# CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD Week of June 9 through June 14, 2008

#### Senate Chamber

On *Monday*, at 3:15 p.m., Senate will resume consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 3044, Consumer-First Energy Act.

On *Tuesday*, Senate will vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 3044, Consumer-First Energy Act. Also, Senate will vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the motion to proceed to consideration of H.R. 6049, Energy and Tax Extenders 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 Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: June 10, to continue hearings to examine U.S. credit markets, focusing on the securities underwriting practices at investment banks, 10 a.m., SD–538.

June 12, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the condition of our nation's infrastructure, focusing on perspectives from our nation's mayors, 10 a.m., SD-538.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: June 10, Subcommittee on Surface Transportation and Merchant Marine Infrastructure, Safety and Security, to hold hearings to examine national strategies for efficient freight movement, 2:30 p.m., SR–253.

June 11, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the impact and policy implications of spyware on consumers and businesses, 3 p.m., SR-253.

June 12, Subcommittee on Surface Transportation and Merchant Marine Infrastructure, Safety and Security, to hold hearings to examine supply chain security, focusing on the secure freight initiative and the implementation of 100 percent scanning, 10 a.m., SR–253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: June 12, to hold an oversight hearing to examine the relationship between United States fuels policy and food prices, 2:15 p.m., SD–366.

Committee on Finance: June 10, to hold hearings to examine issues relative to the 47 million Americans without health care insurance, focusing on the current health care marketplace, 10 a.m., SD–215.

June 12, Full Committee, to hold an oversight hearing to examine the United States Trade Preference programs, 10 a.m., SD–215.

Committee on Foreign Relations: June 11, to hold hearings to examine sovereign wealth funds, focusing on foreign policy consequences in an era of new money, 9:30 a.m., SD-419.

June 12, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine energy from Central Asia to Europe, focusing on oil, oligarchs, and opportunity, 2:30 p.m., SD–419.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: June 12, Subcommittee on Federal Financial Management, Government Information, Federal Services, and International Security, to hold hearings to examine addressing the United States-Pakistan strategic relationship, 2:30 p.m., SD–342.

Committee on the Judiciary: June 10, to hold hearings to examine the efficacy of coercive interrogation techniques, focusing on the Federal Bureau of Investigation's (FBI) role, 10 a.m., SD–226.

June 11, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine short-change for consumers and short-shrift for Congress, focusing on the Supreme Court's treatment of laws that protect Americans' health, safety, jobs, and retirement, 10 a.m., SD–226.

June 11, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Paul G. Gardephe and Cathy Seibel, both to be a United States District Judge for the Southern District of New York, Kiyo A. Matsumoto, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of New York, and Glenn T. Suddaby, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of New York, 2 p.m., SD–226.

June 12, Full Committee, business meeting to consider S. 2979, to exempt the African National Congress from treatment as a terrorist organization, H.R. 5690, to remove the African National Congress from treatment as a terrorist organization for certain acts or events, provide relief for certain members of the African National Congress regarding admissibility, S. 2892, to promote the prosecution and enforcement of frauds against the United States by suspending the statute of limitations during times when Congress has authorized the use of military force, H.R. 3480, to direct the United States Sentencing Commission to assure appropriate punishment enhancements for those involved in receiving stolen property where that property consists of grave markers of veterans, S. 1211, to amend the Controlled Substances Act to provide enhanced penalties for marketing controlled substances to minors, S. Res. 576, designating August 2008 as "Digital Television Transition Awareness Month", and the nominations of Helene N. White, of Michigan, and Raymond M. Kethledge, of Michigan, each to be United States Circuit Judge for the Sixth Circuit, and Stephen Joseph Murphy III, of Michigan, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Michigan, 10 a.m., SD-226.

Select Committee on Intelligence: June 10, to hold closed hearings to examine certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH–219.

### House Committees

Committee on Appropriations, June 11, Subcommittee on Homeland Security, to mark up the Homeland Security Appropriations for Fiscal Year 2009, time and place to be announced.

June 11, Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies, to mark up the Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies Appropriations for Fiscal Year 2009, time and place to be announced.

June 12, Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies, to mark up the Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies Appropriations for Fiscal Year 2009, time and place to be announced.

June 12, Subcommittee on Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies, to mark up the Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies Appropriations for Fiscal Year 2009, time and place to be announced.

Committee on Education and Labor, June 11, hearing on H.R. 2343, Education Begins at Home Act, 10 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, June 10, Sub-committee on Commerce, Trade, and Consumer Protection, hearing entitled "Safety of Phthalates and Bisphenol-A in Everyday Consumer Products," 10 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

June 10, Subcommittee on Telecommunications and the Internet, hearing entitled "Status of the DTV Transition: 252 Days and Counting," 9:30 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

June 12, Subcommittee on Environment and Hazardous Materials, hearing on the following bills: H.R. 5533, Chemical Facilities Act of 2008; and H.R. 5577, Chemical Facility Anti-Terrorism Act of 2008, 10 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

June 12, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled "American Lives Still at Risk: When Will FDA's Food Protection Plan Be Fully Funded and Implemented?" 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, June 10, Subcommittee on Capital Markets, Insurance, and Government Sponsored Enterprises, hearing on H.R. 5840, Insurance Information Act of 2008, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

June 11, Full Committee, hearing on H.R. 6078, GREEN Act of 2008, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Foreign Affairs, June 10, Subcommittee on International Organizations, Human Rights and Oversight, hearing on Diplomatic Assurances and Rendition to Torture: The Perspective of the State Department's Legal Adviser, 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

June 11, Subcommittee on International Organizations, Human Rights, and Oversight, to mark up Subcommittee Report on The Decline in America's Reputation: Why?; followed by a hearing on the Release and Review of the Subcommittee Report: The Decline in America's Reputation: Why?, 9:30 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

June 11, Subcommittee on Western Hemisphere, hearing on the New Challenge: China and the Western Hemisphere, 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

June 12, Full Committee, hearing on Russia, Iran, and Nuclear Weapons: Implications of the Proposed U.S.-Russia Agreement, 9:30 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

June 12, Subcommittee on Asia, the Pacific, and the Global Environment, hearing on U.S.-Japan Relations: An Overview, 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on Homeland Security, June 11, Subcommittee on Intelligence, Information Sharing and Terrorism Risk Assessment, hearing on the Improving Public Access to Documents Act of 2008, 10 a.m., 210 Cannon.

June 11, Subcommittee on Management, Investigations, and Oversight, hearing entitled "Ready To Lead? DHS and the Next Major Catastrophe," 10 a.m., 311 Cannon.

June 12, full Committee, hearing entitled "The Challenge of Aligning Programs, Personnel, and Resources to Achieve Border Security," 10 a.m., 311 Cannon.

Committee on the Judiciary, June 10, Subcommittee on Commercial and Administrative Law, hearing on H.R. 6126, Fairness in Nursing Home Arbitration Act of 2008, 2 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

June 10, Subcommittee Crime, Terrorism and Homeland Security, hearing on Addressing Gangs: What's Effective? What's Not? 1 p.m., 2237 Rayburn.

June 10, Subcommittee on Immigration, Citizenship, Refugees, Border Security and International Law, hearing on Electronic Employment Verification Systems: Needed Safeguards to Protect Privacy and Prevent Misuse, 9 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

June 11, Subcommittee on Courts, the Internet and Intellectual Property, hearing on H.R. 4789, Performance Rights Act, 2 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

June 12, Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights, and Civil Liberties, hearing on the Enforcement of the Fair Housing Act of 1968, 10 a.m., 2141 Ray-burn

June 21, Subcommittee on Immigrations, Citizenship, Refugees, Border Security and International Law, hearing on the Need for Green Cards for Highly Skilled Workers, 11 a.m., 2237 Rayburn.

Committee on Natural Resources, June 10, Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources, oversight hearing on How Should the Federal Government Address the Health and Environmental Risks of Coal Combustion Waste? 10 a.m., 1334 Longworth.

June 10. Subcommittee on Fisheries, Wildlife and Oceans, oversight hearing on the annual International Whaling Commission meeting to be held in Santiago, Chile from June 23–27, 2 p.m., 1324 Longworth.

June 10, Subcommittee on Insular Affairs, oversight hearing on the Implementation of the Compact of Free Association Amendments Act of 2003 between the United States and the Federated States of Micronesia, 11 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

June 11, full Committee, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 3981, Preserve America and Save America's Treasures Act; H.R. 5451, Coastal Zone Reauthorization Act of 2008; H.R. 4199, To amend the Dayton Aviation Heritage Preservation Act of 1992 to add sites to the Dayton Aviation Heritage National Historical Park; H.R. 2964, Captive Primate Safety Act; H.R. 5741, Shark Conservation Act of 2008; H.R. 1423, Dorothy Buell Memorial Visitor Center Lease Act; H.R. 3702, Montana Cemetary Act of 2007; H.R. 5710, Eastern New Mexico Rural Water System Authorization Act; and H.R. 5511, Leadville Mine Drainage Tunnel Remediation Act of 2008, 11 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

June 12, Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources, oversight hearing on Spinning Straw Into Black Gold: Enhanced Oil Recovery Using Carbon Dioxide, 10 a.m., 1334 Longworth.

June 12, Subcommittee on Insular Affairs, oversight hearing on the Implementation of the Compact of Free Associations Between the United States and the Republic of Palau, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

June 12, Subcommittee on Water and Power, oversight hearing on Hydropower: Providing 75% of America's Current Renewable Energy, Exploring its role as a continued source of Clean, Renewable Energy for the Future, 2 p.m., 1324 Longworth.

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, June 10, hearing on Examining Grantmaking Practices at the De-

partment of Justice, 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

June 10, Subcommittee on Federal Workforce, Postal Service and the District of Columbia, hearing entitled "An Examination of Federal Employment Practices/Policies on Hiring Ex-offenders," 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

June 10, Subcommittee on National Security and Foreign Affairs, hearing on Oversight of U.S. Efforts to Train and Equip Police and Enhance the Justice System in Afghanistan, 2 p.m., 2247 Rayburn.

June 11, Full Committee, and the Subcommittee on Information Policy, Census, and National Archives, joint hearing on 2010 Census: Assessing the Census Bureau's Progress, 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on Rules, June 9, to consider H.R. 6003, Passenger Rail Investment and Improvement Act of 2008, 5 p.m., H–313 Capitol.

June 10, to consider H.R. 6063, National Aeronautics and Space Administration Authorization Act of 2008, 4 p.m., H–313 Capitol.

Committee on Science and Technology, June 10, Sub-committee on Energy and Environment, hearing on Hybrid Technologies for Medium- to Heavy-Duty Commercial Trucks, 10 a.m., 3218 Rayburn.

June 12, Subcommittee on Investigation and Oversight, hearing on Toxic Communities: How EPA's IRIS Program Fails the Public, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Small Business, June 11, Subcommittee on Rural and Urban Entrepreneurship, hearing on Second Generation Biofuels: The New Frontier for Small Businesses, 10 a.m., 1539 Longworth.

June 21, Full Committee, hearing entitled "Electronic Payments Tax Reporting: Another Tax Burden for Small Businesses, 10 a.m., 1539 Longworth.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, June 10, hearing on Financing Infrastructure Investments, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

June 11, Subcommittee on Aviation, hearing on Air Traffic Control Facility Staffing, 2 p.m., 2167 Rayburn.

June 11, Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation, hearing on Rebuilding Vessels Under the Jones Act, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

June 12, Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment, hearing on Discharges Incidental to the Normal Operation of a Commercial Vessel, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs, June 11, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 2818, To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for the establishment of Epilepsy Centers of Excellence in the Veterans Health Administration of the Department of Veterans Affairs; and H.R. 2192, To amend title 38, United States Code, to establish an Ombudsman within the Department of Veterans Affairs; followed by a hearing on Implementing the Wounded Warrior Provisions of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2008, 10 a.m., 334 Cannon.

June 12, Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs, hearing on the following bills: H.R. 1197, Prisoner of War Benefits Act of 2007; H.R. 3008, Rural Veterans Services Outreach and Training Act; H.R. 3070, Disabled Veterans' Caregiver Compensation Act; H.R. 3795, You Were There, You Get Care Act of 2007; H.R. 4274, Gold Star Parents Annuity Act of 2007; H.R. 5155, Combat Veterans Debt Elimination Act of 2008; H.R. 5448, Full Faith in Veterans Act of 2008; H.R. 5454, To amend title 38, United States Code, to establish a presumption of service connection of amyotrophic lateral sclerosis for purposes of the laws administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs; H.R. 5709, Veterans Disability Fairness Act; H.R. 5954, To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide veterans for presumptions of service connection for purposes of benefits under laws administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs for diseases associated with service in the Armed Forces and exposure to biological, chemical, or other toxic agents as part of Project 112, and for other purposes; H.R. 5985, Compensation for Combat Veterans Act; and H.R. 6032, To amend title 38, United States Code, to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to provide wartime disability compensation for certain veterans with Parkinson's Disease, 2 p.m., 340 Cannon.

Committee on Ways and Means, June 10, Subcommittee on Health, hearing on Addressing Disparities in Health and Healthcare, 10 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, June 10, executive, briefing on China, 1 p.m., H-405 Capitol.

June 12, executive, briefing on DOD Programs, 9 a.m., H–405 Capitol

Select Committee on Energy Independence and Global Warming, June 11, hearing entitled "The Future of Oil," 9:30 p.m., 1300 Longworth.

## Joint Meetings

Joint Economic Committee: June 12, to hold hearings to examine the future costs of funding the war in Iraq, 10 a.m., SD-106.