

## SENATE COMMITTEE MEETINGS

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As an additional procedure along with the computerization of this information, the Office of the Senate Daily Digest will prepare this information for printing in the Extensions of Remarks section of the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD on Monday and Wednesday of each week.

Meetings scheduled for Tuesday, March 15, 2011 may be found in the Daily Digest of today's RECORD.

## MEETINGS SCHEDULED

MARCH 16

9 a.m.  
Foreign Relations  
To receive a closed briefing on Libya.  
SVC-217

9:30 a.m.  
Veterans' Affairs  
To hold joint hearings to examine the legislative presentations from AMVETS, Jewish War Veterans, Military Officers Association of America, Gold Star Wives, Blinded Veterans Association, Non Commissioned Officers Association, Iraq and Afghanistan Veterans of America, Fleet Reserve Association.  
SDG-50

10 a.m.  
Budget  
To hold a joint hearing with the Task Force on Government Performance to examine modernizing performance, focusing on using the new framework.  
SD-608

Commerce, Science, and Transportation  
To hold hearings to examine the state of online consumer privacy.  
SR-253

Environment and Public Works  
To hold hearings to examine the report to the President from the National Commission on the BP Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill and Offshore Drilling.  
SD-406

Finance  
To hold hearings to examine health reform, focusing on lessons learned during the first year.  
SD-215

Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions  
Organizational business meeting to consider subcommittee assignments and any pending nominations.  
SD-430

Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs  
Business meeting to consider an original bill entitled, "Supporting Employee Competency and Updating Readiness Enhancements for (SECURE) Facilities Act of 2011", S. 550, to improve the provision of assistance to fire departments, an original bill entitled, "Electronic Rulemaking Improvement Act of 2011", S. 531, to amend section 5542 of

title 5, United States Code, to provide that any hours worked by Federal firefighters under a qualified trade-of-time arrangement shall be excluded for purposes of determinations relating to overtime pay, S. 300, to prevent abuse of Government charge cards, S. 498, to ensure objective, independent review of task and delivery orders, S. 191, to direct the Department of Homeland Security to undertake a study on emergency communications, S. 514, to amend chapter 21 of title 5, United States Code, to provide that fathers of permanently disabled or deceased veterans shall be included with mothers of such veterans as preference eligibles for treatment in the civil service, and the nominations of Heather A. Higginbottom, of the District of Columbia, to be Deputy Director of the Office of Management and Budget, Executive Office of the President, and Carolyn N. Lerner, of Maryland, to be Special Counsel, Office of Special Counsel.  
SD-342

10:15 a.m.  
Foreign Relations  
To hold hearings to examine the nomination of Joseph M. Torsella, of Pennsylvania, to be Representative to the United Nations for U.N. Management and Reform, with the rank of Ambassador, Department of State.  
SD-419

10:30 a.m.  
Appropriations  
Department of Defense Subcommittee  
To hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2012 for the Department of the Navy.  
SD-192

2 p.m.  
Appropriations  
Department of the Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies Subcommittee  
To hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2012 for the Environmental Protection Agency.  
SD-124

Aging  
To hold hearings to examine securities lending in retirement plans.  
SH-216

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe  
To hold hearings to examine Northern Ireland, focusing on justice in individual cases and accountability for past abuses by security services in the region.  
210, Cannon Building

2:30 p.m.  
Armed Services  
To receive a closed briefing on the updated National Intelligence Estimate on Iran and other related matters.  
SVC-217

Foreign Relations  
To receive a closed briefing on Afghanistan, focusing on progress and expectations.  
SVC-217

Judiciary  
To hold hearings to examine the nominations of Bernice Bouie Donald, of Tennessee, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Sixth Circuit, J. Paul Oetken, and Paul A. Engelmayer, both to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of New York, and Ramona Villagomez Manglona, to be Judge for the District Court for the Northern Mariana Islands.  
SD-226

MARCH 17

9:30 a.m.  
Armed Services  
To hold hearings to examine the Department of the Air Force in review of the Defense Authorization request for fiscal year 2012 and the Future Years Defense Program; with the possibility of a closed session in SVC-217 following the open session.  
SD-G50

Energy and Natural Resources  
To hold hearings to examine current global investment trends in clean energy technologies and the impact of domestic policies on that investment.  
SD-366

10 a.m.  
Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs  
Disaster Recovery Subcommittee  
To hold hearings to examine recouping improperly paid Federal assistance in the aftermath of disasters.  
SD-342

Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs  
To hold an oversight hearing to examine the Troubled Asset Relief Program (TARP), focusing on evaluating returns on taxpayer investments.  
SD-538

Environment and Public Works  
Clean Air and Nuclear Safety Subcommittee  
Green Jobs and the New Economy Subcommittee  
To hold joint hearings to examine the "Clean Air Act" and jobs.  
SD-406

Foreign Relations  
To hold hearings to examine popular uprisings in the Middle East, focusing on the implications for U.S. policy.  
SD-419

Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions  
To hold hearings to examine health insurance exchanges and ongoing state implementation of the "Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act".  
SD-430

Judiciary  
Business meeting to consider S. 216, to increase criminal penalties for certain knowing and international violations relating to food that is misbranded or adulterated, S. 222, to limit investor and homeowner losses in foreclosures, S. 410, to provide for media coverage of Federal court proceedings, and the nominations of James Michael Cole, of the District of Columbia, to be Deputy Attorney General, Department of Justice, Edward Milton Chen, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of California, John J. McConnell, Jr., to be United States District Judge for the District of Rhode Island, Goodwin Liu, of California, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit, Kevin Hunter Sharp, to be United States District Judge for the Middle District of Tennessee, Roy Bale Dalton, Jr., to be United States District Judge for the Middle District of Florida, and Claire C. Cecchi, to be United States District Judge for the District of New Jersey.  
SD-226

10:30 a.m.  
Commerce, Science, and Transportation  
Science and Space Subcommittee  
To hold hearings to examine investing in Federal research and development.  
SR-253

2 p.m.  
Appropriations  
Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies Subcommittee  
To hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2012 for the Food and Drug Administration.

closure programs in review of the Defense Authorization request for fiscal year 2012 and the Future Years Defense Program.

APRIL 5  
9:30 a.m.  
Armed Services  
To hold hearings to examine U.S. Northern Command and U.S. Southern Command in review of the Defense Authorization request for fiscal year 2012 and the Future Years Defense Program; with the possibility of a closed session in SVC-217 following the open session.  
SD-G50

Budget  
To hold hearings to examine the nomination of Heather A. Higginbottom, of the District of Columbia, to be Deputy Director of the Office of Management and Budget, Executive Office of the President.

Intelligence  
Closed business meeting to consider pending calendar business.

MARCH 29  
2:30 p.m.  
Armed Services  
Readiness and Management Support Subcommittee  
To hold hearings to examine Department of Defense efficiencies initiatives.

APRIL 6  
10 a.m.  
Veterans' Affairs  
To hold hearings to examine the nominations of Allison A. Hickey, of Virginia, to be Under Secretary for Benefits and Steve L. Muro, of California, to be Under Secretary for Memorial Affairs, both of the Department of Veterans Affairs.  
SR-418

Foreign Relations  
To hold hearings to examine the nominations of David Bruce Shear, of New York, to be Ambassador to the Socialist Republic of Vietnam, and Kurt Walter Tong, of Maryland, for the rank of Ambassador during his tenure of service as United States Senior Official for the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) Forum, both of the Department of State.

MARCH 30  
10:30 a.m.  
Veterans' Affairs  
To hold joint hearings to examine the legislative presentations from Paralyzed Veterans of America, Air Force Sergeants Association, Military Order of the Purple Heart, National Association of State Directors of Veterans Affairs, Wounded Warrior Project, Vietnam Veterans of America, The Retired Enlisted Association, American Ex-Prisoners of War.

APRIL 7  
9:30 a.m.  
Armed Services  
To hold hearings to examine U.S. Transportation Command and U.S. Africa Command in review of the Defense Authorization request for fiscal year 2012 and the Future Years Defense Program; with the possibility of a closed session in SVC-217 following the open session.  
SD-106

2:30 p.m.  
Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs  
To hold hearings to examine catastrophic preparedness, focusing on if FEMA is ready for the next big disaster.

2:30 p.m.  
Energy and Natural Resources  
Public Lands and Forests Subcommittee  
To hold hearings to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2012 for the National Park Service.

APRIL 12  
9:30 a.m.  
Armed Services  
To hold hearings to examine U.S. Pacific Command and U.S. Forces Korea in review of the Defense Authorization request for fiscal year 2012 and the Future Years Defense Program; with the possibility of a closed session in SH-219 following the open session.  
SD-106

Appropriations  
Legislative Branch Subcommittee  
To hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2012 for the Government Accountability Office (GAO), the Government Printing Office (GPO), and the Congressional Budget Office (CBO).

MARCH 31  
9:30 a.m.  
Armed Services  
To hold hearings to examine the Department of the Army in review of the Defense Authorization request for fiscal year 2012 and the Future Years Defense Program.

Armed Services  
Readiness and Management Support Subcommittee  
To hold hearings to examine military construction, environmental, and base

SD-366  
SD-G50