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**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 7:13 p.m., until 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday, March 16, 2011. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S1708.)

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

### SITUATION IN AFGHANISTAN

*Committee on Armed Services:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the situation in Afghanistan, after receiving testimony from Michele Flournoy, Under Secretary for Policy, and General David H. Petraeus, U.S. Army, Commander, International Security Assistance Forces NATO, both of the Department of Defense.

### BUSINESS MEETING

*Committee on Armed Services:* Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Michael Vickers, of Virginia, to be Under Secretary for Intelligence, and Jo Ann Rooney, of Massachusetts, to be Principal Deputy Under Secretary for Personnel and Readiness, both of the Department of Defense, and 252 nominations in the Army, Navy, Air Force, and Marine Corps.

### AMERICA'S HOUSING FINANCE MARKET

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the Administration's report to Congress, focusing on reforming America's housing finance market, after receiving testimony from Timothy Geithner, Secretary of the Treasury; and Shaun Donovan, Secretary of Housing and Urban Development.

### DEBT REDUCTION TASK FORCE

*Committee on the Budget:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the report of the Bipartisan Policy Center's Debt Reduction Task Force, after receiving testimony from former Senator Pete V. Domenici, and Alice M. Rivlin, both Co-Chair, both of the Bipartisan Policy Center Debt Reduction Task Force, Washington, DC.

### NASA'S POTENTIAL

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine realizing NASA's potential, focusing on programmatic challenges in the 21st century, after receiving testimony from Douglas R. Cooke, Associate Administrator, Exploration Systems Mission Directorate, William Gerstenmaier, Associate Administrator, Space Operations Mission Directorate, Leland D. Melvin, Associate Administrator, Education, Jaiwon Shin, Associate Administrator, Aeronautics Research Mission Directorate, Edward J. Weiler, Associate Administrator, Science Mission Directorate, and Woodrow Whitlow, Jr., Associate Administrator, Mission Support Directorate, all of National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

### SPENDING AND BUDGET DEFICITS

*Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:* Subcommittee on Federal Financial Management, Government Information, Federal Services, and International Security concluded a hearing to examine enhancing the President's authority to eliminate wasteful spending and reduce the budget deficit, after receiving testimony from Virginia A. McMurtry, Specialist in American National Government, and Todd B. Tatelman, Legislative Attorney, both of the Congressional Research Service, Library of Congress; Maya MacGuineas, Committee for a Responsible Federal Budget, Arlington, Virginia; and Thomas A. Schatz, Citizens Against Government Waste, Bethesda, Maryland.

### TRIBAL PROGRAMS BUDGET

*Committee on Indian Affairs:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2012 for Tribal Programs, after receiving testimony from Larry Echo Hawk, Assistant Secretary for Indian Affairs, Michael S. Black, Director, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Keith Moore, Director, Bureau of Indian Education, and Ray A. Joseph, Principal Deputy Special Trustee, Indian Affairs, all of the Department of the Interior; Yvette Roubideaux, Director, Indian Health Service, Department of Health and Human Services; W. Ron Allen, National Congress of American Indians, Sequim, Washington; Mary Jane Oatman-Wakwak, National Indian Education Association, Washington, DC; Earl Barbry, Tunica-Biloxi Tribe of Louisiana, Marksville, on behalf of the United South and Eastern Tribes, Inc. (USET); James Steele Jr., Affiliated Tribes of Northwest Indians (ATNI), Pablo, Montana; John Blackhawk, Winnebago Tribe, Winnebago, Nebraska; Michael Finley, Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation, Nespelam, Washington;

and Walter Dasheno, Pueblo of Santa Clara, Espanola, New Mexico.

### FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the “Freedom of Information Act,” focusing on ensuring transparency and accountability in the digital age, after receiving testimony from Miriam Nisbet, Director, Office of Government Information Services, National Archives and Records Administration; Melanie Pustay, Director,

Office of Information Policy, Department of Justice; Sarah Cohen, Duke University, Durham, North Carolina; and John D. Podesta, Center for American Progress Action Fund, and Tom Fitton, Judicial Watch, both of Washington, DC.

### BUSINESS MEETING

*Select Committee on Intelligence:* Committee ordered favorably reported the fiscal year 2011 Intelligence Authorization bill and the Committee Activities Report for the 111th Congress.

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# House of Representatives

## Chamber Action

**Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced:** 31 public bills, H.R. 1076–1106; 2 private bills, H.R. 1107–1108; and 8 resolutions, H.J. Res. 49–50; H. Con. Res. 30–31; and H.Res. 168–169, 171–172, were introduced. **Pages H1840–42**

**Additional Cosponsors:** **Pages H1843–44**

**Report Filed:** A report was filed today as follows:

H. Res. 170, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 839) to amend the Emergency Economic Stabilization Act of 2008 to terminate the authority of the Secretary of the Treasury to provide new assistance under the Home Affordable Modification Program, while preserving assistance to homeowners who were already extended an offer to participate in the Program, either on a trial or permanent basis; and providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 861) to rescind the third round of funding for the Neighborhood Stabilization Program and to terminate the program (H. Rept. 112–34). **Page H1840**

**Speaker:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Turner to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H1799**

**Recess:** The House recessed at 10:46 a.m. and reconvened at 12 noon. **Page H1804**

**Journal:** The House agreed to the Speaker’s approval of the Journal by voice vote. **Pages H1804, H1811**

**Adjournment Resolution:** The House agreed to H. Con. Res. 30, providing for a conditional adjournment of the House of Representatives and a conditional recess or adjournment of the Senate, by a yeand-nay vote of 232 yeas to 197 nays, Roll No. 180. **Pages H1810, H1825–26**

**Recess:** The House recessed at 12:58 p.m. and reconvened at 1 p.m. **Pages H1810–11**

**Additional Continuing Appropriations Amendments, 2011:** The House passed H.J. Res. 48, making further continuing appropriations for fiscal year 2011, by a recorded vote of 271 yeas to 158 noes, Roll No. 179. **Pages H1811–25**

Rejected the Critz motion to recommit the joint resolution to the Committee on Appropriations with instructions to report the same back to the House forthwith with an amendment, by a yeand-nay vote of 190 yeas to 239 nays, Roll No. 178. **Pages H1823–24**

H. Res. 167, the rule providing for consideration of the joint resolution, was agreed to by a yeand-nay vote of 241 yeas to 181 nays, Roll No. 177, after the previous question was ordered without objection. **Pages H1806–10**

**Committee Resignation:** Read a letter from Representative Marchant, wherein he resigned from the Committee on Financial Services, effective today. **Page H1826**

**Committee Elections:** The House agreed to H. Res. 168, electing certain Members to certain standing committees of the House of Representatives. **Page H1826**

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** Three yeand-nay votes and one recorded vote developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H1811, H1824, H1825, and H1825–26. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 6:03 p.m.