

# Daily Digest

## HIGHLIGHTS

The House passed H.R. 3293, Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010.

## Senate

### Chamber Action

*Routine Proceedings, pages S8067–S8102*

**Measures Introduced:** Five bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1513–1517, S. Res. 223–224, and S. Con. Res. 35. **Page S8094**

#### Measures Reported:

S. 252, to amend title 38, United States Code, to enhance the capacity of the Department of Veterans Affairs to recruit and retain nurses and other critical health-care professionals, to improve the provision of health care veterans, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 111–60)

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#### Measures Passed:

**Authorizing Printing of the Pocket Version of the United States Constitution:** Senate agreed to S. Con. Res. 35, authorizing printing of the pocket version of the United States Constitution. **Page S8099**

**National Child Awareness Month:** Senate agreed to S. Res. 223, designating September 2009 as “National Child Awareness Month” to promote awareness of charities benefitting children and youth-serving organizations throughout the United States and recognizing efforts made by these charities and organizations on behalf of children and youth as critical contributions to the future of our Nation.

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**Indian Arts and Crafts Amendments Act:** Senate passed S. 151, to protect Indian arts and crafts through the improvement of applicable criminal proceedings. **Pages S8100–01**

**National Marina Day:** Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 215, designating August 8, 2009, as “National Marina Day”, and the resolution was then agreed to.

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**Korean War Veterans Recognition Act:** Senate passed H.R. 2632, to amend title 4, United States Code, to encourage the display of the flag of the United States on National Korean War Veterans Armistice Day, clearing the measure for the President.

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**Small Business Act and the Small Business Investment Act:** Senate passed S. 1513, to provide for an additional temporary extension of programs under the Small Business Act and the Small Business Investment Act of 1958.

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**Energy and Water Development Appropriations Act—Agreement:** A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that at approximately 3:00 p.m., on Monday, July 27, 2009, Senate begin consideration of H.R. 3183, making appropriations for energy and water development and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2010, and that immediately after the bill is reported, Senator Dorgan be recognized to offer a substitute amendment, the text of which is S. 1436, as reported by the Committee.

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**Amendment Modification—Agreement:** A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that notwithstanding the passage of S. 1390, National Defense Authorization Act, Casey Modified Amendment No. 1516, to provide certain requirements with respect to public-private competitions, be further modified with changes to the instruction line.

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**Printing Authority—Agreement:** A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that S. 1390, National Defense Authorization Act, as passed by the Senate on July 23, 2009, be printed.

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**Nominations Confirmed:** Senate confirmed the following nominations:

Kim N. Wallace, of Texas, to be a Deputy Under Secretary of the Treasury.

Jonathan Steven Adelstein, of South Dakota, to be Administrator, Rural Utilities Service, Department of Agriculture. (Prior to this action, Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry was discharged from further consideration.)

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.

Anthony W. Miller, of California, to be Deputy Secretary of Education.

Rosa Gumataotao Rios, of California, to be Treasurer of the United States.

Daniel M. Tangherlini, of the District of Columbia, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Treasury.

Daniel M. Tangherlini, of the District of Columbia, to be Chief Financial Officer, Department of the Treasury.

Polly Trottenberg, of Maryland, to be an Assistant Secretary of Transportation.

Anne Elizabeth Derse, of Maryland, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Lithuania.

Thelma Melendez de Santa Ana, of California, to be Assistant Secretary for Elementary and Secondary Education, Department of Education.

Kenneth H. Merten, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Haiti.

Harry R. Hoglander, of Massachusetts, to be a Member of the National Mediation Board for a term expiring July 1, 2011.

Donald Sternoff Beyer, Jr., of Virginia, to be Ambassador to Switzerland, and to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador to the Principality of Liechtenstein.

John R. Nay, of Michigan, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Suriname.

Vinai K. Thummalappally, of Colorado, to be Ambassador to Belize.

Nicole A. Avant, of California, to be Ambassador to the Commonwealth of The Bahamas.

Howard W. Gutman, of Maryland, to be Ambassador to Belgium.

Vilma S. Martinez, of California, to be Ambassador to Argentina.

Deborah A. P. Hersman, of Virginia, to be a Member of the National Transportation Safety Board for a term expiring December 31, 2013.

Deborah A. P. Hersman, of Virginia, to be Chairman of the National Transportation Safety Board for a term of two years.

Richard A. Lidinsky, Jr., of Maryland, to be a Federal Maritime Commissioner for the term expiring June 30, 2012.

Meredith Attwell Baker, of Virginia, to be a Member of the Federal Communications Commission for the remainder of the term expiring June 30, 2011.

Mignon L. Clyburn, of South Carolina, to be a Member of the Federal Communications Commission for a term of five years from July 1, 2007.

David H. Thorne, of Massachusetts, to be Ambassador to the Italian Republic, and to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador to the Republic of San Marino.

A routine list in the Foreign Service.

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**Nomination Received:** Senate received the following nomination:

Dennis F. Hightower, of the District of Columbia, to be Deputy Secretary of Commerce. **Page S8102**

**Messages from the House:** **Page S8093**

**Executive Communications:** **Pages S8093–94**

**Additional Cosponsors:** **Pages S8094–95**

**Statements on Introduced Bills/Resolutions:** **Pages S8095–99**

**Additional Statements:** **Page S8092**

**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 9:30 a.m. and adjourned at 2:03 p.m., until 2 p.m. on Monday, July 27, 2009. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S8102.)

## *Committee Meetings*

*(Committees not listed did not meet)*

No committee meetings were held.

# House of Representatives

## Chamber Action

**Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced:** 20 public bills, H.R. 3324–3325, 3327–3344; and 5 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 169; and H.Res. 676–679 were introduced. **Pages H8808–09**

**Additional Cosponsors:** **Pages H8809–10**

**Reports Filed:** Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 1121, to authorize a land exchange to acquire lands for the Blue Ridge Parkway from the Town of Blowing Rock, North Carolina, with an amendment (H. Rept. 111–227);

H.R. 1080, to strengthen enforcement mechanisms to stop illegal, unreported, and unregulated fishing, with an amendment (H. Rept. 111–228);

H.R. 1376, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to establish the Waco Mammoth National Monument in the State of Texas, with an amendment (H. Rept. 111–229);

H.R. 3326, making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2010 (H. Rept. 111–230); and

H. Res. 591, requesting that the President transmit to the House of Representatives all information in his possession relating to certain specific communications with and financial assistance provided to General Motors Corporation and Chrysler LLC, with an amendment (H. Rept. 111–231). **Page H8808**

**Speaker:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein she appointed Representative Blumenauer to act as Speaker Pro Tempore for today. **Page H8711**

**Privileged Resolution—Intent to Offer:** Representative King (IA) announced his intent to offer a privileged resolution. **Page H8713**

**Question of Privilege:** The Chair ruled that the resolution offered by Representative Price (GA) did not constitute a question of the privileges of the House. Agreed to the motion to table the appeal of the ruling of the Chair by a yea-and-nay vote of 238 yeas to 182 nays, Roll No. 638. **Pages H8723–25**

**Moment of Silence:** The House observed a moment of silence in honor 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 H8725**

**Suspensions—Proceedings Resumed:** The House agreed to suspend the rules and agree to the following measures which were debated on Wednesday, July 22nd:

*Supporting Olympic Day on June 23, 2009, and encouraging the International Olympic Committee to select Chicago, Illinois, as the host city for the 2016 Olympic and Paralympic Games:* H. Res. 538, amended, to support Olympic Day on June 23, 2009, and to encourage the International Olympic Committee to select Chicago, Illinois, as the host city for the 2016 Olympic and Paralympic Games;

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Agreed to amend the title so as to read: “Supporting Olympic Day and encouraging the International Olympic Committee to select Chicago, Illinois, as the host city for the 2016 Olympic and Paralympic Games.”.

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*Congratulating the people of the Republic of Lithuania on the 1000th anniversary of Lithuania and celebrating the rich history of Lithuania:* H. Res. 285, to congratulate the people of the Republic of Lithuania on the 1000th anniversary of Lithuania and to celebrate the rich history of Lithuania; and

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*Expressing appreciation to the people and Government of Canada for their long history of friendship and cooperation with the people and Government of the United States and congratulating Canada as it celebrates “Canada Day”:* H. Res. 519, to express appreciation to the people and Government of Canada for their long history of friendship and cooperation with the people and Government of the United States and to congratulate Canada as it celebrates “Canada Day”.

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**Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010:** The House passed H.R. 3293, making appropriations for the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2010, by a yea-and-nay vote of 264 yeas to 153 nays, Roll No. 646.

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A point of order was sustained against the Tiahrt motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Appropriations with instructions to report the same back to the House forthwith with amendments.

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Rejected the second Tiahrt motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Appropriations with instructions to report the same back to the House forthwith with amendments, by a recorded vote of 171 yeas to 248 noes, Roll No. 645. **Pages H8791–93**

Agreed to:

Issa amendment (No. 3 printed in H. Rept. 111–222) that prohibits the National Institute of Health (NIH) from funding three grants that research alcohol and substance use and the increased HIV risks they may raise among prostitutes in Thailand and China and hospitalized Russian alcoholics and

**Pages H8782–83**

Obey amendment (No. 1 printed in H. Rept. 111–222) that increases funding for the Careers Pathways Innovation Fund by \$5 million, offset by a \$5 million decrease to the funding for the Green Jobs Fund, both within the Training and Employment Services account in the Department of Labor; (2) increases funding for the Health Resources and Services Administration by \$1 million for the Emergency Medical Services for Children program, offset by a \$1 million decrease to the funding for Department of Labor Departmental Management; (3) increases funding for the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention National Center for Health Statistics by \$1 million to support the collection of vital statistics data, offset by a \$1 million decrease to the funding for HHS General Departmental Management; (4) makes a technical correction by inserting the legal citation (title IV of the Public Health Service Act) within the HHS Office of the Secretary for the Caroline Pryce Walker Conquer Childhood Cancer Act of 2008; (5) increases funding for Mathematics and Science Partnership program in the School Improvement Programs account of the Department of Education by \$5 million, offset by a reduction to the Fund for the Improvement of Education in the Innovation and Improvement account of the Department of Education; (6) provides \$6.965 million for the Reach Out and Read program within the Fund for the Improvement of Education in the Innovation and Improvement account of the Department of Education; (7) increases by \$10 million the funding that may be used for grants to charter management organizations to replicate successful charter models within the Charter School program under the Innovation and Improvement Account in the Department of Education; (8) provides \$1 million for Modeling and Simulation programs authorized under section 891 of the Higher Education Act in the Higher Education account in the Department of Education, offset by a reduction to the Fund for the Improvement of Education in the Innovation and Improvement account of the Department of Education; (9) includes a prohibition on the use of funds in this Act to purchase light bulbs unless the light bulbs are “Energy Star” qualified or have the “Federal Energy Management Program” designation; and (10) includes a prohibition on the use of funds in this Act for first-class travel by the employees of agencies funded by this Act in contravention of Federal travel

regulations (by a recorded vote of 284 ayes to 137 noes, Roll No. 641).

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Rejected:

Souder amendment (No. 2 printed in H. Rept. 111–222) that sought to prohibit funding for any program which distributes sterile needles or syringes for the hypodermic injection of any illegal drug (by a recorded vote of 211 ayes to 218 noes, Roll No. 642);

**Pages H8779–82, H8788–89**

Pence amendment (No. 4 printed in H. Rept. 111–222) that sought to provide that none of the funds in the bill be available to Planned Parenthood for any purpose under title X of the Public Health Services Act (Population Research and Voluntary Family Planning Programs) (by a recorded vote of 183 ayes to 247 noes, Roll No. 643); and

**Pages H8783–85, H8789–90**

Wittman amendment (No. 5 printed in H. Rept. 111–222) that sought to reduce appropriations in the bill by \$803,270,000 (by a recorded vote of 199 ayes to 229 noes, Roll No. 644).

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H. Res. 673, the rule providing for consideration of the bill, was agreed to by a yea-and-nay vote of 232 yeas to 187 nays, Roll No. 640, after agreeing to order the previous question by a yea-and-nay vote of 239 yeas to 181 nays, Roll No. 639.

**Pages H8713–23, H8725–26**

A point of order was raised against the consideration of H. Res. 673 and it was agreed to proceed with consideration of the resolution by voice vote.

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**Meeting Hour:** Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 12:30 p.m. on Monday, July 27th for morning hour debate, and further, when the House adjourns on that day, it adjourn to meet at 10:30 a.m. on Tuesday, July 28th for morning hour debate.

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**Senate Message:** Message received from the Senate today appears on page H8711, H8807.

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** Four yea-and-nay votes and five recorded votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H8724–25, H8725, H8726, H8788, H8789, H8789–90, H8790, H8792 and H8793. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 9 a.m. and adjourned at 5:13 p.m.

## *Committee Meetings*

### **MILITARY COMMISSIONS/DETAINEE POLICY**

*Committee on Armed Services:* Held a hearing on reforming the Military Commissions Act of 2006 and detainee policy. Testimony was heard from Jeh

Charles Johnson, General Counsel, Department of Defense; and David Kris, Assistant Attorney General, Department of Justice.

### ECONOMIC RECOVERY

*Committee on the Budget:* Held a hearing on the Recovery Act: Strengthening Our Economy. Testimony was heard from Ray LaHood, Secretary of Transportation; Ken Salazar, Secretary of the Interior; and Tom Vilsack, Secretary of Agriculture.

### ADMINISTRATION'S FINANCIAL RECOVERY REFORM PROPOSALS

*Committee on Financial Services:* Held a hearing entitled "Regulatory Perspectives on the Obama Administration's Financial Regulatory Reform Proposals—Part Two." Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of the Treasury; Timothy F. Geithner, Secretary; John C. Dugan, Comptroller of the Currency; and John E. Bowman, Acting Director, Office of Thrift Supervision; Ben S. Bernanke, Chairman, Board of Governors, Federal Reserve System; and Sheila C. Bair, Chairman, FDIC.

### COMMISSION ON WARTIME RELOCATION AND INTERNMENT OF LATIN AMERICANS OF JAPANESE DESCENT ACT

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on Immigration, Citizenship, Refugees, Border Security, and International Law approved for full Committee action, as amended, H.R. 42, Commission on Wartime Relocation and Internment of Latin Americans of Japanese Descent Act.

## Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

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### CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of July 27 through August 1, 2009

#### Senate Chamber

On *Monday*, at approximately 3 p.m., Senate will begin consideration of H.R. 3183, Energy and Water Development Appropriations Act, and that immediately after the bill is reported, Senator Dorgan be recognized to offer a substitute amendment.

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

#### Senate Committees

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

*Committee on Appropriations:* July 28, Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies, business meeting to mark up proposed

budget estimates for fiscal year 2010 for the Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and Related Agencies, 2:30 p.m., SD-138.

July 29, Subcommittee on Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies, business meeting to mark up proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2010 for Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, 2:30 p.m., SD-138.

*Committee on Armed Services:* July 30, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of John M. McHugh, of New York, to be Secretary of the Army, Joseph W. Westphal, of New York, to be Under Secretary of the Army, and Juan M. Garcia III, of Texas, to be Assistant Secretary of the Navy for Manpower and Reserve Affairs, all of the Department of Defense, 9:30 a.m., SD-106.

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* July 28, business meeting to consider the nomination of Deborah Matz, of Virginia, to be a Member of the National Credit Union Administration Board; to be immediately followed by a hearing to examine regulatory modernization, focusing on insurance, 9:30 a.m., SD-538.

July 29, Subcommittee on Securities, Insurance and Investment, to hold hearings to examine protecting shareholders and enhancing public confidence by improving corporate governance, 2:30 p.m., SD-538.

July 30, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine minimizing potential threats from Iran, focusing on assessing economic sanctions and other United States policy options, 10 a.m., SD-538.

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* July 28, to hold hearings to examine national hurricane research, 10 a.m., SR-253.

July 29, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Christopher P. Bertram, of the District of Columbia, to be Assistant Secretary for Budget and Programs, and Chief Financial Officer, Daniel R. Elliott, III, of Ohio, to be a Member of the Surface Transportation Board, Susan L. Kurland, of Illinois, to be Assistant Secretary for Aviation and International Affairs, and Christopher A. Hart, of Colorado, to be a Member of the National Transportation Safety Board, all of the Department of Transportation, and Patricia D. Cahill, of Missouri, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for Public Broadcasting, 2:30 p.m., SR-253.

July 30, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine climate services, focusing on solutions from commerce to communities, 2:30 p.m., SR-253.

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* July 28, business meeting to consider pending calendar business; to be immediately followed by a hearing to examine the nominations of Anthony Marion Babauta, of Virginia, to be Assistant Secretary, and Jonathan B. Jarvis, of California, to be Director, National Park Service, both of the Department of the Interior, James J. Markowsky, of Massachusetts, to be Assistant Secretary for Fossil Energy, and Warren F. Miller, Jr., of New Mexico, to be Assistant Secretary for Nuclear Energy, and to be Director of the Office of the Civilian Radioactive Waste Management, both of the Department of Energy, 10 a.m., SD-366.

*Committee on Environment and Public Works:* July 29, to hold hearings to examine the nomination of John R. Fernandez, of Indiana, to be Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Economic Development, 10 a.m., SD-406.

July 30, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine climate change and national security, 10 a.m., SD-406.

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* July 28, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Michael H. Posner, of New York, to be Assistant Secretary for Democracy, Human Rights, and Labor, Mark Henry Gitenstein, of the District of Columbia, to be Ambassador to Romania, Ertharin Cousin, of Illinois, for the rank of Ambassador during her tenure of service as a Representative to the United Nations Agencies for Food and Agriculture, David Killion, of the District of Columbia, for the rank of Ambassador during his tenure of service as the Permanent Representative to the United Nations Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Organization, Karen Kornbluh, of New York, to be Representative to the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development, with the rank of Ambassador, and Glyn T. Davies, of the District of Columbia, to be Representative to the International Atomic Energy Agency, with the rank of Ambassador, all of the Department of State, 9:30 a.m., SD-419.

July 28, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Philip D. Murphy, of New Jersey, to be Ambassador to the Federal Republic of Germany, 10 a.m., SD-419.

July 28, Full Committee, business meeting to consider pending calendar business; to be immediately followed by a hearing to examine the nominations of William Carlton Eacho, III, of Maryland, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Austria, Matthew Winthrop Barzun, of Kentucky, to be Ambassador to Sweden, Bruce J. Oreck, of Colorado, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Finland, James B. Foley, of New York, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Croatia, Philip D. Murphy, of New Jersey, to be Ambassador to the Federal Republic of Germany, Judith Gail Garber, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Latvia, and Douglas W. Kmiec, of California, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Malta, all of the Department of State, in SD-419, 2:15 p.m., S-116, Capitol.

July 29, Subcommittee on Near Eastern and South and Central Asian Affairs, to hold hearings to examine Pakistan's internally displaced persons (IDP) crisis, 10 a.m., SD-419.

July 30, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine a comprehensive strategy for Sudan, 10 a.m., SD-419.

*Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:* July 28, to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Alexander G. Garza, of Missouri, to be Assistant Secretary for Health Affairs and Chief Medical Officer, Department of Homeland Security, 10 a.m., SD-342.

July 29, Full Committee, business meeting to consider pending calendar business, 10 a.m., SD-342.

July 29, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Rafael Borrás, of Maryland, to be Under Secretary of Homeland Security for Management, Ernest W. Dubester, of Virginia, to be a Member, and Julia Akins Clark, of Maryland, to be General Counsel,

both of the Federal Labor Relations Authority, 3 p.m., SD-342.

*Committee on Indian Affairs:* July 30, to hold hearings to examine the increase of gang activity in Indian country, 2:15 p.m., SD-628.

*Committee on the Judiciary:* July 28, business meeting to consider the nominations of Sonia Sotomayor, of New York, to be an Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States, A. Thomas McLellan, of Pennsylvania, to be Deputy Director of National Drug Control Policy, Alejandro N. Mayorkas, of California, to be Director of the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services, Department of Homeland Security, and Christopher H. Schroeder, of North Carolina, to be an Assistant Attorney General, and Cranston J. Mitchell, of Virginia, to be a Commissioner of the United States Parole Commission, both of the Department of Justice, 10 a.m., SH-216.

July 28, Subcommittee on Terrorism and Homeland Security, to hold hearings to examine closing Guantanamo Bay, 2:30 p.m., SD-226.

July 29, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine certain nominations, 10 a.m., SD-226.

July 30, Subcommittee on the Constitution, business meeting to consider S. J.Res. 7, proposing an amendment to the Constitution relative to the election of Senators, 2 p.m., SD-226.

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs:* July 29, to hold hearings to examine veteran's disability compensation, 9:30 a.m., SR-418.

*Select Committee on Intelligence:* July 28, to hold closed hearings to consider certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., S-407, Capitol.

*Special Committee on Aging:* July 29, to hold hearings to examine medical research and education, 2 p.m., SD-562.

## House Committees

*Committee on Agriculture,* July 28, Subcommittee Livestock, Dairy and Poultry, to continue hearings to review economic conditions facing the dairy industry, part three, 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

July 30, Subcommittee on Conservation, Credit, Energy, and Research, hearing to review PL 83-566 watershed proposals for the Dunloup Creek Watershed and the Cape Cod Water Resources Restoration Project, 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

*Committee on Appropriations* July 28, Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies, hearing on Protecting the Public Health in a Global Economy Ensuring that Meat and Poultry Imports Meet U.S. Standards, 11 a.m., 2362-A Rayburn.

*Committee on Armed Services,* July 28, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing on Investing in Our Military Leaders: The Role of Professional Military Education in Officer Development, 1 p.m., 2212 Rayburn.

July 28, Subcommittee on Terrorism, Unconventional Threats and Capabilities, hearing on chemical, biological, radiological, nuclear, and high-yield explosives consequence management, 10 a.m., 2212 Rayburn.

July 29, Subcommittee on Military Personnel, hearing on Psychological Stress in the Military: What Steps are Leaders Taking? 2 p.m., 210 HVC-210.

July 30, full Committee, hearing on the U.S. security relationship with Russia and its impact on transatlantic security, 10 a.m., 210 HVC.

July 30, Subcommittee on Seapower and Expeditionary Forces, hearing on efforts to improve shipbuilding effectiveness, 2 p.m., 2212 Rayburn.

*Committee on Energy and Commerce*, July 30, Subcommittee on Communications, Technology and the Internet, hearing entitled "Oversight of the National Telecommunications and Information Administration," 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

July 30, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled "Should Animal Disease Research Be Moved Off Plum Island?" 10 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

*Committee on Financial Services*, July 28, to mark up H.R. 3269, Corporate and Financial Institution Compensation Fairness Act of 2009, 9:30 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

July 29, Subcommittee on Housing and Community Opportunity, hearing entitled "Academic Perspectives on the Future of Public Housing," 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

*Committee on Foreign Affairs*, July 28, Subcommittee on Europe, hearing on the Reset Button Has Been Pushed: Kicking Off a New Era in U.S.-Russian Relations, 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

July 29, full Committee, hearing on New Challenges for International Peacekeeping Operations, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

July 29, Subcommittee on Africa, and Global Health, hearing on Sudan: U.S. Policy and Implementation of the Comprehensive Peace Agreement, 3:30 p.m., 2200 Rayburn.

July 29, Subcommittee on Asia, the Pacific and the Global Environment, hearing on Ushering in Change: A New Era for U.S. Regional Policy in the Pacific, 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

*Committee on Homeland Security*, July 29, hearing entitled "Beyond Readiness: An Examination of the Current Status and Future Outlook of the National Response to Pandemic Influenza," 2 p.m., 311 Cannon.

July 30, Subcommittee on Emergency Communications, Preparedness and Response, briefing on Hurricane Preparedness for the 2009 Hurricane Season, 2 p.m., 1539 Longworth.

July 30, Subcommittee on Intelligence, Information Sharing and Terrorism Risk Assessment, hearing entitled "Beyond ISE Implementation: Exploring the Way Forward for Information Sharing," 10 a.m., 311 Cannon.

*Committee on House Administration*, July 29, hearing on Management of the Worklife Services Center at the Library of Congress, 11 a.m., 1320 Longworth.

July 30, hearing on a look at H.R. 1826, Fair Elections Now Act, and the Public Financing of Congressional Campaigns, 11 a.m., 1310 Longworth.

*Committee on the Judiciary*, July 27, Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security, hearing on H.R. 743, Executive Accountability Act of 2009, 3 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

July 28, Subcommittee on Commercial and Administrative Law, hearing on Medical Debt: Is Our Healthcare System Bankrupting Americans? 11 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

July 30, Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights and Civil Liberties, hearing on Proposals for Reform of the Military Commissions System, 1 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

*Committee on Natural Resources*, July 28, Subcommittee on Insular Affairs, Oceans and Wildlife, hearing on H.R. 3086, Global Wildlife Conservation, Coordination, and Enhancement Act of 2009, 1 p.m., 1324 Longworth.

July 29, full Committee, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 1916, Migratory Bird Habitat Investment and Enhancement Act; H.R. 481, North Country National Scenic Trail Route Adjustment Act of 2009; H.R. 1641, Cascadia Marine Trail Study Act; H.R. 905, Thunder Bay National Sanctuary and Underwater Preserve Boundary Modification Act; H.R. 1771, Chesapeake Bay Science Education and Ecosystem Enhancement Act of 2009; and H.R. 1053, Chesapeake Bay Accountability and Recovery Act of 2009, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

July 30, Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources, to continue hearings entitled "Unconventional Fuels, Part II: The Promise of Methane Hydrates," 10 a.m., 1334 Longworth.

July 30, Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Public Lands, hearing on the following bills: H.R. 2802, To provide for an extension of the legislative authority of the Adams Memorial Foundation to establish a commemorative work in honor of former President John Adams and his legacy; 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; and H.R. 3113, Upper Elk River Wild and Scenic Study Act, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

*Committee on Oversight and Government Reform*, July 28, Subcommittee on National Security, and Foreign Affairs, hearing entitled "From Hard Drives to Helicopters: What's the Plan for Withdrawal of U.S. Assets from Iraq?" 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

July 29, full Committee, hearing entitled "Inadvertent File Sharing Over Peer-to-Peer Networks: How it Endangers Citizens and Jeopardizes National Security," 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

July 29, Subcommittee on Domestic Policy, hearing entitled "Examining the Impact of Leafy Greens Marketing Agreements," 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

July 30, Subcommittee on Federal Workforce, Postal Service and the District of Columbia, hearing entitled "Making Sense of It All: An Examination of USPS's Station and Branch Optimization Initiative and Delivery Route Adjustments," 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

July 30, Subcommittee on Information Policy, Census, and National Archives, hearing entitled "National Archives and Records Administration Organizational Issues," 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

*Committee on Rules*, July 28, to consider H.R. 3326, Department of Defense Appropriations Act, 2010, 3 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

*Committee on Science and Technology*, July 29, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 3246, Advanced Vehicle Technology Act of 2009; H.R. 3165, Wind Energy Research and Development Act of 2009; H. R. 3029, To establish a research, development, and technology demonstration program to improve the efficiency of gas turbines used in combine cycle power generation systems; and H.R. 3247, To establish a social and behavioral sciences research program at the Department of Energy, and for other purposes, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

July 30, Subcommittee on Research and Science Education, hearing on A Systems Approach to Improving K-12 STEM Education, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

*Committee on Small Business*, July 29, hearing entitled "Oversight of the Small Business Administration and its Programs," 1 p.m., 2360 Rayburn.

July 30, Subcommittee on Rural Development, Entrepreneurship and Trade, hearing entitled "The Future of Specialty Crops for Small Family Farmers," 10 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure*, July 27, Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings and Emergency Management, hearing on Post-Katrina: What it Takes to Cut Bureaucracy and Assure a More Rapid Response After a Catastrophic Disaster, 2 p.m., 2167 Rayburn.

July 28, Subcommittee on Water Resources, and Environment, hearing on The Tennessee Valley Authority's Kingston Ash Slide: Evaluation of Potential Causes and Updates on Cleanup Efforts, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

July 29, Subcommittee on Aviation, hearing on NextGen: Area Navigation (RNAV)/Required Navigation Performance (RNP), 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

July 31, full Committee, hearing on Recovery Act: 160-Day Progress Report for Transportation and Infrastructure Programs, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs*, July 29, hearing on Meeting the Needs of Injured Veterans in the Military Paralympic Program, 10 a.m., 334 Cannon.

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*Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence*, July 28, executive, briefing on Department of Defense Quarterly Update, 1 p.m., 304 HVC.

July 28, Subcommittee on Intelligence Community Management, executive, briefing on Information Sharing in the Intelligence Community, 2:30 p.m., 304 HVC.

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*Select Committee on Energy Independence and Global Warming*, July 28, hearing entitled "New Energy Technologies: What's Around the Corner?" 9:30 a.m., room to be announced.

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*Joint Economic Committee*: July 28, to hold hearings to examine current trends in foreclosures and what can be done to prevent them, 10 a.m., 210 Cannon Building.

## Next Meeting of the SENATE

2 p.m., Monday, July 27

## Senate Chamber

**Program for Monday:** After the transaction of any morning business (not to extend beyond 3 p.m.), Senate will begin consideration of H.R. 3138, Energy and Water Development Appropriations Act, and that immediately after the bill is reported, Senator Dorgan be recognized to offer a substitute amendment.

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