

# Daily Digest

## Senate

### Chamber Action

Senate met at 10:00:11 a.m. in pro forma session, and adjourned at 10:00:46 a.m. until 2 p.m., on Tuesday, October 13, 2009.

### Committee Meetings

*(Committees not listed did not meet)*

#### RESTORING CREDIT TO MANUFACTURERS

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* Subcommittee on Economic Policy concluded a hear-

ing to examine restoring credit to manufacturers, after receiving testimony from David Andrea, Motor & Equipment Manufacturers Association, Troy, Michigan; Robert Kiener, Precision Machined Products Association, Brecksville, Ohio; and Stephen Wilson, American Bankers Association, Lebanon, Ohio.

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## House of Representatives

### Chamber Action

**Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced:** There were no public bills or resolutions introduced in today's Record.

**Additional Cosponsors:** Page H11173

**Reports Filed:** Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 3433, to amend the North American Wetlands Conservation Act to establish requirements regarding payment of the non-Federal share of the costs of wetlands conservation projects in Canada that are funded under that Act (H. Rept. 111-296) and

H.R. 3537, to amend and reauthorize the Junior Duck Stamp Conservation and Design Program Act of 1994 (H. Rept. 111-297). Page H11173

**Speaker:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein she appointed Representative Griffith to act as Speaker Pro Tempore for today. Page H11169

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** There were no yea-and-nay votes, and there were no recorded votes. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 10:02 a.m.

### Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

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#### CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of October 12 through October 17, 2009

On *Tuesday*, at approximately 3 p.m., Senate will resume consideration of H.R. 2847, Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, and vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the committee-reported amendment in the nature of a substitute at 5:30 p.m.

Upon completion of H.R. 2847, Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, Senate will resume consideration of the conference report to accompany H.R. 3183, Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations 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 Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* October 14, Subcommittee on Financial Institutions, to hold

hearings to examine the state of the banking industry, 2:30 p.m. SD-538.

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* October 14, to hold hearings to examine combating distracted driving, focusing on managing behavioral and technological risks, 2:30 p.m., SR-253.

October 15, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Erroll G. Southers, of California, to be Assistant Secretary of Homeland Security, Patrick Gallagher, of Maryland, to be Director of the National Institute of Standards and Technology, Department of Commerce, and Elizabeth M. Robinson, of Virginia, to be Chief Financial Officer, National Aeronautics and Space Administration, 2:30 p.m., SR-253.

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* October 14, to hold hearings to examine energy and related economic effects of global climate change legislation, 10 a.m., SD-366.

*Committee on Finance:* October 13, business meeting to resume consideration of an original bill entitled “America’s Healthy Future Act of 2009”, 10 a.m., SH-216.

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* October 15, Subcommittee on International Operations and Organizations, Human Rights, Democracy and Global Women’s Issues, to hold hearings to examine, 2:30 p.m., SD-419.

*Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:* October 14, business meetings to consider any pending nominations, 10 a.m., SD-430.

October 15, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine equal health care for equal premiums, focusing on women, 10:30 a.m., SD-430.

*Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:* October 14, to hold hearings to examine the past, present, and future of policy czars, 10 a.m., SD-342.

October 14, Subcommittee on Oversight of Government Management, the Federal Workforce, and the District of Columbia, with the Special Committee on Aging, to hold joint hearings to examine the cost of federal long-term care insurance, 2:30 p.m., SD-342.

*Committee on Judiciary:* October 14, to hold hearings to examine prohibiting price fixing and other anticompetitive conduct in the health insurance industry, 10 a.m., SD-226.

October 15, Full Committee, business meeting to consider S. 448 and H.R. 985, bills to maintain the free flow of information to the public by providing conditions for the federally compelled disclosure of information by certain persons connected with the news media, S. 369, to prohibit brand name drug companies from compensating generic drug companies to delay the entry of a generic drug into the market, and S. 379, to provide fair compensation to artists for use of their sound recordings, and the nominations of Jacqueline H. Nguyen and Dolly M. Gee, both to be a United States District Judge for the Central District of California, and Edward Milton Chen and Richard Seeborg, both to be a United States District Judge for the Northern District of California, 10 a.m., SD-226.

*Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship:* October 15, to hold hearings to examine health care solutions for America’s small businesses, 10 a.m., SD-628.

*Select Committee on Intelligence:* October 13, to hold hearings to examine the nomination of David C. Gompert, of Virginia, to be Principal Day, Director of National Intelligence, Office of the Director of National Intelligence, 2:30 p.m. SD-106.

October 15, Full Committee, to hold closed hearings to consider certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., S-407, Capitol.

*Special Committee on Aging:* October 14, with the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, Subcommittee on Oversight of Government Management, the Federal Workforce, and the District of Columbia, to hold joint hearings to examine the cost of federal long-term care insurance, 2:30 p.m.; SD-342.

## House Committees

*Committee on Armed Services,* October 14, hearing on Afghanistan: Getting the Strategy Right, 10 a.m., 210 HVC.

October 15, Defense Acquisition Reform Panel, hearing on Can the Department of Defense Protect Taxpayers: When It Pays Its Contractors? 8 a.m., 1310 Longworth.

*Committee on the Budget,* October 14, hearing on the Cost of Current Defense Plans: An Analysis of Budget Issues, 10 a.m., 210 Cannon.

*Committee on Education and Labor,* October 14, Subcommittee on Higher Education, Lifelong Learning, and Competitiveness, hearing on Ensuring Student Eligibility Requirements for Federal Aid, 10 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

*Committee on Energy and Commerce,* October 15, Subcommittee on Commerce, Trade and Consumer Protection, hearing on The Minority Business Development Agency: Enhancing the Prospects for Success, 1 p.m., 2322 Rayburn.

October 15, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled “Insured But Not Covered: The Problem of Underinsurance,” 1:30 p.m., 2322 Rayburn.

October 16, Subcommittee on Energy and Environment, hearing on H.R. 515, Radioactive Import Deterrence Act, 9:30 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

*Committee on Financial Assistance,* October 14, to consider the following measures: October 2, Discussion Draft of the Over-the-Counter Derivatives Markets Act of 2009; September 25, Discussion Draft of the Consumer Financial Protection Agency Act of 2009 (to be reported as H.R. 3126, Consumer Financial Protection Agency Act of 2009); H.R. 3763, To amend the Fair Credit Reporting Act to provide for an exclusion from Red Flag Guidelines for certain businesses; and H.R. 3639 Expedited CARD Reform for Consumers Act of 2009, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

*Committee on Foreign Affairs,* October 14, Subcommittee on Asia, The Pacific and The Global Environment, to mark up H. Con. Res. 153, Honoring the 111th anniversary of the independence of the Philippines; followed by a hearing on the Future of APEC, (Asian-Pacific Economic Cooperation), 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

October 15, full Committee, hearing on Afghanistan Policy at the Crossroads, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

October 15, Subcommittee on the Western Hemisphere, to mark up H.R. 2134, Western Hemisphere

Drug Policy Commission Act of 2009; followed by a hearing on Assessing U.S. Drug Policy in the Americas, 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

*Committee on Homeland Security*, October 14, hearing entitled “Diversity at the Department of Homeland Security: Continuing Challenges and New Opportunities,” 10 a.m., 311 Cannon.

*Committee on the Judiciary*, October 14, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 42, Commission on Wartime Relocation and Internment of Latin Americans of Japanese Descent Act; H.R. 1425, Wartime Treatment Study Act; and H.R. 3237, To enact certain laws relating to national and commercial space programs title 51, United States Code, “National and Commercial Space Programs,” 10:15 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

October 15, hearing on Ramifications of Auto Industry Bankruptcies, Part IV, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

*Committee on Natural Resources*, October 15, Subcommittee on Insular Affairs, Oceans and Wildlife, hearing on H.R. 3644, Bay-Watershed Education and Training (B-WET) Regional Program and National Environment Literacy Grant Program Act, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

*Committee on Oversight and Government Reform*, October 14, hearing entitled “AIG Bonuses: Audit Report of the Special Inspector General,” 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

*Committee on Rules*, October 13, to consider H.R. 2442, Bay Area Regional Water Recycling Program Expansion Act of 2009, 5 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

*Committee on Science and Technology*, October 14, Subcommittee on Technology and Innovation, to mark up the Fire Grants Reauthorization Act of 2009, 2 p.m., 2318 Rayburn.

*Committee on Small Business*, October 14, hearing entitled “Increasing Access to Capital for Small Businesses, 1 p.m., 2360 Rayburn.

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure*, October 14, Subcommittee on Railroads, Pipelines, and Hazardous Materials, hearing on High-Speed Rail in the United States: Opportunities and Challenges, 2 p.m., 2167 Rayburn.

*Committee on Veterans’ Affairs*, October 14, hearing on the Update on the State of the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs, 10 a.m., 334 Cannon.

October 15, Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity, hearing on VA Status Report on Post-9/11 G.I. Bill, 2 p.m., 334 Cannon.

October 15, Subcommittee on Health, hearing on Identifying the Causes of Inappropriate Billing Practices by the VA, 10 a.m., 334 Cannon.

*Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence*, October 14, Subcommittee on Terrorism, Human Intelligence and Counterintelligence, executive, briefing on Hot Spots, 4 p.m., 304-HVC.

October 15, full Committee, executive, briefing on National Security Council Update, 12 p.m., 304-HVC.

*Select Committee on Energy Independence and Global Warming*, October 15, hearing entitled “Fraudulent Letters Opposing Clean Energy Legislation,” 9:30 a.m., room to be announced.

### Joint Meetings

*Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe*: October 14, to hold hearings to examine promoting tolerance and understanding in the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe (OSCE) region, focusing on the role of the personal representatives, 10 a.m., SVC-208/209.