

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. It will meet at 12:30 p.m. on Monday, May 16 for Morning Hour debate and 2 p.m. for legislative business.

Committee Meetings

FREE TRADE—EFFECT OF DOMESTIC RESTRICTIONS

Committee on Government Reform: Held a hearing entitled “Domestic Source Restrictions Threaten Free Trade: What is the Federal Government Doing to Ensure a Level Playing Field in the Global Economy?” Testimony was from Benjamin H. Wu, Assistant Secretary, Technology and Acting Director, National Technical Information Service, Department of Commerce; Charles W. Freeman, II, Office of the U.S. Trade Representative; and public witnesses.

TSA’S SCREENING OF AIRLINE PILOTS

Committee on Homeland Security: Subcommittee on Economic Security, Infrastructure Protection, and Cybersecurity held a hearing entitled “The Transportation Security Administration’s Screening of Airline Pilots: Sound Security Practice or Waste of Scarce Resources?” Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of May 16 through May 21, 2005

Senate Chamber

On *Monday*, at 2 p.m., Senate will resume consideration of H.R. 3, Transportation Equity Act. At 5:30 p.m., Senate expects to vote on certain amendments.

On *Tuesday*, Senate will continue consideration of H.R. 3, Transportation Equity Act. Senate expects to vote on certain amendments and final passage of the bill.

During the balance of the week, Senate will consider any other cleared legislative and executive business.

Senate Committees

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Committee on Appropriations: May 17, Subcommittee on Legislative Branch, to hold hearings to examine the progress of the Capitol Visitor Center, 10:30 a.m., SD-138.

May 17, Subcommittee on Defense, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2006 for the Department of Defense, 2:30 p.m., SD-192.

May 19, Subcommittee on Interior and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2006 for the Environmental Protection Agency, 9:30 a.m., SD-124.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: May 17, to hold hearings to examine the current legal and regulatory requirements and industry practices for credit card issuers with respect to consumer disclosures and marketing efforts, 10 a.m., SD-538.

May 18, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine Regulation NMS, designed to strengthen our national market system for equity securities, focusing on recent market developments, 10 a.m., SD-538.

May 19, Full Committee, to continue hearings to examine Regulation NMS designed to strengthen our national market system for equity securities, focusing on recent market developments, 10 a.m., SD-538.

May 19, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Ben S. Bernanke, of New Jersey, to be a Member of the Council of Economic Advisers, 2 p.m., SD-538.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: May 17, to hold hearings to examine measures that have been taken since September 11, 2001, to secure our nation’s ports, focusing on the implementation of the Maritime Transportation Security Act and vulnerabilities that remain in the maritime transportation sector, 10 a.m., SR-253.

May 18, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nomination of David A. Sampson, of Texas, to be Deputy Secretary of Commerce, 10 a.m., SR-253.

May 18, Subcommittee on Science and Space, to hold hearings to examine human spaceflight, 10:30 a.m., SR-253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: May 17, business meeting to consider comprehensive energy legislation, 9:30 a.m., SD-366.

May 18, Full Committee, business meeting to consider comprehensive energy legislation, 9:30 a.m., SD-366.

May 19, Full Committee, business meeting to consider comprehensive energy legislation, 9:30 a.m., SD-366.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: May 17, Subcommittee on Clean Air, Climate Change, and Nuclear Safety, to hold closed hearings to examine nuclear security, 9:30 a.m., S-407, Capitol.

May 18, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine eco-terrorism, specifically examining the Earth Liberation Front (“ELF”) and the Animal Liberation Front (“ALF”), 9:30 a.m., SD-406.

May 19, Subcommittee on Fisheries, Wildlife, and Water, to hold an oversight hearing to examine the Endangered Species Act, 9:30 a.m., SD-406.