823, amended, to establish the Sedona-Red Rock National Scenic Area in the Coconino National Forest, Arizona;

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Training and Research for Autism Improvements Nationwide Act: H.R. 5756, amended, to

amend title I of the Developmental Disabilities Assistance and Bill of Rights Act of 2000 to provide for grants and technical assistance to improve services rendered to children and adults with autism, and their families, and to expand the number of University Centers for Excellence in Developmental Disabilities Education, Research, and Service;

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Emergency Medic Transition Act of 2010: H.R. 3199, amended, to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide grants to State emergency medical service departments to provide for the expedited training and licensing of veterans with prior medical training;

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Family Health Care Accessibility Act of 2010: H.R. 1745, amended, to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide liability protections for volunteer practitioners at health centers under section 330 of such Act; and

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National All Schedules Prescription Electronic Reporting Reauthorization Act of 2010: H.R. 5710, amended, to amend and reauthorize the controlled substance monitoring program under section 3990 of the Public Health Service Act.

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Senate Messages: Messages received from the Senate by the Clerk and subsequently presented to the House today appear on pages H6811–12 and H6814.

Senate Referrals: S. 624 was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs; S. 3814 and S. 3717 were held at the desk.

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Quorum Calls—Votes: Two yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H6857 and H6858. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 2 p.m. and adjourned at 9:03 p.m.

Committee Meetings

DISTANCE LEARNING FOR-PROFIT COLLEGE TUITION ASSISTANCE

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing on A Question of Quality and Value: Department of Defense Oversight of Tuition Assistance Used for Distance Learning and For-Profit Colleges. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Defense: Robert L. Gordon III, Deputy Under Secretary, Military Community and Family Policy, Office of the Under Secretary, (Personal and Readiness); Anthony Stamillo, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Civilian Personnel and Quality of Life, U.S. Army;

Timothy R. Larsen, Director, Personal and Family Readiness Division, Manpower and Reserve Affairs Department, U.S. Marine Corps; Scott Lutterloh, Director, Total Force Training and Education Division, U.S. Navy; and Dan Sitterly, Director, Force Development, Deputy Chief of Staff, Manpower and Personnel, U.S. Air Force.

PERKINS COLLEGE LOANS

Committee on the Budget: Held a hearing on Budgeting for Education: The Role of Perkins Loans. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

MEDICARE/MEDICAID WASTE, FRAUD AND ABUSE

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Health held a hearing entitled “Cutting Waste, Fraud, and Abuse in Medicare and Medicaid.” Testimony was heard from Representatives Roskam and Klein of Florida; and the following officials of the Department of Health and Human Services: Daniel Levinson, Inspector General; Peter Budetti, M.D. Deputy Administrator, Program Integrity, Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services.

EGG RECALL—SALMONELLA OUTBREAK

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing entitled “The Outbreak of Salmonella in Eggs.” Testimony was heard from Joshua M. Sharfstein, Principal Deputy Commissioner, FDA, Department of Health and Human Services; Austin DeCoster, Owner, Wright County Egg; and Orland Bethel, President, Hillandale Farms of Iowa.

FHA LOAN REFORMS

Committee on Financial Services: Held a hearing entitled “Implementation of Higher FHA Loan Fees and Pending Legislative Proposals to Strengthen the FHA MMIF Fund and Improve Lender Oversight.” Testimony was heard from David H. Stevens, Assistant Secretary, Housing and Commissioner of the Federal Housing Administration, Department of Housing and Urban Development.

INTERNATIONAL FINANCIAL SYSTEM STATE

Committee on Financial Services: Held a hearing on the State of the International Financial System, Including International Regulatory Issues Relevant to the Implementation of the Dodd-Frank Act. Testimony was heard from Timothy F. Geithner, Secretary of the Treasury.

SOUTH PACIFIC TUNA TREATY RENEGOTIATION; HUMAN RIGHTS ABUSES

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee Asia, The Pacific and the Global Environment, hearing on Renegotiating the South Pacific Tuna Treaty: Shutting Down Closing Loopholes and Protecting U.S. Interests. Testimony was heard from William Gibbons-Fly, Director, Office of Marine Conservation, Bureau of Oceans and International Environment and Scientific Affairs, Department of State; and Russell Smith III, Deputy Assistant Secretary, International Fisheries, NOAA, Department of Commerce.

The Subcommittee also held a hearing on Crimes Against Humanity: When Will Indonesia's Military Be Held Accountable for Deliberate and Systematic Abuses in West Papua? Testimony was heard from Joseph Y. Yun, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Bureau of East Asian and Pacific Affairs, Department of State; Robert Scher, Deputy Assistant Secretary, South and Southeast Asia Asian and Pacific Security Affairs, Department of Defense; and public witnesses.

OIL SPILL PLANNING AND RESPONSE

Committee on Homeland Security: Held a hearing entitled "DHS Planning and Response: Preliminary Lessons from Deepwater Horizon." Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Homeland Security: Richard M. Chavez, Acting Director, Operations Coordination and Planning; and Richard L. Skinner, Inspector General; William O. Jenkins, Jr., Director, Homeland Security and Justice Issues, GAO; RADM Peter Neffenger, USCG, Deputy National Incident Commander, Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill Response; Craig Paul Taffaro, Jr., President, St. Bernard Parish, State of Louisiana; and a public witness.

HOLOCAUST INSURANCE ACCOUNTABILITY ACT OF 2010

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Commercial and Administrative Law held a hearing on H.R. 4596, Holocaust Insurance Accountability Act of 2010. Testimony was heard from Representative Schiff, Ros-Lehtinen, and Garamendi; Ambassador Stuart Eizenstat, Special Advisor to the Secretary for Holocaust Issues, Office of Holocaust Issues, Department of State; Anna Rubin, Director, Holocaust Claims Processing Office, Banking Department, New York State; and public witnesses.

MINORITY CONTRACTING

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform: Subcommittee on Government Management, Organization, and Procurement held a hearing entitled "Minority Contracting: Opportunities and Challenges for Current and Future Minority-Owned Businesses," in-

cluding a discussion of H.R. 4343, Minority Business Development Improvements Act of 2009. Testimony was heard from Representative Rush; David Hinson, Director, Minority Business Development Agency, Department of Commerce; Marie C. Johns, Deputy Administrator, SBA; Jiyoung Park, Associate Administrator, Small Business Utilization, GSA; Linda Oliver, Acting Director, Office of Small Business Programs, Department of Defense; Brandon Neal, Director, Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization, Department of Transportation; and public witnesses..

U.S. MANUFACTURING POLICY

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform: Subcommittee on National Security and Foreign Affairs held a hearing entitled "Made in the USA: Manufacturing Policy, the Defense Industrial Base, and U.S. National Security." Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

THE SMALL BUSINESS JOBS AND CREDIT ACT

The Committee on Rules: Granted, by a non-record vote, a rule for consideration of the Senate amendment to H.R. 5297, the "Small Business Jobs and Credit Act of 2010." The rule makes in order a motion offered by the chair of the Committee on Financial Services that the House concur in the Senate amendment to H.R. 5297. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the motion. The rule provides that the Senate amendment and the motion shall be considered as read. The rule provides one hour of debate on the motion equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Financial Services, the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Small Business, and the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Ways and Means. The rule authorizes the Speaker to entertain motions that the House suspend the rules at any time through the legislative day of October 1, 2010. The rule also provides that the Speaker or her designee shall consult with the Minority Leader or his designee on the designation of any matter for consideration under suspension of the rules pursuant to the resolution. The rule waives clause 6(a) of rule XIII (requiring a two-thirds vote to consider a rule on the same day it is reported from the Rules Committee) against any resolution reported from the Rules Committee through the legislative day of October 1, 2010. Testimony was heard from Chairman Frank of Massachusetts and Representative Neugebauer.

AIRPORT RESIDENTIAL THROUGH-THE-FENCE AGREEMENTS

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Held a hearing on Residential Through-the-Fence Agreements at Public Airports: Action to Date and Challenges Ahead. Testimony was heard from Representative Schrader; Catherine M. Lang, Acting Associate Administrator, Office of Airports, Department of Transportation; Carol L. Comer, Aviation Programs Manager, Department of Transportation, State of Georgia; Mitch Swecker, State Airports Manager, Department of Aviation, State of Oregon; and public witnesses.

LESSONS FROM KATRINA

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings, and Emergency Management held a hearing on Five Years after Katrina: Where We Are and What We Have Learned for Future Disasters. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Homeland Security: Matt Jadacki, Assistant Inspector General, Emergency Management Oversight; and Tony Russell, Region VI Administrator, FEMA; Mike Womack, Executive Director, Emergency Management Agency, State of Mississippi; Francis McCarthy, Federalism, Federal Elections and Emergency Management Section, CRS, Library of Congress; and public witnesses.

NATIONAL COUNTERTERRORISM CENTER—ANALYTICAL EFFORTS

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations met in executive session to receive a briefing on Analytical Efforts at the National Counterterrorism Center. The Subcommittee was briefed by departmental witnesses.

GLOBAL CLEAN ENERGY RACE

Select Committee on Energy Independence and Global Warming: Held a hearing entitled “The Global Clean Energy Race.” Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 2010

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: To hold hearings to examine the Federal Housing Administration, focusing on current condition and future challenges, 10 a.m., SD-538.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: To hold hearings to examine the need for a nationwide public safety network, 10:15 a.m., SR-253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: To hold hearings to examine the Department of Energy’s Loan Guarantee Program and its effectiveness in spurring the near-term deployment of clean energy technology, 9:30 a.m., SD-366.

Committee on Finance: To hold hearings to examine tax reform, focusing on lessons from the Tax Reform Act of 1986, 10 a.m., SD-215.

Committee on Foreign Relations: To hold hearings to examine the nomination of Cameron Munter, of California, to be Ambassador to the Islamic Republic of Pakistan, Department of State, 9:45 a.m., SD-419.

Subcommittee on East Asian and Pacific Affairs, to hold hearings to examine challenges to water and security in Southeast Asia, 2 p.m., SD-419.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: Business meeting to consider S. 3751, to amend the Stem Cell Therapeutic and Research Act of 2005, and the nominations of Subra Suresh, of Massachusetts, to be Director of the National Science Foundation, Mary Minow, of California, to be a Member of the National Museum and Library Services Board, Julie Reiskin, of Colorado, Joseph Pietrzyk, of Ohio, and Harry Korrell III, of Washington, all to be a Member of the Legal Services Corporation Board, and Pamela Young-Holmes, of Wisconsin, to be a member of the National Council on Disabilities, subcommittee assignments, and any pending calendar business, Time to be announced, S-216, Capitol.

Committee on the Judiciary: Business meeting to consider S. 3675, to amend chapter 11 of title 11, United States Code, to address reorganization of small businesses, S. 2888, to amend section 205 of title 18, United States Code, to exempt qualifying law school students participating in legal clinics from the application of the general conflict of interest rules under such section, S. 3767, to establish appropriate criminal penalties for certain knowing violations relating to food that is misbranded or adulterated, S. 3804, to combat online infringement, and the nominations of Kathleen M. O’Malley, of Ohio, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Federal Circuit, Beryl Elaine Howell, and Robert Leon Wilkins, both to be United States District Judge for the District of Columbia, Edward Milton Chen, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of California, Louis B. Butler, Jr., to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Wisconsin, John J. McConnell, Jr., to be

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Committee on Education and Labor, hearing on Protecting Student Athletes from Concussions Act, 10 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

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Program for Thursday: After the transaction of any morning business (not to extend beyond 10:30 a.m.), Senate will begin consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S.J. Res. 30, a joint resolution of disapproval regarding the National Mediation Board, and after a period of debate, vote on adoption of the motion to proceed at approximately 12:30 p.m., and if the motion to proceed is successful, Senate vote on passage of the joint resolution; following which, Senate will resume consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 3628, DISCLOSE 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 2:15 p.m.

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