

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

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H.R. 2158, making appropriations for the Departments of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development, and for sundry independent agencies, commissions, corporations, and offices for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998. Signed October 27, 1997. (P.L. 105-65)

H.R. 2169, making appropriations for the Department of Transportation and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998. Signed October 27, 1997. (P.L. 105-66)

**COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY,
OCTOBER 30, 1997**

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry, business meeting, to consider the nominations of Sally Thompson, of Kansas, to be Chief Financial Officer, Department of Agriculture, and Joseph B. Dial, of Texas, to be a Commissioner of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission, 9:15 a.m., SR-332.

Committee on Armed Services, to hold hearings on the nominations of Robert M. Walker, of Tennessee, to be Under Secretary of the Army, Jerry MacArthur Hultin, of Virginia, to be Under Secretary of the Navy, and F. Whitten Peters, of the District of Columbia, to be Under Secretary of the Air Force, 10:30 a.m., SR-222.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs, to hold hearings on the implementation of the Iran-Libya Sanctions Act, 10 a.m., SD-538.

Committee on the Budget, to hold hearings to examine funding for international affairs, 2 p.m., SD-608.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, to hold hearings on the nominations of William Clyburn, Jr., of South Carolina, to be a Member of the Surface Transportation Board, Department of Transportation, and Duncan T. Moore, of New York, and Arthur Bienenstock, of California, each to be an Associate Director of the Office of Science and Technology Policy, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, Subcommittee on Forests and Public Land Management, to hold hearings on S. 1253, to provide to the Federal land management agencies the authority and capability to manage effectively the federal land in accordance with the principles of multiple use and sustained yield, 9:30 a.m., SD-366.

Subcommittee on Water and Power, to hold hearings to review the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's hydroelectric relicensing procedures, 2 p.m., SD-366.

Committee on Environment and Public Works, to hold hearings on evidentiary privileges or immunity from prosecution for voluntary environmental audits, 9:30 a.m., SD-406.

Committee on Foreign Relations, to hold hearings to examine the relationship between NATO and Russia, 9:30 a.m. and 2 p.m., SD-419.

Committee on Governmental Affairs, to hold hearings on the nominations of Anita M. Josey and John M. Campbell, each to be Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia, 9 a.m., SD-342.

Full Committee, to continue hearings to examine certain matters with regard to the committee's special investigation on campaign financing, 10 a.m., SH-216.

Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on Administrative Oversight and the Courts, to hold hearings to examine victim compensation and attorneys' fees with regard to class action lawsuits, 2 p.m., SD-226.

Committee on Labor and Human Resources, to hold hearings to examine recent developments and current issues in HIV/AIDS, 10 a.m., SD-430.

Committee on Rules and Administration, to hold hearings to examine the Senate strategic planning process for infrastructure support; to be followed by a business meeting to consider pending administrative matters, 9 a.m., SR-301.

Committee on Veterans Affairs, to hold hearings on the nominations of Richard J. Griffin, of Illinois, to be Inspector General, and Joseph Thompson, of New York, to be Under Secretary for Benefits, both of the Department of Veterans Affairs, William P. Greene Jr., of West Virginia, to be an Associate Judge of the United States Court of Veterans Appeals, and Espiridion A. Borrego, of Texas, to be Assistant Secretary of Labor for Veterans' Employment and Training, 5 p.m., SR-418.

Committee on Indian Affairs, to hold hearings on the nomination of Kevin Gover, of New Mexico, to be Assistant Secretary of the Interior for Indian Affairs, 9:30 a.m., SD-G50.

NOTICE

For a listing of Senate committee meetings scheduled ahead, see page E2125 in today's Record.

House

Committee on Agriculture, Subcommittee on Department Operations, Nutrition and Foreign Agriculture, hearing on review of the waste and abuse in the administration of the Food Stamp Program, 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Transportation, hearing on FAA's Standard Terminal Automation Replacement System (STARS), 11 a.m., 2358 Rayburn.

Committee on Banking and Financial Services, Subcommittee on Capital Markets, Securities and Government Sponsored Enterprises, hearing on the GAO Report on the Office of Federal Housing Finance Oversight, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Commerce, to markup H.R. 10, Financial Services Act of 1997, 9:30 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Telecommunications, Trade, and Consumer Protection, hearing on Video Competition: Access to Programming, 1:30 p.m., 2322 Rayburn.

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight, hearing on the Results Act: Are We Getting Results? 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

House Oversight, oversight hearing on Campaign Finance Reform, 10 a.m., 1310 Longworth.

Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on Courts and Intellectual Property, hearing regarding copyright licensing regimes covering retransmission of broadcast signals, 10 a.m., 2237 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Crime, hearing regarding options for improving and expanding cooperation between Federal Prison Industries and the private sector, 9:30 a.m., 2226 Rayburn.

Committee on Resources; Subcommittee on Fisheries Conservation, Wildlife and Oceans, to markup H.R. 2556, North American Wetlands Conservation Act of 1989 and Partnerships for Wildlife Act; followed by an oversight hearing to examine activities being planned by the Administration for the International Year of the Ocean, 10 a.m., 1334 Longworth.

Subcommittee on National Parks and Public Lands, to markup H.R. 2186, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to provide assistance to the National Historic Trails Interpretive Center in Casper, Wyoming; and to hold a hearing on the following bills: H.R. 2438, to encourage establishment of appropriate trails on abandoned railroad rights-of-way, while ensuring protection of certain rever-

sionary property rights; H.R. 1995, Point Reyes National Seashore Farmland Protection Act of 1997, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Subcommittee on Water and Power, oversight hearing on Water Management Implications of the 1997/98 El Nino; 2 p.m., 1324 Longworth.

Committee on Rules, to consider H.R. 2614, Reading Excellence Act, 10 a.m., H-313 Capitol.

Subcommittee on Rules and Organization of the House and the Subcommittee on Legislative and Budget Process, joint hearing on Implementation of the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act and Proposals for Reform, 1 a.m., H-313 Capitol.

Committee on Science, Subcommittee on Space and Aeronautics, hearing on Indemnification and Crosswaiver Authority, 10 a.m., 2325 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation, hearing on Oil Spill Prevention Measures, 10 a.m., 2253 Rayburn.

Joint Meetings

Conferees, on H.R. 2264, making appropriations for the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998, 10 a.m., H-140, Capitol.