

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY,  
APRIL 26, 2006

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

*Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry:* to hold hearings to examine the state of the biofuels industry, 10 a.m., SD-106.

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Defense, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2007 for National Guard and Reserve, 10 a.m., SD-192.

Subcommittee on Legislative Branch, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2007 for the Government Accountability Office and other issues, 10:30 a.m., SD-138.

Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2007 for the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, 2 p.m., SD-192.

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* Subcommittee on Technology, Innovation, and Competitiveness, to hold hearings to examine fostering innovation in math and science education, 10 a.m., SD-562.

Subcommittee on Global Climate Change and Impacts, to hold hearings to examine certain marine and terrestrial systems, 2:30 p.m., SD-562.

*Committee on Environment and Public Works:* business meeting to consider the nominations of Richard Capka, of Pennsylvania, to be Administrator of the Federal Highway Administration, Department of Transportation, and James B. Gulliford, of Missouri, to be Assistant Administrator for Toxic Substances, and William Ludwig Wehrum, Jr., of Tennessee, to be an Assistant Administrator, both of the Environmental Protection Agency, and a proposal to amend Committee Rule 7(d) relative to the naming of public buildings and facilities, 9:30 a.m., SD-628.

*Committee on Finance:* to hold hearings to examine authorizations of customs and trade functions, 10 a.m., SD-215.

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* to hold hearings to examine United States-India atomic energy cooperation, focusing on strategic and nonproliferation implications, 9:30 a.m., SD-419.

*Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:* Subcommittee on Federal Financial Management, Government Information, and International Security, to hold hearings to examine ensuring early diagnosis and access to treatment for HIV/AIDS, focusing on how federal funding is being distributed to provide AIDS drugs and HIV testing opportunities in the United States, 2:30 p.m., SD-342.

*Committee on the Judiciary:* to hold hearings to examine the future of the music industry in the digital radio revolution, focusing on parity, platforms, and protection issues, 9:30 a.m., SD-226.

*Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship:* to hold hearings to examine the reauthorization of the Finance and Entrepreneurial Development programs administered

by the Small Business Administration, 10:30 a.m., SR-428A.

House

*Committee on Agriculture,* Subcommittee on General Farm Commodities and Risk Management, hearing to review the Federal Crop Insurance Program, 11:30 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

*Committee on Appropriations,* Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development, and Related Agencies, on Oversight of Reform of the DOE Nuclear Weapons Complex, 10 a.m., 2362B Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Foreign Operations, Export Financing, and Related Programs, on USAID, 10 a.m., 2359 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Science, the Departments of State, Justice, Commerce, and Related Agencies, on Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives, 10 a.m., H-309 Capitol.

*Committee on Armed Services,* Subcommittee on Military Personnel, to mark up H.R. 5122, National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2007, 1 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Strategic Forces, to mark up H.R. 5122, National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2007, 11:30 a.m., 2212 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Tactical Air and Land Forces, to mark up H.R. 5122, National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2007, 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

*Committee on Education and the Workforce,* hearing entitled "Gulf Coast Recovery: Facing Challenges and Coming Back Stronger in Education," 10 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

*Committee on Energy and Commerce,* to mark up the Communications Opportunity, Promotion, and Enhancement Act, 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

*Committee on Financial Services,* Subcommittee on Capital Markets, Insurance and Government Sponsored Enterprises, hearing entitled "America's Capital Markets: Maintaining Our Lead in the 21st Century," 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Housing and Community Opportunity, hearing entitled "Title Insurance: Cost and Competition," 2 p.m., 2128 Rayburn.

*Committee on Government Reform,* Subcommittee on Criminal Justice, Drug Policy and Human Resources, hearing entitled "Transit Zone Operations: Can We Sustain Record Seizures and Declining Resources," 2 p.m., 2203 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Federal Workforce and Agency Organization, hearing entitled "Adding a Real Estate Investment Trust (REIT) Index Option to the Thrift Savings Plan: Considering the Views and Advisory Role of the Employee Thrift Advisory Council (ETAC);" followed by a markup of H.R. 1578, Real Estate Investment Thrift Savings Act, 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

*Committee on Homeland Security,* to mark up H.R. 4954, SAFE Port Act, 10 a.m., 311 Cannon.

*Committee on International Relations,* hearing on Iraq: Update on U.S. Policy, 11:30 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Africa, Global Human Rights and International Operations, hearing on the Endangered Children of Northern Uganda, 2 p.m., 2200 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on the Middle East and Central Asia, to continue hearings on U.S. Policy in Central Asia: Balancing Priorities (Part II), 2 p.m., 2255 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Western Hemisphere, hearing on U.S.-Mexico Relations, 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

*Committee on the Judiciary*, Subcommittee on Commercial and Administrative Law, oversight hearing on the Department of Justice: Executive Office for United States Attorneys, Civil Division, Environment and Natural Resources Division, Executive Office for United States Trustees, and Office of the Solicitor General, 2 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

*Committee on Resources*, Subcommittee on Water and Power, hearing on the following bills: H.R. 1711, New Mexico Water Planning Assistance Act; H.R. 4750, Lower Republican River Basin Study Act; and S. 166, Deschutes River Conservancy Reauthorization Act of 2005, 3 p.m., 1324 Longworth.

*Committee on Rules*, to consider H.R. 4975, Lobbying Accountability and Transparency Act of 2006, 2 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

*Committee on Small Business*, hearing entitled "Cutting Our Trade Deficit: Can the U.S. Muster Its Diverse Trade Promotion Operations to Make an Impact?" 2 p.m., 2360 Rayburn.

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure*, Subcommittee on Railroads, oversight hearing on the U.S. Rail Capacity Crunch, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs*, oversight hearing on Corporate Commitment to Hiring Veterans, 10:30 a.m., 334 Cannon.

## *Joint Meetings*

### CONSEQUENCES AND RESPONSES TO CHERNOBYL

*Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe (Helsinki Commission)*: Commission concluded a hearing to examine the consequences of the Chernobyl nuclear power plant disaster 20 years later, and the response of the affected countries and the international community, after receiving testimony from Stephen G. Rademaker, Acting Assistant Secretary of State, Bureau of International Security and Nonproliferation; H.E. Oleh Shamshur, Ukrainian Ambassador to the United States, Kiev; David Marples, University of Alberta Canadian Institute of Ukrainian Studies, Edmonton, Alberta, Canada; and Pablo Rubinstein, New York Blood Center, and Kathleen Ryan, Chernobyl Children's Project International, both of New York, New York.