

## STATE OF CLIMATE SCIENCE— ADMINISTRATION'S VIEW

*Select Committee on Energy Independence and Global Warming:* Held a hearing entitled “The Administration’s View on the State of Climate Science.” Testimony was heard from John Holdren, Director, Office of Science and Technology Policy; and Jane Lubchenco, Administrator, NOAA, Department of Commerce.

## Joint Meetings

### FINANCIAL REFORM

*Joint Economic Committee:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine unregulated markets, focusing on regulatory reform in the financial sector, after receiving testimony from Brooksley Born, former Chairperson, Commodity Futures Trading Commission; and Robert E. Litan and Robert K. Steel, both of the Pew Task Force on Financial Reform, and James H. Carr, National Community Reinvestment Coalition, all of Washington, D.C.

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### NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D1329)

H.R. 955, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 10355 Northeast Valley Road in Rollingbay, Washington, as the “John ‘Bud’ Hawk Post Office”. Signed on November 30, 2009. (Public Law 111–99)

H.R. 1516, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 37926 Church Street in Dade City, Florida, as the “Sergeant Marcus Mathes Post Office”. Signed on November 30, 2009. (Public Law 111–100)

H.R. 1713, to name the South Central Agricultural Research Laboratory of the Department of Agriculture in Lane, Oklahoma, and the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 310 North Perry Street in Bennington, Oklahoma, in honor of former Congressman Wesley “Wes” Watkins. Signed on November 30, 2009. (Public Law 111–101)

H.R. 2004, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 4282 Beach Street in Akron, Michigan, as the “Akron Veterans Memorial Post Office”. Signed on November 30, 2009. (Public Law 111–102)

H.R. 2215, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 140 Merriman Road in Garden City, Michigan, as the “John J. Shivnen Post Office Building”. Signed on November 30, 2009. (Public Law 111–103)

H.R. 2760, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1615 North Wilcox

Avenue in Los Angeles, California, as the “Johnny Grant Hollywood Post Office Building”. Signed on November 30, 2009. (Public Law 111–104)

H.R. 2972, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 115 West Edward Street in Erath, Louisiana, as the “Conrad DeRouen, Jr. Post Office”. Signed on November 30, 2009. (Public Law 111–105)

H.R. 3119, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 867 Stockton Street in San Francisco, California, as the “Lim Poon Lee Post Office”. Signed on November 30, 2009. (Public Law 111–106)

H.R. 3386, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1165 2nd Avenue in Des Moines, Iowa, as the “Iraq and Afghanistan Veterans Memorial Post Office”. Signed on November 30, 2009. (Public Law 111–107)

H.R. 3547, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 936 South 250 East in Provo, Utah, as the “Rex E. Lee Post Office Building”. Signed on November 30, 2009. (Public Law 111–108)

S. 748, to redesignate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 2777 Logan Avenue in San Diego, California, as the “Cesar E. Chavez Post Office”. Signed on November 30, 2009. (Public Law 111–109)

S. 1211, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 60 School Street, Orchard Park, New York, as the “Jack F. Kemp Post Office Building”. Signed on November 30, 2009. (Public Law 111–110)

S. 1314, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 630 Northeast Killingsworth Avenue in Portland, Oregon, as the “Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Post Office”. Signed on November 30, 2009. (Public Law 111–111)

S. 1825, to extend the authority for relocation expenses test programs for Federal employees. Signed on November 30, 2009. (Public Law 111–112)

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## COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, DECEMBER 3, 2009

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

### Senate

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Ben S. Bernanke, of New Jersey, to be Chairman of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, 10 a.m., SD–106.

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* to hold hearings to examine H.R. 3276, to promote the production

of molybdenum-99 in the United States for medical isotope production, and to condition and phase out the export of highly enriched uranium for the production of medical isotopes, 10 a.m., SD-366.

Subcommittee on National Parks, to hold hearings to examine S. 760, to designate the Liberty Memorial at the National World War I Museum in Kansas City, Missouri, as the "National World War I Memorial", S. 1838, to establish a commission to commemorate the sesquicentennial of the American Civil War, S. 2097, to authorize the rededication of the District of Columbia War Memorial as a National and District of Columbia World War I Memorial to honor the sacrifices made by American veterans of World War I, S. 2722, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a special resource study to determine the suitability and feasibility of adding the Heart Mountain Relocation Center, in the State of Wyoming, as a unit of the National Park System, S. 2726, to modify the boundary of the Minuteman Missile National Historic Site in the State of South Dakota, S. 2738, to authorize National Mall Liberty Fund D.C. to establish a memorial on Federal land in the District of Columbia to honor free persons and slaves who fought for independence, liberty, and justice for all during the American Revolution, H.R. 1849, to designate the Liberty Memorial at the National World War I Museum in Kansas City, Missouri, as the National World War I Memorial, to establish the World War I centennial commission to ensure a suitable observance of the centennial of World War I, and H.R. 3689, to provide for an extension of the legislative authority of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Fund, Inc. to establish a Vietnam Veterans Memorial visitor center, 2:30 p.m., SD-366.

*Committee on Environment and Public Works:* Subcommittee on Water and Wildlife, to hold hearings to examine S. 373, to amend title 18, United States Code, to include constrictor snakes of the species Python genera as an injurious animal, S. 1519, to provide for the eradication and control of nutria in Maryland, Louisiana, and other coastal States, S. 1421, to amend section 42 of title 18, United States Code, to prohibit the importation and shipment of certain species of carp, S. 1965, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to provide financial assistance to the State of Louisiana for a pilot program to develop measures to eradicate or control feral swine and to assess and restore wetlands damaged by feral swine, H.R. 2188, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior, through the United States Fish and Wildlife Service, to conduct a Joint Venture Program to protect, restore, enhance, and manage migratory bird populations, their habitats, and the ecosystems they rely on, through voluntary actions on public and private lands, S. 1214, to conserve fish and aquatic communities in the United States through partnerships that foster fish habitat conservation, to improve the quality of life for the people of the United States, H.R. 3537, to amend and reauthorize the Junior Duck Stamp Conservation and Design Program Act of 1994, 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, and H.R. 509, to reauthorize the Marine Turtle Conservation Act of 2004, 2 p.m., SD-406.

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* to hold hearings to examine Afghanistan, focusing on assessing the road ahead, 9 a.m., SH-216.

*Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:* to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Caryn A. Wagner, of Virginia, to be Under Secretary of Homeland Security for Intelligence and Analysis, 10 a.m., SD-342.

*Committee on Indian Affairs:* business meeting to consider pending calendar business; to be immediately followed by an oversight hearing to examine expanding dental health care in Indian Country; to be immediately followed by an oversight hearing to examine Contract Health Services, 2:15 p.m., SD-628.

*Committee on the Judiciary:* business meeting to consider S. 448, 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. 714, to establish the National Criminal Justice Commission, S. 1624, to amend title 11 of the United States Code, to provide protection for medical debt homeowners, to restore bankruptcy protections for individuals experiencing economic distress as caregivers to ill, injured, or disabled family members, and to exempt from means testing debtors whose financial problems were caused by serious medical problems, S. 1765, to amend the Hate Crime Statistics Act to include crimes against the homeless, S. 1353, to amend title 1 of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1986 to include nonprofit and volunteer ground and air ambulance crew members and first responders for certain benefits, S. 678, to reauthorize and improve the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act of 1974, and the nominations of Thomas I. Vanaskie, of Pennsylvania, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Third Circuit, Louis B. Butler, Jr., to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Wisconsin, Denny Chin, of New York, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Second Circuit, Rosanna Malouf Peterson, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Washington, and William M. Conley, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Wisconsin, and Susan B. Carbon, of New Hampshire, to be Director of the Violence Against Women Office, John H. Laub, of the District of Columbia, to be Director of the National Institute of Justice, Sharon Jeanette Lubinski, to be United States Marshal for the District of Minnesota, Mary Elizabeth Phillips, to be United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, Sanford C. Coats, to be United States Attorney for the Western District of Oklahoma, and Stephen James Smith, to be United States Marshal for the Southern District of Georgia, all of the Department of Justice, 10 a.m., SD-226.

*Select Committee on Intelligence:* to hold closed hearings to consider certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., S-407, Capitol.

## House

*Committee on Agriculture,* Subcommittee on Conservation, Credit, Energy, and Research, hearing to review the

costs and benefits of agriculture offsets, 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

*Committee on Armed Services*, hearing on Afghanistan: The Results of the Strategic Review, Part I, 1 p.m., 210 HVC.

*Committee on Energy and Commerce*, Subcommittee on Commerce, Trade, and Consumer Protection, hearing on H.R. 3993, Calling Card Consumer Protection Act, 10 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

*Committee on Financial Services*, hearing on the following bills: H.R. 2266, Reasonable Prudence in Regulation Act; and H.R. 2267, Internet Gambling Regulation, Consumer Protection, and Enforcement Act, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

*Committee on Foreign Affairs*, Subcommittee on Africa and Global Health, hearing on Sudan: A review of the Administrations's New Policy and A Situation Update, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

*Committee on Homeland Security*, hearing entitled "The United States Secret Service and Presidential Protection:

An Examination of a System Failure," 10 a.m., 311 Cannon.

*Committee on the Judiciary*, Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights, and Civil Liberties, hearing on the Civil Rights Division of the Department of Justice, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

*Committee on Oversight and Government Reform*, hearing entitled "Post-Katrina Recovery: Restoring Health Care in the New Orleans Region," 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

*Committee on Science and Technology*, Subcommittee on Energy and Environment, hearing on Marine and Hydrokinetic Energy Technology: Finding the Path to Commercialization, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Investigations and Oversight and the Subcommittee on Space and Aeronautics, joint hearing on Independent Audit of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, 2 p.m., 2318 Rayburn.

*Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence*, Subcommittee on Technical and Tactical Intelligence, executive, briefing on NRO Facility Update, 10 a.m., 304 HVC.