

## MIDDLE-CLASS ALTERNATIVE MINIMUM TAX RELIEF ACT

*Committee on Rules:* Granted, by a vote of 7 to 4, a modified closed rule providing 1 hour of debate in the House on H.R. 4227, Middle-Class Alternative Minimum Tax Relief Act of 2004, equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Ways and Means. The rule provides for consideration of the amendment in the nature of a substitute printed in the Rules Committee report accompanying the resolution, if offered by Representative Rangel of New York or his designee, which shall be considered as read, and shall be separately debatable for one hour equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent. The rule waives all points of order against the amendment printed in the report. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Representatives Johnson of Connecticut and Israel.

## TTIC BRIEFING ON TERRORIST THREATS

*Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence:* Met in executive session to receive a TTIC Briefing on Terrorist Threats. The Committee was briefed by departmental witnesses.

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## COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, MAY 5, 2004

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

### Senate

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Defense, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2005 for defense related programs, 9:30 a.m., SD-192.

*Committee on Armed Services:* Subcommittee on Personnel, closed business meeting to mark up those provisions, which fall within the jurisdiction of the subcommittee, of proposed legislation authorizing appropriations for fiscal year 2005 for military activities of the Department of Defense, 9 a.m., SR-232A.

Subcommittee on Readiness and Management Support, closed business meeting to mark up those provisions, which fall within the jurisdiction of the subcommittee, of proposed legislation authorizing appropriations for fiscal year 2005 for military activities of the Department of Defense, 10 a.m., SR-222.

Subcommittee on Strategic Forces, closed business meeting to mark up those provisions, which fall within the jurisdiction of the subcommittee, of proposed legislation authorizing appropriations for fiscal year 2005 for military activities of the Department of Defense, 11:30 a.m., SR-232A.

Full Committee, closed business meeting to mark up proposed legislation authorizing appropriations for fiscal

year 2005 for military activities for the Department of Defense, 2:30 p.m., SR-222.

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* to hold closed hearings to examine the use of steroids, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

Subcommittee on Science, Technology, and Space, to hold hearings to examine space shuttle and the future of space launch, 2:30 p.m., SR-253.

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* Subcommittee on Public Lands and Forests, to hold hearings to examine S. 155, to convey to the town of Frannie, Wyoming, certain land withdrawn by the Commissioner of Reclamation, S. 2285, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey a parcel of real property to Beaver County, Utah, S. 1521, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain land to the Edward H. McDaniel American Legion Post No. 22 in Pahrump, Nevada, for the construction of a post building and memorial park for use by the American Legion, other veterans' groups, and the local community, S. 1826, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain land in Washoe County, Nevada, to the Board of Regents of the University and Community College System of Nevada, S. 2085, to modify the requirements of the land conveyance to the University of Nevada at Las Vegas Research Foundation, and H.R. 1658, to amend the Railroad Right-of-Way Conveyance Validation Act to validate additional conveyances of certain lands in the State of California that form part of the right-of-way granted by the United States to facilitate the construction of the transcontinental railway, 2:30 p.m., SD-366.

*Committee on Finance:* Subcommittee on Social Security and Family Policy, to hold hearings to examine the benefits of a healthy marriage, 10 a.m., SD-215.

*Committee on the Judiciary:* to hold an oversight hearing to examine material support statute relating to aiding terrorists, 10 a.m., SD-226.

### House

*Committee on Armed Services,* Subcommittee on Projection Forces, to mark up H.R. 4200, National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2005, 11:30 a.m., 2212 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Terrorism Unconventional Threats and Capabilities, to mark up H.R. 4200, National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2005, 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Total Force, to mark up H.R. 4200, National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2005, 1 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

*Committee on Education and the Workforce,* to mark up the following bills: H.R. 2728, Occupational Safety and Health Small Business Day in Court Act of 2003; H.R. 2729, Occupational Safety and Health Review Commission Efficiency Act of 2003; H.R. 2730, Occupational Safety and Health Independent Review of OSHA Citations Act of 2003; and H.R. 2731, Occupational Safety and Health Small Employer Access to Justice Act of 2003, 10:30 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

*Committee on Energy and Commerce*, Subcommittee on Energy and Air Quality, hearing entitled "Alaska Natural Gas Pipeline Status Report," 10 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Health, hearing entitled "Physician Fee Schedule: A Review of the Current Medicare Payment System," 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

*Committee on Financial Services*, Subcommittee on Housing and Community Opportunity, to consider H.R. 3755, Zero Downpayment Act of 2004, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

*Committee on Government Reform*, hearing entitled "Betting on Transparency: Toward Fairness and Integrity in the Interior Department's Tribal Recognition Process," 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Energy Policy, Natural Resources and Regulatory Affairs, hearing entitled "Wildfires in the West—Is the Bush Administration's Response Adequate?" 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

*Committee on International Relations*, hearing on Water Scarcity in the Middle East: Regional Cooperation as a Mechanism Toward Peace, 10:30 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Western Hemisphere, to mark up H.R. 3447, Social Investment and Economic Development Fund for the Americas Act of 2003, 2:30 p.m., 2200 Rayburn.

*Committee on the Judiciary*, to mark up the following: H.J. Res. 83, Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States regarding the appointment of individuals to fill vacancies in the House of Representatives; H.R. 2934, Terrorist Penalties Enhancement Act of 2003; H.R. 3179, Anti-Terrorism Intelligence Tools Improvement Act of 2003; a resolution Recognizing the 50th anniversary of *Brown v. Board of Education*; H.R. 3754, Fraudulent Online Identity Sanctions Act; H.R. 1731, Identity Theft Penalty Enhancement Act; S. 1301, Video Voyeurism Prevention Act of 2003; H.R. 1678, Anti-Hoax Terrorism Act of 2003; H.R. 1302, Federal Courts Improvement Act of 2003; H.R. 3632, Anti-Counterfeiting Amendments of 2003; and private relief bills, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

*Committee on Resources*, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 142, To amend the Reclamation Wastewater and Groundwater Study and Facilities Act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to participate in the Inland Empire regional water recycling project, to authorize the Secretary to carry out a program to assist agencies in projects to construct regional brine lines in California, and to authorize the Secretary to participate in the Lower Chino Dairy Area desalination demonstration and reclamation project; H.R. 1014, Gateway Communities Cooperation Act; H.R. 2010, To protect the voting rights of members of the Armed Services in elections for the Delegate representing American Samoa in the United States House of Representatives; H.R. 2201, National War Permanent Tribute Historical Database Act; H.R. 2663, To authorize the Secretary of the Interior to study the suitability and feasibility of designating Castle Nugent Farms lo-

cated on St. Croix, Virgin Islands, as a unit of the National Park System; H.R. 2828, Water Supply, Reliability, and Environmental Improvement Act; H.R. 2912, To reaffirm the inherent sovereign rights of the Osage Tribe to determine its membership and form of government; H.R. 2966, Right-to-Ride Livestock on Federal Lands Act of 2003; H.R. 2991, Inland Empire Regional Water Recycling Initiative; H.R. 3247, Trail Responsibility and Accountability for the Improvement of Lands Act of 2003; H.R. 3378, Marine Turtle Conservation Act of 2003; H.R. 3504, To amend the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act to redesignate the American Indian Education Foundation as the National Fund for Excellence in American Indian Education; H.R. 3505, to amend the Bend Pine Nursery Land Conveyance Act to specify the recipients and consideration for conveyance of the Bend Pine Nursery; H.R. 3706, John Muir National Historic Site Boundary Adjustment Act; H.R. 3768, Timucuan Ecological and Historic Preserve Boundary Revision Act of 2004; H.R. 3819, Lewis and Clark National Historical Park Designation Act of 2004; H.R. 3846, Tribal Forest Protection Act of 2004; H.R. 3874, To convey for public purposes certain Federal lands in Riverside County, California, that have been identified for disposal; H.R. 3932, To amend Public Law 99-338 to authorize the continued use of certain lands within the Sequoia National Park by portions of an existing hydroelectric project; and H.R. 4114, Migratory Bird Treaty Reform Act of 2004, 11 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

*Committee on Science*, hearing entitled "U.S. Commission on Ocean Policy Preliminary Report," 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

*Committee on Small Business*, hearing entitled "Improving the Regulatory Flexibility Act—H.R. 2345," 2 p.m., 2360 Rayburn.

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure*, Subcommittee on Railroads, oversight hearing on Railroad Security, 11 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

*Committee on Ways and Means*, to mark up H.R. 4103, AGOA Acceleration Act of 2004, 2 p.m., 1100 Longworth.

*Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence*, executive, hearing on DCI Wrap Up Budget, 10 a.m., H-405 Capitol.

Subcommittee on Human Intelligence, Analysis and Counterintelligence, executive, hearing on Aligning CIA HUMINT, 2 p.m., H-405 Capitol.

*Select Committee on Homeland Security*, Subcommittee on Infrastructure and Border Security, hearing entitled "Maritime Security Operations Within the Department of Homeland Security," 2 p.m., 210 Cannon.

### Joint Meetings

*Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe*: to hold a hearing to examine the impact in Northern Ireland of recently published reports on collusion in prominent murder cases, 11:30 a.m., 334 CHOB.