

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

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H.J. Res. 40, to honor the achievements and contributions of Native Americans to the United States, and for other purposes. Signed on June 26, 2009. (Public Law 111–33)

H.R. 813, to designate the Federal building and United States courthouse located at 306 East Main Street in Elizabeth City, North Carolina, as the “J. Herbert W. Small Federal Building and United States Courthouse”. Signed on June 30, 2009. (Public Law 111–34)

H.R. 837, to designate the Federal building located at 799 United Nations Plaza in New York, New York, as the “Ronald H. Brown United States Mission to the United Nations Building”. Signed on June 30, 2009. (Public Law 111–35)

H.R. 2344, to amend section 114 of title 17, United States Code, to provide for agreements for the reproduction and performance of sound recordings by webcasters. Signed on June 30, 2009. (Public Law 111–36)

S. 407, to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for an increase, effective December 1, 2009, in the rates of compensation for veterans with service-connected disabilities and the rates of dependency and indemnity compensation for the survivors of certain disabled veterans, to codify increases in the rates of such compensation that were effective as of December 1, 2008, and for other purposes. Signed on June 30, 2009. (Public Law 111–37)

S. 615, to provide additional personnel authorities for the Special Inspector General for Afghanistan Reconstruction. Signed on June 30, 2009. (Public Law 111–38)

H.R. 1777, to make technical corrections to the Higher Education Act of 1965, and for other purposes. Signed on July 1, 2009. (Public Law 111–39)

S. 614, to award a Congressional Gold Medal to the Women Airforce Service Pilots (“WASP”). Signed on July 1, 2009. (Public Law 111–40)

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY

JULY 7, 2009

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Jonathan Steven Adelstein, of South Dakota, to be Administrator, Rural Utilities Service, Kevin W. Concannon, of Maine, to be Under Secretary for Food, Nutrition, and Consumer Services, and Evan J. Segal, of Pennsylvania, to be Chief Financial Officer, all of the Department of Agriculture, 10 a.m., SR–328A.

Committee on Appropriations: business meeting to mark up proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2010 for Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies, 3 p.m., SD–106.

Committee on Armed Services: to hold hearings to examine legal issues regarding military commissions and the trial of detainees for violations of the law of war, 9:30 a.m., SD–106.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Subcommittee on Housing, Transportation, and Community Development, to hold hearings to examine public transportation, focusing on a core climate solution, 9:30 a.m., SD–538.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Oceans, Atmosphere, Fisheries, and Coast Guard, to hold an oversight hearing to examine the United States Coast Guard, 10 a.m., SR–253.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: business meeting to consider the nominations of Colin Scott Cole Fulton, of Maryland, to be an Assistant Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, and Paul T. Anastas, of Connecticut, to be an Assistant Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, Time to be announced, Room to be announced.

Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine legislative tools used to move America toward a clean energy economy and reducing global warming pollution, 10 a.m., SD–406.

Committee on Foreign Relations: to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Timothy J. Roemer, of Indiana, to be Ambassador to India, Richard J. Schmierer, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Sultanate of Oman, and Gordon Gray, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Tunisia, all of the Department of State, 10 a.m., SD–419.

Full Committee, business meeting to consider the nominations of Christopher William Dell, of New Jersey, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Kosovo, Nancy J. Powell, of Iowa, to be Director General of the Foreign Service, Capricia Penavic Marshall, of the District of Columbia, to be Chief of Protocol, and to have the rank of Ambassador during her tenure of service, Maria Otero, of the District of Columbia, to be Under Secretary for Democracy and Global Affairs, and Philip L. Verveer, of the District of Columbia, for the rank of Ambassador during his tenure of service as Deputy Assistant Secretary for International Communications and Information Policy in the Bureau of Economic, Energy, and Business Affairs and United States Coordinator for International Communications and Information Policy, all of the Department of State, 2:15 p.m., S–116, Capitol.

Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Laurie Susan Fulton, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to Denmark, Louis B. Susman, of Illinois, to be Ambassador to the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, Charles H. Rivkin, of California, to be Ambassador to France, and to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador to Monaco, and Mark Henry Gitenstein, of the District of Columbia, to be Ambassador to Romania, all of the Department of State, 3 p.m., SD–419.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: business meeting to continue consideration of Affordable Health Choices Act, subcommittee assignments, and any pending nominations, 10 a.m., SR–325.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Subcommittee on Federal Financial Management, Government Information, Federal Services, and International Security, to hold hearings to examine the strengthening of United States-Pakistan relations, 2:30 p.m., SD–342.

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Antitrust, Competition Policy, and Consumer Rights, to hold hearings to examine if the Bowl Championship Series is in fair compliance with the Antitrust Law, 2:30 p.m., SD-226.

House

No committee meetings were held.

CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of July 7 through July 11, 2009

Senate Chamber

On *Tuesday*, at approximately 11 a.m., Senate will begin consideration of H.R. 2892, Homeland Security Appropriations Act.

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

Senate Committees

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Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: July 7, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Jonathan Steven Adelstein, of South Dakota, to be Administrator, Rural Utilities Service, Kevin W. Concannon, of Maine, to be Under Secretary for Food, Nutrition, and Consumer Services, and Evan J. Segal, of Pennsylvania, to be Chief Financial Officer, all of the Department of Agriculture, 10 a.m., SR-328A.

Committee on Appropriations: July 7, business meeting to mark up proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2010 for Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies, 3 p.m., SD-106.

July 8, Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development, business meeting to mark up proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2010 for Energy and Water Development, 10 a.m., SD-124.

July 8, Subcommittee on Financial Services and General Government, business meeting to mark up proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2010 for Financial Services and General Government, 1:30 p.m., SD-192.

Committee on Armed Services: July 7, to hold hearings to examine legal issues regarding military commissions and the trial of detainees for violations of the law of war, 9:30 a.m., SD-106.

July 9, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of General James E. Cartwright, for reappointment as the Vice Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff and reappointment to the grade of general, of the Marine Corps, and Admiral Robert F. Willard, for reappointment to the grade of admiral and to be Commander, Pacific Command, of the Navy, 9:30 a.m., SD-106.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: July 7, Subcommittee on Housing, Transportation and Community Development, to hold hearings to examine public transportation, focusing on a core climate solution, 9:30 a.m., SD-538.

July 8, Subcommittee on Financial Institutions, to hold hearings to examine the effects of the economic crisis on community banks and credit unions in rural communities, 2 p.m., SD-538.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: July 7, Subcommittee on Oceans, Atmosphere, Fisheries, and

Coast Guard, to hold an oversight hearing to examine the United States Coast Guard, 10 a.m., SR-253.

July 8, Full Committee, business meeting to consider S. 588, to amend title 46, United States Code, to establish requirements to ensure the security and safety of passengers and crew on cruise vessels, S. 649, to require an inventory of radio spectrum bands managed by the National Telecommunications and Information Administration and the Federal Communications Commission, S. 668, to reauthorize the Northwest Straits Marine Conservation Initiative Act to promote the protection of the resources of the Northwest Straits, S. 1194, to reauthorize the Coast Guard for fiscal years 2010 and 2011, and S. 1308, to reauthorize the Maritime Administration; to be immediately followed by a hearing to examine the nominations of Charles F. Bolden, Jr., of Texas, to be Administrator, Lori Garver, of Virginia, to be Deputy Administrator, both of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, Deborah A.P. Hersman, of Virginia, to be Chairman of the National Transportation Safety Board, Richard A. Lidinsky, Jr., of Maryland, to be a Federal Maritime Commissioner, and Polly Trottenberg, of Maryland, to be Assistant Secretary of Transportation for Transportation Policy, 2 p.m., SR-253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: July 9, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Wilma A. Lewis, of the Virgin Islands, to be an Assistant Secretary, and Robert V. Abbey, of Nevada, to be Director of the Bureau of Land Management, both of the Department of the Interior; and Richard G. Newell, of North Carolina, to be Administrator of the Energy Information Administration, Department of the Energy, 2 p.m., SD-366.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: July 7, business meeting to consider the nominations of Colin Scott Cole Fulton, of Maryland, to be an Assistant Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, and Paul T. Anastas, of Connecticut, to be an Assistant Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, Time to be announced, Room to be announced.

July 7, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine legislative tools used to move America toward a clean energy economy and reducing global warming pollution, 10 a.m., SD-406.

July 8, Subcommittee on Water and Wildlife, to hold hearings to examine threats to native wildlife species, 10 a.m., SD-406.

July 8, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Robert Perciasepe, of New York, to be Deputy Administrator, and Craig E. Hooks, of Kansas, to be an Assistant Administrator, both of the Environmental Protection Agency, 2:30 p.m., SD-406.

July 9, Subcommittee on Clean Air and Nuclear Safety, to hold an oversight hearing to examine the Environmental Protection Agency's clean air regulations, one year after the CAIR and CAMR federal court decisions, 10 a.m., SD-406.

Committee on Finance: July 8, to hold hearings to examine how climate change legislation relates to international trade considerations, 10 a.m., SD-215.

July 10, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nomination of William J. Wilkins, of the District of Columbia, to be Chief Counsel for the Internal Revenue Service and an Assistant General Counsel in the Department of the Treasury, 10 a.m., SD-215.

Committee on Foreign Relations: July 7, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Timothy J. Roemer, of Indiana, to be Ambassador to India, Richard J. Schmierer, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Sultanate of Oman, and Gordon Gray, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Tunisia, all of the Department of State, 10 a.m., SD-419.

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July 8, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Carlos Pascual, of the District of Columbia, to be Ambassador to Mexico, Arturo A. Valenzuela, of the District of Columbia, to be Assistant Secretary for Western Hemisphere Affairs, Kenneth H. Merten, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Haiti, and Thomas Alfred Shannon, Jr., of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Federative Republic of Brazil, all of the Department of State, 9 a.m., SD-419.

July 8, Subcommittee on European Affairs, to hold hearings to examine industrial competitiveness under climate policies, focusing on lesson from Europe, 2:30 p.m., SD-419.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: July 7, business meeting to continue consideration of Affordable Health Choices Act, subcommittee assignments, and any pending nominations, 10 a.m., SR-325.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: July 7, Subcommittee on Federal Financial Management, Government Information, Federal Services, and International Security, to hold hearings to examine the strengthening of United States-Pakistan relations, 2:30 p.m., SD-342.

July 8, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine reform in the Federal Protective Service, 10 a.m., SD-342.

Committee on the Judiciary: July 7, Subcommittee on Antitrust, Competition Policy and Consumer Rights, to hold hearings to examine if the Bowl Championship Series is in fair compliance with the Antitrust Law, 2:30 p.m., SD-226.

Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship: July 9, to hold hearings to examine health care reform, focusing

on the concerns and priorities from the perspective of small businesses, 10 a.m., SR-428A.

Select Committee on Intelligence: July 8, to receive a closed briefing on certain intelligence matters from officials of the intelligence community, 2:30 p.m., S-407, Capitol.

House Committees

Committee on Agriculture, July 9, Subcommittee on Rural Development, Biotechnology, Specialty Crops, and Foreign Agriculture, hearing to review rural broadband programs, 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

July 10, full Committee and the Committee on Financial Services, joint hearing to examine the regulation of over-the-counter (OTC) derivatives, 10 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

Committee on Appropriations, July 7, to mark up the Energy and Water Development, and Related Agencies and the Financial Services and General Development appropriations for fiscal year 2010, 7 p.m., 2359 Rayburn.

July 10, Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies, to mark up the 2010 appropriations for fiscal year 2009, 9 a.m., 2358-C Rayburn.

Committee on Armed Services, July 9, Defense Acquisition Reform Panel, hearing on challenges to effective acquisition and management of information technology systems, 8 a.m., 2212 Rayburn.

July 9, Subcommittees on Readiness, Air and Land Forces and Seapower and Expeditionary Forces, joint hearing on the status of Army and Marine Corps reset requirements, 9:30 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Committee on Education and Labor, July 8, Subcommittee on Early Childhood, Elementary and Secondary Education and the Subcommittee on Healthy Families and Communities, joint hearing on Strengthening School Safety through Prevention of Bullying, 10 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, July 8, Subcommittee on Commerce, Trade, and Consumer Protection, hearing to examine the Administration's proposal to create a new agency responsible for consumer protection with regard to financial products and services, 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

July 8, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled "Regulation of Bottled Water," 10 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, July 9, hearing on H.R. 3068, TARP for Main Street Act of 2009, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

July 9, Subcommittee on Domestic Monetary Policy and Technology, hearing entitled "Regulatory Restructuring: Balancing the Independence of the Federal Reserve Monetary Policy with Systemic Risk Regulation," 2 p.m., 2128 Rayburn.

July 10, full Committee and the Committee on Agriculture, joint hearing entitled "A Review of the Administration's Proposal to Regulate the Over-the-Counter Derivatives Market," 10 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

Committee on Foreign Affairs, July 8, hearing on Nuclear Cooperation with the United Arab Emirates: Review of the Proposed U.S.-UAE Agreement, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

July 9, Subcommittee on Terrorism, Nonproliferation, and Trade, hearing on The Export Administration Act: A Review of Outstanding Policy Considerations, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on Homeland Security, July 8, hearing on FEMA Housing: An Examination of Current Problems and Innovative Solutions, 10 a.m., 311 Cannon.

Committee on the Judiciary, July 8, Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights, and Civil Liberties, hearing on Legal Issues Surrounding the Military Commissions System, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

July 8, Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security, hearing on National Prison Rape Elimination Commission Report and Standards, 3 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

July 9, Subcommittee on Commercial and Administrative Law, hearing on Home Foreclosures: Will Voluntary Mortgage Modification Help Families Save Their Homes? 1 p.m., 2237 Rayburn.

July 9, Subcommittee on Courts and Competition Policy, hearing on Trends Affecting Minority Broadcast Ownership, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Natural Resources, July 8, Subcommittee on Insular Affairs, Oceans and Wildlife, hearing on the following bills: H.R. 1771, Chesapeake Bay Science, Education, and Ecosystem Enhancement Act of 2009; H.R. 1053, Chesapeake Bay Accountability and Recovery Act of 2009; and H.R. 905, Thunder Bay National Marine Sanctuary and Underwater Preserve Boundary Modification Act, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

July 8, Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Public Lands, hearing on the following bills: H.R. 481, North Country National Scenic Trail Route Adjustment Act of 2009; H.R. 685, United States Civil Rights Trail System Act of 2009; H.R. 1593, To amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to designate a segment of Illabot Creek in Skagit County, Washington, as a component of the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System; H.R. 2167, To authorize the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a study to assess the suitability and feasibility of designating certain lands as the Los Caminos del Rio National Heritage Corridor; and H.R. 2806, To authorize the Secretary of the Interior to adjust the boundary of the Stephen Mather Wilderness and the North Cascades National Park in order to allow the rebuilding of a road outside of the floodplain while ensuring that there is no net loss of acreage to the Park or the Wilderness, 10 a.m., 1334 Longworth.

July 9, full Committee, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 2314, Native Hawaiian Government Reorganization Act of 2009; H.R. 1061, Hoh Indian Tribe Safe Homelands Act; H.R. 715, Saguaro National Park Boundary Expansion and Study Act of 2009; H.R. 1376, Waco Mammoth National Monument Establishment Act of 2009; and H.R. 1121, Blue Ridge Parkway and Town of Blowing Rock Land Exchange Act of 2009, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, July 8, hearing entitled "Tracking the Money: Preventing Waste, Fraud, and Abuse of Recovery Act Funding," 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

July 8, Subcommittee on Federal Workforce, Postal Service and the District of Columbia, hearing to examine H.R. 2517, Domestic Partnership Benefits and Obligations Act of 2009, 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

July 8, Subcommittee on Government Management, Organization, and Procurement, hearing on Oversight of Federal Financial Management, 2 p.m., 2247 Rayburn.

July 9, full Committee, hearing on The Rise of the Mexican Drug Cartels and U.S. National Security, 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

July 9, Subcommittee on Information Policy, Census, and National Archives, hearing on Census Data and Its Use in Federal Formula Funding, 2 p.m., 2247 Rayburn.

July 10, full Committee, to hold a business meeting, 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on Rules, July 7, to consider the following bills: H.R. 2965, Enhancing Small Business Research and Innovation Act of 2009; and H.R. 2997, Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010, 5 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

July 8, to consider the following bills: H.R. 3081, Making appropriations for the Department of State, foreign operations, and related programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2010, and for other purposes; and H.R. 2701, Intelligence Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2010, 3 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

Committee on Science and Technology, July 8, Subcommittee on Technology and Innovation, hearing on the Reauthorization of the FIRE Grant Programs, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

July 9, Subcommittee on Energy and Environment, hearing on the Technology Research and Development Efforts to the Energy and Water Linkage, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Small Business, July 8, hearing entitled "The Looming Challenge for Small Medical Practices: The Projected Physician Shortage and How Health Care Reforms Can Address the Problem," 10 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

July 9, Subcommittee on Contracting and Technology, hearing entitled "Helping Small Business Innovators through the Research and Experimentation Tax Credit," 10 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, July 8, Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings, and Emergency Management, hearing on the General Services Administration's Fiscal Year 2010 Capital Investment and Leasing Program (CILP), 2 p.m., 2167 Rayburn.

July 9, Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation, hearing on The National Maritime Center and Mariner Credentials, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs, July 8, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing on Enforcement of VA's Brachytherapy Program Safety Standards, 1 p.m., 334 Cannon.

July 9, Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs, to mark up pending business, 2 p.m., 334 Cannon.

July 9, Subcommittee on Health, to mark up pending business, 10 a.m., 334 Cannon.

Joint Meetings

Joint Economic Committee: July 9, to hold hearings to examine commercial real estate, 10 a.m., 2226-RHOB.