

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

The Senate was not in session and stands adjourned until 2:00 p.m., on Monday, May 14, 2012.

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 3 public bills, H.R. 5737–5739, were introduced. **Page H2662**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages H2662–63**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 1838, to repeal a provision of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act prohibiting any Federal bailout of swap dealers or participants, with amendments (H. Rept. 112–476, Pt. 1);

H.R. 3283, to amend the Commodity Exchange Act and the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 to provide an exemption for certain swaps and security-based swaps involving Non-U.S. persons, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 112–477, Pt. 1);

H.R. 365, to encourage, enhance, and integrate Blue Alert plans throughout the United States in order to disseminate information when a law enforcement officer is seriously injured or killed in the line of duty, with an amendment (H. Rept. 112–478); and

H.R. 4310, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2013 for military activities of the Department of Defense, to prescribe military personnel strengths for fiscal year 2013, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 112–479). **Page H2662**

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative LaTourette to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H2661**

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 a.m. and adjourned at 11:04 a.m.

Committee Meetings

No hearings were held.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR MONDAY, MAY 14, 2012

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

House

No hearings are scheduled.

CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of May 14 through May 18, 2012

Senate Chamber

On *Monday*, at 2 p.m., the Majority Leader will be recognized. At 4:30 p.m., Senate will begin consideration of the nominations of George Levi Russell III, of Maryland, to be United States District Judge for the District of Maryland, and John J. Tharp, Jr., of Illinois, to be United States District Judge for the

Northern District of Illinois, and vote on confirmation of the nominations at approximately 5:30 p.m. Following which, the Senate will vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the motion to proceed to consideration of H.R. 2072, Securing American Jobs Through Exports Act.

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 16, Subcommittee on Department of Defense, to receive a closed briefing on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2013 for Northern Command and Southern Command Programs, 10:30 a.m., SVC-217.

May 17, Subcommittee on Department of Defense, to receive a closed briefing on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2013 for European Command and Special Operations Command Programs, 2 p.m., SVC-217.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: May 16, to hold an oversight hearing to examine the Federal Communications Commission, 2:30 p.m., SR-253.

May 17, Subcommittee on Oceans, Atmosphere, Fisheries, and Coast Guard, to hold hearings to examine the United States response to tsunami generated marine debris, 10:30 a.m., SR-253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: May 17, to hold hearings to examine S. 2146, to amend the Public Utility Regulatory Policies Act of 1978 to create a market-oriented standard for clean electric energy generation, 9:30 a.m., SD-366.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: May 16, Subcommittee on Children's Health and Environmental Responsibility, to hold hearings to examine growing long-term value, focusing on corporate environmental responsibility and innovation, 10 a.m., SD-406.

Committee on Finance: May 15, to hold hearings to examine tax reform, focusing on what it could mean for tribes and territories, 10 a.m., SD-215.

Committee on Foreign Relations: May 16, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Peter William Bodde, of Maryland, to be Ambassador to the Federal Democratic Republic of Nepal, Piper Anne Wind Campbell, of the District of Columbia, to be Ambassador to Mongolia, and Dorothea-Maria Rosen, of California, to be Ambassador to the Federated States of Micronesia, all of the Department of State, 2:30 p.m., SD-419.

May 17, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Edward M. Alford, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of The Gambia, Mark L. Asquino, of the District of Columbia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Equatorial Guinea, Douglas M. Griffiths, of Texas, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Mozambique, and David J. Lane, of Florida, for the rank of Ambassador during his tenure of service as U.S. Representative to the United Nations Agencies for Food and Agriculture, all of the Department of State, 2:30 p.m., SD-419.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: May 15, Subcommittee on Primary Health and Aging, to hold hearings to examine the cost of HIV/AIDS drugs and the Prize Fund alternative, 10 a.m., SD-430.

May 16, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine identifying opportunities for health care delivery system reform, focusing on lessons from the front line, 10 a.m., SD-430.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: May 16, business meeting to consider pending calendar business, 10 a.m., SD-342.

Committee on Indian Affairs: May 17, to hold an oversight hearing to examine fulfilling the Federal trust responsibility, focusing on the foundation of the government-to-government relationship, 2:15 p.m., SD-628.

Committee on the Judiciary: May 16, to hold an oversight hearing to examine the Federal Bureau of Investigation, 10 a.m., SD-226.

May 17, Full Committee, business meeting to consider S. 2554, to amend title I of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 to extend the authorization of the Bulletproof Vest Partnership Grant Program through fiscal year 2017, S. 2276, to permit Federal officers to remove cases involving crimes of violence to Federal court, S. 2076, to improve security at State and local courthouses, S. 2370, to amend title 11, United States Code, to make bankruptcy organization more efficient for small business debtors, and the nominations of David Medine, of Maryland, to be Chairman, James Xavier Dempsey, of California, Elisebeth Collins Cook, of Illinois, Rachel L. Brand, of Iowa, and Patricia M. Wald, of the District of Columbia, all to be a Member of the Privacy and Civil Liberties Oversight Board, 10 a.m., SD-226.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: May 16, to hold hearings to examine seamless transition, focusing on a review of the Integrated Disability Evaluation System, 10 a.m., SH-216.

Select Committee on Intelligence: May 15, to hold closed hearings to examine certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

Special Committee on Aging: May 15, to hold hearings to examine solving the long-term unemployment crisis for older workers, 2:30 p.m., SD-562.

House Committees

Committee on Agriculture: May 16, Subcommittee on General Farm Commodities and Risk Management, hearing entitled "Formulation of the 2012 Farm Bill: Commodity Programs and Crop Insurance", 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

May 17, Subcommittee on General Farm Commodities and Risk Management, hearing entitled "Formulation of the 2012 Farm Bill: Commodity Programs and Crop Insurance", 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

May 17, Full Committee, business meeting to consider H.R. 4235, the "Swap Data Repository and Clearinghouse Indemnification Correction Act of 2012"; H.R. 1838, the "Swaps Bailout Prevention Act"; and H.R. 3282, the "Swap Jurisdiction Certainty Act", 3 p.m., 1300 Longworth.

May 18, Subcommittee on Conservation, Energy, and Forestry, hearing entitled “Formulation of the 2012 Farm Bill: Energy and Forestry Programs”, 9:30 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

Committee on Education and the Workforce, May 16, Subcommittee on Early Childhood, Elementary, and Secondary Education, hearing entitled “Exploring State Success in Expanding Parent and Student Options”, 10 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, May 16, Subcommittee on Communications and Technology, hearing entitled “Broadband Loans and Grants”, 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

May 16, Subcommittee on Commerce, Manufacturing, and Trade, hearing entitled “Where the Jobs Are: Promoting Tourism to America”, 10:15 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, May 16, Subcommittee on Financial Institutions, hearing entitled “The Impact of the Dodd-Frank Act: What It Means to be a Systemically Important Financial Institution”, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

May 16, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled “Oversight of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation’s Structured Transaction Program”, 2 p.m., 2220 Rayburn.

May 16, Subcommittee on International Monetary Policy and Trade, hearing entitled “Increasing Market Access for U.S. Financial Firms in China: Update on Progress of the Strategic and Economic Dialogue”, 2 p.m., 2128 Rayburn.

May 17, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Examining the Settlement Practices of U.S. Financial Regulators”, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

May 17, Subcommittee on Insurance, Housing and Community Opportunity, hearing entitled “U.S. Insurance Sector: International Competitiveness and Jobs”, 2 p.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Foreign Affairs, May 15, Subcommittee on Africa, Global Health, and Human Rights, hearing entitled “Chen Guangcheng: His Case, Cause, Family, and Those Who are Helping Him”, 1 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

May 16, Subcommittee on Middle East and South Asia, hearing entitled “Assessing U.S. Foreign Policy Priorities and Needs Amidst Economic Challenges in South Asia”, 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

May 16, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled “Status of the Processing of the Camp Ashraf Residents”, 2:30 p.m., 2200 Rayburn.

May 17, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Iran Sanctions: Strategy, Implementation, and Enforcement”, 10 a.m., 2127 Rayburn.

Committee on Homeland Security, May 16, Subcommittee on Transportation Security, hearing entitled “Access Control Point Breaches at Our Nation’s Airports: Anomalies or Systemic Failures?” 10 a.m., 311 Cannon.

May 17, Subcommittee on Oversight, Investigations, and Management, hearing entitled “Department of Homeland Security: An Examination of Ethical Standards”, 9:30 a.m., 311 Cannon.

May 18, Subcommittee on Counterterrorism and Intelligence, hearing entitled “Terrorist Financing Since 9/11:

Assessing an Evolving al Qaeda and State Sponsors of Terrorism”, 9:30 a.m., 311 Cannon.

Committee on the Judiciary, May 16, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Implementation of the Leahy-Smith America Invents Act”, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

May 17, Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security, hearing entitled “Geolocational Privacy and Surveillance Act”, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

May 17, Subcommittee on Immigration Policy and Enforcement, hearing entitled “Welcoming Business Travelers and Tourists to America Act of 2011”, 1 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

May 17, Subcommittee on Constitution, hearing entitled “District of Columbia Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act”, 4 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Natural Resources, May 17, Subcommittee on Fisheries, Wildlife, Oceans and Insular Affairs, hearing on H.R. 3065, the “Target Practice and Marksmanship Training Support Act”; and H.R. 3706, to create the Office of Chief Financial Officer of the Government of the Virgin Islands, and for other purposes, 2 p.m., 1334 Longworth.

May 17, Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Public Lands, hearing on H.R. 1103, the “American Memorial Park Tinian Annex Act”; H.R. 3100, the “San Antonio Missions National Historical Park Boundary Expansion Act”; H.R. 3365, the “Federal Land Transaction Facilitation Act Reauthorization of 2011”; H.R. 4400, the “Thomas P. O’Neill, Jr. Salt Pond Visitor Center”; and S. 270, the “La Pine Land Conveyance Act”, 2 p.m., 1324 Longworth.

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, May 16, Subcommittee on Regulatory Affairs, Stimulus and Government Spending, hearing entitled “The Obama Administration’s Green Energy Gamble: What Have All the Taxpayer Subsidies Achieved?” 9:30 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

May 16, Subcommittee on Federal Workforce, U.S. Postal Service and Labor Policy, hearing entitled “Hatch Act: Options for Reform”, 9:30 a.m., 2247 Rayburn.

Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, May 17, Subcommittee on Technology and Innovation, hearing entitled “Working for a Fire Safe America: Examining United States Fire Administration Priorities”, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Small Business, May 16, Full Committee, hearing entitled “U.S. Trade Strategy: What’s Next for Small Business Exporters?” 1 p.m., 2360 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, May 16, Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime, hearing entitled “Creating American Jobs and Assuring the Safety and Security of America’s Waterways: A Review of the Coast Guard’s 5-year Capital Improvement Plan”, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Committee on Veterans’ Affairs, May 16, Subcommittee on Health, hearing entitled “Optimizing Care for Veterans with Prosthetics”, 10 a.m., 334 Cannon.

May 16, Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity, hearing entitled “Examining Executive Order #13607 and Its Impact on Schools and Veterans”, 2 p.m., 340 Cannon.

Committee on Ways and Means, May 16, Subcommittee on Oversight, hearing entitled “Examining Operations and Oversight of Tax-Exempt Organizations”, 10 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

May 17, Subcommittee on Trade, hearing entitled “Supporting Economic Growth and Job Creation Through Customs Trade Modernization, Facilitation, and Enforcement”, 10 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

May 17, Subcommittee on Human Resources, hearing entitled “State TANF Spending and Its Impact on Work Requirements”, 2 p.m., 1100 Longworth.

Joint Meetings

Joint Economic Committee: May 16, to hold hearings to examine how the taxation of labor and transfer payments affect growth and employment, 2 p.m., SD-G50.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

2 p.m., Monday, May 14

Senate Chamber

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Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

12 p.m., Tuesday, May 15

House Chamber

Program for Tuesday: Consideration of the following suspensions: (1) H.R. 365—National Blue Alert Act; (2) H.R. 1864—Mobile Workforce State Income Tax Simplification Act; (3) H.R. 3534—Security in Bonding Act; (4) H.R. 4119—Border Tunnel Prevention Act of 2012; (5) H.R. 2621—Chimney Rock National Monument Establishment Act; (6) H.R. 2745—To amend the Mesquite Lands Act of 1986 to facilitate implementation of a multispecies habitat conservation plan for the Virgin River in Clark County, Nevada; (7) H.R. 3874—Black Hills Cemetery Act; (8) H.R. 205—HEARTH Act; (9) H.R. 4240—Ambassador James R. Lilley and Congressman Stephen J. Solarz North Korea Human Rights Reauthorization Act of 2012; (10) H. Res. 568—Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives regarding the importance of preventing the Government of Iran from acquiring a nuclear weapons capability; and (11) H.R. 4045—To modify the Department of Defense Program Guidance relating to the award of Post-Deployment/Mobilization Respite Absence administrative absence days to members of the reserve components to exempt any member whose qualified mobilization commenced before October 1, 2011, and continued on or after that date, from the changes to the program guidance that took effect on that date.

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