

Steven L. Stockton, Deputy Director, Civil Works, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers; Ruth A. Moore, Deputy Commissioner, Natural Resources and Water Quality, Department of Environmental Conservation, State of New York; and public witnesses.

IMPACTS OF BORDER SECURITY AND IMMIGRATION ON WAYS AND MEANS PROGRAMS

Committee on Ways and Means: Held a hearing on Impacts of Border Security and Immigration on Ways and Means Programs. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Health and Human Services: Wade F. Horn, Assistant Secretary, Children and Families; and Thomas A. Gustafson, Deputy Director, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services; Julie L. Myers, Assistant Secretary, U.S. Immigration and Customs Reform, Department of Homeland Security; Mark W. Emerson, Commissioner, IRS, Department of the Treasury; Jo Anne B. Barnhart, Commissioner, SSA; and public witnesses.

INTELLIGENCE COMMUNITY ACQUISITION REFORM

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Met in executive session to hold a hearing on Intelligence Community Acquisition Reform. Testimony was heard from departmental witnesses.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D 838)

S. 655, to amend the Public Health Service Act with respect to the National Foundation for the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Signed on July 26, 2006. (Public Law 109–245)

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, JULY 27, 2006

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: Subcommittee on Forestry, Conservation, and Rural Revitalization, to hold an oversight hearing to examine the Department of Agriculture's use of technical service providers, 10 a.m., SR–328A.

Committee on Armed Services: to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Lieutenant General James T. Conway, USMC, for appointment to the grade of general and to be Commandant of the Marine Corps, 10 a.m., SR–222.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: to hold a hearing to examine pending nominations, 11 a.m., SR–253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Water and Power, to hold hearings to examine S. 3638, to encourage the Secretary of the Interior to participate in projects to plan, design, and construct water

supply projects and to amend the Reclamation Wastewater and Groundwater Study and Facilities Act to encourage the design, planning, and construction of projects to treat impaired surface water, reclaim and reuse impaired groundwater, and provide brine disposal in the State of California, S. 3639, to amend the Reclamation Wastewater and Groundwater Study and Facilities Act to provide standards and procedures for the review of water reclamation and reuse projects, H.R. 177, to amend the Reclamation Wastewater and Groundwater Study and Facilities Act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to participate in the Prado Basin Natural Treatment System Project, to authorize the Secretary to carry out a program to assist agencies in projects to construct regional brine lines in California, to authorize the Secretary to participate in the Lower Chino Dairy Area desalination demonstration and reclamation project, H.R. 2341, to amend the Reclamation Wastewater and Groundwater Study and Facilities Act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to participate in the design, planning, and construction of a project to reclaim and reuse wastewater within and outside of the service area of the City of Austin Water and Wastewater Utility, Austin, Texas, and H.R. 3418, to amend the Reclamation Wastewater and Groundwater Study and Facilities Act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to participate in the Central Texas Water Recycling and Reuse Project, 2:30 p.m., SD–366.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: to hold hearings to examine a path forward for the nation's emergency preparedness and response system relating to the Stafford Act, 9:30 a.m., SD–406.

Committee on Finance: business meeting to consider proposed legislation implementing the U.S.-Peru Trade Promotion Agreement, and S. 3495, to authorize the extension of nondiscriminatory treatment (normal trade relations treatment) to the products of Vietnam, 10 a.m., SD–215.

Committee on Foreign Relations: to hold hearings to examine the nominations of John Robert Bolton, of Maryland, to be the U.S. Representative to the United Nations, with the rank and status of Ambassador, and the U.S. Representative in the Security Council of the United Nations, to which position he was appointed during the recess of the Senate from July 29, 2005, to September 1, 2005, and to be U.S. Representative to the Sessions of the General Assembly of the United Nations during his tenure of service as U.S. Representative to the United Nations, to which position he was appointed during the recess of the Senate from July 29, 2005, to September 1, 2005, 9:30 a.m., SH–216.

Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Richard W. Graber, of Wisconsin, to be Ambassador to the Czech Republic, and Karen B. Stewart, of Florida, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Belarus, 2:30 p.m., SD–419.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: to hold hearings to examine S. 3128, to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to provide for uniform food safety warning notification requirements, 10 a.m., SD–430.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: business meeting to consider S. 1838, to provide for the sale, acquisition, conveyance, and exchange of certain real property in the District of Columbia to facilitate the utilization, development, and redevelopment of such property, S. 3721, to amend the Homeland Security Act of

2002 to establish the United States Emergency Management Authority, S. 2590, to require full disclosure of all entities and organizations receiving Federal funds, S. 3613, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 2951 New York Highway 43 in Averill Park, New York, as the "Major George Quamo Post Office Building", H.R. 4246, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 8135 Forest Lane in Dallas, Texas, as the "Dr. Robert E. Price Post Office Building", H.R. 4962, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 100 Pitcher Street in Utica, New York, as the "Captain George A. Wood Post Office Building", H.R. 5104, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1750 16th Street South in St. Petersburg, Florida, as the "Morris W. Milton Post Office", H.R. 5169, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1310 Highway 64 NW. in Ramsey, Indiana, as the "Wilfred Edward 'Cousin Willie' Sieg, Sr. Post Office", H.R. 5540, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 217 Southeast 2nd Street in Dimmitt, Texas, as the "Sergeant Jacob Dan Dones Post Office", H.R. 4646, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 7320 Reseda Boulevard in Reseda, California, as the "Coach John Wooden Post Office Building", S. 2555, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 2633 11th Street in Rock Island, Illinois, as the "Lane Evans Post Office Building", S. 2719 and H.R. 5107, bills to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1400 West Jordan Street in Pensacola, Florida, as the "Earl D. Hutto Post Office Building", H.R. 4811, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 215 West Industrial Park Road in Harrison, Arkansas, as the "John Paul Hammerschmidt Post Office Building", and the nominations of Paul A. Denett, of Virginia, to be Administrator for Federal Procurement Policy, Anna Blackburne-Rigsby, to be Associate Judge of the District of Columbia Court of Appeals, Phyllis D. Thompson, to be Associate Judge of the District of Columbia Court of Appeals, Jennifer M. Anderson, of the District of Columbia, to be an Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia, and Mickey D. Barnett, of New Mexico, Katherine C. Tobin, of New York, and Ellen C. Williams, of Kentucky, each to be a Governor of the United States Postal Service, 10 a.m., SD-342.

Subcommittee on Federal Financial Management, Government Information, and International Security, to hold hearings to examine the Health Resources and Services Administration financial management of its budget in carrying out its mission to increase access to and quality of health care, 2:30 p.m., SD-342.

Committee on the Judiciary: business meeting to consider the nominations of Kimberly Ann Moore, of Virginia, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Federal Circuit, Frances Marie Tydingco-Gatewood, to be Judge for the District Court of Guam, and Steven G. Bradbury, of Maryland, to be Assistant Attorney General for the Office of Legal Counsel, and R. Alexander Acosta, to be United States Attorney for the Southern District of Florida, both of the Department of Justice, S. 2453, to establish procedures for the review of electronic surveillance programs, S. 2455, to provide in statute for the conduct of electronic surveillance of suspected terrorists for the purposes of protecting the American people, the Nation, and its interests from terrorist attack while ensuring that the

civil liberties of United States citizens are safeguarded, S. 2468, to provide standing for civil actions for declaratory and injunctive relief to persons who refrain from electronic communications through fear of being subject to warrantless electronic surveillance for foreign intelligence purposes, S. 3001, to ensure that all electronic surveillance of United States persons for foreign intelligence purposes is conducted pursuant to individualized court-issued orders, to streamline the procedures of the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act of 1978, S. 2831, to guarantee the free flow of information to the public through a free and active press while protecting the right of the public to effective law enforcement and the fair administration of justice, S. 155, to increase and enhance law enforcement resources committed to investigation and prosecution of violent gangs, to deter and punish violent gang crime, to protect law-abiding citizens and communities from violent criminals, to revise and enhance criminal penalties for violent crimes, to reform and facilitate prosecution of juvenile gang members who commit violent crimes, to expand and improve gang prevention programs, S. 1845, to amend title 28, United States Code, to provide for the appointment of additional Federal circuit judges, to divide the Ninth Judicial Circuit of the United States into 2 circuits, S. 2679, to establish an Unsolved Crimes Section in the Civil Rights Division of the Department of Justice, and an Unsolved Civil Rights Crime Investigative Office in the Civil Rights Unit of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, and other committee matters, 10:45 a.m., SD-226.

Subcommittee on Terrorism, Technology and Homeland Security, to hold hearings to examine detecting smuggled nuclear weapons, 2:30 p.m., SD-226.

Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship: business meeting to mark up an original bill to reauthorize the Small Business Administration, 10 a.m., SR-428A.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: business meeting to consider the nominations of Patrick W. Dunne, of New York, to be Assistant Secretary for Policy and Planning, and Thomas E. Harvey, of New York, to be Assistant Secretary for Congressional Affairs, both of the Department of Veterans Affairs, Time to be announced, Room to be announced.

Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Patrick W. Dunne, of New York, to be Assistant Secretary of Veterans Affairs for Policy and Planning, and Thomas E. Harvey, of New York, to be Assistant Secretary of Veterans Affairs for Congressional Affairs, 10 a.m., SR-418.

Select Committee on Intelligence: to hold closed hearings to examine the nomination of Randall M. Fort, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of State for Intelligence and Research, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

Special Committee on Aging: to hold hearings to examine at home DNA tests, focusing on whether these should be considered a marketing scam or a medical breakthrough, 10 a.m., SD-106.

House

Committee on Agriculture, hearing and markup of 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; and to consider H.R. 3849, PIC and POPs Conventions and the LRTAP POPs Protocol Implementation Act.

Subcommittee on Conservation, Credit, Rural Development, and Research, hearing to review Conservation Issues, 1 p.m., 1300 Longworth.

Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Homeland Security, hearing on Border Security and Immigration Enforcement, 10 a.m., 2359 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Science, the Departments of State, Justice, and Commerce, and Related Agencies, hearing on the Census, 9:30 a.m., H-309 Capitol.

Committee on Education and the Workforce, hearing on No Child Left Behind: Can Growth Models Ensure Improved Education for All Students, 10 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, Subcommittee on Health to continue hearings on How to Build a Payment System that Provides Quality, Efficient Care for Medicare Beneficiaries. Testimony was heard from

Subcommittee on Energy and Air Quality, hearing on the following: Pipeline Safety Improvement Act Reauthorization; and H.R. 5872, Pipeline Safety Improvement Act of 2006, 11 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, to continue hearings entitled "Questions Surrounding the 'Hockey Stick' Temperature Studies: Implications for Climate Change Assessments," 2 p.m., 2322 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, Subcommittee on Domestic and International Monetary Policy, Trade, and Technology, hearing entitled "Review of the Repatriation of Holocaust Art Assets in the United States," 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Government Reform, hearing entitled "Code Yellow: Is The DHS Acquisition Bureaucracy a Formula for Disaster?" 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Energy and Resources, hearing entitled "Royalty Relief and Price Thresholds III," 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on Homeland Security, to mark up H.R. 5695, Chemical Facility Anti-Terrorism Act of 2006, 10 a.m., 210 Cannon.

Committee on House Administration, to mark up H.R. 2134, Commission to Study the Potential Creation of a National Museum of the American Latino Community Act of 2005; followed by an oversight hearing on the Library of Congress.

Committee on International Relations, Subcommittee on Africa, Human Rights and International Operations, hearing to Review the Progress and Charting the Path Ahead: the Microenterprise Results and Accountability Act of 2004, 2 p.m., 2200 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Western Hemisphere, hearing on the Report of the Commission for Assistance to a Free Cuba, 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on Courts, the Internet, and Intellectual Property, hearing on H.R. 5055, To amend title 17, United States Code, to provide

protection for fashion design, 9 a.m., and to mark up H.R. 5418, To establish a pilot program in certain United States district courts to encourage enhancement of expertise in patent cases among district judges, 10:30 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Immigration, Border Security and Claims, oversight hearing on Whether Attempted Implementation of the Senate Immigration Bill Will Result in an Administrative and National Security Nightmare, 11:30 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Resources, Subcommittee on Fisheries and Oceans, oversight hearing to Examine Atlantic Striped Bass Conservation and Management, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Subcommittee on Forests and Forest Health, hearing on the following bills: H.R. 5760, Giant Sequoia National Monument Transition Act of 2006; H.R. 5149, Eastern Sierra Rural Heritage and Economic Enhancement Act; H.R. 4784, Eugene Land Conveyance Act; H.R. 4235, Browns Canyon Wilderness Act; H.R. 2718, Idaho Land Enhancement Act; H.R. 2039, and S. 225, Federal Land Recreational Visitor Protection Act of 2005, 1334 Longworth.

Subcommittee on Water and Power, hearing on the following bills: H.R. 630, To authorize the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain Federal lands to the City of Yuma, Arizona, in exchange for certain lands owned by the City of Yuma, Arizona; H.R. 5666, Southern Idaho Bureau of Reclamation Act of 2006; H.R. 5796, To direct the Secretary of the Interior to exclude and defer from the pooled reimbursable costs of the Central Valley Project the reimbursable capital costs of the unused capacity of the Folsom South Canal, Auburn-Folsom South Unit, Central Valley Project, and S. 895, Rural Water Supply Act of 2005, 10 a.m., 1334 Longworth.

Committee on Science, Subcommittee on Environment, Technology and Standards, hearing on Undersea Research and Ocean Exploration: H.R. 3835, National Ocean Exploration Program Act, 2 p.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Ways and Means, Subcommittee on Health, hearing on Emergency Care, 10 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, executive, briefing on Global Updates/Hotspots, 9 a.m., H-405 Capitol.

Hearing on FISA legislation, 1 p.m., 2212 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Intelligence Policy, executive, hearing on U.S.-Russian Strategic Considerations, 4 p.m., H-405 Capitol.

Joint Meetings

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe: to hold hearings to examine how the United States Government can live up to its commitment to promote human rights and democratic governance in Russia while preserving a relationship with Moscow, 1 p.m., SD-562.