

## CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

*Week of June 12 through June 17, 2006*

### Senate Chamber

On *Monday*, at 3 p.m., Senate will begin consideration of S. 2766, National Defense Authorization Bill.

On *Tuesday*, Senate will continue consideration of S. 2766, National Defense Authorization Bill; at 2:15 p.m., the official photograph of the Senate will be taken; following which, Senate will resume consideration of the nomination of Richard Stickler, of West Virginia, to be Assistant Secretary of Labor for Mine Safety and Health, with a vote on the motion to invoke cloture to occur thereon at 3:30 p.m.

During the balance of the week, Senate may consider any other cleared legislative and executive business, including the conference report to accompany H.R. 4939, Emergency Supplemental Appropriations, if available.

### Senate Committees

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

*Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry:* June 13, to hold an oversight hearing to examine Department of Agriculture farm loan programs, 10 a.m., SR-328A.

*Committee on Armed Services:* June 13, Subcommittee on Readiness and Management Support, to hold hearings to examine business systems modernization and financial management in review of the defense authorization request for fiscal year 2007, 2:30 p.m., SR-222.

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* June 14, business meeting to mark up S. 418, to protect members of the Armed Forces from unscrupulous practices regarding sales of insurance, financial, and investment products; to be followed by a hearing to examine Financial Accountability Standards Board's proposed standard on "Employers' Accounting for Defined Benefit Pension and Other Postretirement Plans", 10 a.m., SD-538.

June 14, Subcommittee on Housing and Transportation, to hold hearings to examine extension of HUD's mark-to-market program, 2:30 p.m., SD-538.

June 15, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine Office of Federal Housing Enterprise Oversight Report of the Special Examination of Fannie Mae, 10 a.m., SD-538.

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* June 13, to resume hearings to examine S. 2686, to amend the Communications Act of 1934 and for other purposes, 10 a.m., SH-216.

June 14, Subcommittee on Technology, Innovation, and Competitiveness, to hold hearings to examine alternative energy technologies, 10 a.m., SD-562.

June 14, Subcommittee on National Ocean Policy Study, to hold hearings to examine state of the oceans in 2006, 2:30 p.m., SD-562.

June 15, Subcommittee on Fisheries and Coast Guard, to hold hearings to examine the Coast Guard budget, 10:30 a.m., SD-562.

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* June 12, to hold hearings to examine the implementation of Sections 641 through 645 of the Energy Policy Act of 2005, the Next Generation Nuclear Plant Project within the Department of Energy, 2:30 p.m., SD-366.

June 15, Subcommittee on National Parks, to hold hearings to examine the National Park Service's Revised Draft Management Policies, including potential impact of the policies on park operations, park resources, wilderness areas, recreation, and interaction with gateway communities, 2:30 p.m., SD-366.

*Committee on Environment and Public Works:* June 14, to hold an oversight hearing to examine whether potential liability deters abandoned hard rock mine clean up, 9:30 a.m., SD-628.

June 15, Subcommittee on Superfund and Waste Management, to hold an oversight hearing to examine the superfund program, 9:30 a.m., SD-628.

*Committee on Finance:* June 13, to hold hearings to examine corporate tax issues, 10 a.m., SD-215.

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* June 12, to hold hearings to examine Treaty Between the United States of America and the Oriental Republic of Uruguay Concerning the Encouragement and Reciprocal Protection of Investment (Treaty Doc. 109-09), 3 p.m., SD-419.

June 13, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the changing face of terror relating to counterterrorism, 9:30 a.m., SD-419.

June 15, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Robert O. Blake, Jr., of Maryland, to be Ambassador to the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka, and to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador to the Republic of Maldives, 10 a.m., SD-419.

*Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:* June 13, Subcommittee on Federal Financial Management, Government Information, and International Security, to hold hearings to examine autopilot budgeting, including the PART (Program Assessment Rating Tool) and consider how systematic performance reporting of government agencies helps taxpayers get better services as well as whether Congress can better utilize the report cards to inform their annual budgeting, 2:30 p.m., SD-342.

June 14, Full Committee, business meeting to consider S. 2145, to enhance security and protect against terrorist attacks at chemical facilities, S. 1554, to establish an intergovernmental grant program to identify and develop homeland security information, equipment, capabilities, technologies, and services to further the homeland security of the United States and to address the homeland security needs of Federal, State, and local governments, S. 1149, to amend the Federal Employees' Compensation Act to cover services provided to injured Federal workers by physician assistants and nurse practitioners, S. 1741, to amend the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act to authorize the President to carry out a program for the protection of the health and safety of residents, workers, volunteers, and others in a disaster area, S. 2068, to preserve existing judgeships on the Superior Court of the District of Columbia, S. 2146,

to extend relocation expenses test programs for Federal employees, S. 2296, to establish a fact-finding Commission to extend the study of a prior Commission to investigate and determine facts and circumstances surrounding the relocation, internment, and deportation to Axis countries of Latin Americans of Japanese descent from December 1941 through February 1948, and the impact of those actions by the United States, and to recommend appropriate remedies, H.R. 3508, to authorize improvements in the operation of the government of the District of Columbia, S. 2228 and H.R. 4456, bills to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 2404 Race Street, Jonesboro, Arkansas, as the "Hattie W. Caraway Post Office.", S. 2376 and H.R. 3934, bills to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 80 Killian Road in Massapequa, New York, as the "Gerard A. Fiorenza Post Office Building", S. 2722, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 170 East Main Street in Patchogue, New York, as the "Lieutenant Michael P. Murphy Post Office Building", H.R. 4108, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 3000 Homewood Avenue in Baltimore, Maryland, as the "State Senator Verda Welcome and Dr. Henry Welcome Post Office Building", H.R. 3440, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 100 Avenida RL Rodriguez in Bayamon, Puerto Rico, as the "Dr. Jose Celso Barbosa Post Office Building", H.R. 4786, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 535 Wood Street in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, as the "H. Gordon Payrow Post Office Building", H.R. 4805, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 105 North Quincy Street in Clinton, Illinois, as the "Gene Vance Post Office Building", H.R. 4561, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 8624 Ferguson Road in Dallas, Texas, as the "Francisco 'Pancho' Medrano Post Office Building", H.R. 4688, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1 Boyden Street in Badin, North Carolina, as the "Mayor John Thompson 'Tom' Garrison Memorial Post Office", H.R. 4995, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 7 Columbus Avenue in Tuckahoe, New York, as the "Ronald Bucca Post Office", H.R. 3549, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 210 West 3rd Avenue in Warren, Pennsylvania, as the "William F. Clinger, Jr. Post Office Building", and H.R. 2977, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 306 2nd Avenue in Brockway, Montana, as the "Paul Kasten Post Office Building", 10 a.m., SD-342.

*Committee on Indian Affairs:* June 14, to hold hearings to examine S. 374, to provide compensation to the Lower Brule and Crow Creek Sioux Tribes of South Dakota for damage to tribal land caused by Pick-Sloan projects along the Missouri River, and S. 1535, to amend the Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe Equitable Compensation Act to provide compensation to members of the Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe for damage resulting from the Oahe Dam and Reservoir Project, 9:30 a.m., SR-485.

*Committee on the Judiciary:* June 13, to hold hearings to examine continuing need for section 203's provisions for limited English proficient voters, 9:30 a.m., SD-226.

June 13, Subcommittee on Administrative Oversight and the Courts, to hold hearings to examine the proposed Multidistrict Litigation Restoration Act, 3 p.m., SD-226.

June 14, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine ensuring competition and innovation relating to reconsidering communication laws, 9:30 a.m., SD-226.

June 15, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine pending judicial nominations, 2 p.m., SD-226.

*Select Committee on Intelligence:* June 13, closed business meeting to consider pending calendar business, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

June 14, Full Committee, closed business meeting to consider pending calendar business, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

June 15, Full Committee, to receive a closed briefing regarding intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

### House Committees

*Committee on Agriculture,* June 15, Subcommittee on General Farm Commodities and Risk Management, hearing to review Efforts to Eliminate Waste, Fraud and Abuse in the Crop Insurance Program, 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

*Committee on Appropriations,* June 13, to consider the following appropriations for Fiscal Year 2007: Defense; and the Department of Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies, 10 a.m., 2359 Rayburn.

June 15, Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies, hearing on Effects of Illegal Immigration on Public and Tribal Lands. 9 a.m., B-308 Rayburn.

*Committee on Armed Services,* June 13, hearing on issues related to H.R. 5200, National Defense Enhancement and National Guard Empowerment Act of 2006, 1 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

*Committee on the Budget,* June 14, to mark up H.R. 4890, Legislative Line Item Veto Act of 2006, 10:30 a.m., 210 Cannon.

June 15, hearing on Congressional Oversight—Advancing Efficiency in Government, 10 a.m., 210 Cannon.

*Committee on Education and the Workforce,* June 13, hearing entitled "No Child Left Behind: Disaggregating Student Achievement by Subgroups to Ensure All Students Are Learning," 10:30 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

June 14, Subcommittee on Workforce Protections, hearing entitled "Addressing Concerns About the U.S. Department of Labor's Use of Non-Consensus Standards in Workplace Health and Safety," 10:30 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

*Committee on Energy and Commerce,* June 13 and 14, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearings entitled "Human Tissue Samples: NIH Research Policies and Practices," 2 p.m., 2123 Rayburn on June 13 and 10 a.m., 2322 Rayburn on June 14.

June 14, Subcommittee on Commerce, Trade, and Consumer Protection, hearing on Violent and Explicit Video Games: Informing Parents and Protecting Children, 2 p.m., 2322 Rayburn.

*Committee on Financial Services,* June 13, Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Credit, hearing entitled "Home Mortgage Disclosure Act: Newly Collected Data and What It Means," 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

June 14, full Committee, to mark up the following measures: H.R. 5337, Reform of National Security Reviews of Foreign Direct Investments Act; H.R. 5068, Export-Import Bank Reauthorization Act of 2006; H.R. 2990, Credit Rating Agency Duopoly Relief Act of 2005; H.R. 5024, Promoting Transparency in Financial Reporting Act of 2006; the Financial Netting Improvements

Act of 2006; H.R. 5039, Saving America's Rural Housing Act of 2006; H.R. 4804, FHA Manufactured Housing Loan Modernization Act of 2006; H.R. 5527, Mark-to-Market Extension Act of 2006; H.R. 5393, Natural Disaster Housing Reform Act of 2006; and H.R. 5443, Section 8 Voucher Reform Act, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

*Committee on Government Reform*, June 13, Subcommittee on Federal Workforce and Agency Organization, hearing entitled "Healthier Feds and Families: Introducing Information Technology into the Federal Employees Health Benefits Program, a Legislative Hearing on H.R. 4859, (Federal Family Health Information Technology Act of 2006), Part II," 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

June 13, Subcommittee on National Security, Emerging Threats and International Relations, hearing entitled "Private Security Firms: Standards, Cooperation and Coordination on the Battlefield," 2 p.m., 2247 Rayburn.

June 15, full Committee, hearing entitled "Regional Insecurity: DHS Grants to the National Capital Area," 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

June 16, hearing entitled "Disabled Services in the District of Columbia: Who Is Protecting the Rights of D.C.'s Most Vulnerable Residents?" 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

June 16, Subcommittee on Criminal Justice, Drug Policy and Human Resources, hearing entitled "Evaluating the Synthetic Drug Control Strategy," 9 a.m., 2247 Rayburn.

*Committee on Homeland Security*, June 14, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 3197, Secure Handling of Ammonium Nitrate Act of 2005; H.R. 4941, Homeland Security Science and Technology Enhancement Act of 2006; and H.R. 4942, Promoting Antiterrorism Capabilities Through International Cooperation Act, 10 a.m., 311 Cannon.

June 14, Subcommittee on Intelligence, Information Sharing, and Terrorism Risk Assessment, hearing entitled "Transportation Security Administration's Office of Intelligence: Progress and Challenges," 2 p.m., 311 Cannon.

June 14, Subcommittee on Investigations, hearing entitled "Waste, Fraud and Abuse in the Aftermath of Hurricane Katrina," 11 a.m., 311 Cannon.

June 15, Subcommittee on Management, Integration, and Oversight, hearing entitled "An Examination of the Department of Homeland Security's Procurement Process Regarding Shirlington Limousine and Transportation, Inc.," 11:30 a.m., 311 Cannon.

June 16, Subcommittee on Economic Security, Infrastructure Protection and Cybersecurity, hearing on the Screening Applied Fairly and Equitably to Truckers Act of 2006, 10 a.m., 311 Cannon.

*Committee on International Relations*, June 14, Subcommittee on Africa, Global Human Rights and International Operations, hearing on Modern-Day Slavery: Spotlight on the 2006 Trafficking in Persons Report, Forced Labor, and Sex Trafficking at the World Cup, 11 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

*Committee on the Judiciary*, June 13, Subcommittee on Commercial and Administrative Law, hearing on Oversight of State Taxation of Interstate Telecommunications Services, 3 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

June 13, Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security, hearing on the Criminal Restitution Improvement Act of 2006, 9:30 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

June 15, Subcommittee on Courts, the Internet, and Intellectual Property, oversight hearing on Patent Trolls: Fact or Fiction? 9 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

*Committee on Resources*, June 14, Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources, hearing on H.R. 4761, Domestic Energy Production through Offshore Exploration and Equitable Treatment of State Holdings Act of 2006, 11 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

June 15, Subcommittee on Fisheries and Oceans, hearing on the following bills: H.R. 4957, Tylersville Fish Hatchery Conveyance Act; H.R. 5061, Paint Bank and Wytheville National Fish Hatcheries Conveyance Act; and H.R. 5381, National Fish Hatchery System Volunteer Act, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

*Committee on Rules*, June 12, a resolution Declaring that the United States will complete the mission in Iraq and prevail in the Global War on Terror, the struggle to protect freedom from the terrorist adversary; and the Departments of Transportation, Treasury, and Housing and Urban Development, the Judiciary, District of Columbia, and Independent Agencies, 5:30 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

*Committee on Science*, June 13, Subcommittee on Space and Aeronautics, hearing on The NASA Workforce: Does NASA Have the Right Strategy and Policies to Retain and Build the Workforce It Will Need?" 10:30 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure*, June 13, Subcommittee on Railroads, hearing on Current Issues in Rail Transportation of Hazardous Materials, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

June 14, Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation, oversight hearing on Deepwater Implementation, 1 p.m., 2167 Rayburn.

June 15, Subcommittee on Highways, Transit and Pipelines, oversight hearing on Intermodalism, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

*Committee on Ways and Means*, June 14, hearing on the Implementation of the Medicare prescription drug benefit, beneficiary enrollment and lessons learned now that the initial enrollment deadline of May 15 has passed, 10:30 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

June 15, Subcommittee on Social Security, hearing on the Social Security Administration's improved disability determination process, 11 a.m., B-318 Rayburn.

*Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence*, June 14, Subcommittee on Terrorism, Human Intelligence, Analysis and Counterintelligence, executive, briefing on Title 50/Title 10 Concerns, 3 p.m., H-405 Capitol.

### Joint Meetings

*Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe*: June 15, to hold hearings to examine human rights challenges that countries in South Central Europe face as they seek integration into the European Union and/or NATO Alliance, focusing on legal restrictions on religious activities and other attacks on religious freedom, lagging efforts to combat trafficking in persons, discrimination and violence against Roma, and the prevalence of official corruption and organized crime, 2 p.m., SD-226.