HARMFUL ALGAL BLOOMS AND HYPOXIA/ RESEARCH AND CONTROL AMENDMENTS

Committee on Rules: Granted, by a non-record vote, a rule providing for consideration of H.R. 3650, the "Harmful Algal Blooms and Hypoxia Research and Control Amendments Act of 2009." The rule provides one hour of general debate equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Science and Technology. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill except those arising under clause 9 or 10 of rule XXI. The rule provides that the amendment printed in part A of this report shall be considered as adopted. The bill, as amended, shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against the bill, as amended. The rule makes in order only the amendment printed in part B of this report if offered by Representative Flake of Arizona or his designee. The amendment shall be considered as read, shall be separately debatable for 10 minutes equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question. The rule waives all points of order against the amendment printed in part B of this report except those arising under clause 9 and 10 of rule XXI. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Representatives Baird, and Hall of Texas.

COAST GUARD ACQUISITION PROGRAMS/ POLICIES

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation held a hearing on A Review of Coast Guard Acquisition Programs and Policies. Testimony was heard from RADM Ronald J. Rabago, USCG, Assistant Commandant, Acquisition and Chief Acquisition Officer, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security.

VA CENTER FOR VETERAN ENTERPRISES

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity held a hearing on VA's Center for Veteran Enterprise. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Veterans Affairs: Tim Foreman, Executive Director, Office of Small and Disadvantage Business Utilization; and Phillipa Anderson, Assistant General Counsel, Government Contracts, Real Property, and Environmental Law Group, Office of General Counsel; and public witnesses.

TEMPORARY ASSISTANCE FOR NEEDY FAMILIES

Committee on Ways and Means. Subcommittee on Income Security and Family Support held a hearing on the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) Role in Providing Assistance to Struggling Families. Testimony was heard from Representative Moore of Wisconsin; Carmen Nazario, Assistant Secretary, Children and Families, Administration for Children and Families, Department of Health and Human Services; Kay E, Brown, Director, Education, Workforce, and Income Security, GAO; and public witnesses.

NIP & MIP OVERVIEW FOR FY 2011

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Met in executive session to hold a hearing on NIP & MIP Budget Overview for Fiscal Year 2011. Testimony was heard from departmental witnesses.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY, MARCH 12, 2010

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

House

No committee meetings are scheduled.

Next Meeting of the SENATE 2 p.m., Monday, March 15

Senate Chamber

Program for Monday: After the transaction of any morning business (not to extend beyond 3 p.m.), Senate will resume consideration of motion to concur in the amendments of the House of Representatives to the amendment of the Senate to the amendment of the House to the amendment of the Senate to H.R. 2847, Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, and vote on the motion to invoke cloture thereon at 5:30 p.m.

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

9 a.m., Friday, March 12

House Chamber

Program for Friday: Consideration of H.R. 3650-Harmful Algal Blooms and Hypoxia Research and Control Amendments Act (Subject to a Rule).

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