

after receiving testimony from Paul A. Volcker, former Chairman, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System; and Douglas W. Elmendorf, Brookings Institution, Ellen Seidman, New America Foundation, and Alex J. Pollock, American Enterprise Institute, all of Washington, D.C.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D576)

S. 2929, to temporarily extend the programs under the Higher Education Act of 1965. Signed on May 13, 2008. (Public Law 110-230)

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, MAY 15, 2008

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Appropriations: business meeting to mark up the Emergency Supplemental Appropriations Bill for fiscal year 2008, 2 p.m., SD-106.

Committee on Armed Services: business meeting to consider pending military nominations, 2:30 p.m., SR-222.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: business meeting to consider H.R. 634, to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of veterans who became disabled for life while serving in the Armed Forces of the United States, S. 1100, to address the regulation of secondary mortgage market enterprises, and an original bill to make technical corrections to Title III of SAFETEA-LU, 10 a.m., SD-538.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: business meeting to consider pending calendar business, 10 a.m., SR-253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: to hold hearings to examine development of oil shale resources, 1:50 p.m., SD-366.

Committee on Foreign Relations: to hold hearings to examine United States-China relations in the era of globalization, 2 p.m., SD-419.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: to hold hearings to examine nuclear terrorism, focusing on providing medical care and meeting basic needs in an aftermath, 10 a.m., SD-342.

Subcommittee on Oversight of Government Management, the Federal Workforce, and the District of Columbia, to hold hearings to examine the organizational structures of the State Department responsible for arms control, counterproliferation, and nonproliferation, focusing on the processes they have in place for optimizing national efforts, and how responsive those structures and processes are to the Executive Branch's nonproliferation and counterproliferation policies, 2 p.m., SD-342.

Committee on Indian Affairs: to hold hearings to examine S. 1080, to develop a program to acquire interests in land from eligible individuals within the Crow Reservation in the State of Montana, H.R. 2120, to direct the Secretary

of the Interior to proclaim as reservation for the benefit of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians a parcel of land now held in trust by the United States for that Indian tribe, S. 2494, to provide for equitable compensation to the Spokane Tribe of Indians of the Spokane Reservation for the use of tribal land for the production of hydropower by the Grand Coulee Dam, H.R. 2963, to transfer certain land in Riverside County, California, and San Diego County, California, from the Bureau of Land Management to the United States to be held in trust for the Pechanga Band of Luiseno Mission Indians, and S. 531, to repeal section 10(f) of Public Law 93-531, commonly known as the "Bennett Freeze", 9:30 a.m., SD-562.

Committee on the Judiciary: business meeting to consider S. 2511, to amend the grant program for law enforcement armor vests to provide for a waiver of or reduction in the matching funds requirement in the case of fiscal hardship, S. 2565, to establish an awards mechanism to honor exceptional acts of bravery in the line of duty by Federal law enforcement officers, H.R. 4056, to establish an awards mechanism to honor Federal law enforcement officers injured in the line of duty, S. 2774, to provide for the appointment of additional Federal circuit and district judges, S. 1738, to establish a Special Counsel for Child Exploitation Prevention and Interdiction within the Office of the Deputy Attorney General, to improve the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force, to increase resources for regional computer forensic labs, and to make other improvements to increase the ability of law enforcement agencies to investigate and prosecute predators, S. 2913, to provide a limitation on judicial remedies in copyright infringement cases involving orphan works, S. 2756, to amend the National Child Protection Act of 1993 to establish a permanent background check system, S. 1515, to establish a domestic violence volunteer attorney network to represent domestic violence victims, S. 2942, to authorize funding for the National Advocacy Center, S. 2982, to amend the Runaway and Homeless Youth Act to authorize appropriations, and the nomination of G. Steven Agee, of Virginia, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Fourth Circuit, 10 a.m., SD-226.

House

Committee on Agriculture, Subcommittee on General Farm Commodities and Risk Management, hearing to review the source of dramatic movements in community markets (agriculture and energy): A change in market fundamentals or influence of institutional investors? 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, Subcommittee on Health, hearing on H.R. 5998, Protecting Children's Health Coverage Act of 2008, 10 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

Subcommittee Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled "In the Hands of Strangers: Are Nursing Home Safeguards Working?" 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, May 14, Subcommittee on Housing and Community Opportunity, to consider the following measures: H.R. 3397, Lead-Safe Housing for Kids Act of 2007; and H.R. 3329, Homes for Heroes Act of 2007, 2 p.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Foreign Affairs, Subcommittee on Asia, the Pacific, and the Global Environment, hearing on Our Forgotten Responsibility: What Can We Do To Help Victims of Agent Orange? 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on International Organizations, Human Rights, and Oversight, hearing on U.N. Security Resolution 1325: Recognizing Women's Vital Roles in Achieving Peace and Security, 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Intelligence, Information Sharing, and Terrorism Risk Assessment, hearing on the Resilient Homeland: How DHS Intelligence Should Empower America To Prepare for, Prevent, and Withstand Terrorist Attacks, 10 a.m., 311 Cannon.

Committee on the Judiciary, Task Force on Competition Policy and Antitrust Laws, hearing on H.R. 5546, Credit Card Fair Fee Act of 2008, 11 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Natural Resources, Subcommittee on Fisheries, Wildlife and Oceans, oversight hearing on the management of West Coast salmon fisheries, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, hearing on Defense Base Act Insurance: Are Taxpayers Paying Too Much? ; followed by consideration of the following measures: H. Res. 1144, expressing support for designation of a "Frank Sinatra Day" on May 13, 2008, in honor of the dedication of the Frank Sinatra commemorative stamp; H. Con. Res. 1152, Honoring Arnold Palmer for his distinguished career in the sport of golf and his commitment to excellence and sportsmanship; H. Res. 1153, Celebrating Asian Pacific American Heritage Month; H. Con. Res. 138, Supporting National Men's Health Week; and H. Con. Res. 334, Supporting the goals and objectives of a National Military Appreciation Month, 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on Small Business, hearing entitled "Food Prices and Small Businesses," 10 a.m., 1539 Longworth.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, to mark up the following: the Saving Energy Through Public Transportation Act of 2008; H.R. 5788, Halting Airplane Noise to give US Peace Act of 2008; H.R. 2452, Raw Sewage Overflow Community Right-to-Know Act; H.R. 5001, Old Post Office Building Redevelopment Act of 2008; H.R. 1333, Civil Air Patrol Homeland Security Support Act of 2007; H.R. 135, Twenty-First Century Water Commission Act of 2007; H.R. 5770, To provide for a study by the National Academy of Sciences of potential impacts of climate change on water resources and water quality; H.R. 5599, To designate the Federal building located at 4600 Silver Hill Road in Suitland, Maryland, as the "Thomas Jefferson Census Bureau Headquarters Building;" H. Res. 1137, Supporting the goals and ideals of National Public Works Week; H. Con. Res. 305, Recognizing the importance of bicycling in transportation and recreation; H. Con. Res 309, Authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds for the District of Columbia Special Olympics Law Enforcement Torch Run; H. Con. Res. 311, Authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds for the Greater Washington Soap Box Derby; H. Con. Res. 335, Authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds for a celebration of the 100th anniversary of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated; H. Res. 339, Supporting the goals of Motorcycle Safety Awareness Month; U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Survey Resolution; and other pending business, 11 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Committee on Ways and Means, to mark up the Energy and Tax Extenders Act of 2008, 10:30 a.m., 1100 Longworth.