

Committee Meetings

COMMERCE, JUSTICE, SCIENCE AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science and Related Agencies held a hearing on Fiscal Year 2011 Budget for the National Institute of Standards and Technology. Testimony was heard from Patrick Gallagher, Director, National Institute of Standards and Technology, Department of Commerce.

TRANSPORTATION, HUD, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies held a hearing on The Need To Invest in Housing and Economic Development: Fiscal Year 2011 Budget Request for HUD. Testimony was heard from Shaun Donovan, Secretary of Housing and Urban Development.

FY 2011 NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION BUDGET REQUEST—AIR FORCE DEPARTMENT

Committee on Armed Services: Held a hearing on Fiscal Year 2011 National Defense Authorization Budget Request from the Department of the Air Force. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of the Air Force: Michael B. Donley, Secretary; and GEN Norton A. Schwartz, USAF, Chief of Staff.

CONTESTED MINE SAFETY CASES BACKLOG

Committee on Education and Labor: Held a hearing on Reducing the Growing Backlog of Contested Mine Safety Cases. Testimony was heard from Joseph Main, Assistant Secretary, Mine Safety and Health Administration, Department of Labor; Mary Lucille Jordan, Chairman, Federal Mine Safety and Health Review Commission; and public witnesses.

TOYOTA RECALL/NHTSA RESPONSE

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing on Response by Toyota and NHTSA to Incidents of Sudden Unintended Acceleration. Testimony was heard from Raymond H. LaHood, Secretary of Transportation; James E. Lentz, President and Chief Operating Officer, Toyota Motor Sales, U.S.A., Inc; and public witnesses.

EMPLOYMENT GROWTH STIMULUS

Committee on Financial Services: Held a hearing entitled "Prospects for Employment Growth: Is Addi-

tional Stimulus Needed?" Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

SEXUAL ASSAULTS ON JUVENILES IN CUSTODY

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism and Homeland Security held a hearing on Keeping Youth Safe While in Custody: Sexual Assault in Adult and Juvenile Facilities. Testimony was heard from Bernard Warner, Chief Deputy Secretary, Juvenile Justice, Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation, Division of Juvenile Justice, State of California and public witnesses.

FEDERAL EMPLOYEES HEALTH BENEFITS

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform: Subcommittee on Federal Workforce, Postal Service and the District of Columbia held a hearing on H.R. 4489, Federal Employees Health Benefits Program (FEHBP) Prescription Drug Integrity, Transparency, and Cost Savings Act. Testimony was heard from Representative Weiner; the following officials of OPM: John O'Brien, Senior Advisor to the Director; and Patrick McFarland, Inspector General; and public witnesses.

HEALTH INSURANCE INDUSTRY FAIR COMPETITION ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by a non-record vote, a closed rule providing for consideration of H.R. 4626, the "Health Insurance Industry Fair Competition Act." The rule provides two hours of debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on the Judiciary. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill except those arising under clause 9 or 10 of rule XXI. The rule provides that the bill shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against the bill. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Representatives Johnson of Georgia, Perriello, and Lungren.

UNIVERSITIES RESEARCH INFRASTRUCTURE

Committee on Science and Technology: Subcommittee on Research and Science Education held a hearing on the State of Research Infrastructure at U.S. Universities. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

RECOVERY ACT TRANSPORTATION INFRASTRUCTURE INVESTMENTS

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Held a hearing on Recovery Act: One-Year Progress Report for Transportation and Infrastructure Investments. Testimony was heard from John D. Porcari, Deputy Secretary, Department of Transportation; Craig E.

Hooks, Assistant Administrator, Administration and Resources Management, EPA; Robert A. Peck, Commissioner, Public Buildings, GSA; Jo-Ellen Darcy, Assistant Secretary of the Army (Civil Works), U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Department of Defense; John Fernandez, Assistant Secretary, Economic Development, Department of Commerce; Martin J. Rajk, Deputy Assistant Commander, Resources and Deputy Chief of Financial Officer, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security; and Thomas C. Carper, Chairman of the Board, AMTRAK.

VETERANS HEALTH ADMINISTRATION BUDGET

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Subcommittee on Health held a hearing on the Veterans Health Administration's Fiscal Year 2011 Budget. Testimony was heard from Robert A. Petzel, Under Secretary for Health, Veterans Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs; and representatives of veterans organizations.

VA INSPECTOR GENERAL/IT BUDGETS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing on the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs Office of Inspector General and Office of Information and Technology Budget Requests for Fiscal Year 2011. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Veterans Affairs: Richard J. Griffin, Deputy Inspector General, Office of Inspector General; and Roger W. Baker, Assistant Secretary, Information and Technology.

Joint Meetings

ECONOMIC RECOVERY

Joint Economic Committee: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the road to economic recovery, focusing on policies to foster job creation and continued growth, after receiving testimony from Douglas W. Elmendorf, Director, Congressional Budget Office.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2010

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs, to hold hearings to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2011 for the Department of State and Foreign Operations, 10:30 a.m., SD-192.

Subcommittee on Homeland Security, to hold hearings to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2011 for the Department of Homeland Security, 2 p.m., SD-192.

Committee on Armed Services: to hold hearings to examine contracting in a counterinsurgency, focusing on an examination of Blackwater-Paravant contract and the need for oversight, 9:30 a.m., SH-216.

Full Committee, business meeting to consider any pending nominations, 2:30 p.m., SR-222.

Committee on the Budget: to hold hearings to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2011 for the Department of Transportation, 9 a.m., SD-608.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Science and Space, to hold hearings to examine the challenges and opportunities in the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) fiscal year 2011 budget proposal, 2:30 p.m., SR-253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: to hold hearings to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2011 for the Forest Service, 10 a.m., SD-366.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Subcommittee on Water and Wildlife, to hold hearings to examine legislative approaches to protecting, preserving and restoring great water bodies, 9:30 a.m., SD-406.

Committee on Foreign Relations: business meeting to consider S. Res. 414, expressing the Sense of the Senate on the recovery, rehabilitation, and rebuilding of Haiti following the humanitarian crisis caused by the January 12, 2010, earthquake in Haiti, S. 2961, to provide debt relief to Haiti, S. Res. 400, urging the implementation of a comprehensive strategy to address instability in Yemen, as amended, S. Res. 404, supporting full implementation of the Comprehensive Peace Agreement and other efforts to promote peace and stability in Sudan, and the nominations of Leocadia Irine Zak, of the District of Columbia, to be Director of the Trade and Development Agency, Walter Crawford Jones, of Maryland, to be United States Director of the African Development Bank, and Douglas A. Rediker, of Massachusetts, to be United States Alternate Executive Director of the International Monetary Fund, and Ian Hoddy Solomon, of Maryland, to be United States Executive Director of the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development, Donald E. Booth, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia, Bisa Williams, of New Jersey, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Niger, Beatrice Wilkinson Welters, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago, Scott H. DeLisi, of Minnesota, to be Ambassador to the Federal Democratic Republic of Nepal, Harry K. Thomas, Jr., of New York, to be Ambassador to the Republic of the Philippines, David Adelman, of Georgia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Singapore, Rosemary Anne DiCarlo, of the District of Columbia, to be Representative of the United States of America to the Sessions of the General Assembly of the United Nations, during her tenure of service as Deputy Representative of the United States of America to the United Nations, and to be the Deputy Representative of the United States of America to the United Nations, with the rank and status of Ambassador and the Deputy Representative of the United States of America in the Security Council of the United Nations, Brooke D. Anderson, of California, to be an Alternate

Representative of the United States of America to the Sessions of the General Assembly of the United Nations during her tenure of service as Alternate Representative of the United States of America for Special Political Affairs in the United Nations, and to be Alternate Representative of the United States of America for Special Political Affairs in the United Nations, with the rank of Ambassador, Allan J. Katz, of Florida, to be Ambassador to the Portuguese Republic, Ian C. Kelly, of Maryland, to be U. S. Representative to the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe, with the rank of Ambassador, and Judith Ann Stewart Stock, of Virginia, to be Assistant Secretary of State for Educational and Cultural Affairs, all of the Department of State, and a promotion list in the Foreign Service; to be immediately followed by a hearing to examine foreign policy priorities in the fiscal year 2011 International Affairs budget, 2:30 p.m., SD-419.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: to hold hearings to examine a stronger workforce investment system for a stronger economy, 10 a.m., SD-430.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: to hold hearings to examine the proposed budget request for fiscal year 2011 for the Department of Homeland Security, 10:30 a.m., SD-342.

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Human Rights and the Law, to hold hearings to examine child prostitution and sex trafficking in the United States, 9 a.m., SD-226.

Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Brian Anthony Jackson, to be United States District Judge for the Middle District of Louisiana, Elizabeth Erny Foote, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Louisiana, Marc T. Treadwell, to be United States District Judge for the Middle District of Georgia, and Josephine Staton Tucker, to be United States District Judge for the Central District of California, 2 p.m., SD-226.

House

Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies, on Fiscal Year 2011 Budget for the Department of Agriculture, 10 a.m., 2359 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science and Related Agencies, on Fiscal Year 2011 Budget for the Legal Services Corporation, 10 a.m., and on Fiscal Year 2011 Budget for Science and Technology, 2:30 p.m., H-310 Capitol.

Subcommittee on Defense, on Combat Aircraft Requirements, 10:30 a.m., H-140 Capitol.

Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development, and Related Agencies, on U.S. Corps of Engineers, Fiscal Year 2011 Budget, 2 p.m., 2362-B Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Financial Services, and General Government, on Fiscal Year 2011 Budget for the IRS, 10 a.m., 2358-A Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Interior and Environment, and Related Agencies, on Protecting Public Health and the En-

vironment: EPA FY 2011 Budget Request, 2 p.m., B-308 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Legislative Branch, on Members of Congress and Public Witnesses, 10:15 a.m., H-144 Capitol.

Subcommittee on Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies, on American Battle Monuments Commission, 10 a.m., on U.S. Court of Appeals for Veterans Claims, 10:30 a.m., on Arlington National Cemetery, 11 a.m., and on Armed Forces Retirement Home, 11:30 a.m., H-143 Capitol.

Committee on Armed Services, hearing on Fiscal Year 2011 National Defense Authorization Budget Request from the Department of the Navy, 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Readiness, hearing on energy management and initiatives on military installations, 2 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Committee on the Budget, hearing on the Treasury Department Fiscal Year 2011 Budget, 10 a.m., 210 Cannon.

Committee on Education and Labor, hearing on H.R. 4330, ALL-STAR Act of 2009, 10 A.M., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, Subcommittee on Commerce, Trade, and Consumer Protection and the Subcommittee on Communications, Technology, and the Internet, joint hearing on The Collection and Use of Location Information for Commercial Purposes, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled "Premium Increases by Anthem Blue Cross in the Individual Health Insurance Market," 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, hearing on the Chairman of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System on monetary policy and the state of the economy, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Foreign Affairs, Subcommittee on International Organizations, Human Rights and Oversight, Oversight hearing on Hard Lessons Learned in Iraq and Benchmarks for Future Reconstruction Efforts, 9:30 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security, oversight hearing on Recent Inspector General Reports Concerning the FBI, 3 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Natural Resources, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 1078, Harriet Tubman National Historical Park and Harriet Tubman Underground Railroad National Historical Park Act; H.R. 4003 Hudson River Valley Special Resource Study Act; H.R. 4192, Stornetta Public Lands Outstanding Natural Area Act of 2009; H.R. 1738, Downey Regional Water Reclamation and Groundwater Augmentation Project of 2009; H.R. 4252, Inland Empire Perchlorate Ground Water Plume Assessment Act of 2009; H.R. 765, Nellis Dunes National Off-Highway Vehicle Recreation Area Act of 2009; H.R. 1769, Alpine Lakes Wilderness Additions and Pratt and Middle Fork Snoqualmie Rivers Protection Act; H.R. 2788, Distinguished Flying Cross National Memorial Act; and H.R. 4395, To revise the boundaries of the Gettysburg National Military Park to include the Gettysburg Train Station, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources, hearing on H.R. 3709, Geothermal Production Expansion Act, 2 p.m., 1334 Longworth.

Subcommittee on Insular Affairs, Oceans and Wildlife, oversight hearing on the President's Fiscal Year 2011 budget requests for the NOAA, the U.S. Office of Insular Affairs, and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 2 p.m., 1324 Longworth.

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, hearing entitled "Toyota Gas Pedals: Is the Public At Risk?" 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Information Policy, Census, and National Archives, hearing entitled "The 2010 Census Communications Contract: The Media Plan in Hard to Count Areas," 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on National Security and Foreign Affairs, to continue hearings entitled "Sexual Assault in the Military: Are We Making Progress?" 3 p.m., 2247 Rayburn.

Committee on Rules, to consider H.R. 2701, Intelligence Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2010, 3 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

Committee on Science and Technology, hearing on the Administration's Fiscal Year 2011 Research and Development Budget Proposal, 9:30 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Technology and Innovation, hearing on How Can NIST Better Serve the Needs of the Biomedical Research Community in the 21st Century? 2 p.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, Subcommittee on aviation, hearing on Aircraft Icing, 2 p.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs, hearing Exploring the Relationship between Medication and Veteran Suicide, 10 a.m., 334 Cannon.

Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs, hearing Examination of the VA Benefits Delivery at Discharge and Quick Start Programs, 2 p.m., 334 Cannon.

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, executive, briefing on the Google Hacking Incident, 9 a.m., 304-HVC.