

Hackbarth, Chairman, Medicare Payments Advisory Commission; and public witnesses.

SOCIAL SECURITY PROVISIONS AFFECTING PUBLIC EMPLOYEES

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Social Security held a hearing on Social Security Provisions Affecting Public Employees. Testimony was heard from Robert M. Wilson, Deputy Commissioner, Legislation and Congressional Affairs, SSA; Barbara Bovbjerg, Director, Education, Workforce, and Income Security, GAO; and public witnesses.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D410)

H.R. 1770, to provide benefits and other compensation for certain individuals with injuries resulting from administration of smallpox countermeasures. Signed on April 30, 2003. (Public Law 108-20)

S. 151, to prevent child abduction and the sexual exploitation of children. Signed on April 30, 2003. (Public Law 108-21)

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY, MAY 2, 2003

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

House

Committee on Armed Services, to continue hearings on the Defense Transformation for the 21st Century Act, 9 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of May 5 through May 10, 2003

Senate Chamber

On *Monday*, at 12:45 p.m., Senate will consider the nomination of Deborah L. Cook, of Ohio, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Sixth Circuit, with a vote on confirmation of the nomination to occur at 4:45 p.m.; following which, Senate will resume consideration of Miguel A. Estrada, of Virginia, to be United States Circuit Judge for the District of Columbia Circuit, with a vote on the fifth motion to close further debate on the nomination to occur at 6 p.m.

On *Tuesday*, Senate will begin consideration of S. 14, Energy Policy Act.

During the balance of the week, Senate may also consider the proposed NATO Expansion bill; S. 15, Project BioShield Act; S. 925, Foreign Relations Authorization Act; S. 113, Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act, and any other cleared legislative and executive business.

Senate Committees

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Committee on Appropriations: May 6, Subcommittee on Homeland Security, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2004 for border and transportation security, 10 a.m., SD-124.

May 7, Subcommittee on Defense, to hold hearings to examine the National Guard and Reserve, 10:15 a.m., SD-192.

May 8, Subcommittee on Legislative Branch, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2004 for the Secretary of the Senate and the Architect of the Capitol, 1:30 p.m., SD-124.

Committee on Armed Services: May 6, Subcommittee on Emerging Threats and Capabilities, closed business meeting to mark up those provisions, which fall within the jurisdiction of the subcommittee, of proposed legislation authorizing appropriations for fiscal year 2004 for military activities of the Department of Defense, 2:30 p.m., SR-222.

May 6, Subcommittee on SeaPower, closed business meeting to mark up those provisions, which fall within the jurisdiction of the subcommittee, of proposed legislation authorizing appropriations for fiscal year 2004 for military activities of the Department of Defense, 3:30 p.m., SR-232A.

May 6, Subcommittee on Personnel, closed business meeting to mark up those provisions, which fall within the jurisdiction of the subcommittee, of proposed legislation authorizing appropriations for fiscal year 2004 for military activities of the Department of Defense, 4:30 p.m., SR-222.

May 7, Subcommittee on Airland, closed business meeting to mark up those provisions, which fall within the jurisdiction of the subcommittee, of proposed legislation authorizing appropriations for fiscal year 2004 for military activities of the Department of Defense, 9 a.m., SR-232A.

May 7, Subcommittee on Readiness and Management Support, closed business meeting to mark up those provisions, which fall within the jurisdiction of the subcommittee, of proposed legislation authorizing appropriations for fiscal year 2004 for military activities of the Department of Defense, 10 a.m., SR-222.

May 7, Subcommittee on Strategic Forces, closed business meeting to mark up those provisions, which fall within the jurisdiction of the subcommittee, of proposed legislation authorizing appropriations for fiscal year 2004 for military activities of the Department of Defense, 11:30 a.m., SR-232A.

May 7, Full Committee, closed business meeting to mark up proposed legislation authorizing appropriations