

Toxicology Program, Department of Health and Human Services.

### DISASTER CASE MANAGEMENT

*Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Ad Hoc Subcommittee on Disaster Recovery* concluded a hearing to examine disaster case management, focusing on developing a comprehensive national program focused on outcomes, how did the federal government support disaster case management programs after Hurricanes Katrina and Rita, and how federal agencies coordinate their efforts, what challenges did disaster case management agencies experience in delivering services under federally funded programs, and how will previous or existing federally funded programs be used to inform the development of a federal case management program for future disasters, after receiving testimony from Elizabeth A. Zimmerman, Assistant Administrator, Disaster Assistance, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security; David Hansell, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary of Health and Human Services for Administration for Children and Families; Frederick Tombar, Senior

Advisor, Office of the Secretary, Department of Housing and Urban Development; Kay E. Brown, Director, Education, Work, and Income Security, Government Accountability Office; Stephen Carr, Mississippi Case Management Consortium, Mobile, Alabama; Amanda Guma, Human Services Policy Director, Louisiana Recovery Authority, and Monteic A. Sizer, Louisiana Family Recovery Corps, both of Baton Rouge; Reverend Larry Snyder, Catholic Charities USA, Alexandria, Virginia; Diana Rothe-Smith, National Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster, Arlington, Virginia; and Irwin Redlener, Columbia University Mailman School of Public Health, New York, New York.

### AMERICANS' ACCESS TO COURTS

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the Supreme Court, focusing on Americans' access to courts, after receiving testimony from John Payton, NAACP Legal Defense and Education Fund, Inc., and Gregory G. Garre, Latham & Watkins LLP, both of Washington, D.C.; and Stephen B. Burbank, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia.

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## House of Representatives

### Chamber Action

**Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced:** 20 public bills, H.R. 4169–4188; and 1 resolution, H. Res. 942, were introduced. **Pages H13465–66**

**Additional Cosponsors:** **Pages H13466–67**

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

H.R. 515, to prohibit the importation of certain low-level radioactive waste into the United States, with an amendment (H. Rept. 111–348, Pt. 1);

H.R. 2994, to reauthorize the Satellite Home Viewer Extension and Reauthorization Act of 2004, with an amendment (H. Rept. 111–349); and

H. Res. 941, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 4154) to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to repeal the new carryover basis rules in order to prevent tax increases and the imposition of compliance burdens on many more estates than would benefit from repeal and to retain the estate tax with a \$3,500,000 exemption (H. Rept. 111–350). **Pages H13427, H13465**

**Suspensions:** The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

*Recognizing the exemplary service of the soldiers of the 30th Infantry Division (Old Hickory) of the United States Army during World War II:* H. Res. 494, amended, to recognize the exemplary service of the soldiers of the 30th Infantry Division (Old Hickory) of the United States Army during World War II, by a  $\frac{2}{3}$  yeas-and-nays vote of 415 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 914; **Pages H13392–94, H13408**

*Congratulating the Sailors of the United States Submarine Force upon the completion of 1,000 Ohio-class ballistic missile submarine (SSBN) deterrent patrols:* H. Con. Res. 129, to congratulate the Sailors of the United States Submarine Force upon the completion of 1,000 Ohio-class ballistic missile submarine (SSBN) deterrent patrols, by a  $\frac{2}{3}$  yeas-and-nays vote of 412 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 915; **Pages H13394–95, H13408–09**

*Supporting the goals and ideals of National Military Family Month:* H. Res. 861, amended, to support the goals and ideals of National Military Family Month, by a  $\frac{2}{3}$  yeas-and-nays vote of 417 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 916;

**Pages H13395–97, H13409–10**

Agreed to amend the title so as to read: “Supporting the goals and ideals of Military Family Month.”  
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*Recognizing the importance of teaching elementary and secondary school students about the sacrifices that veterans have made throughout the history of the Nation:* H. Res. 897, to recognize the importance of teaching elementary and secondary school students about the sacrifices that veterans have made throughout the history of the Nation, by a  $\frac{2}{3}$  yea-and-nay vote of 419 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 917;  
Pages H13397–98, H13410

*Airline Flight Crew Technical Corrections Act:* S. 1422, to amend the Family and Medical Leave Act of 1993 to clarify the eligibility requirements with respect to airline flight crews;  
Pages H13398–99

*CJ’s Home Protection Act of 2009:* H.R. 320, to amend the National Manufactured Housing Construction and Safety Standards Act of 1974 to require that weather radios be installed in all manufactured homes manufactured or sold in the United States;  
Pages H13399–H13401

*Encouraging banks and mortgage servicers to work with families affected by contaminated drywall to allow temporary forbearance without penalty on payments on their home mortgages:* H. Con. Res. 197, amended, to encourage banks and mortgage servicers to work with families affected by contaminated drywall to allow temporary forbearance without penalty on payments on their home mortgages, by a  $\frac{2}{3}$  yea-and-nay vote of 419 yeas to 1 nay, Roll No. 920;  
Pages H13401–04, H13425–26

Agreed to amend the title so as to read: “Encouraging banks and mortgage servicers to work with families affected by contaminated drywall and to consider adjustments to payment schedules on their home mortgages that take into account the financial burdens of responding to the presence of such drywall.”  
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*Enhanced S.E.C. Enforcement Authority Act:* H.R. 2873, amended, to provide enhanced enforcement authority to the Securities and Exchange Commission;  
Pages H13404–05

*Amending the Emergency Economic Stabilization Act of 2008 to provide for additional monitoring and accountability of the Troubled Assets Relief Program:* H.R. 1242, amended, to amend the Emergency Economic Stabilization Act of 2008 to provide for additional monitoring and accountability of the Troubled Assets Relief Program, by a  $\frac{2}{3}$  yea-and-nay vote of 421 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 921;  
Pages H13405–08, H13426–27

Agreed to amend the title so as to read: “To amend the Emergency Economic Stabilization Act of

2008 to provide for additional monitoring and accountability of the Troubled Asset Relief Program.”  
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*Redundancy Elimination and Enhanced Performance for Preparedness Grants Act:* H.R. 3980, amended, to provide for identifying and eliminating redundant reporting requirements and developing meaningful performance metrics for homeland security preparedness grants, by a  $\frac{2}{3}$  yea-and-nay vote of 414 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 922;  
Pages H13411–13, H13427

*Criminal Investigative Training Restoration Act:* H.R. 3963, to provide specialized training to Federal air marshals;  
Pages H13415–17

*Extending condolences to the families of Sergeant Mark Renninger, Officer Tina Griswold, Officer Ronald Owens, and Officer Greg Richards:* H. Res. 939, to extend condolences to the families of Sergeant Mark Renninger, Officer Tina Griswold, Officer Ronald Owens, and Officer Greg Richards; and  
Pages H13417–19

*Radioactive Import Deterrence Act:* H.R. 515, amended, to prohibit the importation of certain low-level radioactive waste into the United States, by a  $\frac{2}{3}$  yea-and-nay vote of 309 yeas to 112 nays, Roll No. 919.  
Pages H13419–24, H13425

**Moment of Silence:** The House observed a moment of silence in honor of the men and women in uniform who have given their lives in the service of our nation in Iraq and Afghanistan, their families, and all who serve in the armed forces and their families.  
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**Suspension—Proceedings Resumed:** The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measure which was debated on Tuesday, December 1st:

*George Kell Post Office Designation Act:* H.R. 3634, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 109 Main Street in Swifton, Arkansas, as the “George Kell Post Office”, by a  $\frac{2}{3}$  recorded vote of 415 yeas with none voting “no”, Roll No. 918.  
Pages H13410–11

**Suspensions—Proceedings Postponed:** The House debated the following measures under suspension of the rules. Further proceedings were postponed:

*Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that the Transportation Security Administration should enhance security against terrorist attack and other security threats to our Nation’s rail and mass transit lines:* H. Res. 28, amended, to express the sense of the House of Representatives that the Transportation Security Administration should,

in accordance with the congressional mandate provided for in the Implementing Recommendations of the 9/11 Commission Act of 2007, enhance security against terrorist attack and other security threats to our Nation's rail and mass transit lines and

**Pages H13413–15**

**Satellite Home Viewer Update and Reauthorization Act of 2009:** H.R. 3570, amended, to amend title 17, United States Code, to reauthorize the satellite statutory license and to conform the satellite and cable statutory licenses to all-digital transmissions.

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**Discharge Petition:** Representative Nunes presented to the clerk a motion to discharge the Committee on Natural Resources from the consideration of H.R. 3105, to provide that operations of the Central Valley Project shall not be restricted pursuant to any biological opinion issued under the Endangered Species Act of 1973, if such restrictions would result in levels of export less than the historical maximum level of export (Discharge Petition No. 8).

**Recess:** The House recessed at 2:45 p.m. and reconvened at 4:15 p.m.

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**Quorum Calls—Votes:** Eight yea-and-nay votes and one recorded vote developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H13408, H13408–09, H13409–10, H13410, H13411, H13425, H13425–26, H13426–27, and H13427. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 9 p.m.

## Committee Meetings

### CLIMATE CHANGE—FARM SECTOR ECONOMIC IMPACTS

*Committee on Agriculture:* Subcommittee on Conservation, Credit, Energy, and Research held a hearing to review the potential economic impacts of climate change on the farm sector. Testimony was heard from Joseph Glauber, Chief Economist, USDA; and public witnesses.

### GUAM WAR CLAIMS PROCESS

*Committee on Armed Services:* Held a hearing on assessing the Guam war claims process. Testimony was heard from Anthony M. Babauta, Assistant Secretary, Insular Affairs, Department of the Interior; the following Senators of the Guam Legislature: Vicente Pangelinan; and Frank Blas, Jr; Mauricio Tamargo, former Chairman, Guam War Claims Review Commission; and a public witness.

### WALTER REED ARMY MEDICAL CENTER

*Committee on Armed Services:* Subcommittee on Readiness and the Subcommittee on Military Personnel held a joint hearing on The New Walter Reed: Are We on the Right Track? Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Defense: Al Middleton, Acting Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary, Health Affairs; Dorothy Robyn, Deputy Under Secretary, Installations and Environment; VADM John M. Mateczun, USN, Commander, Joint Task Force National Capital Region Medical; and Ken Kizer, Chairman, Health Board National Capital Region Base Realignment and Closure Health Systems Advisory Subcommittee.

### DELPHI BANKRUPTCY—WORKERS/ RETIREES IMPACTS

*Committee on Education and Labor:* Subcommittee on Health, Employment, Labor and Pensions held a hearing on Examining the Delphi Bankruptcy's Impact on Workers and Retirees. Testimony was heard from Senator Brown; Representatives Lee of New York, Ryan of Ohio and Turner; and public witnesses.

### OVER-THE-COUNTER DERIVATIVES MARKETS ACT—ENERGY MARKETS

*Committee on Energy and Commerce:* Subcommittee on Energy and Environment held a hearing on Impacts of H.R. 3795, Over-the-Counter Derivatives Markets Act of 2009, on Energy Markets. Testimony was heard from Jon Wellinghoff, Chairman, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Department of Energy; Gary Gensler, Chairman CFTC; former Representative Glenn English of Oklahoma; and public witnesses.

### BREAST CANCER SCREENING RECOMMENDATIONS

*Committee on Energy and Commerce:* Subcommittee on Health held a hearing entitled "Breast Cancer Screening Recommendations." Testimony was heard from David Lakey, Commissioner, Department of State Health Services, State of Texas; and public witnesses.

### FINANCIAL PROTECTION MEASURES

*Committee on Financial Services:* Ordered reported, as amended, the following bills: H.R. 3996, Financial Stability Improvement Act of 2009; and H.R. 2609, Federal Insurance Office Act of 2009.

### FY09 FHA ACTUARIAL REPORT

*Committee on Financial Services:* Held a hearing entitled "FY09 FHA Actuarial Report." Testimony was heard from Shaun Donovan, Secretary of Housing and Urban Development; and public witnesses.