

# Daily Digest

## HIGHLIGHTS

Senate agreed to the conference report to accompany H.R. 4173, Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act.

## Senate

### Chamber Action

*Routine Proceedings, pages S5869–S5976*

**Measures Introduced:** Fifteen bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 3592–3606, and S. Res. 583–584. **Page S5963**

#### Measures Reported:

S. 3606, making appropriations for Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2011. (S. Rept. No. 111–221) **Pages S5963–64**

#### Conference Reports:

*Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act:* By 60 yeas to 39 nays (Vote No. 208), Senate agreed to the conference report to accompany 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, clearing the measure for the President. **Pages S5870–S5933**

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

By 60 yeas to 38 nays (Vote No. 206), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, having voted in the affirmative, Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the conference report to accompany the bill. **Page S5880**

By 60 yeas to 39 nays (Vote No. 207), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, having voted in the affirmative, Senate agreed to the motion to waive section 904 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, and the waiver provisions of applicable budget resolutions, with respect to the conference report. The point of order that the conference report was in violation of section 311(b) of S. Con. Res. 70, 110th Congress, fell. **Pages S5932–33**

#### House Messages:

*American Jobs and Closing Tax Loopholes Act—Agreement:* A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that at 2:30 p.m., on Tuesday, July 20, 2010, Senate resume consideration of the amendment of the House of Representatives to the amendment of the Senate to H.R. 4213, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend certain expiring provisions; that the motion to reconsider be agreed to, and Senate vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the motion to concur in the House amendment to the Senate amendment to the bill with Reid Amendment No. 4425 (to the amendment of the House to the amendment of the Senate to the bill), in the nature of a substitute. **Page S5976**

*Small Business Lending Fund Act—Agreement:* A unanimous-consent agreement was reached that at 3 p.m., on Monday, July 19, 2010, Senate resume consideration of H.R. 5297, to create the Small Business Lending Fund Program to direct the Secretary of the Treasury to make capital investments in eligible institutions in order to increase the availability of credit for small businesses, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide tax incentives for small business job creation. **Page S5976**

**Treaties Approved:** The following treaties having passed through their various parliamentary stages, up to and including the presentation of the resolution of ratification, upon division, two-thirds of the Senators present having voted in the affirmative, the resolutions of ratification were agreed to:

Tax Convention with Malta (Treaty Doc. 111–1) with 1 declaration; and

Protocol Amending Tax Convention with New Zealand (Treaty Doc. 111–3) with 1 declaration.

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**Messages from the House:**

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**Measures Referred:**

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**Measures Placed on the Calendar:**

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**Authorities for Committees to Meet:**

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**Privileges of the Floor:**

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**Record Votes:** Three record votes were taken today. (Total—208) Pages S5880, S5932–33, S5933

**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 9:30 a.m. and adjourned at 6:33 p.m., until 2 p.m. on Monday, July 19, 2010. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S5976.)

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

### DISPERSANTS USED IN OIL SPILL

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies concluded a hearing to examine the use of dispersants in response to the Deepwater Horizon oil spill, after receiving testimony from Larry Robinson, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Department of Commerce; Lisa Jackson, Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency; Anne Rolfes, Louisiana Bucket Brigade, New Orleans; and Kenneth A. Cook, Environmental Working Group, Washington, D.C.

### APPROPRIATIONS: MILITARY CONSTRUCTION AND VETERANS AFFAIRS, DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY, AND AGRICULTURE, RURAL DEVELOPMENT, FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION, AND RELATED AGENCIES

*Committee on Appropriations:* Committee ordered favorably reported the following bills:

An original bill making appropriations for the Military Construction and Veterans Affairs for fiscal year ending September 30, 2011;

An original bill making appropriations for the Department of Homeland Security for fiscal year ending September 30, 2011;

An original bill making appropriations for the Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies for fiscal year ending September 30, 2011; and

The fiscal year 2011 302(b) Allocations.

### NEW START TREATY

*Committee on Armed Services:* Committee concluded open and closed hearings to examine sustaining nuclear weapons under the New START, after receiving testimony from Michael R. Anastasio, Laboratory Director, Los Alamos National Laboratory, George H. Miller, Director, Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory, and Paul J. Hommert, President and Director, Sandia National Laboratories, all of the Department of Energy; and Roy Schwitters, University of Texas, Austin.

### NOMINATIONS

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Janet L. Yellen, of California, to be Vice Chairman of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, who was introduced by Senator Feinstein, Peter A. Diamond, of Massachusetts, Sarah Bloom Raskin, of Maryland, who was introduced by Senator Cardin and former Senator Paul Sarbanes, all to be a Member of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, Osvaldo Luis Gratacós Munet, of Puerto Rico, to be Inspector General, Export-Import Bank, and Steve A. Linick, of Virginia, to be Inspector General of the Federal Housing Finance Agency, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

### RESPONSIBLE CONTRACTING

*Committee on the Budget:* Committee concluded a hearing with the Task Force on Government Performance to examine responsible contracting, focusing on modernizing the business of government, after receiving testimony from Daniel I. Gordon, Administrator for Federal Procurement Policy, Office of Management and Budget; Shay D. Assad, Director, Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, Acting Assistant Secretary of Defense for Acquisition, Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition, Technology, and Logistics; Allison Stanger, Middlebury College, Middlebury, Vermont; and James Jay Carafano, The Heritage Foundation, Washington, D.C.

**BUSINESS MEETING**

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 3304, to increase the access of persons with disabilities to modern communications, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 3566, to authorize certain maritime programs of the Department of Transportation, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

An original bill entitled the NASA Authorization Act of 2011; and

A promotion list in the United States Coast Guard.

**PROTECTING YOUTHS IN AN ONLINE WORLD**

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* Subcommittee on Consumer Protection, Product Safety, and Insurance concluded a hearing to examine protecting youths in an online world, after receiving testimony from Jessica Rich, Deputy Director, Bureau of Consumer Protection, Federal Trade Commission; Hemanshu Nigam, Online Safety Technology Working Group, Beverly Hills, California; Jeff McIntyre, Children Now, Oakland, California; Michelle Collins, National Center for Missing and Exploited Children, Alexandria, Virginia; and K. Dane Snowden, CTIA—The Wireless Association, Washington, D.C.

**WORKING DURING RETIREMENT**

*Committee on Finance:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine choosing to work during retirement and the impact on Social Security, after receiving testimony from Stephen C. Goss, Chief Actuary, Social Security Administration; Marc Freedman, Civic Ventures, San Francisco, California; Marcia Brown, National Center for Appropriate Technology, Butte, Montana; Nicole Maestas, RAND Corporation, Santa Monica, California; and Bonnie P. Shelor, Bon Secours Virginia Health System, Richmond, Virginia.

**NEW START TREATY**

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* Committee continued 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 maintaining a safe, secure and effective nuclear arsenal, after receiving testimony from Michael R. Anastasio, Laboratory Director, Los Alamos National Laboratory, George H. Miller, Director, Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory, and Paul J.

Hommert, President and Director, Sandia National Laboratories, all of the Department of Energy.

**MEDICARE PAYMENT ERRORS**

*Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:* Subcommittee on Federal Financial Management, Government Information, Federal Services, and International Security concluded a hearing to examine preventing and recovering Medicare payment errors, after receiving testimony from Kathleen M. King, Director, Health Care, Government Accountability Office; Deborah Taylor, Chief Financial Officer and Director, Office of Financial Management, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, and Robert Vito, Acting Assistant Inspector General, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Audits, Office of Inspector General, both of the Department of Health and Human Services; Libby Alexander, Connolly, Inc., San Francisco, California; Lisa Im, Performant Financial Corporation, Newport, California; Andrea Benko, Health Data Insights, Las Vegas, Nevada; Robert Rolf, CGI Federal, Inc., Cleveland, Ohio; and Romil Bahl, PRGX Global, Inc., Atlanta, Georgia.

**AMERICANS AND INFORMED FINANCIAL DECISIONS**

*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 the Federal government's role in empowering Americans to make informed financial decisions, after receiving testimony from Michael Barr, Assistant Secretary of the Treasury; Christine M. Griffin, Deputy Director, Office of Personnel Management; Brenda Dann-Messier, Assistant Secretary of Education for Vocational and Adult Education; Marianna LaCanfora, Assistant Deputy Commissioner for Retirement and Disability Policy, Social Security Administration; Sandra L. Thompson, Director, Division of Supervision and Consumer Protection, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation; Lynne Egan, Montana Deputy Securities Commissioner, Helena; and Barbara Roper, Consumer Federation of America, Washington, D.C.

**NOMINATIONS**

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Mary Helen Murguia, of Arizona, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit, who was introduced by Senator Kyl, Edmond E—Min Chang, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Illinois, who was introduced by Senator Durbin, Leslie E. Kobayashi, to be United States District Judge for the District of Hawaii, who was introduced by Senator Inouye, Denise Jefferson Casper, to be United

States District Judge for the District of Massachusetts, who was introduced by Senators Kerry and Brown (MA), and Carlton W. Reeves, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Mississippi, who was introduced by Senators Cochran and Wicker, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

#### BUSINESS MEETING

*Senate Impeachment Trial Committee:* Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

To authorize Senate Legal Counsel to seek two immunity resolutions for testimony;

To adopt a rule delegating authority to the Chair and Vice Chair to issue subpoenas; and

To adopt a rule for a quorum of one for pretrial testimony.

#### BUSINESS MEETING

*Select Committee on Intelligence:* Committee met in closed session to consider pending intelligence matters.

Committee recessed subject to the call.

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## House of Representatives

### *Chamber Action*

**Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced:** 28 public bills, H.R. 5741–5768; and 15 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 297–298; and H. Res. 1520–1532 were introduced. **Pages H5674–76**

**Additional Cosponsors:** **Pages H5676–77**

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

H. Res. 1455, directing the Attorney General to transmit to the House of Representatives copies of certain communications relating to certain recommendations regarding administration appointments; adversely (H. Rept. 111–538);

H.R. 5301, to extend the period during which the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency and States are prohibited from requiring a permit under section 402 of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act for certain discharges that are incidental to normal operation of vessels (H. Rept. 111–539);

H.R. 5545, to deauthorize a portion of the project for navigation, Potomac River, Washington Channel, District of Columbia, under the jurisdiction of the Corps of Engineers (H. Rept. 111–540);

H. Con. Res. 258, congratulating the Commandant of the Coast Guard and the Superintendent of the Coast Guard Academy and its staff for 100 years of operation of the Coast Guard Academy in New London, Connecticut (H. Rept. 111–541);

H. Res. 1366, recognizing and honoring the freight rail industry, with amendments (H. Rept. 111–542);

H. Res. 1401, expressing gratitude for the contributions that the air traffic controllers of the United States make to keep the traveling public safe and the airspace of the United States running efficiently, with amendments (H. Rept. 111–543);

H. Res. 1463, supporting the goals and ideals of Railroad Retirement Day (H. Rept. 111–544);

Report of the Joint Economic Committee on the 2010 Economic Report of the President (H. Rept. 111–545);

H.R. 5604, to rescind amounts authorized for certain surface transportation programs (H. Rept. 111–546); and

H.R. 569, to amend titles 28 and 10, United States Code, to allow for certiorari review of certain cases denied relief or review by the United States Court of Appeals for the Armed Forces, with an amendment (H. Rept. 111–547). **Page H5674**

**Chaplain:** The prayer was offered by the guest chaplain, Rev. Dr. John Cross, South Biscayne Church, North Port, Florida. **Page H5619**

**Flood Insurance Reform Priorities Act of 2010:** The House passed H.R. 5114, to extend the authorization for the national flood insurance program and to identify priorities essential to reform and ongoing stable functioning of the program, by a recorded vote of 329 ayes to 90 noes, Roll No. 447.

**Pages H5621–56**

Rejected the Hensarling motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Financial Services with instructions to report the same back to the House forthwith with an amendment, by a recorded vote of 191 ayes to 229 noes, Roll No. 446. **Pages H5653–55**

Pursuant to the rule, the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Financial Services now printed in the bill shall be considered as an original bill for the purpose of amendment under the five-minute rule. **Page H5636**

Agreed to:

Waters managers amendment (No. 1 printed in H. Rept. 111–537) that (1) phases out subsidized

premiums for severe repetitive loss properties, substantially damaged or improved properties and policy holders who voluntarily allow flood coverage to lapse; (2) clarifies application of actuarial rate phase-in for pre-FIRM properties sold after enactment; (3) provides preferred rate premium for properties participating in NFIP during newly established, 5-year delay in mandatory flood insurance purchase requirement; (4) expands availability of installment premium payment program to all policyholders; (5) clarifies that the FEMA Director may work directly with property owners to make mitigation grants for certain repetitive loss properties where States or communities are either unable or unwilling to address repetitive loss issues with a property owner; (6) allows commercial properties with swimming pools located below the base flood level to enclose those pools with breakaway walls outside of hurricane season; (7) requires FEMA to review mapping of surrounding properties following successful appeal of hazard designation in newly mapped areas; (8) clarifies ability of FEMA Administrator to use demolition and rebuilding as mitigation techniques; (9) requires study of the impact of working waterfronts on storm and flood risk; (10) establishes relevant flood insurance related studies; (11) conforms rule writing and implementation of various provisions of bill; and (12) includes other technical improvements;

**Pages H5641–44**

Putnam amendment (No. 2 printed in H. Rept. 111–537) that requires the FEMA to annually submit a report (no later than December 31 of each calendar year) to Congress on the effectiveness of grants awarded to local government agencies, the activities conducted, and the effect of such activities on the retention or acquisition of flood insurance coverage;

**Pages H5644–45**

Driehaus amendment (No. 3 printed in H. Rept. 111–537) that provides that if the owner of any property located in an area described in section 102(i)(1) of the Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973 obtains a letter of map amendment during the 5-year period for such area referred to in such section, FEMA shall reimburse such owner, or such entity or jurisdiction acting on such owners behalf, for any costs incurred in obtaining such letter;

**Pages H5645–46**

Taylor amendment (No. 5 printed in H. Rept. 111–537) that prohibits the Write Your Own insurance companies that contract with NFIP from excluding coverage of wind damage under their own policies solely because flooding also caused damage to the property. It establishes requirements for adjustment by WYO insurers when there are claims on the same property, from the same event, for flood

damage covered by NFIP and for wind damage covered by the WYO insurer;

**Pages H5646–48**

Miller (MI) amendment (No. 6 printed in H. Rept. 111–537) that requires that the Government Accountability Office conduct a study on ways the private insurance market can contribute to insuring against flood damage, the impact on the National Flood Insurance Program if communities were to opt out, and the feasibility of regionalizing the National Flood Insurance Program so there is no cross-subsidization between regions;

**Pages H5648–49**

Boswell amendment (No. 7 printed in H. Rept. 111–537) that ensures occupants have relevant information on appropriate evacuation routes, and ensures the outreach program under the bill includes relevant information on where to obtain coverage;

**Page H5649**

Hill amendment (No. 8 printed in H. Rept. 111–537) that includes “identifying ways to assist communities in efforts to fund the accreditation of flood protection systems” as a function of the Office of the Flood Insurance Advocate;

**Pages H5649–50**

Loeb sack amendment (No. 9 printed in H. Rept. 111–537) that requires FEMA to notify a local television and radio station of proposed flood elevation determinations in addition to the current requirement of publication in a prominent local newspaper. Also requires FEMA to make such notifications for communities that have not yet been issued a Letter of Final Determination through the flood insurance map modernization process at the time of enactment;

**Page H5650**

McMahon amendment (No. 10 printed in H. Rept. 111–537) that (1) permits federal grants to educate local real estate agents in communities participating in the NFIP regarding the program and the availability of coverage under the program for owners and renters of properties and (2) establishes coordination and liaisons with such agents to facilitate purchase of coverage and increase awareness of flood risk reduction;

**Pages H5650–51**

Flake amendment (No. 4 printed in H. Rept. 111–537) that prohibits funds made available for grants from being used for earmarks (by a recorded vote of 423 ayes to 3 noes, Roll No. 444); and

**Pages H5646, H5652–53**

Murphy (NY) amendment (No. 11 printed in H. Rept. 111–537) that requires all funds authorized under the Act to be expended in a manner consistent with the manual on Standards of Ethical Conduct for Employees of the Executive Branch (by a recorded vote of 421 ayes with none voting “no”, Roll No. 445).

**Pages H5651–52, H5653**

Agreed that the Clerk be authorized to make technical and conforming changes to reflect the actions of the House.

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H. Res. 1517, the rule providing for consideration of the bill, was agreed to by a yea-and-nay vote of 239 yeas to 182 nays, Roll No. 443, after the previous question was ordered without objection.

**Pages H5621–26**

**Resignation of the Chief Administrative Officer of the House of Representatives:** Read a letter from Daniel P. Beard, in which he submitted his resignation as Chief Administrative Officer of the House of Representatives, effective July 18, 2010.

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**Administration of the Oath of Office to an Officer of the House:** The Speaker administered the Oath of Office to Daniel J. Strodel of the District of Columbia to act as and to exercise temporarily the duties of Chief Administrative Officer of the House of Representatives, effective July 18, 2010.

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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 19th, and further, when the House adjourns on that day, it adjourn to meet at 10:30 a.m. on Tuesday, July 20th, for morning hour debate.

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**Senate Messages:** Messages received from the Senate today appear on pages H5619, H5661.

**Senate Referrals:** S. 1288 and S. 3372 were held at the desk.

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**Quorum Calls—Votes:** One yea-and-nay vote and four recorded votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H5625–26, H5652–53, H5653, H5655, H5655–56. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 5:22 p.m.

## Committee Meetings

### ENERGY AND WATER DEVELOPMENT AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development, and Related Agencies approved for full Committee action the FY 2011 Energy and Water Appropriations bill.

### LABOR, HHS, EDUCATION, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies approved for full Committee action the FY 2011 Labor, HHS, Education, Appropriations bill.

### OVERSIGHT—U.S. CIVILIAN ASSISTANCE FOR AFGHANISTAN

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs held an oversight hearing on U.S. Civilian Assistance for Afghanistan. Testimony was heard from MG Arnold Fields, USMC (ret.), Inspector General, Office of the Special Inspector General for Afghanistan Reconstruction; Donald A. Gambatesa, Inspector General, U.S. Agency for International Development, Department of State; and Charles Johnson, Director, International Revelations and Trade, GAO.

### IMPROVING NUTRITION FOR AMERICA'S CHILDREN ACT

*Committee on Education and Labor:* Ordered reported, as amended, H.R. 5504, Improving Nutrition for America's Children Act.

### MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

*Committee on Energy and Commerce:* Ordered reported, as amended, the following bills: H.R. 5626, Blow-out Prevention Act of 2010; H.R. 2480, Truth in Fur Labeling Act of 2010; H.R. 4501, Guarantee of a Legitimate Deal Act of 2010; and H.R. 1796, Carbon Monoxide Poisoning Prevention Act.

The Committee also ordered reported without recommendation H. Res. 1466, Of inquiry requesting the President and directing the Secretary of Energy to provide certain documents to the House of Representatives relating to the Department of Energy's application to foreclose use of Yucca Mountain as a high level nuclear waste repository.

### AGENT ORANGE IN VIETNAM

*Committee on Foreign Affairs:* Subcommittee on Asia, the Pacific, and the Global Environment held a hearing on Agent Orange in Vietnam: Recent Developments in Remediation. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of State: Matthew Palmer, Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary, Bureau of East Asian and Pacific Affairs; and John Wilson, Director, Office of Technical Support, Bureau for Asia and Middle East, U.S. Agency for International Development; and public witnesses.

### UNMANNED AERIAL SYSTEMS IN BORDER SECURITY

*Committee on Homeland Security:* Subcommittee on Border, Maritime and Global Counterterrorism, hearing entitled "The Role of Unmanned Aerial Systems in Border Security." Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Homeland Security: MG Michael C. Kostelnik, USAF (ret.), Assistant Commissioner, Office of Air and Marine, U.S. Customs and Border Protection; and

RADM Vincent B. Atkins, USCG, Assistant Commandant for Capability (CG-7), U.S. Coast Guard; and the following officials of the Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation: Nancy Kalinowski, Vice President, System Operations Services, Air Traffic Organization; and John M. Allen, Director, Flight Standards Service.

#### **MEDICAL BANKRUPTCY FAIRNESS ACT**

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on Commercial and Administrative Law held a hearing on H.R. 901, Medical Bankruptcy Fairness Act. Testimony was heard from Cecelia Morris, U.S. Bankruptcy Judge, Southern District of New York; and public witnesses.

#### **CONSOLIDATED LAND, ENERGY, AND AQUATIC RESOURCES ACT**

*Committee on Natural Resources:* Ordered reported, as amended, H.R. 3534, Consolidated Land, Energy, and Aquatic Resources Act of 2009.

#### **INSULAR AREA TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM**

*Committee on Natural Resources:* Subcommittee on Insular Affairs, Oceans and Wildlife held a hearing on Technical Assistance Program: Evaluating Its Ability to Meet the Needs of the Insular Area. Testimony was heard from Michael J. Ada, Secretary of Commerce, Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands; Charlene Leizear, Director, Technical Assistance Division, Office of Insular Affairs, Department of the Interior; Anu K. Mittal, Director, Natural Resources and Environment Team, GAO; and a public witness.

#### **RURAL JOBS CREATION ON PUBLIC LANDS**

*Committee on Natural Resources:* Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Public Lands held an oversight hearing entitled “Locally Grown: Creating Rural Jobs with America’s Public Lands.” Testimony was heard from the following officials of the USDA: Jay Jensen, Deputy Under Secretary, Natural Resources and Environment; and Victor Vasquez, Deputy Under Secretary, Rural Development; Eileen Sobeck, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Fish and Wildlife and Parks, Department of the Interior; and public witnesses.

#### **BUREAU OF RECLAMATION AND ECONOMIC RECOVERY**

*Committee on Natural Resources:* Subcommittee on Water and Power held an oversight hearing entitled “The Bureau of Reclamation and the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act: A Progress Report and Planning for the Future.” Testimony was heard from Michael Connor, Commissioner, Bureau of Rec-

lamation, Department of the Interior; and public witnesses.

#### **MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES**

*Committee on Oversight and Government Reform:* Ordered reported the following measures: H. Con. Res. 226, Supporting the observance of “Spirit of ‘45 Day”; H.J. Res. 90, Expressing support for designation of September 2010 as “Gospel Music Heritage Month” and honoring gospel music for its valuable and long-standing contributions to the culture of the United States; H. Res. 771, Supporting the goals and ideals of a National Mesothelioma Awareness Day; H. Res. 1475, Congratulates the town of Tarboro, North Carolina, on the occasion of its 250th anniversary; H. Res. 1513, amended, Congratulating the Saratoga Race Course as it celebrates its 142nd season; H.R. 5720, To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1227 Lunalilo Street, Honolulu, Hawaii, as the “Cecil L. Heftel Post Office Building”; and H.R. 5721, To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 335 Merchant Street, Honolulu, Hawaii, as the “Frank R. Fasi Post Office Building.”

#### **FUTURE OF CYBER ATTACK ATTRIBUTION**

*Committee on Science and Technology:* Subcommittee on Technology and Innovation held a hearing on Planning for the Future of Cyber Attack Attribution. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

#### **SERVICE-DISABLED VETERAN-OWNED SMALL BUSINESSES**

*Committee on Small Business:* Subcommittee on Contracting and Technology held a hearing entitled “Improving Contracting Opportunities and Preventing Fraud for Service-Disabled Veteran-Owned Small Businesses.” Testimony was heard from Linda Oliver, Acting Director, Office of Small Business Programs, Department of Defense; Tim Foreman, Executive Director, Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business, Department of Veterans Affairs; Anthony Martoccia, Chief, Contracting Office, Director, Acquisitions Division, Office of the Chief of Procurement Officer, Mission Support Bureau, FEMA, Department of Homeland Security; Jeanette L. Brown, Director, Office of Small Business Programs, EPA; Joseph G. Jordan, Associate Administrator, Government Contracting and Business Development, SBA; and public witnesses.

#### **HAZARDOUS LIQUID PIPELINES INTEGRITY MANAGEMENT**

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure:* Subcommittee on Railroads, Pipelines, and Hazardous Materials held a hearing on the Safety of Hazardous

Liquid Pipelines (Part 2): Integrity Management. Testimony was heard from David Guttenberg, House Minority Whip, State of Alaska; Cynthia Quarterman, Administrator, Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration, Department of Transportation; and public witnesses.

### CLEAN WATER INFRASTRUCTURE JOBS

*Committee on Transportation:* Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment held a hearing on Putting America Back to Work Through Clean Water Infrastructure Investment. Testimony was heard from Caswell F. Holloway, Commissioner, Department of Environmental Protection, City of New York; George S. Hawkins, General Manager, Water and Sewer Authority, District of Columbia; and public witnesses.

### MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs:* Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity approved for full Committee action the following bills: H.R. 929, amended, To amend title 38, United States Code, to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to carry out a program of training to provide eligible veterans with skills relevant to the job market; H.R. 3685, To require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to include on the main page of the Internet Web site of the Department of Veterans Affairs a hyperlink to the VetSuccess Internet Web site and to publicize such Internet Web site; H.R. 4469, To amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to provide for protection of child custody arrangements for parents who are members of the Armed Forces deployed in support of a contingency operation; H.R. 5360, amended, Blinded Veterans Adaptive Housing Improvement Act of 2010; and H.R. 5484, VetStar Veteran-Friendly Business Act of 2010.

### CONTINUED ROLE OF SOCIAL SECURITY

*Committee on Ways and Means:* Subcommittee on Social Security held a hearing on the continued importance of Social Security for seniors, survivors, and persons with disabilities and their families as the program approaches its 75th anniversary. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### BRIEFING—RUSSIAN ILLEGAL AGENTS EXCHANGE

*Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence:* Met in executive session to receive a briefing on the Russian illegal agents exchange. The Committee was briefed by departmental witnesses.

## Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

### COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY, JULY 16, 2010

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

#### Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

#### House

No committee meetings are scheduled.

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### CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of July 19 through July 24, 2010

#### Senate Chamber

On *Monday*, at 3 p.m., Senate will resume consideration of H.R. 5297, Small Business Lending Fund Act.

On *Tuesday*, at 2:15 p.m., the new Senator from West Virginia will be sworn in; following which, Senate will resume consideration of the amendment of the House of Representatives to the amendment of the Senate to H.R. 4213, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend certain expiring provisions, and vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the motion to concur in the House amendment to the Senate amendment to the bill with Reid Amendment No. 4425 (to the amendment of the House to the amendment of the Senate to the bill), in the nature of a substitute, at approximately 2:30 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 Appropriations:* July 22, Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development, to hold hearings to examine lessons from the 2010 Tennessee flood, 9:30 a.m., SD-192.

*Committee on Armed Services:* July 20, to hold hearings to examine implementation of the New Strategic Arms Reduction Treaty (START), 9:30 a.m., SD-106.

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* July 20, Subcommittee on Security and International Trade and Finance, to hold hearings to examine continuing oversight on international cooperation to modernize financial regulation, 10 a.m., SD-538.

July 21, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the semiannual monetary policy report to the Congress, 10 a.m., SD-G50.

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* July 21, Subcommittee on Oceans, Atmosphere, Fisheries, and Coast Guard, to hold hearings to examine ensuring effective clean up and restoration in the Gulf, 10 a.m., SR-253.

July 21, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine Security and Accountability For Every (SAFE) Port Act

reauthorization, focusing on our nation's infrastructure, 2:30 p.m., SR-253.

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* July 21, business meeting to consider pending calendar business, 9:30 a.m., SD-366.

*Committee on Environment and Public Works:* July 22, Subcommittee on Clean Air and Nuclear Safety, to hold an oversight hearing to examine the Environmental Protection Agency's proposal for Federal implementation plans to reduce interstate transport of fine particulate matter and ozone, 10 a.m., SD-406.

*Committee on Finance:* July 21, to hold hearings to examine an update on the Troubled Asset Relief Program (TARP), 10 a.m., SD-215.

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* July 20, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of James Franklin Jeffrey, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Iraq, Maura Connelly, of New Jersey, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Lebanon, Gerald M. Feierstein, of Pennsylvania, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Yemen, and Francis Joseph Ricciardone, Jr., of Massachusetts, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Turkey, all of the Department of State, 2:30 p.m., SD-419.

July 21, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Scot Alan Marciel, of California, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Indonesia, Judith R. Fergin, of Washington, to be Ambassador to the Democratic Republic of Timor-Leste, and Helen Patricia Reed-Rowe, of Maryland, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Palau, all of the Department of State, and Robert M. Orr, of Florida, to be United States Director of the Asian Development Bank, with the rank of Ambassador, 2:30 p.m., SD-419.

July 22, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Patrick S. Moon, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to Bosnia and Herzegovina, Luis E. Arreaga-Rodas, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Iceland, and Daniel Bennett Smith, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to Greece, all of the Department of State, 10 a.m., SD-419.

*Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:* July 21, to hold hearings to examine treating rare and neglected pediatric diseases, focusing on promoting the development of new treatments and cures, 10 a.m., SD-430.

July 22, Subcommittee on Employment and Workplace Safety, to hold hearings to examine workplace safety and worker protections at BP, 10 a.m., SD-430.

*Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:* July 21, to hold hearings to examine the Homeland Security Department's Quadrennial Homeland Security Review and Bottom Up Review, 10 a.m., SD-342.

July 22, Ad Hoc Subcommittee on State, Local, and Private Sector Preparedness and Integration, to hold hearings to examine disaster medical preparedness, focusing on improving coordination and collaboration in the delivery of medical assistance during disasters, 10 a.m., SD-342.

July 22, Subcommittee on Federal Financial Management, Government Information, Federal Services, and International Security, to resume hearings to examine the

Gulf of Mexico oil spill, focusing on ensuring a financially responsible recovery, 2:30 p.m., SD-342.

*Committee on Indian Affairs:* July 22, to hold hearings to examine S. 2956, to authorize the Pechanga Band of Luiseno Mission Indians Water Rights Settlement, and S. 3290, to modify the purposes and operation of certain facilities of the Bureau of Reclamation to implement the water rights compact among the State of Montana, the Blackfeet Tribe of the Blackfeet Indian Reservation of Montana, and the United States, 10:30 p.m., SD-628.

*Committee on the Judiciary:* July 20, business meeting to consider S. 3397, to amend the Controlled Substances Act to provide for take-back disposal of controlled substances in certain instances, S. 2925, to establish a grant program to benefit victims of sex trafficking, and the nominations of Elena Kagan, of Massachusetts, to be an Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States, James Michael Cole, of the District of Columbia, to be Deputy Attorney General, Timothy Q. Purdon, to be United States Attorney for the District of North Dakota, Willie Ransome Stafford III, to be United States Marshal for the Middle District of North Carolina, and Arthur Darrow Baylor, to be United States Marshal for the Middle District of Alabama, all of the Department of Justice, and J. Patricia Wilson Smoot, of Maryland, to be a Commissioner of the United States Parole Commission, 10 a.m., SH-216.

July 21, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the Second Chance Act, focusing on strengthening safe and effective community reentry, 10 a.m., SD-226.

*Committee on Rules and Administration:* July 20, business meeting to consider the nomination of William J. Boarman, of Maryland, to be Public Printer, Government Printing Office, 2 p.m., S-216, Capitol.

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs:* July 21, to hold hearings to examine improvements to the post-9/11 Government Issue (GI) Bill, 9:30 a.m., SR-418.

*Select Committee on Intelligence:* July 20, to hold hearings to examine the nomination of James R. Clapper, of Virginia, to be Director of National Intelligence, 2:30 p.m., SD-G50.

*Special Committee on Aging:* July 21, to hold hearings to examine continuing care retirement communities (CCRCs), focusing on if CCRCs are a secure retirement or a risky investment, 2 p.m., SD-106.

### House Committees

*Committee on Agriculture,* July 20, Subcommittee on Livestock, Dairy, and Poultry, hearing to review livestock and related programs at USDA in advance of the 2012 Farm bill, 1 p.m., 1300 Longworth.

July 20, Subcommittee on Rural Development, Biotechnology, Specialty Crops, and Foreign Agriculture, hearing to review rural development programs in advance of the 2010 Farm bill, 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

July 21, Subcommittee on Horticulture and Organic Agriculture, hearing to review specialty crop and agriculture programs in advance of the 2010 Farm bill, 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

July 22, Subcommittee on General Farm Commodities and Risk Management, hearing to review the state of crop insurance industry, 9:30 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

*Committee on Armed Services*, July 20, Subcommittee on Readiness, hearing on Modeling and Simulation: Enhancing Military Readiness, 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

July 22, full Committee, hearing on managing the Department of Defense in a time of tight budgets, 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

*Committee on Education and Labor*, July 20, Subcommittee on Health, Employment, Labor and Pensions, hearing entitled “Creating Greater Accounting Transparency for Pensions,” 10 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

July 21, full Committee, to mark up H.R. 5663, Miner Safety and Health Act of 2010, 10 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

*Committee on Energy and Commerce*, July 20, Subcommittee on Health, hearing on pending public health legislation, 2 p.m., 2322 Rayburn.

July 20, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations and the Subcommittee on Energy and Environment, joint hearing entitled “The Role of the Interior Department in the Deepwater Horizon Disaster,” 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

July 22, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled “Direct-To-Consumer Genetic Testing and the Consequences to the Public Health,” 9:30 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

*Committee on Financial Services*, July 20, Subcommittee on Capital Markets, Insurance, and Government Sponsored Enterprises, hearing entitled “Oversight of the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission: Evaluating Present Reforms and Future Challenges,” 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

July 20, Subcommittee on Domestic Monetary Policy and Technology, hearing entitled “The State of U.S. Coins and Currency,” 2:30 p.m., 2128 Rayburn.

July 21, full Committee, hearing entitled “Multilateral Development Banks: Administration Perspectives on General Capital Increase and Other Reform Proposals,” 10 a.m., and a hearing on H.R. 2267, Internet Gambling Regulation, Consumer Protection and Enforcement Act, 1 p.m., 2128 Rayburn.

July 22, full Committee, hearing on Monetary Policy and the state of the Economy, 9:30 a.m., and 1:30 p.m., 2128 Rayburn.

*Committee on Foreign Affairs*, July 20, Subcommittee on International Organizations, Human Rights and Oversight, and the Subcommittee on Africa and Global Health, joint hearing on the Oversight of the Feed the Future Initiative, 1 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

July 21, full Committee, hearing on Protecting U.S. Intellectual Property Overseas: The Joint Strategic Plan Beyond, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

July 21, Subcommittee on Western Hemisphere, hearing on Assessing the Merida Initiative: A Report from the GAO, 2:30 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

July 22, Subcommittee on Terrorism, Nonproliferation and Trade, hearing on Transshipment and Diversion: Are U.S. Trading Partners Doing Enough to Prevent the Spread of Dangerous Technologies? 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

*Committee on Homeland Security*, July 22, Subcommittee on Border, Maritime and Global Counterterrorism, hearing entitled “Enhancing DHS’ Efforts to Disrupt Alien Smuggling Across Our Borders,” 10 a.m., 311 Cannon.

*Committee on the Judiciary*, July 21, hearing on Ensuring Justice for Victims of the Gulf Coast Oil Disaster, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

July 22, Subcommittee on Constitution,, Civil Rights and Civil Liberties, hearing on the Americans with Disabilities Act at 20—Celebrating Our Progress, Affirming Our Commitment, 2 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

*Committee on Natural Resources*, July 21, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 2523, HEALTH Act; H.R. 4347, Department of the Interior Tribal Self-Governance Act of 2009; H.R. 5479, CARE Act; H.R. 4888, Cabin Fee Act of 2010; H.R. 4416, Great Ape Conservation Reauthorization Act 2010; H.R. 3785, Chattahoochee River National Recreation Area Boundary Study Act of 2009; H.R. 4195, To authorize the Peace Corps Commemorative Foundation to establish a commemorative work in the District of Columbia and it environs; H.R. 4823, Sedona-Red Rock National Scenic Area Act of 2010; H.R. 5110, Casa Grande Ruins National Monument Boundary Modification Act of 2010; H.R. 5388, To expand the boundaries of the Cibola National Forest in the State of New Mexico; H.R. 5494, To direct the Director of the National Park Service and the Secretary of the Interior to transfer certain properties to the District of Columbia; H.R. 5152, Kennesaw Mountain National Battlefield Park Boundary Adjustment Act of 2010; H.R. 5194, Mt. Andrea Lawrence Designation Act of 2010; and H.R. 5131, Coltsville National Historical Park Act, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

*Committee on Oversight and Government Reform*, July 21, Subcommittee on Federal Workforce, Postal Service and the District of Columbia, hearing entitled “Are Agencies Playing It Safe and Secure: An Examination of Worker Protections Pre- and—Post Injury,” 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

July 21, Subcommittee on Government Management, Organization and Procurement, hearing entitled “Green Building Practices in the Federal Sector: Progress and Challenges to Date,” 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

July 22, full Committee, hearing to examine the Department of the Interior’s oversight of offshore oil drilling, including the management, operation, and effectiveness of the Minerals Management Service (MMS), the proposed reorganization of MMS, and issues related to the Deepwater Horizon explosion, 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

July 22, Subcommittee on Domestic Policy, hearing entitled “Quitting Hard Habits: Efforts to Expand and Improve Alternatives to Incarceration for Drug-Involved Offenders,” 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

July 22, Subcommittee on Information Policy, Census, and National Archives, hearing entitled “Government 2.0, Part 1: Federal Agency Use of Web 2.0 Technologies,” 2 p.m., 2247 Rayburn.

*Committee on Science and Technology*, July 20, Subcommittee on Investigations and Oversight, hearing on Building a Science of Economics for the Real World, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

July 21, Subcommittee on Research and Science Education, hearing on Behind the Scenes: Science and Education at the Smithsonian Institution, 2 p.m., 2318 Rayburn.

*Committee on Small Business*, July 21, hearing entitled “Impact of Intellectual Property on Entrepreneurship and Job Creation,” 2360 Rayburn.

July 22, Subcommittee on Rural Development, Entrepreneurship and Trade, hearing entitled “Coal Combustion Byproducts: Potential Impact of a Hazardous Waste Designation on Small Businesses in the Recycling Industry,” 10 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure*, July 20, Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation, hearing on Status of U.S.-flagged Vessels in U.S.-Foreign Trade, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

July 21, Subcommittee on Highway and Transit, hearing on Oversight of the Highway Bridge Program and the National Bridge Inspection Program, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

July 21, Subcommittee on Railroad, Pipelines, and Hazardous Materials, hearing on Pipeline Safety Public Awareness and Education, 2 p.m., 2167 Rayburn.

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs*, July 22, Subcommittee on Health, hearing on healing the Physical Injuries of War, 10 a.m., 334 Cannon.

*Committee on Ways and Means*, July 20, Subcommittee on Health, hearing on Efforts to Promote the Adoption and Meaningful Use of Health Information Technology, 1 p.m., 1100 Longworth.

July 20, Subcommittee on Oversight, hearing on the immediate need for charitable assistance in the Gulf Coast region, 10 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

July 22, full Committee, hearing on transfer pricing issues, 1 p.m., 1100 Longworth.

### Joint Meetings

*Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe*: July 22, to hold hearings to examine the plight of hundreds of thousands of Iraqi refugees and Iraqi allies, 2:30 p.m., SR-385.

## Next Meeting of the SENATE

2 p.m., Monday, July 19

## Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

12:30 p.m., Monday, July 19

## Senate Chamber

Program for Monday: After the transaction of any morning business (not to extend beyond 3 p.m.), Senate will resume consideration of H.R. 5297, Small Business Lending Fund Act.

## House Chamber

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