

Tuesday, July 21, 1998

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed Legislative Branch Appropriations.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S8595–S8688

Measures Introduced: Eight bills were introduced, as follows: S. 2332–2339. **Page S8658**

Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:

Report to accompany S. 1301, Consumer Bankruptcy Reform Act. (S. Rept. No. 105–253)

S. 2333, making appropriations for the government of the District of Columbia and other activities chargeable in whole or in part against the revenues of said District for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, and for other purposes. (S. Rept. No. 105–254)

S. 2334, making appropriations for foreign operations, export financing, and related programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999. (S. Rept. No. 105–255)

S. 2206, to amend the Head Start Act, the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Act of 1981, and the Community Services Block Grant Act to reauthorize and make improvements to those Acts, to establish demonstration projects that provide an opportunity for persons with limited means to accumulate assets, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 105–256)

H.R. 1836, to amend chapter 89 of title 5, United States Code, to improve administration of sanctions against unfit health care providers under the Federal Employees Health Benefits Program, with amendments. (S. Rept. No. 105–257)

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Measures Passed:

Legislative Branch Appropriations, 1999: By 90 yeas to 9 nays (Vote No. 214), Senate passed H.R. 4112, making appropriations for the Legislative Branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, as amended. **Pages S8600–01, S8687**

During consideration of this measure today, Senate also took the following action:

By 83 yeas to 16 nays (Vote 213), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn having voted in the affirmative, Senate agreed to close further debate on the bill. **Page S8600**

Subsequently, McCain Amendment No. 3225, to make available on the Internet, for purposes of access and retrieval by the public, certain information available through the Congressional Research Service web site, was ruled out of order as being non-germane when cloture was invoked. **Pages S8600–01**

Senate insisted on its amendments, requested a conference with the House thereon, and the Chair appointed the following conferees on the part of the Senate: Senators Bennett, Stevens, Craig, Cochran, Dorgan, Boxer, and Byrd. **Page S8687**

Commerce, Justice, State Appropriations, 1999: Senate resumed consideration of S. 2260, making appropriations for the Departments of Commerce, Justice, and State, the Judiciary, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows: **Pages S8604–53**

Adopted:

Coats Amendment No. 3227, to establish a prohibition on commercial distribution on the World Wide Web of material that is harmful to minors. **Pages S8610–14**

McCain Amendment No. 3228 (to Amendment No. 3227), to direct the Federal Communications Commission to study systems for filtering or blocking matter on the Internet, and to require the installation of such system on computers in schools and libraries with Internet access. **Pages S8610–14**

McCain/Burns Modified Amendment No. 3229, to promote competition in the market for delivery of multichannel video programming. **Pages S8615–16, S8639–40**

By 72 yeas to 28 nays (Vote No. 215), Craig/Hatch Amendment No. 3238, to provide for firearms safety. **Pages S8631–34**

Smith, of New Hampshire, Amendment No. 3233, to require the destruction of information submitted by or on behalf of any person who has been determined not to be prohibited from owning a firearm, and to prohibit the use of funds for the implementation of a gun tax. **Pages S8625–26, S8635–38**

By 69 yeas to 31 nays (Vote No. 217), Smith, of New Hampshire, Amendment No. 3234 (to Amendment No. 3233), of a perfecting nature.

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Durbin Modified Amendment No. 3240, to prohibit foreign nationals admitted to the United States under a nonimmigrant visa from possessing a firearm. **Pages S8640–42**

Rejected:

Boxer/Kohl Amendment No. 3230, to improve the safety of handguns by requiring child safety locks. (By 61 yeas to 39 nays (Vote No. 216), Senate tabled the amendment.)

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Withdrawn:

Boxer Amendment No. 3231 (to Amendment No. 3230), of a perfecting nature.

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Lott motion to commit the bill to the Committee on the Judiciary with instructions to report back forthwith in status quo with a Lott Amendment No. 3235, to provide for firearms safety, and the following amendments proposed thereto: **Pages S8629, S8631**

Lott Amendment No. 3236 (to the instructions), to provide for firearms safety. (The amendment fell when the motion to commit was withdrawn)

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Lott Amendment No. 3237 (to Amendment No. 3236), of a perfecting nature. (The amendment fell when the motion to commit was withdrawn)

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Pending:

Bumpers Modified Amendment No. 3243, to amend the Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure, relating to counsel for witnesses in grand jury proceedings.

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Graham/DeWine Amendment No. 3244, to modify the definition of the term "public aircraft".

Pages S8650–52

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the pending amendments on Wednesday, July 22, 1998, with votes to occur thereon.

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Messages From the President: Senate received the following messages from the President of the United States:

Transmitting the report concerning the national emergency with respect to terrorists who threaten to disrupt the Middle East Peace Process; referred to

the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. (PM-146). **Page S8656**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Thomasina V. Rogers, of Maryland, to be a Member of the Occupational Safety and Health Review Commission for a term expiring April 27, 2003.

Ritajeon Hartung Butterworth, of Washington, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for Public Broadcasting for a term expiring January 31, 2004.

Bernard Daniel Rostker, of Virginia, to be Under Secretary of the Army.

John Melvin Yates, of Washington, a Career Member of the Senior Foreign Service, Class of Minister-Counselor, to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador of the United States of America to the Republic of Equatorial Guinea.

Robert C. Randolph, of Washington, to be an Assistant Administrator of the Agency for International Development.

Sylvia M. Mathews, of West Virginia, to be Deputy Director of the Office of Management and Budget.

James A. Tassone, of Florida, to be United States Marshal for the Southern District of Florida for the term of four years.

Scott Richard Lassar, of Illinois, to be United States Attorney for the Northern District of Illinois for the term of four years.

Leigh A. Bradley, of Virginia, to be General Counsel, Department of Veterans Affairs.

1 Army nomination in the rank of general.

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Nominations Withdrawn: Senate received notification of the withdrawal of the following nominations:

Thomasina V. Rogers, of Maryland, to be a Member of the Occupational Safety and Health Review Commission for the remainder of the term expiring April 27, 2001, which was sent to the Senate on June 24, 1998.

Bernard Daniel Rostker, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Defense, which was sent to the Senate on April 2, 1998. **Pages S8687–88**

Messages From the President: **Page S8656**

Messages From the House: **Pages S8656–57**

Measures Referred: **Page S8657**

Measures Placed on Calendar: **Page S8657**

Statements on Introduced Bills: **Pages S8658–76**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages S8676–77**

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Authority for Committees: Page S8684

Additional Statements: Pages S8684–87

Record Votes: Five record votes were taken today. (Total—217) Pages S8600–01, S8634–35, S8638

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9 a.m., and adjourned at 8:55 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Wednesday, July 22, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S8687)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

APPROPRIATIONS—FOREIGN ASSISTANCE/ DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Committee on Appropriations: Committee ordered favorably reported the following bills:

An original bill (S. 2333) making appropriations for the government of the District of Columbia and other activities chargeable in whole or in part against the revenues of said District for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999; and

An original bill (S. 2334) making appropriations for foreign operations, export financing, and related programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Armed Services: Committee met in closed session to consider pending nominations, but made no announcements, and will meet again tomorrow.

MONETARY POLICY

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee concluded hearings to examine the Federal Reserve's monetary policy and economic outlook report to Congress, after receiving testimony from Alan Greenspan, Chairman, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System.

PERSONAL SAVINGS ACCOUNTS

Committee on the Budget: Committee concluded hearings to examine the administration of proposed personal savings accounts within the Social Security system, after receiving testimony from Francis X. Cavanaugh, former Executive Director and Chief Executive Officer, Federal Retirement Thrift Investment Board; James S. Phalen, State Street Bank and Trust Company, Boston, Massachusetts; and Fred T. Goldberg, Jr., Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom, Washington, D.C.

DISCRETIONARY FUNDING PROGRAMS

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee concluded hearings to examine the process by which the Department of Commerce and De-

partment of Transportation distribute financial assistance or discretionary funds to states, municipalities, and other eligible entities, after receiving testimony from Kenneth M. Mead, Inspector General, and Kenneth R. Wykle, Administrator, Federal Highway Administration, both of the Department of Transportation; and Johnnie E. Frazier, Acting Inspector General, and W. Scott Gould, Chief Financial Officer and Assistant Secretary for Administration, both of the Department of Commerce.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Finance: Committee ordered favorably reported an original bill to encourage increased trade and economic cooperation between the United States and sub-Saharan African countries, to extend duty-free treatment under the Generalized System of Preferences, to extend preferential treatment to certain products imported from Caribbean Basin countries, to extend tariff proclamation authority and fast track procedures for congressional consideration of certain trade agreements, to extend certain trade adjustment assistance programs, to bolster United States efforts to eliminate barriers to American agricultural exports, to approve and implement the OECD Shipbuilding Trade Agreement, to extend permanent normal trade relations tariff treatment to imports from Mongolia, and to reduce or suspend duties on imports of certain types of wool fabric in order to correct an inversion in the tariff schedule. (As approved by the committee, the bill incorporates certain provisions of S. 219, S. 343, S. 1216, S. 1269, S. 1278, S. 1457, S. 2047, and H.R. 1432.)

CONTRACEPTIVE INSURANCE COVERAGE

Committee on Labor and Human Resources: Committee concluded hearings on S. 766, to require equitable coverage of prescription contraceptive drugs and devices and contraceptive services under health plans, after receiving testimony from Senators Snowe and Reid; Maryland State Delegate Sharon Grosfeld, Kensington; and Gloria Feldt, Planned Parenthood Federation of America, and Richard H. Schwarz, New York Methodist Hospital, on behalf of the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists, both of New York, New York.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Rules and Administration: Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of Scott E. Thomas, of the District of Columbia, David M. Mason, of Virginia, Darryl R. Wold, of California, and Karl J. Sandstrom, of Washington, each to be a Member of the Federal Election Commission, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf. Mr. Wold was introduced by Representative Thomas.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 15 public bills, H.R. 4280–4294; 1 private bill, H.R. 4295; and 2 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 304 and H. Res. 507, were introduced.

Pages H6069–70

Reports Filed: A report was filed as follows:

H.R. 1689, to amend the Securities Act of 1933 and the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 to limit the conduct of securities class actions under State law, amended (H. Rept. 105–640).

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Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Deal to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

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Guest Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the guest Chaplain, Rev. Dr. Kevin Shrum of Nashville, Tennessee.

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Recess: The House recessed at 9:50 a.m. and reconvened at 10:00 a.m.

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Motion to Adjourn: Rejected the Yates motion to adjourn by a yea and nay vote of 7 yeas to 382 nays, Roll No. 309.

Pages H5971–72

Interior Appropriations: The House completed general debate and began considering amendments to H.R. 4193, making appropriations for the Department of the Interior and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999.

Pages H5981–H6052

Agreed To:

The Johnson of Connecticut amendment made in order by the rule that restores \$98 million funding to the National Endowment of the Arts (agreed to by a recorded vote of 253 yeas to 173 noes, Roll No. 312);

Pages H5999–H6008

The Sanford amendment that makes technical corrections to a set of maps entitled the “Coastal Barrier Resources System”;

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The Miller of California amendment that increases National Park Service funding by \$2 million for the Urban Park and Recreation Fund; and

Pages H6022–26

The Sanders amendment numbered 6 and printed in the Congressional Record that increases funding for Bureau of Land Management Payments In Lieu of Taxes (PILT) funding by \$20 million (agreed to by a recorded vote of 241 yeas to 185 noes, Roll No. 314).

Pages H6015–20, H6036

Rejected:

The Skaggs amendment that sought to increase funding for energy conservation funding by \$40 million with \$16 million for weatherization assistance grants, \$4 million for State energy conservation

grants, \$10 million for building technology programs, \$5 million for industry programs, and \$5 million for transportation programs (rejected by a recorded vote of 212 yeas to 213 noes, Roll No. 313); and

Pages H6009–14, H6035

The McGovern amendment that sought to provide \$30 million for the state side program of the Land and Water Conservation Fund (rejected by a recorded vote of 203 yeas to 221 noes, Roll No. 315);

Pages H6026–29, H6036–37

Point of Order sustained against provisions in the bill on the National Endowment for the Arts (subsequently the House agreed to the Johnson of Connecticut amendment that restored funding to the NEA).

Pages H5998–99

Withdrawn:

The Ensign amendment was offered but subsequently withdrawn that sought to increase funding for the Lake Tahoe Basin by \$5.3 million; and

Pages H6047–48

The Furse amendment numbered 8 in the Congressional Record was offered but subsequently withdrawn that sought to reduce by \$80.5 million the funding for the Forest Service’s timber program and reallocate it to watershed improvements and recreation management.

Pages H6048–50

H. Res. 504, the rule that is providing for consideration of the bill, was agreed to by a recorded vote of 224 yeas to 191 noes, Roll No. 311. Earlier, agreed to order the previous question by a yea and nay vote of 223 yeas to 196 nays, Roll No. 310.

Pages H5970–80

Presidential Veto Message—Education Savings Act:

Read a message from the President wherein he announced his veto of H.R. 2646, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow tax-free expenditures from education individual retirement accounts for elementary and secondary school expenses, to increase the maximum annual amount of contributions to such accounts. Agreed to refer the bill and veto message to the Committee on Ways and Means and ordered printed (H. Doc. 105–287).

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Suspension—Securities Litigation Standards:

The House completed consideration of the motion to suspend the rules and pass H.R. 1689, amended, to amend the Securities Act of 1933 and the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 to limit the conduct of securities class actions under State law. The vote was postponed.

Pages H6052–64

Presidential Message—Terrorists: Read a message from the President wherein he submitted a report on

the developments concerning the national emergency with respect to terrorists who threaten to disrupt the Middle East peace process—referred to International Relations and ordered printed (H. Doc. 105-288).

Pages H6064-65

Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on page H6071.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Two yea and nay votes and five recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H5971-72, H5979-80, H5980, H6007-08, H6035, H6036, and H6036-37. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: Met at 9:00 a.m. and adjourned at 9:23 p.m.

Committee Meetings

ENERGY POLICY ACT AMENDMENTS

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Energy and Power held a hearing on H.R. 2568, Energy Policy Act Amendments of 1997. Testimony was heard from Thomas Gross, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Transportation Technologies, Department of Energy; and public witnesses.

ELECTRONIC COMMERCE

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Telecommunications, Trade, and Consumer Protection continued hearings on Electronic Commerce: Privacy in Cyberspace, focusing on data privacy measures, including H.R. 2368, Data Privacy Act of 1997. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the FTC: Robert Pitofsky, Chairman; Orson Swindle, Sheila F. Anthony and Mozelle W. Thompson, all Commissioners; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on Civil Service approved for full Committee action the following bills: H.R. 2526, to amend title 5, United States Code, to make the percentage limitations on individual contributions to the Thrift Savings Plan more consistent with the dollar amount limitation on elective deferrals; H.R. 2566, Civil Service Retirement System Actuarial Redeposit Act of 1997; H.R. 4280, to provide for greater access to child care services for Federal employees; and H.R. 2943, to amend title 5, United States Code, to increase the amount of leave time available to a Federal employee in any year in connection with serving as an organ donor.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on Postal Service approved for full Committee action the following bills: H.R. 3725,

amended, Postal Service Health and Safety Promotion Act; H.R. 2623, to designate the United States Post Office located at 16250 Highway 603 in Kiln, Mississippi, as the "Ray J. Favre Post Office Building"; H.R. 3167, to designate the United States Post Office located at 297 Larkfield Road in East Northport, New York, as the "Jerome Anthony Ambro, Jr. Post Office Building"; H.R. 4052, to establish designations for United States Postal Service buildings located in Coconut Grove, Opa Locka, Carol City, and Miami, Florida; H.R. 3810, to designate the United States Post Office located at 202 Center Street in Garwood, New Jersey, as the "James T. Leonard, Sr. Post Office"; H.R. 3939, to designate the United States Postal Service building located at 658 63rd Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, as the "Edgar C. Campbell, Sr., Post Office Building"; H.R. 3999, to designate the United States Postal Service building located at 5209 Greene Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, as the "David P. Richardson, Jr., Post Office Building"; H.R. 4000, amended, to designate the United States Postal Service building located at 400 Edgmont Avenue, Chester, Pennsylvania, as the "Thomas P. Foglietta Post Office Building"; H.R. 4001, to designate the United States Postal Service building located at 2601 North 16th Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, as the "Roxanne H. Jones Post Office Building"; H.R. 4002, to designate the United States Postal Service building located at 5300 West Jefferson Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, as the "Freeman Hankins Post Office Building"; and H.R. 4003, to designate the United States Postal Service building located at 2037 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, as the "Max Weiner Post Office Building".

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on International Relations: Favorably considered the following measures and adopted a motion urging the Chairman to request that they be considered on the Suspension Calendar: H.J. Res. 125, amended, finding the Government of Iraq in material and unacceptable breach of its international obligations; H.R. 4095, International Arms Sales Code of Conduct Act of 1998; H. Res. 459, commemorating 50 years of relations between the United States and the Republic of Korea; H. Con. Res. 277, concerning the New Tribes Mission hostage crisis; H. Res. 469, amended, expressing the sense of the House of Representatives regarding assistance to Mexico to combat wildfires; H. Con. Res. 292, calling for an end to the recent conflict between Eritrea and Ethiopia; H. Con. Res. 224, urging international cooperation in recovering children abducted in the United States and taken to other countries; H. Res.

421, expressing the sense of the House of Representatives deploring the tragic and senseless murder of Bishop Juan Jose Gerardi, calling on the Government of Guatemala to expeditiously bring those responsible for the crime to justice, and calling on the people of Guatemala to reaffirm their commitment to continue to implement the peace accords without interruption; and H. Con. Res. 254, calling on the Government of Cuba to extradite to the United States convicted felon Joanne Chesimard and all other individuals who have fled the United States to avoid prosecution or confinement for criminal offenses and who are currently living freely in Cuba.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on the Judiciary: Ordered reported amended the following bills: H.R. 3898, Speed Trafficking Life in Prison Act of 1998; H.R. 2592, Private Trustee Reform Act of 1997; and H.R. 2070, Correction Officers Health and Safety Act of 1997.

The Committee began mark up of H.R. 3789, Class Action Jurisdiction Act of 1998.

Will continue July 28.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources held a hearing on the following bills: H.R. 1467, to provide for the continuance of oil and gas operations pursuant to certain existing leases in the Wayne National Forest; H.R. 3878, to subject certain reserved mineral interests of the operation of the Mineral Leasing Act; and H.R. 3972, to amend the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act to prohibit the Secretary of the Interior from charging State and local government agencies for certain uses of the sand, gravel, and shell resources of the Outer Continental Shelf. Testimony was heard from Representative Pickett; the following officials of the Department of the Interior: Carol Hartgen, Chief, Office of International Activities and Marine Minerals, Minerals Management Service; and Carson W. Culp, Assistant Director, Minerals, Realty and Resources Protection, Bureau of Land Management; and Meyera E. Oberndorf, Mayor, Virginia Beach, State of Virginia.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Forests and Forest Health held a hearing on the following bills: H.R. 4021, Interstate 90 Land Exchange Act of 1998; and H.R. 4023, to provide for the conveyance of the Forest Service property in Kern County, California, in exchange for county lands suitable for inclusion in Sequoia National Forest. Testimony was heard from Representatives Thomas and Hastings of Washington; Gloria Manning, Associate Deputy

Chief, National Forest System, Forest Service, USDA; and public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT—COMMUNITY COLLEGES

Committee on Science: Subcommittee on Technology held an oversight hearing on Community Colleges in the 21st Century: Tackling Technology. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PARTNERSHIP ACT

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Public Buildings and Economic Development approved for full Committee action the following: 8 Courthouse Construction prospectuses; U.S. Mission to the United Nations prospectus; 5 11-B resolutions; H.R. 4275, Economic Development Partnership Act of 1998; H.R. 3482, to designate the Federal building located at 11000 Wilshire Boulevard in Los Angeles, California, as the "Abraham Lincoln Federal Building"; H.R. 3598, to designate the Federal building located at 700 East San Antonio Street in El Paso, Texas, as the "Richard C. White Federal Building"; and S. 2032, amended, to designate the Federal building in Juneau, Alaska, as the "Hurff A. Saunders Federal Building".

ECONOMIC INTELLIGENCE

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Met in executive session to hold a hearing on Economic Intelligence. Testimony was heard from departmental witnesses.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, JULY 22, 1998

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry, to hold hearings to examine how the Year 2000 computer conversion will affect agricultural businesses, 9 a.m., SR-332.

Committee on Armed Services, business meeting, to consider the nomination of Daryl L. Jones, to be the Secretary of the Air Force, 10 a.m., SR-222.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs, to hold hearings to examine the 1946 Swiss Holocaust Assets Agreement, 10 a.m., SD-538.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, to hold hearings on the nomination of Bill Richardson, of New Mexico, to be Secretary of Energy, 9:30 a.m., SH-216.

Subcommittee on Forests and Public Land Management, to hold hearings on S. 2136, to provide for the exchange of certain land in the State of Washington, S. 2226, to amend the Idaho Admission Act regarding the sale or lease of school land, H.R. 2886, to provide for a demonstration project in the Stanislaus National Forest,

California, under which a private contractor will perform multiple resource management activities for that unit of the National Forest System, and H.R. 3796, to convey the administrative site for the Rogue River National Forest and use the proceeds for the construction or improvement of offices and support buildings for the Rogue River National Forest and the Bureau of Land Management, 2 p.m., SD-366.

Committee on Environment and Public Works, business meeting, to consider pending calendar business, 9 a.m., SD-406.

Committee on Finance, to hold hearings to examine new directions in retirement security policy, focusing on social security, pensions, personal savings and work, 9:30 a.m., SD-215.

Committee on Foreign Relations, to hold hearings on the nominations of David G. Carpenter, of Virginia, to be Assistant Secretary of State for Diplomatic Security, and to be Director of the Office of Foreign Missions, and to have the rank of Ambassador during his tenure of service, Bert T. Edwards, of Maryland, to be Chief Financial Officer, Department of State, and Jonathan H. Spalter, of the District of Columbia, to be an Associate Director (Bureau of Information) of the United States Information Agency, 4 p.m., SD-419.

Committee on Labor and Human Resources, business meeting, to mark up S. 1380, to amend the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 regarding charter schools, S. 2112, to make the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970 applicable to the United States Postal Service in the same manner as any other employer, and S. 2213, to allow all States to participate in activities under the Education Flexibility Partnership Demonstration Act, 9:30 a.m., SD-430.

Committee on Rules and Administration, business meeting, to consider pending nominations, 2 p.m., SR-301.

Committee on Indian Affairs, to hold joint hearings with the House Resources Committee on S. 1770, to elevate the position of Director of the Indian Health Service to Assistant Secretary of Health and Human Services, and to provide for the organizational independence of the Indian Health Service within the Department of Health and Human Services, and H.R. 3782, to compensate certain Indian tribes for known errors in their tribal trust fund accounts, and to establish a process for settling other disputes regarding tribal trust fund accounts, 9 a.m., SD-106.

House

Committee on Agriculture, hearing to review the 1999 Multilateral Negotiations on Agricultural Trade-Western Hemisphere, 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

Committee on Appropriations, to mark up the following appropriations for fiscal year 1999: Foreign Operations, Export Financing and Related Programs; and Transportation, 10 a.m., 2359 Rayburn.

Committee on Banking and Financial Services, Subcommittee on Domestic and International Monetary Policy, hearing on the Conduct of Monetary Policy, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Credit and the Subcommittee on Housing and Community Opportunity, joint hearing on the Real Estate Settlement Procedures Act, the Truth in Lending Act, and reforms to mortgage lending disclosure requirements, 2 p.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Commerce, Subcommittee on Telecommunications, Trade, and Consumer Protection, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 3844, Wireless Communications and Public Safety Act of 1998; and H.R. 2901, to improve cellular telephone service in selected rural areas and to achieve equitable treatment of certain cellular license applicants, 10:30 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Education and the Workforce, to mark up the following: H.R. 4257, to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 to permit certain youth to perform certain work with wood products; H.R. 4241, Head Start Amendments of 1998; and H.R. 4271, Community Services Authorization Act of 1998; and to consider pending Committee business, 11 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight, Subcommittee on Human Resources, hearing on Medicare Home Health Agencies: Still No Surety Against Fraud and Abuse, 10 a.m., 2247 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on National Security, International Affairs, and Criminal Justice, hearing on Drug Treatment Programs: Making Treatment Work, 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on International Relations, to mark up the following measures: H. Con. Res. 292, calling for an end to the recent conflict between Eritrea and Ethiopia; the Africa: Seeds of Hope Act of 1998; H. Res. 415, to promote independent radio broadcasting in Africa; H.R. 3743, Iran Nuclear Proliferation Prevention Act of 1998; H. Res. 362, commending the visit of His Holiness Pope John Paul II to Cuba; and H. Res. 475, recognizing the importance of achieving the goal of the 1997 Microcredit Summit to provide access to microcredit to 100,000 of the world's poorest families, 11 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on International Economic Policy and Trade, hearing on The U.S. and its Trade Deficit: Restoring the Balance, 1:30 p.m., 2200 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary, hearing on H.R. 3081, Hate Crimes Prevention Act of 1997, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on the Constitution, to mark up H.R. 4006, Lethal Drug Abuse Prevention Act of 1998, 2 p.m., 2226 Rayburn.

Committee on Resources, to consider the following bills: H.R. 1042, to amend the Illinois and Michigan Canal Heritage Corridor Act of 1984 to extend the Illinois and Michigan Canal Heritage Corridor Commission; H.R. 2223, Education Land Grant Act; H.R. 3047, to authorize expansion of Fort Davis National Historic Site in Fort Davis, Texas; H.R. 3055, to deem the activities of the Miccosukee Tribe on the Tamiami Indian Reservation to be consistent with the purposes of the Everglade National Park; H.R. 3109, Thomas Cole National Historic Site Act; H.R. 3498, Dungeness Crab Conservation and Management Act; H.R. 3625, San Rafael Swell National Heritage and Conservation Act; and H.R. 3903, Glacier Bay

National Park Boundary Adjustment Act of 1998, 11 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Committee on Rules, to consider H.R. 4276, making appropriations for the Department of Commerce, Justice, and State, the Judiciary, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999; and to hold a hearing on H. Res. 503, amending the Rules of the House of Representatives to provide for mandatory drug testing of Members, officers, and employees of the House of Representatives, 3 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

Committee on Small Business, Subcommittee on Regulatory Reform and Paperwork, hearing on the potential impacts on the small business community of restructuring the electric utility industry, 2 p.m., 311 Cannon.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs, hearing on benefits for Filipino veterans, 10 a.m., 334 Cannon.

Committee on Ways and Means, Subcommittee on Social Security, hearing to examine labor-management relations at the SSA, 10 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, executive, briefing on Committee business; and, executive, to consider the Access and Bosnia Report, 2 p.m., H-405 Capitol.

Subcommittee on Human Intelligence, Analysis, and Counterintelligence, executive, hearing on Counterintelligence, 3 p.m., H-405 Capitol.

Joint Meetings

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