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Record Votes: Two record votes were taken today. (Total—11)	Pages S608, S660

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 6:50 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Thursday, February 12, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S676.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

BANKRUPTCY REFORM

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Regulatory Relief concluded hearings on proposals to reform current bankruptcy law and provide for consumer bankruptcy protection, including related provisions of S. 1301, H.R. 3150, H.R. 3146, and H.R. 2500, after receiving testimony from Robert Ginsburg, United States Bankruptcy Judge for the Northern District of Illinois, on behalf of the National Bankruptcy Review Commission; James E. Smith, Union State Bank and Trust, Clinton, Missouri, on behalf of the American Bankers Association; Robert R. Davis, America's Community Bankers, Washington, D.C.; Dorinda Simpson, American Partners Federal Credit Union, Reidsville, North Carolina, on behalf of the Credit Union National Association; Bruce L. Hammonds, MBNA Corporation, Wilmington, Delaware; Oakley Orser, Belk Stores Services, Inc., Charlotte, North Carolina, on behalf of the National Retail Federation; Mark Lauritano, Wharton Economics Forecasting Associates Group, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; Lawrence M. Ausubel, University of Maryland, College Park; William E. Brewer, Jr., Raleigh, North Carolina, on behalf of the National Association of Consumer Bankruptcy Attorneys; and Gary Klein, National Consumer Law Center, Boston, Massachusetts.

EDUCATION REFORM

Committee on the Budget: Committee concluded hearings to examine the Federal role in education reform, focusing on broad education reform strategies, including charter schools, vouchers and private management and specific reforms to the current federal education establishment, after receiving testimony from Susan S. Westin, Associate Director, Advanced

Studies and Evaluation Methodology, General Government Division, General Accounting Office; Chester E. Finn, Jr., Hudson Institute, Washington, D.C., former Assistant Secretary of Education; Chris Whittle, Edison Project, New York, New York; Eugene W. Hickok, Pennsylvania Department of Education, Harrisburg, on behalf of the Education Leaders Council; David L. Brennan, HOPE Academies, Cleveland, Ohio; and Henry R. Marockie, West Virginia Department of Education, Charleston, on behalf of the Council of Chief State School Officers.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Donald J. Barry, of Wisconsin, to be Assistant Secretary of the Interior for Fish and Wildlife, and Margaret Hornbeck Greene, of Kentucky, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the United States Enrichment Corporation.

NATIONAL DISCOVERY TRAILS/HISTORIC LIGHTHOUSE PRESERVATION

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee concluded hearings on S. 1069, to provide for the establishment of the American Discovery Trail as a component of the National Trails System, and S. 1403, to provide for the establishment of a national historic lighthouse preservation program, after receiving testimony from Katherine H. Stevenson, Associate Director, Cultural Resource Stewardship and Partnerships, National Park Service, Department of the Interior; Gloria Manning, Associate Deputy Chief, National Forest System, Forest Service, Department of Agriculture; Rear Adm. John T. Tozzi, USCG, Assistant Commandant, Coast Guard Systems, United States Coast Guard, Department of Transportation; Gordon S. Creed, Deputy Assistant Commissioner, Office of Property Disposal, Public Buildings Service, General Services Administration; Reese F. Lukei, Jr., American Discovery Trail Society, Virginia Beach, Virginia; David Lillard, American Hiking Society, Silver Spring, Maryland; John Viehman, Anyplace Wild Television, Camden, Maine; and Richard L. Moehl, Great Lakes Lighthouse Keepers Association, Dearborn, Michigan.

IRS REFORM

Committee on Finance: Committee resumed hearings on proposals and recommendations to restructure and reform the Internal Revenue Service, including a related measure H.R. 2676, focusing on proposals to reform the innocent spouse tax rules, receiving testimony from Richard Beck, New York Law School, Elizabeth Cockrell, and Svetlana Pejanovic, all of New York, New York; David Keating, National Taxpayers Union, Alexandria, Virginia; Marjorie

O'Connell, O'Connell & Associates, Washington, D.C.; Karen Andreasen, Tampa, Florida; and Josephine Berman, South Orange, New Jersey.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

KYOTO PROTOCOL—GLOBAL WARMING

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee held hearings to examine the results of the recent Kyoto Conference and implications of the proposed Kyoto Protocol on global warming, focusing on the President's climate change technology initiative to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, receiving testimony from Stuart E. Eizenstat, Under Secretary of State for Economic, Business and Agricultural Affairs.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

AUTHORIZATION—AGENCY FOR HEALTH CARE POLICY AND RESEARCH

Committee on Labor and Human Services: Subcommittee on Public Health and Safety concluded hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for the Agency for Health Care Policy and Research, focusing on the current activities and recent products relating to the need for health care quality improvement, after receiving testimony from John M. Eisenberg, Administrator, Agency for Health Care Policy and Re-

search, Department of Health and Human Services; David Edwards, Eastman Kodak Company, Rochester, New York; Cary Sennett, National Committee for Quality Assurance, and Stuart Butler, Heritage Foundation, both of Washington, D.C.; Barry Greene, Medical Group Management Association, Denver, Colorado; Paul D. Clayton, Columbia University, New York, New York, on behalf of the American Medical Informatics Association; and William M. Tierney, Indiana University School of Medicine, Indianapolis.

CLASSIFIED DISCLOSURES

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee met in closed session and ordered favorably reported an original bill to encourage the disclosure to Congress of certain classified and related information.

Prior to this action, committee concluded hearings to examine the constitutionality of certain classified disclosures to Congress as contained in Public Law 105-107, Intelligence Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1998, after receiving testimony from Louis Fisher, Senior Specialist, Congressional Research Service, Library of Congress; and Randolph Moss, Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legal Counsel, Department of Justice.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 28 public bills, H.R. 3175-3202; 2 private bills, H.R.3203-3204; and 14 resolutions, H.J. Res. 109-110, H. Con. Res. 211-217, and H. Res. 354, 356-359, were introduced. **Pages H445-46**

Reports Filed: One report was filed today as follows:

Consideration of H. Res. 355, Dismissing the Election Contest Against Loretta Sanchez (H. Rept. 105-416). **Page H445**

Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Upton to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H387**

Census Monitoring Board: The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of Mr. J. Kenneth Blackwell of Ohio and Mr. David W. Murray of Virginia on the part of the House to the Census Monitoring Board. **Page H387**

Commission on Maintaining United States Nuclear Weapons Expertise: The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of Mr. Robert B. Barker of

California and Mr. Roland F. Herbst of California on the part of the House to the Commission on Maintaining United States Nuclear Weapons Expertise.

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National Council on the Arts: The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of Representatives Doolittle and Ballenger to the National Council on the Arts. **Page H387**

Advisory Committee on Student Financial Assistance: The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of Mr. Henry Givens of Missouri on the part of the House to the Advisory Committee on Student Financial Assistance for a three-year term. **Page H387**

Presidential Message—Economic Report of the President: Read a message from the President wherein he transmitted his Economic Report—referred to the Joint Economic Committee and ordered printed (H. Doc. 105-176). **Pages H390-91**

Recess: The House recessed at 3:28 p.m. and reconvened at 4:04 p.m. **Page H391**