

MEETINGS OF THE FULL COMMITTEE

HEARINGS

First Session

July 11, 1991:

Oversight (printed as **Serial No. 12**):

Department of Justice authorization for fiscal year 1992.

July 18, 1991:

Oversight (continuation) (printed as **Serial No. 12**):

Department of Justice authorization for fiscal year 1992.

Second Session

June 2, 1992:

Oversight (printed as **Serial No. 43**):

Whether the Committee should request that the Attorney General apply for appointment of an Independent Counsel regarding the United States Government's assistance to the Government of Iraq, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. 592(g).

June 23, 1992:

Oversight (continuation) (printed as **Serial No. 43**):

Whether the Committee should request that the Attorney General apply for appointment of an Independent Counsel regarding the United States Government's assistance to the Government of Iraq, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. 592(g).

BUSINESS MEETINGS AND MARK-UPS

First Session

February 5, 1991:

Organizational meeting:

Ratification of subcommittee assignments, election of subcommittee chairmen, and adoption of the Committee Rules of Procedure.

March 19, 1991:

Mark-up of:

H.R. 1—To amend the Civil Rights Act of 1964 to restore and strengthen civil rights laws that ban discrimination in employment, and for other purposes. "Civil Rights Act of 1991".

* Considered but not completed
** Scheduled but not considered
*** Previously considered

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April 23, 1991:

Mark-up of:

H.R. 7—To amend title 18, United States Code, to require a waiting period before the purchase of a handgun. “Brady Handgun Violence Prevention Act”.

June 18, 1991:

Mark-up of:

H.R. 525—To amend the Federal charter for the Boys’ Clubs of America to reflect the change of the name of the organization to the Boys & Girls Clubs of America.

H.R. 1612 —To amend section 108 of title 17, United States Code, to eliminate the library reproduction reporting requirement.

H.R. 1998 —To amend chapter 9 of title 17, United States Code, regarding protection extended to semiconductor chip products of foreign entities. “Semiconductor International Protection Extension Act of 1991”.

H.R. 2324—To amend title 28, United States Code, with respect to witness fees. “Incarcerated Witness Fees Act of 1991”.

H.R. 2332—To amend the Immigration Act of 1990 to extend for 4 months the application deadline for special temporary protected status for Salvadorans.

S. 296—To amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to provide for special immigrant status for certain aliens who have served honorably (or are enlisted to serve) in the Armed Forces of the United States for at least 12 years. “Armed Forces Immigration Adjustment Act of 1991”.

Private bills.

Adoption of the Rules of Procedure for Private Immigration Bills (Subcommittee on International Law, Immigration, and Refugees).

June 25, 1991:

Mark-up of:

H.R. 1470—To establish evidentiary standards for Federal civil antitrust claims based on resale price fixing. “Price Fixing Prevention Act of 1991”.

H.R. 1604—To amend the National Cooperative Research Act of 1984 to reduce the liability for joint ventures entered into for the purpose of producing a product, process, or service. “National Cooperative Production Amendments of 1991”.

****H.R. 1717**—To amend chapter 96 (relating to racketeer influenced and corrupt organizations) of title 18, United States Code. “RICO Amendments Act of 1991”.

***H.R. 2039**—To authorize appropriations for the Legal Services Corporation, and for other purposes. “Legal Services Reauthorization Act of 1991”.

July 16, 1991:

Mark-up of:

*****H.R. 2039**—To authorize appropriations for the Legal Services Corporation, and for other purposes. “Legal Services Reauthorization Act of 1991”.

July 30, 1991:

Mark-up of:

H.R. 1717—To amend chapter 96 (relating to racketeer influenced and corrupt organizations) of title 18, United States Code. “RICO Amendments Act of 1991”.

September 23, 1991:

Mark-up of:

***H.R. 3371**—To control and prevent crime. “Violent Crime Prevention Act of 1991”.

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** Scheduled but not considered
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September 24, 1991:

Mark-up of:

H.R. 3294—To delay until April 1, 1992, the implementation of provisions relating to O and P nonimmigrants.

H.R. 3350—To extend the United States Commission on Civil Rights. "Civil Rights Commission Reauthorization Act of 1991".

*****H.R. 3371**—To control and prevent crime. "Violent Crime Prevention Act of 1991".

September 25, 1991:

Mark-up of:

*****H.R. 3371**—To control and prevent crime. "Violent Crime Prevention Act of 1991".

September 26, 1991:

Mark-up of:

*****H.R. 3371**—To control and prevent crime. "Violent Crime Prevention Act of 1991".

October 3, 1991:

Mark-up of:

H.R. 6—To reform the deposit insurance system to enforce the congressionally established limits on the amounts of deposit insurance, and for other purposes. "Financial Institutions Safety and Consumer Choice Act of 1991".

October 29, 1991:

Mark-up of:

****H.R. 829**—To amend title 28, United States Code, to make changes in the composition of the Eastern and Western Districts of Virginia.

H.R. 1537—To revise, codify, and enact without substantive change certain general and permanent laws, related to transportation, as subtitles II, III, and V-X of title 49, United States Code, "Transportation", and to make other technical improvements in the Code.

H.R. 1760—To amend the AMVETS charter.

H.R. 3049—To amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to restore authority in courts to naturalize persons as citizens. "Judicial Naturalization Amendments of 1991".

H.R. 3341—To amend the Ethics in Government Act of 1978 with respect to honoraria, and for other purposes. "Ethics in Government Act Amendments of 1991".

S. 1284—To make certain technical corrections in the Judicial Improvements Act of 1991.

S. 1568—To amend the Act incorporating the American Legion so as to redefine eligibility for membership therein.

Private bills.

Adoption of the Supplemental Rules of Procedure for Private Claims Bills (Subcommittee on Administrative Law and Governmental Relations).

November 19, 1991:

Ratification of Republican revised subcommittee assignments.

Authorization of the Chairman to move to go to conference on the crime bill, H.R. 3371.

Mark-up of:

H.R. 9—To modify the antitrust exemption applicable to the business of insurance. "Insurance Competitive Pricing Act of 1991".

H.R. 829—To amend title 28, United States Code, to make changes in the composition of the Eastern and Western Districts of Virginia.

H.R. 2092—To carry out the obligations of the United States under the United Nations Charter and other international agreements pertaining to the protection of human rights by establishing a civil action for recovery of damages from an individual who engages in torture or extrajudicial killing. "Torture Victim Protection Act of 1991".

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November 19, 1991—Continued

Mark-up—Continued

- H.R. 2372—To amend title 17, United States Code, with respect to fair use and copyright renewal, to reauthorize the National Film Registry Board, and for other purposes. “Copyright Amendments Act of 1991”.
- H.R. 2450—To amend title 28, United States Code, to provide for Federal jurisdiction of certain multiparty, multiforum civil actions. “Multiparty, Multiforum Jurisdiction Act of 1991”.
- H.R. 2549—To make technical corrections to chapter 5 of title 5, United States Code. “Administrative Procedure Technical Amendments Act of 1991”.
- H.R. 2828—To amend the Ethics in Government Act of 1978 to remove the limitation on the authorization of appropriations for the Office of Government Ethics. “Office of Government Ethics Amendment of 1991”.
- H.R. 3048—To amend the Immigration and Nationality Act with respect to the admission of O and P nonimmigrants.
- H.R. 3237—To extend the terms of office of members of the Foreign Claims Settlement Commission from 3 to 6 years. “Foreign Claims Settlement Commission Amendments Act of 1991”.
- H.R. 3379—To amend section 574 of title 5, United States Code, relating to the authorities of the Administrative Conference.
- H.R. 3531—To authorize appropriations for the Patent and Trademark Office in the Department of Commerce for fiscal year 1992, and for other purposes. “Patent and Trademark Office Authorization Act of 1991”.
- H.R. 3666—To amend title 28, United States Code, to provide for an additional place of holding court for the Eastern District of Texas.
- H.R. 3670—To make certain technical corrections relating to the immigration laws. “Immigration Technical Corrections Act of 1991”.
- H.R. 3686—To amend title 28, United States Code, to make changes in the places of holding court in the Eastern District of North Carolina.

Private bills.

Investigative Report, “Deficiencies in the Department of Justice Award and Management of Its Project Eagle ADP Procurement”.

Second Session

February 20, 1992:

Mark-up of:

- H.R. 3844—To assure the protection of Haitians in the United States or in United States custody pending the resumption of democratic rule in Haiti. “Haitian Refugee Protection Act of 1991”.

April 30, 1992:

Mark-up of:

- H.R. 776—To provide for improved energy efficiency. “Comprehensive National Energy Policy Act”.
- H.R. 2731—To amend section 2680(c) of title 28, United States Code, to allow Federal tort claims arising from certain acts of customs or other law enforcement officers, and to amend section 3724 of title 31, United States Code, to extend to the Secretary of the Treasury the authority to settle claims for damages resulting from law enforcement activities of the Customs Service.
- H.R. 3591—To amend the Public Health Service Act to provide protections from legal liability for certain health care professionals providing services pursuant to such Act. “Federally Supported Health Centers Assistance Act of 1991”.
- H.R. 4412—To amend title 17, United States Code, relating to fair use of copyrighted works.
- H.R. 4776—To amend the Contract Services for Drug Dependent Federal Offenders Act of 1978 to provide additional authorizations of appropriations. “Drug and Alcohol Offenders Treatment Act of 1992”.
- S. 1963—To amend section 992 of title 28, United States Code, to provide a member of the United States Sentencing Commission whose term has expired may continue to serve until a successor is appointed or until the expiration of the next session of Congress.

Private bills.

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June 4, 1992:

Mark-up of:

- H.R. 4312**—To amend the Voting Rights Act of 1965 with respect to bilingual election requirements. “Voting Rights Improvement Act of 1992”.
- H.R. 5236**—To amend the Voting Rights Act of 1965 to clarify certain aspects of its coverage and to provide for the recovery of additional litigation expenses by litigants. “Voting Rights Extension Act of 1992”.

June 30, 1992:

Mark-up of:

- H.R. 25**—To protect the reproductive rights of women. “Freedom of Choice Act of 1991”.

July 1, 1992:

Mark-up of:

- H.R. 1241**—To impose a criminal penalty for flight to avoid payment of arrearages in child support.
- H.R. 4209**—To amend the Act entitled “An Act conferring jurisdiction on certain courts of the United States to hear and render judgement in connection with certain claims of the Cherokee Nation of Oklahoma”, approved December 23, 1982. “Cherokee, Choctaw, and Chickasaw Nations of Oklahoma Claims Act of 1992”.
- H.R. 5096**—To supersede the Modification of Final Judgment entered August 24, 1982, in the antitrust action styled U.S. v. Western Electric, Civil Action No. 82-0192, United States District Court for the District of Columbia; and for other purposes. “Antitrust Reform Act of 1992”.
- H.J.Res. 454**—To provide for the expeditious disclosure of records relevant to the assassination of President John F. Kennedy. “Assassination Materials Disclosure Act of 1992”.

July 22, 1992:

Mark-up of:

- H.R. 2407**—Entitled the “Farm Animal and Research Facilities Protection Act of 1991”.
- H.R. 3795**—To amend title 28, United States Code, to establish 3 divisions in the Central Judicial District of California.
- H.R. 5383**—To amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to extend for 3 years the authorization of appropriations for domestic refugee assistance.
- H.R. 5399**—To amend the United States Commission on Civil Rights Act of 1983 to provide an authorization of appropriations. “United States Commission on Civil Rights Authorization Act of 1992”.
- H.R. 5475**—Providing policies with respect to approval of bills providing for patent term extensions, and to extend certain patents.
- S. 1216**—To provide for the adjustment of status under the Immigration and Nationality Act of certain nationals of the People’s Republic of China unless conditions permit their return in safety to that foreign state. “Chinese Student Protection Act of 1992”.

July 28, 1992:

Mark-up of:

- H.R. 1206**—To confer jurisdiction on the United States Claims Court with respect to land claims of Pueblo of Isleta Indian Tribe.
- H.R. 3206**—To prohibit the award of costs (including attorney’s fees) against a judicial officer for acts or omissions occurring in a judicial capacity.
- H.R. 3910**—To establish a specialized corps of judges necessary for certain Federal proceedings required to be conducted, and for other purposes. “Administrative Law Judge Corps Act”.
- H.R. 4542**—To prevent and deter auto theft. “Anti-Car Theft Act of 1992”.
- H.R. 4563**—To amend the False Claims Act to provide certain limitations on Federal employees filing qui tam actions, and for other purposes. “False Claims Act Technical Amendments of 1992”.

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*** Previously considered

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August 6, 1992:

Mark-up of:

- H.R. 2357—To amend title 28, United States Code, relating to jurisdictional immunities of foreign states, to grant the jurisdiction of the courts of the United States in certain cases involving tortious conduct occurring in a foreign state.
- *H.R. 3407—To amend chapter 171 of title 28, United States Code, to allow claims against the United States under that chapter for damages arising from certain negligent medical care provided members of the Armed Forces.
- *H.R. 4841—Granting the consent of the Congress to the New Hampshire-Maine Interstate School Compact.
- *H.R. 5452—Granting the consent of the Congress to a supplemental compact or agreement between the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the State of New Jersey concerning the Delaware River Port Authority.
- *H.R. 5555—To provide for increased preinspection at foreign airports, to make permanent the visa waiver pilot program, and to provide for expedited airport immigration processing.
- H.R. 5688—To amend title 28, United States Code, to authorize the appointment of additional bankruptcy judges, and for other purposes. “Bankruptcy Judgeship Act of 1992”.
- S. 2201—To authorize the admission to the United States of certain scientists of the Commonwealth of Independent States and the Baltic states as employment-based immigrants under the Immigration and Nationality Act, and for other purposes. “Commonwealth and Baltic Scientists Immigration and Exchange Act of 1992”.
- *Private bills.

August 11, 1992:

Mark-up of:

- H.R. 3204—To amend title 17, United States Code, to implement a royalty payment system and a serial copy management system for digital audio recording, to prohibit certain copyright infringement actions, and for other purposes. “Audio Home Recording Act of 1991”.
- ***H.R. 3407—To amend chapter 171 of title 28, United States Code, to allow claims against the United States under that chapter for damages arising from certain negligent medical care provided members of the Armed Forces.
- H.R. 4551—To amend the Civil Liberties Act of 1988 to increase the authority for the Trust Fund under that Act, and for other purposes. “Civil Liberties Act Amendments of 1992”.
- H.R. 4553—To amend the Civil Liberties Act of 1988 to clarify that payments under that Act shall not be includible as income for purposes of all laws administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs. (*Full Committee consideration as an amendment to H.R. 4551 above*).
- ***H.R. 4841—Granting the consent of the Congress to the New Hampshire-Maine Interstate School Compact.
- ***H.R. 5452—Granting the consent of the Congress to a supplemental compact or agreement between the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the State of New Jersey concerning the Delaware River Port Authority.
- ***H.R. 5555—To provide for increased preinspection at foreign airports, to make permanent the visa waiver pilot program, and to provide for expedited airport immigration processing.
- H.R. 5716—To extend for two years the authorizations of appropriations for certain programs under title I of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968.
- ***Private bills.

Investigative Report, “The INSLAW Affair”.

September 30, 1992:

Mark-up of:

- H.R. 1252—To authorize the State Justice Institute to analyze and disseminate information regarding the admissibility and quality of testimony of witnesses with expertise relating to battered women, and to develop and disseminate training materials to increase the use of such experts to provide testimony in criminal trials of battered women, particularly in cases involving indigent women. “Battered Women’s Testimony Act of 1991”.
- H.R. 1253—To amend the State Justice Institute Act of 1984 to carry out research, and develop judicial training curricula, relating to child custody litigation.
- H.R. 2222—To provide a new civil cause of action in Federal law for international terrorism that provides extraterritorial jurisdiction over terrorist acts abroad against United States nationals. “Antiterrorism Act of 1991”.

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MEETINGS OF THE FULL COMMITTEE

September 30, 1992—Continued

Mark-up—Continued

- H.R. 2355**—To amend title 18, United States Code, and the Export Administration Act of 1979, with respect to the prosecution of illegal boycotts against nations friendly to the United States. “Illegal Boycott Prosecution Act of 1991”.
- *H.R. 2797**—To protest the free exercise of religion. “Religious Freedom Restoration Act of 1991”.
- H.R. 3345**—To amend the Immigration and Nationality Act of provide for prompt parole into the United States of aliens in order to attend the funeral of an immediate blood relative in the United States.
- H.R. 4363**—To amend title 11 of the United States Code to exclude from the estate of the debtor certain interests in liquid and gaseous hydrocarbons.
- H.R. 4797**—To direct the United States Sentencing Commission to make sentencing guidelines for Federal criminal cases that provide sentencing enhancements for hate crimes. “Hate Crimes Sentencing Enhancement Act of 1992”.
- H.R. 5304**—To provide that a State court may not modify an order of another State court requiring the payment of child support unless the recipient of child support payments resides in the State in which the modification is sought, or consents to seeking the modification in such other State court.
- H.R. 5328**—To amend title 35, United States Code, with respect to the late payment of maintenance fees, and for other purposes.
- H.R. 5602**—Granting the consent of the Congress to the Interstate Rail Passenger Network Compact.
- H.R. 5933**—To implement the recommendations of the Federal Courts Study Committee, and for other purposes. “Federal Courts Administration Act of 1992”.
- H.R. 5998**—For the relief of the Wilkinson County School District, in the State of Mississippi.
- H.R. 6020**—To amend titles 11 and 28 of the United States Code, relating to bankruptcy. “Bankruptcy Amendments of 1992”.
- H.Con.Res. 89**—Expressing the sense of Congress that expert testimony concerning the nature and effect of domestic violence, including descriptions of the experiences of battered women, should be admissible when offered in a State court by a defendant in a criminal case.
- S. 893**—To amend title 18, United States Code, to impose criminal sanctions for violation of software copyright.
- Private bills.

October 1, 1992:

Mark-up of:

- ***H.R. 2797**—To protect the free exercise of religion. “Religious Freedom Restoration Act”.
- H.R. 5862**—To amend title I of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 to ensure an equitable and timely distribution of benefits to public safety officers.
- Private bill.

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