### SENATE COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Title IV of Senate Resolution 4, agreed to by the Senate on February 4, 1977, calls for establishment of a system for a computerized schedule of all meetings and hearings of Senate committees, subcommittees, joint committees, and committees of conference. This title requires all such committees to notify the Office of the Senate Daily Digest—designated by the Rules Committee—of the time, place, and purpose of the meetings, when scheduled, and any cancellations or changes in the meetings as they occur.

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Meetings scheduled for Thursday, May 15, 2008 may be found in the Daily Digest of today's RECORD.

### MEETINGS SCHEDULED

### **MAY 20**

10 a.m.

Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs

To hold hearings to examine the nomination of Steven C. Preston, of Illinois, to be Secretary of Housing and Urban Development.

SD-538

Energy and Natural Resources

To hold hearings to examine energy and related economic effects of global climate change legislation.

SD-366

Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions

To hold hearings to examine plant closings, focusing on workers rights and the Worker Adjustment and Retraining Notification (WARN) (Public Law 100-379) Act's 20th anniversary.

SD-430

Judiciary

To hold hearings to examine global internet freedom, focusing on corporate responsibility and the rule of law.

SD-226

10:30 a.m.

Foreign Relations

To hold hearings to examine agreement on Extradition between the United States of America and the European Union (EU), signed on June 25, 2003 at Washington, together with twenty-two bilateral instruments which subsequently were signed between the United States and each European Union Member State in order to implement the Agreement with the EU. The Agreement includes an explanatory note which is an integral part of the Agreement (Treaty Doc. 109-14), extradition Treaty between the United States of America and the Government of the Republic of Latvia, signed on December 7, 2005, at Riga (Treaty Doc. 109-15), extradition Treaty between the United States of America and the Government of the Republic of Estonia, signed on February 8, 2006, at Tallinn (Treaty Doc. 109-16), extradition Treaty between the United States of America and the Government of Malta, signed on May 18, 2006, at Valletta, that includes an exchange of letters that is an integral part of the treaty (Treaty Doc. 109-17), extradition Treaty between the United States of Amer-

ica and Romania (the "Extradition Treaty" or the "Treaty") and the Protocol to the Treaty between the United States of America and Romania on Mutual Legal Assistance in Criminal Matters (the "Protocol"), both signed at Bucharest on September 10, 2007 (Treaty Doc. 110-11), extradition Treaty between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Republic of Bulgaria (the "Extradition Treaty" or the "Treaty") and the Agreement on Certain Aspects of Mutual Legal Assistance in Criminal Matters between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Republic of Bulgaria (the "MLA Agreement"), both signed at Sofia on September 19, 2007 (Treaty Doc. 110-12), treaty Between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Kingdom of Sweden on Mutual Legal Assistance in Criminal Matters, signed at Stockholm on December 17, 2001 (Treaty Doc. 107-12), mutual Legal Assistance between the United States of America and the European Union (EU). signed on June 25, 2003, at Washington, together with 25 bilateral instruments that subsequently were signed between the United States and each European Union Member State in order to implement the Agreement with the EU, and an explanatory note that is an integral part of the Agreement (Treaty Doc. 109-13), and treaty between the United States of America and Malaysia on Mutual Legal Assistance in Criminal Matters, signed on July 28, 2006, at Kuala Lumpur (Treaty Doc. 109-22).

SD-419

Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

To hold hearings to examine financial speculation in commodity markets, focusing on institutional investors and hedge funds contributing to food and energy price inflation.

SD-342

11 a.m.

Appropriations

Defense Subcommittee

To hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2009 for the Department of Defense.

SD-192

2:15 p.m.

Foreign Relations

Business meeting to consider pending calendar business.

S-116, Capitol

2:30 p.m.

Judiciary

To hold hearings to examine protecting the constitutional right to vote for all Americans.

SD-226

Intelligence

To hold closed hearings to examine certain intelligence matters.

SH-219

2:45 p.m

Foreign Relations

Near Eastern and South and Central Asian Affairs Subcommittee

To hold hearings to examine Pakistan's Federally Administered Tribal Areas (FATA) challenge, focusing on securing one of the worlds most dangerous areas.

SD-419

MAY 21

Time to be announced

Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

Business meeting to consider the nomination of Paul A. Schneider, of Maryland, to be Deputy Secretary of Homeland Security.

S-216, Capitol

9:15 a.m.

Foreign Relations

To hold hearings to examine treaty Between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland Concerning Defense Trade Cooperation, done at Washington and London on June 21 and 26, 2007 (Treaty Doc. 110-07), and treaty Between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of Australia Concerning Defense Trade Cooperation, done at Sydney, September 5, 2007 (Treaty Doc. 110-10).

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9:30 a.m.

Veterans' Affairs

To hold hearings to examine pending health care legislation.

SR-418

10 a.m.

Judiciary

To hold hearings to examine the skyrocketing price of oil.

SD-226

#### MAY 22

9:30 a.m.

Armed Services

To hold hearings to examine the nominations of General David H. Petraeus, USA, for reappointment to the grade of general and to be Commander, United States Central Command, and Lieutanant General Raymond T. Odierno, USA, for appointment to the grade of general and to be Commander, Multi-National Force-Iraq.

SD-106

10:30 a.m.

Aging

To hold hearings to examine improving Medicare for the most vulnerable, focusing on senior citizens at risk.

SH-216

2 p.m.

Judiciary

To hold hearings to examine closing the justice gap, focusing on providing civil legal assistance to low-income Americans.

SD-226

## JUNE 3

9:30 a.m.

Armed Services

To hold hearings to examine the acquisition of major weapons systems by the Department of Defense.

SD-106

### JUNE 4

9:30 a.m.

Veterans' Affairs

To hold an oversight hearing to examine veterans disability compensation, focusing on undue delay in claims processing.

SR-418

## JUNE 5

9:30 a.m.

Energy and Natural Resources

To hold hearings to examine off-highway vehicle management on public lands.

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POSTPONEMENTS

pursuant to the Energy Policy Act of 2005 (Public Law 109–58).

9:30 a.m.

Veterans' Affairs

Business meeting to markup pending calendar business.

10 a.m.
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MAY 20

Energy and Natural Resources

To hold hearings to examine the Territorial Energy Assessment as updated

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