

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S8269–S8403

Measures Introduced: Five bills were introduced as follows: S. 2678–2682. **Page S8277**

Measures Reported: S.J. Res. 41, commemorating the opening of the National Museum of the American Indian, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute and with an amended preamble. **Page S8277**

Measures Passed:

Thrift Savings Plan Open Elections Act: Senate passed S. 2479, to amend chapter 84 of title 5, United States Code, to provide for Federal employees to make elections to make, modify, and terminate contributions to the Thrift Savings Fund at any time. **Page S8400**

Haiti Economic Recovery Opportunity Act: Committee on Finance was discharged from further consideration of S. 2261, to expand certain preferential trade treatment for Haiti, and the bill was then passed, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto: **Pages S8401–02**

Frist (for DeWine/Graham (FL)) Amendment No. 3565, in the nature of a substitute. **Pages S8401–02**

Nomination: Senate began consideration of the nomination of William Gerry Myers III, of Idaho, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit, after agreeing to the motion to proceed. **Pages S8399–S8400**

A motion was entered to close further debate on the nomination and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on cloture will occur at 2:15 p.m., on Tuesday, July 20, 2004. **Page S8400**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the nomination at 1 p.m., on Monday, July 19, 2004; and that the time until 5 p.m. be equally divided. **Page S8402**

Executive Reports of Committees: Senate received the following executive report of a committee:

Report to accompany the Convention on International Interests in Mobile Equipment and Protocol to Convention on International Interests in Mobile Equipment (Treaty Doc. 108–10) (Ex. Rept. 108–14). **Page S8277**

Removal of Injunction of Secrecy: The injunction of secrecy was removed from the following treaty:

Protocol Amending Tax Convention with the Netherlands (Treaty Doc. 108–25);

The treaty was transmitted to the Senate today, considered as having been read for the first time, and referred, with accompanying papers, to the Committee on Foreign Relations and ordered to be printed. **Pages S8400–01**

Measures Placed on Calendar: **Page S8277**

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 10:01 a.m., and adjourned at 12:45 p.m., until 1 p.m., on Monday, July 19, 2004. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S8403.)

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. The House will meet at 12:30 p.m. on Monday, July 19, for Morning Hour debate and 2 p.m. for legislative business.

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of July 19 through July 24, 2004

Senate Chamber

On *Monday*, at 1 p.m., Senate will resume consideration of the nomination of William Gerry Myers III, of Idaho, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit.

On *Tuesday*, Senate will continue consideration of the nomination of William Gerry Myers III, of Idaho, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit, with a vote on the motion to invoke cloture thereon to occur at 2:15 p.m.

During the balance of the week Senate may consider any other cleared legislative and executive business, including appropriations bills, when available.

Senate Committees

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Committee on Armed Services: July 20, to receive a closed briefing regarding the activities of the Iraq Survey Group in Iraq, 9:30 a.m., S-407, Capitol.

July 21, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Vice Admiral Timothy J. Keating, USN, for appointment to the grade of admiral and to be Commander, United States Northern Command/Commander, North American Aerospace Defense Command; Lieutenant General Bantz J. Craddock, USA, for appointment to the grade of general and to be Commander, United States Southern Command; Peter Cyril Wyche Flory, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Defense for International Security Policy, and Valerie Lynn Baldwin, of Kansas, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Army, 9:30 a.m., SR-222.

July 21, Subcommittee on Personnel, with the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions, Subcommittee on Children and Families, with the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions, Subcommittee on Children and Families, to hold joint hearings to examine how states have responded to military families' unique challenges during military deployments and what the Federal Government can do to support states in this important work, 2 p.m., SD-430.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: July 20, business meeting to consider the Nominations of Juan Carlos Zarate, of California, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Treasury, Stuart Levey, of Maryland, to be Under Secretary of the Treasury for Enforcement, and Carin M. Barth, of Texas, to be Chief Financial Officer, Department of Housing and Urban Development; to be followed by an oversight hearing to examine the Semi-Annual Monetary Policy Report of the Federal Reserve, 2:30 p.m., SH-216.

July 21, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine regulation NMS and developments in market structure, 10 a.m., SD-538.

July 21, Subcommittee on International Trade and Finance, to hold hearings to examine Islamic banking, 2:30 p.m., SD-538.

July 22, Full Committee, to continue hearings to examine regulation NMS and developments in market structure, 10 a.m., SD-538.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: July 22, business meeting to consider pending calendar business, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

July 22, Subcommittee on Science, Technology, and Space, to hold hearings to examine space exploration of Saturn, 2:30 p.m., SR-253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: July 20, to hold hearings to examine S. 2590, provide a conservation royalty from Outer Continental Shelf revenues to establish the Coastal Impact Assistance Program, to provide assistance to States under the Land and Water Conservation Fund Act of 1965, to ensure adequate funding for conserving and restoring wildlife, to assist local governments in improving local park and recreation systems, 10 a.m., SD-366.

July 21, Subcommittee on Public Lands and Forests, to hold hearings to examine S. 738, to designate certain public lands in Humboldt, Del Norte, Mendocino, Lake, Napa, and Yolo Counties in the State of California as wilderness, to designate certain segments of the Black Butte River in Mendocino County, California as a wild or scenic river; S. 1614, to designate a portion of White Salmon River as a component of the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System; S. 2221, to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to sell or exchange certain National Forest System land in the State of Oregon; S. 2253, to permit young adults to perform projects to prevent fire and suppress fires, and provide disaster relief, on public land through a Healthy Forest Youth Conservation Corps; S. 2334, to designate certain National Forest System land in the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico as components of the National Wilderness Preservation System; S. 2408, to adjust the boundaries of the Helena, Lolo, and Beaverhead-Deerlodge National Forests in the State of Montana; and S. 2622, to provide for the exchange of certain Federal land in the Santa Fe National Forest and certain non-Federal land in the Pecos National Historical Park in the State of New Mexico, 2:30 p.m., SD-366.

July 22, Subcommittee on National Parks, to hold an oversight hearing to examine the implementation of the National Parks Air Tour Management Act of 2000 (Public Law 106-181), 2:30 p.m., SD-366.

Committee on Finance: July 20, business meeting to consider S. 2677, to implement the United States-Morocco Free Trade Agreement, and the nominations of J. Russell George, of Virginia, to be Inspector General for Tax Administration, Department of the Treasury, Patrick P. O'Carroll, Jr., of Maryland, to be Inspector General, Social Security Administration, and Paul Jones, of Colorado, and Charles L. Kolbe, of Iowa, each to be a Member of the Internal Revenue Service Oversight Board, both of the Department of the Treasury, 10 a.m., SD-215.

July 21, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine bridging the tax gap, 10 a.m., SD-215.

July 22, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the role of higher education financing in strengthening U.S. competitiveness in a global economy, 10 a.m., SD-215.

Committee on Foreign Relations: July 20, to hold hearings to examine detours and disengagements regarding the road map to peace, 9:30 a.m., SD-419.

July 21, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine combating multilateral development bank corruption, focusing on the U.S. Treasury's role and internal efforts, 9:30 a.m., SD-419.

July 22, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the current situation in Iraq post-transition, 9:30 a.m., SD-419.

Committee on Governmental Affairs: July 19, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Neil McPhie, of Virginia, to be Chairman, and Barbara J. Sapin, of Maryland, to be a Member, both of the Merit Systems Protection Board, 2:30 p.m., SD-342.

July 20, Subcommittee on Oversight of Government Management, the Federal Workforce, and the District of Columbia, to hold hearings to examine governmentwide workforce flexibilities available to federal agencies, focusing on those enacted in the Homeland Security Act, specifically their implementation, use by agencies, and training and education related to using the new flexibilities, 9 a.m., SD-342.

July 21, Full Committee, business meeting to consider pending calendar business, 10 a.m., SD-342.

July 22, Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations, to resume hearings to examine the extent to which consumers can purchase pharmaceuticals over the Internet without a medical prescription, the importation of pharmaceuticals from foreign sources are counterfeit, expired, unsafe, or illegitimate, focusing on the extent to which U.S. consumers can purchase dangerous and often addictive controlled substances from Internet pharmacy websites and the procedures utilized by the Bureau of Customs and Border Protection, the Drug Enforcement Administration, the United States Postal Service, and the Food and Drug Administration, as well as the private sector to address these issues, 9 a.m., SD-342.

July 22, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Allen Weinstein, of Maryland, to be Archivist of the United States, 3:30 p.m., SD-342.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: July 20, Subcommittee on Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services, to hold hearings to examine performance and outcome measurement in substance abuse and mental health programs, 10 a.m., SD-430.

July 21, Full Committee, business meeting to consider proposed legislation authorizing funds for programs of the Vocational Education Act, S. 2158, to amend the Public Health Service Act to increase the supply of pancreatic islet cells for research, and to provide for better coordination of Federal efforts and information on islet cell transplantation, S. 2283, to extend Federal funding for operation of State high risk health insurance pools, S. 2493, to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to protect the public health from the unsafe importation of prescription drugs and from counterfeit prescription drugs, H.R. 3908, to provide for the conveyance of the real property located at 1081 West Main Street in Ravenna, Ohio, S. Res. 389, expressing the sense of the Senate with respect to prostate cancer information, S. Con. Res. 119, recognizing that prevention of suicide is a compelling national priority; and certain pending nominations, 9 a.m., SD-430.

July 21, Subcommittee on Children and Families, with the Committee on Armed Services, Subcommittee on Personnel, with the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions, Subcommittee on Children and Families, to hold joint hearings to examine how states have responded to military families' unique challenges during military deployments and what the Federal Government can do to support states in this important work, 2 p.m., SD-430.

July 22, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine preparations for possible future terrorist attacks, 10 a.m., SD-430.

Committee on Indian Affairs: July 20, to hold hearings to examine S. 2605, to direct the Secretary of the Interior and the heads of other Federal agencies to carry out an agreement resolving major issues relating to the adjudication of water rights in the Snake River Basin, Idaho, 10 a.m., SR-485.

July 21, Full Committee, business meeting to consider pending calendar business; to be followed by a hearing to examine S. 519, to establish a Native American-owned financial entity to provide financial services to Indian tribes, Native American organizations, and Native Americans, 10 a.m., SR-485.

July 21, Full Committee, to hold an oversight hearing to examine the proposed reauthorization of the Indian Health Care Improvement Act, 2 p.m., SR-485.

Committee on the Judiciary: July 20, business meeting to consider pending calendar business, 9:30 a.m., SD-226.

July 21, Full Committee, to hold an oversight hearing to examine the Radiation Exposure Compensation Program, 10 a.m., SD-226.

July 22, Full Committee, business meeting to consider pending calendar business, 9:30 a.m., SD-226.

July 22, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine S. 2560, to amend chapter 5 of title 17, United States

Code, relating to inducement of copyright infringement, 2 p.m., SD-226.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: July 20, business meeting to markup S. 1153, to amend title 38, United States Code, to permit medicare-eligible veterans to receive an out-patient medication benefit, to provide that certain veterans who receive such benefit are not otherwise eligible for medical care and services from the Department of Veterans Affairs, S.2483, to increase, effective as of December 1, 2004, the rates of compensation for veterans with service-connected disabilities and the rates of dependency and indemnity compensation for the survivors of certain disabled veterans, S. 2484, to amend title 38, United States Code, to simplify and improve pay provisions for physicians and dentists, to authorize alternate work schedules and executive pay for nurses, S. 2485, to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve and enhance the authorities of the Secretary of Veterans Affairs relating to the management and disposal of real property and facilities, and S. 2486, to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve and enhance education, housing, employment, medical, and other benefits for veterans and to improve and extend certain authorities relating to the administration or benefits for veterans, 2:30 p.m., SR-418.

Select Committee on Intelligence: July 20, to hold hearings to examine intelligence reform, 10:30 a.m., SD-106.

July 20, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine intelligence reform, 2:30 p.m., SH-216.

July 22, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine intelligence reform, 2:30 p.m., SH-216.

Special Committee on Aging: July 19, to hold hearings to examine certain aspects of the new Medicare law aimed at assisting seniors of modest and low incomes, including principally the full drug benefit scheduled for 2006, and the ongoing prescription drug card transitional assistance, 2 p.m., SD-628.

House Chamber

Program to be announced.

House Committees

Committee on Agriculture, July 20, hearing to review the Forest Land Enhancement Program, 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

July 21, Subcommittee on General Farm Commodities and Risk Management, hearing to review the Federal Crop Insurance System, 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

July 22, Subcommittee on Livestock and Horticulture, hearing to review the USDA's National Animal Identification System, 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

Committee on Armed Services, July 20, Subcommittee on Readiness, hearing on Depot Maintenance—Capacity and Resources for Future Work, 1:30 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

July 20, Subcommittee on Terrorism, Unconventional Threats and Capabilities, hearing on Special Operations Command Personnel Issues, 10 a.m., 2212 Rayburn.

July 21, full Committee, to continue hearings on Army Transformation: Implications for the Future, II, 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

July 21, Subcommittee on Tactical Air and Land Forces, hearing on Small Business Innovation and Technology, 3 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

July 22, full Committee, hearing on the Report of the Commission to Assess the Threat to the United States from Electromagnetic Pulse (EMP) Attack, 9 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

July 22, Subcommittee on Strategic Forces, hearing on Space Cadre/Space Professionals, 2 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Committee on the Budget, July 22, hearing on the U.S. Tax Code's Impact on Revenue Projections and the Federal Budget, 10 a.m., 210 Cannon.

Committee on Education and the Workforce, July 20, Subcommittee on 21st Century Competitiveness, hearing entitled "Are College Textbooks Priced Fairly?" 2 p.m., 2175 Rayburn.

July 21, full Committee, to mark up H.R. 4496, Vocational and Technical Education for the Future Act, 10:30 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

July 22, Subcommittee on Employer-Employee Relations, hearing entitled "Genetic Non-Discrimination: Examining the Implications for Workers and Employers," 10:30 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, July 20, Subcommittee on Energy and Air Quality, hearing entitled "Pipeline Safety," 11 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

July 20, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled "Publication and Disclosure Issues in Anti-Depressant Pediatric Clinical Trials," 9:30 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

July 21, Subcommittee on Energy and Air Quality, hearing entitled "Methyl Bromide: Update on Achieving the Requirements of the Clean Air Act and Montreal Protocol," 11 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

July 21, Subcommittee on Telecommunications and the Internet, hearing entitled "The Digital Television Transition: What We Can Learn from Berlin," 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

July 22, Subcommittee on Environment and Hazardous Materials, hearing entitled "Tapped Out? Lead in the District of Columbia and the Providing of Safe Drinking Water," 9:30 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

July 22, Subcommittee on Health, hearing entitled "Health Information Technology: Improving Quality and Value of Patient Care," 1 p.m., 2322 Rayburn.

July 22, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled "Problems with the E-rate Program: Waste, Fraud, and Abuse Concerns in the Wiring of Our Nation's Schools to the Internet," 10:30 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

July 23, Subcommittee on Health, hearing entitled "Keeping Seniors Healthy: Preventative Benefits in the Medicare Modernization Act," 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, July 20, Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Credit, hearing entitled "Credit Union Regulatory Improvements," 2 p.m., 2128 Rayburn.

July 20, Subcommittee on Housing and Community Opportunity, hearing on a GAO report entitled "Multi-family Housing: More Accessible HUD Data Could Help

Efforts to Preserve Housing for Low-Income Tenants,” 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

July 21, full Committee, hearing on Monetary Policy and the State of the Economy, 10 a.m., followed by a hearing entitled “Shell Games: Corporate Governance and Accounting for Oil and Gas Reserves,” 2 p.m., 2128 Rayburn.

July 22, hearing entitled “Sarbanes-Oxley: Two Years of Market and Investor Recovery,” 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Government Reform, July 20, Subcommittee on Civil Service and Agency Organization, oversight hearing entitled “Time to Bite the Bullet: Fixing Federal Law Enforcement Pay and Benefits,” 10 a.m., 2203 Rayburn.

July 20, Subcommittee on Energy Policy, Natural Resources and Regulatory Affairs and the Subcommittee on Regulatory Reform and Oversight of the Committee on Small Business, joint hearing entitled “What is the Administration’s Record in Relieving Burden on Small Business?—Part II,” 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

July 20, Subcommittee on Government Efficiency and Financial Management, hearing entitled “Are Financial Management Problems at the Department of Defense Impacting Army Reserve Pay?” 2 p.m., 2247 Rayburn.

July 20, Subcommittee on National Security, Emerging Threats and International Relations, hearing entitled “Public Safety Interoperability: Look Who’s Talking Now,” 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

July 20, Subcommittee on Technology, Information Policy, Intergovernmental Relations and the Census, hearing entitled “The Science of Voting Machine Technology: Accuracy, Reliability, and Security,” 10 a.m., 2247 Rayburn.

July 21, full Committee, to consider pending business, 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

July 21, Subcommittee on Technology, Information Policy, Intergovernmental Relations and the census, hearing entitled “Where’s the CIO? The Role, Responsibility and Challenge for Federal Chief Information Officers in IT Investment Oversight and Information Management,” 1:30 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

July 22, full Committee, hearing entitled “Contracting and the Rebuilding of Iraq: Part IV,” 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

July 22, Subcommittee on Criminal Justice, Drug Policy and Human Resources and the Subcommittee on Infrastructure and Border Security of the Select Committee on Homeland Security, joint hearing entitled “Drugs and Security in a Post-9/11 World: Coordinating the Counternarcotics Mission at the Department of Homeland Security,” 2 p.m., 2247 Rayburn.

July 22, Subcommittee on Human Rights and Wellness, hearing entitled “Balancing Act: The Health Advantages of Naturally-Occurring Hormones in Hormone Replacement Therapy,” 2:30 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on International Relations, July 21, Subcommittee on Asia and the Pacific, hearing on HIV/AIDS in Asia, 1:30 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

July 22, Subcommittee on Africa, hearing on The Democratic Republic of Congo Peace Accords: One Year Later, 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary, July 20, hearing on the following bills: H.R. 1787, Good Samaritan Volunteer Firefighter Assistance Act of 2003; H.R. 3369, Nonprofit Athletic Organization Protection Act of 2003; and H.R. 1084, Volunteer Pilot Organization Protection Act, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

July 20, Subcommittee on the Constitution, hearing on H.R. 1755, Child Custody Protection Act, 2 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

July 21, Subcommittee on Commercial and Administrative Law, oversight hearing on the Administration of Large Business Bankruptcy Reorganizations: Has Competition for Big Cases Corrupted the Bankruptcy System? 3 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Resources, July 20, Subcommittee on National Parks, Recreation and Public Lands, hearing on the following bills: H.R. 3176, Ojito Wilderness Act; and H.R. 4593, Lincoln County Conservation, Recreation, and Development Act of 2004, 10 a.m., 1334 Longworth.

July 21, full Committee, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 1662, Sound Science for Endangered Species Act Planning Act of 2003; and H.R. 2933, Critical Habitat Reform Act of 2003; 10 a.m., followed by an oversight hearing on the Guam War Claims Commission Report, 12 p.m., 1324 Longworth.

July 22, Subcommittee on Forests and Forest Health, hearing on the following bills: H.R. 822, Wild Sky Wilderness Act of 2003; H.R. 4806, Pine Springs Land Exchange Act; and H.R. 4838, Health Forest Youth Conservation Corps Act of 2004, 11 a.m., 1334 Longworth.

Committee on Rules, July 19, to consider the following: District of Columbia Appropriations Act, 2005; H.R. 4837, making appropriations for military construction, family housing, and base realignment and closure for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2005; and H.R. 3574, Stock Option Accounting Reform Act, 5 p.m., H-313, Capitol.

Committee on Science, July 21, hearing on Cybersecurity Education—Meeting the Needs of Technology Workers and Employers, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Small Business, July 21, Subcommittee on Rural Enterprises, Agriculture and Technology, hearing entitled “Tax Incentives for Homeland Security Related Expenses,” 10 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

July 22, Subcommittee on Regulatory Reform and Oversight, hearing Small Business Liability Reform, 2 p.m., 311 Cannon.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, July 20, Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings and Emergency Management, to mark up the GSA’s Fiscal Year 2005 Capital Investment and Leasing Program, and other pending business, 10 a.m., 2253 Rayburn.

July 20, Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment, oversight hearing on Ensuring Value from EPA Grants, 2 p.m., 2167 Rayburn.

July 21, full Committee, to mark up the following: GSA’s Fiscal Year 2005 Capital Investment and Leasing Program Resolutions; U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Survey Resolution; H.R. 784, amended, Water Quality Investment Act of 2003; H.R. 4470, to amend the Federal

Water Pollution Act to extend the authorization of appropriations for the Lake Pontchartrain Basin Restoration Program; H.R. 4688, To amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to reauthorize the Chesapeake Bay Program; H.R. 4731, To amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to reauthorize the National Estuary Program; and H.R. 4794, To amend the Tijuana River Valley Estuary and Beach Sewage Cleanup Act to extend the authorization of appropriations, 11 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

July 22, Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment, oversight hearing on Comprehensive Everglades Restoration Plan—The First Major Projects, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs, July 21, to mark up pending legislation, 1 p.m., 334 Cannon.

July 21, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing on the VA's progress in its third party collections program and implementation of the Patient Financial Services System, 10 a.m., 334 Cannon.

July 22, full Committee, hearing on the evolution of VA–DoD collaboration in research and amputee care for veterans of current and past conflicts, and needed reforms in VA blind rehabilitation services, 9:30 a.m., 334 Cannon.

Committee on Ways and Means, July 19, to mark up H.R. 4842, United States–Morocco Free Trade Agreement Implementation Act, 7 p.m., 1100 Longworth.

July 20, Subcommittee on Social Security, hearing on H.R. 4391, Public Servant Retirement Protection Act, 10 a.m., B–318 Rayburn.

July 22, Subcommittee on Health, hearing on Electronic Prescribing, 1 p.m., B–318 Rayburn.

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, July 20, full Committee, Briefing to Review the International Committee of the Red Cross Documents on Detainee Interrogation, 12 p.m., H–405 Capitol.

July 20, Subcommittee on Terrorism and Homeland Security, executive, hearing on the Role of Biometrics in Counterterrorism and Homeland Security Efforts, 9 a.m., H–405 Capitol.

July 21, Subcommittee on Human Intelligence, Analysis and Counterintelligence, executive, Briefing; Counternarcotics: Latin America and Southeast Asia, 10 a.m., H–405 Capitol.

July 22, Subcommittee on Technical and Tactical Intelligence, executive, Briefing: Technological Superiority in the Intelligence Community, 2 p.m., H–405 Capitol.

July 22, Subcommittee on Terrorism and Homeland Security, executive, Briefing: Threats to the National Conventions and the Olympics, 9 a.m., H–405 Capitol.

July 22, Subcommittee on Terrorism and Homeland Security, executive, Briefing: Port Security, 10 a.m., H–405 Capitol.

July 23, full Committee, executive, Business Meeting, 1 p.m., H–405 Capitol.

July 23, full Committee, executive, Briefing: Acting Director of Central Intelligence, 2 p.m., H–405 Capitol.

July 23, Subcommittee on Human Intelligence, Analysis and Counterintelligence, executive, Briefing: Counternarcotics: Mexico, 10 a.m., H–405 Capitol.

Select Committee on Homeland Security, July 19, to mark up the Department of Homeland Security Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2005, 4:30 p.m., 345 Cannon.

Joint Meetings

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe: July 20, to hold hearings to examine the prospects for advancing democracy in Albania, 10 a.m., 334 CHOB.

Joint Economic Committee: July 22, to hold hearings to examine the demographics of health care, focusing on evidence regarding declining rates of chronic disability and assess the best opportunities for further health promotion, 10 a.m., SD–628.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

1 p.m., Monday, July 19

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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

Senate Chamber

Program for Monday: Senate will resume consideration of the nomination of William Gerry Myers III, of Idaho, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit.

House Chamber

Program for Monday: The House will meet at 12:30 p.m. for Morning Hour debate and 2 p.m. for legislative business.

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