

HEALTH REFORM

Committee on Small Business: Held a hearing entitled “Common Ground: Finding Consensus on Health Reform, the Small Business Perspective.” Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

WATER/ENVIRONMENT AGENCY BUDGETS

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment held a hearing on Agency Budgets and Priorities for FY 2010. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the EPA; Michael Shapiro, Acting Assistant Administrator, Office of Water; and Barry Breen, Acting Assistant Administrator, Office of Solid Waste and Emergency Response; David White, Chief, Natural Resources Conservation Service, USDA; Collister Johnson, Jr., Administrator, Saint Lawrence Seaway Development Corporation, Department of Transportation; John H. Dunnigan, Assistant Administrator, National Ocean Service, NOAA, Department of Commerce; and John M. Thomas III, Vice President and Controller, Financial Services, TVA.

ENDING VETERANS HOMELESSNESS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Held a hearing on a National Commitment to End Veterans Homelessness. Testimony was heard from Peter H. Dougherty, Director, Homeless Veterans Programs, Department of Veterans Affairs; John M. McWilliam, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Veterans' Employment and Training Service, Department of Labor; representatives of veterans organizations; and public witnesses.

VETERANS LEGISLATION

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs approved for full Committee action the following bills: H.R. 952, as amended, COMBAT PTSD Act; and H.R. 2270, Benefits for Qualified World War II Veterans Act of 2009.

HUMAN CAPITAL

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Met in executive session to hold a hearing on Human Capital. Testimony was heard from LTG John F. Kimmons, USA, Deputy Chief of Staff, Intelligence, Department of the Army; and the following officials of the Office of the Director of National Intelligence: Ron Sanders, Associate Director, National Intelligence for Human Capital; and Patricia Taylor, Chief, Intelligence Community EEO and Diversity.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D614)

H.R. 131, to establish the Ronald Reagan Centennial Commission. Signed on June 2, 2009. (Public Law 111–25)

**COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY,
JUNE 4, 2009**

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: to hold hearings to examine regulatory reform and derivatives markets, 2 p.m., SR–328A.

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2010 for the Federal Bureau of Investigation, to be followed by a closed session at 11:15 a.m. in SVC–217, 9:30 a.m., SD–192.

Subcommittee on Defense, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2010 for the Department of the Air Force, 10:30 a.m., SD–138.

Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2010 for the Department of Agriculture, 2 p.m., SD–192.

Subcommittee on Legislative Branch, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2010 for the Library of Congress and the Open World Leadership Center, 2:30 p.m., SD–138.

Committee on Armed Services: to hold hearings to examine the Defense Authorization request for fiscal year 2010 and the Future Years Defense Program for the Department of the Navy; to be possibly followed by a closed session in SVC–217, 9:30 a.m., SH–216.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Herbert M. Allison, Jr., of Connecticut, to be Assistant Secretary of the Treasury for Financial Stability, 9:30 a.m., SD–538.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: business meeting to consider pending energy legislation, 9:30 a.m., SD–366.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: business meeting to consider the nominations of Peter Silva, of California, to be Assistant Administrator for Water, and Stephen Alan Owens, of Arizona, to be Assistant Administrator for Prevention, Pesticides, and Toxic Substances, both of the Environmental Protection Agency, Time to be announced, Room to be announced.

Committee on Foreign Relations: to hold hearings to examine challenges and opportunities for U.S.-China cooperation on climate change, 10 a.m., SD–419.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Ad Hoc Subcommittee on Disaster Recovery, to hold hearings to examine a status report on emergency preparedness for the 2009 hurricane season, 2:30 p.m., SD–342.

Committee on the Judiciary: business meeting to consider S. 417, to enact a safe, fair, and responsible state secrets privilege Act, S. 257, to amend title 11, United States Code, to disallow certain claims resulting from high cost credit debts, S. 448 and H.R. 985, bills to maintain the free flow of information to the public by providing conditions for the federally compelled disclosure of information by certain persons connected with the news media, and the nominations of David F. Hamilton, of Indiana, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Seventh Circuit, Andre M. Davis, of Maryland, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Fourth Circuit, and Thomas E. Perez, of Maryland, to be Assistant Attorney General, Civil Rights Division, Department of Justice, 10 a.m., SD-226.

Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship: to hold hearings to examine SBIR and STTR reauthorization, focusing on ensuring a strong future for small business in federal research and development, 9:30 a.m., SR-428A.

Select Committee on Intelligence: to hold closed hearings to examine certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., S-407, Capitol.

House

Committee on Agriculture, Subcommittee on General Farm Commodities and Risk Management, hearing to review implications of the CFTC v. Zelener case, 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies, to mark up the Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies Appropriations for Fiscal Year 2010, 9 a.m., H140 Capitol.

Subcommittee on Transportation, and Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies, on the Secretary of Transportation, 10 a.m., 2359 Rayburn.

Committee on Armed Services, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing on Thinkers and Practitioners: Do Senior Professional Military Education Schools Produce Strategists? 10 a.m., 2212 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Terrorism Unconventional Threats and Capabilities, hearing on the Fiscal Year 2010 National Authorization Budget Request for the U.S. Special Operations Command, 1 p.m., 2212 Rayburn.

Committee on Education and Labor, hearing on Building on What Works at Charter Schools, 10 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, Subcommittee on Communications, Technology and the Internet, hearing on oversight of the Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers (ICANN), 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled "Commercial Sales of Military Technologies," 10 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, Subcommittee on Housing and Community Opportunity, hearing entitled "The Section 8 Voucher Reform Act," 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Foreign Affairs, Subcommittee on Africa and Global Health, hearing on Local and Regional Purchases: Opportunities to Enhance U.S. Food Aid, 10:30 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Asia, the Pacific and Global Environment, hearing on Agent Orange: What Efforts Are Being Made To Address The Continuing Impact of Dioxin in Vietnam? 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Management, Investigations, and Oversight, hearing entitled "The FY 2010 Budget for Departmental Management and Operations at DHS," 10 a.m., 311 Cannon.

Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on Commercial and Administrative Law, hearing on H.R. 1508, Sunshine in Litigation Act of 2009, 11 a.m., 2237 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights, and Civil Liberties, hearing on H.R. 984, State Secret Protection Act of 2009, 2 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security, hearing on Indigent Representation: A Growing National Crisis, 9:30 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Immigration, Citizenship, Refugees, Border Security and International Law, to mark up a measure to extend certain immigration programs, 3 p.m., 2237 Rayburn.

Committee on Natural Resources, Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources, oversight hearing entitled "Unconventional Fuels, Part I: Shale Gas Potential," 10 a.m., 1334 Longworth.

Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Public Lands and the Subcommittee on Insular Affairs, Oceans and Wildlife, joint oversight hearing on White-nose Syndrome: What's Killing Bats in the Northeast, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, to mark up the following measures: Government Accountability Office Improvement Act of 2009; H.R. 1345, District of Columbia Hatch Act Reform Act of 2009; H.R. 2392, Government Information Transparency Act; H. Res. 420, Celebrating the symbol of the United States Flag and supporting the goals and ideals of Flag Day; H. Res. 435, Celebrating Asian Pacific American Heritage Month; H.R. 2325, To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1300 Matamoros Street in Laredo, Texas, as the "Laredo Veterans Post Office;" H.R. 2422, To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 702 East University Avenue in Georgetown, Texas, as the "Lyle G. West Post Office Building;" and H.R. 2470, To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 19190 Cochran Boulevard FRNT in Port Charlotte, Florida, as the "Lieutenant Commander Roy H. Boehm Post Office Building," 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on Science and Technology, Subcommittee on Energy and Environment, hearing on a New Direction for Federal Oil Spill Research and Development, 2 p.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Small Business, Subcommittee on Contracting and Technology, hearing entitled "Legislative Initiatives to Strengthen and Modernize the SBIR and STTR programs." 10 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, to consider the following measures: H.R. 2093, Clean Coastal Environment and Public Health Act of 2009; H.R. 2650, Maritime Safety Act of 2009; H.R. 2651, Maritime

Workforce Development Act; H.R. 2652, Coast Guard Modernization Act; H.R. 2121, To provide for the transfer of certain Federal Property to the Galveston Historical Foundation; H.R. 1687, To designate the Federal building and United States Courthouse located at McKinley Avenue and Third Street, S. W., Canton, Ohio, as the "Ralph Regula Federal Office Building and United States Courthouse;" H.R. 2053, To designate the United States courthouse located at 525 Magoffin Avenue in El Paso, Texas, as the "Albert Armendariz, Sr., United States Courthouse;" H.R. 2498, To designate the Federal building located at 844 North Rush Street in Chicago, Illinois, as the "William O. Lipinski Federal Building;" H. Res. 410, Recognizing the numerous contributions of the recreational boating community and the boating industry to the continuing prosperity and affluence of the United States; H. Res. 472, Congratulating and saluting the seventieth anniversary of the Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association (AOPA) and their dedication to general aviation, safety and the important contribution general aviation provides to the United States; H. Res. 484, Expressing support for designation of June 10th as the "National Pipeline Safety Day;" " General Services Administration Section 11(b) resolutions, and other pending business, 11 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs, Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity, to mark up the following bills: H.R.

1037, Pilot College Work Study Programs for Veterans Act of 2009; H.R. 1098, Veterans' Worker Retaining Act of 2009; H.R. 1172, To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to include on the Internet website of the Department of Veterans Affairs a list of organizations that provide scholarships to veterans and their survivors; H.R. 1821, Equity for Injured Veterans Act of 2009; H.R. 1879, National Guard Employment Protection Act of 2009; and H.R. 2180, To amend title 38, United States Code, to waive housing loan fees for certain veterans with service-connected disabilities called to active service, 1 p.m., 340 Cannon.

Subcommittee on Health, to mark up H.R. 1211, Women Veterans Health Care Improvement Act; followed by a hearing on Meeting the Needs of Family Caregivers of Veterans, 10 a.m., 334 Cannon.

Committee on Ways and Means, Subcommittee on Oversight, hearing on IRS operations, the fiscal year 2010 budget proposals, and the 2009 tax return filing season, 10 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, executive, briefing on Intelligence Matters, 2 p.m., 304 HVC Capitol.

Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, executive, hearing on Intelligence Matters, 10 a.m., 304 HVC, Capitol.