

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate agreed to the conference report to accompany H.R. 2647, National Defense Authorization Act.

Senate

Chamber Action

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Measures Introduced: Twenty-eight bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 1835–1862, and S. Res. 320. **Page S10700**

Measures Reported:

S. 1340, to establish a minimum funding level for programs under the Victims of Crime Act of 1984 for fiscal years 2010 to 2014 that ensures a reasonable growth in victim programs without jeopardizing the long-term sustainability of the Crime Victims Fund. **Page S10700**

Measures Passed:

Medal of Honor Commemorative Coin Act: Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 1209, to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in recognition and celebration of the establishment of the Medal of Honor in 1861, America's highest award for valor in action against an enemy force which can be bestowed upon an individual serving in the Armed Services of the United States, to honor the American military men and women who have been recipients of the Medal of Honor, and to promote awareness of what the Medal of Honor represents and how ordinary Americans, through courage, sacrifice, selfless service and patriotism, can challenge fate and change the course of history, and the bill was then passed, clearing the measure for the President. **Page S10708**

Casimir Pulaski to be an Honorary Citizen of the United States: Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of H.J. Res. 26, proclaiming Casimir Pulaski to be an honorary citizen of the United States posthumously, and the resolution was then passed, clearing the measure for the President. **Pages S10708–09**

Conference Reports:

National Defense Authorization Act Conference Report: By 68 yeas to 29 nays (Vote No. 327), Senate agreed to the conference report to accompany H.R. 2647, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2010 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, to provide special pays and allowances to certain members of the Armed Forces, expand concurrent receipt of military retirement and VA disability benefits to disabled military retirees. **Pages S10663–87**

During consideration of this measure today, Senate also took the following action:

By 64 yeas to 35 nays (Vote No. 326), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, having voted in the affirmative, Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the conference report.

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Unemployment Compensation Extension Act—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the motion to proceed to consideration of H.R. 3548, to amend the Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2008 to provide for the temporary availability of certain additional emergency unemployment compensation, occur at 2:30 p.m., on Tuesday, October 27, 2009. **Page S10709**

Berger Nomination—Agreement: A unanimous-consent-time agreement was reached providing that on Tuesday, October 27, 2009, following a period of morning business, Senate begin consideration of the nomination of Irene Cornelia Berger, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of West Virginia; that debate be limited to 60 minutes equally divided and controlled between Senators Leahy and Sessions, or their designees; that at 2:15 p.m., Senate vote on confirmation of the nomination; provided further, that upon confirmation of the

nomination, Senate resume legislative session and vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the motion to proceed to consideration of H.R. 3548, Unemployment Compensation Extension Act. **Page S10709**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Betty E. King, of New York, to be Representative of the United States of America to the Office of the United Nations and Other International Organizations in Geneva, with the rank of Ambassador.

Lillian A. Sparks, of Maryland, to be Commissioner of the Administration for Native Americans, Department of Health and Human Services.

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Record Votes: Two record votes were taken today. (Total—327) **Pages S10669, S10686–87**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m. and adjourned at 7:07 p.m., until 2 p.m. on Monday, October 26, 2009. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S10709.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Armed Services: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Christine H. Fox, of Virginia, to be Director of Cost Assessment and Program Evaluation, Frank Kendall III, of Virginia, to be Deputy Under Secretary for Acquisition and Technology, who was introduced by Senator Reed, Gladys Commons, of Virginia, to be Assistant Secretary of the Navy, and Terry A. Yonkers, of Maryland, to be Assistant Secretary of the Air Force, all of the Department of Defense, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Armed Services: Committee announced the following subcommittee assignments:

Subcommittee on AirLand: Senators Lieberman (Chair), Bayh, Webb, McCaskill, Hagan, Begich, Burr, Thune, Inhofe, Sessions, Chambliss, and Burr.

Subcommittee on Emerging Threats and Capabilities: Senators Nelson (FL) (Chair), Byrd, Reed, Nelson (NE), Bayh, Udall (CO), Kirk, LeMieux, Graham, Wicker, Burr, and Collins.

Subcommittee on Personnel: Senators Webb (Chair), Lieberman, Akaka, Nelson (NE), McCaskill, Hagan, Begich, Burr, Kirk, Graham, Chambliss, Thune, Wicker, LeMieux, Vitter, and Collins.

Subcommittee on Readiness and Management Support: Senators Bayh (Chair), Byrd, Akaka, McCaskill, Udall (CO), Burr, Burr, Inhofe, Chambliss, and Thune.

Subcommittee on Seapower: Senators Reed (Chair), Lieberman, Akaka, Nelson (FL), Webb, Hagan, Kirk, Wicker, Sessions, LeMieux, Vitter, and Collins.

Subcommittee on Strategic Forces: Senators Nelson (NE) (Chair), Byrd, Reed, Nelson (FL), Udall (CO), Begich, Vitter, Sessions, Inhofe, and Graham.

Senators Levin and McCain are ex-officio members of the subcommittees.

NORTH ATLANTIC TREATY ORGANIZATION

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO), focusing on a strategic concept for transatlantic security, after receiving testimony from Madeleine K. Albright, former Secretary of State, Kurt Volker, former United States Permanent Representative on the North Atlantic Council, and Charles A. Kupchan, Georgetown University, all of Washington, D.C.; and General John Craddock, USA (Ret.), former Supreme Allied Commander-Europe, Myrtle Beach, South Carolina.

IRAN

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee met in closed session to receive a briefing on Iran from William J. Burns, Under Secretary of State for Political Affairs; and national security briefers.

POLICY CZARS

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the past, present, and future of policy czars, after receiving testimony from Thomas J. Ridge, former Secretary of the Department of Homeland Security; Lee A. Casey, former Attorney-Advisor in the Office of Legal Counsel, Department of Justice; Harold C.

Relyea, former Specialist, American National Government, Congressional Research Service, Library of Congress; and James P. Pfiffner, George Mason University School of Public Policy, Fairfax, Virginia.

FOOD SAFETY SYSTEM

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: Committee concluded a hearing to examine keeping America's families safe, focusing on reforming the food safety system, after receiving testimony from Senator Durbin; Margaret A. Hamburg, Commissioner of Food and Drugs, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services; Caroline Smith DeWaal, Center for Science in the Public Interest, and Thomas Stenzel, United Fresh Produce Association, both of Washington, D.C.; Michael Roberson, Food Marketing Institute, Arlington, Virginia; and Daniel L. Ragan, Director, North Carolina Department of Agriculture and Consumer Service Food and Drug Protection Division, Raleigh.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Indian Affairs: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 1178, to extend Federal recognition to the Chickahominy Indian Tribe, the Chickahominy Indian Tribe-Eastern Division, the Upper Mattaponi Tribe, the Rappahannock Tribe, Inc., the Monacan Indian Nation, and the Nansemond Indian Tribe, with an amendment; and

S. 1735, to provide for the recognition of the Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina, with an amendment.

ENERGY AND ENERGY EFFICIENCY

Committee on Indian Affairs: Committee concluded an oversight hearing to examine Indian energy and energy efficiency, after receiving testimony from Marcus Levings, Three Affiliated Tribes of the Fort Berthold Reversion, New Town, North Dakota, on behalf of the Council of Energy Resource Tribes; James Roan Grey, Indian Country Renewable Energy Consortium, Pawhuska, Oklahoma; Steve Herrera, Southern Ute Indian Tribe, Ignacio, Colorado; and Ralph Sampson, Yakama Nation, Toppenish, Washington.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 1340, to establish a minimum funding level for programs under the Victims of Crime Act of 1984 for fiscal years 2010 to 2014 that ensures a reasonable growth in victim programs without jeopardizing the long-term sustainability of the Crime Victims Fund; and

The nominations of Laurie O. Robinson, of the District of Columbia, to be an Assistant Attorney General, and Benjamin B. Wagner, to be United States Attorney for the Eastern District of California, both of the Department of Justice.

INTELLIGENCE

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee held closed hearings on intelligence matters, receiving testimony from officials of the intelligence community.

Committee recessed subject to the call.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 21 public bills, H.R. 3898–3918; and 11 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 202–204; and H. Res. 854–861 were introduced. **Pages H11711–12**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages H11713–14**

Reports Filed: There were no reports filed today.

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein she appointed Representative Ed Pastor to act as Speaker Pro Tempore for today. **Page H11583**

Suspension—Proceedings Resumed: The House agreed to suspend the rules and agree to the following measure which was debated on Tuesday, October 20th:

Expressing the sense of Congress with respect to raising awareness and enhancing the state of cyber security in the United States: H. Res. 797, to express the sense of Congress with respect to raising awareness and enhancing the state of cyber security in the United States, and to support the goals and ideals of the sixth annual National Cyber Security Awareness Month, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ recorded vote of 415 ayes with none voting “no”, Roll No. 800.

Pages H11595–96

Solar Technology Roadmap Act: The House passed H.R. 3585, to guide and provide for United States research, development, and demonstration of solar energy technologies, by a yea-and-nay vote of 310 yeas to 106 nays, Roll No. 807.

Pages H11587–95, H11596–H11616, H11617–21

Pursuant to the rule, the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Science and Technology now printed in the bill shall be considered as an original bill for the purpose of amendment under the 5-minute rule. **Page H11621**

Agreed to:

Gordon manager's amendment (No. 1 printed in H. Rept. 111–304) that makes sundry changes to the bill; **Pages H11605–06**

Hastings (FL) amendment (No. 3 printed in H. Rept. 111–304) that ensures a representative from a minority-serving institution is a member of the Solar Technology Roadmap Committee; **Pages H11608–09**

Cardoza amendment (No. 4 printed in H. Rept. 111–304) that expands the types of technology the Energy Secretary can consider from “solar thermal electric technology” to “solar thermal power technology.” It also requires the Secretary, in carrying out demonstration projects, to include at least 2 solar thermal technology projects, with thermal storage, that generate between 1 and 3 megawatts continuously for a 24-hour period from energy provided entirely by the sun; **Page H11609**

Marshall amendment (No. 6 printed in H. Rept. 111–304) that requires the Secretary, when carrying out solar technology demonstration projects, to evaluate the potential to establish large photovoltaic facilities that produce at least 100 gigawatts, including an evaluation of the electrical grid, current, voltage, and energy storage requirements associated with large photovoltaic facilities; **Pages H11612–13**

Murphy (NY) amendment (No. 11 printed in H. Rept. 111–304) that requires the Solar Technology Roadmap Committee to submit an annual report to the Secretary of Energy and the Congress on its activities over the prior 12-month period; **Page H11616**

Kaptur amendment (No. 5 printed in H. Rept. 111–304) that requires the Roadmap Committee to provide recommendations to strengthen the use of research and development strategies in making domestic industry more competitive and to assist the commercialization of solar technologies (by a recorded vote of 395 ayes to 24 noes, Roll No. 802); **Pages H11609–12**

Klein (FL) amendment (No. 7 printed in H. Rept. 111–304) that includes research on solar energy storage technology as eligible for funding under the Secretary of Energy's research and development program (by a recorded vote of 414 ayes to 5 noes, Roll No. 803); **Pages H11613–14, H11618–19**

Titus amendment (No. 8 printed in H. Rept. 111–304) that includes the development of solar technology products that are water efficient as a focus of the bill (by a recorded vote of 407 ayes to 9 noes, Roll No. 804);

Pages H11614, H11617–18, H11619

Heinrich amendment (No. 9 printed in H. Rept. 111–304) that requires the Solar Technology Roadmap Committee to release a draft Roadmap to the public at least one month prior to publication in order to receive public input (by a recorded vote of 420 ayes with none voting “no”, Roll No. 805); and

Pages H11614–15, H11619–20

Himes amendment (No. 10 printed in H. Rept. 111–304) that clarifies that solar thermal technologies and concentrating solar photovoltaic technologies will be included within the scope of the research and development program authorized by the bill (by a recorded vote 410 ayes to 6 noes, Roll No. 806). **Pages H11615–16, H11620–21**

Rejected:

Broun (GA) amendment (No. 2 printed in H. Rept. 111–304) that sought to change the number of years for which the Committee is authorized in the bill from five to three. It also would have reduced to \$250,000,000 the amount authorized in each of the three years, from 2011 to 2013 (by a recorded vote of 162 ayes to 256 noes, Roll No. 801).

Pages H11606–08, H11617

H. Res. 846, the rule providing for consideration of the bill, was agreed to by a yea-and-nay vote of 241 yeas to 178 nays, Roll No. 799, after ordering the previous question by a yea-and-nay vote of 239 yeas to 176 nays, Roll No. 798.

Pages H11593–95

Recess: The House recessed at 2:05 p.m. and reconvened at 3:00 p.m.

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Suspensions—Proceedings Resumed: The House agreed to suspend the rules and agree to the following measures which were debated on Wednesday, October 21st:

Condemning the Government of Iran for its state-sponsored persecution of its Baha'i minority and its continued violation of the International Covenants on Human Rights: H. Res. 175, to condemn the Government of Iran for its state-sponsored persecution of its Baha'i minority and its continued violation of the International Covenants on Human Rights, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yea-and-nay vote of 407 yeas to 2 nays, Roll No. 808 and

Pages H11622–23

Expressing support for Teen Read Week: H. Res. 836, to express support for Teen Read Week, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yea-and-nay vote of 405 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 811.

Page H11631

Coast Guard Authorization Act of 2010: The House began consideration of H.R. 3619, to authorize appropriations for the Coast Guard for fiscal year 2010. Consideration is expected to resume tomorrow, October 23rd.

Pages H11623–31, 11632–85

Pursuant to the rule, the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee

on Transportation and Infrastructure now printed in the bill shall be considered as adopted in the House and in the Committee of the Whole. The bill, as amended, shall be considered as the original bill for the purpose of further amendment under the 5-minute rule. **Page H11640**

Agreed to:

Oberstar manager's amendment (No. 1 printed in H. Rept. 111-311) that makes sundry changes to the bill; **Pages H11673-80**

Oberstar amendment (No. 3 printed in H. Rept. 111-311) that requests a study and report examining the Coast Guard's ability to respond to effects resulting from changes in U.S. immigration policy toward Haiti; **Pages H11681-82**

LoBiondo amendment (No. 4 printed in H. Rept. 111-311) that requires the secretary of the Department the Coast Guard is operating in to study military family housing and military unaccompanied housing available to members and officers of the Coast Guard, authorizes the Coast Guard to spend funds on child development services, authorizes the Navy Secretary to provide support services to chaplain-led programs for Coast Guard members, and authorizes the President to award a Coast Guard cross and silver star when a Coast Guard member distinguishes himself or herself in armed conflict; **Pages H11682-83**

LoBiondo amendment (No. 5 printed in H. Rept. 111-311) that requires the Secretary of Homeland Security, in consultation with the Transportation Secretary, to study whether there is a continued need for a supplemental air and maritime navigation system as a backup to GPS; and **Pages H11683-84**

Himes amendment (No. 6 printed in H. Rept. 111-311) that establishes within the Department of Homeland Security the America's Waterway Watch Program, a citizen watch program that promotes voluntary reporting of suspected terrorist activity and suspicious behavior along our waterways. It authorizes \$3 million over the course of six years for the program. The Secretary will coordinate with other watch programs. The Secretary may also develop instructional materials on potential threats and to promote voluntary reporting of potential violations of law, and may distribute such materials. **Pages H11684-85**

Rejected:

Mica amendment (No. 2 printed in H. Rept. 111-311) that sought to require a GAO report on (1) the background checks and forms of identification required under state and local transportation security programs; (2) a determination of whether those requirements conflict with Federal programs; (3) a determination of whether those requirements assist in carrying out state and local government

safety, security and law enforcement responsibilities; and (4) recommendations on ways to minimize redundant background checks and facilitate the sharing of data with state and local governments. It would have also prohibited the secretary of the Department the Coast Guard is in from preventing a state or local government from requiring a separate background check for entry into any area covered by a vessel or facility security plan. **Pages H11680-81**

H. Res. 853, the rule providing for consideration of the bill, was agreed to by a yea-and-nay vote of 213 yeas to 192 nays, Roll No. 810, after ordering the previous question by a yea-and-nay vote of 236 yeas to 171 nays, Roll No. 809. **Pages H11623-31**

Senate Message: Message received from the Senate today appears on pages H11631-32.

Senate Referrals: S. Res. 315 was held at the desk. **Pages H11631-32**

Quorum Calls—Votes: Seven yea-and-nay votes and seven recorded votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H11594, H11595, H11595-96, H11617, H11618, H11618-19, H11619, H11620, H11620-21, H11621, H11622-23, H11629-30, H11630-31, H11631.

There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 11:58 p.m.

Committee Meetings

PORK INDUSTRY

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on Livestock, Dairy and Poultry held a hearing to review the economic conditions facing the pork industry. Testimony was heard from Michael Scuse, Deputy Under Secretary, Farm Service Agency, USDA; and public witnesses.

U.S. AFGHANISTAN/IRAQ STRATEGY

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing on Afghanistan and Iraq: Perspectives on U.S. Strategy. Testimony was heard from Beth Ellen Cole, Senior Program Officer, Center for Post-Conflict Peace and Stability Operation, U.S. Institute for Peace; the following former officials of the Department of the Army: GEN Barry McCaffrey, (ret.); and LTG David Barro, (ret.); and public witnesses.

AFGHANISTAN COUNTERINSURGENCY AND COUNTERTERRORISM

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Terrorism Threats and Capabilities held a hearing on

counterterrorism within the Afghanistan counter-insurgency. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

VIDEO COMPETITION IN A DIGITAL AGE

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Communications, Technology, and the Internet held a hearing entitled “Video Competition in a Digital Age.” Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

CONSUMER FINANCIAL PROTECTION ACT OF 2009

Committee on Financial Assistance: Ordered reported, as amended, the following bills: H.R. 3126, Consumer Financial Protection Agency Act of 2009; and H.R. 3639, Expedited CARD Reform for Consumers Act of 2009.

NORTHERN IRELAND COLLUSION

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on International Organizations, Human Rights and Oversight held a hearing on Concerns Regarding Possible Collusion in Northern Ireland: Police and Paramilitary Groups. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

CARGO SECURITY AT LAND PORTS

Committee on Homeland Security: Subcommittee on Border, Maritime and Global Counterterrorism held a hearing entitled “Cargo Security at Land Ports of Entry: Are we Meeting the Challenge?” Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Homeland Security: Todd Owen, Executive Director, Cargo and Conveyance Security, Office of Field Operations, Customs and Border Protection; and Janice Ayala, Deputy Assistant Director, Office of Investigations, Immigration and Customs Enforcement; and public witnesses.

FINANCIAL REGULATION REFORM BANKRUPTCY/ANTITRUST LAW

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Commercial and Administrative Law held a hearing on too Big to Fail: The Role for Bankruptcy and anti-trust Law in Financial Regulation Reform. Testimony was heard from Michael H. Krimminger, Special Advisor for Policy, FDIC; Michael Barr, Assistant Secretary, Financial Institutions, Department of the Treasury; and public witnesses.

ENGINEERING IN K–12 EDUCATION

Committee on Science and Technology: Subcommittee on Research and Science Education held a hearing on Engineering in K–12 Education. Testimony was heard from Thomas Peterson, Assistant Director, Engineering, NSF; and public witnesses

NASA TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS

Committee on Science and Technology: Subcommittee on Space and Aeronautics held a hearing on Strengthening NASA’s Technology Development Programs. Testimony was heard from Christopher Scolese, Associate Administrator, NASA; and public witnesses.

NIST CYBERSECURITY ACTIVITIES

Committee on Science and Technology: Subcommittee on Technology and Innovation held a hearing on Cybersecurity Activity at NIST’s Information Technology Laboratory. Testimony was heard from Cita Furlani, Director, Information Technology Lab, National Institute of Standards and Technology, Department of Commerce; and public witnesses.

HOMELESS VETERANS MEASURES

Committee on Veterans Affairs: Subcommittee on Health approved for full Committee action the following: H.R. 2504, To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for an increase in the annual amount authorized to be appropriated to the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to carry out comprehensive service programs for homeless veterans; H.R. 2559, amended, Help Our Homeless Veterans Act; H.R. 2735, amended, To amend title 38, United States Code, to mark certain improvements to the comprehensive service programs for homeless veterans; H.R. 3885, Veterans Dog Training Therapy Act, and a draft measure, to amend title 38, United States Code, to authorize appropriations for the Department of Veterans Affairs program to provide financial assistance for supportive services for very low-income veteran families in permanent housing.

FIRST-TIME HOMEBUYER TAX CREDIT

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Oversight held a hearing on administration of the first-time homebuyer tax credit. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of the Treasury: J. Russell George, Inspector General, Tax Administration; and Linda E. Stiff, Deputy Commissioner, Services and Enforcement, IRS; and James R. White, Director, Tax Issues, GAO.

INTELLIGENCE ACTIVITY CONGRESSIONAL NOTIFICATION

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Subcommittee on Intelligence Community Management held a hearing on Statutory Requirements for Congressional Notifications. Testimony was heard from L. Britt Snider, former Inspector General, CIA; Fritz A. O. Schwarz, former Chief Counsel, Select Committee on Government Intelligence Activities, (94th Congress) known as the “Church Committee,” and a public witness.

GLOBAL WARMING IMPACTS—BUILDING U.S. RESILIENCE

Select Committee on Energy Independence and Global Warming: Hearing entitled “Building U.S. Resilience to Global Warming Impacts” Testimony was heard from Joseph Stephenson, Director, Natural Resources and Environment Issues, GAO; Eric Schwaab, Deputy Secretary, Department of Natural Resources, State of Maryland; and public witnesses.

Joint Meetings**ECONOMIC OUTLOOK**

Joint Economic Committee: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the current economic outlook, after receiving testimony from Christina D. Romer, Chair, Council of Economic Advisers.

NEW MEDIA IN AUTHORITARIAN REGIMES

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe: Commission met to receive a briefing on new media in

authoritarian regimes from Daniel Calingaert, Freedom House, Evgeny Morozov, Yahoo, and Chris Spence, National Democratic Institute for International Affairs, all of Washington, DC; and Nathaniel Freitas, New York University Interactive Telecom Program, and Shiyu Zhou, Global Internet Freedom Consortium, both of New York, New York.

**COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY,
OCTOBER 23, 2009**

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

House

No committee meetings are scheduled.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

2 p.m., Monday, October 26

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

9 a.m., Friday, October 23

Senate Chamber

Program for Monday: Senate will be in a period of morning business.

House Chamber

Program for Friday: Complete consideration of H.R. 3619—Coast Guard Authorization Act of 2010.

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