

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

House and Senate met in a Joint Meeting to receive His Excellency Felipe Calderón Hinojosa, President of Mexico.

Senate passed H.R. 4173, Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act, as amended.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S4027–S4106

Measures Introduced: Eight bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 3388–3395, and S. Res. 536. **Page S4082**

Measures Passed:

Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act: By 59 yeas to 39 nays (Vote No. 162), Senate passed H.R. 4173, to promote the financial stability of the United States by improving accountability and transparency in the financial system, to end “too big to fail”, to protect the American taxpayer by ending bailouts, to protect consumers from abusive financial services practices, after striking all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof, the text of S. 3217, Senate companion measure, after taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto: **Pages S4027–34, S4034–78**

Adopted:

Reid (for Dodd/Lincoln) Amendment No. 3739, in the nature of a substitute. **Pages S4027, S4077**

Dodd Amendment No. 4172, to amend the title. **Page S4078**

Withdrawn:

Brownback Further Modified Amendment No. 3789 (to Amendment No. 3739), to provide for an exclusion from the authority of the Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection for certain automobile manufacturers. **Pages S4027, S4077**

Specter Modified Amendment No. 3776 (to Amendment No. 3739), to amend section 20 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 to allow for a private civil action against a person that provides substantial assistance in violation of such Act. **Pages S4027, S4077**

Dodd (for Leahy) Amendment No. 3823 (to Amendment No. 3739), to restore the application of the Federal antitrust laws to the business of health insurance to protect competition and consumers. **Pages S4027 S4077**

Dodd (for Cantwell) Modified Amendment No. 3884 (to Amendment No. 3739), to impose appropriate limitations on affiliations with certain member banks. **Pages S4027, S4077**

Cardin Amendment No. 4050 (to Amendment No. 3739), to require the disclosure of payments by resource extraction issuers. **Pages S4027, S4077**

Merkley/Levin Amendment No. 4115 (to Amendment No. 3789), to prohibit certain forms of proprietary trading. **Pages S4027, S4077**

During consideration of this measure today, Senate also took the following action:

Dodd (for Vitter/Pryor) Modified Amendment No. 4003 (to Amendment No. 3739), to address nonbank financial company definitions and to provide for anti-evasion authority, previously agreed to on Wednesday, May 19, 2010, was further modified by unanimous consent. **Pages S4031–32**

Pursuant to the order of May 19, 2010, the motion to proceed to the motion to reconsider the vote by which cloture was not invoked on May 19, 2010, was agreed to. **Page S4042**

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By 60 yeas to 40 nays (Vote No. 160), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, having voted in the affirmative, Senate upon reconsideration agreed to the motion to close further debate on Reid (for Dodd/Lincoln) Amendment No. 3739 (listed above). **Page S4043**

By 60 yeas to 39 nays (Vote No. 161), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, having

voted in the affirmative, Senate agreed to the motion to waive, pursuant to section 904 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, to waive applicable sections of the Act for consideration of Reid (for Dodd/Lincoln) Amendment No. 3739, in the nature of a substitute. Subsequently, the point of order that the amendment would provide spending in excess of the committee's 302(a) allocation, was not sustained.

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Subsequently, the motion to invoke cloture on the bill was withdrawn.

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Senate insisted on its amendments, and asks a conference with the House on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses.

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Extending Immunities to the Office of the High Representative and the International Civilian Office in Kosovo Act: Senate passed H.R. 5139, to provide for the International Organizations Immunities Act to be extended to the Office of the High Representative in Bosnia and Herzegovina and the International Civilian Office in Kosovo, clearing the measure for the President.

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Declaration of Conscience Day: Senate agreed to S. Res. 536, designating June 1, 2010, as "Declaration of Conscience Day" in commemoration of the 60th anniversary of the landmark "Declaration of Conscience" speech delivered by Senator Margaret Chase Smith on the floor of the United States Senate.

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Appointments:

Congressional Oversight Panel: The Chair, on behalf of the Republican Leader, pursuant to provisions of Public Law 110–343, appointed the following individual as a member of the Congressional Oversight Panel: Mr. Kenneth R. Troske of Kentucky, vice Mr. Paul Atkins of Virginia.

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Escort Committee—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the President of the Senate be authorized to appoint a committee on the part of the Senate to join with a like committee on the part of the House of Representatives to escort His Excellency Felipe Calderón Hinojosa, President of Mexico, into the House Chamber for the joint meeting on Thursday, May 20, 2010.

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Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act—Agreement: A unanimous-consent-time agreement was reached providing that at 4:45 p.m., on Monday, May 24, 2010, it be in order for Senator Brownback to be recognized for a period not to exceed 10 minutes and Senator Dodd for the same period; prior to Senator Brownback offering a motion to instruct the conferees with respect to H.R. 4173 on the subject of auto dealers; that after the motion

is made, Senate then vote on the motion to instruct; that upon disposition of the motion to instruct, Senator Hutchison, or her designee be recognized for a period of up to 10 minutes to make a motion to instruct with respect to proprietary trading, and Senator Dodd also be recognized for the same period of time; that upon the use or yielding back of time, Senate then vote on the Hutchison motion to instruct; that upon the disposition of the above referenced motions to instruct, no further motions be in order; and that the Chair be authorized to appoint conferees on the part of the Senate with a ration of 7–5; that the Senate bill then be returned to the Calendar; provided further, that no amendments or motions be in order to the motions to instruct.

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Roy Rondeno, Sr. Post Office Building—Reporting Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that action with respect to the reporting of H.R. 3951, be vitiated.

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Supplemental Appropriations Act—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that at approximately 3 p.m., on Monday, May 24, 2010, Senate begin consideration of H.R. 4899, making emergency supplemental appropriations for disaster relief and summer jobs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2010.

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Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Susan L. Carney, of Connecticut, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Second Circuit.

Anthony J. Battaglia, of California, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of California.

Edward J. Davila, of California, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of California.

Robert Leon Wilkins, of the District of Columbia, to be United States District Judge for the District of Columbia.

David J. Hickton, of Pennsylvania, to be United States Attorney for the Western District of Pennsylvania for the term of four years.

William C. Killian, of Tennessee, to be United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Tennessee for the term of four years.

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Record Votes: Three record votes were taken today. (Total—162) Pages S4043, S4077, S4078

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m. and adjourned at 9:12 p.m., until 2 p.m. on Monday, May 24, 2010. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S4106.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

HOMELESS VETERANS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Military Construction and Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies, with the Subcommittee on Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies concluded a joint hearing to examine the progress in ending veterans' homelessness, after receiving testimony from Shaun Donovan, Secretary of Housing and Urban Development; Eric K. Shinseki, Secretary of Veterans Affairs; Barbara Poppe, Executive Director, Interagency on Homelessness; Stephen Norman, King County Housing Authority, Seattle, Washington; and Mike Brown, Valley Residential Services, Walla Walla, Washington.

APPROPRIATIONS: FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Financial Services and General Government concluded a hearing to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2011 for the Federal Trade Commission, after receiving testimony from Jon Leibowitz, Chairman, Federal Trade Commission.

MINE SAFETY

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies concluded a hearing to examine investing in mine safety, focusing on preventing another disaster, after receiving testimony from Joseph A. Main, Assistant Secretary for Mine Safety and Health, and M. Patricia Smith, Solicitor of Labor, both of the Department of Labor; John Howard, Director, National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Department of Health and Human Services; Mary Lu Jordan, Federal Mine Safety and Health Review Commission; Don L. Blankenship, Massey Energy, Rich-

mond Virginia; and Cecil E. Roberts, United Mine Workers of America, Fairfax, Virginia.

MAY 6TH MARKET PLUNGE

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Subcommittee on Securities, Insurance and Investment concluded a hearing to examine the causes and lessons of the May 6th market plunge, after receiving testimony from Mary L. Schapiro, Chairman, Securities and Exchange Commission; Gary Gensler, Chairman, Commodity Futures Trading Commission; Richard G. Ketchum, Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, Washington, D.C.; Larry Leibowitz, NYSE Euronext, and Eric Noll, NASDAQ OMX Group, Inc., both of New York, New York; and Terrence A. Duffy, CME Group Inc., Chicago, Illinois.

NOMINATION

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nomination of Carl Wieman, of Colorado, to be an Associate Director of the Office of Science and Technology Policy, after the nominee, who was introduced by Senator Udall (CO), testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

CALIFORNIA DESERT PROTECTION ACT

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee concluded a hearing to examine S. 2921, to provide for the conservation, enhanced recreation opportunities, and development of renewable energy in the California Desert Conservation Area, to require the Secretary of the Interior to designate certain offices to serve as Renewable Energy Coordination Offices for coordination of Federal permits for renewable energy projects and transmission lines to integrate renewable energy development, after receiving testimony from Senator Feinstein; Robert V. Abbey, Director, Bureau of Land Management, Department of the Interior; Dorothy Robyn, Deputy Under Secretary of Defense for Installations and Environment; Faye Krueger, Acting Associate Deputy Chief, National Forest System, Department of Agriculture; David Myers, The Wildlands Conservancy, Oak Glen, California; Pedro Pizarro, Southern California Edison, Rosemead; David P. Hubbard, Gatzke, Dillon & Balance LLP, Escondido, California; Harry Baker, California Association of 4 Wheel Drive Clubs, Encino; V. John White, Center for Energy Efficiency & Renewable Technologies, Sacramento, California; and Johanna Wald, Natural Resources Defense Council (NRDC), San Francisco, California.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 3362, to amend the Clean Air Act to direct the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency to provide competitive grants to publicly funded schools to implement effective technologies to reduce air pollutants (as defined in section 302 of the Clean Air Act), including greenhouse gas emissions, in accordance with that Act, with amendments;

S. 3250, to provide for the training of Federal building personnel;

S. 3372, to modify the date on which the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency and applicable States may require permits for discharges from certain vessels;

S. 3363, to amend the Water Resources Research Act of 1984 to reauthorize grants for and require applied water supply research regarding the water resources research and technology institutes established under that Act;

S. 3374, to amend the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980 to establish a grant program to revitalize brownfield sites for the purpose of locating renewable electricity generation facilities on those sites, with an amendment;

S. 3373, to address the health and economic development impacts of nonattainment of federally mandated air quality standards in the San Joaquin Valley, California, by designating air quality empowerment zones;

H.R. 4275, to designate the annex building under construction for the Elbert P. Tuttle United States Court of Appeals Building in Atlanta, Georgia, as the “John C. Godbold Federal Building”, and

S. 3248, to designate the Department of the Interior Building in Washington, District of Columbia, as the “Stewart Lee Udall Department of the Interior Building”, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

CLEAN TECHNOLOGY MANUFACTURING COMPETITIVENESS

Committee on Finance: Subcommittee on Energy, Natural Resources, and Infrastructure concluded a hearing to examine clean technology manufacturing competitiveness, focusing on the role of tax incentives, after receiving testimony from Mark Mazur, Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Treasury for Tax Analysis; Henry Kelly, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary of Energy for Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy; Robert D. Atkinson, Information Technology and

Innovation Foundation, Kevin Book, ClearView Energy Partners, LLC, Karen Alderman Harbert, U.S. Chamber of Commerce Institute for 21st Century Energy, and J.D. Foster, The Heritage Foundation, all of Washington, D.C.; Jon Sakoda, New Enterprise Associates, Chevy Chase, Maryland; and Douglas Parks, Michigan Economic Development Corporation, Lansing.

NORTH ATLANTIC TREATY ORGANIZATION (NATO)

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO), focusing on a report of the group of experts, after receiving testimony from Madeleine K. Albright, former Secretary of State, Principal, Albright Stonebridge Group, Washington, D.C.

COUNTERNARCOTICS CONTRACTS

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Ad Hoc Subcommittee on Contracting Oversight concluded a hearing to examine counter-narcotics contracts in Latin America, after receiving testimony from David T. Johnson, Assistant Secretary of State for International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Affairs; and William F. Weschler, Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Counter-narcotics and Global Threats.

FEDERAL EMPLOYEE-TO-CONTRACTOR MIX

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Subcommittee on Oversight of Government Management, the Federal Workforce, and the District of Columbia concluded a hearing to examine efforts to right-size the Federal employee-to-contractor mix, focusing on initial agency efforts to balance the Government to contractor mix in the multisector workforce, after receiving testimony from Daniel I. Gordon, Administrator for Federal Procurement Policy, Office of Management and Budget; Jeffrey R. Neal, Chief Human Capital Officer, Department of Homeland Security; Charles D. Grimes III, Deputy Associate Director for Employee Services, Office of Personnel Management; John K. Needham, Director, Acquisition and Sourcing Management, Government Accountability Office; Maureen Gilman, National Treasury Employees Union, and Mark Whetstone, American Federation of Government Employees (AFL–CIO), both of Washington, D.C.; and Alan Chvotkin, Professional Services Council (PSC), Arlington, Virginia.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 20 public bills, H.R. 5347–5366; and 7 resolutions, H.J. Res. 85; and H. Res. 1380–1385, were introduced.

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Additional Cosponsors:

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 1017, to amend the Department of Veterans Affairs Health Care Programs Enhancement Act of 2001 and title 38, United States Code, to require the provision of chiropractic care and services to veterans at all Department of Veterans Affairs medical centers and to expand access to such care and services, with an amendment (H. Rept. 111–488);

H.R. 5145, to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the continuing professional education reimbursement provided to health professionals employed by the Department of Veterans Affairs (H. Rept. 111–489); and

H.R. 3885, to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to carry out a pilot program on dog training therapy (H. Rept. 111–490). **Page H3701**

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein she appointed Representative Loretta Sanchez (CA) to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H3661**

Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the guest Chaplain, Reverend Dr. Roderick Lewis Sr., Parkwood Institutional C.M.E. Church, Charlotte, North Carolina. **Page H3661**

Recess: The House recessed at 10:06 a.m. for the purpose of receiving His Excellency Felipe Calderón Hinojosa, President of Mexico. The House reconvened at 1:01 p.m., and agreed that the proceedings had during the Joint Meeting be printed in the Record. **Pages H3662–64**

Joint Meeting to receive His Excellency Felipe Calderón Hinojosa, President of Mexico: The House and Senate met in a Joint Meeting to receive His Excellency Felipe Calderón Hinojosa, President of Mexico. He was escorted into the Chamber by a committee comprised of Representatives Hoyer, Clyburn, Larson (CT), Becerra, Pastor (AZ), Velázquez, Reyes, Loretta Sanchez (CA), Cuellar, Boehner, Cantor, Pence, McCotter, McMorris Rodgers, Sessions, McCarthy (CA), Walden, and Dreier; and Senators Reid, Durbin, Dodd, Kerry, Dorgan, Menendez, McConnell, Murkowski, Cornyn, and Hutchison. **Pages H3662–64**

Suspensions—Proceedings Resumed: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following

measures which were debated on Wednesday, May 19th:

United States-Israel Missile Defense Cooperation and Support Act: H.R. 5327, amended, to authorize assistance to Israel for the Iron Dome anti-missile defense system, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeas-and-nays vote of 410 yeas to 4 nays, Roll No. 284; **Pages H3667–68**

Congratulating the University of Texas men's swimming and diving team for winning the NCAA Division I national championship: H. Res. 1336, to congratulate the University of Texas men's swimming and diving team for winning the NCAA Division I national championship, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ recorded vote of 405 yeas with none voting "no" and 7 voting "present", Roll No. 286; **Pages H3669–70**

Recognizing North Carolina Central University on its 100th anniversary: H. Res. 1361, amended, to recognize North Carolina Central University on its 100th anniversary, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ recorded vote of 408 yeas to 1 no, Roll No. 287; **Pages H3670–71**

Stewart Lee Udall Department of the Interior Building Designation Act: H.R. 5128, amended, to designate the Department of the Interior Building in Washington, District of Columbia, as the "Stewart Lee Udall Department of the Interior Building", by a $\frac{2}{3}$ recorded vote of 409 yeas to 1 no, Roll No. 290; **Pages H3681–82**

Agreed to amend the title so as to read: "To designate the United States Department of the Interior Building in Washington, District of Columbia, as the 'Stewart Lee Udall Department of the Interior Building'." **Page H3682**

Expressing support for designation of September as National Childhood Obesity Awareness Month: H. Res. 996, amended, to express support for designation of September as National Childhood Obesity Awareness Month; **Page H3682**

Agreed to amend the title so as to read: "Expressing support for the designation of September as National Childhood Obesity Awareness Month." **Page H3682**

5-Star Generals Commemorative Coin Act: H.R. 1177, amended, to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in recognition of 5 United States Army 5-Star Generals, George Marshall, Douglas MacArthur, Dwight Eisenhower, Henry "Hap" Arnold, and Omar Bradley, alumni of the United States Army Command and General Staff College, Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, to coincide with the celebration of the 132nd Anniversary of the

founding of the United States Army Command and General Staff College; **Page H3682**

Expressing support for designation of May as National Foster Care Month: H. Res. 1339, to express support for designation of May as National Foster Care Month and to acknowledge the responsibility that Congress has to promote safety, well-being, improved outcomes, and permanency for the Nation's collective children; and **Page H3682**

Expressing condolences and sympathies for the people of China following the tragic earthquake in the Qinghai province of the Peoples Republic of China on April 14, 2010: H. Res. 1324, to express condolences and sympathies for the people of China following the tragic earthquake in the Qinghai province of the Peoples Republic of China on April 14, 2010. **Page H3682**

Suspension—Proceedings Resumed: The House agreed to suspend the rules and agree to the following measure which was debated on Tuesday, May 18th:

Congratulating Phil Mickelson on winning the 2010 Masters golf tournament: H. Res. 1256, to congratulate Phil Mickelson on winning the 2010 Masters golf tournament, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yea-and-nay vote of 401 yeas with none voting "nay" and 8 voting "present", Roll No. 285. **Page H3668**

Oath of Office—Twelfth Congressional District of Pennsylvania: Representative-elect Mark S. Critz presented himself in the well of the House and was administered the Oath of Office by the Speaker. Earlier, the Clerk of the House transmitted a scanned copy of a letter from Mr. Chet Harhut, Commissioner, Bureau of Commissions, Elections, and Legislation, Pennsylvania Department of State, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, indicating that, according to the unofficial returns of the Special Election held May 18, 2010, the Honorable Mark S. Critz was elected Representative to Congress for the Twelfth Congressional District, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. **Pages H3668–69**

Whole Number of the House: The Speaker announced to the House that, in light of the administration of the oath to the gentleman from Pennsylvania, Mr. Critz, the whole number of the House is adjusted to 432. **Page H3669**

Privileged Resolution: The House agreed to H. Res. 1363, granting the authority provided under clause 4(c)(3) of rule X of the Rules of the House of Representatives to the Committee on Education and Labor for purposes of its investigation into underground coal mining safety, by a yea-and-nay vote of 413 yeas to 1 nay, Roll No. 289, after the pre-

vious question was ordered by a yea-and-nay vote of 240 yeas to 177 nays, Roll No. 288. **Pages H3671–81**

Meeting Hour: Agreed that when the House adjourns tomorrow, it adjourn to meet at 12:30 p.m. on Monday, May 24th for morning hour debate, and further, when the House adjourns on that day, it adjourn to meet at 10:30 a.m. on Tuesday, May 25th for morning hour debate. **Page H3685**

Member Resignation: Read a letter from Representative Souder, wherein he resigned as Representative for the Third Congressional District of Indiana, effective Friday, May 21, 2010. **Pages H3685–86**

Senate Message: Message received from the Senate today appears on page H3661.

Senate Referrals: S. 920 was referred to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform and the Committee on Armed Services. **Page H3698**

Quorum Calls—Votes: Four yea-and-nay votes and three recorded votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H3667, H3668, H3669–70, H3670–71, H3680, H3680–81, and H3681–82. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 6:40 p.m. s

Committee Meetings

DEFENSE APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Defense continued appropriation hearings. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETES CONCUSSIONS

Committee on Education and Labor: Held a hearing on the Impact of Concussions on High School Athletes. Testimony was heard from Linda Kohn, Director, Health Care Issues, GAO; and public witnesses.

MOTOR VEHICLE SAFETY ACT OF 2010

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Commerce, Trade, and Consumer Protection approved for full Committee action the Motor Vehicle Safety Act of 2010.

TOYOTA UNINTENDED ACCELERATION INVESTIGATION

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing entitled "Update on Toyota and NHTSA's Response to the Problem of Sudden Unintended Acceleration." Testimony was heard from David L. Strickland, Administrator, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, Department of Transportation; and James E.

Lentz, President and CEO, Toyota Motor Sales, U.S.A., Inc.

ROLE OF IMF-FEDERAL RESERVE IN STABILIZING EUROPE

Committee on Financial Services: Subcommittee on International Monetary Policy and Trade and the Subcommittee on Domestic Monetary Policy and Technology held a joint hearing entitled “The Role of the International Monetary Fund and Federal Reserve in Stabilizing Europe.” Testimony was heard from Daniel K. Tarullo, Governor, Board of Governors, Federal Reserve System; and public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT—MARSHALL ISLANDS COMPACT OF FREE ASSOCIATION

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on Asia, the Pacific and the Global Environment held an oversight hearing on the Compact of Free Association with the Republic of the Marshall Islands: Medical Treatment of the Marshallese People, U.S. Nuclear Tests, Nuclear Claims Tribunal, Forced Resettlement, Use of Kwajalein Atoll for Missile Programs and Land Use Development. Testimony was heard from Frankie A. Reed, Deputy Assistant Secretary Bureau of East Asian and Pacific Affairs, Department of State; Nikolao Pula, Director, Office of Insular Affairs, Department of the Interior; Steven Messervy, Deputy to the Commanding General, Research, Development and Acquisition, U.S. Army Space and Missile Defense Command, Department of Defense; Glenn S. Podonsky, Chief Health, Safety and Security Officer, Office of Health, Safety and Security, Department of Energy; and public witnesses.

AFGHANISTAN RECONSTRUCTION OVERSIGHT

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on International Organizations, Human Rights and Oversight held a hearing on Afghanistan Reconstruction Oversight. Testimony was heard from MG Arnold Fields, USMC (ret.), Inspector General, Office of the Special Inspector General, Afghanistan Reconstruction, Department of Defense.

DEMOCRACY IS STRENGTHENED BY CASTING LIGHT ON SPENDING IN ELECTIONS ACT

Committee on House Administration: Ordered reported, as amended, H.R. 5175, Democracy Is Strengthened by Casting Light on Spending in Elections Act.

ADMINISTRATIVE CONFERENCE OF THE UNITED STATES

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Commercial and Administrative Law held a hearing on the Administrative Conference of the United States. Testimony was heard from the following Associate

Justices of the Supreme Court: Stephen Breyer and Antonin Scalia; Paul Verkuil, Chairman, Administrative Conference of the United States; Curtis Copeland, Specialist in American National Government, CRS, Library of Congress; and public witnesses.

RAPE KIT BACKLOGS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security held a hearing on Rape Kit Backlogs: Failing the Test of Providing Justice to Sexual Assault Survivors. Testimony was heard from Representatives Maloney, Weiner, Schiff, and Nadler; Christian Hassell, Assistant Director, Laboratory Division, FBI, Department of Justice; Peter Marone, Director, Department of Forensic Science, State of Virginia; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES; GOVERNMENT TELECOMMUNICATIONS TRANSITION DELAYS

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform: Ordered reported the following measures: H.R. 4900, amended, Federal Information Security Amendments Act of 2010; H.R. 2142, amended, Government Efficiency, Effectiveness, and Performance Improvement Act of 2009; “Running out of Time: Telecommunications Transition Delays Wasting Millions of Federal Dollars.” H. Res. 1121, Congratulating Clinton County and the county seat of Wilmington, Ohio, on the occasion of their bicentennial anniversaries; H. Res. 1172, Recognizing the life and achievements of Will Keith Kellogg; H. Res. 1330, amended, Recognizing June 8, 2010, as World Ocean Day; H. Res. 1357, Commending and congratulating the Hollywood Walk of Fame on the occasion of its 50th anniversary; and H.R. 5278, To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 405 West Second Street in Dixon, Illinois, as the “President Ronald W. Reagan Post Office Building.”

The Committee also held a hearing entitled “Running out of Time: Telecommunications Transition Delays Wasting Millions of Federal Dollars.” Testimony was heard from Steven J. Kempf, Acting Commissioner, Federal Acquisition Service, GSA; Sanjeev Bhagowalia, Chief Information Officer, Office of the Secretary, Department of the Interior; and public witnesses.

CDC’S ENVIRONMENTAL PUBLIC HEALTH PRACTICES

Committee on Science and Technology: Subcommittee on Investigations and Oversight held a hearing on Preventing Harm—Protecting Health: Reforming CDC’s Environmental Public Health Practices. Testimony was heard from Cynthia A. Bascetta, Director, Public Health and Medical Services, GAO; Robin M.

Ikedo, M.D., Deputy Director, Office of Noncommunicable Diseases, Injury and Environmental Health, and Acting Director, National Center for Injury Prevention and Control, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Department of Health and Human Services; and public witnesses.

PROTECTING FEDERAL EMPLOYEES IN LEASED FACILITIES

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings, and Emergency Management held a hearing on Too Much For Too Little: Finding the Cost-Risk Balance for Protecting Federal Employees in Leased Facilities. Testimony was heard from Representative Moran of Virginia; Sue Armstrong, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Infrastructure Protection, Department of Homeland Security; Michael McAndrew, Director, Facility Investment and Management, Office of the Deputy Under Secretary, Installations and Environment, Department of Defense; Samuel Morris III, Assistant Commissioner—Office of Real Estate Acquisition, GSA; and public witnesses.

PIPELINE SAFETY

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Railroads, Pipelines, and Hazardous Materials held a hearing on the Implementation of the Pipeline Inspection, Protection, Enforcement and Safety Act of 2006 and Reauthorization of the Pipeline Safety Program. Testimony was heard from Cynthia Quarterman, Administrator, Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration, Department of Transportation; and public witnesses.

EVALUATING MILITARY SEXUAL TRAUMA ISSUES

Committee on Veterans' Affairs, Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs and the Subcommittee on Health held a joint hearing on Healing the Wounds: Evaluating Military Sexual Trauma Issues. Testimony was heard from Kaye Whiley, Director, Sexual Assault Prevention and Response Office, Office of the Under Secretary, Personnel and Readiness, Department of Defense; the following officials of the Department of Veterans Affairs: Bradley G. Mayes, Director, Compensation and Pension Service, Veterans Benefits Administration; and Susan McCutcheon, R.N., Director, Family Services, Women's Mental Health and Military Sexual Trauma, Veterans Health Administration; representatives of veterans organizations; and public witnesses.

LOAN GUARANTY PROGRAMS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity held a hearing on the Loan

Guaranty Program. Testimony was heard from Thomas J. Pamperin, Associate Deputy Under Secretary, Policy and Program Management, Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs; representatives of veterans organizations; and public witnesses.

CUSTOMS TRADE FACILITIES AND ENFORCEMENT

Committee on Ways and Means, Subcommittee on Trade held a hearing to review customs operations administered by U.S. Customs and Border Protection and U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Homeland Security: Alan Bersin, Commissioner, U.S. Customs and Border Protection; and Alonzo R. Pena, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Operations, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement; Timothy Skud, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Tax, Trade and Tariff Policy, Department of the Treasury; and public witnesses.

BRIEFING—HOT SPOTS

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Subcommittee on Terrorism, Human Intelligence, Analysis, and Counterintelligence met in executive session to receive a briefing on Hot Spots. The Subcommittee was briefed by departmental witnesses.

CLIMATE CHANGE IN THE POLITICAL ARENA

Select Committee on Energy Independence and Global Warming: Held a hearing entitled "Climate Science in the Political Arena." Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY, MAY 21, 2010

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

House

Committee on Financial Services, Subcommittee on Capital Markets, Insurance, and Government Sponsored Enterprises, hearing entitled "Accounting and Auditing Standards: Pending Proposals and Emerging Issues," 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of May 24 through May 29, 2010

Senate Chamber

On *Monday*, at 3 p.m., Senate will begin consideration of H.R. 4899, Emergency Supplemental Appropriations Act. At 4:45 p.m., Senate will proceed to consideration of Brownback and Hutchison motions to instruct conferees with respect to H.R. 4173, Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act, with a series of two roll call votes in relation to the motions at approximately 5:30 p.m.

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 Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: May 26, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Elisabeth Ann Hagen, of Virginia, to be Under Secretary for Food Safety, and Catherine E. Woteki, of the District of Columbia, to be Under Secretary for Research, Education, and Economics, both of the Department of Agriculture, and Sara Louise Faivre-Davis, of Texas, Lowell Lee Junkins, of Iowa, and Myles J. Watts, of Montana, all to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Federal Agricultural Mortgage Corporation, Farm Credit Administration, 9:30 a.m., SR-328A.

Committee on Appropriations: May 26, Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine firefighting policy with the U.S. Forest Service and the Department of the Interior, 9:30 a.m., SD-124.

Committee on Armed Services: May 25, Subcommittee on Airland, closed business meeting to mark up those provisions which fall under the subcommittee's jurisdiction of the proposed National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2011, 9 a.m., SR-222.

May 25, Subcommittee on Readiness and Management Support, closed business meeting to mark up those provisions which fall under the subcommittee's jurisdiction of the proposed National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2011, 10:30 a.m., SR-222.

May 25, Subcommittee on Emerging Threats and Capabilities, closed business meeting to mark up those provisions which fall under the subcommittee's jurisdiction of the proposed National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2011, 2 p.m., SR-222.

May 25, Subcommittee on Strategic Forces, closed business meeting to mark up those provisions which fall under the subcommittee's jurisdiction of the proposed National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2011, 3:30 p.m., SR-222.

May 25, Subcommittee on Personnel, closed business meeting to mark up those provisions which fall under the subcommittee's jurisdiction of the proposed National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2011, 5 p.m., SR-222.

May 26, Subcommittee on Seapower, closed business meeting to mark up those provisions which fall under the subcommittee's jurisdiction of the proposed National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2011, 9:30 a.m., SR-222.

May 26, Full Committee, closed business meeting to mark up the proposed National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2011, 2:30 p.m., SR-222.

May 27, Full Committee, closed business meeting to mark up the proposed National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2011, 9:30 a.m., SR-222.

May 28, Full Committee, closed business meeting to mark up the proposed National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2011, 9:30 a.m., SR-222.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: May 26, Subcommittee on Communications and Technology, to hold hearings to examine innovation and inclusion, focusing on the Americans with Disabilities Act at 20, 2:30 p.m., SR-253.

May 27, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the financial state of the airline industry and the implications of consolidation, 10 a.m., SR-253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: May 25, to hold hearings to examine the liability and financial responsibility issues related to offshore oil production, including the Deepwater Horizon accident in the Gulf of Mexico, including S. 3346, to increase the limits on liability under the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act, 10 a.m., SR-325.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: May 27, to hold hearings to examine an original bill entitled, "Water Resources Development Act of 2010", focusing on legislative issues, 10 a.m., SD-406.

Committee on Finance: May 25, to hold hearings to examine reducing overpayments and increasing quality in the unemployment system, 10 a.m., SD-215.

May 26, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine certain nominations, 10 a.m., SD-215.

Committee on Foreign Relations: May 25, to resume hearings to examine Treaty between the United States of America and the Russian Federation on Measures for the Further Reduction and Limitation of Strategic Offensive Arms, signed in Prague on April 8, 2010, with Protocol (Treaty Doc.111-05), focusing on the role of strategic arms control in a post-Cold War world, 9:30 a.m., SD-419.

May 25, Full Committee, business meeting to consider S. 3193, to establish within the office of the Secretary of State a Coordinator for Cyberspace and Cybersecurity Issues, S. 3104, to permanently authorize Radio Free Asia, S. Res. 469, recognizing the 60th Anniversary of the Fulbright Program in Thailand, S. Res. 532, recognizing Expo 2010 Shanghai China and the USA Pavilion at the Expo, S. 3317, to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 2010 through 2014 to promote long-term, sustainable rebuilding and development in Haiti, and the nominations of Michael P. Meehan, of Virginia, and Dana M. Perino, of the District of Columbia, both to be a Member of the Broadcasting Board of Governors, and Michael James Warren, of the District of Columbia, to be

a Member of the Board of Directors of the Overseas Private Investment Corporation, 2:15 p.m., S-116, Capitol.

May 26, Subcommittee on African Affairs, to hold hearings to examine assessing challenges and opportunities for peace in Sudan, 2:30 p.m., SD-419.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: May 25, to resume hearings to examine Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) reauthorization, focusing on early childhood education, 2 p.m., SD-430.

May 26, Full Committee, business meeting to consider S. 2781, to change references in Federal law to mental retardation to references to an intellectual disability, and to change references to a mentally retarded individual to references to an individual with an intellectual disability, and the nominations of David K. Mineta, of California, to be Deputy Director for Demand Reduction, Office of National Drug Control Policy, and Adam Gamoran, of Wisconsin, Deborah Loewenberg Ball, of Michigan, Margaret R. McLeod, of the District of Columbia, and Bridget Terry Long, of Massachusetts, all to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the National Board for Education Sciences, 10 a.m., SD-430.

May 27, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine building a secure future for multiemployer pension plans, 10 a.m., SD-430.

Committee on Indian Affairs: May 26, to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Tracie Stevens, of Washington, to be Chairman of the National Indian Gaming Commission, 10 a.m., SD-628.

Committee on the Judiciary: May 26, Subcommittee on the Constitution, to hold hearings to examine the legality and efficacy of line-item veto proposals, 10 a.m., SD-226.

May 27, Full Committee, business meeting to consider S. 193, to create and extend certain temporary district court judgeships, H.R. 4506, to authorize the appointment of additional bankruptcy judges, H.R. 1933, to direct the Attorney General to make an annual grant to the A Child Is Missing Alert and Recovery Center to assist law enforcement agencies in the rapid recovery of missing children, H.R. 908, to amend the Violent Crime Control and Law Enforcement Act of 1994 to reauthorize the Missing Alzheimer's Disease Patient Alert Program, and the nominations of Robert Neil Chatigny, of Connecticut, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Second Circuit, John A. Gibney, Jr., to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Virginia, and Stephanie A. Finley, to be United States Attorney for the Western District of Louisiana, Scott Jerome Parker, to be United States Marshal for the Eastern District of North Carolina, Darryl Keith McPherson, to be United States Marshal for the Northern District of Illinois, and Gervin Kazumi Miyamoto, to be United States Marshal for the District of Hawaii, all of the Department of Justice, and Daniel J. Becker, of Utah, James R. Hannah, of Arkansas, Gayle A. Nachtigal, of Oregon, John B. Nalbandian, of Kentucky, Marsha J. Rabiteau, of Connecticut, and Hernán D. Vera, of California, all to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the State Justice Institute, 10 a.m., SD-226.

May 27, Subcommittee on Antitrust, Competition Policy and Consumer Rights, to hold hearings to examine

the United/Continental Airlines merger, focusing on how consumers will fare, 2:15 p.m., SD-226.

Committee on Rules and Administration: May 25, to hold hearings to examine the nomination of William J. Boarman, of Maryland, to be Public Printer, 10 a.m., SR-301.

Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship: May 27, to resume hearings to examine the impact of the Deepwater Horizon oil spill on small businesses, Time to be announced, SR-428A.

Select Committee on Intelligence: May 25, to hold closed hearings to consider certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

May 27, Full Committee, to hold closed hearings to consider certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

Special Committee on Aging: May 26, to hold hearings to examine dietary supplements, focusing on what seniors need to know, 2 p.m., SD-562.

House Committees

Committee on Appropriations, May 27, Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies, hearing on BP-Transocean Deepwater Horizon Oil Disaster: Ongoing Response and Environmental Impacts, 10 a.m., 2359 Rayburn.

Committee on Education and Labor, May 27, Subcommittee on Higher Education, Lifelong Learning, and Competitiveness, hearing Examining GAO's Findings on Efforts to Improve Oversight of Low-Income and Minority Serving Institutions, 10 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, May 25, Subcommittee on Energy and Environment, hearing on Combating the BP Oil Spill, 2 p.m., 2123 Rayburn.

May 27, full Committee, hearing on Developments in Synthetic Genomics and Implications for Health and Energy, 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

May 27, Subcommittee on Health, hearing entitled "Promoting the Development of Antibiotics and Ensuring Judicious Use in Humans," 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, May 25, hearing entitled "The Administration's Proposal to Preserve and Transform Public and Assisted Housing: The Transforming Rental Assistance Initiative," 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

May 26, Subcommittee on Capital Markets, Insurance and Government Sponsored Enterprises, hearing entitled "FHFA Oversight: Current State of the Housing Government Sponsored Enterprises," 2 p.m., 2128 Rayburn.

May 26, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled "Anti-Money Laundering: Blocking Terrorist Financing and Its Impact on Lawful Charities," 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Foreign Affairs, May 25, Subcommittee on Africa and Global Health, hearing on The Great Lakes Region: Current Conditions and U.S. Policy, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

May 27, Subcommittee on the Western Hemisphere and the Subcommittee on Border, Maritime and Global Counterterrorism of the Committee on Homeland Security, joint hearing on U.S.-Mexico Security Cooperation: Next Steps for the Merida Initiative, 10 a.m., 331 Cannon.

Committee on Homeland Security, May 26, Subcommittee on Intelligence, Information Sharing and Terrorism Risk Assessment, hearing entitled “Internet Terror Recruitment and Tradecraft: How Can We Address an Evolving Tool While Protecting Free Speech?” 10 a.m., 311 Cannon.

Committee on the Judiciary, May 25, Subcommittee on Commercial and Administrative Law, hearing on H.R. 4677, Protecting Employees and Retirees in Business Bankruptcies Act of 2010, 11 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

May 25, Subcommittee on Courts and Competition Policy, hearing on H.R. 5281, Removal Clarification Act of 2010, 2 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

May 25, Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism and Homeland Security, hearing on H.R. 3040, Senior Financial Empowerment Act of 2009, 2:30 p.m., 2237 Rayburn.

May 26, Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security, hearing on *United States v. Stevens: The Supreme Court’s Decision Invalidating the Crush Video Statute*, time to be announced, 2141 Rayburn.

May 27, full Committee, hearing on the Legal Liability Issues Surrounding the Gulf Coast Oil Disaster, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Natural Resources, May 25, Subcommittee on Insular Affairs, Oceans and Wildlife, hearing on H.R. 5284, Sikes Act Amendments Act of 2010, 10 a.m., 1334 Longworth.

May 25, Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Public Lands, oversight hearing on *Building on America’s Best Idea: The Next Century of the National Park System*, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

May 26 and 27, full Committee, oversight hearings entitled “Outer Continental Shelf Oil and Gas Strategy and Implications of the Deepwater Horizon Rig Explosion,” 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, May 26, Subcommittee on Domestic Policy, hearing entitled “Assessing EPA’s Efforts to Measure and Reduce Mercury Pollution from Dentist Offices,” 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

May 27, full Committee, hearing regarding the circumstances surrounding the recall of popular children’s

medicines produced by Johnson & Johnson/McNeil Consumer Healthcare, 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on Science and Technology, May 26, hearing to review the Proposed National Aeronautics and Space Administration’s Human Spaceflight Plan, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

May 27, Subcommittee on Technology and Innovation, hearing on Interoperability in Public Safety Communications Equipment, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Small Business, May 25, hearing entitled “Heroes of Small Business,” 10 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, May 25, Subcommittee Economic Development, Public Buildings and Emergency Management, hearing on *Eliminating Waste and Managing Space in Federal Courthouses: GAO Recommendations on Courthouse Construction, Courtroom Sharing, and Enforcing Congressionally Authorized Limits on Size and Cost*, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

May 26, full Committee, hearing on *Recovery Act: Progress Reports for Infrastructure Investments*, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Committee on Veterans’ Affairs, May 27, Subcommittee on Health, hearing on the following measures: H.R. 4062, Veterans’ Health and Radiation Safety Act; H.R. 4505, To enable State homes to furnish nursing home care to parents any of whose children died while serving in the Armed Forces; Draft legislation on Outreach; and pending business, 10 a.m., 334 Cannon.

Committee on Ways and Means, May 27, Subcommittee on Oversight, hearing on tobacco smuggling in the United States and other excise tax compliance issues, 10 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

Joint Meetings

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe: May 25, to hold hearings to examine Holocaust era assets after the Prague conference, 2:30 p.m., SR-428A.

Joint Economic Committee: May 26, to hold hearings to examine how to minimize the impact of the great recession on young workers, 10 a.m., 210, Cannon Building.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

2 p.m., Monday, May 24

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

9 a.m., Friday, May 21

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. 4899, Emergency Supplemental Appropriations Act. At 4:45 p.m., Senate will proceed to consideration of Brownback and Hutchison motions to instruct conferees with respect to H.R. 4173, Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act, with a series of two roll call votes in relation to the motions at approximately 5:30 p.m.

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Program for Friday: The House will meet in pro forma session at 9 a.m.

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