

Friday, March 13, 1998

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S1907–S1962

Measures Introduced: Six bills were introduced, as follows: S. 1755–1760. **Page S1948**

Measures Passed:

Indictment Against Saddam Hussein: By a unanimous vote of 93 yeas (Vote No. 32), Senate agreed to S. Con. Res. 78, relating to the indictment and prosecution of Saddam Hussein for war crimes and other crimes against humanity, after agreeing to the following amendment: **Pages S1907–13**

Specter Amendment No. 1934, to amend the preamble. **Pages S1908–09**

Education Savings Act for Public and Private Schools—Cloture Motion Filed: Senate began consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of H.R. 2646, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow tax-free expenditures from education individual retirement accounts for elementary and secondary school expenses, and to increase the maximum annual amount of contributions to such accounts. **Pages S1925–30**

A motion was entered to close further debate on the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill and, by unanimous-consent agreement, a vote on the cloture motion will occur on Tuesday, March 17, 1998, at 12:15 p.m. **Page S1925**

Nomination—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the nomination of Frederica A. Massiah-Jackson, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, on Tuesday, March 17, 1998, with a vote on, or in relation to, the nomination to occur at 2:15 p.m. **Page S1961**

Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

Winter D. Horton, Jr., of Utah, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for Public Broadcasting for a term expiring January 31, 2002.

Christy Carpenter, of California, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for Public Broadcasting for a term expiring January 31, 2002.

Routine lists in the Coast Guard, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration. **Pages S1961–62**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Mahlon Apgar, IV, of Maryland, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Army.

Vivian Lowery Derryck, of Ohio, to be an Assistant Administrator of the Agency for International Development.

G. Edward DeSeve, of Pennsylvania, to be Deputy Director for Management, Office of Management and Budget.

James K. Robinson, of Michigan, to be an Assistant Attorney General.

1 Marine Corps nomination in the rank of general. Routine lists in the Air Force and Army.

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Nomination Withdrawn: Senate received notification of the withdrawal of the following nomination:

Jane G. Gould, of New York, to be Deputy Commissioner of Social Security for the term expiring January 19, 2001, which was sent to the Senate on September 2, 1997. **Page S1962**

Statements on Introduced Bills: **Pages S1948–57**

Additional Cosponsors: **Page S1957**

Additional Statements: **Pages S1957–60**

Record Votes: One record vote was taken today. (Total—32) **Pages S1907–08**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 1:18 p.m., until 11 a.m., on Monday, March 16, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record, on page S1961.)

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. It will next meet on Monday, March 16.

Committee Meetings

TREASURY, POSTAL SERVICE, GENERAL GOVERNMENT APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Treasury, Postal Service, and General Government Appropriations held a hearing on the Office of National Drug Control Policy and the OPM. Testimony was heard from Barry R. McCaffrey, Director, Office of National Drug Control Policy; and Janice R. Lachance, Director, OPM.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA—PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on the District of Columbia held a hearing on District of Columbia Public Schools: Student Enrollment Count. Testimony was heard from Cornelia M. Blanchette, Associate Director, Education and Employment Issues, Health Education, and Human Services Division, GAO; the following officials of the District of Columbia: Julius W. Becton, CEO and Superintendent, Public Schools; and Wilma Harvey, Chairman, Board of Education; Joyce Ladner, member, District of Columbia Financial Responsibility and Management Assistance Authority; Bruce MacLaury, Chairman, District of Columbia Public Schools Emergency Board of Trustees; and a public witness.

IMPROVING READINESS CAPABILITIES

Committee on National Security: Subcommittee on Military Readiness held a hearing on improving readiness capabilities. Testimony was heard from David Warren, Director, Defense Management Issues, GAO; the following officials of the Department of Defense: Maj. Gen. David A. Whaley, USA, Assistant Chief of Staff, Installations Management, Department of the Army; Rear. Adm. John T. Scudi, USN, Director, Shore Installation Management, Department of the Navy; Brig. Gen. Mary Saunders, USAF, Director, Transportation, Department of the Air Force; Maj. Gen. Joseph D. Stewart, USMC, Deputy Chief of Staff, Installations and Logistics, U.S. Marine Corps; and a public witness.

CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of March 16 through 20, 1998

Senate Chamber

On *Monday*, Senate will consider the nomination of Frederica A. Massiah-Jackson to be U.S. District Judge for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, with a vote on, or in relation to, the nomination to occur on *Tuesday*, at 2:15 p.m.

On *Tuesday*, Senate will resume consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of H.R. 2646, Education Savings Act for Public and Private Schools, with a cloture vote on the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill to occur at 12:15 p.m.

During the balance of the week, Senate expects to continue consideration of H.R. 2646, Education Savings Act for Public and Private Schools, and may consider S. 270, Texas Low-Level Radioactive Waste Disposal Compact, S. 414, Ocean Shipping Reform Act, and may consider any executive or legislative business cleared for action.

(Senate will recess on *Tuesday*, March 17, 1998, from 12:30 p.m. until 2:15 p.m. for respective party conferences.)

Senate Committees

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: March 17, to resume hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for child nutrition programs, focusing on the Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) program, 9 a.m., SR-332.

Committee on Appropriations: March 17, business meeting, to mark up proposed legislation making supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998, 9:30 a.m., SD-106.

March 17, Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1999 for the Food Safety and Inspection Service, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Agriculture Marketing Service, and the Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration, all of the Department of Agriculture, 10:30 a.m., SD-138.

March 17, Subcommittee on Foreign Operations, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1999 for foreign assistance programs, focusing on international narcotics control plans and policy, 10:30 a.m., SD-124.

March 18 and 19, Subcommittee on Defense, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1999, Wednesday, for the Department of Defense, focusing on National Guard programs, 10 a.m.; Thursday, to hold closed hearings to examine intelligence issues, 3:30

p.m.; Wednesday in SD-192 and Thursday in S-407, Capitol.

March 18, Subcommittee on District of Columbia, to hold hearings on the implementation of provisions of the Management Reform Act of 1997 relating to the revitalization of the District of Columbia (P.L. 105-34), 10 a.m., SD-124.

March 18, Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1999 for the Department of Labor, 2 p.m., SD-138.

March 19, Subcommittee on Legislative Branch, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1999 for the Architect of the Capitol, the General Accounting Office, and the Government Printing Office, 9 a.m., SD-116.

March 19, Subcommittee on VA, HUD, and Independent Agencies, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1999 for the Department of Veterans Affairs, and cemeterial expenses for the Army, 9:30 a.m., SD-138.

March 19, Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, State, and the Judiciary, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for the Federal Communications Commission, and the Securities and Exchange Commission, 10 a.m., S-146, Capitol.

March 19, Subcommittee on Transportation, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1999 for the Department of Transportation, 10 a.m., SD-124.

Committee on Armed Services: March 17, to hold hearings on the nominations of David R. Oliver, of Idaho, to be Deputy Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Technology, Sue Bailey, of Maryland, to be an Assistant Secretary of Defense, and Paul J. Hoepfer, of California, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Army, 10 a.m., SR-222.

March 17, Subcommittee on SeaPower, to hold hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 1999 for the Department of Defense and the future years defense program, focusing on ship acquisition, 2:30 p.m., SR-222.

March 18, Subcommittee on Acquisition and Technology, to hold hearings to review the status of acquisition reform in the Department of Defense, 9:30 a.m., SR-222.

March 18, Subcommittee on Personnel, to hold hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 1999 for the Department of Defense and the future years defense program, focusing on active and reserve military and civilian personnel programs and the Service safety programs, 2 p.m., SR-222.

March 19, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine issues related to NATO enlargement, 10 a.m., SR-222.

March 19, Subcommittee on Strategic Forces, to resume hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 1999 for the Department of Defense and the future years defense program, focusing on the Department of Energy's science-based stockpile stewardship and management program, 2:30 p.m., SR-232A.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: March 18, Subcommittee on Financial Services and Technology, to hold hearings to examine the Office of Thrift Supervision's Year 2000 preparedness, 10 a.m., SD-538.

Committee on the Budget: March 17, business meeting, to mark up a proposed concurrent resolution setting forth the fiscal year 1999 budget for the Federal Government, 11 a.m., SD-608.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: March 17, to resume hearings to examine the scope and depth of the proposed settlement between State Attorneys General and tobacco companies to mandate a total reformation and restructuring of how tobacco products are manufactured, marketed, and distributed in America, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

March 18, Subcommittee on Communications, to hold hearings to examine the Wall Street view on the Telecommunications Act (P.L. 104-104), 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: March 19, to hold hearings on S. 1488, to ratify an agreement between the Aleut Corporation and the United States to exchange land rights received under the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act for certain land interests on Adak Island, and S. 1670, to amend the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act to provide for selection of lands by certain veterans of the Vietnam era, 9:30 a.m., SD-366.

Committee on Foreign Relations: March 18, Subcommittee on International Economic Policy, Export and Trade Promotion, to hold hearings to examine the role of the International Monetary Fund in supporting United States agricultural exports to Asia, 10 a.m., SD-419.

Committee on Governmental Affairs: March 18, to hold oversight hearings on the implementation of the Vacancies Act, a statute that supplies the exclusive means for temporarily filling advice and consent positions in all executive branch departments and agencies, 10 a.m., SD-342.

March 18, Subcommittee on International Security, Proliferation and Federal Services, to hold hearings to examine nuclear nonproliferation and the Comprehensive Nuclear Test Ban Treaty (Treaty Doc. 105-28), 2 p.m., SD-342.

Committee on the Judiciary: March 17, Subcommittee on Constitution, Federalism, and Property Rights, to hold hearings to examine privacy in the digital age, focusing on encryption and mandatory access issues, 10 a.m., SD-226.

March 17, Subcommittee on Technology, Terrorism, and Government Information, to hold hearings to review policy directives for protecting America's critical infrastructures, 2:30 p.m., SD-226.

March 18, Full Committee, to hold hearings on pending nominations, 2 p.m., SD-226.

March 19, Full Committee, business meeting, to consider pending calendar business, 10 a.m., SD-226.

March 19, Subcommittee on Antitrust, Business Rights, and Competition, to hold hearings to examine international aviation agreements and antitrust immunity implications, 2 p.m., SD-226.

Committee on Labor and Human Resources: March 17, to hold hearings to examine retirement security issues, 10 a.m., SD-430.

March 18, Full Committee, business meeting, to resume markup of S. 1648, to provide for reductions in youth smoking, for advancements in tobacco-related research, and the development of safer tobacco products, 9:30 a.m., SD-106.

March 19, Full Committee, to hold oversight hearings on the implementation of the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (P.L. 104-191), 10 a.m., SD-430.

Committee on Rules and Administration: March 19, to hold hearings on the proposed budget request for fiscal year 1999 for the Smithsonian Institution, the Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts, and the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars, 8:30 a.m., SR-301.

Committee on Small Business: March 18, to hold hearings on the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 1999 for the Small Business Administration, 9:30 a.m., SR-428A.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: March 17, business meeting, to consider the nomination of Togo D. West, Jr., of the District of Columbia, to be Secretary of Veterans Affairs; to be followed by hearings on Persian Gulf War illnesses, focusing on the lessons learned from Desert Storm regarding chemical and biological weapons preparedness, 10 a.m., SH-216.

March 18, Full Committee, to hold joint hearings with the House Committee on Veterans Affairs to review the legislative recommendations of the Disabled American Veterans, 9:30 a.m., 345 Cannon Building.

Committee on Indian Affairs: March 18, business meeting, to mark up proposed legislation with regard to Indians in the proposed tobacco settlement, and S. 1279, proposed Indian Employment Training and Related Services Demonstration Act, 9:30 a.m., SR-485.

Special Committee on Aging: March 16, to hold hearings to examine the lending practices of the subprime lending market, focusing on how senior citizens are targeted by unscrupulous lenders, 1 p.m., SD-628.

House Chamber

Monday, pro forma session.

Tuesday, the House will meet at 12:30 p.m. for morning hour and at 2:00 p.m. for consideration of suspensions (measures to be announced).

Note: No recorded votes are expected before 5:00 p.m.

Wednesday and Thursday, Possible consideration of suspensions on Wednesday (unanimous consent order of March 12);

Consideration of H. Con. Res. 227, directing the President to remove U.S. Armed Forces from the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina (unanimous consent order of March 12);

Consideration of the Conference Report to H.R. 1757, State Department Authorization Act (rule waiving all points of order);

Consideration of H.R. 2870, Tropical Forest Conservation Act (subject to a rule);

Consideration of H.R. 1704, Congressional Office of Regulatory Analysis Creation Act (subject to a rule).

Friday, No recorded votes are expected.

House Committees

Committee on Agriculture, March 18, hearing to review the 1999 Multilateral Negotiations on Agricultural Trade-Europe, 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

Committee on Appropriations, March 17, Subcommittee on Agriculture, on Natural Resources and Environment, 1 p.m., 2362-A Rayburn.

March 17 and 18, Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development, executive, on Atomic Energy Defense Activities, 10 a.m., 2362-B Rayburn on March 17 and 2 p.m., 2362-B on March 18.

March 17, Subcommittee on Interior, on Smithsonian, 10 a.m., and on Bureau of Land Management, 1:30 p.m., B-308 Rayburn.

March 17, Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, on National Institute of Child Health and Human Development and the National Institute of Dental Research, 10 a.m., and on National Institute of Arthritis and Musculoskeletal and Skin Diseases and the National Center for Research Resources, 2 p.m., 2358 Rayburn.

March 17, Subcommittee on National Security, executive, on U.S. Central Command/U.S. European Command, 3 p.m., H-140 Capitol.

March 17 and 18, Subcommittee on VA, HUD and Independent Agencies, on Department of Veterans Affairs, 10 a.m. and 2 p.m., 2359 Rayburn.

March 18, Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, State, and Judiciary, on the SEC, 10 a.m., and on Department of State Administration of Foreign Affairs, 2 p.m., H-309 Capitol.

March 18, Subcommittee on Foreign Operations, Export Financing and Related Programs, on AID Administrator, 9:30 a.m., 2362-A Rayburn.

March 18, Subcommittee on Interior, on Geological Survey, 10 a.m. and 1:30 p.m., B-308 Rayburn.

March 18, Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, on National Library of Medicine, and the National Institute of Nursing Research: Fogarty International Center, 10 a.m., and on National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases and the National Eye Institute, 2 p.m., 2358 Rayburn.

March 18, Subcommittee on National Security, on Quality of Life, 10 a.m., and, executive, on Readiness, 1:30 p.m., H-140 Capitol.

March 19, Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, State, and Judiciary, on the DEA, 10 a.m., 2358 Rayburn, and on NOAA, 2 p.m., H-309 Capitol.

March 19, Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development, on Power Marketing Administrations, 10 a.m., 2362-B Rayburn.

March 19, Subcommittee on Interior, on Secretary of Agriculture, 10 a.m., and on Forest Service, 11 a.m. and 1:30 p.m., B-308 Rayburn.

March 19, Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, on National Institute of Drug

Abuse and the National Institute of Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism, 10 a.m., and on National Institute of Mental Health and the National Institute on Aging, 2 p.m., 2358 Rayburn.

March 19, Subcommittee on National Security, on Congressional and public witnesses, 10 a.m., H-140 Capitol.

March 19, Subcommittee on Treasury, Postal Service, and General Government, on the FEC, 10 a.m., and on U.S. Postal Service, 2 p.m., 2359 Rayburn.

March 19, Subcommittee on VA, HUD and Independent Agencies, on American Battle Monuments Commission, 10 a.m., and on Office of Inspector General, FDIC, 11 a.m., H-143 Capitol.

Committee on Commerce, March 17, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing on the Federal-State Relationship: Environmental Self Audits, 2 p.m., 2123 Rayburn.

March 18, Subcommittee on Telecommunications, Trade, and Consumer Protection, to continue mark up of H.R. 1872, Communications Satellite Competition and Privatization Act, 10:30 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

March 19, Subcommittee on Health and Environment, to continue hearings on the Tobacco Settlement, 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

March 19, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing on GAO's Investigative Findings of Alleged Medicare Improprieties by a Home Health Agency, 10 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

Committee on Education and the Workforce, March 17, Subcommittee on Early Childhood, Youth, and Families, hearing on Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC), 1 p.m., 2175 Rayburn.

March 18, full Committee, to mark up H.R. 6, Higher Education Amendments of 1998, 10:30 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight, March 17, Subcommittee on Civil Service, hearing on Federal Employee Health Benefits: OPM Program Guidance for 1999, 1 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

March 17, Subcommittee on National Economic Growth, Natural Resources, and Regulatory Affairs, to hold a hearing and mark up of H.R. 3310, Small Business Paperwork Reduction Act Amendments of 1998, and to mark up H.R. 1704, Congressional Office of Regulatory Analysis Creation Act, 4 p.m., 2247 Rayburn.

March 18, Subcommittee on Government Management, Information, and Technology, and the Subcommittee on Technology of the Science Committee, joint hearing on Oversight of the Federal Government's Year 2000 Efforts, 9:30 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on International Relations, March 17, Subcommittee on Africa, hearing to preview the President's Historic Visit to Africa, 10:30 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

March 18, full Committee, hearing on the Peace Corps: 10,000 Volunteers by the Year 2000, 10:30 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary, March 18 and 19, Subcommittee on Commercial and Administrative Laws, to continue hearings on the consumer bankruptcy issues in

H.R. 3150, Bankruptcy Reform Act of 1998, H.R. 2500, Responsible Borrower Protection Bankruptcy Act; and H.R. 3146, Consumer Lenders and Borrowers Bankruptcy Accountability Act of 1998, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn on March 18 and 2226 Rayburn on March 19.

March 18, Subcommittee on Courts and Intellectual Property, to mark up the following: Alternative Dispute Resolution; H.R. 3163, Trade Dress Protection Act; H.R. 3210, Copyright Compulsory License Improvement Act; and H.R. 2652, Collections of Information Antipiracy Act, 2 p.m., 2237 Rayburn.

March 19, Subcommittee on Courts and Intellectual Property, oversight hearing on the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (PTO), 10 a.m., 2237 Rayburn.

March 19, Subcommittee on Crime, hearing on H.R. 1524, Rural Law Enforcement Assistance Act of 1997, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

March 19, Subcommittee on Immigration and Claims, oversight hearing on the pending and anticipated caseload of naturalization applications, 2 p.m., B-352 Rayburn.

Committee on National Security, March 17, to mark up H.R. 2786, Iran Missile Protection Act of 1997, 4:30 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

March 17, Subcommittee on Military Personnel, hearing on the findings of the Federal Advisory Committee on Gender-Integrated Training and Related Issues and Department of Defense response, 1 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

March 17, Subcommittee on Military Procurement, hearing on ballistic missile testing, 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

March 18, full Committee, hearing on U.S. Policy on Bosnia, 8:45 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

March 18, Subcommittee on Military Installations and Facilities, hearing on infrastructure implications of the Defense Reform Initiative, 2 p.m., 2212 Rayburn.

March 18, Subcommittee on Readiness, hearing on Quarterly Readiness Reports, 3 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

March 19, Subcommittee on Military Procurement, hearing on the Department of Energy fiscal year 1999 authorization request and related matters, 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

March 19, Subcommittee on Military Research and Development, hearing on Russian nuclear security issues, 2 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Committee on Resources, March 17, hearing on the following bills: H.R. 1833, Tribal Self-Governance Amendments of 1997; and H.R. 2742, California Indian Land Transfer Act, 11 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

March 17, Subcommittee on Forests and Forest Health, hearing on H.R. 3297, to suspend the continued development of a roadless area policy on public domain units and other units of the National Forest System pending adequate public participation and determination that a roadless area policy will not adversely affect forest health, and to hold an oversight hearing on follow up on the Administration's Forest Service Roadless Area Moratorium, 10 a.m., 1334 Longworth.

March 18, full committee, oversight hearing on Problems and Issues with the National Environmental Policy Act, 11 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

March 18, Subcommittee on Fisheries Conservation, Wildlife and Oceans, oversight hearing on National Marine Fisheries Service FY '99 Budget request and other National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration programs, 9:30 a.m., 1334 Longworth.

March 19, Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources, hearing on H.R. 3334, to provide certainty for, reduce administrative and compliance burdens associated with, and streamline and improve the collection of royalties from Federal and outer continental shelf oil and gas leases, and for other purposes, 2 p.m., 1334 Longworth.

March 19, Subcommittee on Fisheries Conservation, Wildlife and Oceans, hearing on the following: S. 1213 and H.R. 2547, Oceans Act of 1997, and the Ocean Commission Act, 10 a.m., 1334 Longworth.

March 19, Subcommittee on Forests and Forest Health, oversight hearing on Impact and Status of Northern Spotted Owl on National Forests, 2 p.m., 1324 Longworth.

Committee on Rules, March 17, to consider H.R. 2870, Tropical Forest Conservation Act of 1998, 2:30 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

Committee on Science, March 17, Subcommittee on Technology, hearing on H.R. 2544, Technology Transfer Commercialization Act of 1997, 2 p.m., 2318 Rayburn.

March 18, Subcommittee on Energy and Environment, oversight hearing on Diesel Technology for the 21st Century, and to mark up S. 965, to amend Title II of the Hydrogen Future Act to extend an authorization contained therein, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

March 19, Subcommittee on Space and Aeronautics, oversight hearing on FY 99 Budget Request: Human Space Flight, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Small Business, March 18, Subcommittee on Government Programs and Oversight and the Subcommittee on Regulatory Reform and Paperwork Reduction, joint hearing on unequal regulatory burden borne by small businesses, 10 a.m., 311 Cannon.

March 19, full Committee, hearing on SBA Budget, 10 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

March 19, Subcommittee on Empowerment, hearing on legislation allowing states to use part of Community Development Block grants to cover costs of tax credits for donations to organizations alleviating poverty, 2 p.m., 2360 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, March 18 and 19, Subcommittee on Aviation, to continue hearings on reauthorization of the Federal Aviation Administration

and Airport Improvement Program, 10 a.m. on March 18 and 9:30 a.m. on March 19, 2167 Rayburn.

March 18, Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation, hearing on Ship Scrapping Activities of the United States Government, 2 p.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs, March 18, to approve Fiscal Year 1999 Budget views and estimates, 12:30 p.m., 334 Cannon.

March 18, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing on Department of Veterans Affairs participation in the Energy Management Program, 2 p.m., 334 Cannon.

March 19, Subcommittee on Health, to mark up Fiscal Year 1999 Construction Authorization legislation; followed by a hearing on quality management at the Veterans Health Administration, 9:45 a.m., 334 Cannon.

Committee on Ways and Means, March 17, Subcommittee on Social Security, hearing on the Ticket to Work and Self-Sufficiency Act of 1998, 3 p.m., 1100 Longworth.

March 19, Subcommittee on Health, to mark up the Veterans Medicare Access Improvement Act of 1998, 12:30 p.m., 1100 Longworth.

March 19, Subcommittee on Human Resources, oversight hearing on implementation of the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) block grant, 11 a.m., B-318 Rayburn.

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, March 16, hearing on Allegations of CIA Involvement of Drug Trafficking in California, 3 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

March 17, executive, hearing on Director of Central Intelligence Overview, 2 p.m., H-405 Capitol.

March 18, executive, briefing on Commercial Mapping Technologies, 2 p.m., H-405 Capitol.

March 19, executive, briefing on Overhead Signals Intelligence Study, 2 p.m., H-405 Capitol.

March 20, executive, hearing on Overhead Acquisition Issues, 9 a.m., executive, hearing on Imagery Intelligence Issues, 12:30 p.m., and, executive, hearing on Signals Intelligence Issues, 3 p.m., H-405 Capitol.

Joint Meetings

Joint hearing: March 18, Senate Committee on Veterans' Affairs, to hold joint hearings with the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs to review the legislative recommendations of the Disabled American Veterans, 9:30 a.m., 345 Cannon Building.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

11 a.m., Monday, March 16

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

2 p.m., Monday, March 16

Senate Chamber

Program for Monday: After the transaction of any morning business (not to extend beyond 12 noon), Senate will consider the nomination of Frederica A. Massiah-Jackson to be U.S. District Judge for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania.

House Chamber

Program for Monday: Pro Forma Session.



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