

Wednesday, May 6, 1998

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

The House passed H.R. 6, Higher Education Amendments of 1998.
House Committees ordered reported 18 sundry measures.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S4379-S4450

Measures Introduced: Four bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2036-2039, S. Con. Res. 94, and S. Res. 223-224. **Page S4435**

Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 2037, to amend title 17, United States Code, to implement the WIPO Copyright Treaty and the WIPO Performances and Phonograms Treaty, to provide limitations on copyright liability relating to material online, and for other purposes. **Page S4435**

Measures Passed:

International Exchange of Advanced Technologies: Senate agreed to S. Res. 224, expressing the sense of the Senate regarding an international project to evaluate and facilitate the exchange of advanced technologies. **Pages S4449-50**

IRS Reform: Senate continued consideration of H.R. 2676, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to restructure and reform the Internal Revenue Service, with a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows: **Pages S4379-S4409, S4413-32**

Adopted:

By 56 yeas to 42 nays (Vote No. 120), Roth Amendment No. 2339, to ensure compliance with Federal budget requirements.

Pages S4380-83, S4390, S4392

Reid Modified Amendment No. 2342, to require a study of the provisions of section 7623 of the Internal Revenue code to provide payments for detection of underpayments and fraud. **Pages S4397-S4402**

Kerrey (for Leahy/Ashcroft) Amendment No. 2343, to provide electronic access to Internal Revenue Service information on the Internet.

Pages S4401, S4428-29

Dorgan/Reid Amendment No. 2344, to require a study to examine the transfer pricing enforcement efforts of the Internal Revenue Service. **Pages S4404-05**

Graham Amendment No. 2347, to require 1 member of the Internal Revenue Service Oversight Board to be a representative of small business.

Pages S4406-07

Kerrey (for Kohl/Feingold) Amendment No. 2357, to provide for an independent review of the investigation of the equal employment opportunity process of the Internal Revenue Service offices located in the area of Milwaukee and Waukesha, Wisconsin.

Pages S4427-28

Ashcroft/Leahy Amendment No. 2348, to strike the presumption that electronic verifications are treated as actually submitted and subscribed by a person.

Pages S4429-32

Rejected:

Kerrey Modified Amendment No. 2340, to ensure compliance with Federal budget requirements.

Pages S4380, S4383-92

By 25 yeas to 74 nays (Vote No. 121), Bond Amendment No. 2341, to establish a full-time Board of Governors for the Internal Revenue Service.

Pages S4394-97, S4402

Pending:

Thompson/Sessions Amendment No. 2356, to strike the exemptions from criminal conflict laws for board member from employee organization.

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A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill and certain amendments to be proposed thereto. **Page S4413**

A further consent agreement was reached providing that following passage of the bill, the Senate insist on its amendments, request a conference with the House thereon, and the Chair be authorized to appoint conferees on the part of the Senate.

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Senate will continue consideration of the bill on Thursday, May 7, 1998.

Appointment:

Canada-U.S. Interparliamentary Group: The Chair, on behalf of the Vice President, pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 276d-276g, as amended, appointed the following Senators as members of the Senate Delegation to the Canada-U.S. Interparliamentary Group during the Second Session of the 105th Congress, to be held in Nantucket, Massachusetts, May 14-18, 1998: Senators Grassley and Grams. **Page S4450**

Messages From the President: Senate received the following messages from the President of the United States:

Transmitting the report concerning the proposed agreement for Cooperation Between the United States of America and Ukraine for Cooperation Concerning Peaceful Uses of Nuclear Energy; to the Committee on Foreign Relations. (PM-122).

Pages S4433-34

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

L. Britt Snider, of Virginia, to be Inspector General, Central Intelligence Agency.

28 Army nominations in the rank of general.

1 Navy nomination in the rank of admiral.

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Messages From the President: **Pages S4433-34**

Messages From the House: **Page S4434**

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Amendments Submitted: **Pages S4443-48**

Authority for Committees: **Page S4448**

Additional Statements: **Pages S4448-49**

Record Votes: Two record votes were taken today. (Total—121) **Pages S4392, S4402**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 6:21 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Thursday, May 7, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S4450.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

APPROPRIATIONS—DEFENSE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Defense held hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal

year 1999 for the Department of Defense, focusing on the United States Pacific Command, receiving testimony from Adm. Joseph W. Prueher, U.S. Navy, Commander in Chief, United States Pacific Command.

Subcommittee will meet again on Monday, May 11.

AUTHORIZATION—DEFENSE

Committee on Armed Services: Committee met in closed session to begin markup of proposed legislation to authorize funds for fiscal year 1999 for military activities of the Department of Defense, and to prescribe military personal strengths for fiscal year 1999, and related proposals, but did not complete action thereon, and will meet again tomorrow.

COMMON CARRIER BUREAU

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Communications concluded oversight hearings to examine the activities of the Common Carrier Bureau of the Federal Communications Commission, focusing on its implementation of the Telecommunications Act of 1996, after receiving testimony from A. Richard Metzger, Jr., Chief, Common Carrier Bureau, Federal Communications Commission; Ronald J. Binz, Competition Policy Institute, Denver, Colorado; and Earl W. Comstock, Sher & Blackwell, Albert Halprin, Halprin, Temple, Goodman & Sugrue, and Peter W. Huber, Kellogg, Huber, Hansen, Todd & Evans, on behalf of the Manhattan Institute for Policy Research, all of Washington, D.C.

NEVADA PUBLIC LANDS MANAGEMENT

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Forests and Public Land Management concluded hearings on S. 94 and H.R. 449, bills to provide for the orderly disposal of certain Federal lands in Clark County, Nevada, and to provide for the acquisition of environmentally sensitive lands in the State of Nevada, after receiving testimony from Senators Reid and Bryan; Representatives Ensign and Gibbons; Tom Fry, Deputy Director, Bureau of Land Management, Department of the Interior; Mayor Michael L. Montandon, North Las Vegas, Nevada; and Lance Malone and Mary Kincaid, both of the Clark County Board of Commissioners, and Rosemary Vassiliadis, Clark County Department of Aviation, all of Las Vegas, Nevada.

KOSOVO

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on European Affairs held hearings to examine the status of human rights violations and United States foreign policy in Kosovo, receiving testimony from Robert S. Gelbard, Special Representative of the President

and the Secretary of State for Implementation of the Dayton Peace Accords; and John Fox, Open Society Institute, James R. Hooper, Balkan Institute, and Joseph J. DioGuardi, Albanian American Civic League, all of Washington, D.C.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

TRIBAL SOVEREIGN IMMUNITY

Committee on Indian Affairs: Committee concluded hearings on S. 1691, to provide for Indian legal reform, focusing on the status of tribal sovereign immunity and the role it plays to preserve the Federal Government's protection of tribal self-government, and its impact on Indian economic development, commercial dealings, and taxation, after receiving testimony from Thomas L. LeClaire, Director, Office of Tribal Justice, Department of Justice; Dale Webb, Mescalero Apache Tribe, Mescalero, New Mexico; Pedro Johnson and Jackson King, both of the Mashantucket Pequot Tribe, Mashantucket, Connecticut; Wendell Askenette, Menominee Indian Tribe of Wisconsin, Keshena; Milton Bluehouse, Sr., and Britt E. Clapham, II, both of the Navajo Nation, Window Rock, Arizona; Eric D. Eberhard, Dorsey and Whitney, Seattle, Washington; Dennis A. Ferdon, Anderson and Ferdon, Norwich, Connecticut; Richard A. Goren, Rubin, Hay and Gould, Framingham, Massachusetts; Gregory A. Abbott,

Weinblatt and Gaylord, St. Paul, Minnesota; and Bernard J. Gamache, Wapato, Washington.

AUTHORIZATION—INTELLIGENCE

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee met in closed session to begin markup of proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 1999 for intelligence and intelligence related activities of the United States Government, but did not complete action thereon, and recessed subject to call.

MEDICARE

Special Committee on Aging: Committee concluded hearings to examine the status of the Health Care Financing Administration's development of its information campaign, and recommendations on ways to help beneficiaries make informed choices among Medicare health plans and other related resources, after receiving testimony from Michael Hash, Deputy Administrator, Health Care Financing Administration, Department of Health and Human Services; William J. Scanlon, Director, Health Financing and Systems Issues, Health, Education, and Human Services Division, General Accounting Office; and Susan Kleimann, Kleimann Communications Group, Geraldine Dallek, Institute for Health Care Research and Policy/Georgetown University, and David S. Abernathy, HIP Health Plans, all of Washington, D.C.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 7 public bills, H.R. 3798–3804; and 2 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 272 and H. Res. 421, were introduced. Pages H2930–31

Reports Filed: Reports were filed as follows:

H.R. 2217, to extend the deadline under the Federal Power Act applicable to the construction of FERC Project Number 9248 in the State of Colorado (H. Rept. 105–509);

H.R. 2841, to extend the time required for the construction of a hydroelectric project (H. Rept. 105–510);

H. Res. 420, providing for consideration of H.R. 3694, authorize appropriations for fiscal year 1999 for intelligence and intelligence-related activities of the United States Government, the Community Management Account, and the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement and Disability System (H. Rept. 105–511);

H. Con. Res. 262, authorizing the 1998 District of Columbia Special Olympics Law Enforcement

Torch Run to be run through the Capitol Grounds, amended (H. Rept. 105–512);

H. Con. Res. 265, authorizing the use of the East Front of the Capitol Grounds for performances sponsored by the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts. (H. Rept. 105–513); and

H. Con. Res. 263, authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds for the seventeenth annual National Peace Officers' Memorial Service, amended (H. Rept. 105–514). Page H2930

Guest Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the guest Chaplain, the Rev. Dr. George Docherty of Alexandria, Pennsylvania. Page H2819

BESTEIA Conference Appointments: As additional conferees on H.R. 2400, from the Committee on Ways and Means for consideration of title XI of the House bill and title VI of the Senate amendment and modifications committed to conference: Representatives Nussle, Hulshof, and Rangel. From the Committee on the Budget for consideration of title VII and title X of the House bill and modifications

committed to conference: Representatives Parker, Radanovich, and Spratt. Pages H2820–21, H2823, H2921

Communications Satellite Competition and Privatization Act: The House passed H.R. 1972, to amend the Communications Satellite Act of 1962 to promote competition and privatization in satellite communications by a recorded vote of 403 ayes to 16 noes with 2 voting “present”, Roll No. 129.

Pages H2824–59

Agreed To:

The Traficant amendment, as modified, that specifies that annual reports to the Congress include the impact that privatization has had on U.S. industry, jobs, and industry access to the global marketplace; and

Pages H2849–50

The Gilman amendment that specifies that the reporting and consultation provisions of the bill shall also include the House Committee on International Relations and Senate Committee on Foreign Relations.

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Rejected:

The Morella amendment that sought to specify that the FCC shall not restrict the activities of COMSAT in a manner which would create a liability under the Fifth Amendment to the Constitution relating to the takings of private property (rejected by a recorded vote of 111 ayes to 304 noes with 2 voting “present”, Roll No. 127); and

Pages H2840–49

The Tauzin amendment that sought to strike section 642, Termination of Monopoly Status, that permits users or providers of telecommunications services to renegotiate contracts or commitments on rates, terms, and conditions with COMSAT (rejected by a recorded vote of 80 ayes to 339 noes with 2 voting “present”, Roll No. 128).

Pages H2850–59

Agreed to H. Res. 419, the rule that provided for consideration of the bill by voice vote.

Pages H2823–24

Presidential Message—Ukraine: Read a message from the President wherein he transmitted his proposed agreement between the United States and Ukraine concerning the peaceful uses of nuclear energy—referred to the Committee on International Relations and ordered printed (H. Doc. 105–248).

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Higher Education Amendments of 1998: The House passed H.R. 6 to extend the authorization of programs under the Higher Education Act of 1965 by a yeas and nays vote of 414 yeas to 4 nays, Roll No. 135. The House completed general debate and considered amendments to the bill on April 29 and May 5.

Pages H2860–H2920

Agreed To:

The Skaggs amendment that requires a report to Congress on the feasibility of student loan consolida-

tion options to assist individuals who have substantial student loan debt, other than direct student loans and federally guaranteed loans; Pages H2865–66

The Foley amendment that allows access and disclosure of disciplinary records which identify a student or students who have committed a crime of violence;

Pages H2868–70

The Kennedy of Massachusetts amendment that expresses the sense of the House that college and university administrators should adopt a code of principles in an effort to reduce alcohol related problems and change the culture of alcohol consumption on college campuses;

Page H2871

The Livingston amendment that expresses the sense of the House that no student attending an institution of higher education shall be denied the rights of protected speech and association or otherwise sanctioned for programs or activities that are not sponsored by the institution;

Pages H2871–72

The Kennedy of Massachusetts amendment that establishes a drug and alcohol abuse prevention grant and recognition award program;

Pages H2872–73

The Meek of Florida amendment, as modified, that establishes five demonstration projects to enable individuals with learning disabilities to fully participate in postsecondary education;

Pages H2873–75

The Jackson-Lee amendment, as modified, that expresses the sense of the House that colleges and universities shall establish policies for identifying students with learning disabilities, specifically dyslexia in postsecondary education;

Pages H2887–89

The Roemer amendment that deletes the requirement for colleges and universities to report reductions in the funding and number of athletes permitted to participate in any collegiate sport and the reasons for the decreases (agreed to by a recorded vote of 292 ayes to 129 noes, Roll No. 130);

Pages H2875–85, H2890–91

The Miller of California amendment that expresses the sense of Congress that colleges and universities adopt merchandise licensing codes of conduct to assure that licensed merchandise is not made by sweatshop and exploited adult or child labor either domestically or abroad (agreed to by a recorded vote of 393 ayes to 28 noes, Roll No. 131); and

Pages H2861–65, H2891

The Stupak amendment that reauthorizes the Olympic Scholarships program (agreed to by a recorded vote of 219 ayes to 200 noes, Roll No. 132).

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Rejected:

The Riggs amendment that sought to prohibit discrimination and preferential treatment to any person or group based in whole or in part on race, sex,

color, ethnicity, or national origin (rejected by a recorded vote of 171 ayes to 249 noes, Roll No. 133); and

Pages H2892–H2914

The Campbell amendment that sought to proscribe that no individual shall be excluded from any program on the basis of race or religion (rejected by a recorded vote of 189 ayes to 227 noes, Roll No. 134).

Pages H2915–17

Withdrawn:

The Millender-McDonald amendment was offered, but subsequently withdrawn, that sought to establish the Teacher Excellence in America Challenge grant program; and

Pages H2885–87

The Hall of Texas amendment was offered, but subsequently withdrawn, that sought to prohibit the Secretary of Education from considering audit deficiencies with respect to financial aid record keeping at Texas College, located in Tyler, Texas.

Pages H2889–90

The Clerk was authorized to make technical corrections and conforming changes in the engrossment of the bill to reflect the actions of the House.

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Senate Messages: Message received today from the Senate appears on page H2819.

Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on page H2932.

Quorum Calls—Votes: One yea and nay vote and seven recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H2848–49, H2858–59, H2859, H2890–91, H2891, H2891–92, H2914, and H2917. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: Met at 10:00 a.m. and adjourned at 11:55 p.m.

Committee Meetings

LABOR-HHS-EDUCATION APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education held a hearing on the National Labor Relations Board. Testimony was heard from William B. Gould, IV, Chairman, NLRB.

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Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Health and Environment held a hearing on Regulatory Efforts to Phaseout Chlorofluorocarbon-Based Metered-Dose Inhalers. Testimony was heard from Representatives Smith of New Jersey, Kennedy of Rhode Island, Foley and Minge; Paul Stolpman, Director, Office of

Atmospheric Programs, EPA; Rafe Pomerance, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Environment and Development, Department of State; John Jenkins, M.D., Director, Division of Pulmonary Drug Products, FDA, Department of Health and Human Services; and public witnesses.

LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on the Western Hemisphere held a hearing on Latin America and the Caribbean: An Update and Summary of the Summit of the Americas. Testimony was heard from Peter F. Romero, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary, Inter-American Affairs, Department of State; and Mark Schneider, Assistant Administrator, Latin America, AID, U.S. International Development Cooperation Agency.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on the Judiciary: Ordered reported amended the following bills: H.R. 2431, Freedom From Religious Persecution Act of 1997; H.R. 3494, Child Protection and Sexual Predator Punishment Act of 1998; H.R. 3723, United States Patent and Trademark Office Reauthorization Act, Fiscal Year 1999; and H.R. 1690, to amend title 28 of the United States Code regarding enforcement of child custody orders.

The Committee failed to approve H.R. 3168, Citizen Protection Act of 1998.

NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION ACT

Committee on National Security: Met in executive session and ordered reported amended, H.R. 3616, National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1999.

INTELLIGENCE AUTHORIZATION ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a modified open rule providing 1 hour of debate on H.R. 3694, Intelligence Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1999. The rule waives points of order against consideration of the bill for failure to comply with clause 2(l)(6) of rule XI (requiring a 3-day layover of the committee report). The rule makes in order as an original bill for the purpose of amendment the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute now printed in the bill, modified by striking section 401. The rule provides that the amendment in the nature of a substitute shall be considered by title and that each title shall be considered as read.

The rule waives points of order against the committee amendment for failure to comply with clause 7 of rule XVI (prohibiting nongermane amendments) or clause 5(b) of rule XXI (prohibiting tax

or tariff provisions in a bill not reported by a committee with jurisdiction over revenue measures). The rule provides for consideration of only those amendments that have been pre-printed in the Congressional Record, and that those amendments shall be considered as read. The rule permits the chairman of the Committee of the Whole to postpone votes on any amendment and reduce voting time to five minutes on any series of questions, provided that the first vote shall not be less than 15 minutes. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit, with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Chairman Goss and Representative Dicks.

MANDATES INFORMATION ACT

Committee on Rules: Ordered reported amended H.R. 3534, Mandates Information Act of 1998.

OVERSIGHT—INTERNATIONAL SPACE STATION

Committee on Science: Held an oversight hearing on the International Space Station: Problems and Options. Testimony was heard from the following officials of NASA: Jay Chabrow, Chairman, Cost Assessment and Validation Task Force, member, Advisory Council; and Dan Goldin, Administrator; and Duncan Moore, Associate Director, Technology, Office of Science and Technology Policy.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES; RESOLUTIONS

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Ordered reported the following measures: H.R. 2730, to designate the Federal building located at 309 North Church Street in Dyersburg, Tennessee, as the "Jere Cooper Federal Building;" H.R. 2225, to designate the Federal building and United States courthouse to be constructed on Las Vegas Boulevard between Bridger Avenue and Clark Avenue in Las Vegas, NV, as the "Lloyd D. George Federal Building and United States Courthouse;" H.R. 3453, to designate the Federal Building and Post Office located at 100 East B Street, Casper, Wyoming, as the "Dick Cheney Federal Building;" H.R. 3295, to designate the Federal building located at 1301 Clay Street in Oakland, California, as the "Ronald V. Dellums Federal Building;" H.R. 3504, amended, John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts Authorization Act; H.R. 3035, amended, National Drought Policy Act of 1998; H. Con. Res. 255, amended, authorizing the use of the Capitol grounds for the Greater Washington Soap Box Derby; H. Con. Res. 265, authorizing the use of the East Front of the Capitol Grounds for performances sponsored by the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts; H. Con. Res. 262, amended, authorizing the 1998 District of Columbia Special Olympics Law Enforcement Torch Run to be run through the Capitol Grounds; and H.

Con. Res. 263, amended, authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds for the seventeenth annual National Peace Officers' Memorial Service.

The Committee also approved 7 Corps of Engineers Survey Resolutions.

SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Railroads held a hearing on Surface Transportation Board Reauthorization: Inter-carrier Transactions, Construction and Abandonments. Testimony was heard from Representatives Barr of Georgia, Kucinich and Shays; Linda J. Morgan, Chairwoman, Surface Transportation Board, Department of Transportation; John F. Guinan, Director, Freight and Passenger Rail, Department of Transportation, State of New York; John J. Haley, Jr., Commissioner, Department of Transportation, State of New Jersey; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Ways and Means: Ordered reported amended the following bills: H.R. 3433, Ticket to Work and Self-Sufficiency Act of 1998; and H.R. 2431, Freedom From Religious Persecution Act of 1998.

Joint Meetings

ISTEA

Conferees met to continue to resolve the differences between the Senate-and House-passed versions of H.R. 2400, to authorize funds for Federal-aid highways, highway safety programs, and transit programs, but did not complete action thereon, and recessed subject to call.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, MAY 7, 1998

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry, to hold hearings to examine agricultural trade policies, 9 a.m., SR-332.

Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on VA, HUD, and Independent Agencies, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1999 for the National Science Foundation, Office of Science and Technology Policy, and the National Science Board, 9:30 a.m., SD-138.

Subcommittee on Treasury, Postal Service, and General Government, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1999 for the Executive Office of the President, 9:30 a.m., SD-192.

Committee on Armed Services, closed business meeting, to continue to mark up a proposed National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1999, 10 a.m., SR-222.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs, Subcommittee on Housing Opportunity and Community Development, to hold hearings to examine issues relating to the implementation of the Department of Housing and Urban Development's "HUD 2020" Management Reform Plan, 10 a.m., SD-538.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, Subcommittee on Aviation, to hold hearings on S. 1089, to terminate the effectiveness of certain amendments to the foreign repair station rules of the Federal Aviation Administration, focusing on a recent GAO report regarding aviation repair stations, 2:15 p.m., SR-253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, Subcommittee on National Parks, Historic Preservation, and Recreation, to hold hearings on titles VI, VII, VIII, and XI of S. 1693, to renew, reform, reinvigorate, and protect the National Park System, 2 p.m., SD-366.

Committee on Foreign Relations, to hold hearings on the nominations of William Joseph Burns, of Pennsylvania, to be Ambassador to the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan, and Ryan Clark Crocker, of Washington, to be Ambassador to the Syrian Arab Republic, 10 a.m., SD-419.

Subcommittee on International Economic Policy, Export and Trade Promotion, to hold oversight hearings to examine activities of the Overseas Private Investment Corporation, 2:30 p.m., SD-419.

Committee on the Judiciary, business meeting, to consider pending calendar business, 10 a.m., SD-226.

Committee on Labor and Human Resources, to hold hearings to examine proposals for providing more qualified teachers in the American classroom, 10 a.m., SD-430.

NOTICE

For a listing of Senate committee meetings scheduled ahead, see page E783 in today's Record.

House

Committee on Agriculture, hearing to review the Fiscal Year 1999 Administration's Budget for the Forest Service, USDA, 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

Committee on Commerce, Subcommittee on Telecommunications, Trade, and Consumer Protection, hearing on Electronic Commerce: Building Tomorrow's Information Infrastructure, 2 p.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Education and the Workforce, Subcommittee on Early Childhood, Youth, and Families, hearing on H.R. 3189, Parental Freedom of Information Act, 10 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight, Subcommittee on Human Resources, hearing on Immune Globulin Shortages: Causes and Cures, 9:30 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on International Relations, hearing on issues in U.S.-European Union Trade European Privacy legislation and Biotechnology/Food Safety Policy, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Africa, hearing on Africa in the World Economy, 1 p.m., 2255 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Asia and the Pacific, to mark up the following resolutions: H. Res. 392, relating to the importance of Japanese-American relations and the urgent need

for Japan to more effectively address its economic and financial problems and open its markets by eliminating informal barriers to trade and investment, thereby making a more effective contribution to leading the Asian region out of its current financial crisis, insuring against a global recession, and reinforcing regional stability and security; and H. Res. 404, commemorating 100 years of relations between the people of the United States and the people of the Philippines, 1:30 p.m., and to hold a hearing on Tradition and Transformation: U.S. Security Interests in Asia, 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on International Operations and Human Rights, hearing on Human Rights in Indonesia, 12:30 p.m., 2220 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on Commercial and Administrative Law, oversight hearing on Administrative Crimes and Quasi-Crimes, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Crime, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 3633, Controlled Substances Trafficking Prohibition Act; H.R. 3745, Money Laundering Act of 1998; H.R. 2070, Correction Officers Health and Safety Act of 1997; H.R. 2829, Bulletproof Vests Partnership Grant Act of 1997; and S. 170, Clone Pager Authorization Act, 9:30 a.m., 2237 Rayburn.

Committee on Resources, Subcommittee on Fisheries Conservation, Wildlife and Oceans, hearing on H.R. 3498, Dungeness Crab Conservation and Management Act, 11 a.m., 1334 Longworth.

Subcommittee on Forests and Forest Health, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 1865, Spanish Peaks Wilderness Act of 1997; H.R. 3186, Rogue River National Forest Interchange Act of 1998; H.R. 3520, to adjust the boundaries of the Lake Chelan National Recreation Area and the adjacent Wenatchee National Forest in the State of Washington; and H.R. 3796, to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to convey the administration for the Rogue River National Forest and use the proceeds for the construction or improvement of offices and support buildings for the Rogue River National Forest and the Bureau of Land Management, 11 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Subcommittee on National Parks and Public Lands, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 2538, Guadalupe-Hidalgo Treaty Land Claims Act of 1997; H.R. 3055, to deem the activities of the Miccosukee Tribe on the Tamiami Indian Reservation to be consistent with the purposes of the Everglades National Park; and H.R. 3625, San Rafael Swell National Heritage and Conservation Act, 2 p.m., 1324 Longworth.

Committee on Rules, to consider H.R. 10, Financial Services Competition Act, 12 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

Committee on Science, Subcommittee on Technology, hearing on the Aviation Manufacturing and the Fastener Quality Act, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment, hearing on the Mitigation and Cost Reduction Act of 1998, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Committee on Ways and Means, Subcommittee on Oversight, hearing on the Year 2000 Computer Problem, 10 a.m., B-318 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Trade, hearing on U.S. Economic and Trade Policy Toward Cuba, 1 p.m., 1100 Longworth.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

9:30 a.m., Thursday, May 7

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

10 a.m., Thursday, May 7

Senate Chamber

Program for Thursday: Senate will continue consideration of H.R. 2676, IRS Reform.

House Chamber

Program for Thursday: Motion to go to Conference on H.R. 2646, the Education and Savings Act for Public and Private Schools; and

Consideration of H.R. 3694, Intelligence Authorization Act for FY 1999 (modified open rule, 1 hour of general debate);

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