# Daily Digest

## Senate

### Chamber Action

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Measures Introduced: Sixteen bills and five resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 927–942, S. Res. 175–178, and S. Con. Res. 16. Pages S2839–40

### Measures Passed:

Authorizing the Use of Emancipation Hall: Senate agreed to S. Con. Res. 16, authorizing the use of Emancipation Hall in the Capitol Visitor Center for an event to celebrate the birthday of King Kamehameha.

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Silver Star Service Banner Day: Senate agreed to S. Res. 178, expressing support for the designation of May 1, 2011, as "Silver Star Service Banner Day".

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### Appointments:

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe (Helsinki): The Chair, on behalf of the Vice President, pursuant to Public Law 94–304, as amended by Public Law 99–7, appointed the following Senators as members of the Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe (Helsinki) during the 112th Congress: Senator Ayotte, Senator Chambliss, Senator Rubio, and Senator Wicker.

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Allen Nomination—Agreement: A unanimous-consent-time agreement was reached providing that at 2 p.m., on Wednesday, May 11, 2011, Senate begin consideration of the nomination of Arenda L. Wright Allen, of Virginia, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Virginia; that there be one hour for debate, equally divided in the usual form; that upon the use or yielding back of time, Senate vote without intervening action or debate on confirmation of the nomination; that no further motions be in order to the nomination.

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Nomination Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nomination:

By 56 yeas and 42 nays (Vote No. EX. 68), Edward Milton Chen, of California, to be United States

District Judge for the Northern District of California. Pages \$2824-32, \$2850

Measures Read the First Time: Pages S2838, S2850

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Authorities for Committees to Meet:

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Record Votes: One record vote was taken today. (Total—68) Page S2832

Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 6:07 p.m., until 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday, May 11, 2011. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page \$2850.)

### Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

### APPROPRIATIONS: COAST GUARD

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Department of Homeland Security concluded a hearing to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2012 for the Coast Guard, focusing on an examination of operational and recapitalization requirements, after receiving testimony from Admiral Robert J. Papp, Jr., Commandant, United States Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security.

## DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION REQUEST FUTURE YEARS DEFENSE PROGRAM

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Emerging Threats and Capabilities concluded open and closed hearings to examine proliferation prevention programs at the Department of Energy and the Department of Defense in review of the Defense Authorization Request for fiscal year 2012 and the Future Years Defense Program, after receiving testimony from Joseph R. DeTrani, Director, National

Counterproliferation Center, Office of the Director of National Intelligence; Edward B. Held, Director, Office of Intelligence and Counterintelligence, Michael McKeon, Chief Scientist, Anne M. Herrington, Deputy Administrator for Defense Nuclear Nonproliferation, National Nuclear Security Administration, and John Gerrard, Assistant Deputy Administrator, International Material Protection and Cooperation, all of the Department of Energy; and Brian Keith Lessenberry, Acting National Intelligence Officer for Weapons of Mass Destruction, Kenneth A. Meyers III, Director, Defense Threat Reduction Agency, Kenneth B. Handelman, Acting Assistant Secretary for Global Strategic Affairs, and Jed Royal, Director, Cooperative Threat Reduction Policy, all of the Department of Defense.

## FINANCIAL CRISIS INQUIRY COMMISSION'S FINAL REPORT

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the Financial Crisis Inquiry Commission's final report, after receiving testimony from Phil Angelides, Chairman, Financial Crisis Inquiry Commission.

## TRANSPORTATION WORKER IDENTIFICATION CREDENTIAL PROGRAM

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the Transportation Worker Identification Credential Program, focusing on if internal control weaknesses need to be corrected to help achieve security objectives, after receiving testimony from Representative Mica; John Pistole, Administrator, Transportation Security Administration, and Rear Admiral Kevin S. Cook, Director, Prevention Policy, United States Coast Guard, both of the Department of Homeland Security; and Stephen M. Lord, Director, Homeland Security and Justice Issues, Government Accountability Office.

### **UPSTREAM OIL AND GAS TECHNOLOGIES**

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee concluded a hearing to examine new developments in upstream oil and gas technologies, after receiving testimony from Kevin R. Banks, Alaska Department of Natural Resources Division of Oil and Gas Director, and Lois N. Epstein, Wilderness Society, both of Anchorage; Thomas Davis, Colorado School of Mines, Golden; Andy Hendricks, Schlumberger, Sugarland, Texas; and L. Stephen Melzer, Melzer Consulting, Midland, Texas.

### **DEFICIT REDUCTION**

Committee on Finance: Committee concluded a hearing to examine perspectives on deficit reduction, focusing on Social Security, after receiving testimony from

James Roosevelt, Jr., Tufts Associated Health Plans, Inc., Watertown, Massachusetts; and Charles P. Blahous, Hoover Institution, Nancy J. Altman, Social Security Works, and Alex M. Brill, American Enterprise Institute (AEI), all of Washington, D.C.

## SUCCESSFUL 2014 AFGHANISTAN TRANSITION

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded a hearing to examine steps needed for a successful 2014 transition in Afghanistan, after receiving testimony from David J. Kilcullen, Caerus Associates, Seth G. Jones, RAND Corporation, and Stephen Biddle, Council on Foreign Relations, all of Washington, D.C.

## GOVERNMENT PERFORMANCE AND RESULTS MODERNIZATION ACT

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Subcommittee on Oversight of Government Management, the Federal Workforce, and the District of Columbia with the Subcommittee on Federal Financial Management, Government Information, Federal Services, and International Security concluded a joint hearing to examine a roadmap for a more efficient and accountable Federal government, focusing on implementing the Government Performance and Results (GPRA) Modernization Act, after receiving testimony from Jeffrey D. Zients, Administrator, Federal Procurement Policy, Office of Management and Budget; Gene L. Dodaro, Comptroller General of the United States, Government Accountability Office; Robert Shea, Grant Thornton LLP, Alexandria, Virginia; Paul L. Posner, George Mason University, Fairfax, Virginia; and Jonathan D. Breul, IBM Center for The Business of Government, Washington, D.C.

### PROTECTING MOBILE PRIVACY

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Privacy, Technology and the Law concluded a hearing to examine protecting mobile privacy, focusing on smartphones, tablets, cell phones and privacy, after receiving testimony from Jessica Rich, Deputy Director, Bureau of Consumer Protection, Federal Trade Commission; Jason Weinstein, Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division, Department of Justice; Justin Brookman, Center for Democracy and Technology (CDT), Alan Davidson, Google Inc., Jonathan Zuck, The Association for Competitive Technology, and Ashkan Soltani, all of Washington, D.C.; and Guy Tribble, Apple Inc., Cupertino, California.

### INTELLIGENCE

Committee recessed subject to the call.

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee held closed hearings on intelligence matters, receiving testimony from officials of the intelligence community.

## House of Representatives

### Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 24 public bills, H.R. 1801–1824; and 8 resolutions, H.J. Res. 57; and H. Res. 255–256, 258–262 were introduced.

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Additional Cosponsors:

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Report Filed: A report was filed today as follows: H. Res. 257, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 1231) to amend the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act to require that each 5-year offshore oil and gas leasing program offer leasing in the areas with the most prospective oil and gas resources, to establish a domestic oil and natural gas production goal, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 112–74).

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Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Graves (GA) to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

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**Recess:** The House recessed at 12:06 p.m. and reconvened at 2 p.m. Page H3118

Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the guest chaplain, Reverend Jane Wood, Jerusalem-Mt. Pleasant United Methodist Church, Rockville, Maryland.

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Whole Number of the House: The Speaker announced to the House that, in light of the resignation of the gentleman from Nevada, Mr. Heller, the whole number of the House is adjusted to 432.

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Recess: The House recessed at 2:14 p.m. and reconvened at 4 p.m. Page H3119

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

Assessing Progress in Haiti Act: H.R. 1016, amended, to measure the progress of relief, recovery, reconstruction, and development efforts in Haiti following the earthquake of January 12, 2010.

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Putting the Gulf of Mexico Back to Work Act: The House began consideration of H.R. 1229, to amend the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act to facilitate the safe and timely production of American energy resources from the Gulf of Mexico. Consideration is expected to resume tomorrow, May 11th.

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Pursuant to the rule, the amendment recommended by the Committee on Natural Resources now printed in the bill shall be considered as adopted in the House and in the Committee of the Whole. The bill, as amended, shall be considered as the original bill for the purpose of further amendment under the five-minute rule and shall be considered as read.

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Rejected:

Polis amendment (No. 1 printed in part A of H. Rept. 112–73) that sought to require safety review of permits to take into consideration all applicable safety, environmental and fisheries laws (by a recorded vote of 167 ayes to 245 noes, Roll No. 299);

Pages H3132-34, H3141

Garamendi amendment (No. 2 printed in part A of H. Rept. 112–73) that sought to implement the Commission's recommendation by requiring that in reviewing a drilling permit, the Secretary consult with an independent drilling safety organization not affiliated with the oil industry trade association (by a recorded vote of 169 ayes to 240 noes, Roll No. 300);

Pages H3134–35, H3141–42

Markey amendment (No. 3 printed in part A of H. Rept. 112–73) that sought to implement basic offshore drilling safety reforms recommended by the independent BP spill commission. The Commission found that the root causes of the BP spill were "systematic" and could have been prevented. The amendment would set specific new minimum standards for blow-out preventers, cementing and well design (by a recorded vote of 176 ayes to 237 noes, Roll No. 301); and Pages H3135–37, H3142–43

Hastings (FL) amendment (No. 10 printed in part A of H. Rept. 112–73) that sought to amend the bill to emphasize quality of court decisions instead of speed of court decisions.

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Proceedings Postponed:

Hanabusa amendment (No. 4 printed in part A of H. Rept. 112–73) that seeks to state that the Secretary shall not issue an offshore drilling permit

without certifying that the applicant has calculated a worst-case discharge scenario for the proposed drilling operations; and has demonstrated to the satisfaction of the Secretary that the applicant possesses the capability and technology to respond immediately and effectively to such worst-case discharge scenario;

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Holt amendment (No. 6 printed in part A of H. Rept. 112–73) that seeks to strike a provision in the underlying bill that would "deem" drilling permits approved after 60 days even if the necessary safety and environmental reviews have not be completed. The amendment leaves in place a timeline for approving drilling permits, but prevents permits from being "deemed" approved before the safety review has been completed;

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Polis amendment (No. 7 printed in part A of H. Rept. 112–73) that seeks to lift timeline requirements if the agency lacks an adequate budget or lacks staff expertise to properly review permits;

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Hastings (FL) amendment (No. 8 printed in part A of H. Rept. 112–73) that seeks to require a detailed description of the extent to which and by when any oil found on the leased property will decrease the price of crude oil and at the pump for hardworking Americans;

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Deutch amendment (No. 9 printed in part A of H. Rept. 112–73) that seeks to strike section 202 of H.R. 1229, so that states outside of the 5th Circuit can have their courts hear civil actions relating to energy projects in the Gulf of Mexico; and

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Hastings (FL) amendment (No. 11 printed in part A of H. Rept. 112–73) that seeks to strike section 207 of the bill which pertains to limitations on attorneys' fees.

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H. Res. 245, the rule providing for consideration of the bill, was agreed to on May 5th.

Senate Message: Message received from the Senate by the Clerk and subsequently presented to the House today appears on page H3118.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Three recorded votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H3141, H3141–42 and H3142–43. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 12 noon and adjourned at 9:39 p.m.

## Committee Meetings MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Full Committee began markup of the following: H.R. 5, the Help Efficient, Accessible, Low-cost, Timely Healthcare (HEALTH) Act of 2011; and H.R. 908, the Full Implementation of the Chemical Facility Anti-Terrorism Standards (CFATS) Act.

### GOVERNANCE, DEMOCRACY, HUMAN RIGHTS, AND THE MILLENNIUM CHALLENGE CORPORATION IN AFRICA

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on Africa, Global Health, and Human Rights held a hearing on Governance, Democracy, Human Rights, and the Millennium Challenge Corporation in Africa: The FY 2012 Proposed Budget. Testimony was heard from Johnnie Carson, Assistant Secretary of State, Bureau of African Affairs, Department of State; Sharon Cromer, Senior Deputy Assistant Administrator, Bureau for Africa, U.S. Agency for International Development; and Patrick Fine, Vice President for Compact Implementation, Department of Compact Operations, Millennium Challenge Corporation.

### FUTURE OF CAPITAL FORMATION

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform: Full Committee held a hearing entitled "The Future of Capital Formation." Testimony was heard from the following Securities and Exchange Commission officials: Mary Schapiro, Chairman; Meredith Cross, Director, Division of Corporation Finance; Roel C. Campos, Former Commissioner; and public witnesses.

### REVERSING PRESIDENT OBAMA'S OFFSHORE MORATORIUM ACT

Committee on Rules: The Committee granted, by a record vote of 7 to 3, a structured rule providing for consideration of H.R. 1231, Reversing President Obama's Offshore Moratorium Act. The rule provides one hour of general debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Natural Resources. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule provides that the amendment recommended by the Committee on Natural Resources shall be considered as adopted and that the bill, as amended, shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against provisions in the bill, as amended. The rule makes in order only those amendments printed in the Rules Committee report accompanying the resolution. Provides that each such amendment may be offered only in the order printed in the report, may be offered only by a Member designated in the report, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, shall not be subject to amendment, and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question in the House or in the Committee of the Whole. The rule waives all points

of order against the amendments printed in the report. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Rep. Bishop of Utah; Rep. Holt; Rep. Pallone: Rep. Garamendi; and Rep. Hastings of Florida.

### Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

### COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, MAY 11, 2011

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

### Senate

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2012 for the National Institutes of Health, 10 a.m., SD–124.

Subcommittee on Department of Defense, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2012 for the Guard and Reserve, 10 a.m., SD–192.

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Personnel, to resume 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–232A.

Subcommittee on Strategic Forces, to hold hearings to examine military space 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 p.m., SD–106.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: to hold hearings to examine manufacturing our way to a stronger economy, 2 p.m., SR-253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on National Parks, to hold hearings to examine S. 114, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to enter into a cooperative agreement for a park headquarters at San Antonio Missions National Historical Park, to expand the boundary of the Park, to conduct a study of potential land acquisitions, S. 127, to establish the Buffalo Bayou National Heritage Area in the State of Texas, S. 140, to designate as wilderness certain land and inland water within the Sleeping Bear Dunes National Lakeshore in the State of Michigan, S. 161, to establish Pinnacles National Park in the State of California as a unit of the National Park System, S. 177, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to acquire the Gold Hill Ranch in Coloma, California, S. 247, to establish the Harriet Tubman National Historical Park in Auburn, New York, and the Harriet Tubman Underground Railroad National Historical Park in Caroline, Dorchester, and Talbot Counties, Maryland, S. 279, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to carry out a study to determine the suitability and feasibility of establishing Camp Hale as a unit of the National Park System, S. 302, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to issue right-of-way permits for a natural gas transmission pipeline in nonwilderness areas within the boundary of Denali National Park, S. 313, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to issue permits for a microhydro project in nonwilderness areas within the boundaries of Denali National Park and Preserve, to acquire land for Denali National Park and Preserve from Doyon Tourism, Inc, S. 323, to establish the First State National Historical Park in the State of Delaware, S. 403, to amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to designate segments of the Molalla River in the State of Oregon, as components of the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System, S. 404, to modify a land grant patent issued by the Secretary of the Interior, S. 508, to establish the Chimney Rock National Monument in the State of Colorado, S. 535, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to lease certain lands within Fort Pulaski National Monument, S. 564, to designate the Valles Caldera National Preserve as a unit of the National Park System, S. 599, to establish a commission to commemorate the sesquicentennial of the American Civil War, S. 713, to modify the boundary of Petersburg National Battlefield in the Commonwealth of Virginia, S. 765, to modify the boundary of the Oregon Caves National Monument, S. 779, to authorize the acquisition and protection of nationally significant battlefields and associated sites of the Revolutionary War and the War of 1812 under the American Battlefield Protection Program, S. 849, to establish the Waco Mammoth National Monument in the State of Texas, and S. 858, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a special resource study to determine the suitability and feasibility of designating the Colonel Charles Young Home in Xenia, Ohio as a unit of the National Park System, 2:30 p.m., SD-366.

Committee on Finance: to hold hearings to examine the United States-Colombia Trade Promotion Agreement, 10 a.m., SD-215.

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on Near Eastern and South and Central Asian Affairs, to hold hearings to examine human rights and democratic reform in Iran, 10 a.m., SD–419.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: Subcommittee on Primary Health and Aging, to hold hearings to examine diverting non-urgent emergency room use, focusing on if it can provide better care and lower costs, 10 a.m., SD–430.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: business meeting to consider 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. 792, to authorize the waiver of certain debts relating to assistance provided to individuals and households since 2005, S. Res. 174, expressing the sense of the Senate that effective sharing of passenger information from inbound international flight manifests is a crucial component of our national security and that the

Department of Homeland Security must maintain the information sharing standards required under the 2007 Passenger Name Record Agreement between the United States and the European Union, H.R. 793, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 12781 Sir Francis Drake Boulevard in Inverness, California, as the "Specialist Jake Robert Velloza Post Office", S. 349, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 4865 Tallmadge Road in Rootstown, Ohio, as the "Marine Sgt. Jeremy E. Murray Post Office", and S. 655, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 95 Dogwood Street in Cary, Mississippi, as the "Spencer Byrd Powers, Jr. Post Office", 10 a.m., SD–342.

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Antitrust, Competition Policy and Consumer Rights, to hold hearings to examine the AT&T/T–Mobile merger, 10:15 a.m., SD–226.

Committee on Rules and Administration: business meeting to consider the nomination of William J. Boarman, of Maryland, to be Public Printer, Government Printing Office, S. Res. 116, to provide for expedited Senate consideration of certain nominations subject to advice and consent, and S. 739, to authorize the Architect of the Capitol to establish battery recharging stations for privately owned vehicles in parking areas under the jurisdiction of the Senate at no net cost to the Federal Government, 2 p.m., SR–301.

### House

Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies, hearing on the National Endowment for the Arts FY12 Budget, 9:30 a.m., B-308 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Defense, hearing on Defense Health Program, 10 a.m., 2359 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Legislative Branch, hearing on the Government Printing Office, Congressional Budget Office, Members and Public Witnesses, 10 a.m., HT–2, Capitol.

Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies, hearing on National Endowment for the Humanities FY12 Budget Oversight, 11 a.m., B–308 Rayburn.

Committee on Armed Services, Full Committee, markup of the following: H. Res. 208, Directing the Secretary of Defense to transmit to the House of Representatives copies of any document, record, memo, correspondence, or other communication of the Department of Defense, or any portion of such communication, that refers or relates to any consultation with Congress regarding Operation Odyssey Dawn or military actions in or against Libya; and H.R. 1540, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2012 for military activities of the Department of Defense and for military construction, to prescribe military personnel strengths for fiscal year 2012, and for other purposes. 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Committee on Education and the Workforce, Subcommittee on Higher Education and Workforce Training, hearing on Removing Inefficiencies in the Nation's Job Training Programs, 10 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, Full Committee continued markup of the following: H.R. 5, the Help Efficient, Accessible, Low-cost, Timely Healthcare (HEALTH) Act of 2011; and H.R. 908, the Full Implementation of the Chemical Facility Anti-Terrorism Standards (CFATS) Act, as reported by the Subcommittee on Environment and the Economy. On May 10 at 4 p.m., 2123 Rayburn. 10:30 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Health, begin markup of H.R. 1683, the State Flexibility Act of 2011, the Subcommittee will convene immediately after the completion of the Full Committee markup, 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, Subcommittee on Domestic Monetary Policy and Technology, hearing entitled "Monetary Policy and the Debt Ceiling: Examining the Relationship Between the Federal Reserve and Government Debt," 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Capital Markets and Government Sponsored Enterprises, hearing entitled "Legislative Proposals to Address the Negative Consequences of the Dodd-Frank Whistleblower Provisions," 2 p.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Foreign Affairs, Full Committee, hearing on the Peace Corps at 50, 9:30 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Full Committee, markup on H. Res. 209, Directing the Secretary of State to transmit to the House of Representatives copies of any document, record, memo, correspondence, or other communication of the Department of State, or any portion of such communication, that refers or relates to any consultation with Congress regarding Operation Odyssey Dawn or military actions in or against Libya, 4:30 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Oversight, Investigations, and Management, hearing entitled "On the Border and in the Line of Fire: U.S. Law Enforcement, Homeland Security and Drug Cartel Violence." 10 a.m., 311 Cannon.

Committee on House Administration, Subcommittee on Oversight, hearing on GPO—Issues and Challenges: How will GPO Transition to the Future? 1:30 p.m., 210 Cannon

Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism and Homeland Security, hearing on the USA PATRIOT Act: Dispelling the Myths, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Immigration Policy and Enforcement, hearing on H.R. 1741, the Secure Visas Act, 1:30 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, Sub-committee on National Security, Homeland Defense and Foreign Operations, hearing entitled "USAID: Following the Money." 1:30 p.m., 2247 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on TARP, Financial Services and Bailouts of Public and Private Programs, hearing entitled "Transparency as an Alternative to the Federal Government's Regulation of Risk Retention." 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn

Committee on Rules, Full Committee, hearing on H.R. 754, Intelligence Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2011, 3 p.m., H–313 Capitol.

Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, Full Committee, hearing on Review of Hydraulic Fracturing Technology and Practices, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Small Business, Full Committee, markup on H.R. 1425, Creating Jobs Through Small Business Innovation Act of 2011, 1 p.m., 2360 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, Sub-committee on Water Resources and Environment, hearing on EPA Mining Policies: Assault on Appalachian Jobs—Part II, 10:30 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing on Reboot: Examining

VA's IT Strategy for the 21st Century, 10 a.m., 334 Cannon.

Committee on Ways and Means, Full Committee, markup on H.R. 1745, Jobs, Opportunity, Benefits, and Services Act of 2011, 10:30 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

### Joint Meetings

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe: to hold hearings to examine Central Asia and the Arab spring, focusing on growing pressure for human rights and whether the factors that drove the uprisings in North Africa and the Middle East exist in any of the Central Asian States, 2 p.m., 2322, Rayburn Building.

Next Meeting of the SENATE 9:30 a.m., Wednesday, May 11

### Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 10 a.m., Wednesday, May 11

#### Senate Chamber

Program for Wednesday: After the transaction of any morning business (not to extend beyond 2 p.m.), Senate will begin consideration of the nomination of Arenda L. Wright Allen, of Virginia, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Virginia, and after a period of debate, vote on confirmation of the nomination at approximately 3 p.m.

### House Chamber

Program for Wednesday: Complete consideration of H.R. 1229—Putting the Gulf of Mexico Back to Work Act. Consideration of H.R. 1231—Reversing President Obama's Offshore Moratorium Act (Subject to a Rule).

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