

Friday, March 15, 1996

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S2143–S2211

Measures Introduced: Five bills were introduced, as follows: S. 1619–1623. **Page S2192**

Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 1467, to authorize the construction of the Fort Peck Rural County Water Supply System, to authorize assistance to the Fort Peck Rural County Water District, Inc., a nonprofit corporation, for the planning, design, and construction of the water supply system. (S. Rept. No. 104–242) **Page S2192**

Measures Passed:

Bi-State Development Agency: Senate passed H.J. Res. 78, to grant the consent of Congress to certain additional powers conferred upon the Bi-State Development Agency by the States of Missouri and Illinois, clearing the measure for the President.

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Continuing Appropriations: Senate continued consideration of H.R. 3019, making appropriations for fiscal year 1996 to make a further downpayment toward a balanced budget, taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows:

Pages S2168–77, S2182–86, S2188–89

Adopted:

(1) Coverdell Amendment No. 3532 (to Amendment No. 3466), to provide funds for employment-related activities of the 1996 Paralympic Games.

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(2) Hatfield/Wyden Amendment No. 3536 (to Amendment No. 3466), to strike provisions relating to an Oregon requirement for welfare waivers.

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(3) Hatfield (for Bond/Harkin) Amendment No. 3537 (to Amendment No. 3466), to provide funds for the Upper Mississippi and Illinois Waterway System Navigation Study.

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(4) Hatfield (for Specter) Amendment No. 3538 (to Amendment No. 3466), to provide additional funds to the Adolescent Family Life program.

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(5) Hatfield (for Specter) Amendment No. 3539 (to Amendment No. 3466), to strike advertising and evaluation provisions regarding direct lending.

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(6) Hatfield (for Jeffords) Amendment No. 3540 (to Amendment No. 3466), to provide for a waiver of the enrollment composition rule under Medicaid for Chartered Health Plan of the District of Columbia.

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(7) Hatfield (for Cochran/Bumpers) Amendment No. 3541 (to Amendment No. 3466), to provide funds for the Food Safety and Inspection Service for salaries and benefits of in-plant personnel.

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(8) Hatfield (for Lautenberg) Amendment No. 3542 (to Amendment No. 3466), to make a technical correction.

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(9) Hatfield (for Gregg/Kennedy/Hatch/Kassebaum) Amendment No. 3543 (to Amendment No. 3466), to authorize the export of new drugs.

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(10) Hatfield (for Gramm/Hutchison) Amendment No. 3544 (to Amendment No. 3466), to provide for welfare reform in the State of Texas.

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(11) Hatfield (for Gramm/Hutchison) Amendment No. 3545 (to Amendment No. 3466), to remove regulatory impediments to community development.

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(12) Hatfield (for Gorton) Amendment No. 3546 (to Amendment No. 3466), of a technical nature.

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(13) Hatfield Amendment No. 3547 (to Amendment No. 3466), to provide that funds made available for the Arms Control and Disarmament Agency shall only be for activities related to the implementation of the Chemical Weapons Convention.

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Pending:

Hatfield Modified Amendment No. 3466, in the nature of a substitute.

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Lautenberg Amendment No. 3482 (to Amendment No. 3466), to provide funding for programs necessary to maintain essential environmental protection.

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Hatch Amendment No. 3499 (to Amendment No. 3466), to provide funds to the District of Columbia Metropolitan Police Department. **Page S2168**

Boxer/Murray Amendment No. 3508 (to Amendment No. 3466), to permit the District of Columbia to use local funds for certain activities. **Page S2168**

Gorton Amendment No. 3496 (to Amendment No. 3466), to designate the "Jonathan M. Wainwright Memorial VA Medical Center", located in Walla Walla, Washington. **Pages S2168, S2171-72**

Simon Amendment No. 3510 (to Amendment No. 3466), to revise the authority relating to employment requirements for recipients of scholarships or fellowships from the National Security Education Trust Fund. **Page S2168**

Simon Amendment No. 3511 (to Amendment No. 3466), to provide funding to carry out title VI of the National Literary Act of 1991, title VI of the Library Services and Construction Act, and section 109 of the Domestic Volunteer Service Act of 1973. **Page S2168**

Coats Amendment No. 3513 (to Amendment No. 3466), to amend the Public Health Service Act to prohibit governmental discrimination in the training and licensing of health professionals on the basis of the refusal to undergo or provide training in the performance of induced abortions. **Page S2168**

Bond (for Pressler) Amendment No. 3514 (to Amendment No. 3466), to provide funding for a Radar Satellite project at NASA. **Page S2168**

Bond Amendment No. 3515 (to Amendment No. 3466), to clarify rent setting requirements of law regarding housing assisted under section 236 of the National Housing Act to limit rents charged moderate income families to that charged for comparable, non-assisted housing, and clarify permissible uses of rental income in such projects, in excess of operating costs and debt service. **Page S2168**

Bond Amendment No. 3516 (to Amendment No. 3466), to increase in amount available under the HUD Drug Elimination Grant Program for drug elimination activities in and around federally-assisted low-income housing developments by \$30 million, to be derived from carry-over HOPE program balances. **Page S2168**

Bond Amendment No. 3517 (to Amendment No. 3466), to establish a special fund dedicated to enable the Department of Housing and Urban Development to meet crucial milestones in restructuring its administrative organization and more effectively address housing and community development needs of States and local units of government and to clarify and reaffirm provisions of current law with respect to the disbursement of HOME and CDBG funds allocated to the State of New York. **Page S2168**

Lautenberg Amendment No. 3518 (to Amendment No. 3466), relating to labor-management relations. **Page S2168**

Santorum Amendment No. 3484 (to Amendment No. 3466), expressing the sense of the Senate regarding the budget treatment of Federal disaster assistance. **Page S2168**

Santorum Amendment No. 3485 (to Amendment No. 3466), expressing the sense of the Senate regarding the budget treatment of Federal disaster assistance. **Page S2168**

Santorum Amendment No. 3486 (to Amendment No. 3466), to require that disaster relief provided under this Act be funded through amounts previously made available to the Federal Emergency Management Agency, to be reimbursed through regular annual appropriations Acts. **Page S2168**

Santorum Amendment No. 3487 (to Amendment No. 3466), to reduce all Title I discretionary spending by the appropriate percentage (.367%) to offset Federal disaster assistance. **Page S2168**

Santorum Amendment No. 3488 (to Amendment No. 3466), to reduce all Title I "Salary and Expense" and "Administrative Expense" accounts by the appropriate percentage (3.5%) to offset Federal disaster assistance. **Page S2168**

Gramm Amendment No. 3519 (to Amendment No. 3466), to make the availability of obligations and expenditures contingent upon the enactment of a subsequent act incorporating an agreement between the President and Congress relative to Federal expenditures. **Page S2168**

Wellstone Amendment No. 3520 (to Amendment No. 3466), to urge the President to release already-appropriated fiscal year 1996 emergency funding for home heating and other energy assistance, and to express the sense of the Senate on advance-appropriated funding for FY 1997. **Page S2168**

Bond (for McCain) Amendment No. 3521 (to Amendment No. 3466), to require that disaster funds made available to certain agencies be allocated in accordance with the established prioritization processes of the agencies. **Page S2168**

Bond (for McCain) Amendment No. 3522 (to Amendment No. 3466), to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop a plan for the allocation of health care resources of the Department of Veterans Affairs. **Page S2168**

Warner Amendment No. 3523 (to Amendment No. 3466), to prohibit the District of Columbia from enforcing any rule or ordinance that would terminate taxicab service reciprocity agreements with the States of Virginia and Maryland. **Pages S2168-69**

Murkowski/Stevens Amendment No. 3524 (to Amendment No. 3466), to reconcile seafood inspection requirements for agricultural commodity programs with those in use for general public consumers. **Page S2169**

Murkowski Amendment No. 3525 (to Amendment No. 3466), to provide for the approval of an exchange of lands within Admiralty Island National Monument. **Page S2169**

Warner (for Thurmond) Amendment No. 3526 (to Amendment No. 3466), to delay the exercise of authority to enter into multiyear procurement contracts for C-17 aircraft. **Page S2169**

Burns Amendment No. 3528 (to Amendment No. 3466), to allow the refurbishment and continued operation of a small hydroelectric facility in central Montana by adjusting the amount of charges to be paid to the United States under the Federal Power Act. **Page S2169**

Burns Amendment No. 3529 (to Amendment No. 3466), to provide for Impact Aid school construction funding. **Page S2169**

Burns Amendment No. 3530 (to Amendment No. 3466), to establish a Commission on restructuring the circuits of the United States Courts of Appeals. **Page S2169**

Coats (for Dole/Lieberman) Amendment No. 3531 (to Amendment No. 3466), to provide for low-income scholarships in the District of Columbia. **Page S2169**

Bond/Mikulski Amendment No. 3533 (to Amendment No. 3482), to increase appropriations for EPA water infrastructure financing, Superfund toxic waste site cleanups, operating programs, and to increase funding for the Corporation for National and Community Service (AmeriCorps). **Page S2169**

Senate will resume consideration of the bill and amendments pending thereto, on Monday, March 18, 1995.

Small Business Regulatory Enforcement Fairness Act: Senate concluded consideration of S. 942, to promote increased understanding of Federal regulations and increased voluntary compliance with such regulations by small entities, to provide for the designation of regional ombudsmen and oversight boards to monitor the enforcement practices of certain Federal agencies with respect to small business concerns, and to provide relief from excessive and arbitrary regulatory enforcement actions against small entities, agreeing to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, and taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows:

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Adopted:

Bond/Bumpers Amendment No. 3534, in the nature of a substitute. **Pages S2160-68**

Nickles/Reid Amendment No. 3535 (to Amendment No. 3534), to ensure economy and efficiency of Federal Government operations by establishing a moratorium on regulatory rulemaking actions. **Pages S2161-62**

By prior consent agreement, a vote on final passage of the bill will occur on Tuesday, March 19, 1996.

Product Liability Conference Report—Cloture Motion Filed: A motion was entered to close further debate on the conference report on H.R. 956, to establish legal standards and procedures for product liability litigation, and by consent agreement, a vote on the cloture motion could occur on Tuesday, March 19, 1996. **Pages S2210-11**

Whitewater Investigation Extension—Cloture Motion Filed: A fourth motion was entered to close further debate on the motion to proceed to consideration of S. Res. 227, to authorize the use of additional funds for salaries and expenses of the Special Committee to Investigate Whitewater Development Corporation and Related Matters and, by consent agreement, a vote on the cloture motion will occur on Tuesday, March 19, 1995. **Page S2210**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Alan Greenspan, of New York, to be Chairman of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System for a term of four years.

Laurence H. Meyer, of Missouri, to be a Member of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System for the unexpired term of fourteen years from February 1, 1988.

Alice M. Rivlin, of Pennsylvania, to be a Member of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System for a term of fourteen years from February 1, 1996.

Alice M. Rivlin, of Pennsylvania, to be a Vice Chairman of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System for a term of four years. **Page S2211**

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Measures Referred: **Pages S2191-92**

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:45 a.m., and adjourned at 5:13 p.m., until 11 a.m., on Monday,

March 18, 1996. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S2211.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

AUTHORIZATION—DEFENSE

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Acquisition and Technology held hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 1997 and the future years defense programs, focusing on emerging battlefield concepts for the 21st century and the implications of these concepts for technology investment decisions, receiving testimony from Gen. Charles C. Krulak, USMC, Commandant, and Lt. Gen. Anthony C. Zinni, USMC, Commanding General Marine Expeditionary Force, both of the United States Marine Corps; Adm. Jay L. Johnson, USN, Vice Chief of Naval Operations; Lt. Gen. Ronald V. Hite, USA, Military Deputy to the Assistant of the Army (Research, Development, and Acquisition); Gen. Thomas S. Moorman, Jr., USAF, Vice Chief of Staff for the Air Force; Maj. Gen. Edward G. Anderson III, USA, Assistant Deputy Chief of Staff of the Army, Operations, Plans and Force Development; and George R. Schneider, Director, Strategic and Tactical Systems, Department of Defense.

Subcommittee will meet again on Wednesday, March 20.

AUTHORIZATION—DEFENSE

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Airland Forces held hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 1997 for the Department of Defense and the future years defense program, focusing on tactical aviation issues, receiving testimony from Brig. Gen. Robert Magnus, USMC, Assistant Deputy Chief of Marine Corps Staff for Aviation; Lt. Gen. Ralph E. Eberhart, USAF, Deputy Chief of Air Force Staff for Plans and Operations; Rear Adm. Dennis V. McGinn, USN, Director, Air Warfare Division, Office of the Chief of Naval Operations; and Rear Adm. Craig E. Steidle, USN, Director, Advanced Strike Technology Program.

Subcommittee will meet again on Friday, March 22.

NATIONAL RIGHT TO WORK ACT

Committee on Labor and Human Resources: Committee concluded hearing on S. 581, to repeal those provisions of Federal law that require employees to pay union dues or fees as a condition of employment, after receiving testimony from Senator Faircloth; Representative Goodlatte; Reed Larson, National Right to Work Committee, Springfield, Virginia; Don Judge, Montana State AFL-CIO, Helena; and John Willson, Neosho, Missouri.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held at 2 p.m. on Monday, March 18.

Committee Meetings

No Committee meetings were held.

CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of March 18 through 23, 1996

Senate Chamber

On *Monday*, Senate will resume consideration of H.R. 3019, Continuing Appropriations, 1996.

On *Tuesday*, Senate will conclude consideration of H.R. 3019, Continuing Appropriations, 1996, and amendments pending thereto, with votes to occur

beginning at 2:15 p.m., following which Senate will vote on final passage of S. 942, Small Business Regulatory Reform. Senate will also consider the conference report on H.R. 956, Product Liability, with a cloture vote scheduled to occur thereon, and resume consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S. Res. 227, Whitewater Investigation Extension, with a fourth cloture vote to occur thereon.

During the balance of the week, Senate may consider S. 1459, Public/Federal Grasslands Management, and any cleared legislative and executive business.

(Senate will recess from 12:30 p.m. until 2:15 p.m., on Tuesday, March 19, 1996, for respective party conferences.)

Senate Committees

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Committee on Appropriations: March 20, Subcommittee on Defense, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1997 for the Department of Defense, focusing on the ballistic missile defense program, 10 a.m., SD-192.

March 20, Subcommittee on Foreign Operations, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1997 for foreign assistance programs, 10 a.m., SD-138.

March 21, Subcommittee on Military Construction, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1997 for Army and Navy military construction programs, 9:30 a.m., SD-192.

Committee on Armed Services: March 19, Subcommittee on SeaPower, to hold hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 1997 for the Department of Defense and the future years defense program, focusing on the Department of the Navy expeditionary warfare programs, 9 a.m., SR-232A.

March 19, Full Committee, to hold hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 1997 for the Department of Defense and the future years defense program, focusing on the unified commands military strategies and operational requirements, 10 a.m., SR-222.

March 20, Subcommittee on Strategic Forces, to resume hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 1997 for the Department of Defense and the future years defense program, focusing on Department of Defense space programs and issues, 9:30 a.m., SD-562.

March 20, Subcommittee on Acquisition and Technology, to resume hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 1997 for the Department of Defense and the future years defense plan, focusing on technology base programs, 9:30 a.m., SR-232A.

March 20, Subcommittee on Personnel, to resume hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1997 for the Department of Defense and the future years defense plan, focusing on manpower, personnel, and compensation programs, 10 a.m., SR-222.

March 21, Full Committee, to resume hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 1997 for the Department of Defense and the future years defense program, focusing on the military strategies and operational requirements of the unified commands, 10 a.m., SR-222.

March 21, Subcommittee on Seapower, to resume hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 1997 for the Department of Defense and the future years defense program, focusing on Department of the Navy shipbuilding programs, 2 p.m., SR-222.

March 21, Subcommittee on Readiness, to hold hearings on the readiness of the Guard and Reserve to support the National Military Strategy, 2:30 p.m., SR-232A.

March 22, Subcommittee on Airland Forces, to resume hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 1997 for the Department of Defense and the future years defense program, 10 a.m., SR-232A.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: March 19, to hold hearings on the nominations of Stuart E. Eizenstat, of Maryland, to be Under Secretary of Commerce for International Trade, and Gaston L. Gianni Jr., of Virginia, to be Inspector General, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, 10 a.m., SD-538.

March 22, HUD Oversight and Structure, to hold hearings on the implementation of the 1992 Federal Housing Enterprises Safety and Soundness Act as it affects Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac, 10 a.m., SD-538.

Committee on the Budget: March 20, to hold hearings on the President's fiscal year 1997 budget proposals, 10 a.m., SD-608.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: March 19, to hold oversight hearings on activities of the Federal Communications Commission, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: March 20, Subcommittee on Energy Research and Development, to hold hearings on S. 1077, to authorize research, development, and demonstration of hydrogen as an energy carrier, S. 1153, to authorize research, development, and demonstration of hydrogen as an energy carrier, and a demonstration-commercialization project which produces hydrogen as an energy source produced from solid and complex waste for on-site use fuel cells, and H.R. 655, to authorize the hydrogen research, development, and demonstration programs of the Department of Energy, 2 p.m., SD-366.

March 21, Subcommittee on Parks, Historic Preservation and Recreation, to hold hearings on S. 305, to establish the Shenandoah Valley National Battlefields and Commission in the Commonwealth of Virginia, H.R. 1091, to improve the National Park System in the Commonwealth of Virginia, S. 1225, to require the Secretary of the Interior to conduct an inventory of historic sites, buildings, and artifacts in the Champlain Valley and the upper Hudson River Valley, including the Lake George area, S. 1226, to require the Secretary of the Interior to prepare a study of battlefields of the Revolutionary War and the War of 1812, and to establish an American Battlefield Protection Program, and S.J. Res. 42, designating the Civil War Center at Louisiana State University as the United States Civil War Center, making the center the flagship institution for planning the sesquicentennial commemoration of the Civil War, 9:30 a.m., SD-366.

March 21, Full Committee, to hold hearings on S. 1605, to amend the Energy Policy and Conservation Act to manage the Strategic Petroleum Reserve more effectively, 2 p.m., SD-366.

Committee on Foreign Relations: March 19, Subcommittee on Near Eastern and South Asian Affairs, to hold hearings to examine terrorism and the Middle East peace process, 10 a.m., SD-419.

March 20, Subcommittee on International Economic Policy, Export and Trade Promotion, to hold hearings to examine foreign policy implications of a balanced budget, 10 a.m., SD-419.

March 20, Subcommittee on Near Eastern and South Asian Affairs, to hold hearings to examine economic developments in the West Bank and Gaza, 2 p.m., SD-419.

Committee on Governmental Affairs: March 18, Subcommittee on Post Office and Civil Service, to resume hearings to examine issues relating to United States Postal Service customers, 2 p.m., SD-342.

March 19, Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations, to hold hearings to examine the asset forfeiture program, focusing on issues relating to the Bicycle Club Casino, 10 a.m., SD-342.

March 20 and 22, Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations, to resume hearings to examine global proliferation of weapons of mass destruction, Wednesday at 9:30 a.m. and Friday at 9 a.m., SD-342.

March 21, Full Committee, to hold hearings on proposed legislation to enforce the Tenth Amendment, 9 a.m., SD-342.

Committee on the Judiciary: March 19, to hold hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for programs of the Hate Crimes Statistic Act, 10 a.m., SD-226.

March 20, Full Committee, business meeting, to resume markup of S. 269 and S. 1394, bills to reform the immigration system, 2 p.m., SH-216.

March 21 and 22, Full Committee, business meeting, to continue markup of S. 269 and S. 1394, bills to reform the immigration system, 10 a.m., SH-216.

Committee on Labor and Human Resources: March 20, business meeting, to mark up S. 1578, Individuals With Disabilities Education Act, H.R. 849, Age Discrimination in Employment Amendments, and proposed legislation authorizing funds for the Older Americans Act, 9:30 a.m., SD-430.

March 21, Full Committee, business meeting, to mark up S. 1477, to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act and the Public Health Service Act to improve the regulation of food, drugs, devices, and biological products, 9 a.m., SD-106.

Committee on Rules and Administration: March 20, to hold hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 1997 for the Congressional Research Service, 9:30 a.m., SR-301.

Committee on Small Business: March 21, to hold hearings on HUBZones: Revitalizing inner cities and rural America, 10:30 a.m., SR-428A.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: March 20, to resume hearings to examine the reform of health care priorities, 10 a.m., SR-418.

Select Committee on Intelligence: March 19, to hold hearings to examine renewal and reform of the intelligence community, 9:30 a.m., SH-216.

House Chamber

Monday, No legislative business is scheduled.

Tuesday and the balance of the week, Consideration of the following 5 Suspensions:

H.R. 2937, Reimbursement of former White House Travel Office Employees;

H. Con. Res. 48, Sense of Congress that the United States is committed to the military stability of the Taiwan straits;

H.R. 2739, House of Representatives Administrative Reform Technical Correction Act;

Two House Oversight Committee resolutions adopting congressional accountability regulations;

Consideration of H.R. 2202, the Immigration in the National Interest Act of 1995 (modified closed rule, 2 hours of general debate); and

Consideration of an omnibus appropriations bill for fiscal year 1996.

NOTE: Conference reports may be brought up at any time. Any further program will be announced later.

House Committees

Committee on Appropriations, March 19, Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, FDA, and Related Agencies, on Marketing and Regulatory Programs, 1 p.m., 2362A Rayburn.

March 19, Subcommittee on National Security, executive, on Commander in Chief, U.S. European Command, 2 p.m., H-140 Capitol.

March 20, Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, FDA, and Related Agencies, on Research, Education and Economics, 1 p.m., 2362A Rayburn.

March 20, Subcommittee on Interior, on Geological Survey, 10 a.m., and on National Park Service, 1:30 p.m., B-308 Rayburn.

March 20, Subcommittee on National Security, on fiscal year 1997 Navy/Marine Corps Posture, 10 a.m., 2212 Rayburn and Navy/Marine Corps Acquisition Programs, 1:30 p.m., H-140 Capitol.

March 20, Subcommittee on Transportation, on Federal Highway Administration, 10 a.m., 2358 Rayburn.

March 20, Subcommittee on Veterans' Affairs, HUD and Independent Agencies, on NASA, 9 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

March 21, Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, FDA, and Related Agencies, on Food Safety, 10 a.m., and on Secretary of Agriculture, 1 p.m., 2362A Rayburn.

March 21, Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development, on Assistant Secretary of the Army for Civil Works and Chief of Engineers, 10 a.m. and 2 p.m., 2362B Rayburn.

March 21, Subcommittee on Foreign Operations, Export Financing and Related Programs, on Haiti, 10 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

March 21, Subcommittee on National Security, executive, on National Foreign Intelligence Program, 10 a.m., and on Ballistic Missile Defense, 1:30 p.m., H-140 Capitol.

March 21, Subcommittee on Transportation, on National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 10 a.m., 2358 Rayburn.

Committee on Banking and Financial Services, March 19, hearing on issues relating to the Bank Insurance Fund and the Savings Association Insurance Fund, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

March 20, hearing on Recent Developments in Banking and Finance in the People's Republic of China, Hong Kong, and Taiwan, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

March 21, Subcommittee on Domestic and International Monetary Policy, oversight hearing on the Bureau of Engraving and the U.S. Mint, 9:30 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on the Budget, March 21, hearing on the Administration's fiscal year 1997 budget submission, 10 a.m., 210 Cannon.

Committee on Commerce, March 20, to mark up H.R. 3070, Health Coverage Availability and Affordability Act of 1996, 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

March 21, Subcommittee on Commerce, Trade, and Hazardous Materials, hearing on H.R. 2024, Mercury-Containing and Rechargeable Battery Management Act, 1 p.m., 2322 Rayburn.

March 21, Subcommittee on Telecommunications and Finance, to continue hearings on Federal Management of the Radio Spectrum, 9 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

March 22, Subcommittee on Energy and Power, oversight hearing on the Department of Energy's Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 1997, 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Economic and Educational Opportunities, March 19, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing on AmeriCorps, 1 p.m., 2175 Rayburn.

March 21, full committee, to mark up H.R. 2531, to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 to clarify the exemption for houseparents from the minimum wage and maximum hours requirements of that Act, 10 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight, March 19, Subcommittee on the District of Columbia, hearing on Implementation of Public Law 104-8, District of Columbia Financial Responsibility and Management Assistance Act of 1995, 8:30 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

March 22, Subcommittee on Government Management, Information, and Technology, hearing on H.R. 2521, Statistical Consolidation Act of 1995, 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on International Relations, March 19, Subcommittee on Asia and the Pacific, hearing on United States-North Korean Relations: From the Agreed Framework to Food Aid, 1:30 p.m., 2200 Rayburn.

March 20, Subcommittee on International Economic Policy and Trade, to mark up H.R. 361, Omnibus Export Administration Act of 1995, 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

March 21, Full Committee, to mark up the Iran Oil Sanctions Act of 1996, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

March 21, Subcommittee on the Western Hemisphere, hearing to review current issues in Nicaragua, 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary, March 21, Subcommittee on the Constitution, oversight hearing on Fetal Death or Dangerous Deception? The Effects of Anesthesia During a Partial-Birth Abortion, 9 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

March 21, Subcommittee on Crime, to mark up the following: H.R. 2092, Private Security Officer Quality Assurance Act of 1995; H.R. 2137, Megan's Law; H.R. 2453, Fugitive Detention Act of 1995; H.R. 2641, United States Marshals Service Improvement Act of 1995; H.R. 2803, Anti-Car Theft Improvements Act of 1995; H.R. 2974, Crimes Against Children and Elderly Persons Punishment and Prevention Act of 1995; H.R. 2980,

Interstate Stalking Punishment and Prevention Act of 1996; H.R. 2996, Law Enforcement and Industrial Security Cooperation Act of 1996; and a measure to amend title 18 with respect to threats against jurors, court officers or magistrates; and victim/witness tampering or retaliation, 9:30 a.m., 2237 Rayburn.

March 22, Subcommittee on the Constitution, oversight hearing on ethics in government and lobbying reform proposals, 10 a.m., 2237 Rayburn.

Committee on National Security, March 19 and 21, Subcommittee on Military Installations and Facilities, hearing on national defense authorization, with emphasis on the military construction budget request, 1:30 p.m. on March 19 and 2 p.m. on March 21, 2122 Rayburn.

March 19 and 22, Subcommittee on Military Procurement and the Subcommittee on Military Research and Development, to continue joint hearings on national defense authorization, 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

March 19, Subcommittee on Military Readiness, hearing on national defense authorization, with emphasis on force readiness, 2:30 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

March 20, full committee, hearing on security challenges posed by China, 9:30 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

March 21, Subcommittee on Military Personnel, hearing on H.R. 1646, Reserve Forces Revitalization Act of 1995, 10 a.m., 2212 Rayburn.

March 21, Subcommittee on Military Procurement and Subcommittee on Military Readiness, joint hearing on national defense authorization, with emphasis on Department of Defense and Department of Energy environmental programs, 2 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

March 21 Subcommittee on Military Research and Development, to continue hearings on national defense authorization, with emphasis on Air Force modernization, 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Committee on Resources, March 19, hearing on the following: H.R. 2505, to amend the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act to make certain clarifications to the land bank protection provisions; and H.R. 1786, to regulate fishing in certain waters of Alaska, 11 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

March 19, Subcommittee on Water and Power Resources, oversight hearing on Western Area Power Administration Construction and Maintenance Activities and Bureau of Reclamation Power Facilities Management, 10 a.m., 1334 Longworth.

March 20, full committee, oversight hearing on Endangered Species Act of 1973, 11 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

March 20, Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Lands, oversight hearing on Historic Preservation and hearing on the following: H.R. 563, to amend the National Historic Preservation Act to prohibit the inclusion of certain sites on the National Register of Historic Places; H.R. 1179, Historically Black Colleges and University Historic Building Restoration and Preservation Act; and H.R. 3031, to amend the act of October 15, 1966 (80 Stat. 915), as amended, establishing a program for the preservation of additional historic property throughout the Nation, 9 a.m., 1334 Longworth.

March 21, Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources, oversight hearing on energy policy, 2 p.m., 1334 Longworth.

March 21, Subcommittee on Fisheries, Wildlife and Oceans, oversight hearing on Marine Sanctuaries Act, 10 a.m., 1334 Longworth.

March 21, Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Lands, oversight hearing on Federal lands and Federal regulation of private property, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Committee on Science, March 19, Subcommittee on Basic Research, hearing on NSF's Partnership for Advanced Computational Infrastructure Program, 1 p.m., 2318 Rayburn.

March 21, Subcommittee on Energy and Environment, hearing on fiscal year 1997 Department of Energy, EPA, and National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration authorizations; and Safe Drinking Water Act reauthorization, 9:30 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

March 22, Subcommittee on Basic Research, hearing on fiscal year 1997 NSF authorization.

Committee on Small Business, March 20, hearing on Small Business's Access to Capital: The Role of Banks in Small Business Financing, 10 a.m., 2359 Rayburn.

March 21, hearing on the U.S. Small Business Administration Fiscal Year 1997 Budget, 10 a.m., 2359 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, March 20, Subcommittee on Aviation, to continue hearings on the

airport improvement program, with emphasis on FAA views and miscellaneous issues, 9:30 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

March 20, Subcommittee on Public Buildings and Economic Development, hearing on GSA Courthouse Construction Program, 8:30 a.m., 2253 Rayburn.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs, March 21, Subcommittee on Hospitals and Health Care, oversight hearing on VA Medical Care and Construction Priorities for Fiscal Year 1997, 9:30 a.m., 334 Cannon.

Committee on Ways and Means, March 19, to mark up, H.R. 3063, Health Coverage Availability and Affordability Act of 1996, 1 p.m., 1100 Longworth.

March 20, hearing on Replacing the Federal Income Tax, 10 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

March 21, to mark up the Taxpayer Bill of Rights 2, 10 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, March 19, executive, hearing on Collection, 2 p.m., H-405 Capitol.

March 20, executive, hearing on Processing/Exploitation, 2 p.m., H-405 Capitol.

March 21, Subcommittee on Technical and Tactical Intelligence, executive, hearing on Aerial Reconnaissance, 2 p.m., H-405 Capitol.

Joint Meetings

Joint Economic Committee: March 22, to hold hearings to examine the state of the economy, focusing on whether it is the healthiest economy in three decades, 10 a.m., SD-106.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

11 a.m., Monday, March 18

Senate Chamber

Program for Monday: After the transaction of any morning business (not to extend beyond 12 noon), Senate will resume consideration of H.R. 3019, Continuing Appropriations.

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

2 p.m., Monday, March 18

House Chamber

Program for Monday: No legislative business is scheduled.



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