

years 1996 and 1997; to responsibly reduce the authorizations of appropriations for United States foreign assistance programs for fiscal years 1996 and 1997 (two-thirds of those present not voting to override).

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Suspensions: House voted to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Helium Act: H.R. 3008, to amend the Helium Act to authorize the Secretary to enter into agreements with private parties for the recovery and disposal of helium on Federal lands (passed by a yeand-nay vote of 411 yeas, Roll No. 137); and

Pages H4138-51, H4161-62

Central Utah Water Project Completion Act: H.R. 1823, amended, to amend the Central Utah Project Completion Act to direct the Secretary of the Interior to allow for prepayment of repayment contracts between the United States and the Central Utah Water Conservancy District dated December 28, 1965, and November 26, 1985 (passed by a yeand-nay vote of 412 yeas, Roll No. 138).

Pages H4135-37, H4162-63

Late Report: Conferees received permission to have until midnight tonight to file a conference report on S. 641, to reauthorize the Ryan White CARE Act of 1990.

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Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on page H4304.

Senate Message: Message received from the Senate today appears on page H4131.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Three yeand-nay votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H4160-61, H4161-62, and H4162. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: Met at 12 noon and adjourned at 10:35 p.m.

Committee Meetings

COMMERCE, JUSTICE, STATE, AND THE JUDICIARY APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, State, and the Judiciary held a hearing on National Oceanographic and Atmospheric Administration; Marine Mammal Commission; State, Oceans and Environmental Science, Fisheries and on the USIA. Testimony was heard from D. James Baker, Under Secretary, Oceans and Atmosphere, Department of Commerce; Eileen B. Clausen, Assistant Secretary, Oceans and Environmental Science and Scientific Affairs, Department of State; John E. Reynolds, Chairman, Marine Mammal Commission; and the following officials of the USIA: Joseph D.

Duffey, Director; and David W. Burke, Chairman, Broadcasting Board of Governors.

FOREIGN OPERATIONS APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Foreign Operations, Export Financing and Related Programs held a hearing on Security Assistance. Testimony was heard from Lynn Davis, Under Secretary, Arms Control and International Security Affairs, Department of State; and Walt Slocombe, Under Secretary, Policy, Department of Defense.

LABOR-HHS-EDUCATION APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education held a hearing on Agency for Health Care Policy and Research, Health Care Financing Administration, and on SSA. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Health and Human Services: Clifton R. Gaus, Administrator, Agency for Health Care Policy and Research; and Bruce C. Vladek, Administrator, Health Care Financing Administration; and Shirley S. Chater, Commissioner, Social Security, SSA.

TREASURY, POSTAL SERVICE, AND GENERAL GOVERNMENT APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Treasury, Postal Service, and General Government concluded appropriation hearings. Testimony was heard from Congressional and public witnesses.

VETERANS AFFAIRS-HUD-INDEPENDENT AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Veterans' Affairs, Housing and Urban Development, and Independent Agencies held a hearing on Community Development Financial Institutions, the National Credit Union Administration, the Neighborhood Reinvestment Corporation, and the Office of Science and Technology Policy. Testimony was heard from Kirsten Moy, Director, Community Development Financial Institutions, Department of the Treasury; Norman E. D'Amours, Chairman, National Credit Union Administration, George Knight, Director, Neighborhood Reinvestment Corporation; and John H. Gibbons, Director, Office of Science and Technology Policy.

FINANCIAL INSTITUTION REGULATORY SYSTEM

Committee on Banking and Financial Services: Held a hearing on the Federal financial institution regulatory system. Testimony was heard from Edward W. Kelley, Jr., member, Board of Governors, Federal

Reserve System; and following officials of the Department of the Treasury: Eugene Ludwig, Comptroller, Office of the Comptroller of the Currency; and Jonathan Fiechter, Acting Director, Office of Thrift Supervision; and public witnesses.

Hearings continue May 2.

JUVENILE JUSTICE AND DELINQUENCY PREVENTION ACT

Committee on Economic and Educational Opportunities: Subcommittee on Early Childhood, Youth and Families held a hearing on Youth Violence, Gangs and the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act. Testimony was heard from Representatives McCollum and Waters; Tom Corbett, Attorney General, State of Pennsylvania; and public witnesses.

VETERANS PREFERENCES

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on Civil Service held a hearing on Veterans Preference. Testimony was heard from Representatives Buyer and Fox; and public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT—GAO

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on Government Management, Information and Technology held an oversight hearing on the GAO. Testimony was heard from John Koskinen, Deputy/Director, Management, OMB; Charles A. Bowsher, Comptroller General, GAO; and public witnesses.

TEEN PREGNANCY PREVENTION

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on Human Resources and Intergovernmental Relations held a hearing on Preventing Teen Pregnancy: Coordinating Community Efforts. Testimony was heard from Representatives Clayton and Johnson of Connecticut; Henry Foster, Jr., M.D., Senior Advisor to the President on Teen Pregnancy, White House Liaison to the National Campaign to Prevent Teen Pregnancy; Kathleen Kennedy Townsend, Lt. Gov., State of Maryland; and public witnesses.

RUSSIAN ORGANIZED CRIME

Committee on International Relations: Held a hearing on the Threat from Russian organized Crime. Testimony was heard from John Deutch, Director, CIA; Louis Freeh, Director, FBI, Department of Justice; Eric Seidel, Deputy Attorney General in Charge, Organized Crime Task Force, State of New York; and a public witness.

DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION

Committee on National Security: Subcommittee on Military Procurement approved for full Committee action

H.R. 3230, National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1997.

DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION

Committee on National Security: Subcommittee on Military Research and Development approved for full Committee action as amended H.R. 3230, National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1997.

OVERSIGHT—FOREST SERVICE RIVER MANAGEMENT

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Lands held an oversight hearing on the Forest Service's river management policies for the Green River and Hells Canyon. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the USDA: James R. Lyons, Under Secretary, Natural Resources and Environment; Jack Ward Thomas, Chief, Forest Service; Lyle Laverty, Director, Recreation, Heritage and Wilderness Resources Management; Bert Kulesza, Forest Supervisor, Ashley National Forest; and Bob Richmond, Forest Supervisor, Wallowa-Whitman National Forest; and public witnesses.

OCEAN SHIPPING REFORM ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, an open rule providing 1 hour of debate on H.R. 2149, Ocean Shipping Reform Act of 1995. The rule provides for the consideration of a manager's amendment to be printed in part 1 of the report of the Committee on Rules to accompany the resolution, which is considered as read, may amend portions of the bill not yet read for amendment, is debatable for 10 minutes equally divided between the proponent and an opponent, and shall not be subject to amendment or to a division of the question.

If adopted, the amendment is considered as part of the base text for further amendment purposes. The rule waives clause 7 of rule XVI (germaneness) against the manager's amendment printed in part 1 of the report. The rule provides that the bill, as amended, shall be considered by title rather than by section, and that the first section and each title shall be considered as read.

The rule authorizes the Chair to accord priority in recognition to Members who have preprinted their amendments in the *Congressional Record*. The rule further provides that the amendment be printed in part 2 of the report shall be considered as read, may amend portions of the bill to yet read for amendment, shall not be subject to amendment, and shall not be subject to a demand for a division of the question in the House or in the Committee of the Whole. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit, with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Chairman Shuster and Representatives Coble, Oberstar, and Stupak.

UNITED STATES MARSHALS SERVICE IMPROVEMENT ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, an open rule providing 1 hour of debate on H.R. 2641, United States Marshals Service Improvement Act of 1996. The rule makes in order the Judiciary Committee amendment in the nature of a substitute as an original bill for the purpose of amendment, and provides that each section shall be considered as read. The rule authorizes the Chair to accord priority in recognition to members who have preprinted their amendments in the *Congressional Record*, if otherwise consistent with the House rules, and provides that preprinted amendments shall be considered as read. The rule provides one motion to recommit, with or without instructions. Finally, the rule provides that after passage of the House bill, it will be in order to take up the Senate bill, to move to insert the House-passed provisions in the Senate bill, and to move to request a conference with the Senate. Testimony was heard from Representative McCollum.

UNITED STATES AVIATION RELATIONSHIP WITH THE U.K. AND JAPAN

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Aviation continued hearings on Problems in the U.S. Aviation Relationship with the United Kingdom and Japan. Testimony was heard from Charles A. Hunnicutt, Assistant Secretary, Aviation and International Affairs, Department of Transportation; and public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Subcommittee on Compensation, Pension, Insurance, and Memorial Affairs held a hearing on access to treatment and compensation for veterans exposed to ionizing radiation. Testimony was heard from John R. Vogel, Under Secretary, Benefits, Department of Veterans Affairs; Joan Ma Pierre, Director, Electronics and Systems, Defense Nuclear Agency, Department of Defense; and public witnesses.

FUTURE DIRECTIONS IN THE MEDICARE PROGRAM

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Health held a hearing on recommendations regarding future directions in the Medicare program. Testimony was heard from Representative Shays; Joseph P. Newhouse, Chairman, Prospective Payment Assessment Commission; Gail R. Wilensky, Chair, Physician Payment Review Commission; and Janet L. Shikles, Assistant Comptroller General, Health, Education, and Human Services Division, GAO.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, MAY 1, 1996

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Defense, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1997 for the Department of Defense, focusing on Reserve and National Guard programs, 10 a.m., SD-192.

Committee on Armed Services, closed business meeting, to mark up a proposed National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 1997, and to receive a report from the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence on the Intelligence Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1997, 9 a.m., SR-222.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, Subcommittee on Aviation, to hold hearings to examine airport revenue diversion, 2:30 p.m., SR-253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, business meeting, to consider pending calendar business, 9:30 a.m., SD-366.

Committee on Foreign Relations, Subcommittee on African Affairs, to hold hearings on develop assistance to Africa, 2 p.m., SD-419.

Committee on the Judiciary, to hold hearings to review the national drug control strategy, 10:30 a.m., SD-226.

Committee on Labor and Human Resources, business meeting, to mark up S. 1643, to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 1997 through 2001 for programs of the Older Americans Act, and to consider pending nominations, 9:30 a.m., SD-430.

Committee on Small Business, to hold hearings on the nomination of Ginger Ehn Lew, of California, to be Deputy Administrator of the Small Business Administration; to be followed by a hearing on the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 1997 for the Small Business Administration, 9:30 a.m., SR-428A.

Special Committee To Investigate Whitewater Development Corporation and Related Matters, to continue hearings to examine certain issues relative to the Whitewater Development Corporation, 10 a.m., SH-216.

House

Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, State, and the Judiciary, on Federal Law Enforcement: FBI; DEA; U.S. Attorneys, Criminal Division/Interagency Crime and Drug Enforcement, 10 a.m., and on International Law Enforcement: FBI; DEA; Immigration and Naturalization Service, Department of State, International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Affairs/Diplomatic Security, 2 p.m. 2358 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, on Centers for Disease Control, 10 a.m., and on Health Resources and Services Administration, 2 p.m., 2358 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on National Security, on Congressional and public witnesses, 10 a.m., and 1:30 p.m., H-140 Capitol.