

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S3849–S3949

Measures Introduced: Two bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 3382–3383, and S. Con. Res. 63. **Page S3908**

Measures Reported:

H.R. 3250, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1210 West Main Street in Riverhead, New York, as the “Private First Class Garfield M. Langhorn Post Office Building”.

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”.

H.R. 3892, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 101 West Highway 64 Bypass in Roper, North Carolina, as the “E.V. Wilkins Post Office”.

H.R. 3951, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 2000 Louisiana Avenue in New Orleans, Louisiana, as the “Roy Rondeno, Sr. Post Office Building”.

H.R. 4017, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 43 Maple Avenue in Shrewsbury, Massachusetts, as the “Ann Marie Blute Post Office”.

H.R. 4095, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 9727 Antioch Road in Overland Park, Kansas, as the “Congresswoman Jan Meyers Post Office Building”.

H.R. 4139, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 7464 Highway 503 in Hickory, Mississippi, as the “Sergeant Matthew L. Ingram Post Office”.

H.R. 4214, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 45300 Portola Avenue in Palm Desert, California, as the “Roy Wilson Post Office”.

H.R. 4238, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 930 39th Avenue in Greeley, Colorado, as the “W.D. Farr Post Office Building”.

H.R. 4425, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 2-116th Street in

North Troy, New York, as the “Martin G. ‘Marty’ Mahar Post Office”.

H.R. 4547, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 119 Station Road in Cheyney, Pennsylvania, as the “Captain Luther H. Smith, U.S. Army Air Forces Post Office”.

H.R. 4624, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 125 Kerr Avenue in Rome City, Indiana, as the “SPC Nicholas Scott Hartge Post Office”.

H.R. 4628, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 216 Westwood Avenue in Westwood, New Jersey, as the “Sergeant Christopher R. Hrbek Post Office Building”.

H.R. 4840, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1979 Cleveland Avenue in Columbus, Ohio, as the “Clarence D. Lumpkin Post Office”, with an amendment.

S. 2874, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 2000 Louisiana Avenue in New Orleans, Louisiana, as the “Roy Rondeno, Sr. Post Office Building”.

S. 2945, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1210 West Main Street in Riverhead, New York, as the “Private First Class Garfield M. Langhorn Post Office Building”.

S. 3012, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 2-116th Street in North Troy, New York, as the “Martin G. ‘Marty’ Mahar Post Office”.

S. 3013, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 216 Westwood Avenue in Westwood, New Jersey, as the “Sergeant Christopher R. Hrbek Post Office Building”.

S. 3200, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 23 Genesee Street in Hornell, New York, as the “Zachary Smith Post Office Building”. **Pages S3907–08**

Measures Passed:

Veterans Affairs Health Care Minimum Essential Coverage: Senate passed H.R. 5014, to clarify the health care provided by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs that constitutes minimum essential coverage, clearing the measure for the President. **Pages S3946–47**

Federal Hiring Process Improvement Act: Senate passed S. 736, to provide for improvements in the Federal hiring process, after agreeing to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute.

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Measures Considered:

Restoring American Financial Stability Act—Agreement: Senate continued consideration of S. 3217, to promote the financial stability of the United States by improving accountability and transparency in the financial system, to end “too big to fail”, to protect the American taxpayer by ending bailouts, to protect consumers from abusive financial services practices, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto:

Pages S3856–64, S3864–3902

Adopted:

Brownback Amendment No. 3997 (to Amendment No. 3739), to require annual disclosure by certain persons to the Securities and Exchange Commission if columbitetantalite, cassiterite, gold, or wolframite from the Democratic Republic of Congo are necessary to the functionality or production of a product manufactured by the person. Pages S3865–66

By 80 yeas to 18 nays (Vote No. 155), Carper Amendment No. 4071 (to Amendment No. 3739), to address the applicability and preservation of certain State authorities. Pages S3868–72, S3872–73

Bingaman Further Modified Amendment No. 3892 (to Amendment No. 3739), to preserve the authority of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission to ensure just and reasonable electric and natural gas rates and to protect the public interest. Pages S3879–81, S3890–94

By 75 yeas to 21 nays (Vote No. 157), Grassley/McCaskill Amendment No. 4072 (to Amendment No. 3739), to provide for the independence of Inspectors General of certain designated Federal entities. Pages S3881–84, S3894–95

Rejected:

By 43 yeas to 55 nays (Vote No. 154), Corker Amendment No. 4034 (to Amendment No. 3739), to address the applicability of certain State authorities with respect to national banks. Pages S3866–68, S3872

Dorgan Amendment No. 4114 (to Amendment No. 4072), to ban naked credit default swaps. (By 57 yeas to 38 nays (Vote No. 156) Senate tabled the amendment.) Pages S3884, S3894

Withdrawn:

By 47 yeas to 50 nays (Vote No. 153), Gregg Modified Amendment No. 4051 (to Amendment No. 3739), to prohibit taxpayer bailouts of fiscally irresponsible State and local governments. (A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that

the amendment, having failed to achieve 60 affirmative votes, be withdrawn). Pages S3856–61, S3862

Pending:

Reid (for Dodd/Lincoln) Amendment No. 3739, in the nature of a substitute. Page S3856

Brownback Further Modified Amendment No. 3789 (to Amendment No. 3739), to provide for an exclusion from the authority of the Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection for certain automobile manufacturers. Page S3856

Brownback (for Snow/Pryor) Amendment No. 3883 (to Amendment No. 3739), to ensure small business fairness and regulatory transparency. Pages S3856, S3884–90

Specter Modified Amendment No. 3776 (to Amendment No. 3739), to amend section 20 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 to allow for a private civil action against a person that provides substantial assistance in violation of such Act. Page S3856

Dodd (for Leahy) Amendment No. 3823 (to Amendment No. 3739), to restore the application of the Federal antitrust laws to the business of health insurance to protect competition and consumers. Page S3856

Whitehouse Modified Amendment No. 3746 (to Amendment No. 3739), to restore to the States the right to protect consumers from usurious lenders. Page S3856

Dodd (for Cantwell) Modified Amendment No. 3884 (to Amendment No. 3739), to impose appropriate limitations on affiliations with certain member banks. Pages S3856, S3861–62

Cardin Amendment No. 4050 (to Amendment No. 3739), to require the disclosure of payments by resource extraction issuers. Page S3856

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill at approximately 10:30 a.m., on Wednesday, May 19, 2010; provided further, that the cloture vote on Reid (for Dodd/Lincoln) Amendment No. 3739 (listed above), occur at 2 p.m.; and that members have until 1 p.m., to file germane second-degree amendments. Page S3948

Appointments:

Public Interest Declassification Board: The Chair, on behalf of the Minority Leader, pursuant to Public Law 106–567, appointed the following individual to serve as a member of the Public Interest Declassification Board: William A. Burck, of the District of Columbia. Page S3948

Pistole Nomination—Referral: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the nomination of John S. Pistole, of Virginia, to be Assistant Secretary, Department of Homeland Security

(Transportation Security Administration), received by the Senate on Monday, May 17, 2010 and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation; that upon the reporting out or discharge of the nomination, the nomination then be referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs for a period not to exceed 30 calendar days; after which the nomination, if still in the committee, be discharged and placed on the Executive Calendar. **Page S3948**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Helen Patricia Reed-Rowe, of Maryland, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Palau.

1 Air Force nomination in the rank of general.

2 Army nominations in the rank of general.

2 Navy nominations in the rank of admiral.

Routine lists in the Army, and Navy.

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Executive Communications: **Pages S3906–07**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages S3908–10**

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Amendments Submitted: **Pages S3910–46**

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Authorities for Committees to Meet: **Page S3946**

Record Votes: Five record votes were taken today. (Total—157) **Pages S3862, S3872, S3894, S3894–95**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 9:40 p.m., until 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday, May 19, 2010. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S3849.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

PACIFIC COMMAND AND EUROPEAN COMMAND BUDGET

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Defense received a closed briefing on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2011 for the Pacific Command and European Command programs from Admiral James G. Stavridis, USN, Supreme Allied Commander, Europe, and Commander, United States European Command, and Admiral Robert F. Willard, USN, Commander, Pacific Command, both of the Department of Defense.

GULF COAST OIL SPILL

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee concluded a hearing to examine response efforts to the Gulf Coast oil spill, after receiving testimony from Admiral Thad Allen, National Incident Commander, United States Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security; Jane Lubchenco, Under Secretary of Commerce for Oceans and Atmosphere, and Administrator, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Department of Commerce; Lamar McKay, BP America, and Steven Newman, Transocean, Ltd., both of Houston, Texas; and Deborah French McCay, Applied Science Associates, Inc., South Kingstown, Rhode Island.

OFFSHORE OIL AND GAS EXPLORATION

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee concluded a hearing to examine issues related to offshore oil and gas exploration including the accident involving the Deepwater Horizon in the Gulf of Mexico, after receiving testimony from Ken Salazar, Secretary, Elizabeth Birnbaum, Director, Minerals Management Service, Wilma Lewis, Assistant Secretary for Land and Minerals Management, and David J. Hayes, Deputy Secretary, all of the Department of the Interior.

OIL SPILL IN THE GULF OF MEXICO

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Committee concluded a hearing to examine Federal response to the recent oil spill in the Gulf of Mexico, after receiving testimony from Lisa P. Jackson, Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency; Ken Salazar, Secretary of the Interior; Nancy H. Sutley, Chair, Council on Environmental Quality, Executive Office of the President; Rear Admiral Peter Neffenger, Deputy National Incident Commander, United States Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security; Jo-Ellen Darcy, Assistant Secretary of the Army for Civil Works, Department of Defense; and John R. Fernandez, Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Economic Development.

THE NEW STRATEGIC ARMS REDUCTION TREATY

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the new Strategic Arms Reduction Treaty (START), after receiving testimony from Hillary Rodham Clinton, Secretary of State; and Robert M. Gates, Secretary, and Admiral Michael G. Mullen, USN, Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff, both of the Department of Defense.

ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION ACT

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: Committee concluded a hearing to examine Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) reauthorization, focusing on supporting student health, physical education, and well-being, after receiving testimony from Russell R. Pate, University of South Carolina, Columbia; Timothy P. Shriver, Special Olympics, Washington, D.C.; Toni Yancey, University of California, Los Angeles; Barbara Levin, Chota Community Health Services, Madisonville, Tennessee; and Beth Kirkpatrick, POLAR Electro, Inc, Grundy Center, Iowa.

DRUG ENFORCEMENT AND RULE OF LAW

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Human Rights and the Law concluded a hearing to examine

drug enforcement and rule of law, focusing on Mexico and Colombia, after receiving testimony from Lanny A. Breuer, Assistant Attorney General, Department of Justice; David T. Johnson, Assistant Secretary of State for International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Affairs; Lawrence G. Wasden, Idaho Attorney General, Boise; Gary K. King, New Mexico Attorney General, Santa Fe; Jose Miguel Vivanco, Human Rights Watch, Washington, DC; and Maria Elena Morera De Galindo, Causa en Comun, Mexico City, Mexico.

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: 20 public bills, H.R. 5319–5338; and 10 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 279; and H. Res. 1362–1370, were introduced.

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Additional Cosponsors:

Pages H3541–43

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 2288, to amend Public Law 106–392 to maintain annual base funding for the Upper Colorado and San Juan fish recovery programs through fiscal year 2023, with an amendment (H. Rept. 111–481);

H.R. 4491, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a study of alternatives for commemorating and interpreting the role of the Buffalo Soldiers in the early years of the National Parks (H. Rept. 111–482);

H.R. 3511, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to establish and operate a visitor facility to fulfill the purposes of the Marianas Trench Marine National Monument, with an amendment (H. Rept. 111–483);

H.R. 4493, to provide for the enhancement of visitor services, fish and wildlife research, and marine and coastal resource management on Guam related to the Marianas Trench Marine National Monument, with an amendment (H. Rept. 111–484);

H.R. 5128, to designate the Department of the Interior Building in Washington, District of Columbia, as the “Stewart Lee Udall Department of the In-

terior Building”, with amendments (H. Rept. 111–485); and

H.R. 4842, to authorize appropriations for the Directorate of Science and Technology of the Department of Homeland Security for fiscal years 2011 and 2012, with an amendment (H. Rept. 111–486, Pt. 1).

Pages H3539–40

Recess: The House recessed at 12:38 p.m. and reconvened at 2 p.m.

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

Endangered Fish Recovery Programs Improvement Act: H.R. 2288, amended, to amend Public Law 106–392 to maintain annual base funding for the Upper Colorado and San Juan fish recovery programs through fiscal year 2023, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeas-and-nays vote of 264 yeas to 122 nays, Roll No. 273;

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Buffalo Soldiers in the National Parks Study Act: H.R. 4491, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a study of alternatives for commemorating and interpreting the role of the Buffalo Soldiers in the early years of the National Parks;

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Recognizing the 75th anniversary of the establishment of the East Bay Regional Park District in California: H. Con. Res. 211, to recognize the 75th anniversary of the establishment of the East Bay Regional Park District in California;

Pages H3492–93

Honoring the life, achievements, and contributions of Floyd Dominy: H. Res. 1327, to honor the life, achievements, and contributions of Floyd Dominy, by a 2/3 yeas-and-nays vote of 390 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 275;

Pages H3493–95, H3513–14

Federal Judiciary Administrative Improvements Act of 2010: S. 1782, to provide improvements for the operations of the Federal courts; Pages H3500–01

Katie Sepich Enhanced DNA Collection Act of 2010: H.R. 4614, amended, to amend part E of title I of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 to provide for incentive payments under the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant program for States to implement minimum and enhanced DNA collection processes, by a 2/3 yeas-and-nays vote of 357 yeas to 32 nays, Roll No. 274;

Pages H3502–05, H3512–13

Supporting the goals and ideals of American Craft Beer Week: H. Res. 1297, to support the goals and ideals of American Craft Beer Week; and

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Honoring Robert Kelly Slater for his outstanding and unprecedented achievements in the world of surfing: H. Res. 792, amended, to honor Robert Kelly Slater for his outstanding and unprecedented achievements in the world of surfing and for being an ambassador of the sport and excellent role model.

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Agreed to amend the title so as to read: “Recognizing and honoring Robert Kelly Slater for winning the 2010 Rip Curl Pro Bell Championship and for his other outstanding achievements in the world of surfing.”

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Recess: The House recessed at 5 p.m. and reconvened at 6:33 p.m.

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

Juvenile Accountability Block Grants Program Reauthorization Act: H.R. 1514, to amend the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 to reauthorize the juvenile accountability block grants program through fiscal year 2014;

Pages H3495–96

Recognizing National Missing Children’s Day: H. Res. 1325, amended, to recognize National Missing Children’s Day;

Pages H3496–98

Celebrating the life and achievements of Lena Mary Calhoun Horne: H. Res. 1362, to celebrate the life and achievements of Lena Mary Calhoun Horne and to honor her for her triumphs against ra-

cial discrimination and her steadfast commitment to the civil rights of all people;

Pages H3498–3500

Honoring the historic and community significance of the Chatham County Courthouse: H. Res. 1364, to honor the historic and community significance of the Chatham County Courthouse and to express condolences to Chatham County and the town of Pittsboro for the fire damage sustained by the courthouse on March 25, 2010;

Pages H3501–02

Michael C. Rothberg Post Office Designation Act: H.R. 5099, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 15 South Main Street in Sharon, Massachusetts, as the “Michael C. Rothberg Post Office”;

Pages H3505–06

Congratulating Phil Mickelson on winning the 2010 Masters golf tournament: H. Res. 1256, to congratulate Phil Mickelson on winning the 2010 Masters golf tournament; and

Pages H3506–07

Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that there should be established a National Teacher Day to honor and celebrate teachers in the United States: H. Res. 403, amended, to express the sense of the House of Representatives that there should be established a National Teacher Day to honor and celebrate teachers in the United States.

Pages H3507–09

Senate Message: Message received from the Senate by the Clerk and subsequently presented to the House today appears on page H3489.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Three yeas-and-nays votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H3512, H3512–13, and H3513–14. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 12:30 p.m. and adjourned at 11:29 p.m.

Committee Meetings

GAO HEAD START GRANTEES REVIEW

Committee on Education and Labor: Held a hearing to examine GAO’s Review of Selected Head Start Grantees. Testimony was heard from Carmen R. Nazario, Assistant Secretary, Children and Families, Department of Health and Human Services, and Gregory D. Kutz, Managing Director, Forensic Audits and Special Investigations, GAO.

SMALL BUSINESS LENDING INITIATIVES

Committee on Financial Services: Held a hearing entitled “Initiatives to Promote Small Business Lending, Jobs and Economic Growth.” Testimony was heard from Gene B. Sperling, Counselor to the Secretary of the Treasury; Department of the Treasury; Paul Atkins, member, Congressional Oversight Panel, and

former Commissioner, SEC; Christian S. Johansson, Secretary, Department of Business and Economic Development, State of Maryland; and public witnesses.

NORTH MARIANA ISLANDS AND GUAM FEDERALIZATION

Committee on Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Insular Affairs, Oceans and Wildlife held a hearing on the implementation of Public Law 110–229 to the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands and Guam. Testimony was heard from David B. Gootnick, Director, International Affairs and Trade, GAO; Anthony M. Babauta, Assistant Secretary, Office of Insular Affairs, Department of the Interior; Felix P. Camacho, Governor, Guam; the following officials of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands: Benigno Repeki Fitial, Governor; Paul Manglona, Senate President; and Frederick P. Deleon Guerrero, Chairman, Standing Committee on Federal and Foreign Relations, House of Representatives, both with the 17th Northern Mariana Commonwealth Legislature; and a public witness.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D509)

H.R. 5146, to provide that Members of Congress shall not receive a cost of living adjustment in pay during fiscal year 2011. Signed on May 14, 2010. (Public Law 111–165)

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, MAY 19, 2010

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2011 for the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (Metro), 3:30 p.m., SD–138.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: to hold hearings to examine S. 3302, to amend title 49, United States Code, to establish new automobile safety standards, make better motor vehicle safety information available to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration and the public, 2:30 p.m., SR–253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: to hold hearings to examine the proposed Constitution of the U.S. Virgin Islands, S. 2941, to provide supplemental ex gratia compensation to the Republic of the Marshall Islands for impacts of the nuclear testing program of the

United States, H.R. 3940, to amend Public Law 96–597 to clarify the authority of the Secretary of the Interior to extend grants and other assistance to facilitate political status public education programs for the peoples of the non-self-governing territories of the United States, and H.R. 2499, to provide for a federally sanctioned self-determination process for the people of Puerto Rico, 9:30 a.m., SD–366.

Subcommittee on National Parks, to hold hearings to examine S. 349, to establish the Susquehanna Gateway National Heritage Area in the State of Pennsylvania, S. 1596, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to acquire the Gold Hill Ranch in Coloma, California, S. 1651, to modify a land grant patent issued by the Secretary of the Interior, S. 1750, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a special resource study of the General of the Army George Catlett Marshall National Historic Site at Dodona Manor in Leesburg, Virginia, S. 1801, to establish the First State National Historical Park in the State of Delaware, S. 1802 and H.R. 685, bills to require the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a special resource study regarding the proposed United States Civil Rights Trail, S. 2953 and H.R. 3388, bills to modify the boundary of Petersburg National Battlefield in the Commonwealth of Virginia, S. 2976, to designate as wilderness certain land and inland water within the Sleeping Bear Dunes National Lakeshore in the State of Michigan, S. 3159 and H.R. 4395, bills to revise the boundaries of the Gettysburg National Military Park to include the Gettysburg Train Station, S. 3168, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to acquire certain non-Federal land in the State of Pennsylvania for inclusion in the Fort Necessity National Battlefield, and S. 3303, to establish the Chimney Rock National Monument in the State of Colorado, 2:30 p.m., SD–366.

Committee on Foreign Relations: to hold hearings to examine empowering Haiti to rebuild better, 10 a.m., SD–419.

Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the history and lessons of the Strategic Arms Reduction Treaty (START), 2:30 p.m., SD–419.

Committee on the Judiciary: to hold hearings to examine renewing America's commitment to the refugee convention, focusing on the Refugee Protection Act of 2010, 10 a.m., SD–226.

Committee on Rules and Administration: to resume hearings to examine the filibuster, focusing on the filibuster today and its consequences, 10 a.m., SR–301.

Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship: to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Marie Collins Johns, of the District of Columbia, to be Deputy Administrator of the Small Business Administration, 10 a.m., SR–428A.

Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the Small Business Administration (SBA) Disaster Assistance Program and the impact of the Deepwater Horizon oil spill on small businesses, 11 a.m., SR–428A.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: to hold hearings to examine S. 1780, to amend title 38, United States Code, to deem certain service in the reserve components as active service for purposes of laws administered by the Secretary

of Veterans Affairs, S. 1866, to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for the eligibility of parents of certain deceased veterans for interment in national cemeteries, S. 1939, to amend title 38, United States Code, to clarify presumptions relating to the exposure of certain veterans who served in the vicinity of the Republic of Vietnam, S. 1940, to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to carry out a study on the effects on children of exposure of their parents to herbicides used in support of the United States and allied military operations in the Republic of Vietnam during the Vietnam era, S. 2751, to designate the Department of Veterans Affairs medical center in Big Spring, Texas, as the George H. O'Brien, Jr., Department of Veterans Medical Center, S. 3035, to require a report on the establishment of a Polytrauma Rehabilitation Center or Polytrauma Network Site of the Department of Veterans Affairs in the northern Rockies or Dakotas, S. 3107, to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for an increase, effective December 1, 2010, in the rates of compensation for veterans with service-connected disabilities and the rates of dependency and indemnity compensation for the survivors of certain disabled veterans, S. 3192, to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for the tolling of the timing of review for appeals of final decisions of the Board of Veterans' Appeals, S. 3234, to improve employment, training, and placement services furnished to veterans, especially those serving in Operation Iraqi Freedom and Operation Enduring Freedom, S. 3286, to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to carry out a pilot program on the award of grants to State and local government agencies and non-profit organizations to provide assistance to veterans with their submittal of claims to the Veterans Benefits Administration, S. 3314, to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs and the Appalachian Regional Commission to carry out a program of outreach for veterans who reside in Appalachia, S. 3325, to amend title 38, United States Code, to authorize the waiver of the collection of copayments for telehealth and telemedicine visits of veterans, S. 3330, to amend title 38, United States Code, to make certain improvements in the administration of medical facilities of the Department of Veterans Affairs, S. 3348, to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for the treatment of documents that express disagreement with decisions of the Board of Veterans' Appeals and that are misfiled with the Board within 120 days of such decisions as motions for reconsideration of such decisions, S. 3352, to amend title 38, United States Code, to exempt reimbursements of expenses related to accident, theft, loss, or casualty loss from determinations of annual income with respect to pensions for veterans and surviving spouses and children of veterans, S. 3355, to provide for an Internet website for information on benefits, resource, services, and opportunities for veterans and their families and caregivers, S. 3367, to amend title 38, United States Code, to increase the rate of pension for disabled veterans who are married to one another and both of whom require regular aid and attendance, S. 3368, to amend title 38, United States Code, to authorize certain individuals to sign claims filed with the Secretary of Veterans Affairs on behalf of claimants, and S. 3370, to amend title 38, United States Code,

to improve the process by which an individual files jointly for social security and dependency and indemnity compensation, 9:30 a.m., SR-418.

House

Committee on Armed Services, to mark up H.R. 5136, National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2011, 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Committee on Education and Labor, hearing on Research and Best Practices on Successful School Turnaround, 10 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, Subcommittee on Energy and Environment, to mark up the Assistance, Quality, and Affordability Act of 2010, 9:30 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, to consider H.R. 5297, Small Business Lending Fund Act of 2010, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Homeland Security, hearing entitled "Viewpoints on Homeland Security: A Discussion with the 9/11 Commissioners," 10 a.m., 311 Cannon.

Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights, and Civil Liberties, hearing on Racial Profiling and the Use of Suspect Classifications in Law Enforcement Policy, 2 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, Subcommittee on Federal Workforce, Postal Service, and the District of Columbia, hearing entitled "Jobs, Jobs, Jobs: Transforming Federal Hiring," 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on National Security and Foreign Affairs, hearing entitled "Defense Acquisitions: One Year After Reform," 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on Rules, hearing and markup on a resolution Granting the authority provided under clause 4 (c)(3) of rule X of the Rules of the House of Representatives to the Committee on Education and Labor for purposes of its investigations into underground coal mining safety, 2 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

Committee on Science and Technology, hearing on Charting the Course for American Nuclear Technology: Evaluating the Department of Energy's Nuclear Energy Research and Development Roadmap, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation, hearing on Deepwater Horizon: Oil Spill Prevention and Response Measures and Natural Resources Impacts, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing on Assessing Information Security at the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs, 10 a.m., 334 Cannon.

Committee on Ways and Means, hearing on tax proposals related to legislation to legalize Internet gambling, 9:30 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, Subcommittee on Terrorism, Human Intelligence, Analysis, and Counterintelligence, executive, hearing on Financial Intelligence, 1 p.m., 304-HVC.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

9:30 a.m., Wednesday, May 19

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

10 a.m., Wednesday, May 19

Senate Chamber

Program for Wednesday: After the transaction of any morning business (not to extend beyond one hour), Senate will continue consideration of S. 3217, Restoring American Financial Stability Act, and vote on the motion to invoke cloture on Reid (for Dodd/Lincoln) Amendment No. 3739 at 2 p.m.

House Chamber

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