

Committee Meetings

BIOLOGICAL WEAPONS CONVENTION PROTOCOL

Committee on Government Reform: Subcommittee on National Security, Veterans' Affairs, and International Relations held a hearing on Biological Weapons Convention Protocol: Status and Implications. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

INTERNET FREEDOM AND BROADBAND DEPLOYMENT ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Held a hearing on H.R. 1542, Internet Freedom and Broadband Deployment Act of 2001. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

COAST GUARD AUTHORIZATION ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a modified open rule on H.R. 1699, Coast Guard Authorization Act of 2001, providing one hour of general debate equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure. The rule provides that the bill be open for amendment at any point. The rule makes in order only those amendments printed in the Congressional Record and pro forma amendments for the purpose of debate. The rule provides that each amendment printed in the Congressional Record may be offered only by the Member who caused it to be printed or his designee, and that each amendment shall be considered as read. The rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Finally, the rule provides that House Resolutions 130, 147, 149 and 150 are laid on the table. Testimony was heard from Chairman Young of Alaska and Representative LoBiondo.

CONSIDERATION OF MOTIONS TO SUSPEND THE RULES

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a resolution providing that certain suspensions will be in order at any time on the legislative day of Wednesday, June 6, 2001.

Joint Meetings

RUSSIAN HUMAN RIGHTS

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe (Helsinki Commission): Commission concluded hearings to assess the state of human rights and civil liberties in Russia since President Vladimir Putin took office just over one year ago, including the continuing war in Chechnya, the takeover of the NTV television network and pressures on the media, and apparent

attempts by Russian security services to intimidate scientists and environmental activities, after receiving testimony from John Beyrle, Acting Special Advisor to the Secretary for the New Independent States, Department of State; Elena Bonner, Andrei Sakharov Foundation, and Emil Pain, Woodrow Wilson International Center Kennan Institute for Advanced Russian Studies, both of Moscow, Russia; and Paul Goble, Radio Free Europe/Radio Liberty, Washington, D.C.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST of May 14, 2001, p. D440)

S. 700, to establish a Federal interagency task force for the purpose of coordinating actions to prevent the outbreak of bovine spongiform encephalopathy (commonly known as "mad cow disease") and foot-and-mouth disease in the United States. Signed on May 24, 2001. (Public Law 107-9)

H.R. 428, concerning the participation of Taiwan in the World Health Organization. Signed on May 28, 2001. (Public Law 107-10)

H.R. 1696, to expedite the construction of the World War II memorial in the District of Columbia. Signed on May 28, 2001. (Public Law 107-11)

H.R. 802, to authorize the Public Safety Officer Medal of Valor. Signed on May 30, 2001. (Public Law 107-12)

H.R. 581, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture to use funds appropriated for wildland fire management in the Department of the Interior and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2001, to reimburse the United States Fish and Wildlife Service and the National Marine Fisheries Service to facilitate the interagency cooperation required under the Endangered Species Act of 1973 in connection with wildland fire management. Signed on June 3, 2001. (Public Law 107-13)

CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of June 6 through June 9, 2001

Senate Chamber

During the remainder of the week, Senate will continue consideration of S. 1, Elementary and Secondary Education Act Authorization, and may consider any other cleared legislative and executive business.

Senate Committees

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Committee on Appropriations: June 6, Subcommittee on VA, HUD, and Independent Agencies, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2002 for the National Science Foundation and the Office of Science Technology Policy, 10 a.m., SD-138.

June 6, Subcommittee on Defense, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2002 for the Air Force, 10 a.m., SD-192.

Committee on Armed Services: June 7, to hold hearings on the nomination of Susan Morrissey Livingstone, of Montana, to be Under Secretary of the Navy; the nomination of Jessie Hill Roberson, of Alabama, to be Assistant Secretary of Energy for Environmental Management; and the nomination of Thomas P. Christie, of Virginia, to be Director of Operational Test and Evaluation, Department of Defense, 9:30 a.m., SH-216.

June 7, Subcommittee on SeaPower, to hold hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 2002 for the Department of Defense and the Future Years Defense Program, focusing on Navy and Marine Corps equipment for 21st century operational requirements, 2 p.m., SR-232A.

Committee on Governmental Affairs: June 8, Subcommittee on Oversight of Government Management, Restructuring and the District of Columbia, to hold joint hearings with the House Committee on Government Reform Subcommittee on the District of Columbia to examine the post control board period regarding the District of Columbia government, 11 a.m., 2154, Rayburn Building.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: June 7, to hold hearings to examine mental health parity issues, 10 a.m., SD-430.

Committee on the Judiciary: June 6, to hold hearings to examine the legal issues surrounding faith based solutions, 10 a.m., SD-226.

House Chamber

Wednesday, June 6, Consideration of H. Res. , Honoring the late Congressman John Joseph Moakley of Massachusetts; and

Consideration of Suspensions:

(1) H.R. 1000, William Howard Taft National Historic Site Boundary Adjustment Act;

(2) H.R. 37, Updates to National Historic Trails Feasibility and Suitability Studies;

(3) H.R. 640, Santa Monica Mountains National Recreation Area Boundary Adjustment;

(4) H.R. 1661, Dungeness Crab Fishery Management by Washington, Oregon, and California;

(5) H.R. 1209, Child Status Protection Act;

(6) H.R. 1914, Family Farmer Bankruptcy Relief Extension; and

(7) H. Con. Res. 150, Congratulating Erik Weihenmayer's achievement of becoming the first blind person to climb Mount Everest.

Thursday, June 7, consideration of H.R. 1699, Coast Guard Authorization Act of 2001 (modified open rule, one hour of debate).

Friday, June 8, no votes are expected in the House.

House Committees

Committee on Agriculture, June 6, Subcommittee on Conservation, Credit, Rural Development and Research, to continue hearings to review conservation programs, 1 p.m., 1300 Longworth.

Committee on Appropriations, June 6, Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration and Related Agencies, to mark up fiscal year 2002 appropriations, 2 p.m., 2362 Rayburn.

June 6, Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, State and Judiciary, on NOAA, 10 a.m., H-309 Capitol.

June 7, Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, State and Judiciary, on Bureau of Prisons, 2 p.m., H-309 Capitol.

June 7, Subcommittee on Interior, to mark up fiscal year 2002 appropriations, 10 a.m., B-308 Rayburn.

June 7, Subcommittee on Legislative, on House of Representatives, 10 a.m., and on the Architect of the Capitol, 11 a.m., H-140 Capitol.

Committee on Education and the Workforce, June 6, Subcommittee on Select Education, hearing on H.R. 1900, Juvenile Crime Control and Delinquency Prevention Act of 2001, 10:30 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

June 7, Subcommittee on Workforce Protections, hearing on the Sales Incentive Compensation Act, 1 p.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, June 6, to mark up H.R. 1647, Electricity Emergency Relief Act, 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

June 7, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing on Continuing Concerns Over Imported Pharmaceuticals, 10 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

June 8, Subcommittee on Energy and Air Quality, hearing on National Energy Policy: Conservation and Energy Efficiency, 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, June 7, Subcommittee on Capital Markets, Insurance and Government Sponsored Enterprises, hearing on Promotion of International Capital Flow through Accounting Standards, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Government Reform, June 6, Subcommittee on Government Efficiency, Financial Management, and Intergovernmental Relations, hearing on H.R. 866, Subsidy Termination for Overdue Payments Act of 2001, 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on International Relations, June 6, to mark up the following measures: H.R. 931, Sudan Peace Act; and H. Con. Res. 145, condemning the recent order by the Taliban regime of Afghanistan to require Hindus in Afghanistan to wear symbols identifying them as Hindu, 10:15 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

June 6, Subcommittee on International Operations and Human Rights, hearing on "Has the UN Commission on Human Rights Lost its Course? A Review of its Mission, Operations, and Structure," 2 p.m., 2200 Rayburn.

June 6, Subcommittee on the Middle East and South Asia, hearing on U.S. Policy in Central Asia, 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

June 7, full Committee, hearing on the United States' War on AIDS, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary, June 6, oversight hearing on the U.S. Department of Justice, 2 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

June 6, Subcommittee on Immigration and Claims, to mark up the following: H.R. 1892, Family Sponsor Immigration Act of 2001; and private relief bills, 10 a.m., 2237 Rayburn.

June 7, Subcommittee on the Constitution, oversight hearing on the Constitutional Role of Faith-Based Organizations in Competition for Federal Social Service Funds, 9:30 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

June 7, Subcommittee on Courts, Internet, and Intellectual Property, oversight hearing on the Operations of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, including Review of Agency Funding, 2 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

June 7, Subcommittee on Crime, oversight hearing on "The Ethics of Cloning," 11 a.m., 2237 Rayburn.

Committee on Resources, June 6, oversight hearing on National Energy Policy, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

June 7, Subcommittee on Fisheries Conservation, Wildlife and Oceans, hearing on the following bills: H.R. 1989, Fisheries Conservation Act of 2001; and H.R. 896, to ensure the safety of recreational fishermen and other persons who use motor vehicles to access beaches adjacent to the Brigantine Wilderness Area in the Edwin B. Forsythe National Wildlife Refuge, New Jersey, by providing a narrow transition zone above the mean high tide line where motor vehicles can be safely driven and parked, 9:30 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

June 7, Subcommittee on National Parks, Recreation and Public Lands, hearing on the following bills: H.R.

1461, to amend the National Parks Omnibus Management Act of 1998 to remove the exemption for nonprofit organizations from the general requirement to obtain commercial use authorizations; and H.R. 1491, Utah Public Lands Artifact Preservation Act of 2001, 10 a.m., 1334 Longworth.

Committee on Science, June 6, Subcommittee on Research, hearing on NSF fiscal year 2002 Budget Request: Research and Related Activities, 2 p.m., 2318 Rayburn.

June 7, Subcommittee on Research, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 100, National Science Education Act; and H.R. 1858, National Mathematics and Science Partnerships Act, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Small Business, June 6, hearing on Federal Prison Industries-Unfair competition with small business, focusing on H.R. 1577, Federal Prison Industries Competition in Contracting Act of 2001, 10 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs, June 7, Subcommittee on Benefits, to continue hearings on H.R. 1291, 21st Century Montgomery GI Bill Enhancement Act; and to discuss GAO's report on Veterans' Employment and Training Service (VETS), 9:30 a.m., 334 Cannon.

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