Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

The House passed H.R. 4310, National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2013.

Senate

Chamber Action

The Senate was not in session and stands adjourned until 2 p.m., on Monday, May 21, 2012.

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 27 public bills, H.R. 5826–5852; and 4 resolutions, H.J. Res. 109; H. Con. Res. 125; and H. Res. 665–666 were introduced. **Pages H3161–62**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages H3163–64**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 4114, to increase, effective as of December 1, 2012, 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, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 112–486);

H.R. 3670, to require the Transportation Security Administration to comply with the Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act (H. Rept. 112–487, Pt. 1); and

H.R. 4201, to amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to provide for the protection of child custody arrangements for parents who are members of the Armed Forces (H. Rept. 112–488). **Page H3161**

National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2013: The House passed H.R. 4310, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2013 for military activities of the Department of Defense and to prescribe military personnel strengths for fiscal year 2013, by a recorded vote of 299 ayes to 120 noes, Roll No. 291. Consideration of the measure began on Wednesday, May 16th. **Pages H3109–45**

Rejected the Garamendi motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Armed Services with instructions to report the same back to the House forthwith with amendments, by a recorded vote of 182 ayes to 236 noes, Roll No. 290. **Pages H3143–44**

Agreed to amend the title so as to read: ''To authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2013 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, and for other purposes.''. **Page H3145**

Agreed to:

Gohmert amendment (No. 45 printed in H. Rept. 112–485) that was debated on May 17th that clarifies that the FY 2012 National Defense Authorization Act and the 2001 Authorization for Use of Military Force (AUMF) do not deny the writ of habeas corpus or deny any Constitutional rights for persons detained in the United States under the AUMF who are entitled to such rights (by a recorded vote of 243 ayes to 173 noes, Roll No. 271); **Pages H3110–11**

Cummings amendment (No. 26 printed in H. Rept. 112–485) that was debated on May 17th that expands the protections under the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act (SCRA) to include servicemembers

serving in a contingency operation, surviving spouses of servicemembers whose deaths are service-connected, and veterans who are totally disabled at the time of discharge; and to repeal the sunset provision that is set to expire at the end of this year and increases fines for violations of the SCRA (by a recorded vote of 394 ayes to 27 noes, Roll No. 276); **Pages H3113–14**

Price (GA) amendment (No. 32 printed in H. Rept. 112–485) that was debated on May 17th that prohibits the President from making unilateral reductions to US nuclear forces (by a recorded vote of 241 ayes to 179 noes, Roll No. 280); **Pages H3116–17**

Rigell amendment (No. 38 printed in H. Rept. 112–485) that was debated on May 17th that replaces the pending sequester of discretionary spending for fiscal year 2013 and replaces it by reducing the discretionary spending limit for that year so that it conforms with the concurrent resolution on the budget deemed in force in the House, but this replacement is contingent upon the enactment of spending reductions over five years of at least the amount of the sequester it supplants; and to also require a detailed report on the impact of the sequestration of funds authorized and appropriated for Fiscal Year 2013 for the Department of Defense (by a recorded vote of 220 ayes to 201 noes, Roll No. 281); **Page H3117**

Duncan (SC) amendment (No. 47 printed in H. Rept. 112–485) that was debated on May 17th that limits funds authorized to be appropriated by this Act to any institution or organization established by the Convention on the Law of the Sea, including the International Seabed Authority, the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea, and the Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf (by a recorded vote of 229 ayes to 193 noes, Roll No. 283); **Pages H3118–19**

Coffman amendment (No. 48 printed in H. Rept. 112–485) that was debated on May 17th that authorizes the President to remove all Brigade Combat Teams that are permanently stationed in Europe and replace them with a rotational force (by a recorded vote of 226 ayes to 196 noes, Roll No. 284); **Page H3119**

Franks (AZ) amendment (No. 54 printed in H. Rept. 112–485) that was debated on May 17th that limits the availability of funds for nuclear nonproliferation activities with the Russian Federation (by a recorded vote of 241 ayes to 181 noes, Roll No. 286); **Pages H3120–21**

McKeon en bloc amendment No. 4 that consists of the following amendments printed in H. Rept. 112–485; Heinrich amendment (No. 56) that authorizes a pilot program between one national laboratory and one non-profit entity for the purpose of accelerating technology transfer from national laboratories to the marketplace; Tierney amendment (No. 58) that requires the Secretary of Defense to submit to Congress a report assessing the manufacturing industry of the United States as it relates to the ability of the United States to respond to both civilian and defense needs; Garamendi amendment (No. 61) that requires an assessment of the United States' manufacturing capability to produce three-dimensional integrated circuits and potential ways to overcome the challenges to encourage U.S. manufacturing; Kind amendment (No. 67) that allows the Secretary of Defense to enter into a military cooperative agreement for the operation and maintenance of any State training center certified by the Federal Emergency Management Agency as capable of providing emergency response training; Tierney amendment (No. 68) that requires the Secretary of Defense to submit annually to the relevant Congressional committees a report on the status of the targets listed in the document entitled "Operational Energy Strategy: Implementation Plan, Department of Defense, March 2012"; Kind amendment (No. 78) that waives the time limitation for the award of the Medal of Honor to Lt. Alonzo Cushing for heroic deeds during the Civil War; Nugent amendment (No. 79) that expands the eligibility for the Army Combat Action Badge to include those who served from December 7, 1941, to September 18, 2001; Langevin amendment (No. 106) that directs the Director of the Defense Forensic Office to evaluate opportunities to increase the matching success rate when forensic data is collected during site exploitation to match forensic data stored in DNA databases; Sablan amendment (No. 113) that amends 10 U.S.C. 2249(b) to require that the official flags of the District of Columbia and the U.S. Territories be displayed whenever the flags of the States are displayed by the U.S. Armed Forces; Thornberry amendment (No. 114) that amends the United States Information and Educational Exchange Act of 1948 and the Foreign Relations Authorization Act, Fiscal Years 1986 and 1987 to clarify the authorities of the Department of State and the Broadcasting Board of Governors to prepare, disseminate and use public diplomacy information abroad and to strike the current ban on domestic dissemination of such material; Thornberry amendment (No. 115) that requires the President to submit to Congress a charter to establish an interagency body to coordinate and deconflict full-spectrum military cyber operations; Tierney amendment (No. 116) that requires the President to submit the final report from the National Security Council's Interagency Policy Committee on Security Sector Assistance and the Secretaries of Defense and State shall jointly submit a plan to institute mechanisms to better coordinate, document, disseminate,

and share information, analysis and assessments regarding United States foreign police assistance activities; Thornberry amendment (No. 120) that modifies the reporting requirements in the Report on Progress Toward Security and Stability in Afghanistan required by Section 1230 of the National Defense Authorization Act for FY2008; Conaway amendment (No. 122) that builds upon current economic sanctions and diplomatic efforts designed to prevent Iran from obtaining a nuclear weapon; Conyers amendment (No. 123) that clarifies that nothing in the bill shall be construed as authorizing the use of force against Iran; and Duncan (SC) amendment (No. 125) that limits funds authorized to be appropriated by this Act to U.S. participation in joint military exercises with Egypt if the Government of Egypt abrogates, terminates, or withdraws from the 1979 Israeli-Egypt peace treaty; **Pages H3121–26**

McKeon en bloc amendment No. 5 that consists of the following amendments printed in H. Rept. 112–485: McDermott amendment (No. 62) that amends Section 315 of Title III to require a report on the sharing of environmental exposure data with the Secretary of Veterans Affairs for use in medical and treatment records of veterans; Pierluisi amendment (No. 64) that expresses the Sense of Congress regarding decontamination of and removal of unexploded ordnance from the former bombardment area on the island of Culebra, Puerto Rico; Quigley amendment (No. 70) that requires the GAO to conduct a review of the policies and procedures of the DoD for the handling, labeling and packing of hazardous material shipments and make recommendations to the appropriate committees regarding the safe, timely, and cost-effective handling of such material; McKinley amendment (No. 72) that directs the Secretary of Defense to develop an online tour calculator so that Guard and Reserve members can keep tabs on their earned early retirement credit; Velizquez amendment (No. 73) that requires each branch of the military to develop and implement an expedited procedure to transfer a service member who has been the victim of hazing to another unit; Walsh amendment (No. 76) that authorizes the Secretary of Defense to include industry-recognized certifications in its pilot program on credentialing and licensing for members of the armed forces; Dent amendment (No. 81) that authorizes the Secretary of Defense to conduct a feasibility study for the issuance of a summary of the DD–214 form for a member of the armed forces expected to be discharged under conditions other than dishonorable in the form of an identification card; Richardson amendment (No. 82) that adds DoD websites to the list of places for posting information on sexual assault prevention and response resources; Andrews amendment (No. 88) that makes technical and clarifying changes to a section of the bill requiring a report on the transition away from the use of live tissue in certain medical training; Sessions amendment (No. 90) that directs the Secretaries of Defense and Veterans Affairs to carry out a five-year pilot program under which each Secretary establishes a process for providing payments to facilities for treatments of traumatic brain injury or post-traumatic stress disorder received by members of the Armed Forces and veterans in facilities other than military treatment facilities or Department of Veterans Affairs medical facilities; Rogers (MI) amendment (No. 99) that clarifies that the provision regarding military activities in cyberspace does not authorize covert action or alter the requirements of the covert action statute and provides for reporting of intelligence and intelligence-related support to military activities in cyberspace to the Congressional intelligence committees; Pierluisi amendment (No. 101) that expresses the Sense of Congress regarding the counterdrug Tethered Aerostat Radar System (TARS) program, stating that all appropriate steps should be taken to ensure that the eight current tethered aerostat systems are fully functional and that the TARS program is providing coverage to protect jurisdictions of the United States in the Caribbean region, as well as jurisdictions of the United States along the United States-Mexico border and in the Florida Straits; and Richardson amendment (No. 112) that provides a sense of Congress that the United States Northern Command plays a crucial role in providing additional response capability to State and local governments; **Pages H3126–30**

McKeon en bloc amendment No. 6 that consists of the following amendments printed in H. Rept. 112–485: Johnson (GA) amendment (No. 92) that supports efforts to educate service members, veterans, military families, and the public about PTSD and to coordinate efforts across the federal government to promote prevention, diagnosis, and treatment of PTSD; Bass (CA) amendment (No. 96) that requires DoD to include an evaluation of practices related to human trafficking in contractor performance assessments; Braley amendment (No. 103) that requires a report from the President on the long-term costs of military operations in Iraq, Afghanistan and Libya; Harper amendment (No. 105) that requires a review and report by the Secretary of the Air Force on the cancellation or consolidation of the Air National Guard Component Numbered Air Force Augmentation Force; McCollum amendment (No. 108) that limits the DoD's spending on military bands at $200 million; Cicilline amendment (No. 118) that strengthens the certification language in Sec. 1211 related to Pakistan; Cicilline amendment (No. 121)

that ties funding of the Pakistan Counterinsurgency Fund to certification requirements to ensure Pakistan is making significant efforts toward the implementation of a strategy to counter improvised explosive devices (IEDs); Schrader amendment (No. 129) that amends the Small Business Act to direct the Administrator of the Small Business Administration to establish and carry out a program to provide increased access to Federal contract opportunities for early stage small businesses; Fitzpatrick amendment (No. 131) that requires veteran-owned small businesses to receive all preferences accorded to other groups in government contracting except for those given to service disabled veteran owned small businesses; Lankford amendment (No. 132) that eliminates the practice of human trafficking by government contractors by closing loopholes and increasing appropriate enforcement capabilities; Doggett amendment (No. 134) that ensures the DoD includes overseas military bases in criteria used to consider and recommend domestic military installations for closure or realignment; Critz amendment (No. 135) that requires the Air Force to retain core functions of the Air Traffic Control Station at Johnstown Air National Guard Base; Young (AK) amendment (No. 136) that gives Congress additional and much-needed oversight over present and future large permanent military force reductions; Luján amendment (No. 138) that authorizes a study of a multi-agency governance model for national security laboratories; Landry amendment (No. 139) that strikes Section 3503 of the legislation; and Young (AK) amendment (No. 141) that expresses the sense of Congress that the DoD should expedite completion of the study of the Nation's strategic ports called for in the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2012 Conference Report 112–329; **Pages H3130–36**

Hunter amendment (No. 77 printed in H. Rept. 112–485) that requires that the Navy, no later than 30 days after enactment, provide the Committee on House Armed Services with a report on the Navy's review, findings and actions pertaining to Medal of Honor nominee Marine Corps Sergeant Rafael Peralta and requires that the report account for all evidence submitted; **Pages H3138–39**

Flake amendment (No. 119 printed in H. Rept. 112–485) that requires that a period of 30 days elapse between the date the Secretaries of Defense and State submit to Congress an update to the report on the strategy to utilize the Pakistan Counterinsurgency Fund and Congress making the remaining 90 percent of the funds available for assistance to Pakistan; **Page H3140**

Rehberg amendment (No. 59 printed in H. Rept. 112–485) that bans any reductions to the strategic nuclear triad unless the Secretary of Defense certifies that: (1) further reductions in the Russian Federation's arsenal are needed for compliance with New START limits; and (2) Russia is not developing or deploying nuclear delivery systems not covered by New START limits; also protects all three legs of the nuclear triad from elimination (by a recorded vote of 238 ayes to 162 noes, Roll No. 288); and **Pages H3136–38, H3141–42**

Price (GA) amendment (No. 111 printed in H. Rept. 112–485) that requires the Department of Justice to order an investigation into the possible violation of U.S. law regarding numerous leaks of sensitive information involving U.S. and Israeli military, intelligence, and operational capabilities and to provide the Administration with 30 days after bill becomes law to begin its investigation and 60 days after enactment to report to Congress (by a recorded vote of 379 ayes to 38 noes, Roll No. 289). **Pages H3139–40, H3142–43**

Rejected:

Smith (WA) amendment (No. 46 printed in H. Rept. 112–485) that was debated on May 17th that sought to strike section 1022 of the FY2012 NDAA and amends Section 1021 of same Act to eliminate indefinite military detention of any person detained under AUMF authority in US, territories or possessions by providing immediate transfer to trial and proceedings by a court established under Article III of the Constitution of the United States or by an appropriate State court (by a recorded vote of 182 ayes to 238 noes, Roll No. 270); **Pages H3109–10**

Coffman amendment (No. 17 printed in H. Rept. 112–485) that was debated on May 17th that sought to reintroduce competition to the contracting of government services and repeal the moratorium on A–76 procedures (by a recorded vote of 209 ayes to 211 noes, Roll No. 272); **Page H3111**

Keating amendment (No. 18 printed in H. Rept. 112–485) that was debated on May 17th that sought to freeze the transfer, reduction or elimination of Air National Guard units supporting an Air and Space Operations Center or an Air Force Forces Staff until the impact of the unit's loss and certain other information is provided to Congress (by a recorded vote of 192 ayes to 229 noes, Roll No. 273); **Pages H3111–12**

Broun (GA) amendment (No. 19 printed in H. Rept. 112–485) that was debated on May 17th that sought to eliminate the maximum age limitation for individuals seeking to enlist in the U.S. military, provided they meet all of the other current qualifications for enlistment (by a recorded vote of 164 ayes to 256 noes, Roll No. 274); **Pages H3112–13**

Carson amendment (No. 20 printed in H. Rept. 112–485) that was debated on May 17th that sought

to prohibit military promotion boards from considering any information from official documents, word of mouth, or in writing on the pursuit of treatment or counseling for mental health or addiction issues and to require the information on this prohibition to be promulgated to current service members (by a recorded vote of 180 ayes to 241 noes, Roll No. 275); **Page H3113**

Sablan amendment (No. 29 printed in H. Rept. 112–485) that was debated on May 17th that sought to amend 10 U.S.C. 7310(a) to include the Northern Mariana Islands as an eligible location, in addition to the United States and Guam, for the overhaul, repair and maintenance of naval vessels and other vessels under the jurisdiction of the Secretary of the Navy (by a recorded vote of 118 ayes to 303 noes, Roll No. 277); **Pages H3114–15**

Johnson (GA) amendment (No. 30 printed in H. Rept. 112–485) that was debated on May 17th that sought to include a finding stating that the deployment of tactical nuclear weapons to South Korea would destabilize the Western Pacific region and would not be in the national security interests of the United States (by a recorded vote of 160 ayes to 261 noes, Roll No. 278); **Page H3115**

Johnson (GA) amendment (No. 31 printed in H. Rept. 112–485) that was debated on May 17th that sought to require the Secretary of Defense and the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs to report to Congress regarding whether nuclear weapons reductions pursuant to the New START Treaty are in the national security interests of the United States (by a recorded vote of 175 ayes to 245 noes, Roll No. 279); **Pages H3115–16**

Lee amendment (No. 42 printed in H. Rept. 112–485) that was debated on May 17th that sought to limit Department of Defense funding to the amount authorized under the Budget Control Act of 2011, resulting in an $8 billion reduction in spending from the level authorized by the House Armed Services Committee (by a recorded vote of 170 ayes to 252 noes, Roll No. 282); **Pages H3117–18**

Lee amendment (No. 49 printed in H. Rept. 112–485) that was debated on May 17th that sought to appoint a Special Envoy for Iran to ensure that all diplomatic avenues are pursued to avoid a war with Iran and to prevent Iran from acquiring a nuclear weapon (by a recorded vote of 77 ayes to 344 noes, Roll No. 285); and **Pages H3119–20**

Pearce amendment (No. 55 printed in H. Rept. 112–485) that was debated on May 17th that sought to strike section 3156 from the bill (by a recorded vote of 121 ayes to 300 noes, Roll No. 287). **Page H3121**

Withdrawn:

Murphy (PA) amendment (No. 133 printed in H. Rept. 112–485) that was offered and subsequently withdrawn that would have required that a proposal to reduce more than 1,000 members of the armed forces assigned at a military installation be transmitted via the President's budget request and include an evaluation of the fiscal, local economic, budgetary, environmental, strategic, and operational consequences of such closure or realignment and would have allowed an exception for national security or military emergency. **Pages H3140–41**

Agreed that the Clerk be authorized to make technical and conforming changes to reflect the actions of the House. **Page H3147**

H. Res. 661, the rule providing for further consideration of the bill, was agreed to yesterday, May 17th.

Motion to Instruct Conferees: The House agreed to the Barrow motion to instruct conferees on H.R. 4348 by a yea-and-nay vote of 261 yeas to 152 nays, Roll No. 292. The motion was debated yesterday, May 17th. **Pages H3145–46**

Motion to Instruct Conferees: The House agreed to the Rahall motion to instruct conferees on H.R. 4348 by a yea-and-nay vote of 245 yeas to 169 nays, Roll No. 293. The motion was debated yesterday, May 17th. **Pages H3146–47**

Sequoia and Kings Canyon National Parks Backcountry Access Act: The House concurred in the Senate amendment to H.R. 4849, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to issue commercial use authorizations to commercial stock operators for operations in designated wilderness within the Sequoia and Kings Canyon National Parks. **Pages H3147–48**

Meeting Hour: Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, May 22nd; when the House adjourns on that day, it adjourn to meet at 10 a.m. on Friday, May 25th; when the House adjourns on that day, it adjourn to meet at 2 p.m. on Tuesday, May 29th; and when the House adjourns on that day, it adjourn to meet at 2 p.m. on Wednesday, May 30th. **Page H3148**

British-American Interparliamentary Group—Appointment: The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of the following Members of the House to the British-American Interparliamentary Group: Representatives Petri, Crenshaw, Latta, and Aderholt. **Page H3148**

Public Interest Declassification Board—Reappointment: The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of the following member on the part of the House to the Public Interest Declassification

Board for a term of three years: Admiral William O. Studeman of Great Falls, VA. **Page H3148**

Presidential Message: Read a message from the President wherein he notified Congress that the national emergency declared with respect to the stabilization of Iraq is to continue in effect beyond May 22, 2012—referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs and ordered to be printed (H. Doc. 112–111). **Pages H3149–50**

Quorum Calls—Votes: Two yea-and-nay votes and 22 recorded votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H3109–10, H3110, H3111, H3111–12, H3112–13, H3113, H3113–14, H3114–15, H3115, H3115–16, H3116–17, H3117, H3117–18, H3118–19, H3119, H3119–20, H3120–21, H3121, H3141–42, H3142–43, H3144, H3145, H3145–46, H3146. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 9 a.m. and adjourned at 3:22 p.m.

Committee Meetings

FORMULATION OF THE 2012 FARM BILL: ENERGY AND FORESTRY PROGRAMS

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on Conservation, Energy, and Forestry held a hearing entitled ''Formulation of the 2012 Farm Bill: Energy and Forestry Programs''. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Legislative Branch held a markup of Legislative Branch Appropriations Bill, FY 2013. The bill was forwarded, without amendment.

IMPACT OF THE DODD-FRANK ACT: UNDERSTANDING HEIGHTENED REGULATORY CAPITAL REQUIREMENTS

Committee on Financial Services: Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Credit held a hearing entitled ''The Impact of the Dodd-Frank Act: Understanding Heightened Regulatory Capital Requirements''. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

TERRORIST FINANCING SINCE 9/11: ASSESSING AN EVOLVING AL QAEDA AND STATE SPONSORS OF TERRORISM

Committee on Homeland Security: Subcommittee on Counterterrorism and Intelligence began a hearing entitled ''Terrorist Financing Since 9/11: Assessing an Evolving al Qaeda and State Sponsors of Terrorism''.

HEALTH CARE CONSOLIDATION AND COMPETITION AFTER PPACA

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Intellectual Property, Competition and the Internet held a hearing entitled ''Health Care Consolidation and Competition after PPACA''. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Ethics: Full Committee held a business meeting to consider proposed amendments to the Committee Rules. The amendments were adopted.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR MONDAY, MAY 21, 2012

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Subcommittee on Oversight of Government Management, the Federal Workforce, and the District of Columbia, to hold hearings to examine national security, focusing on foreign language capabilities in the Federal government, 2:30 p.m., SD–342.

House

No hearings are scheduled.

CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of May 21 through May 25, 2012

Senate Chamber

On *Monday,* at 2 p.m., The Majority Leader will be recognized. The Majority Leader intends to resume consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 3187, FDA User Fee. At 4:30 p.m., Senate will resume consideration of the nomination of Paul J. Watford, of California, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit, and vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the nomination at approximately 5:30 p.m. If the motion to invoke cloture is not agreed to, Senate will vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 3187, FDA User Fee.

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 Appropriations: May 22, Subcommittee on State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs, business meeting to mark up proposed budget estimates for

fiscal year 2013 for Department of State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs, 2:30 p.m., SD–138.

May 23, Subcommittee on Department of Defense, to hold hearings to examine the fiscal year 2013 Guard and Reserve budget overview, 10 a.m., SD–192.

Committee on Armed Services: May 22, Subcommittee on Seapower, closed business meeting to mark up those provisions which fall under the subcommittee's jurisdiction of the proposed National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2013, 9:30 a.m., SR–232A.

May 22, Subcommittee on Readiness and Management Support, business meeting to mark up those provisions which fall under the subcommittee's jurisdiction of the proposed National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2013, 11 a.m., SD–G50.

May 22, Subcommittee on Emerging Threats and Capabilities, closed business meeting to mark up those provisions which fall under the subcommittee's jurisdiction of the proposed National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2013, 2 p.m., SR–232A.

May 22, Subcommittee on Airland, closed business meeting to mark up those provisions which fall under the subcommittee's jurisdiction of the proposed National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2013, 3:30 p.m., SR–232A.

May 22, Subcommittee on Personnel, closed business meeting to mark up those provisions which fall under the subcommittee's jurisdiction of the proposed National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2013, 5 p.m., SR–232A.

May 23, Subcommittee on Strategic Forces, closed business meeting to mark up those provisions which fall under the subcommittee's jurisdiction of the proposed National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2013, 9:30 a.m., SR–232A.

May 23, Full Committee, closed business meeting to mark up the proposed National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2013, 2:30 p.m., SR–222.

May 24, Full Committee, closed business meeting to continue markup of the proposed National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2013, 9:30 a.m., SR–222.

May 25, Full Committee, closed business meeting to continue markup of the proposed National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2013, 9:30 a.m., SR–222.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: May 22, to hold hearings to examine implementing derivatives reform, focusing on reducing systemic risk and improving market oversight, 10 a.m., SD–538.

May 23, Subcommittee on Security and International Trade and Finance, to hold hearings to examine reviewing the United States-China strategic and economic dialogue, 2 p.m., SD–538.

May 24, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine ''The Responsible Homeowner Refinancing Act of 2012'', 10 a.m., SD–538.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: May 22, to hold hearings to examine the report produced by the American Energy Innovation Council titled ''Catalyzing American Ingenuity: The Role of Government in Energy Innovation'' and related issues, 10 a.m., SD–366.

Committee on Finance: May 23, to hold hearings to examine progress in health care delivery, focusing on innovations from the field, 10 a.m., SD–215.

Committee on Foreign Relations: May 23, to hold hearings to examine The Law of the Sea Convention (Treaty Doc. 103–39), focusing on the United States National Security and Strategic Imperatives for Ratification, 10 a.m., SD–419.

May 24, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the global implications of poaching in Africa, focusing on ivory and insecurity, 10:30 a.m., SD–419.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: May 21, Subcommittee on Oversight of Government Management, the Federal Workforce, and the District of Columbia, to hold hearings to examine national security, focusing on foreign language capabilities in the Federal government, 2:30 p.m., SD–342.

May 23, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the Secret Service, focusing on trust and confidence, 10:30 a.m., SD–G50.

May 24, Subcommittee on Federal Financial Management, Government Information, Federal Services, and International Security, to hold hearings to examine efforts to reform information technology spending, focusing on innovating with less, 10 a.m., SD–342.

Committee on Indian Affairs: May 24, to hold an oversight hearing to examine programs and services for native veterans, 2:15 p.m., SD–628.

Committee on the Judiciary: May 23, Subcommittee on Administrative Oversight and the Courts, to hold hearings to examine protecting our children, focusing on the importance of training child protection professionals, 10 a.m., SD–226.

May 23, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine certain nominations, 2:30 p.m., SD–226.

May 24, Full Committee, business meeting to consider S. 2076, to improve security at State and local courthouses, and S. 2370, to amend title 11, United States Code, to make bankruptcy organization more efficient for small business debtors, 10 a.m., SD–226.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: May 23, to hold hearings to examine seamless transition, focusing on a review of the Integrated Disability Evaluation System, 10 a.m., SD–562.

Select Committee on Intelligence: May 22, to hold closed hearings to examine certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH–219.

May 24, Full Committee, closed business meeting to consider pending calendar business, 9 a.m., SH–219.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

2 p.m., Monday, May 21

Senate Chamber

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Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

10 a.m., Tuesday, May 22

House Chamber

Program for Tuesday: The House will meet in pro forma session at 10 a.m.

Extensions of Remarks, as inserted in this issue

HOUSE

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