

**COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY,
OCTOBER 4, 2011**

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Protection, to hold hearings to examine consumer protection and middle class wealth building in an age of growing household debt, 3 p.m., SD-538.

Committee on the Budget: to hold hearings to examine improving the budget process, focusing on strategies for more effective congressional budgeting, 9:30 a.m., SD-608.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: to hold hearings to examine the Secretary of Energy Advisory Board's Shale Gas Production Subcommittee's 90-day report, 10 a.m., SD-366.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Subcommittee on Water and Wildlife, to hold hearings to examine nutrient pollution, focusing on an overview of nutrient reduction approaches, 2:30 p.m., SD-406.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Subcommittee on Federal Financial Management, Government Information, Federal Services, and International Security, to hold hearings to examine costs of prescription drug abuse in the Medicare Part D program, 10:30 a.m., SD-342.

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Immigration, Refugees and Border Security, to hold hearings to examine America's agricultural labor crisis, focusing on enacting a practical solution, 10 a.m., SD-226.

Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Stephanie Dawn Thacker, of West Virginia, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Fourth Circuit, Michael Walter Fitzgerald, to be United States District Judge for the Central District of California, Ronnie Abrams, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of New York, Rudolph Contreras, of Virginia, to be United States District Judge for the District of Columbia, and Miranda Du, to be United States District Judge for the District of Nevada, 3 p.m., SD-226.

Select Committee on Intelligence: to hold closed hearings to examine certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

Joint Meetings

Joint Economic Committee: to hold hearings to examine the economic outlook, 10 a.m., SD-G50.

CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of October 4 through October 8, 2011

Senate Chamber

On *Tuesday*, at approximately 11 a.m., Senate will continue consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 1619, Currency Exchange Rate Oversight Reform Act. At 2:30 p.m., all post-cloture

time on the motion to proceed will be yielded back, and following the reporting of the bill, the Majority Leader will be recognized.

During the balance of the week, Senate may consider any cleared legislative and executive business.

Senate Committees

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: October 4, Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Protection, to hold hearings to examine consumer protection and middle class wealth building in an age of growing household debt, 3 p.m., SD-538.

October 5, Subcommittee on Economic Policy, to hold hearings to examine perspectives on the economic implications of the Federal budget deficit, 10 a.m., SD-538.

October 6, Full Committee, business meeting to consider the nominations of Richard Cordray, of Ohio, to be Director, Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection, Alan B. Krueger, of New Jersey, to be a Member of the Council of Economic Advisers, Executive Office of the President, David A. Montoya, of Texas, to be Inspector General, Department of Housing and Urban Development, Cyrus Amir-Mokri, of New York, to be Assistant Secretary of the Treasury, and Patricia M. Loui, of Hawaii, and Larry W. Walther, of Arkansas, both to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Export-Import Bank of the United States; to be immediately followed by a hearing to examine the Financial Stability Oversight Council annual report to Congress, 10 a.m., SD-538.

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Committee on Environment and Public Works: October 4, Subcommittee on Water and Wildlife, to hold hearings to examine nutrient pollution, focusing on an overview of nutrient reduction approaches, 2:30 p.m., SD-406.

October 6, Subcommittee on Children's Health and Environmental Responsibility, to hold an oversight hearing to examine Federal actions to clean up contamination from legacy uranium mining and milling operations, 10 a.m., SD-406.

Committee on Finance: October 6, to hold hearings to examine tax reform options, focusing on incentives for homeownership, 10 a.m., SD-215.

Committee on Foreign Relations: October 5, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Susan Denise Page, of Illinois, to be Ambassador to the Republic of South Sudan, Adrienne S. O'Neal, of Michigan, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Cape Verde, Mary Beth Leonard, of Massachusetts, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Mali, and Mark Francis Brzezinski, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to Sweden, all of the Department of State, 10 a.m., SD-419.

October 6, Subcommittee on Western Hemisphere, Peace Corps and Global Narcotics Affairs, to hold hearings to examine the Peace Corps, focusing on the next fifty years, 10:30 a.m., SD-419.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: October 4, Subcommittee on Federal Financial Management, Government Information, Federal Services, and International Security, to hold hearings to examine costs of prescription drug abuse in the Medicare Part D program, 10:30 a.m., SD-342.

October 5, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Ernest Mitchell, Jr., of California, to be Administrator of the United States Fire Administration, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, 10 a.m., SD-342.

October 5, Ad Hoc Subcommittee on Contracting Oversight, to hold hearings to examine food service management contracts, focusing on if contractors are overcharging the government, 2 p.m., SD-342.

October 6, Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations, to hold hearings to examine speculation and compliance with the "Dodd-Frank Act", 9:30 a.m., SD-342.

Committee on Indian Affairs: October 6, to hold an oversight hearing to examine internet infrastructure in native communities, focusing on equal access to e-commerce, jobs and the global marketplace, 2:15 p.m., SD-628.

Committee on the Judiciary: October 4, Subcommittee on Immigration, Refugees and Border Security, to hold hearings to examine America's agricultural labor crisis, focusing on enacting a practical solution, 10 a.m., SD-226.

October 4, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Stephanie Dawn Thacker, of West Virginia, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Fourth Circuit, Michael Walter Fitzgerald, to be United States District Judge for the Central District of California, Ronnie Abrams, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of New York, Rudolph Contreras, of Virginia, to be United States District Judge for the District of Columbia, and Miranda Du, to be United States District Judge for the District of Nevada, 3 p.m., SD-226.

October 5, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine considering the role of judges under the Constitution of the United States, 2:30 p.m., SH-216.

October 6, Full Committee, business meeting to consider S. 1301, to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 2012 to 2015 for the Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000, to enhance measures to combat trafficking in person, H.R. 368, to amend title 28, United States Code, to clarify and improve certain provisions relating to the removal of litigation against Federal officers or agencies to Federal courts, an original bill entitled, "Federal Courts Jurisdiction and Venue Clarification Act of 2011", H.R. 394, to amend title 28, United States Code, to clarify the jurisdiction of the Federal courts, an original bill entitled, "Appeal Time Clarification Act of 2011", H.R. 2633, to amend title 28, United States Code, to clarify the time limits for appeals in civil cases to which United States officers or employees are parties, S. 1014, to provide for additional Federal district judgeships, and the nominations of Evan Jonathan Wallach, of New York, to

be United States Circuit Judge for the Federal Circuit, Dana L. Christensen, to be United States District Judge for the District of Montana, Cathy Ann Bencivengo, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of California, Gina Marie Groh, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of West Virginia, Margo Kitsy Brodie, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of New York, Adalberto Jose Jordan, of Florida, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Eleventh Circuit, John M. Gerrard, to be United States District Judge for the District of Nebraska, Mary Elizabeth Phillips, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Missouri, Thomas Owen Rice, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Washington, David Nuffer, to be United States District Judge for the District of Utah, and Steven R. Frank, to be United States Marshal for the Western District of Pennsylvania, Martin J. Pane, to be United States Marshal for the Middle District of Pennsylvania, and David Blake Webb, to be United States Marshal for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, all of the Department of Justice, 10 a.m., SD-226.

Select Committee on Intelligence: October 4, to hold closed hearings to examine certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

October 6, Full Committee, to hold closed hearings to examine certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

House Committees

Committee on Armed Services, October 4, full Committee, hearing on the future of National Defense and the U.S. Military Ten Years After 9/11: Perspectives from Former Service Chiefs and Vice Chiefs, 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

October 5, Panel on Defense Financial Management and Auditability Reform, hearing entitled "Is the Financial Management Workforce Positioned to Achieve DOD's Financial Improvement Goals?" 8 a.m., 2212 Rayburn.

Committee on Education and the Workforce, October 4, Subcommittee on Higher Education and Workforce Training, hearing entitled "Modernizing the Workforce Investment Act: Developing an Effective Job Training System for Workers and Employers." 10 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

October 5, Subcommittee on Workforce Protections, hearing entitled "Workplace Safety: Ensuring a Responsible Regulatory Environment." 10 a.m., 2261 Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, October 5, Subcommittee on Commerce, Manufacturing, and Trade, hearing entitled "Protecting Children's Privacy in an Electronic World." 9 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

October 5, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled "Administration Efforts on Line-by-Line Budget Review." 9:30 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

October 6, Subcommittee on Environment and the Economy, hearing entitled "Chemical Risk Assessment: What Works for Jobs and the Economy?" 9 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, October 4, Subcommittee on Domestic Monetary Policy and Technology,

hearing entitled “Audit the Fed: Dodd-Frank, QE3, and Federal Reserve Transparency.” 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

October 4, Subcommittee on International Monetary Policy and Trade, hearing entitled “The World Bank and Multi Lateral Development Banks’ Authorization.” 2 p.m., 2128 Rayburn.

October 5, Subcommittee on Capital Markets, markup of the following: H.R. 1965, to amend the securities laws to establish certain thresholds for shareholder registration, and for other purposes; H.R. 2167, the “Private Company Flexibility and Growth Act”; H.R. 2930, the “Entrepreneur Access to Capital Act”; H.R. 2940, the “Access to Capital for Job Creators Act”; and legislation regarding the “Small Company Job Growth and Regulatory Relief Act of 2011.” 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

October 6, full Committee, hearing entitled “The Annual Report of the Financial Stability Oversight Council.” 2 p.m., 2128 Rayburn.

October 6, Subcommittee on Insurance, Housing and Community Opportunity, hearing entitled “The Obama Administration’s Response to the Housing Crisis.” 9:30 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Foreign Affairs, October 4, full Committee, hearing entitled “Why Taiwan Matters, Part II.” 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

October 4, Subcommittee on the Western Hemisphere; and the Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Oversight, Investigations, and Management, joint hearing entitled “Mérida Part Two: Insurgency and Terrorism in Mexico.” 2 p.m. in 2172 Rayburn.

October 4, Subcommittee on Africa, Global Health, and Human Rights, hearing entitled “A Comprehensive Assessment of U.S. Policy Toward Sudan.” 2 p.m., 2200 Rayburn.

October 5, full Committee, markup of the following: H.R. 2830, to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 2012 and 2013 for the Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000, and for other purposes; and H.R. 2059, to prohibit funding to the United Nations Population Fund; and legislation to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 2012 and 2013 for the Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000, and for other purposes. 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on Homeland Security, October 4, Subcommittee on Border and Maritime Security, hearing entitled “Does Administrative Amnesty Harm our Efforts to Gain and Maintain Operational Control of the Border?” 10 a.m., 311 Cannon.

October 5, Subcommittee on Counterterrorism and Intelligence, hearing entitled “Intelligence Sharing and Terrorist Travel: How DHS Addresses the Mission of Providing Security, Facilitating Commerce and Protecting Privacy for Passengers Engaged in International Travel.” 10 a.m., 311 Cannon.

October 6, Subcommittee on Cybersecurity, Infrastructure Protection and Security Technologies, hearing entitled “Cloud Computing: What are the Security Implications?” 10 a.m., 311 Cannon.

Committee on the Judiciary, October 4, full Committee, hearing entitled “A Balanced Budget Amendment to the Constitution.” 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

October 5, Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security, hearing entitled “The Implementation of Certain International Nuclear and Maritime Terrorism Agreements.” 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

October 5, Subcommittee on Immigration Policy and Enforcement, markup to request a Department of Homeland Security Departmental Report on the Beneficiary of H.R. 1857, for the relief of Bartosz Kumor; followed by a hearing entitled “STEM the Tide: Should America Try to Prevent an Exodus of Foreign Graduates of U.S. Universities with Advanced Science Degrees?” 1:30 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

October 6, full Committee, markup of the following: H.R. 313, the “Drug Trafficking Safe Harbor Elimination Act of 2011”; H.R. 1254, the “Synthetic Drug Control Act of 2011”; H.R. 2471, to amend section 2710 of title 18, United States Code, to clarify that a video tape service provider may obtain a consumer’s informed, written consent on an ongoing basis and that consent may be obtained through the Internet; and H.R. 2870, the “Adam Walsh Reauthorization Act of 2011”. 10:30 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Natural Resources, October 4, full Committee, hearing entitled “The President’s New National Ocean Policy—A Plan for Further Restrictions on Ocean, Coastal and Inland Activities.” 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

October 4, Subcommittee on Indian and Alaska Affairs, hearing on H.R. 2938, the “Gila Bend Indian Reservation Lands Replacement Clarification Act.” 2 p.m., 1324 Longworth.

October 4, Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Public Lands, hearing on the following legislation: H.R. 2563, to authorize a Wall of Remembrance as part of the Korean War Veterans Memorial and to allow certain private contributions to fund that Wall of Remembrance; H.R. 1335, to revise the boundaries of the Gettysburg National Military Park to include the Gettysburg Train Station, and for other purposes; and H.R. 854, to authorize the Peace Corps Commemorative Foundation to establish a commemorative work in the District of Columbia and its environs, and for other purposes. 2 p.m., 1334 Longworth.

October 5, full Committee, markup of the following: H.R. 306, the “Corolla Wild Horses Protection Act”; H.R. 443, to provide for the conveyance of certain property from the United States to the Maniilaq Association located in Kotzebue, Alaska; H.R. 588, to redesignate the Noxubee National Wildlife Refuge as the Sam D. Hamilton Noxubee National Wildlife Refuge; H.R. 850, to facilitate a proposed project in the Lower St. Croix Wild and Scenic River, and for other purposes; H.R. 991, to amend the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972 to allow importation of polar bear trophies taken in sport hunts in Canada before the date the polar bear was determined to be a threatened species under the Endangered Species Act of 1973; H.R. 1162, to provide the Quileute Indian Tribe Tsunami and Flood Protection, and for other purposes; H.R. 1461, the “Mescalero Apache Tribe Leasing Authorization Act”; H.R. 1466, to resolve the status of certain persons legally residing in the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands under the immigration

laws of the United States; H.R. 1505, the “National Security and Federal Lands Protection Act”; H.R. 1556, to amend the Omnibus Indian Advancement Act to allow certain land to be used to generate income to provide funding for academic programs, and for other purposes; H.R. 1740, to amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to designate a segment of Illabot Creek in Skagit County, Washington, as a component of the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System; H.R. 2060, the “Central Oregon Jobs and Water Security Act”; H.R. 2351, the “North Cascades National Park Service Complex Fish Stocking Act”; H.R. 2352, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to adjust the boundary of the Stephen Mather Wilderness and the North Cascades National Park in order to allow the rebuilding of a road outside of the floodplain while ensuring that there is no net loss of acreage to the Park or the Wilderness, and for other purposes; H.R. 2360, the “Providing for Our Workforce and Energy Resources (POWER) Act”; H.R. 2578, to amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act related to a segment of the Lower Merced River in California, and for other purposes; H.R. 2752, the “BLM Live Internet Auctions Act”; H.R. 2803, to direct the Secretary of the Interior, acting through the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, Regulation and Enforcement, to conduct a technological capability assessment, survey, and economic feasibility study regarding recovery of minerals, other than oil and natural gas, from the shallow and deep seabed of the United States; H.R. 2842, the “Bureau of Reclamation Small Conduit Hydropower Development and Rural Jobs Act of 2011”; H.R. 2915, the “American Taxpayer and Western Area Power Administration Customer Protection Act of 2011”; and H.R. 3069, the “Endangered Salmon and Fisheries Predation Prevention Act”. 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

October 6, full Committee, hearing entitled “BOEMRE/U.S. Coast Guard Joint Investigation Team Report.” 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, October 4, full Committee, hearing entitled “Where is the Peace Dividend? Examining the Final Report to Congress of the Commission on Wartime Contracting.” 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

October 6, Subcommittee on Health Care, District of Columbia, Census and the National Archives, hearing entitled “Obamacare’s Employer Penalty and its Impact on Temporary Workers.” 9:30 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

October 6, Subcommittee on Technology, Information Policy, and Intergovernmental Relations and Procurement Reform, hearing entitled “Protecting Taxpayer Dollars:

Are Federal Agencies Making Full Use of Suspension and Debarment Sanctions?” 9:30 a.m., 2247 Rayburn.

Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, October 4, Subcommittee on Energy and Environment, hearing entitled “Quality Science for Quality Air.” 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Small Business, October 5, full Committee, hearing entitled “Adding to Uncertainty: The Impact of DOL/NLRB Decisions and Proposed Rules on Small Businesses.” 1 p.m., 2360 Rayburn.

October 6, Subcommittee on Contracting and Workforce, hearing entitled “Subpar Subcontracting: Challenges for Small Businesses Contractors.” 10 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, October 4, Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation, hearing entitled “What Will It Cost: Protecting the Taxpayer from an Unachievable Coast Guard Acquisition Program.” 10:30 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

October 5, Subcommittee on Aviation, hearing entitled “A Comprehensive Review of FAA’s NextGen Program: Costs, Benefits, Progress, and Management.” 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Committee on Veterans’ Affairs, October 5, Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity, hearing entitled “Reviewing the Progress of the Partnership between the United States Paralympics and the Department of Veterans Affairs to Promote Adaptive Sports.” 10 a.m., 334 Cannon.

October 6, Subcommittee on Health, hearing entitled “The Federal Recovery Coordination Program: Assessing Progress Toward Improvement.” 8:30 a.m., 340 Cannon.

October 6, Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs, hearing entitled “Arlington National Cemetery: An Update on Reform and Progress.” 10:30 a.m., 334 Cannon.

Committee on Ways and Means, October 6, Subcommittee on Human Resources, hearing reviewing unemployment benefit proposals in the President’s latest jobs plan and assessing whether they will help the long-term unemployed return to work, 9 a.m., B-318 Rayburn.

House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, October 4, full Committee, hearing entitled “Cyber Threats and Ongoing Efforts to Protect the Nation.” 10 a.m., HVC 210.

October 6, full Committee, hearing entitled “Domestic Threat Intelligence.” 10 a.m., HVC 210.

Joint Meetings

Joint Economic Committee: October 4, to hold hearings to examine the economic outlook, 10 a.m., SD-G50.

Résumé of Congressional Activity

FIRST SESSION OF THE ONE HUNDRED TWELFTH CONGRESS

The first table gives a comprehensive résumé of all legislative business transacted by the Senate and House. The second table accounts for all nominations submitted to the Senate by the President for Senate confirmation.

EXECUTIVE DATA ON LEGISLATIVE ACTIVITY

January 5 through September 30, 2011

	<i>Senate</i>	<i>House</i>	<i>Total</i>
Days in session	123	125	..
Time in session	799 hrs., 21'	739 hrs., 17'	..
Congressional Record:			
Pages of proceedings	6,011	6,467	..
Extensions of Remarks .....	..	1,733	..
Public bills enacted into law	12	23	35
Private bills enacted into law .....	..	..	..
Bills in conference	2	2	..
Measures passed, total	265	247	512
Senate bills	26	10	..
House bills	26	103	..
Senate joint resolutions	4	3	..
House joint resolutions	3	5	..
Senate concurrent resolutions	15	4	..
House concurrent resolutions	13	17	..
Simple resolutions	178	105	..
Measures reported, total	*137	*200	337
Senate bills	100	2	..
House bills	9	129	..
Senate joint resolutions	1	..	..
House joint resolutions .....	..	2	..
Senate concurrent resolutions	2	..	..
House concurrent resolutions .....	..	2	..
Simple resolutions	25	65	..
Special reports	12	29	..
Conference reports .....	..	..	..
Measures pending on calendar	145	65	..
Measures introduced, total	1,974	3,651	5,625
Bills	1,635	3,073	..
Joint resolutions	27	79	..
Concurrent resolutions	29	82	..
Simple resolutions	283	417	..
Quorum calls	5	3	..
Yea-and-nay votes	153	194	..
Recorded votes .....	..	543**	..
Bills vetoed .....	..	..	..
Vetoes overridden .....	..	..	..

DISPOSITION OF EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS

January 5 through September 30, 2011

Civilian nominations, totaling 419, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	196
Unconfirmed	214
Withdrawn	9
Other Civilian nominations, totaling 2,376, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	2,072
Unconfirmed	299
Withdrawn	5
Air Force nominations, totaling 5,475, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	1,703
Unconfirmed	3,772
Army nominations, totaling 5,127, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	5,052
Unconfirmed	75
Navy nominations, totaling 3,346, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	3,325
Unconfirmed	21
Marine Corps nominations, totaling 1,249, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	1,249
<i>Summary</i>	
Total nominations carried over from the First Session	0
Total nominations received this Session	17,992
Total confirmed	13,597
Total unconfirmed	4,381
Total withdrawn	14
Total returned to the White House	0

*These figures include all measures reported, even if there was no accompanying report. A total of 86 written reports have been filed in the Senate, a total of 229 reports have been filed in the House.

**Proceedings on Roll Call No. 484 were vacated by unanimous consent.