

## CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of October 20 through October 25, 2003

### Senate Chamber

On *Monday*, at 2 p.m., Senate will resume consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 1751, Class Action Lawsuits. At 5:15 p.m. Senate will consider and vote on the nomination of Margaret Catharine Rodgers, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Florida.

During the balance of the week, Senate may consider any other cleared legislative and executive business, including appropriation bills, conference reports and certain nominations, when available.

### Senate Committees

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

*Committee on Armed Services:* October 21, to hold a closed briefing regarding ongoing military operations and areas of key concern around the world, 9:30 a.m., SR-222.

October 23, Full Committee, business meeting to consider pending military nominations, 9:30 a.m., SR-222.

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* October 22, to hold hearings to examine counterterrorism initiatives in the terror finance program and organization of terror groups for funding and future U.S. responses, 10 a.m., SD-538.

October 23, Full Committee, to resume hearings to examine proposals for improving the regulation of the Housing GSEs, 10 a.m., SD-538.

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* October 22, to hold hearings to examine federal involvement in the regulation of the insurance industry, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

October 22, Subcommittee on Oceans, Fisheries and Coast Guard, to hold an oversight hearing on fisheries, 9:30 a.m., SR-428A.

October 23, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine Boeing, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

October 23, Subcommittee on Surface Transportation and Merchant Marine, to hold hearings to examine railroad shipper issues and S. 919, to amend title 49, United States Code, to enhance competition among and between rail carriers in order to ensure efficient rail service and reasonable rail rates, 2:30 p.m., SR-253.

*Committee on Environment and Public Works:* October 23, business meeting to consider S. 994, to protect human health and the environment from the release of hazardous substances by acts of terrorism, 9:30 a.m., SD-406.

*Committee on Finance:* October 21, to hold hearings to examine tax shelters, and the role of the Federal Government relative to the buying and selling of tax shelters, 10 a.m., SD-G50.

October 23, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine company owned life insurance, 2 p.m., SD-215.

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* October 21, to hold hearings to examine United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea, with Annexes, done at Montego Bay, Decem-

ber 10, 1982 (the "Convention"), and the Agreement Relating to the Implementation of Part XI of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982, with Annex, adopted at New York, July 28, 1994 (the Agreement"), and signed by the United States, subject to ratification, on July 29, 1994 (Treaty Doc.103-39), 9:30 a.m., SH-216.

October 21, Subcommittee on International Economic Policy, Export and Trade Promotion, to hold hearings to examine U.S. energy security relating to West Africa and Latin America, 2:30 p.m., SD-419.

October 22, Subcommittee on European Affairs, to hold hearings to examine Anti-Semitism in Europe, 2:30 p.m., SD-419.

October 23, Subcommittee on International Operations and Terrorism, to hold hearings to examine how to achieve the necessary security improvements in a global environment relating to the post-9/11 visa reforms and new technology, 9:30 a.m., SD-419.

*Committee on Governmental Affairs:* October 22, business meeting to consider pending calendar business, 10:30 a.m., SD-342.

*Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:* October 23, to hold hearings to examine federal and state role in pharmacy compounding and reconstitution, 10 a.m., SD-430.

*Committee on Indian Affairs:* October 22, to hold hearings to examine the nomination of David Wayne Anderson, of Minnesota, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Interior; to be followed by a business meeting to consider pending calendar business, 10 a.m., SR-485.

*Committee on the Judiciary:* October 21, to hold hearings to examine criminal terrorism investigations and prosecutions relating to national security, 10 a.m., SD-226.

October 22, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Janice R. Brown, of California, to be United States Circuit Judge for the District of Columbia Circuit, 10 a.m., SD-226.

*Select Committee on Intelligence:* October 22, to hold closed hearings to examine certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

October 23, Full Committee, to hold closed hearings to examine certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

*Special Committee on Aging:* October 20, to hold hearings to examine confronting family elder abuse, 1:30 p.m., SD-628.

### House Chamber

To be announced.

### House Committees

*Committee on Agriculture,* October 21, Subcommittee on Department Operations, Oversight, Nutrition, and Forestry, hearing to review the United States National Arboretum, 9:30 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

*Committee on Armed Services,* October 21, hearing on Operation Iraqi Freedom: Outside Perspectives, 8 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

October 21, Subcommittee on Readiness, hearing on Resetting and Reconstituting the Forces, 2 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

October 21, Subcommittee on Terrorism, Unconventional Threats and Capabilities, hearing on C41 Interoperability: New Challenges in 21st Century Warfare, 11 a.m., 2212 Rayburn.

*Committee on Financial Services*, October 20, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled "Government and Industry Efforts to Protect Our Money During Blackouts, Hurricanes, and Other Disasters," 2 p.m., 2128 Rayburn.

*Committee on Government Reform*, October 23, hearing entitled "Open for Business: Ensuring Employee and Customer Safety at the Former Brentwood Postal Facility," 1:30 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

*Committee on International Relations*, October 21, hearing on U.S.-China Ties: Reassessing the Economic Relationship, 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

October 21, Subcommittee on the Western Hemisphere, hearing on Challenges and Opportunities for U.S. Policy in the Western Hemisphere, 1:30 p.m., 2200 Rayburn.

*Committee on the Judiciary*, October 21, Subcommittee on Courts, the Internet, and Intellectual Property, hearing on H.R. 2723, Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals Judgeship and Reorganization Act of 2003, 2 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

*Committee on Resources*, October 21, Subcommittee on Forests and Forest Health, hearing on the following bills: H.R. 2907, Northern Arizona National Forest Land Exchange Act of 2003; and H.R. 3247, Trail Responsibility and Accountability for the Improvement of Lands Act of 2003, 10 a.m., 1334 Longworth.

October 21, Subcommittee on National Parks, Recreation and Public Lands, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 265, Mount Rainier National Park Boundary Adjustment Act of 2003; H.R. 280, National Aviation Her-

itage Area Act; H.R. 532, Rancho Corral de Tierra Golden Gate National Recreation Area Boundary Adjustment Act; H.R. 1014, Gateway Communities Cooperation Act; H.R. 1058, to provide for an exchange of certain private property in Colorado and certain Federal property in Utah; H.R. 1594, St. Croix National Heritage Area Study Act; H.R. 1618, Arabia Mountain National Heritage Area Act; H.R. 1629, Upper Missouri River Breaks Boundary Clarification Act; H.R. 1798, Upper Housatonic Valley National Heritage Area Act; H.R. 1862, Oil Region National Heritage Area Act; H.R. 1964, Highlands Stewardship Act; H.R. 2424, National Great Black Americans Commemoration Act of 2003; H.R. 2715, to provide for necessary improvements to facilities at Yosemite National Park; and S. 677, Black Canyon of the Gunnison National Park and Gunnison Gorge National Conservation Area Boundary Revision Act of 2003, 2 p.m., 1334 Longworth.

*Committee on Small Business*, October 20, hearing on the Offshoring of High-Skilled Jobs, Part II, 2 p.m., 2360 Rayburn.

October 21, Subcommittee on Rural Enterprise, Agriculture and Technology, hearing entitled "Challenges that Small Businesses Face Accessing Homeland Security Contracts," 10 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs*, October 21, Subcommittee on Health, hearing on the Department of Veterans Affairs physician and dentist compensation issues, 2 p.m., 334 Cannon.

*Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence*, October 21, executive, hearing on Middle East Issues, 2 p.m., H-405 Capitol.

*Select Committee on Homeland Security*. October 21, hearing entitled "Funding for First Responders: Ensuring That Federal Funds Are Distributed Intelligently," 10:30 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.