

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. The House is scheduled to meet at 2 p.m. on Tuesday, June 6, 2006.

Committee Meetings

OVERSIGHT—RECKLESS JUSTICE: DID THE SATURDAY NIGHT RAID OF CONGRESS TRAMPLE THE CONSTITUTION?

Committee on the Judiciary: On May 30, the Committee held an oversight hearing entitled "Reckless Justice: Did the Saturday Night Raid of Congress Trample the Constitution?" Testimony was heard from former Representative Robert S. Walker of Pennsylvania; and public witnesses.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D569)

H.R. 1499, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow members of the Armed Forces serving in a combat zone to make contributions to their individual retirement plans even if the compensation on which such contribution is based is excluded from gross income. Signed on May 29, 2006. (Public Law 109-227)

H.R. 5037, to amend titles 38 and 18, United States Code, to prohibit certain demonstrations at cemeteries under the control of the National Cemetery Administration and at Arlington National Cemetery. Signed on May 29, 2006. (Public Law 109-228)

S. 1736, to provide for the participation of employees in the judicial branch in the Federal leave transfer program for disasters and emergencies. Signed on May 31, 2006. (Public Law 109-229)

CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of June 6 through June 10, 2006

Senate Chamber

On *Tuesday*, at 9:45 a.m., Senate will begin consideration of the nomination of Renee Marie Bumb, to be United States District Judge for the District of New Jersey, with a vote to occur on confirmation of the nomination; following which, Senate will continue consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S.J. Res. 1, Marriage Protection Amendment.

On *Wednesday*, Senate will continue consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S.J. Res. 1, Marriage Protection Amendment, with a vote to occur on the motion to invoke cloture thereon. Also, at 11 a.m., Senate will meet with the House of Representatives to hear an address by the President of the Republic of Latvia.

During the balance of the week, Senate may consider any other cleared legislative and executive business, including the death tax repeal, the Native Hawaiians issue, and the supplemental appropriations conference report, if available.

Senate Committees

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: June 7, to hold oversight hearings to examine agricultural conservation programs, 9 a.m., SR-328A.

Committee on Appropriations: June 7, Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine the 2006 hurricane season, 10 a.m., SD-192.

June 8, Subcommittee on State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2007 for USAID, 2:30 p.m., SD-192.

Committee on Armed Services: June 8, to hold a closed briefing on Overhead Imagery Systems, 9:30 a.m., S-407, Capitol.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: June 8, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Sheila C. Bair, of Kansas, to be a Member and Chairperson of the Board of Directors of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, Kathleen L. Casey, of Virginia, to be a Member of the Securities and Exchange Commission, Donald L. Kohn, of Virginia, to be Vice Chairman of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, and James B. Lockhart III, of Connecticut, to be Director of the Office of Federal Housing Enterprise Oversight, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 10 a.m., SD-538.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: June 6, Subcommittee on Consumer Affairs and Product Safety, to hold hearings to examine compliance with All-Terrain Vehicle Standards, 10 a.m., SD-562.

June 7, Subcommittee on Science and Space, to hold hearings to examine outside perspectives relating to NASA budget and programs, 2:30 p.m., SD-562.

June 8, Subcommittee on National Ocean Policy Study, to hold hearings to examine challenges of fish farming in Federal waters relating to offshore aquaculture, 10 a.m., SD-562.

June 8, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine pending nominations, 2:30 p.m., SD-562.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: June 8, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Philip D.

Moeller, of Washington, and Jon Wellingshoff, of Nevada, each to be a Member of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 10 a.m., SD-366.

Committee on Foreign Relations: June 7, to hold hearings to examine the economic risk of oil dependence, 9 a.m., SH-216.

June 8, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the role of non-governmental organizations in the development of democracy, 9:30 a.m., SD-419.

June 8, Subcommittee on East Asian and Pacific Affairs, to hold hearings to examine the status of Asian adoptions in the United States, 2:30 p.m., SD-419.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: June 6, Subcommittee on Federal Financial Management, Government Information, and International Security, to hold hearings to examine the rising costs of the census in 2010, focusing on what the Census Bureau is doing to prevent major cost overruns, and why they have decided not to pursue an online option for use in 2010, 2:30 p.m., SD-342.

June 8, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine national emergency management issues, 10 a.m., SD-342.

Committee on the Judiciary: June 6, to hold hearings to examine the Department of Justice investigation of journalists who publish classified information, 9:30 a.m., SD-226.

June 6, Full Committee, business meeting to discuss the possibility of the issuance of certain subpoenas, and a closed session for a Telecom/NSA information sharing hearing, 2 p.m., SD-226.

June 7, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine S. 3274, to create a fair and efficient system to resolve claims of victims for bodily injury caused by asbestos exposure (pending on Senate calendar), 9:30 a.m., SD-226.

June 8, Full Committee, business meeting to consider pending calendar business, 9:30 a.m., SD-226.

June 8, Subcommittee on Corrections and Rehabilitation, to hold hearings to examine the findings and recommendations of the Commission on Safety and Abuse in America's Prisons, 2:30 p.m., SD-226.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: June 8, to hold hearings to examine pending benefits related legislation, 10 a.m., SR-418.

Select Committee on Intelligence: June 7, closed business meeting to consider pending intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

June 8, Full Committee, to hold a closed briefing on intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

House Committees

Committee on Appropriations, June 6, to consider the Departments of Transportation, Treasury, and Housing and Urban Development, the Judiciary, District of Columbia, and Independent Agencies appropriations for Fiscal Year 2007, 4 p.m., 2359 Rayburn.

June 7, Subcommittee on Defense, executive, to mark up the Defense appropriations for Fiscal Year 2007, 8:30 a.m., H-140 Capitol.

June 7, Subcommittee on the Department of Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies, to mark up the Department of Labor, Health

and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies appropriations for Fiscal Year 2007, 9 a.m., 2358 Rayburn.

Committee on Armed Services, June 8, hearing on Assessing the Iranian Threat, Its Geopolitics, and U.S. Policy Options, 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Committee on the Budget, June 8, to continue hearings on the Line Item Veto, Constitutional Issues, 9:30 a.m., 210 Cannon.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, June 6, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, to continue hearings entitled "The Silicosis Story: Mass Tort Screening and the Public Health," 2 p.m., 2123 Rayburn.

June 7, full Committee, hearing on the Boutique Fuel Reduction Act of 2006, 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

June 9, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled "Cyber Security Challenges at the Department of Energy," 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, June 6, Subcommittee on Capital Markets, Insurance, and Government Sponsored Enterprises, hearing entitled "OFHEO's Final Report on Fannie Mae," 2 p.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Government Reform, June 6, Subcommittee on National Security, Emerging Threats and International Relations, hearing entitled "9/11 Commission Recommendations: Balancing Civil Liberties and Security," 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

June 7, Subcommittee on Energy and Resources, hearing entitled "Keeping the Fuel Flowing from the Gulf: Are We Prepared for the Hurricane Season?" 2 p.m., 2203 Rayburn.

June 7, Subcommittee on Government Management, Finance, and Accountability, hearing entitled "Financial Management Challenges at the General Services Administration," 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

June 8, full Committee, to consider pending business; followed by a hearing entitled "Once More into the Data Breach: The Security of Personal Information at Federal Agencies," 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on Homeland Security, June 7, Subcommittee on Emergency Preparedness, Science, and Technology, executive, briefing on the recently announced grant awards to States and urban areas under the State Homeland Security Grant Program, the Urban Area Security Initiative, and the Law Enforcement Terrorism Prevention Program, 2 p.m., H2-176 Ford.

Committee on House Administration, June 8, hearing entitled "Oversight Hearing on the Election Assistance Commission," 10 a.m., 1310 Longworth.

Committee on International Relations, June 7, Subcommittee on the Middle East and Central Asia, hearing on Syria Accountability and Lebanese Sovereignty Restoration Act Two Years Later: Next Steps for U.S. Policy, 1:30 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

June 8, full Committee, oversight hearing to review Iraq Reconstruction, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

June 8, Subcommittee on Africa, Global Rights and International Operations, oversight hearing on Removing Obstacles for African Entrepreneurs, 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary, June 8, Subcommittee on the Constitution, hearing on H.R. 4772, Private Property Rights Implementation Act of 2005, 2 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

June 8, Subcommittee on Immigration, Border Security, and Claims, oversight hearing entitled “The Need to Implement WHTI to Protect U.S. Homeland Security,” 11:30 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Rules, June 6, to consider H.R. 5521, making appropriations for the Legislative Branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2007, 5:30 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

June 7, to consider the following bills: H.R. 5252, Communications Opportunity, Promotion, and Enhancement Act of 2006; and H.R. 5522, making appropriations for foreign operations, export financing, and related programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2007, 3:30 p.m., H-33 Capitol.

Committee on Science, June 7, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 5356, Early Career Research Act; H.R. 5357, Research for Competitiveness Act; H.R. 5358, Science and Mathematics Education for Competitiveness Act; H.R. 5136, National Integrated Drought Information System Act of 2006; and H.R. 5450, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration Act, 2:30 p.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Small Business, June 7, hearing entitled “Contracting the Internet: Does ICANN Create a Barrier to Small Business?” 2 p.m., 2360 Rayburn.

Committee on Standards of Official Conduct, June 7, hearing regarding possible changes to House rules governing gifts of travel (including any transportation, lodging and meals during such travel) from private sources, 1 p.m., 1310 Longworth.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, June 7, Subcommittee on Highways, Transit and Pipelines, oversight hearing on Implementation of SAFETEA:LU, 2 p.m., 2167 Rayburn.

June 8, Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment, hearing on Reauthorization of the Brownfields Program—Successes and Future Challenges, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs, June 7, oversight hearing to review the Department of Veterans Affairs Medical and Prosthetic Research program, 12:30 p.m., 334 Cannon.

June 8, Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs, oversight hearing on the Veterans Benefits Administration's fiduciary program, including implementation of Title V of Public Law 108-454, 10 a.m., 340 Cannon.

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, June 7, Subcommittee on Terrorism, Human Intelligence, Analysis and Counterintelligence, executive, briefing on Target Analysis as a New Career Track; Direct Analytical Support to Operations, 3 p.m., H-405 Capitol.

June 8, full Committee, executive, briefing on Global Updates/Hotspots, 9 a.m., H-405 Capitol.