

S. 682, to award a congressional gold medal to Edward William Brooke III in recognition of his unprecedented and enduring service to our Nation. Signed on July 1, 2008. (Public Law 110–260)

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## COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY, JULY 8, 2008

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

### Senate

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development, business meeting to mark up proposed legislation making appropriations for fiscal year 2009 for Energy and Water Development, 9:45 a.m., SD–192.

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* Subcommittee on Water and Power, to hold hearings to examine S. 2842, to require the Secretary of the Interior to carry out annual inspections of canals, levees, tunnels, dikes, pumping plants, dams, and reservoirs under the jurisdiction of the Secretary, S. 2974, to provide for the construction of the Arkansas Valley Conduit in the State of Colorado, H.R. 3323, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to convey a water distribution system to the Goleta Water District, and S. 3189, to amend Public Law 106–392 to require the Administrator of the Western Area Power Administration and the Commissioner of Reclamation to maintain sufficient revenues in the Upper Colorado River Basin Fund, 2:30 p.m., SD–366.

### House

No committee meetings are scheduled.

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## CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of July 7 through July 12, 2008

### Senate Chamber

On *Tuesday*, Senate will begin consideration of H.R. 6304, FISA Amendments Act, and consider certain amendments.

On *Wednesday*, Senate will resume consideration of House message to accompany H.R. 3221, Foreclosure Prevention Act.

During the balance of the week, Senate may consider any cleared legislative and executive business.

### Senate Committees

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

*Committee on Appropriations:* July 8, Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development, business meeting to mark up proposed legislation making appropriations for fiscal year 2009 for Energy and Water Development, 9:45 a.m., SD–192.

July 9, Subcommittee on Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies, business meeting to consider proposed legislation making appro-

priations for the Department of Transportation, Department of Housing and Urban Development, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2009, 10:30 a.m., SD–116.

July 10, Full Committee, business meeting to mark up proposed legislation making appropriations for fiscal year 2009 for the Department of Transportation, Department of Housing and Urban Development, and related agencies, Energy and Water Development, and Financial Services and General Government, 2 p.m., SD–106.

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* July 9, to hold hearings to examine reducing risks and improving oversight in the OTC credit derivatives market, 2 p.m., SD–538.

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* July 9, to hold hearings to examine privacy implications of online advertising, 10 a.m., SR–253.

July 9, Subcommittee on Oceans, Atmosphere, Fisheries, and Coast Guard, to hold hearings to examine fishing safety, focusing on policy implications of cooperatives and vessel improvements, 2:30 p.m., SR–253.

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* July 8, Subcommittee on Water and Power, to hold hearings to examine S. 2842, to require the Secretary of the Interior to carry out annual inspections of canals, levees, tunnels, dikes, pumping plants, dams, and reservoirs under the jurisdiction of the Secretary, S. 2974, to provide for the construction of the Arkansas Valley Conduit in the State of Colorado, H.R. 3323, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to convey a water distribution system to the Goleta Water District, and S. 3189, to amend Public Law 106–392 to require the Administrator of the Western Area Power Administration and the Commissioner of Reclamation to maintain sufficient revenues in the Upper Colorado River Basin Fund, 2:30 p.m., SD–366.

July 9, Subcommittee on Public Lands and Forests, to hold hearings to examine S. 2443 and H.R. 2246, bills to provide for the release of any revisionary interest of the United States in and to certain lands in Reno, Nevada, S. 2779, to amend the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act of 1977 to clarify that uncertified States and Indian tribes have the authority to use certain payments for certain noncoal reclamation projects, S. 2875, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to provide grants to designated States and tribes to carry out programs to reduce the risk of livestock loss due to predation by gray wolves and other predator species or to compensate landowners for livestock loss due to predation, S. 2898 H.R. 816, bills to provide for the release of certain land from the Sunrise Mountain Instant Study Area in the State of Nevada, S. 3088, to designate certain land in the State of Oregon as wilderness, S. 3157, to provide for the exchange and conveyance of certain National Forest System land and other land in southeast Arizona, and S. 3179, to authorize the conveyance of certain public land in the State of New Mexico owned or leased by the Department of Energy, 2:30 p.m., SD–366.

*Committee on Environment and Public Works:* July 10, Subcommittee on Clean Air and Nuclear Safety, to hold

oversight hearings to examine the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), focusing on implementing the renewable fuel standard, 10 a.m., SD-406.

*Committee on Finance:* July 10, to hold hearings to examine issues and options for the transportation infrastructure, 10 a.m., SD-215.

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* July 9, to hold hearings to examine the challenges from Iran, 2:30 p.m., SD-419.

July 10, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine protocol Amending the Convention Between the United States of America and Canada with Respect to Taxes on Income and on Capital done at Washington on September 26, 1980, as Amended by the Protocols done on June 14, 1983, March 28, 1984, March 17, 1995, and July 29, 1997, signed on September 21, 2007, at Chelsea (the "proposed Protocol") (Treaty Doc. 110-15), Convention Between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of Iceland for the Avoidance of Double Taxation and the Prevention of Fiscal Evasion with Respect to Taxes on Income, and accompanying Protocol, signed on October 23, 2007, at Washington, DC (Treaty Doc. 110-17), Convention Between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Republic of Bulgaria for the Avoidance of Double Taxation and the Prevention of Fiscal Evasion With Respect to Taxes on Income, with accompanying Protocol, signed at Washington on February 23, 2007 (the "Proposed Treaty"), as well as the Protocol Amending the Convention Between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Republic of Bulgaria for the Avoidance of Double Taxation and the Prevention of Fiscal Evasion With Respect to Taxes on Income, signed at Sofia on February 26, 2008 (Treaty Doc. 110-18), and certain other pending treaties, 2:30 p.m., SD-419.

*Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:* July 9, Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations, to hold hearings to examine Medicare vulnerabilities, focusing on payments for claims tied to deceased doctors, 10:30 a.m., SD-342.

July 10, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the roots of violent Islamist extremism and efforts to counter it, 9:30 a.m., SD-342.

*Committee on the Judiciary:* July 9, to continue oversight hearings to examine the Department of Justice, 9:30 a.m., SD-106.

July 10, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine passport files, focusing on privacy protection for all Americans, 10 a.m., SD-226.

*Committee on Rules and Administration:* July 9, to hold hearings to examine administrative and management operations of the United States Capitol Police, 10 a.m., SR-301.

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs:* July 9, business meeting to consider the nomination of Christine O. Hill, of Georgia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Veterans Affairs for Congressional Affairs, Time to be announced, Room to be announced.

July 9, Full Committee, to hold an oversight hearing to examine veterans disability compensation, focusing on undue delay in claims processing, 9:30 a.m., SR-418.

*Select Committee on Intelligence:* July 10, to hold closed hearings to examine certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

## House Committees

*Committee on Agriculture,* July 9, 10 and 11, hearings to review legislation amending the Commodity Exchange Act, 2:30 p.m., on July 9, and 10 a.m., on July 10 and 11, 1300 Longworth.

*Committee on Appropriations,* July 8, Subcommittee on Legislative Branch, hearing on the Capitol Visitor Center, 7 p.m., H-140 Capitol.

July 10, Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies, on CFTC, 11 a.m., 2362A Rayburn.

*Committee on Armed Services,* July 9, hearing on an update on efforts to develop and support the Iraqi Security Forces, 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

July 9, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing on Defense Language and Cultural Awareness Transformation: To What End? At What Cost? 2:30 p.m., 2212 Rayburn.

July 10, full Committee, hearing on threat posed by Electromagnetic Pulse Attack, 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

July 10, Subcommittee on Air and Land Forces, hearing on the source selection and path forward regarding the Air Force KC-(X) Program, 2 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

July 10, Subcommittee on Military Personnel, hearing on oversight and status of POW-MIA activities, 2 p.m., 2212 Rayburn.

*Committee on Education and Labor,* July 9, hearing on the Rising Cost of Food and Its Impact on Federal Child Nutrition Programs, 10 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

*Committee on Energy and Commerce,* July 10, Subcommittee on Energy and Air Quality, hearing on H.R. 6258, Carbon Capture and Storage Early Deployment Act, 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

*Committee on Financial Services,* July 9, Subcommittee on Housing and Community Opportunity, hearing entitled "Federal Spending Requirements in Housing and Community Development Programs: Challenges in 2008 and Beyond," 9:30 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

July 10, full Committee, hearing entitled "Systemic Risk and the Financial Markets," 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

*Committee on Foreign Affairs,* July 9, hearing on U.S. Policy Toward Iran, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

July 9, Subcommittee on Europe and the Subcommittee on the Middle East and South Asia, joint hearing on Europe and Israel: Strengthening the Partnership, 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

*Committee on Homeland Security,* July 9, hearing entitled "The Challenge of Protecting Mass Gatherings in a Post-9/11," 10 a.m., 311 Cannon.

*Committee on the Judiciary,* July 10, Subcommittee on Commercial and Administrative Law, hearing on the Politicization of the Justice Department and Allegations of Selective Prosecution, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

*Committee on Natural Resources,* July 10, Subcommittee on Fisheries, Wildlife and Oceans, oversight hearing entitled "Going, Going, Gone? An Assessment of the Global Decline in Bird Populations," 10 a.m., 1334 Longworth.

July 10, Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Public Lands, hearing on the following bills: H.R. 160, Revolutionary War and War of 1812 Battlefield Protection Act; H.R. 1847, National Trails System Willing Seller Act; H.R. 2933, Civil War Battlefield Preservation Act of 2007; H.R. 3299, To provide for a boundary adjustment and land conveyance involving Roosevelt National Forest, Colorado, to correct the effects of an erroneous land survey that resulted in approximately 7 acres of the Crystal Lakes Subdivision, Ninth Filing, encroaching on National Forest System land; H.R. 3336, Camp Hale Historic District Study Act; H.R. 3849, Box Elder Utah Land Conveyance Act; H.R. 5263, Forest Landscape Restoration Act; H.R. 5751, Walnut Canyon Study Act of 2008; and H.R. 6177, Rio Grande Wild and Scenic River Extension Act of 2008, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

*Committee on Oversight and Government Reform*, July 8, Subcommittee on Domestic Policy, hearing on Assessing State and Local Regulations to Reduce Dental Mercury Emissions, 2:30 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

July 9, full Committee, hearing on Manufacturers of FEMA Trailers and Elevated Formaldehyde Levels, 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

July 10, Subcommittee on Federal Workforce, Postal Service, and the District of Columbia, hearing on Investing in the Future: Minority Opportunities and the TSP, 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

July 10, Subcommittee on Information Policy, Census, and National Archives, hearing on 2010 Census: Using the Communication Campaign to Effectively Reduce the Undercount, 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

*Committee on Rules*, July 8, to consider the following: H.R. 5811, Electronic Message Preservation Act; and

H.R. 1286, Washington–Rochambeau Revolutionary Route National Trail Designation Act, 5 p.m., H–313 Capitol.

*Committee on Science and Technology*, July 10, Subcommittee on Energy and Environment, hearing on Harmful Algal Blooms: The Challenges on the Nation's Coastlines, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure*, July 9, Subcommittee on Highways and Transit, hearing on Truck Weights and Lengths: Assessing the Impacts of Existing Laws and Regulations, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

July 11, Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings, and Emergency Management hearing, on GSA's Capital Investment Program: Fiscal Year 2009, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs*, July 9, hearing on Why Does the VA Continue to Give a Suicide-Inducing Drug to Veterans with PTSD?, 10 a.m., 334 Cannon.

July 10, Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity, hearing on Independent Living, 1 p.m., 334 Cannon.

*Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence*, July 9, executive, briefing on Colombia Hostage Situation, 12 p.m., H–405 Capitol.

July 10, Subcommittee on Terrorism, Human Intelligence, Analysis and Counterintelligence, executive, briefing on IC HUMINT, 2 p.m., H–405 Capitol.

*Select Committee on Energy Independence and Global Warming*, July 10, hearing entitled "Global Warming Effects on Extreme Weather," 1:30 p.m., room to be announced.

### Joint Meetings

*Joint Economic Committee*: July 10, to hold hearings to examine public pension plans, focusing on the need to strengthen retirement security and economic growth, 10 a.m., SD–106.