

HELIUM-3 SUPPLY CRISIS

Committee on Science and Technology: Subcommittee on Investigations and Oversight held a hearing on Caught by Surprise: Causes and Consequences of the Helium-3 Supply Crisis. Testimony was heard from William Hagan, Acting Director, Domestic Nuclear Detection Office, Department of Homeland Security; William Brinkman, Director, Office of Science, Department of Energy; and public witnesses.

HAZARDOUS MATERIALS MANAGEMENT

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Held a hearing on the Department of Transportation's Oversight and Management of Hazardous Materials Special Permits and Approvals. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Transportation: Calvin L. Scovel III, Inspector General; and Cynthia Quarterman, Administrator, Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration; and a public witness.

VA'S FIDUCIARY PROGRAM

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs held a hearing on Examining VA's Fiduciary Program: How Can VA Better Protect Vulnerable Veterans and Their Families? Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Veterans Affairs: Belinda J. Finn, Assistant Inspector General, Audits and Evaluations, Office of Inspector General; and Bradley G. Mayes, Director, Compensation and Pension Service, Veterans Benefits Administration; Daniel Bertoni, Director, Education, Workforce, and Income Security Issues, GAO; representatives of veterans organizations; and a public witness.

TEMPORARY ASSISTANCE RECIPIENT EDUCATION/TRAINING

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Income Security and Family Support held a hearing to examine the role of education and training in the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) program. Testimony was heard from Representative Moore of Wisconsin; and public witnesses.

BRIEFING—GUANTANAMO DETAINEE TASK FORCE

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Met in executive session to receive a briefing on Guantanamo Detainee Task Force. The Committee was briefed by departmental witnesses.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

**COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY,
APRIL 23, 2010**

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations, to resume hearings to examine Wall Street and the financial crisis, focusing on the role of credit rating agencies, 9:30 a.m., SD-G50.

House

No committee meetings are scheduled.

CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of April 26 through May 1, 2010

Senate Chamber

On *Monday*, at approximately 3 p.m., Senate will resume consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of 3217, Restoring American Financial Stability Act, and after a period of debate, vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill at 5 p.m.

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 28, Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development, to hold hearings to examine a national assessment of energy policies, focusing on significant achievements since the 1970s and an examination of U.S. energy policies and goals in the coming decades, 10 a.m., SD-124.

April 28, Subcommittee on Financial Services and General Government, to hold hearings to examine the President's proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2011 for the Commodity Futures Trading Commission and for the Securities and Exchange Commission, 2:30 p.m., SD-138.

April 29, Subcommittee on Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2011 for the Federal Railroad Administration and the National Railroad Passenger Corporation (Amtrak), 9:30 a.m., SD-138.

April 29, Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2011 for the Department of Justice, 10 a.m., SD-192.

April 29, Subcommittee on Legislative Branch, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2011 for the Library of Congress and the Open World Leadership Center, 2:30 p.m., SD-138.

April 29, Subcommittee on Financial Services and General Government, to hold hearings to examine holding banks accountable, focusing on if treasury and banks

are doing enough to help families save their homes, 2:30 p.m., SD-192.

Committee on Armed Services: April 28, Subcommittee on Personnel, to hold hearings to examine military compensation and benefits, including special and incentive pays, in review of the Defense Authorization request for fiscal year 2011 and the Future Years Defense Program, 10 a.m., SR-222.

April 29, Full Committee, to receive a closed briefing on United States policy towards Yemen and Somalia, 9:30 a.m., SVC-217.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: April 29, Subcommittee on Economic Policy, to hold hearings to examine short-termism in financial markets, 10 a.m., SD-538.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: April 27, Subcommittee on Competitiveness, Innovation, and Export Promotion, to hold hearings to examine promoting our national parks as travel destinations, 10 a.m., SR-253.

April 28, Subcommittee on Surface Transportation and Merchant Marine, to hold an oversight hearing to examine motor carrier safety efforts, 10 a.m., SR-253.

April 29, Subcommittee on Consumer Protection, Product Safety, and Insurance, to hold hearings to examine children's privacy, focusing on new technologies and the Children's Online Privacy Protection Act, 10 a.m., SR-253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: April 27, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Philip D. Moeller, of Washington, and Cheryl A. LaFleur, of Massachusetts, both to be a Member of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 10 a.m., SD-366.

April 27, Subcommittee on Water and Power, to hold hearings to examine S. 745 and H.R. 2265, bills to amend the Reclamation Wastewater and Groundwater Study and Facilities Act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to participate in the Magna Water District water reuse and groundwater recharge project, S. 1138 and H.R. 2442, bills to amend the Reclamation Wastewater and Groundwater Study and Facilities Act to expand the Bay Area Regional Water Recycling Program, S. 1573 and H.R. 2741, bills to amend the Reclamation Wastewater and Groundwater Study and Facilities Act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to participate in the City of Hermiston, Oregon, water recycling and reuse project, S. 3099, to reinstate and extend the deadline for commencement of construction of a hydroelectric project involving the American Falls Reservoir, S. 3100, to reinstate and extend the deadline for commencement of construction of a hydroelectric project involving the Little Wood River Ranch, H.R. 325, to amend the Reclamation Wastewater and Groundwater Study and Facilities Act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to participate in the Avra Black Wash Reclamation and Riparian Restoration Project, H.R. 637, to authorize the Secretary, in cooperation with the City of San Juan Capistrano, California, to participate in the design, planning, and construction of an advanced water treatment plant facility and recycled water system, H.R. 1120, to amend the Reclamation Wastewater and Groundwater Study and Fa-

cilities Act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to participate in the Central Texas Water Recycling and Reuse Project, H.R. 1219, to make amendments to the Reclamation Projects Authorization and Adjustment Act of 1992, H.R. 1393, to amend the Lower Rio Grande Valley Water Resources Conservation and Improvement Act of 2000 to authorize additional projects and activities under that Act, and H.R. 2522, to raise the ceiling on the Federal share of the cost of the Calleguas Municipal Water District Recycling Project, 3 p.m., SD-366.

April 28, Subcommittee on Public Lands and Forests, to hold hearings to examine S. 1241, to amend Public Law 106-206 to direct the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture to require annual permits and assess annual fees for commercial filming activities on Federal land for film crews of 5 persons or fewer, S. 1571 and H.R. 1043, bills to provide for a land exchange involving certain National Forest System lands in the Mendocino National Forest in the State of California, S. 2762, to designate certain lands in San Miguel, Ouray, and San Juan Counties, Colorado, as wilderness, S. 3075, to withdraw certain Federal land and interests in that land from location, entry, and patent under the mining laws and disposition under the mineral and geothermal leasing laws, S. 3185, to require the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain Federal land to Elko County, Nevada, and to take land into trust for the Te-moak Tribe of Western Shoshone Indians of Nevada, and H.R. 86, to eliminate an unused lighthouse reservation, provide management consistency by incorporating the rocks and small islands along the coast of Orange County, California, into the California Coastal National Monument managed by the Bureau of Land Management, and meet the original Congressional intent of preserving Orange County's rocks and small islands, 2:30 p.m., SD-366.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: April 27, Subcommittee on Water and Wildlife, to hold hearings to examine collaborative solutions to wildlife and habitat management, 10 a.m., SD-406.

Committee on Finance: April 29, Subcommittee on International Trade, Customs, and Global Competitiveness, to hold hearings to examine doubling United States exports, focusing on United States seaports, 1 p.m., SD-215.

Committee on Foreign Relations: April 27, business meeting to consider S. 2971, to authorize certain authorities by the Department of State, S. 3087, to support revitalization and reform of the Organization of American States, and the nominations of Mari Carmen Aponte, of the District of Columbia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of El Salvador, Department of State, and Michael P. Meehan, of Virginia, and Dana M. Perino, of the District of Columbia, both to be a Member of the Broadcasting Board of Governors, 2:15 p.m., S-116, Capitol.

April 29, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine historical and modern context for United States-Russian arms control, 2:30 p.m., SD-419.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: April 27, to hold hearings to examine putting safety first, focusing on strengthening enforcement and creating a culture of compliance at mines and other dangerous workplaces, 2 p.m., SD-430.

April 28, Full Committee, business meeting to consider the nominations of Joshua Gotbaum, of the District of Columbia, to be Director of the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation, and Eduardo M. Ochoa, of California, to be Assistant Secretary of Education for Postsecondary Education, 10 a.m., SD-430.

April 28, Full Committee, to resume hearings to examine Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) reauthorization, focusing on standards and assessments, 2 p.m., SD-430.

April 29, Full Committee, to resume hearings to examine Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) reauthorization, focusing on meeting the needs of special populations, 10 a.m., SD-430.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: April 27, Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations, to resume hearings to examine Wall Street and the financial crisis, focusing on the role of investment banks, 10 a.m., SD-106.

April 28, Ad Hoc Subcommittee on Contracting Oversight, to hold an oversight hearing to examine contract management at the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, 2:30 p.m., SD-342.

April 29, Subcommittee on Oversight of Government Management, the Federal Workforce, and the District of Columbia, to hold hearings to examine developing Federal employees and supervisors, focusing on mentoring, internships, and training in the Federal government, 2:30 p.m., SD-342.

Committee on Indian Affairs: April 29, to hold hearings to examine S. 2802, to settle land claims within the Fort Hall Reservation, S. 1264, to require the Secretary of the Interior to assess the irrigation infrastructure of the Pine River Indian Irrigation Project in the State of Colorado and provide grants to, and enter into cooperative agreements with, the Southern Ute Indian Tribe to assess, repair, rehabilitate, or reconstruct existing infrastructure, and S. 439, to provide for and promote the economic development of Indian tribes by furnishing the necessary capital, financial services, and technical assistance to Indian-owned business enterprises, to stimulate the development of the private sector of Indian tribal economies, 2:15 p.m., SD-628.

Committee on the Judiciary: April 27, to hold an oversight hearing to examine the Department of Homeland Security, 10 a.m., SD-226.

April 28, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine certain nominations, 2:30 p.m., SD-226.

April 29, Full Committee, business meeting to consider S. 1346, to penalize crimes against humanity and for other purposes, S. 657, to provide for media coverage of Federal court proceedings, S. 446, to permit the televising of Supreme Court proceedings, S. Res. 339, to express the sense of the Senate in support of permitting the televising of Supreme Court proceedings, S. 1684, to establish guidelines and incentives for States to establish criminal arsonist and criminal bomber registries and to require the Attorney General to establish a national criminal arsonist and criminal bomber registry program, and the nominations of David B. Fein, to be United States Attorney for the District of Connecticut, and Paul

Ward, to be United States Marshal for the District of North Dakota, both of the Department of Justice, 10 a.m., SD-226.

Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship: April 27, to hold hearings to examine Federal efforts to expand small business internet access, 10 a.m., SR-428A.

Select Committee on Intelligence: April 27, to receive a closed briefing on certain intelligence matters from officials of the intelligence community, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

April 29, Full Committee, to hold closed hearings to consider certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

House Committees

Committee on Appropriations, April 27, Subcommittee on Financial Services and General Government, on FY 2011 Budget Request for the Election Assistance Commission, 10 a.m., 2226 Rayburn.

April 28, Subcommittee on Financial Services, and General Government, on FY 2011 Budget Request for the GSA, 10:30 a.m., 2362-B Rayburn.

April 28, Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education and Related Agencies, on FY 2011 Budget Overview: National Institutes of Health, 10 a.m., 2359 Rayburn.

April 29, Subcommittee on Financial Services and General Government, on FY 2011 Budget Request for the FCC, 10 a.m., 2359 Rayburn.

Committee on Armed Services, April 27, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing on Simplifying Defense Travel: Improving the Defense Travel System for the User, 2 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

April 27, Subcommittee on Readiness, hearing on Fiscal Year 2011 Army Reserve, Army National Guard, and Air National Guard Training and Operations, 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

April 27, Subcommittee on Terrorism, Unconventional Threats and Capabilities, hearing on Closing the Gap: Addressing Critical Rotary Wing Shortfalls for U.S. Special Operations Forces in Fiscal Year 2011 and Beyond, 2:30 p.m., 210 HVC.

April 28, Subcommittee on Air and Land Forces, hearing on Air Mobility Programs, 2 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

April 29, full Committee, hearing on Security and Stability in Pakistan: Developments in U.S. Policy and Funding, 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Committee on Education and Labor, April 28, Subcommittee on Workforce Protections, hearing on Whistleblower and Victim's Rights Provision of H.R. 2067, Protecting America's Workers Act, 10 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, April 28, Subcommittee on Commerce, Trade and Consumer Protection, hearing entitled "Public Sales of Hurricane Katrina/Rita FEMA Trailers: Are they Safe or Environmental Time Bombs?" 10 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

April 28, Subcommittee on Energy and Environment, hearing on Clean Energy Policies That Reduce Our Dependence on Oil, 9:30 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

April 28, Subcommittee on Health, hearing entitled "Antibiotic Resistance and the Threat to Public Health," 2 p.m., 2123 Rayburn.

April 29, Subcommittee on Commerce, Trade and Consumer Protection, hearing on the Consumer Product Safety Enhancement Act, 10 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

April 29, Subcommittee on Communications, Technology and the Internet, hearing entitled “The National Broadband Plan: Competitive Availability of Navigation Devices,” 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, April 27, to continue markup of H.R. 5072, FHA Reform Act of 2010, and to mark up the following bills: H.R. 2555, Homeowners’ Defense Act of 2009; H.R. 1264, Multiple Peril Insurance Act of 2009; H.R. 5114, Flood Insurance Reform Priorities Act of 2010; and H.R. 4790, Shareholder Protection Act of 2010, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

April 28, Subcommittee on Housing and Community Opportunity, hearing entitled “Legislative Proposals to Preserve Public Housing,” 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

April 28, Subcommittee on International Monetary Policy and Trade, hearing entitled “Promoting Small and Micro Enterprise in Haiti,” 2 p.m., 2128 Rayburn.

April 28, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled “Reviewing FinCEN Oversight Reports,” 2 p.m., 2220 Rayburn.

April 29, Subcommittee on Capital Markets, Insurance, and Government Sponsored Enterprises, hearing entitled “Credit Default Swaps on Government Debt: Potential Implications of the Greek Debt Crisis,” 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Foreign Affairs, April 27, Subcommittee on Europe, hearing on A Relic of the Cold War: Is it Time to Repeal Jackson-Vanik for Russia? 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

April 28, full Committee, to mark up the following measures: H.R. 4128, Conflict Minerals Trade Act; the International Megan’s Law of 2010; H.R. 4801, Global Science Program for Security, Competitiveness, and Diplomacy Act of 2010; and the Office of High Representative Protection Act of 2010, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on Homeland Security, April 29, Subcommittee on Management, Investigations, and Oversight, hearing entitled “Laying the Framework for the Task Ahead: An Examination of the Department of Homeland Security’s Quadrennial Homeland Security Review,” 10 a.m., 311 Cannon.

Committee on House Administration, April 28, hearing on Oversight of the Clerk, Sergeant at Arms, Chief Administrative Officer and Inspector General of the House of Representatives, 11 a.m., 1310 Longworth.

Committee on the Judiciary, April 27, Subcommittee on Commercial and Administrative Law, hearing on H.R. 3764, Civil Access to Justice Act of 2009, 11 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

April 28, full Committee, hearing on H.R. 2695, Credit Card Fair Fee Act of 2009, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

April 29, Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights, and Civil Liberties, hearing on Protecting the American Dream Part II: Combating Predatory Lending Under the Fair Housing Act, 1 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

April 29, Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security, hearing on Collateral Consequences

of Criminal Convictions: Barriers to Reentry for the Formerly Incarcerated, 11 a.m., 2237 Rayburn.

Committee on Natural Resources, April 27, Subcommittee on Insular Affairs, Oceans and Wildlife, oversight hearing entitled “Marine Mammals in Captivity: What Constitutes Meaningful Public Education,” 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

April 27, Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Public Lands, hearing on the following bills: H.R. 2986, National Capital Region Land Conservation Act of 2009; H.R. 3923, Sugar Loaf Protection District Land Exchange Act of 2009; H.R. 3967, To amend the National Great Black Americans Commemoration Act of 2004 to authorize appropriations through fiscal year 2015; H.R. 3989, Heart Mountain Relocation Center Study Act of 2009; H.R. 4514, Colonel Charles Young Home Study Act; H.R. 4686, Rota Cultural and Natural Resources Study Act; and H.R. 4773, Fort Pulaski National Monument Lease Authorization Act, 10 a.m., 1334 Longworth.

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, April 28, Subcommittee on Government Management, Organization, and Procurement, to consider pending business, 10:30 a.m., 2247 Rayburn.

April 28, Subcommittee on National Security and Foreign Affairs, hearing entitled “The Rise of the Drones II: Examining the Legality of Unmanned Targeting,” 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

April 29, full Committee, hearing entitled “Running Out of Time: Telecommunications Transition Delays Wasting Millions of Federal Dollars,” 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on Science and Technology, April 28, to consider the America COMPETES Reauthorization Act of 2010, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Small Business, April 28, hearing entitled “Evaluating the Impact of Small Business Trade Policy on Job Creation and Economic Growth,” 1 p.m., 2360 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, April 27, Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation, hearing on Status of Coast Guard Civil Rights Programs and Diversity Initiatives, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

April 28, Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment, to continue hearings on Protecting and Restoring America’s Great Waters, Part II: The Columbia River and San Francisco Bay, 2 p.m., 2167 Rayburn.

April 29, Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings, and Emergency Management, hearing on Proposed Fiscal Year 2011 Budgets for Regional Economic Development Commissions, Priorities and Impacts on Regional Economics and Employment, 2 p.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Committee on Veterans’ Affairs, April 28, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing on Examining the Progress of Suicide Prevention Outreach Efforts at the Department of Veterans Affairs, 10 a.m., 334 Cannon.

April 29, Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity, hearing on Status of Veterans Small Businesses, 1 p.m., 334 Cannon.

April 29, Subcommittee on Health, to mark up the following measures: H.R. 1017, Chiropractic Care Available to All Veterans Act; H.R. 2506, Veterans Hearing and Assessment Act; and draft legislation on Continuing Professional Education Reimbursement, followed by a hearing on VA's Implementation of the Enhanced Contract Care Pilot Program, 10 a.m., 334 Cannon.

Committee on Ways and Means, April 27, Subcommittee on Social Security and the Subcommittee on Income Secu-

rity and Family Support, joint hearing on SSA's large backlogs in disability claims, 2 p.m., 1100 Longworth.

April 29, Subcommittee on Trade, hearing on U.S.-Cuba Policy, 10 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

Joint Meetings

Joint Economic Committee: April 29, to hold hearings to examine long-term unemployment, focusing on causes, consequences and solutions, 2 p.m., 210, Cannon Building.