

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 2 public bills, H.R. 2862 and 2863 were introduced. **Page H737**

Report Filed: One report was filed as follows: Conference report on S. 1124, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 1996 for military activities of the Department of Defense, to prescribe personnel strengths for such fiscal year for the Armed Forces (H. Rept. 104-450). **Pages H351-H736, H737**

Late Report: House conferees received permission to have until midnight tonight to file a conference report on S. 1124, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 1996 military activities of the Department of Defense and to prescribe personnel strengths for such fiscal year for the Armed Forces. **Page H339**

Joint Session: House agreed to S. Con. Res. 39, providing that the two Houses of Congress assemble to receive the State of the Union address by the President of the United States. **Page H339**

Meeting Hour: Agreed to meet at 12:30 p.m. on Tuesday, January 23; and at noon on Wednesday, January 24. **Pages H341-42**

Calendar Wednesday: Agreed to dispense with Calendar Wednesday business of January 24. **Page H342**

Presidential Veto Message: Read a message from the President wherein he announces his veto of H.R. 4, to restore the American family, reduce illegitimacy, control welfare spending and reduce welfare dependence, and explains his reasons therefor—ordered printed (H. Doc. 104-164). **Page H342**

Subsequently, agreed that the message and the bill be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means. **Page H342**

Presidential Message—National Emergency with Respect to Libya: Read a message from the President wherein he transmits his report concerning the national emergency with respect to Libya—referred to the Committee on International Relations and ordered printed (H. Doc. 104-165). **Pages H342-43**

Senate Messages: Message received from the Senate today appears on page H339.

Quorum Calls—Votes: No quorum calls or votes developed during the proceedings of the House today.

Adjournment: Met at 2 p.m. and adjourned at 3:30 p.m.

Committee Meetings

WHITE HOUSE TRAVEL OFFICE

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: On January 17, the Committee began hearings on the White House Travel Office. Testimony was heard from David Watkins, former Assistant to the President and Director, Office of Management and Administration, The White House.

Hearings continue January 24.

UNFUNDED MANDATES IN MEDICAID

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: On January 18, the Subcommittee on Human Resources and Intergovernmental Relations held a hearing on Unfunded Mandates in Medicaid. Testimony was heard from Bruce C. Vladeck, M.D., Administrator, Health Care Financing Administration, Department of Health and Human Services; William J. Scanlon, Associate Director, Health Financing Issues, GAO; Philip Dearborn, Director, Government Finance Research, Advisory Commission on Intergovernmental Relations; John Petraborg, Deputy Commissioner, Department of Human Services, State of Minnesota; David Parrella, Medicaid Director, Department of Social Services, State of Connecticut; and public witnesses.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D12)

H.R. 1358, to require the Secretary of Commerce to convey to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts the National Marine Fisheries Service Laboratory located on Emerson Avenue in Gloucester, Massachusetts. Signed January 6, 1996. (P.L. 104-91)

H.R. 1643, to authorize the extension of non-discriminatory treatment (most-favored-nation treatment) to the products of Bulgaria. Signed January 6, 1996. (P.L. 104-92)

H.R. 1655, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 1996 for intelligence and intelligence-related activities of the United States Government, the Community Management Account, and the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement and Disability System. Signed January 6, 1996. (P.L. 104-93)

H.J. Res. 134, making further continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 1996. Signed January 6, 1996. (P.L. 104-94)

H.R. 394, to amend title 4 of the United States Code to limit State taxation of certain pension income. Signed January 10, 1996. (P.L. 104-95)

H.R. 2627, to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of the sesquicentennial of the founding of the Smithsonian Institution. Signed January 10, 1996. (P.L. 104-96)

H.R. 2203, to reauthorize the tied aid credit program of the Export-Import Bank of the United States, and to allow the Export-Import Bank to conduct a demonstration project. Signed January 11, 1996. (P.L. 104-97)

H.R. 1295, to amend the Trademark Act of 1946 to make certain revisions relating to the protection of famous marks. Signed January 16, 1996. (P.L. 104-98)

BILLS VETOED

H.R. 4, to enhance support and work opportunities for families with children, reduce welfare dependence, and control welfare spending. (Vetoed January 9, 1996.)

CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of January 23 through 27, 1996

Senate Chamber

During the week, Senate may turn to consideration of any items cleared for action, including:

FY96 Continuing Resolution;
 FY96 DC Appropriations Conference Report;
 FY96 Interior Appropriations;
 FY96 DOD Authorizations Conference Report;
 and

Consideration of regulations to bring the Senate into compliance with federal laws.

(Senate and House will meet in Joint Session on Tuesday, January 23, 1996, at 9 p.m. to receive the President's State of the Union Address.)

Senate Committees

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: January 25, Subcommittee on Forests and Public Land Management, to hold oversight hearings on the management of the National Forests, 9:30 a.m., SD-366.

Committee on Governmental Affairs: January 25, Subcommittee on Post Office and Civil Service, to hold joint hearings with the House Committee on Government Reform and Oversight's Subcommittee on Postal Service to examine proposals to reform the United States Postal Service, focusing on international postal operations, 9:30 a.m., SD-342.

Committee on the Judiciary: January 23, to hold hearings to examine the future of the professional sports industry, 9:30 a.m., SD-226.

Select Committee on Intelligence: January 24, closed business meeting, on pending intelligence matters, 2 p.m., SH-219.

Special Committee To Investigate Whitewater Development Corporation and Related Matters: January 23 and 25, to resume hearings to examine certain issues relative to the Whitewater Development Corporation, Tuesday at 10:30 a.m. and Thursday at 10 a.m., SH-216.

NOTICE

For a listing of Senate committee meetings scheduled ahead, see page E50 in today's Record.

House Committees

Committee on Commerce, January 24, Subcommittee on Commerce, Trade, and Hazardous Materials and the Subcommittee on International Economic Policy and Trade of the Committee on International Relations, joint hearing on H.R. 2579, Travel and Tourism Partnership Act of 1995, 1 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

January 25, Subcommittee on Health and Environment, hearing on Title VI of the Clean Air Act and the impact of the Seventh Meeting of the Parties to the Montreal Protocol, 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

January 25, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing on the Department of Energy: Travel Expenditures and Use of Federal Funds, 9 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

January 26, Subcommittee on Health and Environment, oversight hearing on Priorities for Reauthorization of the Safe Drinking Water Act, 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight, January 24, to continue hearings on the White House Travel Office, 11:30 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary, January 25, Subcommittee on Crime, hearing regarding the rise of international organized crime, 9:30 a.m., 2237 Rayburn.

Committee on National Security, January 24, Subcommittee on Research and Development and the Subcommittee on Military Procurement, joint hearing on the research and development response to the landmine threat in Bosnia, 2 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

January 25, Subcommittee on Military Research and Development, the Subcommittee on Energy and Environment of the Committee on Science and the Subcommittee on Fisheries, Wildlife and Oceans of the Committee on Resources, joint hearing on leveraging national oceanographic capabilities, 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Committee on Rules, January 23, to consider the Conference Report to accompany S. 1124, Department of Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1996, 4 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

Committee on Standards of Official Conduct, January 24 and 25, executive, to consider pending business, 2 p.m., on January 24 and 1 p.m., on January 25, HT-2M Capitol.

JOINT MEETINGS

Joint hearing: January 25, Senate Committee on Governmental Affairs' Subcommittee on Post Office and Civil Service, to hold joint hearings with the House Committee