*Thursday, October 21, 1999*

# *Daily Digest*

## HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed Partial Birth Abortion Ban.

The Senate and House agreed to the Conference Report on H.R. 2466, Department of the Interior and Related Agencies Appropriations.

The House passed H.R. 2, The Students Results Act.

The House passed H.R. 2300, Academic Achievement for All Act.

# Senate

## *Chamber Action*

*Routine Proceedings, pages S12949–S13035*

Measures Introduced: Ten bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 1759–1768, and S.J. Res. 36. **Pages S13011–12**

Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H.R. 2112, to amend title 28, United States Code, to allow a judge to whom a case is transferred to retain jurisdiction over certain multidistrict litigation cases for trial, and to provide for Federal jurisdiction of certain multiparty, multiforum civil actions, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

H.J. Res. 62, to grant the consent of Congress to the boundary change between Georgia and South Carolina.

S. 1235, to amend part G of title I of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 to allow railroad police officers to attend the Federal Bureau of Investigation National Academy for law enforcement training.

S. 1485, to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to confer United States citizenship automatically and retroactively on certain foreign-born children adopted by citizens of the United States.

S. 1713, to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to extend for an additional 2 years the period for admission of an alien as a nonimmigrant under section 101(a)(15)(S) of such Act, and to authorize appropriations for the refugee assistance program under chapter 2 of title IV of the Immigration and Nationality Act.

S. 1753, to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to provide that an adopted alien who is less than 18 years of age may be considered a child under such Act if adopted with or after a sibling who is a child under such Act. **Page S13011**

Measures Passed:

*Work Incentives Improvement Act:* Senate passed H.R. 1180, to amend the Social Security Act to expand the availability of health care coverage for working individuals with disabilities, to establish a Ticket to Work and Self-Sufficiency Program in the Social Security Administration to provide such individuals with meaningful opportunities to work, after striking all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the text of S. 331, Senator companion measure, as passed by the Senate on June 16, 1999. Senate insisted on its amendment, requested a conference with the House thereon, and the Chair was authorized to appoint the following conferees on the part of the Senate: Senators Roth, Lott, and Moynihan. **Page S12961**

*Partial Birth Abortion:* By 63 yeas to 34 nays (Vote No. 340), Senate passed S. 1692, to amend title 18, United States Code, to ban partial-birth abortions, as modified, after taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto:

**Pages S12949–70, S12972–99**

Adopted:

By 51 yeas to 47 nays (Vote No. 337), Harkin Amendment No. 2321 (to Amendment No. 2320), to express the sense of Congress in support of the Supreme Court's decision in *Roe* v. *Wade*. (By 48 yeas to 51 nays (Vote No. 336), Senate earlier failed to table the amendment.) **Pages S12949–61, S12972**

Boxer Amendment No. 2320 (to the text of the language proposed to be stricken by Amendment No. 2319), to express the Sense of the Congress that, consistent with the rulings of the Supreme Court, a woman's life and health must always be protected in

any reproductive health legislation passed by Congress. **Pages S12949–72**

Modification to S. 1692, to clarify the definition of partial birth abortion. **Page S12980**

Rejected:

By 46 yeas to 51 nays (Vote No. 338), Smith (of N.H.) Modified Amendment No. 2324, to provide for certain disclosures and limitations with respect to the transference of human fetal tissue. **Pages S12985–89**

By 46 yeas to 51 nays (Vote No. 339), Landrieu Modified Amendment No. 2323, to express the sense of the Congress that the Federal Government should fully support the economic, educational and medical requirements of families with special needs children. **Pages S12975–89**

*Torture Victims Relief Authorization:* Senate passed H.R. 2367, to reauthorize a comprehensive program of support for victims of torture, clearing the measure for the President. **Page S13035**

Interior Appropriations Conference Report: Senate agreed to the conference report on H.R. 2466, making appropriations for the Department of the Interior and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2000, clearing the measure for the President. **Pages S13000–02**

African Growth and Opportunity Act: Senate began consideration of the motion to proceed to the consideration of H.R. 434, to authorize a new trade and investment policy for sub-Sahara Africa. **Pages S13002–06**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill on Friday, October 22, 1999. **Page S13035**

Appointment:

*Mickey Leland National Urban Air Toxics Research Center:* The Chair, on behalf of the Majority Leader, pursuant to Public Law 101–549, appointed Susan F. Moore, of Georgia, to the Board of Directors of the Mickey Leland National Urban Air Toxics Research Center, vice Patricia A. Buffler. **Page S13035**

Messages From the House: **Page S13010**

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Record Votes: Five record votes were taken today. (Total—340) **Pages S12961, S12972, S12989, S12997**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:31 a.m., and adjourned at 7:57 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Friday, October 22, 1999. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S13035.)

# *Committee Meetings*

*(Committees not listed did not meet)*

## OPERATION ALLIED FORCE

*Committee on Armed Services:* Committee resumed open and closed hearings on the lessons learned from the military operations conducted as part of Operation Allied Force, and associated relief operations, with respect to Kosovo, receiving testimony from Gen. Wesley K. Clark, USA, Commander-in-Chief, United States European Command, Supreme Allied Commander, Europe; Adm. James O. Ellis, Jr., USN, Commander-in-Chief, United States Naval Forces, Europe, Commander-in-Chief, Allied Forces, Southern Europe; and Lt. Gen. Michael C. Short, USAF, Commander, 16th Air Force, United States Air Forces, Europe, Commander, Allied Air Forces, Southern Europe.

Hearings recessed subject to call.

## NATIONAL TECHNICAL INFORMATION SERVICE

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* Subcommittee on Science, Technology, and Space concluded hearings to examine issues dealing with the Department of Commerce's proposal to close the National Technical Information Service, after receiving testimony from Senator Robb; Representatives Davis and James Moran; Robert Mallett, Deputy Secretary of Commerce; Michael F. DiMario, Public Printer, Government Printing Office; Joan R. Challinor, Member, United States National Commission on Libraries and Information Science; and Bill Clark, National Federation of Federal Employees, Washington, DC.

## NATIONAL HISTORIC PRESERVATION

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* Subcommittee on National Parks, Historic Preservation, and Recreation concluded hearings on S. 1365, to amend the National Preservation Act of 1966 to extend the authorization for the Historic Preservation Fund and the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation, S. 1434, to amend the National Historic Preservation Act to reauthorize that Act, and H.R. 834,

to extend the authorization for the National Historic Preservation Fund, after receiving testimony from Robert Stanton, Director, Katherine Stevenson, Associate Director, Cultural Resource, Stewardship and Partnerships, and Michael Soukup, Associate Director, Natural Resources, Stewardship and Science, all of the National Park Service, Department of the Interior; John Fowler, Executive Director, Advisory Council on Historic Preservation; Judith Bittner, Alaska State Office of Historic Preservation, Anchorage, on behalf of the National Conference of State Historic Preservation Officers; Gerri Johnson Hobdy, Louisiana Department of Culture, Recreation and Tourism, Baton Rouge; Michael A. Andrews, Washington, DC, and Lucille Clark Dumbrill, New Castle, Wyoming, both of the National Trust for Historic Preservation; and Susan West Montgomery, Preservation Action, Washington, DC.

## BUSINESS MEETING

*Committee on Finance:* Committee ordered favorably reported an original bill, the Balanced Budget Adjustment Act of 1999.

## WTO TRADE NEGOTIATIONS

*Committee on Finance:* Subcommittee on International Trade concluded hearings to examine the United States trade negotiating objectives for services at the Seattle World Trade Organization Ministerial meeting, after receiving testimony from David L. Aaron, Under Secretary of Commerce for International Trade; Susan G. Esserman, Deputy United States Trade Representative; and Stuart J. Brahs, The Principal Financial Group, Catherine L. Mann, Institute for International Economics, and J. Robert Vastine, Coalition of Service Industries, all of Washington DC.

## CHILD LABOR ABUSE

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* Committee concluded hearings on Convention (No. 182) Concerning the Prohibition and Immediate Action for the Elimination of the Worst Forms of Child Labor, adopted by the International Labor Organization Convention at its 87th Session in Geneva on June 17, 1999 (Treaty Doc. 106–05), after receiving testimony from Senator Harkin; Alexis M. Herman, Secretary of Labor; John J. Sweeney, American Federation of Labor and Congress of Industrial Organizations, Washington, DC; Thomas M.T. Niles, United States Council for International Business, New York, New York, on behalf of the International Labor Organization; Casey Harrell, Duke University Students Against Sweatshops, Durham, North Carolina; and Francoise Remington, Forgotten Children, Arlington, Virginia.

## NOMINATIONS

*Committee on Governmental Affairs:* Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of John F. Walsh, of Connecticut, and Legree Sylvia Daniels, of Pennsylvania, each to be a Governor of the United States Postal Service, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf. Mr. Walsh was introduced by Senator Dodd, and Ms. Daniels was introduced by Senator Specter.

## BUSINESS MEETING

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

H.R. 2112, to amend chapter 87 of title 28, United States Code, to authorize a judge to whom a case is transferred to retain jurisdiction over certain multidistrict litigation cases for trial, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (As approved by the committee the substitute amendment incorporates the text of S. 1748, Senate companion measure.);

H.J. Res. 62, to grant the consent of Congress to the boundary change between Georgia and South Carolina;

S. 1713, to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to extend for an additional 2 years the period for admission of an alien as a nonimmigrant under section 101(a)(15)(S) of such Act, and to authorize appropriations for the refugee assistance program under chapter 2 of title IV of the Immigration and Nationality Act;

S. 1485, to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to confer United States citizenship automatically and retroactively on certain foreign-born children adopted by citizens of the United States;

S. 1753, to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to provide that an adopted alien who is less than 18 years of age may be considered a child under such Act if adopted with or after a sibling who is a child under such Act;

S. 1754, ''Denying Safe Havens to International and War Criminals Act of 1999'', with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 1235, to amend part G of title I of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 to allow railroad police officers to attend the Federal Bureau of Investigation National Academy for law enforcement training; and

The nominations of Timothy B. Dyk, of the District of Columbia, and Richard Linn, of Virginia, each to be a United States Circuit Judge for the Federal Circuit, Paul L. Seave, to be United States Attorney for the Eastern District of California, and Diana E. Murphy, of Minnesota, Ruben Castillo, of Illinois, Sterling R. Johnson, Jr., of New York, Elton J. Kendall, of Texas, Michael E. O'Neill, of

Maryland, William K. Sessions, III, of Vermont, and John R. Steer, of Virginia, each to be a Member of the United States Sentencing Commission.

FDA MODERNIZATION

*Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:* Committee concluded hearings on the implementation of the Food and Drug Administration Modernization Act (P.L. 105–115), focusing on provisions on pharmaceuticals and medical devices, after receiving testimony from Jane E. Henney, Commissioner of Food and Drugs, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services; Richard A. Galbraith, University of Vermont Fletcher Allen Health Care, Burlington; Janice Bourque, Massachusetts Biotechnology Council, Inc., Waltham; Myron Genel, Yale University School of Medicine, New Haven, Connecticut, on behalf of the American Academy of Pediatrics; Amy S. Langer, National Alliance of Breast Cancer Organizations, New York, New York; and Pamela G. Bailey, Health Industry Manufacturers Association, and Alan F. Holmer, Pharmaceutical Research and Manufacturers of America, both of Washington, D.C.

UNITED STATES WORKFORCE NEEDS

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on Immigration concluded hearings to examine workforce needs in the high technology industry and at smaller companies, focusing on the need for additional H–1B visas, after receiving testimony from Senators Gramm and Robb; Susan Williams DeFife, womenCONNECT.com, Fairfax, Virginia; Julie Holdren, Olympus Group, Inc., Alexandria, Virginia; Robert D. Atkinson, Progressive Policy Institute, and William T. Archey, American Electronics Association, both of Washington, D.C.; and Roberta Katz, Technology Network, Palo Alto, California.

# House of Representatives

## *Chamber Action*

Bills Introduced: 15 public bills, H.R. 3120–3134; 1 private bill, H.R. 3135; and 3 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 203–204, and H. Res. 340, were introduced. **Page H10724**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H. Res. 339, providing for consideration of H.R. 2260, to amend the Controlled Substances Act to promote pain management and palliative care without permitting assisted suicide and euthanasia (H. Rept. 106–409); and

H.R. 2005, to establish a statute of repose for durable goods used in a trade or business, amended (H. Rept. 106–410, Pt. 1). **Page H10723**

Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Thornberry to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H10615**

Guest Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the guest Chaplain, Rev. Timothy O'Brien, Ph.D. of Washington, D.C. **Page H10615**

Journal Vote: Agreed to the Speaker's approval of the Journal of Wednesday, October 20, by a yea and nay vote of 352 yeas to 62 nays, Roll No. 520. **Pages H10615, H10620–21**

Appointment of Conferees—District of Columbia Appropriations: The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of Chairman Istook and Representatives Cunningham, Tiahrt, Aderholt, Emerson, Sununu, Young of Florida, Moran of Virginia, Dixon, Mollohan, and Obey as conferees on H.R. 3064, making appropriations for the government of the District of Columbia and other activities chargeable in whole or in part against revenues of said District for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2000. **Page H10621**

The Students Results Act: The House passed H.R. 2, to send more dollars to the classroom and for certain other purposes by a recorded vote of 358 ayes to 67 noes, Roll No. 526. **Pages H10621–56**

Rejected the Hinojosa motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Education and the Workforce with instructions to conduct hearings and promptly report to the House regarding the effectiveness of bilingual education and migrant education. **Pages H10654–55**

Agreed to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute made in order by the rule. **Page H10652**

Agreed to:

The Schaffer amendment that permits children to transfer to another public school chosen by their parents when they are victims of violent crimes at school or otherwise attend unsafe schools; **Pages H10635–36**

The Andrews amendment, as amended, that permits schools to use Title I funding for prekindergarten programs. Earlier, agreed to the Goodling

amendment to the Andrews amendment that eliminates prerequisites for implementing the program; **Pages H10640–41**

The Roemer amendment that increases Title I program funding by $1.5 billion (agreed to by a recorded vote of 243 ayes to 181 noes, Roll No. 523); and **Pages H10636–40, H10650**

The Ehlers amendment that includes mathematics and science in Title I standards and assessments (agreed to by a recorded vote of 360 ayes to 62 noes, Roll No. 525). **Pages H10647–49, H10651–52**

Rejected:

The Armey amendment that sought to establish a five year pilot program to provide a $3,500 scholarship for children, who are victims of violent crimes at school or who otherwise attend unsafe schools, to attend another school chosen by their parents (rejected by a recorded vote of 166 ayes to 257 noes, Roll No. 521); **Pages H10621–28**

The Payne amendment that sought to strike title VIII that permits school-wide program funding for schools that serve at least 40 per cent of children from low-income families (rejected by a recorded vote of 208 ayes to 215 noes, Roll No. 522); **Pages H10629–35, H10649–50**

The Petri amendment that sought to establish a pilot program in ten states to convert Title I funds into a portable benefit to be used by the parents or legal guardians for their children's education (rejected by a recorded vote of 153 ayes to 271 noes, Roll No. 524). **Pages H10641–47, H10650–51**

The Clerk was authorized in the engrossment of the bill to correct section numbers, punctuation, cross references, and to make other necessary technical and conforming changes to reflect the actions of the House. **Page H10656**

H. Res. 336, the rule that provided for consideration of the bill was agreed to on October 20.

Interior and Related Agencies Appropriations: The House agreed to the Conference report on H.R. 2466, making appropriations for the Department of the Interior and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2000 by a yea and nay vote of 225 yeas to 200 nays, Roll No. 528. **Pages H10672–85**

H. Res. 337, the rule waiving points of order against the conference report was agreed to by a yea and nay vote of 228 yeas to 196 nays, Roll No. 527. **Pages H10656–72**

Academic Achievement for All Act: The House passed H.R. 2300, to allow a State to combine certain funds to improve the academic achievement of all its students, by a recorded vote of 213 ayes to 208 noes, Roll No. 532. **Pages H10689–H10715**

Rejected with Clay motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Education and the Workforce with instructions to report it back to the House in a manner that addresses the need to help communities to reduce class size, to modernize our Nation's crumbling and overcrowded public schools, and to ensure that teachers are highly qualified, by a recorded vote of 201 ayes to 217 noes, Roll No. 531. **Pages H10714–15**

Agreed to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute made in order by the rule. **Page H10713**

Rejected the Fattah amendment that sought to require states to certify that either per pupil expenditures or achievement levels are substantially equal across the state by a recorded vote of 183 ayes to 235 noes, Roll No. 530. **Pages H10710–13**

The Clerk was authorized in the engrossment of the bill to correct section numbers, punctuation, cross references, and to make other necessary technical and conforming changes to reflect the actions of the House. **Page H10716**

H. Res. 338, the rule that provided for consideration of the bill was agreed to by a yea and nay vote of 214 yeas to 201 nays, Roll No. 529. Pursuant to the rule, the amendments in Part A of H. Rept. 106–408 that limits the program to no more than 10 states and changes the effective date to October 1, 2000. **Pages H10685–89**

Legislative Program: The Majority Leader announced the legislative program for the week of October 25. **Pages H10715–16**

Meeting Hour—Monday, October 25: Agreed that when the House adjourn today, it adjourn to meet on Monday, October 25 for morning-hour debates. **Page H10716**

Calendar Wednesday: Agreed to dispense with the business under the Calendar Wednesday rule on Wednesday, October 27. **Page H10716**

Senate Messages: Messages received from the Senate appear on pages H10615 and H10672.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Four yea and nay votes and nine recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H10620–21, H10628, H10649–50, H10650, H10650–51, H10651–52, H10655–56, H10671–72, H10685, H10689, H10713, H10714–15, and H10715. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10:00 a.m. and adjourned at 11:59 p.m.

# Committee Meetings

## YOUTH ANTI-DRUG MEDIA CAMPAIGN

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Treasury, Postal Service, and General Government held a hearing on the Youth Anti-Drug Media Campaign. Testimony was heard from Barry McCaffrey, Director, Office of National Drug Control Policy; Susan David, National Institute of Drug Abuse, Department of Health and Human Services; and public witnesses.

## POSTURE, READINESS ISSUES, AND UNFUNDED REQUIREMENTS

*Committee on Armed Services:* Held a hearing on posture, readiness issues, and unfunded requirements. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Defense: Gen. Eric K. Shinseki, USA, Chief of Staff, Department of the Army; Adm. Jay L. Johnson, USN, Chief of Naval Operations, Department of the Navy; Gen. Michael E. Ryan, USAF, Chief of Staff, Department of the Air Force; and Gen. James. L. Jones, USMC, Commandant, U.S. Marine Corps.

## Y2K AND MEDICAL DEVICES

*Committee on Commerce:* Subcommittee on Health and Environment and the Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a joint hearing on Y2K and Medical Devices: Testing for the Y2K Bug. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Health and Human Services: Thomas Shope, Special Assistant to the Director, Office of Science and Technology, Center for Devices and Radiological Health; William Hubbard, Senior Associate Commissioner, Policy, Planning and Legislation, both with the FDA; and George Grob, Deputy Inspector General; Joel C. Willemssen, Director, Civil Agencies Information Systems, Accounting and Management Division, GAO; and public witnesses.

## MSPA CLARIFICATION ACT; OPPORTUNITIES FOR MIGRANT EMPLOYEES

*Committee on Education and the Workforce:* Subcommittee on Workforce Protections held a hearing on the following bills: H.R. 1886, MSPA Clarification Act of 1999; and H.R. 2757, Opportunities for Migrant Employees. Testimony was heard from Representatives Canady of Florida, Hastings of Washington and Radanovich; and public witnesses.

## SUBSTANCE ABUSE TREATMENT PARITY

*Committee on Government Reform:* Subcommittee on Criminal Justice, Drug Policy and Human Resources held a hearing on Substance Abuse Treatment Parity: A Viable Solution to the Nation's Epidemic of Addiction? Testimony was heard from Senator Wellstone; Representative Ramstad; Capt. Ronald Smith, M.D., USN, Vice Chairman, Department of Psychiatry, National Naval Medical Center, Department of Defense; and public witnesses.

## MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES; OVERSIGHT—POSTAL SERVICE

*Committee on Government Reform:* Subcommittee on Postal Service approved for full Committee action the following bills: H.R. 2952, to redesignate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 100 Orchard Park Drive in Greenville, South Carolina, as the "Keith D. Oglesby Station"; and H.R. 3018, amended, to designate the United States Post Office located at 557 East Bay Street in Charleston, South Carolina, as the "Marybelle H. Howe Post Office".

The Subcommittee also held an oversight hearing on the U.S. Postal Service. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the U.S. Postal Service: Karla W. Corcoran, Inspector General; and William J. Henderson, Postmaster General and CEO; and Bernard L. Ungar, Director, Government Business Operations Issues, GAO.

## COMMITTEE BUSINESS

*Committee on House Administration:* Met and considered pending Committee business.

## Y2K: A THREAT TO U.S. INTERESTS ABROAD?

*Committee on International Relations:* Held a hearing on Y2K: A Threat to U.S. Interests Abroad? Testimony was heard from the following officials of the U.S. Agency for International Development: Richard C. Nygard, Chief Information Officer; and Theodore Alves, Director, Assistant Inspector General, Audits; the following officials of the Department of State: John O'Keefe, Special Representative for the Year 2000; and Jacquelyn L. Williams-Bridgers, Inspector General; Lawrence K. Gershwin, National Intelligence Officer, Science and Technology, CIA; and Linda D. Koontz, Associate Director, Accounting and Information Management Division, GAO.

## PARTICIPATION AND REHABILITATION

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on the Constitution held a hearing on H.R. 906, Civic Participation and Rehabilitation Act of 1999. Testimony was heard from Representative Davis of Illinois; and public witnesses.

## ANTITAMPERING ACT

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on Courts and Intellectual Property held a hearing on H.R.

2100, Antitampering Act of 1999, Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

*Committee on Resources:* Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources held a hearing on the following bills: H.R. 3063, to amend the National Leasing Act to increase the maximum acreage of Federal leases for sodium that may be held by an entity in any one State; and H.R. 2818, to prohibit oil and gas drilling in Mosquito Creek Lake in Cortland, Ohio. Testimony was heard from Representative Traficant; the following officials of the Bureau of Land Management, Department of the Interior: Gwen Mason, Associate State Director, Eastern States Office; and Robert M. Anderson, Deputy Assistant Director, Minerals, Realty and Resource Protection; Brig. Gen. Hans A. VanWinkle, USA, Deputy Commander for Civil Works, Corps of Engineers, Department of the Army; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

*Committee on Resources:* Subcommittee on Fisheries Conservation, Wildlife and Oceans held a hearing on the following measures: H. Con. Res. 189, expressing the sense of the Congress regarding the wasteful and unsportsmanlike practice known as shark finning; and H.R. 2903, Coral Reef Conservation and Restoration Act of 1999. Testimony was heard from Representative Cunningham; from the following officials of NOAA, Department of Commerce: Sally Yozell, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Oceans and Atmosphere; and Andrew Rosenberg, Deputy Assistant Administrator, Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service; and public witnesses.

LAND EXCHANGE

*Committee on Resources:* Subcommittee on National Parks and Public Lands held a hearing on H.R. 2950, to provide for the exchange of certain land in the State of Oregon. Testimony was heard from Representative Walden of Oregon; Carson Culp, Assistant Director, Minerals, Realty and Resource Protection, Bureau of Land Management, Department of the Interior; Jack Craven, Director, Lands, Forest Service, USDA; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

*Committee on Resources:* Subcommittee on Water and Power held a hearing on the following: H.R. 2348, to authorize the Bureau of Reclamation to provide cost sharing for the endangered fish recovery implementation programs for the Upper Colorado and San Juan River Basins; H.R. 2619, to amend the Colorado River Basin Salinity Control Act to authorize additional measures to carry out the control of salinity upstream of Imperial Dam in a cost-effective manner; H.R. 3067, Nampa and Meridian Conveyance Act; and a measure to amend the Act that authorized construction of the San Luis Unit of the Central Valley Project, California, to facilitate water transfers in the Central Valley Project. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Bureau of Reclamation, Department of the Interior: David Hayes, Acting Deputy Secretary; and Eluid Martinez, Commissioner; Katheen Clarke, Executive Director, Department of Natural Resources, State of Utah; and public witnesses.

PAIN RELIEF PROMOTION ACT

*Committee on Rules:* Granted, by voice vote, a structured rule providing 1 hour of general debate on H.R. 2260, Pain Relief Promotion Act of 1999, equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking member of the Committee on Commerce and the chairman and ranking member of the Committee on the Judiciary. The rule waives clause 4(a) of rule XIII (requiring a three-day layover of the committee report) against consideration of the bill. The rule makes in order as an original bill for the purpose of amendment the amendment in the nature of a substitute consisting of the bill as modified by the amendments recommended by the Committee on Commerce and printed in the bill. The rule provides for consideration of only the amendments printed in the Rules Committee report accompanying the resolution. The rule provides that the amendments will be considered only in the order specified in the report, may be offered only by a Member designated in the report, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent and shall not be subject to amendment. The rule allows the Chairman of the Committee of the Whole to postpone votes during consideration of the bill, and to reduce voting time to five minutes on a postponed question if the vote follows a fifteen minute vote. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Representatives Bilirakis, Canady of Florida, Scott, Watt of North Carolina, Rothman, Hoyer, Maloney of New York, Hooley of Oregon and Wu.

SUPERFUND RD&D

*Committee on Science:* Subcommittee on Energy and Environment held a hearing on Superfund RD&D. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the EPA: Norine Noonan, Assistant Administrator, Research and Development, Office of Research and Development; and Ed Berkey, Committee on Environmentalk Engineering, Science Advisory Board; and public witnesses.

NASA'S SPACE SHUTTLE—SAFETY AND PERFORMANCE UPGRADES

*Committee on Science:* Subcommittee on Space and Aeronautics held a hearing on Safety and Performance Upgrades to NASA's Space Shuttle. Testimony was heard from William F. Readdy, Deputy Associate

Administrator, Space Flight, NASA; and public witnesses.

CONTRACTOR RESPONSIBILITY

*Committee on Small Business:* Held a hearing on the proposed changes to Part 9 of the Federal Acquisition Regulation relating to contractor responsibility. Testimony was heard from Representative Davis of Virginia; Deidre Lee, Administrator, Office of Federal Procurement Policy, OMB; Eleanor Spector, Director, Defense Procurement, Department of Defense; James Ballentine, Acting Associate Deputy Administrator, Government Contracting and Minority Enterprise Development, SBA; and public witnesses.

STATE OF AIRLINE COMPETITION

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure:* Subcommittee on Aviation continued hearings on the State of Airline Competition, (including the Status of New Low-Cost Airlines and the DOT Response to the TRB Report). Testimony was heard from Nancy E. McFadden, General Counsel, Department of Transportation; and public witnesses.

FATHERS COUNT ACT; MEDICARE BALANCED BUDGET REFINEMENT ACT

*Committee on Ways and Means:* Ordered reported, amended the following bills: H.R. 3073, amended, Fathers Count Act of 1999 and H.R. 3075, Medicare Balanced Budget Refinement Act of 1999.

MANAGEMENT OF DISABILITY CASES

*Committee on Ways and Means:* Subcommittee on Social Security and the Subcommittee on Human Resources held a joint hearing on the Management of Disability Cases. Testimony was heard from Kenneth S. Apfel, Commissioner, SSA; Cynthia M. Fagnoni, Director, Income Security Issues, Health, Education and Human Services Division, GAO; the following Administrative Law Judges: Ronald G. Bernoski; and Kathleen A. McGraw; and public witnesses.

## *Joint Meetings*

FINANCIAL SERVICES MODERNIZATION

*Conferees* continued in evening session to resolve the differences between the Senate and House passed versions of S. 900/H.R.10, bills to enhance competition in the financial services industry by providing a prudential framework for the affiliation of banks, securities firms, insurance companies, and other financial service providers.

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## COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY, OCTOBER 22, 1999

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

### Senate

*Committee on Armed Services:* to hold hearings to examine the security of the Panama Canal, 9:30 a.m., SH–216.

### House

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