Committee Meetings

COUNTERING A NUCLEAR IRAN

Committee on Armed Services: Held a hearing on countering a nuclear Iran. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

U.S. FORCE PROTECTION

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Tactical Air and Land Forces and the Subcommittee on Readiness held a joint hearing on Operation Iraqi Freedom and Operation Enduring Freedom Ground Forces Vehicle and Personnel Protection and Rotary Wing Safety of Flight Update. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Defense: Mg Jeffrey A. Sorenson, USA, Deputy, Acquisition and Systems Management; MG Stephen M. Speakes, USA, Director, Force Development; and BG Stephen D. Mundt, USA, Director, Army Aviation, all with the Department of the Army; MG William D. Catto, USMC, Commanding General, Marine Corps Systems Command; CDR Craig T. Mallak, USN, Office of the Armed Forces Medical Examiner; and BG Martin Post, USMC, Assistant Deputy Commandant for Aviation, all with the Department of the Navy.

PHONE RECORD SECURITY

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Held a hearing entitled ''Phone Records For Sale: Why Aren't Phone Records Safe From Pretexting?'' Testimony was heard from Kevin J. Martin, Chairman, FCC; Jon Leibowitz, Commissioner, FTC; Lisa Madigan, Attorney General, State of Illinois; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES; FEDERAL PENSION FORFEITURE ACT REVIEW

Committee on Government Reform: Ordered reported the following measures: H.R. 4054, To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 6110 East 51st Place in Tulsa, Oklahoma, as the ''Dewey F. Bartlett Post Office''; H.R. 4346, To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 122 South Bill Street in Francesville, Indiana, as the ''Malcolm Melville 'Mac' Lawrence Post Office''; H.R. 4456, To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 2404 Race Street in Jonesboro, Arkansas, as the ''Hattie Caraway Station''; H.R. 4509, To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1271 North King Street in Honolulu, Oahu, Hawaii, as the ''Hiram L. Fong Post Office Building''; H. Res. 629, Supporting the goals and ideals of a day of Hearts, Congenital Heart Defect Day in order to increase awareness about congenital heart defects; and S. 1989, To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 57 Rolfe Square in Cranston, Rhode Island, as the ''Holly A. Charette Post Office''.

The Committee also held a hearing entitled ''Restoring the Public Trust: A Review of the 'Federal Pension Forfeiture Act.' '' Testimony was heard from Linda M. Springer, Director, OPM; and public witnesses.

TAX CODE TRANSFORMATION—TAX REFORM PANEL RECOMMENDATIONS

Committee on Small Business: Subcommittee on Tax, Finance and Exports and the Subcommittee on Rural Enterprises, Agriculture, and Technology held a joint hearing entitled ''Transforming the Tax Code: An Examination of the President's Tax Reform Panel Recommendations.'' Testimony was heard from Representatives Castle and Garrett; John Breaux, Vice-Chairman, President's Advisory Panel on Federal Tax Reform; and public witnesses.

RAIL INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT

Committee on Ways and Means: Ordered reported, as amended, without recommendation H. R. 1631, Rail Infrastructure Development and Expansion Act for the 21st Century.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 2006

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: to resume hearings to examine proposals to reform the National Flood Insurance Program, 10 a.m., SD–538.

Committee on the Budget: to hold hearings to examine the CBO budget and economic outlook, 10 a.m., SD–608.

Committee on Foreign Relations: to hold hearings to examine Convention between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of Bangladesh for the Avoidance of Double Taxation and the Prevention of Fiscal Evasion with Respect to Taxes on Income signed at Dhaka on September 26, 2004 with an exchange of notes enclosed (Treaty Doc. 109–5), Protocol Amending the Convention Between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the French Republic for the Avoidance of Double Taxation and the Prevention of Fiscal Evasion with Respect to Taxes on Income and Capital, signed at Paris on August 31, 1994 (Treaty Doc. 109–4), Protocol Amending the Convention Between the United States of America and the French Republic for the Avoidance of Double Taxation and the Prevention of Fiscal Evasion with Respect to Taxes on Estates, Inheritances, and Gifts signed at Washington on November 24, 1978 (Treaty Doc. 109–7), and Protocol Amending the Convention Between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of Sweden for the Avoidance of Double Taxation and the

Prevention of Fiscal Evasion with Respect to Taxes on Income signed at Washington on September 30, 2005 (Treaty Doc. 109–8), 9:30 a.m., SD–419.

Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Gary A. Grappo, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Sultanate of Oman, and Patricia A. Butenis, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the People's Republic of Bangladesh, 2:30 p.m., SD–419.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: to continue hearings to examine Hurricane Katrina response issues, focusing on the role of the Governors in managing the catastrophe, 10 a.m., SD–342.

Committee on the Judiciary: to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Paul J. McNulty, of Virginia, to be Deputy Attorney General, 10 a.m., SH–216.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: to hold hearings to examine ''The Jobs for Veterans Act Three Years Later: Are VETS' Employment Programs Working for Veterans?'', 10:30 a.m., SR–418.

Select Committee on Intelligence: to hold hearings to examine the world threat, 10 a.m., SD–106.

Full Committee, to hold closed hearings to examine intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH–219.

Special Committee on Aging: to hold hearings to examine meeting the challenges of Medicare Drug Benefit Implementation, 10 a.m., SH–216.

House

No committee meetings are scheduled.