

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

The Senate was not in session today. It will next meet at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, April 12, 2011.

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

APPROPRIATIONS: NASA

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies con-

cluded a hearing to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2012 for the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, after receiving testimony from Charles F. Bolden, Jr., Administrator, National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 1 public bill, H.R. 1473; and 3 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 35–36; and H.Res. 217 were introduced. **Page H2575**

Additional Cosponsors: **Page H2575**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 1217, to repeal the Prevention and Public Health Fund (H. Rept. 112–57) and

H. Con. Res. 34, establishing the budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2012 and setting forth appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2013 through 2021 (H. Rept. 112–58).

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Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Yoder to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H2573**

Recess: The House recessed at 11:04 p.m. and reconvened at 1:45 a.m. on Tuesday, April 12th.

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Quorum Calls—Votes: There were no yea-and-nay votes, and there were no recorded votes. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 11 p.m. and adjourned at 1:46 a.m. on Tuesday, April 12th.

Committee Meetings

No meetings were held.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D340)

H.R. 1363, making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2011. Signed on April 9, 2011. (Public Law 112–8)

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY, APRIL 12, 2011

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2012 for the U.S. Agency for International Development, 10 a.m., SD–138.

Committee on Armed Services: to hold hearings to examine U.S. Pacific Command and U.S. Forces Korea in review of the Defense Authorization request for fiscal year 2012

and the Future Years Defense Program; with the possibility of a closed session in SH-219 following the open session, 10 a.m., SD-106.

Subcommittee on Emerging Threats and Capabilities, to hold hearings to examine Department of Defense plans and programs relating to counterterrorism, counter-narcotics, and building partnership capacity; with the possibility of a closed session in SVC-217 following the open session, 2:30 p.m., SR-232A.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: business meeting to consider the nominations of Katharine G. Abraham, of Iowa, and Carl Shapiro, of California, both to be a Member of the Council of Economic Advisers, Executive Office of the President, and Eric L. Hirschhorn, of Maryland, to be Under Secretary of Commerce for Export Administration; to be immediately followed by a hearing to examine building the new derivatives regulatory framework, focusing on oversight of Title VII of the "Dodd-Frank Act", 2:45 p.m., SD-538.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: business meeting to consider S. 99, to promote the production of molybdenum-99 in the United States for medical isotope production, and to condition and phase out the export of highly enriched uranium for the production of medical isotopes, S. 398, to amend the Energy Policy and Conservation Act to improve energy efficiency of certain appliances and equipment, S. 629, to improve hydropower, S. 630, to promote marine and hydrokinetic renewable energy research and development, an original hydropower bill, and the nomination of Peter Bruce Lyons, of New Mexico, to be an Assistant Secretary of Energy (Nuclear Energy), 10 a.m., SD-366.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: with the Subcommittee on Water and Wildlife, to hold joint hearings to examine natural gas drilling, focusing on public health and environmental impacts, 10 a.m., SD-406.

Full Committee, with the Subcommittee on Clean Air and Nuclear Safety, to hold joint hearings to examine a review of the nuclear emergency in Japan and implications for the U.S., 2:45 p.m., SD-406.

Committee on Finance: to hold hearings to examine the best practices in tax administration, focusing on a look across the globe, 10 a.m., SD-215.

Committee on Foreign Relations: business meeting to consider S. Res. 109, honoring and supporting women in North Africa and the Middle East whose bravery, compassion, and commitment to putting the wellbeing of others before their own have proven that courage can be contagious, and the nominations of Nils Maarten Parin Daulaire, of Virginia, to be Representative of the United States on the Executive Board of the World Health Organization, Joseph M. Torsella, of Pennsylvania, to be Representative of the United States of America to the United Nations for U.N. Management and Reform, with the rank of Ambassador, and to be Alternate Representative of the United States of America to the Sessions of the General Assembly of the United Nations, during his tenure of service as Representative of the United States of America to the United Nations for U.N. Management and Reform, Suzan D. Johnson Cook, of New York, to be Ambassador at Large for International Religious Free-

dom, Robert Patterson, of New York, to be Ambassador to Turkmenistan, Jonathan Scott Gration, of New Jersey, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Kenya, Michelle D. Gavin, of the District of Columbia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Botswana, David Bruce Shear, of New York, to be Ambassador to the Socialist Republic of Vietnam, and Kurt Walter Tong, of Maryland, for the rank of Ambassador during his tenure of service as United States Senior Official for the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) Forum, all of the Department of State, and Ben S. Bernanke, of New Jersey, to be United States Alternate Governor of the International Monetary Fund, 2:15 p.m., S-116, Capitol.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Subcommittee on Federal Financial Management, Government Information, Federal Services, and International Security, to hold hearings to examine the President's plan for eliminating wasteful spending in information technology, 10:30 a.m., SD-342.

Subcommittee on Oversight of Government Management, the Federal Workforce, and the District of Columbia, to hold hearings to examine financial literacy, focusing on empowering Americans to make informed financial decisions, 2:30 p.m., SD-628.

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on the Constitution, to hold hearings to examine the "Fair Elections Now Act", focusing on a comprehensive response to Citizens United, 10 a.m., SD-226.

Subcommittee on Crime and Drugs, to hold hearings to examine cyber security, focusing on responding to the threat of cyber crime and terrorism, 2:30 p.m., SD-226.

House Committees

Committee on Agriculture, April 13, Subcommittee on General Farm Commodities and Risk Management, hearing on Implementing Dodd-Frank: A Review of the CFTC's Rulemaking Process, 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

April 13, Subcommittee on Livestock, Dairy, and Poultry, hearing on the state of the poultry industry, 2 p.m., 1300 Longworth.

April 14, Subcommittee on Department Operations, Oversight, and Credit, hearing on credit conditions in rural America, 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

Committee on Appropriations, April 13, Subcommittee on Defense, hearing on Defense Acquisition, 10 a.m., H-140 Capitol.

April 13, Subcommittee on State, Foreign Operations, and Related Agencies, Members Day hearing, 11 a.m., HT-2 Capitol.

April 13, Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education and Related Agencies, hearing on Examining Fragmentation and Overlap of Federal Education Programs, 10:30 a.m., 2358-C Rayburn.

April 14, Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies, Public Witness Day, 9:30 a.m., B-308 Rayburn.

April 14, Subcommittee on Defense, hearing on U.S. Pacific Command and U.S. Forces Korea, 10 a.m., H-140 Capitol. This is a closed hearing.

April 14, Subcommittee on Financial Services and General Government, hearing on U.S. Supreme Court—FY 2012 Budget, 10 a.m., 2359 Rayburn.

April 14, Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education and Related Agencies, hearing on Department of Labor Enforcement Programs, 10 a.m., 2358—C Rayburn.

April 14, Subcommittee on State, Foreign Operations, and Related Agencies, Public Witness Day, 10:30 a.m., 2362—A Rayburn.

April 14, Subcommittee on Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies, hearing on Pacific Command and Korea-Commanders, 2 p.m., H-140 Capitol.

April 15, Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies, Public Witness Days, 9:30 a.m., B-308 Rayburn.

April 15, Subcommittee on Financial Services and General Government, hearing on Treasury [TIGTA] FY 2012 Budget, 10 a.m., 2359 Rayburn.

April 15, Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education and Related Agencies, hearing on Health Reform, 10 a.m., Room TBD.

Committee on Armed Services, April 13, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing to receive testimony on Guantanamo detainee transfer policy and recidivism, 2:30 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

April 13, Subcommittee on Readiness, hearing to receive testimony on the fiscal year 2012 national defense authorization budget request for military construction, base closure, environment, facilities operation and maintenance, 3:30 p.m., 2212 Rayburn.

April 14, full Committee, hearing to receive testimony from Members on their national defense priorities for the fiscal year 2012 national defense authorization bill, 9:30 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

April 14, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing on accountability at Arlington National Cemetery, 2 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Committee on Education and the Workforce, April 13, full Committee, hearing on Policies and Priorities of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, 10 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

April 14, Subcommittee on Workforce Protections, hearing on Examining the Department of Labor's Implementation of the Davis-Bacon Act, 10 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, April 12, Subcommittee on Communications and Technology, hearing entitled "Using Spectrum to Advance Public Safety, Promote Broadband, Create Jobs, and Reduce the Deficit," 1:30 p.m., 2123 Rayburn.

April 13, Subcommittee on Energy and Power, hearing on Jobs and Energy Permitting Act of 2011 legislation, 10 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

April 13, Subcommittee on Oversight and Government Reform, hearing entitled "Import Safety: Status of FDA's Screening Efforts at the Border," 10:30 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

April 14, Subcommittee on Commerce, Manufacturing, and Trade, hearing "Warning: The Growing Danger of Prescription Drug Diversion," 9 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

April 14, Subcommittee on Environment and the Economy, hearing on H.R. 1391, the Recycling Coal Combustion Residuals Accessibility Act of 2011, 9:30 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

April 15, Subcommittee on Energy and Power, hearing on the Recent EPA Rulemakings Relating to Boilers, Cement Manufacturing Plants, and Utilities, 9 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, April 14, Subcommittee on Capital Markets and Government Sponsored Enterprises, hearing entitled "Understanding the Implications and Consequences of the Proposed Rule on Risk Retention," 2 p.m., 2128 Rayburn.

April 14, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled "Oversight of the Financial Stability Oversight Council," 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Foreign Affairs, April 13, Subcommittee on the Western Hemisphere, hearing on Priorities for U.S. Assistance in the Western Hemisphere, 10:30 a.m., 2212 Rayburn.

April 13, Subcommittee on Africa, Global Health, and Human Rights, hearing on Crisis in Cote d'Ivoire: Implications for the Country and Region, 9 a.m., 2172 Rayburn. The hearing will be followed by a markup of the following: H.R. 515, Belarus Democracy Reauthorization Act of 2011; and H. Res. 85, supporting the democratic aspirations of the Ivoirian people and calling on the United States to apply intense diplomatic pressure and provide humanitarian support in response to the political crisis in Cote d'Ivoire.

April 13, Subcommittee on the Middle East and South Asia, hearing on Shifting Sands: Political Transitions in the Middle East, Part 1, 2:30 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

April 14, full Committee, markup on H.R. 1016, Assessing Progress in Haiti Act; H.R. 1280, to amend the Atomic Energy Act of 1954 to require congressional approval of agreements for peaceful nuclear cooperation with foreign countries, and for other purposes; H.R. 1321, North Korea Sanctions and Diplomatic Nonrecognition Act of 2011; H. Res. 77, expressing the solidarity of the House of Representatives with the families of the victims and those displaced by the heavy rains and widespread flooding in Colombia; H. Res. 139, expressing condolences to the people of New Zealand for the terrible loss of life and property suffered as a result of the deadly earthquake that struck on February 22, 2011; and H. Res. 172, pressing heartfelt condolences and support for assistance to the people of Japan and all those affected in the aftermath of the deadly earthquake and tsunamis of March 11, 2011. 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

April 14, Subcommittee on Terrorism, Nonproliferation and Trade, hearing on the State Department's Counterterrorism Office: Budget, Reorganization, Policies, 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

April 14, Subcommittee on Europe and Eurasia, hearing on Budget Oversight: Examining the President's 2012 Budget Request for Europe and Eurasia, 2:30 p.m., 2247 Rayburn.

Committee on Homeland Security, April 13, Subcommittee on Emergency Preparedness, Response, and Communications, hearing entitled “Taking Measure of Countermeasures (Part 1): A review of government and industry efforts to protect the homeland through accelerated research, development, and acquisition of chemical, biological, radiological and nuclear medical countermeasures”, 2 p.m., 311 Cannon.

April 15, Subcommittee on Cybersecurity, Infrastructure Protection and Security Technologies, hearing entitled “The DHS Cybersecurity Mission: Promoting Innovation and Securing Critical Infrastructure”, 10 a.m., 311 Cannon.

Committee on House Administration, April 14, Subcommittee on Elections, hearing on H.R. 672, to terminate the Election Assistance Commission, and for other purposes, 10:30 a.m., 1310 Longworth.

Committee on the Judiciary, April 12, Subcommittee on the Constitution, hearing on legislation on the Private Property Rights Protection Act, 4 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

April 13, Subcommittee on Immigration Policy and Enforcement, hearing on the H-2A Visa Program: Meeting the Growing Needs of American Agriculture, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

April 13, Subcommittee on Courts, Commercial and Administrative Law, hearing on legislation on the Business Activity Tax Simplification Act of 2011, 1:30 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

April 15, Subcommittee on the Constitution, hearing on Defending Marriage, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Natural Resources, April 13, full Committee, markup of H.R. 1229, Putting the Gulf of Mexico Back to Work Act; H.R. 1230, Restarting American Offshore Leasing Now Act; and H.R. 1231, Reversing President Obama’s Offshore Moratorium Act.

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, April 13, full Committee, markup on the following: H.R. 828, Federal Employee Tax Accountability Act of 2011; H.R. 829, Contracting and Tax Accountability Act of 2011; H.R. 1470, to amend title 5, United States Code, to extend the probationary period applicable to appointments in the civil service, and for other purposes; and H.R. 1423, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 115 4th Avenue Southwest in Ardmore, Oklahoma, as the “Specialist Micheal E. Phillips Post Office”, 9:30 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

April 13, Subcommittee on Federal Workforce, U.S. Postal Service and Labor Policy, hearing entitled “Federal Employees’ Compensation Act: A Fair Approach?” 1:30 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

April 14, full Committee, hearing entitled “State and Municipal Debt: Tough Choices Ahead”, 9:30 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

April 14, Subcommittee on National Security, Homeland Defense and Foreign Operations, hearing entitled “Tsunami Warning, Preparedness, and Interagency Cooperation: Lessons Learned”, 1:30 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

April 14, Subcommittee on Health Care, District of Columbia, Census and the National Archives, hearing entitled, “Pathway to FDA Medical Device Approval: Is there a Better Way?” 1:30 p.m., 2247 Rayburn.

April 15, Subcommittee on National Security, Homeland Defense and Foreign Operations and the Committee on Natural Resources, Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Public Lands, joint hearing entitled, “The Border: Are Environmental Laws and Regulations Impeding Security and Harming the Environment?” 9:30 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

April 15, Subcommittee on Government Organization, Efficiency and Financial Management, hearing entitled “Improper Payments: Finding Solutions”, 10 a.m., 2247 Rayburn.

Committee on Rules, April 12, full Committee, hearing on H.R. 1217, to repeal the Prevention and Public Health Fund, 5 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, April 13, Subcommittee on Technology and Innovation, markup on legislation to create jobs through the Small Business Innovation Act of 2011, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

April 13, Subcommittee on Investigations and Oversight, hearing on Green Jobs and Red Tape: Assessing Federal Efforts to Encourage Employment, 2 p.m., 2318 Rayburn.

April 14, full Committee, hearing to review Hydraulic Fracturing Technology and Practices, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

April 14, Subcommittee on Research and Science Education, hearing on Nanotechnology: Oversight of the National Nanotechnology Initiative and Priorities for the Future, 2 p.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Small Business, April 13, full Committee, hearing on How Tax Complexity Hinders Small Businesses: The Impact on Job Creation and Economic Growth, 1 p.m., 2360 Rayburn.

April 14, Subcommittee on Agriculture, Energy and Trade, hearing entitled “Drilling for a Solution: Finding Ways to Curtail the Crushing Effect of High Gas Prices on Small Business”, 10 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, April 12, Subcommittee on Railroads, Pipelines, and Hazardous Materials, hearing on Reducing Regulatory Burdens and Ensuring Safe Transportation of Hazardous Materials, 3 p.m., 2167 Rayburn.

April 13, Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation, hearing on Improving and Streamlining the Coast Guard’s Acquisition Program, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

April 14, Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings, and Emergency Management, hearing entitled “Richard H. Poff Federal Building Renovation: Is it Costing the Taxpayer Too Much?” 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

April 14, full Committee, hearing on Biometric IDs for Pilots and Transportation Workers: Diary of Failures, 9 a.m., 2253 Rayburn.

Committee on Veterans’ Affairs, April 13, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled “Inspect What You Expect: Construction Contracting Practices at the Department of Veterans Affairs”, 10 a.m., 334 Cannon.

Committee on Ways and Means, April 13, full Committee, hearing on the special burdens that the tax code

imposes on individual taxpayers and families and on the need for comprehensive tax reform to address these problems, 10 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

April 13, Subcommittee on Social Security, hearing on the role of Social Security numbers in identity theft and options to guard their privacy, 2 p.m., B-318 Rayburn.

April 14, Subcommittee on Social Security, hearing on the Social Security Administration's (SSA's) role in verifying employment eligibility, 2 p.m., B-318 Rayburn.

House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, April 13, Subcommittee on Terrorism, HUMINT, Analysis, and Counterintelligence, hearing on Muslim Brotherhood, 2 p.m., 210 Cannon.

April 14, full Committee, hearing on FY 2012 Budget—Department of Homeland Security and Department of Justice, 10 a.m., HVC-304. This is a closed hearing.

April 15, full Committee, hearing on FY 2012 Budget—Military Intelligence Program and General Defense Intelligence Program, 9 a.m., HVC-304. This is a closed hearing.

CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of April 12 through April 16, 2011

Senate Chamber

On *Tuesday*, at 11 a.m., Senate will begin consideration of the nomination of Vincent L. Briccetti, of New York, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of New York, and the nomination of John A. Kronstadt, of California, to be United States District Judge for the Central District of California. At approximately 12 noon, the nomination of Vincent L. Briccetti, of New York, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of New York, will be confirmed by consent, and Senate vote on confirmation of the nomination of John A. Kronstadt, of California, to be United States District Judge for the Central District of California.

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: April 12, Subcommittee on State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2012 for the U.S. Agency for International Development, 10 a.m., SD-138.

April 13, Subcommittee on Department of Defense, to receive a closed briefing on the proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2012 United States Pacific Command (PACOM), 10:30 a.m., S-217, Capitol.

April 13, Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2012 for the Army

Corps of Engineers and Bureau of Reclamation, 2 p.m., SD-192.

April 14, Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2012 for the Department of Commerce, 10 a.m., SD-192.

April 14, Subcommittee on Military Construction and Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2012 for the Department of Army and the Department of Air Force, 2 p.m., SD-124.

April 14, Subcommittee on Legislative Branch, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2012 for the Secretary of the Senate, the Senate Sergeant at Arms, and the United States Capitol Police, 2:30 p.m., SD-138.

Committee on Armed Services: April 12, to hold hearings to examine U.S. Pacific Command and U.S. Forces Korea in review of the Defense Authorization request for fiscal year 2012 and the Future Years Defense Program; with the possibility of a closed session in SH-219 following the open session, 10 a.m., SD-106.

April 12, Subcommittee on Emerging Threats and Capabilities, to hold hearings to examine Department of Defense plans and programs relating to counterterrorism, counternarcotics, and building partnership capacity; with the possibility of a closed session in SVC-217 following the open session, 2:30 p.m., SR-232A.

April 13, Subcommittee on Readiness and Management Support, to hold hearings to examine the current materiel readiness of U.S. Forces in review of the Defense Authorization Request for fiscal year 2012 and the Future Years Defense Program, 10 a.m., SR-232A.

April 13, Subcommittee on Personnel, to hold hearings to examine the Active, Guard, Reserve, and civilian personnel programs in review of the Defense Authorization request for fiscal year 2012 and the Future Years Defense Program, 1:30 p.m., SR-222.

April 13, Subcommittee on Strategic Forces, to hold hearings to examine ballistic missile defense policies and programs in review of the Defense Authorization request for fiscal year 2012 and the Future Years Defense Program; with the possibility of a closed session in SVC-217 following the open session, 2:30 p.m., SR-232A.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: April 12, business meeting to consider the nominations of Katharine G. Abraham, of Iowa, and Carl Shapiro, of California, both to be a Member of the Council of Economic Advisers, Executive Office of the President, and Eric L. Hirschhorn, of Maryland, to be Under Secretary of Commerce for Export Administration; to be immediately followed by a hearing to examine building the new derivatives regulatory framework, focusing on oversight of Title VII of the "Dodd-Frank Act", 2:45 p.m., SD-538.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: April 12, business meeting to consider S. 99, to promote the production of molybdenum-99 in the United States for medical isotope production, and to condition and phase out the export of highly enriched uranium for the production of medical isotopes, S. 398, to amend the Energy Policy

and Conservation Act to improve energy efficiency of certain appliances and equipment, S. 629, to improve hydro-power, S. 630, to promote marine and hydrokinetic renewable energy research and development, an original hydro-power bill, and the nomination of Peter Bruce Lyons, of New Mexico, to be an Assistant Secretary of Energy (Nuclear Energy), 10 a.m., SD-366.

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April 12, Full Committee, with the Subcommittee on Clean Air and Nuclear Safety, to hold joint hearings to examine a review of the nuclear emergency in Japan and implications for the U.S, 2:45 p.m., SD-406.

April 13, Full Committee, business meeting to consider S. 782, to amend the Public Works and Economic Development Act of 1965 to reauthorize that Act, S. 680, to authorize the Administrator of General Services to convey a parcel of real property in the District of Columbia to provide for the establishment of a National Women's History Museum, and S. 710, to amend the Solid Waste Disposal Act to direct the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency to establish a hazardous waste electronic manifest system, 9 a.m., SD-406.

April 13, Full Committee, to hold an oversight hearing to examine domestic renewable fuels, focusing on ethanol and advanced biofuels, 10 a.m., SD-406.

April 14, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine issues for surface transportation authorization, 10 a.m., SD-406.

Committee on Finance: April 12, to hold hearings to examine the best practices in tax administration, focusing on a look across the globe, 10 a.m., SD-215.

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Republic of Vietnam, and Kurt Walter Tong, of Maryland, for the rank of Ambassador during his tenure of service as United States Senior Official for the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) Forum, all of the Department of State, and Ben S. Bernanke, of New Jersey, to be United States Alternate Governor of the International Monetary Fund, 2:15 p.m., S-116, Capitol.

April 13, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine international development policy priorities in the fiscal year 2012 budget, 2 p.m., SD-419.

April 14, Subcommittee on African Affairs, to hold hearings to examine assessing the fiscal year 2012 budget for Africa, 2:30 p.m., SD-419.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: April 13, business meeting to consider any pending nominations, Time to be announced, Room to be announced.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: April 12, Subcommittee on Federal Financial Management, Government Information, Federal Services, and International Security, to hold hearings to examine the President's plan for eliminating wasteful spending in information technology, 10:30 a.m., SD-342.

April 12, Subcommittee on Oversight of Government Management, the Federal Workforce, and the District of Columbia, to hold hearings to examine financial literacy, focusing on empowering Americans to make informed financial decisions, 2:30 p.m., SD-628.

April 13, Full Committee, business meeting to consider S. 679, to reduce the number of executive positions subject to Senate confirmation, S. 772, to protect Federal employees and visitors, improve the security of Federal facilities and authorize and modernize the Federal Protective Service, S. 550, to improve the provision of assistance to fire departments, S. 300, to prevent abuse of Government charge cards, S. 498, to ensure objective, independent review of task and delivery orders, S. 762, to improve the Federal Acquisition Institute, S. 191, to direct the Department of Homeland Security to undertake a study on emergency communications, S. 514, to amend chapter 21 of title 5, United States Code, to provide that fathers of permanently disabled or deceased veterans shall be included with mothers of such veterans as preference eligibles for treatment in the civil service, S. Res. 128, expressing the sense of the Senate that public servants should be commended for their dedication and continued service to the Nation during Public Service Recognition Week, May 1 through 7, 2011, and the nomination of Rafael Borrás, of Maryland, to be Under Secretary of Homeland Security for Management, 11 a.m., SD-342.

April 14, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine Federal regulation, focusing on how to best advance the public interest, 10 a.m., SD-342.

Committee on Indian Affairs: April 14, to hold hearings to examine S. 636, to provide the Quileute Indian Tribe Tsunami and Flood Protection, S. 703, to amend the Long-Term Leasing Act, and S. 546, to extend the Federal recognition to the Little Shell Tribe of Chippewa Indians of Montana, 2:15 p.m., SD-628.

Committee on the Judiciary: April 12, Subcommittee on the Constitution, to hold hearings to examine the "Fair

Elections Now Act”, focusing on a comprehensive response to Citizens United, 10 a.m., SD-226.

April 12, Subcommittee on Crime and Drugs, to hold hearings to examine cyber security, focusing on responding to the threat of cyber crime and terrorism, 2:30 p.m., SD-226.

April 13, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine fulfilling our commitment to support victims of crime, 10 a.m., SD-226.

April 13, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Henry F. Floyd, of South Carolina, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Fourth Circuit, Nelva Gonzales Ramos, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Texas, Richard Brooke Jackson, to be United States District Judge for the District of Colorado, Sara Lynn Darrow, to be United States District Judge for the Central District of Illinois, and Lisa O. Monaco, of the District of Columbia, to be an Assistant Attorney General, Department of Justice, 3 p.m., SD-226.

April 14, Full Committee, business meeting to consider S. 350, to require restitution for victims of criminal violations of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, S. 623, to amend chapter 111 of title 28, United States

Code, relating to protective orders, sealing of cases, disclosures of discovery information in civil actions, and the nominations of Bernice Bouie Donald, of Tennessee, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Sixth Circuit, and Virginia A. Seitz, of the District of Columbia, to be an Assistant Attorney General, and Denise Ellen O'Donnell, of New York, to be Director of the Bureau of Justice Assistance, both of the Department of Justice, 10 a.m., SD-226.

Committee on Rules and Administration: April 13, business meeting to consider the nomination of William J. Boarman, of Maryland, to be Public Printer, Government Printing Office, 10 a.m., SR-301.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: April 13, to hold hearings to examine veterans' employment, focusing on improving the transition from the battlefield to the workforce, 10 a.m., SR-418.

Select Committee on Intelligence: April 14, to hold closed hearings to examine certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

Special Committee on Aging: April 13, to hold hearings to examine the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) and the reform of the medical device approval process, 2 p.m., SD-562.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

10 a.m., Tuesday, April 12

Senate Chamber

Program for Tuesday: After the transaction of any morning business (not to extend beyond 11 a.m.), Senate will begin consideration of the nomination of Vincent L. Briccetti, of New York, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of New York, and the nomination of John A. Kronstadt, of California, to be United States District Judge for the Central District of California. At approximately 12 noon, the nomination of Vincent L. Briccetti, of New York, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of New York, will be confirmed by consent, and Senate will vote on confirmation of the nomination of John A. Kronstadt, of California, to be United States District Judge for the Central District of California.

(Senate will recess from 12:30 p.m. until 2:15 p.m. for their respective party conferences.)

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

12 p.m., Tuesday, April 12

House Chamber

Program for Tuesday: Consideration of the following suspensions: (1) H.R. 1308—To amend the Ronald Reagan Centennial Commission Act to extend the termination date for the Commission, and for other purposes and (2) S. 307—To designate the Federal building and United States courthouse located at 217 West King Street, Martinsburg, West Virginia, as the “W. Craig Broadwater Federal Building and United States Courthouse”.

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