

**COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY,
NOVEMBER 7, 2013**

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Armed Services: To hold hearings to examine the impact of sequestration on the national defense; with the possibility of a closed session in SVC-217, following the open session, 9:30 a.m., SD-G50.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: To hold hearings to examine housing finance reform, focusing on essential elements to provide affordable options for housing, 10 a.m., SD-538.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Consumer Protection, Product Safety, and Insurance, to hold hearings to examine patent assertion entities, focusing on demand letters and consumer protection, 10 a.m., SR-253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: To hold an oversight hearing to examine the Draft Regional Recommendation regarding the Columbia River Treaty, 9:30 a.m., SD-366.

Committee on Foreign Relations: To hold hearings to examine the nominations of Heather Anne Higginbottom, of the District of Columbia, to be Deputy Secretary for Management and Resources, Sarah Sewall, of Massachusetts, to be Under Secretary for Civilian Security, Democracy, and Human Rights, and Richard Stengel, of New York, to be Under Secretary for Public Diplomacy, all of the Department of State, 11 a.m., SD-419.

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Oversight, Federal Rights and Agency Action, to hold hearings to examine rules delayed on auto safety and mental health, 1:30 p.m., SD-226.

House

No hearings are scheduled.