

*Expressing support for the designation and goals of “Hire a Veteran Week” and encouraging the President to issue a proclamation supporting those goals:* H. Con. Res. 125, to express support for the designation and goals of “Hire a Veteran Week” and encouraging the President to issue a proclamation supporting those goals; and **Pages H5638–40**

*Veteran-Owned Small Business Promotion Act of 2005:* H.R. 3082, amended, to amend title 38, United States Code, to require that 9 percent of procurement contracts entered into by the Department of Veterans Affairs be awarded to small business concerns owned by veterans. **Pages H5640–47**

Agreed to amend the title so as to read: “to amend title 38, United States Code, to make improvements to small business, memorial affairs, education, and employment programs for veterans, and for other purposes.” **Page H5647**

**Moment of Silence:** The House observed a moment of silence in remembrance of Officer Jacob J. Chestnut and Detective John M. Gibson of the United States Capitol Police who were killed in the line of duty defending the Capitol against an intruder armed with a gun on July 24, 1998. **Page H5648**

**Recess:** The House recessed at 4:50 p.m. and reconvened at 6:30 p.m. **Page H5647**

**Senate Messages:** Messages received from the Senate by the Clerk and subsequently presented to the House today appear on page H5570.

**Senate Referrals:** S. 2690 and S. 3187 were referred to the Committee on Government Reform and S. Con. Res. 112 was held at the desk. **Page H5681**

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** 3 yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H5647–48, H5648, H5649. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 12:30 p.m. and adjourned at 11:38 p.m.

## Committee Meetings

### BUSINESS ACTIVITY TAX SIMPLIFICATION ACT OF 2006

*Committee on Rules:* Granted, by voice vote, a closed rule providing 1 hour of debate in the House on H.R. 1956, Business Activity Tax Simplification Act of 2006, equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on the Judiciary. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule provides that the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on the Judiciary now printed in the bill shall be considered as adopted. Finally, the rule provides one motion to re-

commit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Chairman Sensenbrenner and Representatives Delahunt and Dicks.

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## COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY, JULY 25, 2006

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

### Senate

*Committee on Armed Services:* Sub committee on Airland, to hold hearings to examine the F–22A multiyear procurement proposal in review of the Defense Authorization Request for fiscal year 2007, 9:30 a.m., SR–222.

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* to hold hearings to examine regulation of hedge funds, 10 a.m., SD–538.

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* Subcommittee on Aviation, to hold an oversight hearing to examine the Joint Planning and Development Office, 10 a.m., SR–253.

*Committee on Finance:* Subcommittee on Health Care, to hold hearings to examine a decade of covering children relating to the State Children’s Health Insurance Program, 2:30 p.m., SD–215.

*Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:* Subcommittee on Oversight of Government Management, the Federal Workforce, and the District of Columbia, to hold hearings to examine the Department of Defense Supply Chain Management Plan, focusing on the extent to which the supply chain management improvement plan is integrated with other Department of Defense logistics strategies, concepts, and plans, and if the Department has identified valid performance metrics and data to use in monitoring initiatives and measuring progress, 10 a.m., SD–342.

Full Committee, business meeting to consider the nomination of Stephen S. McMillin, of Texas, to be Deputy Director of the Office of Management and Budget, 11 a.m., S–216, Capitol.

### House

*Committee on Energy and Commerce,* Subcommittee on Commerce, Trade, and Consumer Protection, hearing on H.R. 503, To amend the Horse Protection Act to prohibit the shipping, transporting, moving, delivering, receiving, possessing, purchasing, selling, or donation of horses and other equines to be slaughtered for human consumption, 2 p.m., 2322 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Health, hearing on How to Build a Payment System that Provides Quality, Efficient Care for Medicare Beneficiaries, 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

*Committee on Financial Services,* Subcommittee on Housing and Community Opportunity, hearing entitled “Changing Real Estate Market,” 2 p.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations and the Subcommittee on Intelligence, Information Sharing, and Terrorism Risk Assessment of the Committee on Homeland Security, joint hearing entitled “Terrorism Threats and the Insurance Market,” 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.