

pose threats to United States trade and financial systems, and efforts to combat international drug trafficking and money laundering, receiving testimony from Senators Domenici and Gramm; Jeffrey M. Lang, Deputy United States Trade Representative; Stanley E. Morris, Director, Office of Financial Crimes Enforcement Network, and George J. Weise, Commissioner, United States Customs Service, both of the Department of the Treasury; Jonathan M. Winer, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Affairs; Alan S. Abel, Coopers and Lybrand, and Robert S. Leiken, New Moment, Inc., both of Washington, D.C.; and Michael M. Miles, Rudolph Miles and Sons, Inc./The Miles Group, Inc., El Paso, Texas.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

LIBERTAD ACT

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on Western Hemisphere and Peace Corps Affairs held hearings on the implementation of the Cuban Liberty and Democratic Solidarity Act (Libertad) (P.L. 104-114) and its impact on international law, receiving testimony from Jeffrey Davidow, Assistant Secretary of State for Inter-American Affairs; Jennifer A. Hillman, General Counsel, Office of the United States Trade Representative; and Monroe Leigh, Steptoe & Johnson, Alberto Mora, Holland & Knight, Brice Clagett, Covington & Burling, and Robert L. Muse, Muse and Associates, all of Washington, D.C.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

ACCESS TO MEDICAL TREATMENT ACT

Committee on Labor and Human Resources: Committee concluded hearings on S. 1035, to permit an individual to be treated by a health care practitioner with any method of medical treatment such individual requests, after receiving testimony from Senator Daschle; former Representative Berkley Bedell, Spirit Lake, Iowa; Jerold Mande, Executive Assistant to the Commissioner, Food and Drug Administration, and Wayne B. Jonas, Director, Office of Alternative Medicine, National Institutes of Health, both of the

Department of Health and Human Services; Woodson C. Merrell, Columbia University College of Physicians and Surgeons, New York, New York; James S. Gordon, Center for Mind-Body Medicine, Washington, D.C.; and Shawn and Zachary McConnell, Fountain Hills, Arizona.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Indian Affairs: Committee ordered favorably reported the following bills:

S. 1983, to amend the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act to provide for Native Hawaiian organizations; and

S. 1973, to provide for the settlement of the Navajo-Hopi land dispute, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

ELDERLY SUICIDE

Special Committee on Aging: Committee concluded hearings to examine the incidence of suicide among the elderly, focusing on the factors that put elderly persons at risk and strategies and interventions that can prevent elderly suicides from occurring, after receiving testimony from Jane L. Pearson, Chief, Clinical and Developmental Psychopathology Program, Mental Disorders of the Aging Research Branch, National Institute of Mental Health, and Mark Rosenberg, Director, National Center for Injury Prevention and Control, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, both of the Department of Health and Human Services; David C. Clark, Center for Suicide Research and Prevention/Rush-Presbyterian-St. Luke's Medical Center, Chicago, Illinois; Eric D. Caine, University of Rochester Medical Center, Rochester, New York; Ira R. Katz, University of Pennsylvania Medical School, Philadelphia, on behalf of the American Association for Geriatric Psychiatry; Joseph Richman, Albert Einstein College of Medicine, Bronx, New York; Ray Raschko, Spokane Community Mental Health Center, and Hy and Esther Nelson, all of Spokane, Washington; Betty Munley, Senior Connection Program/Crisis Call Center, Reno, Nevada; Daryl J. Workman, Richmond, Virginia; and Paige Warfield Garber, Kensington, Maryland.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 6 public bills, H.R. 3916-3921; 2 private bills, H.R. 3915, 3922; and 3 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 205, and H. Res. 493-494 were introduced.

Reports Filed: Reports were filed as follows:

H.R. 3867, to amend the Developmental Disabilities Assistance and Bill of Rights Act to extend the Act (H. Rept. 104-719);

H. Res. 492, waiving a requirement of clause 4 (b) of rule XI with respect to consideration of a certain resolution reported from the Committee on Rules (H. Rept. 104-720);

Conference report on H.R. 3517, making appropriations for military construction, family housing, and base realignment and closure for the Department of Defense for fiscal year ending September 30, 1997 (H. Rept. 104-721);

H.R. 3759, to extend the authority of the Overseas Private Investment Corporation, amended (H. Rept. 104-722);

H.R. 123, to amend title 4, United States Code, to declare English as the official language of the Government of the United States (H. Rept. 104-723);

Conference report on H.R. 3230, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 1997 for military activities of the Department of Defense, to prescribe military personnel strengths for fiscal year 1997 (H. Rept. 104-724);

Conference report on H.R. 3734, to provide for reconciliation pursuant to section 201(a)(1) of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 1997 (H. Rept. 104-725); and

Conference report on H.R. 3603, making appropriations for Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1997 (H. Rept. 104-726).

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Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Jones to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. Page H8669

Recess: The House recessed at 9:01 a.m. and reconvened at 10:00 a.m. Page H8669

Committees to Sit: The following committees and their subcommittees received permission to sit today during proceedings of the House under the 5-minute rule: Committees on Banking and Financial Services, Economic and Educational Opportunities, Government Reform and Oversight, International Relations, Judiciary, National Security, Resources, Science, and Transportation and Infrastructure. Page H8671

Agriculture Appropriations: The House disagreed to the Senate amendments to H.R. 3603, making appropriations for Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1997, and agreed to a conference. Page H8671

Appointed as conferees: Representative Skeen, Myers of Indiana, Walsh, Dickey, Kingston, Riggs, Nethercutt, Livingston, Durbin, Kaptur, Thornton, Fazio, and Obey. Page H8671

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

Energy Policy and Conservation: H.R. 3868, to extend certain programs under the Energy Policy and Conservation Act through September 30, 1996;

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Developmental Disabilities: H.R. 3867, to amend the Developmental Disabilities Assistance and Bill of Rights Act to extend the Act. Subsequently, the House passed S. 1757, a similar Senate-passed bill—clearing the measure for the President;

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Trade Laws: H.R. 3815, amended, to make technical corrections and miscellaneous amendments to trade laws;

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Katmai National Park Fishing: H.R. 1786, amended, to regulate fishing in certain waters of Alaska;

Pages H8679-80

Geologic Mapping: H.R. 3198, to reauthorize and amend the National Geologic Mapping Act of 1992;

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Crawford National Fish Hatchery: H.R. 3287, amended, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey the Crawford National Fish Hatchery to the city of Crawford, Nebraska;

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Walhalla National Fish Hatchery: H.R. 3546, amended, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey the Walhalla National Fish Hatchery to the State of South Carolina;

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Marion National Fish Hatchery: H.R. 3557, amended, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey the Marion National Fish Hatchery to the State of Alabama. Agreed to amend the title;

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Snowbasin Ski Area and Sterling Forest Reserve: H.R. 3907, amended, to facilitate the 2002 Winter Olympic Games in the State of Utah at the Snowbasin Ski Area, to provide for the acquisition of lands within the Sterling Forest Reserve;

Pages H8685-92

Water Resources Development: H.R. 3592, amended, to provide for conservation and development of water and related resources, and to authorize the Secretary of the Army to construct various projects for improvements to rivers and harbors of the United States. Subsequently, S. 640, a similar Senate-passed measure was passed in lieu after being amended to contain the text of H.R. 3592, as passed the House. Agreed to lay H.R. 3592 on the table;

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Oscar Garcia Rivera Post Office: H.R. 885, to designate the building located at 153 East 110th

Street, New York, New York, as the "Oscar Garcia Rivera Post Office Building"; **Pages H8756-57**

Augusta Hornblower Post Office: H.R. 3768, to designate a United States Post Office to be located in Groton, Massachusetts, as the "Augusta 'Gusty' Hornblower United States Post Office";

Pages H8657-58

Rose Y. Caracappa Post Office: H.R. 3139, to redesignate the United States Post Office building located at 245 Centereach Mall on Middle Country Road in Centereach, New York, as the "Rose Y. Caracappa United States Post Office Building";

Pages H8758-59

Roger P. McAuliffe Post Office: H.R. 3834, to redesignate the Dunning Post Office in Chicago, Illinois, as the "Roger P. McAuliffe Post Office";

Pages H8759-61

Amos F. Longoria Post Office: H.R. 2700, amended, to designate the United States Post Office building located at 7980 FM 327, Elmendorf, Texas, as the "Amos F. Longoria Post Office Building". Agreed to amend the title;

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Veterans' Preference: H.R. 3586, amended, to amend title 5, United States Code, to strengthen veterans' preference, to increase employment opportunities for veterans; and

Pages H8762-68

Veterans' Health Care: H.R. 3118, amended, to amend title 38, United States Code, to reform eligibility for health care provided by the Department of Veterans Affairs (agreed to by a yea-and-nay vote of 416 yeas, Roll No. 371).

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Clerk Correction: It was made in order to direct the Clerk, in the engrossment of H.R. 3592, to make a correction to section 585 to change the reference from Evansville, Illinois to make it Evanston, Illinois. This measure was passed earlier today under suspension of the rules.

Pages H8809-10

Working Families Flexibility: By a yea-and-nay vote of 225 yeas to 195 nays, Roll No. 370, the House passed H.R. 2391, to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 to provide compensatory time for all employees.

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Agreed to the Committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, as amended.

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Agreed to the Goodling amendment that requires employers to give thirty days notice prior to cashing out accrued compensatory time, allows employers to only cash out unused time in excess of 80 hours unless the cash out is in response to an employee request, requires employers to give thirty days notice prior to discontinuing compensatory time policy, specifies that employees may withdraw at any time from a compensatory time agreement, requires the

Secretary of Labor to revise the posting requirements under the FLSA, and clarifies that unused compensatory time would be considered to be unpaid overtime for purposes of all remedies under the FLSA.

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The McKinney amendment was offered, but subsequently withdrawn, that sought to reduce the work week under the FLSA from 40 hours to 37 hours.

Pages H8790-91

Foreign Operations Appropriations: The House disagreed with the Senate amendment to H.R. 3540, making appropriations for foreign operations, export financing, and related programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1997, and agreed to a conference.

Pages H8792-93

Appointed as conferees: Representatives Callahan, Porter, Livingston, Lightfoot, Wolf, Packard, Knollenberg, Forbes, Bunn, Wilson, Yates, Pelosi, Torres, Lowey, and Obey.

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Agreed to the Wilson motion to instruct conferees to provide funding for the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) at the level specified by the House.

Pages H8792-93

Defense Appropriations: The House disagreed with the Senate amendment to H.R. 3610, making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1997 and agreed to a conference.

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Appointed as conferees: Young of Florida, McDade, Livingston, Lewis of California, Skeen, Hobson, Bonilla, Nethercutt, Istook, Murtha, Dicks, Wilson, Hefner, Sabo, and Obey.

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By a yea-and-nay vote of 410 yeas to 3 nays, Roll No. 372, agreed to the Livingston motion that conference committee meetings be closed to the public when classified information is under consideration.

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Late Reports: Conferees received permission to have until midnight tonight to file conference reports on H.R. 3603, making appropriations for Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1997 and H.R. 3517, making appropriations for military construction, family housing, and base realignment and closure for the Department of Defense for fiscal year ending September 30, 1997.

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Legislative Branch Appropriations: The House disagreed with Senate amendments to H.R. 3754, making appropriations for the Legislative Branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1997, and agreed to a conference.

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Appointed as conferees: Representatives Packard, Young of Florida, Taylor of North Carolina, Miller

of Florida, Wicker, Livingston, Thornton, Serrano, Fazio, and Obey. **Page H8794**

Agreed to the Thornton motion to instruct conferees to concur in the Senate amendments authorizing continuation of and making funds available for the American Folklife Center at the Library of Congress. **Page H8794**

Presidential Veto Message—Teamwork for Employers and Managers: Read a message from the President wherein he announces his veto of H.R. 743, to amend the National Labor Relations Act to allow labor management cooperative efforts that improve economic competitiveness in the United States to continue to thrive, and explains his reasons therefor—ordered printed (H. Doc. 104-251). **Page H8816**

Subsequently, it was made in order that further consideration of the veto message be postponed until Wednesday, July 31. **Page H8816**

Recess: The House recessed at 10:01 p.m. and reconvened at 11:55 p.m. **Pages H8828-29**

Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on pages H8982-84.

Senate Messages: Messages received from the Senate today appear on pages H8692-93 and H8794.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Three yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H8791, H8792, and H8793. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: Met at 9:00 a.m. and adjourned at 11:58 p.m.

Committee Meetings

ATM FEE REFORM ACT

Committee on Banking and Financial Services: Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Credit approved for full Committee action amended H.R. 3727, ATM Fee Reform Act of 1996.

OVERSIGHT

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on Human Resources and Intergovernmental Relations held an oversight hearing on Management of HUD's Section 8 Multi-Family Housing Portfolio. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Housing and Urban Development: Nicholas Retsinas, Assistant Secretary, Housing and Federal Housing Commissioner; and Susan Gaffey, Inspector General; Judy Joseph-England, Director, Housing and Community Development Issues, GAO; and a public witness.

EPA GRANTS MISMANAGEMENT

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on National Economic Growth, Natural

Resources and Regulatory Affairs held a hearing on EPA Mismanagement of Grants. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the EPA: John Martin, Inspector General; and Fred Hansen, Deputy Administrator.

DOD BULK FUEL

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on National Security, International Affairs, and Criminal Justice held a hearing on the Department of Defense Bulk Fuel: Appropriations versus Usage. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Defense: Charles T. Harris, Director, Operation and Personnel Directorate, Under Secretary, Comptroller; and Jeffery A. Jones, Executive Director, (Logistics Management), Defense Logistics Agency; and the following officials of the GAO: Sharon A. Cekala, Associate Director, Military Operations and Capabilities Issues, National Security and International Affairs Division; and Michael J. Curro, Assistant Director, Budget Issues Area.

CAUCASUS REGION—U.S. INTERESTS

Committee on International Relations: Held a hearing on U.S. Interests in the Caucasus Region. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of State: Marshall Adiar, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Bureau of European and Canadian Affairs; John Herbst, Deputy Coordinator, Office of the Special Advisor to the Secretary for the New Independent States; and Joseph A. Presel, Coordinator, Regional Affairs and Special Negotiator for Nagorno Karabakh; and public witnesses.

REGULATORY FAIR WARNING ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Began markup of H.R. 3307, Regulatory Fair Warning Act.

Will continue tomorrow.

MILITARY HOUSING AND OTHER QUALITY-OF-LIFE INFRASTRUCTURE

Committee on National Security: Subcommittee on Military Installations and Facilities held a hearing on military housing and other quality-of-life infrastructure. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Defense: Sgt. Maj. Gene C. McKinney, USA; Master Chief Petty Officer John Hagan, USN; Sgt. Maj. Lewis G. Lee, USMC; and Chief Master Sergeant David J. Campanale, USAF; and public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests, and Lands held an oversight hearing on Inspector General Audit Report of Land Management land transactions in Nevada. Testimony was