

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

### APPROPRIATIONS: FEDERAL RAILROAD ADMINISTRATION AND NATIONAL RAILROAD PASSENGER CORPORATION

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies concluded a hearing to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2012 for the Federal Railroad Administration and the National Railroad Passenger Corporation, after receiving testimony from Joseph C. Szabo, Federal Railroad Administrator, and Joseph H. Boardman, President and CEO, AMTRAK, both of the Department of Transportation.

### APPROPRIATIONS: UNITED STATES NORTHERN COMMAND AND UNITED STATES SOUTHERN COMMAND

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Department of Defense received a closed briefing on the proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2012 for the United States Northern Command and the United States Southern Command from Admiral James A. Winnefeld, Jr., USN, Commander, Northern American Aerospace Defense Command, and Commander, U.S. Northern Command, and General Douglas M. Fraser, USAF, Commander, U.S. Southern Command, both of the Department of Defense.

### EXPORT-IMPORT BANK

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* Committee concluded an oversight hearing to examine reauthorization of the Export-Import Bank of the United States, after receiving testimony from Fred P. Hochberg, President and Chairman, Export-Import Bank of the United States.

### ENERGY BILLS

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine S. 516, to extend outer Continental Shelf leases to accommodate permitting delays and to provide operators time to meet new drilling and safety requirements, S. 843, to establish outer Continental Shelf lease and permit processing coordination offices, S. 916, to facilitate appropriate oil and gas development on Federal land and waters, to limit dependence of the United States on foreign sources of oil and gas, and S. 917, to amend the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act to reform the management of energy and mineral resources on the Outer Continental Shelf, after receiving testimony from Ken Salazar, Secretary of the Interior; Admiral Thad W. Allen (Ret.), United States Coast Guard, Department of Defense, Burke, Vir-

ginia; Nancy G. Leveson, Massachusetts Institute of Technology Aeronautics and Astronautics Department, Cambridge; and W. Jackson Coleman, EnergyNorthAmerica, LLC, Washington, D.C.

### FINANCING INFRASTRUCTURE

*Committee on Finance:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine financing 21st century infrastructure, after receiving testimony from Joseph Kile, Assistant Director, Microeconomic Studies, Congressional Budget Office; Edward G. Rendell, former Governor of Pennsylvania, Washington, D.C., on behalf of Building America's Future; Matt Posner, Municipal Market Advisors, Chicago, Illinois; and Gabriel Roth, Chevy Chase, Maryland.

### STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS OF PAKISTAN AND THE REGION

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine strategic implications of Pakistan and the region, after receiving testimony from General James L. Jones, Jr., USMC (Ret.), former National Security Advisor, McLean, Virginia.

### BUSINESS MEETING

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 618, to promote the strengthening of the private sector in Egypt and Tunisia, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 954, to promote the strengthening of the Haitian private sector;

S. Con. Res. 15, supporting the goals and ideals of World Malaria Day, and reaffirming United States leadership and support for efforts to combat malaria as a critical component of the President's Global Health Initiative; and

The nominations of Daniel Benjamin Shapiro, of Illinois, to be Ambassador to Israel, Stuart E. Jones, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan, George Albert Krol, of New Jersey, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Uzbekistan, and Henry S. Ensher, of California, to be Ambassador to the People's Democratic Republic of Algeria, all of the Department of State, Mara E. Rudman, of Massachusetts, to be an Assistant Administrator of the United States Agency for International Development, Matthew Maxwell Taylor Kennedy, of California, and James A. Torrey, of Connecticut, both to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Overseas Private Investment Corporation, and Sim Farar, of California, and William J. Hybl, of Colorado, both to be a Member of the United States Advisory Commission on Public Diplomacy, and a promotion list in the Foreign Service.

**U.S. POSTAL SERVICE'S FINANCIAL CRISIS**

*Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:* Subcommittee on Federal Financial Management, Government Information, Federal Services, and International Security concluded a hearing to examine addressing the United States Postal Service's financial crisis, including a strategy needed to address the aging delivery fleet, after receiving testimony from Patrick R. Donahoe, Postmaster General and Chief Executive Officer, and David C. Williams, Inspector General, both of the United States Postal Service; Phillip Herr, Director, Physical Infrastructure Issues, Government Accountability Office; Margaret Cigno, Director, Office of Accountability and Compliance, Postal Regulatory Commission; Cliff Guffey, American Postal Workers Union, AFL-CIO, Shawnee, Oklahoma; Mark Strong, National League of Postmasters, Phoenix, Arizona; and Jerry Cerasale, Direct Marketing Association, Inc., Middletown, Connecticut.

**MEDICAL AND PUBLIC HEALTH PREPAREDNESS AND RESPONSE**

*Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine strengthening medical and public health preparedness and response, after receiving testimony from Nicole

Lurie, Assistant Secretary of Health and Human Services for Preparedness and Response, RADM, United States Public Health Service; Susan R. Cooper, Tennessee Department of Health Commissioner, Nashville; Colonel Robert P. Kadlec, USAF (Ret.), PRTM Management Consultants LLC, and Phyllis Arthur, Biotechnology Industry Organization, both of Washington, D.C.; and Michael R. Anderson, American Academy of Pediatrics, Cleveland, Ohio.

**IMPROVING BORDER SECURITY**

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on Immigration, Refugees and Border Security concluded a hearing to examine improving security and facilitating commerce at America's northern border and ports of entry, after receiving testimony from Alan Bersin, Commissioner, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, and John Morton, Assistant Secretary, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, both of the Department of Homeland Security.

**NOMINATION**

*Select Committee on Intelligence:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nomination of Lisa O. Monaco, of the District of Columbia, to be an Assistant Attorney General, Department of Justice, after the nominee testified and answered questions in her own behalf.

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## House of Representatives

***Chamber Action***

The House was not in session today. The House is scheduled to meet at 2 p.m. on Monday, May 23, 2011, pursuant to the provisions of H. Con. Res. 50.

***Committee Meetings***

No hearings were held.

***Joint Meetings***

No joint committee meetings were held.

**COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY,  
MAY 18, 2011**

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

**Senate**

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Department of Defense, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2012 for the Department of the Army, 10:30 a.m., SD-192.

Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2012 for the Department of Energy, 2:30 p.m., SD-192.

*Committee on Armed Services:* Subcommittee on Readiness and Management Support, to hold hearings to examine the current materiel readiness of U.S. Forces in review of the Defense Authorization Request for fiscal year 2012 and the Future Years Defense Program, 10 a.m., SR-232A.

Subcommittee on SeaPower, to hold hearings to examine Marine Corps acquisition programs 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, 2:30 p.m., SR-232A.

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* Subcommittee on Securities, Insurance and Investment, to hold hearings to examine the state of the securitization markets, 9:30 a.m., SD-538.