

STREAMLINING EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT: IMPROVING PREPAREDNESS, RESPONSE, AND CUTTING COSTS

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings, and Emergency Management held a hearing entitled “Streamlining Emergency Management: Improving Preparedness, Response, and Cutting Costs.” Testimony was heard from W. Craig Fugate, Administrator, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Matthew A. Jadacki, Assistant Inspector General, Emergency Management Oversight, Department of Homeland Security, Dean Hunter, Deputy Director, Facilities, Security, and Contracting, U.S. Office of Personnel Management, and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Ordered reported the following bills: H.R. 2668 “Brian A. Terry Memorial Act”; H.R. 2919 “Community Shelter Protection Act of 2011”; H.R. 1734 amended, “Civilian Property Realignment Act”; and H.R. 2840 amended, “Commercial Vessel Discharges Reform Act of 2011.” 11:15 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Ways and Means: Ordered reported the following bills: H.R. 674, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to repeal the imposition of 3 percent withholding on certain payments made to vendors by government entities, and H.R. 2576, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to modify the calculation of modified adjusted gross income for purposes of determining eligibility for certain healthcare-related programs.

Joint Meetings

POLITICAL TRANSITION IN TUNISIA

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe. Commission concluded a briefing on elections and political transition in Tunisia, focusing on Tunisia’s mass popular uprising, known as the “Jasmine Revolution,” after receiving testimony from Stephen

McInerney, Project on Middle East Democracy (POMED), Barrie Freeman, National Democratic Institute (NDI), and Mohamed Malouche, Tunisian American Young Professionals, all of Washington, D.C.

**COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY,
OCTOBER 14, 2011**

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

House

Committee on Armed Services, Subcommittee on Strategic Forces, hearing entitled “Nuclear Weapons Modernization in Russia and China: Understanding Impacts to the United States.” 11:30 p.m., 2212 Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled “Continuing Developments Regarding the Solyndra Loan Guarantee.” 9:30 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, Subcommittee on Capital Markets and Government Sponsored Enterprises, hearing entitled “Legislative Proposals to Bring Certainty to the Over-the-Counter Derivatives Market.” 9 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Foreign Affairs, Full Committee hearing on Iran and Syria: Next Steps? Part II. 9:30 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Oversight, Investigations, and Management, hearing entitled “A Call to Action: Narco-Terrorism’s Threat to the Southern U.S. Border.” 10 a.m., 311 Cannon.

Committee on the Judiciary, Full Committee, to continue markup of the following: H.R. 2870 “Adam Walsh Reauthorization Act of 2011”; H.R. 1254 “Synthetic Drug Control Act of 2011”; H.R. 10 “Regulations From the Executive in Need of Scrutiny Act of 2011”; H.R. 822 “National Right-to-Carry Reciprocity Act of 2011”; and H.R. 3012 “Fairness for High-Skilled Immigrants Act”. 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Natural Resources, Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Public Lands, hearing entitled “Payments in Lieu of Taxes.” 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

2 p.m., Monday, October 17

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

9 a.m., Friday, October 14

Senate Chamber

Program for Monday: After the transaction of any morning business (not to extend beyond 4 p.m.), Senate will begin consideration of H.R. 2112, Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act. At 5:15 p.m., Senate will begin consideration of the nomination of Cathy Bissoon, of Pennsylvania, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Pennsylvania, and vote on confirmation of the nomination at approximately 5:30 p.m.

House Chamber

Program for Friday: Consideration of H.R. 2273—Coal Residuals Reuse and Management Act (Subject to a Rule).

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