

education, workforce training and development, and applied research, and to support Federal, State, tribal, and local government programs; **Pages H11742–44**

*Recognizing Weber State University for the 120th anniversary of its founding as an institution of higher education:* H. Res. 854, to recognize Weber State University for the 120th anniversary of its founding as an institution of higher education; and **Pages H11747–48**

*Congratulating the Northwestern University Wildcats on winning the 2009 NCAA women's lacrosse championship:* H. Res. 824, to congratulate the Northwestern University Wildcats on winning the 2009 NCAA women's lacrosse championship, and to commend Northwestern University for its pursuit of athletic and academic excellence. **Pages H11751–52**

**Recess:** The House recessed at 3:19 p.m. and reconvened at 5:30 p.m. **Page H11755**

**Department of the Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010—Motion to go to Conference:** The House agreed to the Dicks motion to disagree to the Senate amendment and agree to a conference on H.R. 2996, making appropriations for the Department of the Interior, environment, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2010. **Pages H11756–59**

The House debated the Simpson motion to instruct conferees on H.R. 2996, making appropriations for the Department of the Interior, environment, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2010. Further proceedings were postponed. **Pages H11756–59**

**Recess:** The House recessed at 6:10 p.m. and reconvened at 6:30 p.m. **Pages H11759–60**

**Presidential Message:** Read a message from the President wherein he declared a national emergency in order to be prepared in the event of a rapid increase in illness across the Nation that may overburden health care resources—referred to the Committees on Energy and Commerce and Ways and Means and ordered printed (H. Doc. 111–73). **Pages H11755–56**

**Senate Messages:** Message received from the Senate by the Clerk and subsequently presented to the House today and a message received from the Senate today appear on pages H11742 and H11761.

**Senate Referral:** S. 1929 was held at the desk.

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** One yea-and-nay vote and one recorded vote developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H11760 and H11760–61. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 12:30 p.m. and adjourned at 10:55 p.m.

## Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

## Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

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## NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D1210)

H.R. 1016, to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide advance appropriations authority for certain medical care accounts of the Department of Veterans Affairs. Signed on October 22, 2009. (Public Law 111–81)

S. 1717, to authorize major medical facility leases for the Department of Veterans Affairs for fiscal year 2010. Signed on October 26, 2009. (Public Law 111–82)

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## COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2009

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

### Senate

*Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry:* Subcommittee on Domestic and Foreign Marketing, Inspection, and Plant and Animal Health, with the Subcommittee on Production, Income Protection and Price Support, to hold joint hearings to examine low dairy prices, focusing on exploring avenues for federal action, 2:30 p.m., SH–216.

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* business meeting to consider the nominations of Anne S. Ferro, of Maryland, to be Administrator of the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration, Cynthia L. Quarterman, of Georgia, to be Administrator of the Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration, both of the Department of Transportation, Erroll G. Southers, of California, to be Assistant Secretary of Homeland Security for Transportation Security Administration, Patrick Gallagher, of Maryland, to be Director of the National Institute of Standards and Technology, Department of Commerce, Elizabeth M. Robinson, of Virginia, to be Chief Financial Officer, and Paul K. Martin, of Maryland, to be Inspector General, both of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, and a promotion list in the Coast Guard, 2:15 p.m., S–216, Capitol.

Full Committee, to hold an oversight hearing to examine the broadband stimulus programs in the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act, 2:30 p.m., SR–253.

*Committee on Environment and Public Works*: to hold hearings to examine S. 1733, to create clean energy jobs, promote energy independence, reduce global warming pollution, and transition to a clean energy economy, 9:30 a.m., SD-406.

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

### House

*Committee on Energy and Commerce*, Subcommittee on Energy and Environment, hearing entitled “Protecting the Electric Grid: H.R. 2165, Bulk Power System Protection Act of 2009, and H.R. 2195, To amend the Federal Power Act to provide additional authorities to adequately protect the critical electric infrastructure against cyber attack,” 9:30 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

*Committee on Financial Services*, to consider the following measures: October 1, 2009 Discussion Draft of the Private Fund Investment Advisers Registration Act of 2009 (to be reported as H.R. 3818, To amend the Investment Advisers of 1940 to require advisers of certain unregistered investment companies to register with and provide information to the Securities and Exchange Commission); October 1, 2009 Discussion Draft of the Investor Protection Act of 2009 (to be reported as H.R. 3817, To provide the Securities and Exchange Commission with additional authorities to protect investors from violations of the securities laws); Amendment in the nature of a substitute October 16 to H.R. 2609, Insurance Information Act of 2009; and Discussion Draft (revised) of October 16, 2009 of the Accountability and Transparency in Rating Agencies Act, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

*Committee on Foreign Affairs*, Subcommittee on the Western Hemisphere, the Subcommittee on the Middle East and South Asia and the Subcommittee on Terrorism, Nonproliferation and Trade, joint hearing on Iran in the Western Hemisphere, 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

*Committee on Homeland Security*, Subcommittee on Emergency Communications, Preparedness and Response, hearing entitled “Preparedness: What has \$29 billion in homeland security grants bought and how do we know?” 10 a.m., 311 Cannon.

Subcommittee on Emerging Threats, Cybersecurity and Science, and Technology, hearing entitled “Real-Time Assessment of the Federal Response to Pandemic Influenza,” 2 p.m., 311 Cannon.

*Committee on the Judiciary*, Subcommittee on Commercial and Administrative Law, hearing on the Legal Services Corporation, 11 a.m., 2237 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights and Civil Liberties, hearing on Access to Justice Denied: *Ashcroft v. Iqbal*, 2:30 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

*Committee on Natural Resources*, Subcommittee on Insular Affairs, Oceans and Wildlife, oversight hearing on Implementation of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Reauthorization Act of 2006, 10 a.m., 1334 Longworth.

Subcommittee on Water and Power, oversight hearing entitled “Water Management and Climate Variability: Information Support at the USGS and Bureau of Reclamation,” 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

*Committee on Oversight and Government Reform*, Subcommittee on Government Management, Organization and Procurement, hearing entitled “IT Procurement and Disposal: Application of the Federal Government’s Green Policies in the Life Cycle Management of its IT Assets,” 9:30 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

*Committee on Science and Technology*, Subcommittee on Technology and Innovation, hearing on Developing Research Priorities at DHS’s Science and Technology Directorate, 2 p.m., 2318 Rayburn.

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure*, Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings and Emergency Management, hearing on Recovery Tracking Following the Dollars to the Jobs, 2 p.m., 2167 Rayburn.

*Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence*, executive, briefing on National Security Council Review, 3:30 p.m., 304 HVC.

Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, and the Subcommittee on Intelligence Community Management, joint hearing regarding the Congressional Notifications: Intelligence Community Policies, Practices, and Procedures, 10 a.m., 304 HVC.