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| **U.S. House Transportation & Infrastructure Committee Holds Hearing on High Speed Rail**  This morning, the U.S. House of Representatives Transportation and Infrastructure Committee held a hearing on High-Speed Rail, a major initiative of President Obama and Secretary Ray LaHood, which has been playing itself out throughout the California House Delegation. Rep. Jeff Denham (R-CA) has led the charge against federal funding for The California High-Speed Rail Authority, and this morning's hearing included L.A. County Delegation members Rep. Laura Richardson (D-CA). Reps. Kevin McCarthy (R-CA) and Janice Hahn (D-CA) were added to a Members' witness panel at the beginning of the hearing on opposite sides of the issue. This battle over High Speed Rail in California has led to a new article from Politico that can be found [here](http://www.politico.com/story/2012/12/california-high-speed-rail-brawl-hits-house-floor-84667.html). Today's Transportation & Infrastructure Hearing can be found [here](http://transportation.house.gov/) and the video of the Hearing will be online later today.  <http://www.politico.com/story/2012/12/california-high-speed-rail-brawl-hits-house-floor-84667.html>.  <http://transportation.house.gov/> |
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