

NOAA'S GEOSTATIONARY WEATHER SYSTEM OVERSIGHT

Committee on Science and Technology: Subcommittee on Energy and Environment continued hearings on Oversight of NOAA's Geostationary Weather Satellite System. Testimony was heard from the following officials of NOAA, Mary Ellen Kicza, Assistant Administrator, Satellite and Information Services; and George Morrow, Director, Flight Projects Directorate, Goddard Space Flight Center; and David Powner, Director, Information Technology Management Issues, GAO.

STIMULATING INNOVATION AT SMALL HIGH-TECH BUSINESSES-ROLE OF THE SBIR AND STTR PROGRAMS

Committee on Science and Technology: Subcommittee on Technology and Innovation held a hearing on the Role of the SBIR and STTR Programs in Stimulating Innovation at Small High-Tech Businesses. Testimony was heard from Sally Rocky, Acting Deputy Director, Extramural Research, NIH, Department of Health and Human Services; and public witnesses.

COMBAT PTSD ACT

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs held a hearing on H.R. 952, COMBAT PTSD Act. Testimony was heard from Bradley G. Mayes, Director, Compensation and Pension Service, Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs; and representatives of veterans organizations.

VA NON-COMPETITIVE CONTRACTS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity held a hearing on VA Non-competitive Contracts. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the SBA: Shawne Carter McGibbon, Acting Chief Counsel, Office of Advocacy; and Joseph Jordan, Associate Administrator, Government Contracting and Business Development; Jan R. Frye, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Acquisition and Logistics, Department of Veterans Affairs; representatives of veterans organizations; and public witnesses.

AMERICAN RECOVERY AND REINVESTMENT ACT-IMPLEMENTATION AND IMPACT

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Income Security and Family Support held a hearing to review the implementation and impact of the unemployment insurance provisions included in the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009. Testimony was heard from Ray Uhalde, Senior Advisor to the Secretary, Department of Labor; Michael L. Thurmond, Commissioner, Department of Labor, State of Georgia; Joseph Walsh, Deputy Director, Iowa Workforce Development, State of Iowa; and public witnesses.

Joint Meetings

TARP

Joint Economic Committee: Committee concluded a hearing to examine a quarterly report by the Special Inspector General for the Troubled Asset Relief Program (TARP), after receiving testimony from Neil Barofsky, Special Inspector General, Troubled Asset Relief Program, Department of the Treasury.

BUSINESS MEETING

Joint Committee on the Library: Committee adopted its rules of procedure for the 111th Congress.

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Joint Committee on Printing: Committee adopted its rules of procedure for the 111th Congress.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY, APRIL 24, 2009

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

House

Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies, on Base Posture and Supplemental Request, 9:30 a.m., 2350 Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, Subcommittee on Energy and Environment, to continue hearings on the American Clean Energy Security Act of 2009, 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.