

Charles Johnson, General Counsel, Department of Defense; and David Kris, Assistant Attorney General, Department of Justice.

ECONOMIC RECOVERY

Committee on the Budget: Held a hearing on the Recovery Act: Strengthening Our Economy. Testimony was heard from Ray LaHood, Secretary of Transportation; Ken Salazar, Secretary of the Interior; and Tom Vilsack, Secretary of Agriculture.

ADMINISTRATION'S FINANCIAL RECOVERY REFORM PROPOSALS

Committee on Financial Services: Held a hearing entitled "Regulatory Perspectives on the Obama Administration's Financial Regulatory Reform Proposals—Part Two." Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of the Treasury; Timothy F. Geithner, Secretary; John C. Dugan, Comptroller of the Currency; and John E. Bowman, Acting Director, Office of Thrift Supervision; Ben S. Bernanke, Chairman, Board of Governors, Federal Reserve System; and Sheila C. Bair, Chairman, FDIC.

COMMISSION ON WARTIME RELOCATION AND INTERNMENT OF LATIN AMERICANS OF JAPANESE DESCENT ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Immigration, Citizenship, Refugees, Border Security, and International Law approved for full Committee action, as amended, H.R. 42, Commission on Wartime Relocation and Internment of Latin Americans of Japanese Descent Act.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of July 27 through August 1, 2009

Senate Chamber

On *Monday*, at approximately 3 p.m., Senate will begin consideration of H.R. 3183, Energy and Water Development Appropriations Act, and that immediately after the bill is reported, Senator Dorgan be recognized to offer a substitute amendment.

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: July 28, Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies, business meeting to mark up proposed

budget estimates for fiscal year 2010 for the Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and Related Agencies, 2:30 p.m., SD-138.

July 29, Subcommittee on Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies, business meeting to mark up proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2010 for Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, 2:30 p.m., SD-138.

Committee on Armed Services: July 30, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of John M. McHugh, of New York, to be Secretary of the Army, Joseph W. Westphal, of New York, to be Under Secretary of the Army, and Juan M. Garcia III, of Texas, to be Assistant Secretary of the Navy for Manpower and Reserve Affairs, all of the Department of Defense, 9:30 a.m., SD-106.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: July 28, business meeting to consider the nomination of Deborah Matz, of Virginia, to be a Member of the National Credit Union Administration Board; to be immediately followed by a hearing to examine regulatory modernization, focusing on insurance, 9:30 a.m., SD-538.

July 29, Subcommittee on Securities, Insurance and Investment, to hold hearings to examine protecting shareholders and enhancing public confidence by improving corporate governance, 2:30 p.m., SD-538.

July 30, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine minimizing potential threats from Iran, focusing on assessing economic sanctions and other United States policy options, 10 a.m., SD-538.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: July 28, to hold hearings to examine national hurricane research, 10 a.m., SR-253.

July 29, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Christopher P. Bertram, of the District of Columbia, to be Assistant Secretary for Budget and Programs, and Chief Financial Officer, Daniel R. Elliott, III, of Ohio, to be a Member of the Surface Transportation Board, Susan L. Kurland, of Illinois, to be Assistant Secretary for Aviation and International Affairs, and Christopher A. Hart, of Colorado, to be a Member of the National Transportation Safety Board, all of the Department of Transportation, and Patricia D. Cahill, of Missouri, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for Public Broadcasting, 2:30 p.m., SR-253.

July 30, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine climate services, focusing on solutions from commerce to communities, 2:30 p.m., SR-253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: July 28, business meeting to consider pending calendar business; to be immediately followed by a hearing to examine the nominations of Anthony Marion Babauta, of Virginia, to be Assistant Secretary, and Jonathan B. Jarvis, of California, to be Director, National Park Service, both of the Department of the Interior, James J. Markowsky, of Massachusetts, to be Assistant Secretary for Fossil Energy, and Warren F. Miller, Jr., of New Mexico, to be Assistant Secretary for Nuclear Energy, and to be Director of the Office of the Civilian Radioactive Waste Management, both of the Department of Energy, 10 a.m., SD-366.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: July 29, to hold hearings to examine the nomination of John R. Fernandez, of Indiana, to be Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Economic Development, 10 a.m., SD-406.

July 30, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine climate change and national security, 10 a.m., SD-406.

Committee on Foreign Relations: July 28, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Michael H. Posner, of New York, to be Assistant Secretary for Democracy, Human Rights, and Labor, Mark Henry Gitenstein, of the District of Columbia, to be Ambassador to Romania, Ertharin Cousin, of Illinois, for the rank of Ambassador during her tenure of service as a Representative to the United Nations Agencies for Food and Agriculture, David Killion, of the District of Columbia, for the rank of Ambassador during his tenure of service as the Permanent Representative to the United Nations Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Organization, Karen Kornbluh, of New York, to be Representative to the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development, with the rank of Ambassador, and Glyn T. Davies, of the District of Columbia, to be Representative to the International Atomic Energy Agency, with the rank of Ambassador, all of the Department of State, 9:30 a.m., SD-419.

July 28, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Philip D. Murphy, of New Jersey, to be Ambassador to the Federal Republic of Germany, 10 a.m., SD-419.

July 28, Full Committee, business meeting to consider pending calendar business; to be immediately followed by a hearing to examine the nominations of William Carlton Eacho, III, of Maryland, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Austria, Matthew Winthrop Barzun, of Kentucky, to be Ambassador to Sweden, Bruce J. Oreck, of Colorado, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Finland, James B. Foley, of New York, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Croatia, Philip D. Murphy, of New Jersey, to be Ambassador to the Federal Republic of Germany, Judith Gail Garber, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Latvia, and Douglas W. Kmiec, of California, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Malta, all of the Department of State, in SD-419, 2:15 p.m., S-116, Capitol.

July 29, Subcommittee on Near Eastern and South and Central Asian Affairs, to hold hearings to examine Pakistan's internally displaced persons (IDP) crisis, 10 a.m., SD-419.

July 30, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine a comprehensive strategy for Sudan, 10 a.m., SD-419.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: July 28, to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Alexander G. Garza, of Missouri, to be Assistant Secretary for Health Affairs and Chief Medical Officer, Department of Homeland Security, 10 a.m., SD-342.

July 29, Full Committee, business meeting to consider pending calendar business, 10 a.m., SD-342.

July 29, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Rafael Borrás, of Maryland, to be Under Secretary of Homeland Security for Management, Ernest W. Dubester, of Virginia, to be a Member, and Julia Akins Clark, of Maryland, to be General Counsel,

both of the Federal Labor Relations Authority, 3 p.m., SD-342.

Committee on Indian Affairs: July 30, to hold hearings to examine the increase of gang activity in Indian country, 2:15 p.m., SD-628.

Committee on the Judiciary: July 28, business meeting to consider the nominations of Sonia Sotomayor, of New York, to be an Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States, A. Thomas McLellan, of Pennsylvania, to be Deputy Director of National Drug Control Policy, Alejandro N. Mayorkas, of California, to be Director of the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services, Department of Homeland Security, and Christopher H. Schroeder, of North Carolina, to be an Assistant Attorney General, and Cranston J. Mitchell, of Virginia, to be a Commissioner of the United States Parole Commission, both of the Department of Justice, 10 a.m., SH-216.

July 28, Subcommittee on Terrorism and Homeland Security, to hold hearings to examine closing Guantanamo Bay, 2:30 p.m., SD-226.

July 29, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine certain nominations, 10 a.m., SD-226.

July 30, Subcommittee on the Constitution, business meeting to consider S. J.Res. 7, proposing an amendment to the Constitution relative to the election of Senators, 2 p.m., SD-226.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: July 29, to hold hearings to examine veteran's disability compensation, 9:30 a.m., SR-418.

Select Committee on Intelligence: July 28, to hold closed hearings to consider certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., S-407, Capitol.

Special Committee on Aging: July 29, to hold hearings to examine medical research and education, 2 p.m., SD-562.

House Committees

Committee on Agriculture, July 28, Subcommittee Livestock, Dairy and Poultry, to continue hearings to review economic conditions facing the dairy industry, part three, 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

July 30, Subcommittee on Conservation, Credit, Energy, and Research, hearing to review PL 83-566 watershed proposals for the Dunloup Creek Watershed and the Cape Cod Water Resources Restoration Project, 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

Committee on Appropriations July 28, Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies, hearing on Protecting the Public Health in a Global Economy Ensuring that Meat and Poultry Imports Meet U.S. Standards, 11 a.m., 2362-A Rayburn.

Committee on Armed Services, July 28, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing on Investing in Our Military Leaders: The Role of Professional Military Education in Officer Development, 1 p.m., 2212 Rayburn.

July 28, Subcommittee on Terrorism, Unconventional Threats and Capabilities, hearing on chemical, biological, radiological, nuclear, and high-yield explosives consequence management, 10 a.m., 2212 Rayburn.

July 29, Subcommittee on Military Personnel, hearing on Psychological Stress in the Military: What Steps are Leaders Taking? 2 p.m., 210 HVC–210.

July 30, full Committee, hearing on the U.S. security relationship with Russia and its impact on transatlantic security, 10 a.m., 210 HVC.

July 30, Subcommittee on Seapower and Expeditionary Forces, hearing on efforts to improve shipbuilding effectiveness, 2 p.m., 2212 Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, July 30, Subcommittee on Communications, Technology and the Internet, hearing entitled “Oversight of the National Telecommunications and Information Administration,” 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

July 30, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled “Should Animal Disease Research Be Moved Off Plum Island?” 10 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, July 28, to mark up H.R. 3269, Corporate and Financial Institution Compensation Fairness Act of 2009, 9:30 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

July 29, Subcommittee on Housing and Community Opportunity, hearing entitled “Academic Perspectives on the Future of Public Housing,” 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Foreign Affairs, July 28, Subcommittee on Europe, hearing on the Reset Button Has Been Pushed: Kicking Off a New Era in U.S.-Russian Relations, 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

July 29, full Committee, hearing on New Challenges for International Peacekeeping Operations, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

July 29, Subcommittee on Africa, and Global Health, hearing on Sudan: U.S. Policy and Implementation of the Comprehensive Peace Agreement, 3:30 p.m., 2200 Rayburn.

July 29, Subcommittee on Asia, the Pacific and the Global Environment, hearing on Ushering in Change: A New Era for U.S. Regional Policy in the Pacific, 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on Homeland Security, July 29, hearing entitled “Beyond Readiness: An Examination of the Current Status and Future Outlook of the National Response to Pandemic Influenza,” 2 p.m., 311 Cannon.

July 30, Subcommittee on Emergency Communications, Preparedness and Response, briefing on Hurricane Preparedness for the 2009 Hurricane Season, 2 p.m., 1539 Longworth.

July 30, Subcommittee on Intelligence, Information Sharing and Terrorism Risk Assessment, hearing entitled “Beyond ISE Implementation: Exploring the Way Forward for Information Sharing,” 10 a.m., 311 Cannon.

Committee on House Administration, July 29, hearing on Management of the Worklife Services Center at the Library of Congress, 11 a.m., 1320 Longworth.

July 30, hearing on a look at H.R. 1826, Fair Elections Now Act, and the Public Financing of Congressional Campaigns, 11 a.m., 1310 Longworth.

Committee on the Judiciary, July 27, Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security, hearing on H.R. 743, Executive Accountability Act of 2009, 3 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

July 28, Subcommittee on Commercial and Administrative Law, hearing on Medical Debt: Is Our Healthcare System Bankrupting Americans? 11 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

July 30, Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights and Civil Liberties, hearing on Proposals for Reform of the Military Commissions System, 1 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Natural Resources, July 28, Subcommittee on Insular Affairs, Oceans and Wildlife, hearing on H.R. 3086, Global Wildlife Conservation, Coordination, and Enhancement Act of 2009, 1 p.m., 1324 Longworth.

July 29, full Committee, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 1916, Migratory Bird Habitat Investment and Enhancement Act; H.R. 481, North Country National Scenic Trail Route Adjustment Act of 2009; H.R. 1641, Cascadia Marine Trail Study Act; H.R. 905, Thunder Bay National Sanctuary and Underwater Preserve Boundary Modification Act; H.R. 1771, Chesapeake Bay Science Education and Ecosystem Enhancement Act of 2009; and H.R. 1053, Chesapeake Bay Accountability and Recovery Act of 2009, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

July 30, Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources, to continue hearings entitled “Unconventional Fuels, Part II: The Promise of Methane Hydrates,” 10 a.m., 1334 Longworth.

July 30, Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Public Lands, hearing on the following bills: H.R. 2802, To provide for an extension of the legislative authority of the Adams Memorial Foundation to establish a commemorative work in honor of former President John Adams and his legacy; H.R. 2806, To authorize the Secretary of the Interior to adjust the boundary of the Stephen Mather Wilderness and the North Cascades National Park in order to allow the rebuilding of a road outside of the floodplain while ensuring that there is no net loss of acreage to the Park or the Wilderness; and H.R. 3113, Upper Elk River Wild and Scenic Study Act, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, July 28, Subcommittee on National Security, and Foreign Affairs, hearing entitled “From Hard Drives to Helicopters: What’s the Plan for Withdrawal of U.S. Assets from Iraq?” 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

July 29, full Committee, hearing entitled “Inadvertent File Sharing Over Peer-to-Peer Networks: How it Endangers Citizens and Jeopardizes National Security,” 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

July 29, Subcommittee on Domestic Policy, hearing entitled “Examining the Impact of Leafy Greens Marketing Agreements,” 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

July 30, Subcommittee on Federal Workforce, Postal Service and the District of Columbia, hearing entitled “Making Sense of It All: An Examination of USPS’s Station and Branch Optimization Initiative and Delivery Route Adjustments,” 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

July 30, Subcommittee on Information Policy, Census, and National Archives, hearing entitled “National Archives and Records Administration Organizational Issues,” 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on Rules, July 28, to consider H.R. 3326, Department of Defense Appropriations Act, 2010, 3 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

Committee on Science and Technology, July 29, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 3246, Advanced Vehicle Technology Act of 2009; H.R. 3165, Wind Energy Research and Development Act of 2009; H. R. 3029, To establish a research, development, and technology demonstration program to improve the efficiency of gas turbines used in combine cycle power generation systems; and H.R. 3247, To establish a social and behavioral sciences research program at the Department of Energy, and for other purposes, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

July 30, Subcommittee on Research and Science Education, hearing on A Systems Approach to Improving K-12 STEM Education, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Small Business, July 29, hearing entitled "Oversight of the Small Business Administration and its Programs," 1 p.m., 2360 Rayburn.

July 30, Subcommittee on Rural Development, Entrepreneurship and Trade, hearing entitled "The Future of Specialty Crops for Small Family Farmers," 10 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, July 27, Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings and Emergency Management, hearing on Post-Katrina: What it Takes to Cut Bureaucracy and Assure a More Rapid Response After a Catastrophic Disaster, 2 p.m., 2167 Rayburn.

July 28, Subcommittee on Water Resources, and Environment, hearing on The Tennessee Valley Authority's Kingston Ash Slide: Evaluation of Potential Causes and Updates on Cleanup Efforts, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

July 29, Subcommittee on Aviation, hearing on NextGen: Area Navigation (RNAV)/Required Navigation Performance (RNP), 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

July 31, full Committee, hearing on Recovery Act: 160-Day Progress Report for Transportation and Infrastructure Programs, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs, July 29, hearing on Meeting the Needs of Injured Veterans in the Military Paralympic Program, 10 a.m., 334 Cannon.

July 30, Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity, hearing on VRE Contracts for Veteran Counseling, 1:30 p.m., 340 Cannon.

July 30, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing on the Implications of VA's Limited Scope of Gulf War Illness Research, 10 a.m., 340 Cannon.

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, July 28, executive, briefing on Department of Defense Quarterly Update, 1 p.m., 304 HVC.

July 28, Subcommittee on Intelligence Community Management, executive, briefing on Information Sharing in the Intelligence Community, 2:30 p.m., 304 HVC.

July 29, full Committee, executive, briefing on Peru Update, 12 p.m., 304 HVC.

July 29, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, executive, briefing on Peru Update, 10 a.m., 304 HVC.

July 29, Subcommittee on Terrorism, Human Intelligence, Analysis and Counterterrorism, executive, briefing on Iran Update, 4 p.m., 304 MVC.

July 30, full Committee, executive, briefing on NSA Surveillance Authority Compliance, 3 p.m., 304 HVC.

July 30, Subcommittee on Terrorism, Human Intelligence, Analysis and Counterintelligence, executive, briefing on Russia Collection Strategy, 12 p.m., 304 HVC.

Select Committee on Energy Independence and Global Warming, July 28, hearing entitled "New Energy Technologies: What's Around the Corner?" 9:30 a.m., room to be announced.

July 29, hearing entitled "Climate for Innovation: Technology and Intellectual Property in Global Climate Solutions," 9:30 a.m., 210 Cannon.

Joint Meetings

Joint Economic Committee: July 28, to hold hearings to examine current trends in foreclosures and what can be done to prevent them, 10 a.m., 210 Cannon Building.