

Thursday, October 8, 1998

# Daily Digest

## HIGHLIGHTS

The House agreed to H. Res. 581, authorizing the Committee on the Judiciary to investigate whether sufficient grounds exist for the impeachment of the President of the United States.

Senate passed Internet Tax Freedom Act.

Senate agreed to VA/HUD Appropriations Conference Report, Intelligence Authorizations Conference Report, Carl D. Perkins Tech-Prep Education Act Conference Report.

## Senate

### Chamber Action

*Routine Proceedings, pages S11831–S11885*

**Measures Introduced:** Nineteen bills and four resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2577–2595, S. Res. 292 and 293, and S. Con. Res. 125 and 126.

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**Measures Reported:** Reports were made as follows:

S. 109, to provide Federal housing assistance to Native Hawaiians, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 105–380)

Report to accompany S. 777, to authorize the construction of the Lewis and Clark Rural Water System and to authorize assistance to the Lewis and Clark Rural Water System, Inc., a nonprofit corporation, for planning and construction of the water supply system, passed by the Senate. (S. Rept. No. 105–381)

Special report entitled “Further Revised Allocation to Subcommittees of Budget Totals for Fiscal Year 1999”. (S. Rept. No. 105–382)

S. Res. 260, expressing the sense of the Senate that October 11, 1998, should be designated as “National Children’s Day”.

S. Res. 271, designating October 16, 1998, as “National Mammography Day”.

S. 2024, to increase the penalties for trafficking in methamphetamine in order to equalize those penalties with the penalties for trafficking in crack cocaine.

S. Con. Res. 83, remembering the life of George Washington and his contributions to the Nation.

(See next issue.)

### Measures Passed:

**Internet Tax Freedom Act:** By 96 yeas to 2 nays (Vote No. 308), Senate passed S. 442, to establish a national policy against State and local government interference with interstate commerce on the Internet or interactive computer services, and to exercise Congressional jurisdiction over interstate commerce by establishing a moratorium on the imposition of exactions that would interfere with the free flow of commerce via the Internet, after taking action on further amendments proposed thereto, as follows:

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#### Adopted:

McCain/Wyden Modified Amendment No. 3719, to make changes in the moratorium provision, as amended.

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McCain/Wyden Modified Amendment No. 3711, to define the term “discriminatory tax”.

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Also, Amendment No. 3718, agreed to on October 7, 1998, was further modified.

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**Aviator Continuation Pay:** Senate passed S. 2584, to provide aviator continuation pay for military members killed in Operation Desert Shield.

(See next issue.)

**Eney, Chestnut, Gibson Memorial Building:** Committee on Rules and Administration was discharged from further consideration of S. Con. Res. 120, to redesignate the United States Capitol Police headquarters building located at 119 D Street, Northeast, Washington, D.C., as the “Eney, Chestnut, Gibson Memorial Building”, and the resolution was then agreed to.

(See next issue.)

**Noncitizen Benefit Clarification:** Senate passed H.R. 4558, to make technical amendments to clarify the provision of benefits for noncitizens, and to improve the provision of unemployment insurance, child support, and supplemental security income benefits, clearing the measure for the President.

(See next issue.)

**Vietnam Veterans of America 20th Anniversary:** Senate agreed to S. Res. 207, commemorating the 20th anniversary of the founding of the Vietnam Veterans of America.

(See next issue.)

**Torture Victims Relief Act:** Senate passed H.R. 4309, to provide a comprehensive program of support for victims of torture, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto:

(See next issue.)

Jeffords (for Grams) Amendment No. 3792, to provide funds for assistance for domestic centers and programs for the treatment of victims of torture.

(See next issue.)

**Persian Gulf War Veterans Act:** Senate passed S. 2358, to provide for the establishment of a presumption of service-connection for illnesses associated with service in the Persian Gulf War, and to extend and enhance certain health care authorities relating to such service, after agreeing to committee amendments.

(See next issue.)

**Next Generation Internet Research Act:** Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 3332, to amend the High-Performance Computing Act of 1991 to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 1999 and 2000 for the Next Generation Internet program, to require the Advisory Committee on High-Performance Computing and Communications, Information Technology, and the Next Generation Internet to monitor and give advice concerning the development and implementation of the Next Generation Internet program and report to the President and the Congress on its activities, and the bill was then passed, clearing the measure for the President.

(See next issue.)

**Federal Research Investment Act:** Senate passed S. 2217, to provide for continuation of the Federal research investment in a fiscally sustainable way, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute.

(See next issue.)

**Muhammad Ali Boxing Reform Act:** Senate passed S. 2238, to reform unfair and anticompetitive practices in the professional boxing industry, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute.

(See next issue.)

**Automated Entry-Exit Control System Extension:** Senate passed H.R. 4658, to extend the date by which an automated entry-exit control system

must be developed, clearing the measure for the President.

(See next issue.)

**Drug Free Borders Act:** Senate passed H.R. 3809, to authorize appropriations for the United States Customs Service for fiscal years 2000 and 2001, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute.

(See next issue.)

**Glacier Bay National Park Boundary Adjustment Act:** Senate passed H.R. 3903, to provide for an exchange of lands located near Gustavus, Alaska, after taking action on the following amendment proposed thereto:

(See next issue.)

Jeffords (for Murkowski) Amendment No. 3794, to make technical and clarifying changes.

(See next issue.)

**Mahatma Gandhi Memorial:** Committee on Energy and Natural Resources was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 4284, to authorize the Government of India to establish a memorial to honor Mahatma Gandhi in the District of Columbia, and the bill was then passed, clearing the measure for the President.

(See next issue.)

**National Observances:** Senate passed S. 2524, to clarify without substantive change laws related to Patriotic and National Observances, Ceremonies, and Organizations and to improve the United States Code.

(See next issue.)

**Community-Designed Charter Schools:** Committee on Labor and Human Resources was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 2616, to amend titles VI and X of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 to improve and expand charter schools, and the bill was then passed, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto:

(See next issue.)

Jeffords (for Coats) Amendment No. 3795, in the nature of a substitute.

(See next issue.)

**Neotropical Migratory Bird Conservation Act:** Senate passed S. 1970, to require the Secretary of the Interior to establish a program to provide assistance in the conservation of neotropical migratory birds, after withdrawing the committee amendments, and agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto:

(See next issue.)

Jeffords (for Chafee) Amendment No. 3796, in the nature of a substitute.

(See next issue.)

**Black Patriots Foundation:** Committee on Energy and Natural Resources was discharged from further consideration of S. 2427, to amend the Omnibus Parks and Public Lands Management Act of 1996 to extend the legislative authority for the Black Patriots Foundation to establish a commemorative work, and the bill was then passed.

(See next issue.)

**Water Resources Development Act:** Senate passed S. 2131, to provide for the conservation and development of water and related resources, to authorize the Secretary of the Army to construct various projects for improvements to rivers and harbors of the United States, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, and the following amendments proposed thereto: (See next issue.)

Jeffords (for Chafee) Amendment No. 3798, to make certain technical corrections. (See next issue.)

Jeffords (for Chafee) Amendment No. 3799, to provide for further water resource programs. (See next issue.)

**Rhinoceros and Tiger Conservation Act:** Senate passed S. 361, to amend the Endangered Species Act of 1973 to prohibit the sale, import, and export of products labeled as containing endangered species, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, and the following amendment proposed thereto: (See next issue.)

Jeffords (for Chafee) Amendment No. 3797, of a technical nature. (See next issue.)

**Ireland Cultural and Training Program:** Senate passed H.R. 4293, to establish a cultural and training program for disadvantaged individuals from Northern Ireland and the Republic of Ireland, clearing the measure for the President. (See next issue.)

**Passage Vitiating:** Senate vitiating passage of the following bills:

**Glacier Bay National Park Boundary Adjustment Act:** H.R. 3903, to provide for an exchange of lands located near Gustavus, Alaska. (Passed October, 2, 1998) (See next issue.)

**Lewis and Clark Rural Water System Act:** S. 777, to authorize the construction of the Lewis and Clark Rural Water System and to authorize assistance to the Lewis and Clark Rural Water System, Inc., a nonprofit corporation, for planning and construction of the water supply system. (Passed October 7, 1998.) (See next issue.)

**Freedom From Religious Persecution Act:** Senate began consideration of H.R. 2431, to establish an Office of Religious Persecution Monitoring, and to provide for the imposition of sanctions against countries engaged in a pattern of religious persecution, taking action on the following amendment proposed thereto: (See next issue.)

Adopted:

Nickles Amendment No. 3789, in the nature of a substitute. (See next issue.)

Prior to this action, the cloture motion was vitiating. (See next issue.)

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing further consideration of the bill on Friday,

October 9, 1998, with a vote to occur thereon at 9:45 a.m. Page S11885

**Financial Services Act:** Senate resumed consideration of H.R. 10, to enhance competition in the financial services industry by providing a prudential framework for the affiliation of banks, securities firms, and other financial service providers, with a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. (See next issue.)

**VA/HUD Appropriations Conference Report:** By 96 yeas to 1 nay (Vote No. 307), Senate agreed to the conference report on H.R. 4194, making appropriations for the Departments of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development, and for sundry independent agencies, boards, commissions, corporations, and offices for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, clearing the measure for the President. Pages S11833-47

**Head Start/Low-Income Energy Assistance/Community Services Block Grant Authorizations—Conference Report:** Senate agreed to the conference report on S. 2206, to amend the Head Start Act, the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Act of 1981, and the Community Services Block Grant Act to reauthorize and make improvements to those Acts, and to establish demonstration projects that provide an opportunity for persons with limited means to accumulate assets. Pages S11865-72

**WIPO Copyright Treaties Implementation Act—Conference Report:** Senate agreed to the conference report on H.R. 2281, to amend title 17, United States Code, to implement the World Intellectual Property Organization Copyright Treaty and Performances and Phonograms Treaty, clearing the measure for the President. (See next issue.)

**Intelligence Authorizations Conference Report:** Senate agreed to the conference report on H.R. 3694, to 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, clearing the measure for the President. (See next issue.)

**Carl D. Perkins Tech-Prep Education Act Conference Report:** Senate agreed to the conference report on H.R. 1853, to amend the Carl D. Perkins Vocational and Applied Technology Education Act. (See next issue.)

**Crime Identification Technology Act:** Senate concurred in the amendment of the House to S. 2022, to provide for the improvement of interstate criminal justice identification, information, communications, and forensics, clearing the measure for the President. (See next issue.)

**Energy Conservation Reauthorization Act:** Senate concurred in the amendments of the House to S. 417, to extend energy conservation programs under the Energy Policy and Conservation Act through September 30, 2002, with the following amendment: (See next issue.)

Jeffords (for Murkowski/Akaka) Amendment No. 3793, to extend certain programs under the Energy Policy and Conservation Act and the Energy Conservation and Production Act. (See next issue.)

**Commercial Space Act:** Senate concurred in the amendment of the House to the amendment of the Senate to H.R. 1702, to encourage the development of a commercial space industry in the United States, clearing the measure for the President.

(See next issue.)

**Nominations Confirmed:** Senate confirmed the following nominations:

By 57 yeas to 41 nays (Vote No. 309EX), William A. Fletcher, of California, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit. Pages S11872–85

Robert Bruce King, of West Virginia, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Fourth Circuit.

H. Dean Buttram, Jr., of Alabama, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Alabama.

Inge Prytz Johnson, of Alabama, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Alabama. Page S11884

**Nominations Received:** Senate received the following nominations:

John A. Moran, of Virginia, to be a Federal Maritime Commissioner for the term expiring June 30, 2000.

Kenneth M. Bresnahan, of Virginia, to be Chief Financial Officer, Department of Labor.

Timothy F. Geithner, of New York, to be an Under Secretary of the Treasury.

Gary Gensler, of Maryland, to be an Under Secretary of the Treasury.

Edwin M. Truman, of Maryland, to be a Deputy Under Secretary of the Treasury.

Timothy Fields, Jr., of Virginia, to be Assistant Administrator, Office of Solid Waste, Environmental Protection Agency. Page S11885

**Nominations Withdrawn:** Senate received notification of the withdrawal of the following nomination:

John A. Moran, of Virginia, to be a Federal Maritime Commissioner, which was sent to the Senate on October 5, 1998. Page S11885

**Messages From the House:** (See next issue.)

**Measures Referred:** (See next issue.)

**Communications:** (See next issue.)

**Petitions:** (See next issue.)

**Executive Reports of Committees:** (See next issue.)

**Statements on Introduced Bills:** (See next issue.)

**Additional Cosponsors:** (See next issue.)

**Amendments Submitted:** (See next issue.)

**Authority for Committees:** (See next issue.)

**Additional Statements:** (See next issue.)

**Record Votes:** Three record votes were taken today. (Total—309)

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**Recess:** Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and recessed at 9:20 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Friday, October 9, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S11885.)

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

### NOMINATIONS

*Committee on Armed Services:* Committee ordered favorably reported 1,731 routine nominations in the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, and Air Force.

### DOE POSITION ELEVATION

*Committee on Armed Services:* Committee concluded hearings to review the recommendation to elevate the position of the Director, Office of Non-Proliferation and National Security of the Department of Energy, after receiving testimony from Rose E. Gottemoeller, Director, Office of Non-Proliferation and National Security of the Department of Energy.

### NOMINATIONS

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of William C. Apgar, Jr., of Massachusetts, to be Assistant Secretary for Housing and Federal Housing Administrator, Saul N. Ramirez, Jr., of Texas, to be Deputy Secretary, Cardell Cooper, of New Jersey, to be Assistant Secretary for Community Planning and Development, Harold Lucas, of New Jersey, to be Assistant Secretary for Public and Indian Housing, and Ira G. Peppercorn, of Indiana, to be Director of the Office of Multifamily Housing Assistance Restructuring, all of the Department of Housing and Urban Development.

### NOMINATION

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* Committee concluded hearings on the nomination of Ashish Sen, of Illinois, to be Director of the Bureau of Transportation Statistics, Department of Transportation, after the nominee, who was introduced by

Representative Danny Davis, testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

### NOMINATIONS

*Committee on Environment and Public Works:* Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Robert W. Perciasepe, of Maryland, to be an Assistant Administrator for Air and Radiation of the Environmental Protection Agency, Isadore Rosenthal, of Pennsylvania, and Andrea Kidd Taylor, of Michigan, both to be Members of the Chemical Safety and Hazard Investigation Board, and William Clifford Smith, of Louisiana, to be a Member of the Mississippi River Commission.

Prior to this action, committee concluded hearings on the nomination of Mr. Perciasepe, after the nominee testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

### COLUMBIA/SNAKE RIVER SYSTEM SALMON RECOVERY

*Committee on Environment and Public Works:* Subcommittee on Drinking Water, Fisheries, and Wildlife concluded oversight hearings to examine scientific and engineering issues relating to Columbia/Snake River system salmon recovery, after receiving testimony from Col. Eric Mogren, Deputy Commander, Northwestern Division, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers; Danny Consenstein, Columbia Basin Coordinator, National Marine Fisheries Service, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Department of Commerce; Daniel D. Roby, Oregon Cooperative Fish and Wildlife Research Unit, U.S. Geological Survey-Biological Resources Division, and Department of Fisheries and Wildlife/Oregon State University, Corvallis; Joseph Cloud, Department of Biological Sciences/University of Idaho, Moscow; and Richard K. Fisher, Jr., Voith Hydro, Inc., York, Pennsylvania.

### AFGHANISTAN

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* Subcommittee on Near Eastern and South Asian Affairs concluded hearings to examine recent events in Afghanistan, after receiving testimony from Karl Frederick Inderfurth, Assistant Secretary of State for South Asian Affairs; A. Abdallah, Representative of the Islamic State of Afghanistan to the United States; Zalmay Khalilzad, RAND Corporation, Washington, DC; and Barnett Rubin, Council on Foreign Relations, New York, New York.

### BUSINESS MEETING

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

The nominations of David O. Carter, to be United States District Judge for the Central District of Cali-

fornia, William J. Hibbler, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Illinois, Yvette Kane, to be United States District Judge for the Middle District of Pennsylvania, Robert S. Lasnik, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Washington, Norman A. Mordue, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of New York, James M. Munley, to be United States District Judge for the Middle District of Pennsylvania, Alex R. Munson, to be Judge for the District Court for the Northern Mariana Islands, Margaret B. Seymour, to be United States District Judge for the District of South Carolina, Aleta A. Trauger, to be United States District Judge for the Middle District of Tennessee, Francis M. Allegra, of Virginia, Lawrence Baskir, of Maryland, Lynn Jeanne Bush, of the District of Columbia, Edward J. Damich, of Virginia, Nancy B. Firestone, of Virginia, and Emily Clark Hewitt, of Massachusetts, each to be a Judge of the United States Court of Federal Claims, Margaret Ellen Curran, to be United States Attorney for the District of Rhode Island, Byron Todd Jones, to be United States Attorney for the District of Minnesota, Harry Litman, to be United States Attorney for the Western District of Pennsylvania, Denise E. O'Donnell, to be United States Attorney for the Western District of New York, and Donnie R. Marshall, of Texas, to be Deputy Administrator of the Drug Enforcement Agency, Department of Justice;

S. 2024, to increase the penalties for trafficking in methamphetamine in order to equalize those penalties with the penalties for trafficking in crack cocaine;

S. Con. Res. 83, remembering the life of George Washington and his contributions to the Nation;

S. Res. 257, expressing the sense of the Senate that October 15, 1998, should be designated as "National Inhalant Abuse Awareness Day";

S. Res. 271, designating October 16, 1998, as "National Mammography Day"; and

S. Res. 260, expressing the sense of the Senate that October 11, 1998, should be designated as "National Children's Day".

### NATIONAL SECURITY INFORMATION

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on Technology, Terrorism, and Government Information concluded hearings to examine the use of classified evidence in certain immigration exclusion case proceedings, after receiving testimony from Paul W. Virtue, General Counsel, Immigration and Naturalization Service, Department of Justice; Warren Marik, Information for Democracy, former Central Intelligence Agency Case Office, and R. James

Woolsey, Shea & Gardner, former Director of Central Intelligence, both of Washington, D.C.

## INTELLIGENCE

*Select Committee on Intelligence:* Committee held closed hearings on intelligence matters, receiving testimony from officials of the intelligence community.

Committee recessed subject to call.

# House of Representatives

## Chamber Action

**Bills Introduced:** 24 public bills, H.R. 4732–4755; and 14 resolutions, H.J. Res. 132, H. Con. Res. 336–345, and H. Res. 583, 585, 587, were introduced.

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**Reports Filed:** Reports were filed today as follows:

Conference report on H.R. 2281, to amend title 17, United States Code, to implement the World Intellectual Property Organization Copyright Treaty and Performances and Phonograms Treaty (H. Rept. 105–796);

Report in the matter of Representative Jay Kim (H. Rept. 105–797);

H. Res. 580, providing for consideration of H.R. 4274, making appropriations for the Department of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and related agencies, for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999 (H. Rept. 105–798);

H. Res. 586, waiving points of order against the conference report to accompany H.R. 3150, to amend title 11 of the United States Code (H. Rept. 105–799);

Conference report on H.R. 1853, to amend the Carl D. Perkins Vocational and Applied Technology Education Act (H. Rept. 105–800);

H.R. 3888, to amend the Communications Act of 1934 to improve the protection of consumers against “slamming” by telecommunications carriers, amended (H. Rept. 105–801);

H.R. 4353, to amend the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act of 1977 to improve the competitiveness of American business and promote foreign commerce (H. Rept. 105–802);

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**Journal:** The House agreed to the Speaker’s approval of the Journal of Wednesday, October 7 by a yeas and nays vote of 325 yeas to 72 nays with 9 voting “present”, Roll No. 495.

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**Recess:** The House recessed at 10:23 a.m. and reconvened at 10:55 a.m.

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**Impeachment Resolution:** The House agreed to H. Res. 581, authorizing and directing the Committee

on the Judiciary to investigate whether sufficient grounds exist for the impeachment of William Jefferson Clinton, President of the United States, by a recorded vote of 258 yeas to 176 noes, Roll No. 498.

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Rejected the Boucher motion to recommit the resolution to the Committee on the Judiciary with instructions to report the resolution back with an amendment to strike the first section and insert provisions to conduct an inquiry and if appropriate to act upon the Referral from the Independent Counsel; to review the constitutional standard for impeachment; and investigate whether sufficient grounds exist for the House to exercise its constitutional power to impeach the President. Following the conclusion of its inquiry the Committee shall make its recommendations sufficiently in advance of December 31, 1998 for the House to consider them (rejected by a yeas and nays vote of 198 yeas to 236 nays, Roll No. 497).

(See next issue.)

**Hand-Enrollment Resolution:** The House passed H.J. Res. 131, waiving certain enrollment requirements for the remainder of the One Hundred Fifth Congress with respect to any bill or joint resolution making general or continuing appropriations for fiscal year 1999.

(See next issue.)

H. Res. 580, the rule that provided for consideration of joint resolution, was agreed to by voice vote.

(See next issue.)

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

**Congressional Medal of Honor to Theodore Roosevelt:** H.R. 2263, to authorize and request the President to award the congressional Medal of Honor posthumously to Theodore Roosevelt for his gallant and heroic actions in the attack on San Juan Heights, Cuba, during the Spanish-American War;

(See next issue.)

**Science Policy Report:** H. Res. 578, expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that the print of the Committee on Science entitled “Unlocking Our Future: Toward a New National

Science Policy” should serve as a framework for future deliberations on congressional science policy and funding; (See next issue.)

**International Child Labor Relief:** H.R. 4506, amended, to provide for United States support for developmental alternatives for underage child workers; (See next issue.)

**Providing Rewards for Information:** H.R. 4660, amended, to amend the State Department Basic Authorities Act of 1956 to provide rewards for information leading to the arrest or conviction of any individual for the commission of an act, or conspiracy to act, of international terrorism, narcotics related offenses, or for serious violations of international humanitarian law relating to the Former Yugoslavia. Agreed to amend the title; (See next issue.)

**Condemning Forced Abduction of Ugandan Children:** H. Con. Res. 309, amended, condemning the forced abduction of Ugandan children and their use as soldiers; (See next issue.)

**Veterans Employment Opportunities:** S. 1021, to amend title 5, United States Code, to provide that consideration may not be denied to preference eligibles applying for certain positions in the competitive service—clearing the measure for the President; (See next issue.)

**Federal Employee Life Insurance Programs:** Agreed to the Senate amendments to H.R. 2675, to require that the Office of Personnel Management submit proposed legislation under which group universal life insurance and group variable universal life insurance would be available under chapter 87 of title 5, United States Code—clearing the measure for the President; (See next issue.)

**Recognizing Importance of Children and Families:** H. Con. Res. 302, recognizing the importance of children and families in the United States and expressing support for the goals of National Kids Day and National Family Month; (See next issue.)

**Campaign Finance Sunshine:** H.R. 2109, to amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to require reports filed under such Act to be filed electronically and to require the Federal Election Commission to make such reports available to the public within 24 hours of receipt; (See next issue.)

**Coats Human Services Reauthorization:** Conference report on S. 2206, A bill to amend the Head Start Act, the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Act of 1981, and the Community Services Block Grant Act to reauthorize and make improvements to those Acts, to establish demonstration projects that

provide an opportunity for persons with limited means to accumulate assets—clearing the measure for the President; (See next issue.)

**Granting Consent to the Potomac Highlands Airport Authority Compact:** S.J. Res. 51, granting the consent of Congress to the Potomac Highlands Airport Authority Compact entered into between the States of Maryland and West Virginia—clearing the measure for the President; (See next issue.)

**Depository Institution Regulatory Streamlining:** H.R. 4364, amended, to streamline the regulation of depository institutions, to safeguard confidential banking and credit union supervisory information; and (See next issue.)

**Fair Credit Reporting Act:** S. 2561, to amend the Fair Credit Reporting Act with respect to furnishing and using consumer reports for employment—clearing the measure for the President. (See next issue.)

**Suspensions—Votes Postponed:** The House completed debate and postponed votes on the following measures until October 9:

**Importance of Mammograms and Biopsies:** H. Res. 565, expressing the sense of the House of Representatives regarding the importance of mammograms and biopsies in the fight against breast cancer; (See next issue.)

**Concerning the Inadequacy of Sewage Infrastructure:** H. Con. Res. 331, expressing the sense of Congress concerning the inadequacy of sewage infrastructure facilities in Tijuana, Mexico; (See next issue.)

**Efforts to Identify Holocaust-era Assets:** H. Res. 557, expressing support for U. S. government efforts to identify Holocaust-era assets, urging the restitution of individual and communal property; and (See next issue.)

**William F. Goodling Child Nutrition Act:** Conference report on H.R. 3874, to amend the Child Nutrition Act of 1966 to make improvements to the special supplemental nutrition program for women, infants, and children and to extend the authority of that program through fiscal year 2003. (See next issue.)

**Labor, HHS Appropriations:** The House began consideration of amendments to H.R. 4274, making appropriations for the Department of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and related agencies, for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, by a vote of Roll No. (See next issue.)

**Agreed To:**

The Istook substitute amendment to the Greenwood amendment to (agreed to by a recorded vote of 224 ayes to 200 noes, Roll No. 504); and

(See next issue.)

The Greenwood amendment, as amended, that prohibits title X funding to a family planning provider that knowingly provides contraceptives to a minor without the consent of a parent or legal guardian.

(See next issue.)

H. Res. 584, the rule that provided for consideration of the bill, was agreed to by a recorded vote of 214 ayes to 209 noes with 1 voting "present", Roll No. 502.

(See next issue.)

Agreed to table the motion to reconsider the vote on final passage by a recorded vote of 230 ayes to 192 noes, Roll No. 503.

(See next issue.)

Earlier, agreed to order the previous question by a yea and nay vote of 224 yeas to 201 nays, Roll No. 500; and agreed to table the motion to reconsider ordering the previous question by a recorded vote of 231 ayes to 197 noes, Roll No. 501.

(See next issue.)

**Motion to Adjourn:** Rejected the Obey motion to adjourn by a yea and nay vote of 58 yeas to 349 nays, Roll No. 499.

(See next issue.)

**Presidential Veto Message—Agriculture Appropriations:** Read a message from the President wherein he announces his veto of H.R. 4101, making appropriations for Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, and explains his reasons therefor—referred to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered printed (H. Doc. 105-321).

(See next issue.)

**Little Rock Central High School National Historic Site:** The House passed S. 2232, to establish the Little Rock Central High School National Historic Site in the State of Arkansas—clearing the measure for the President.

(See next issue.)

**Federal Properties in Dutch John, Utah:** The House passed S. 890, to dispose of certain Federal properties located in Dutch John, Utah, to assist the local government in the interim delivery of basic services to the Dutch John community—clearing the measure for the President.

(See next issue.)

**Carl D. Perkins Vocational and Applied Technology Act:** Agreed to the conference report on H.R. 1853, to amend the Carl D. Perkins Vocational and Applied Technology Education Act—clearing the measure for the President.

(See next issue.)

**Senate Messages:** Message received from the Senate today appears on page H10014.

**Referrals:** Senate measures referred to House committees appear on pages H10074-75.

**Amendments:** Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on pages H10077-81.

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** Five yea and nay votes and three recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H10013-14 (continued next issue). There was one quorum call (Roll No. 496).

**Adjournment:** The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 1:40 a.m. on Friday, October 9.

## Committee Meetings

### U.S. TRADE ISSUES WITH CANADA

*Committee on Agriculture:* Subcommittee on General Farm Commodities held a hearing on current U.S. trade issues with Canada. Testimony was heard from Representative Hill; and public witnesses.

### COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION—REVIEW BUDGET—ANNUAL PERFORMANCE PLAN

*Committee on Agriculture:* Subcommittee on Risk Management and Specialty Crops held a hearing on Review of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission's FY 2000 Budget and Annual Performance Plan. Testimony was heard from Brooksley Born, Chairperson, Commodity Futures Trading Commission; and Richard J. Hillman, Acting Associate Director, Financial Institutions and Markets Issues, General Government Division, GAO.

### WILL JUMBO EURO NOTES THREATEN THE GREENBACK?

*Committee on Banking and Financial Services:* Subcommittee on Domestic and International Monetary Policy held a hearing on Will Jumbo Euro Notes Threaten the Greenback? Testimony was heard from Theodore E. Allison, Assistant to the Board, System Affairs, Board of Governors, Federal Reserve System; and Gary Gensler, Assistant Secretary, Financial Markets, Department of the Treasury.

### SAFE DRINKING WATER ACT AMENDMENTS IMPLEMENTATION

*Committee on Commerce:* Subcommittee on Health and Environment held a hearing on the Implementation of the 1996 Safe Drinking Water Act Amendments. Testimony was heard from the following officials of EPA: J. Charles Fox, Acting Assistant Administrator, Water; and Cynthia C. Dougherty, Director, Office of Ground Water and Drinking Water; and public witnesses.

### DOE'S HANFORD RADIOACTIVE TANK WASTE PRIVATIZATION CONTRACT

*Committee on Commerce:* Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing on A Review of the Department of Energy's Hanford Radioactive Tank Waste Privatization Contract. Testimony was heard from Representative Hastings of Washington; Gary L. Jones, Associate Director, Energy, Resources and Science Issues, Resources, Community and Economic Development Division, GAO; the following officials of the Department of Energy: Ernest J. Moniz, Under Secretary; James M. Owendoff, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Environmental Restoration; John Wagoner, Manager, Richland Operations Office; and Walter S. Howes, Director, Contract Reform and Privatization; and public witnesses.

### DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION—YEAR 2000 PROBLEM

*Committee on Education and the Workforce:* Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing on the Year 2000 Problem at the Department of Education, Part II. Testimony was heard from Joel Willemssen, Director, Information Resources Management, Accounting and Information Management Division, GAO; and Marshall S. Smith, Acting Deputy Secretary, Department of Education; and the following officials of the Corporation for National and Community Service: Wendy Zenker, Chief Operating Officer; and William Anderson, Assistant Inspector General, Audit.

### MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES AND REPORTS

*Committee on Government Reform and Oversight:* Ordered reported amended the following bills: H.R. 4523, Lorton Technical Corrections Act of 1998; and H.R. 4566, District of Columbia Courts and Justice Technical Corrections Act of 1998.

The Committee also approved the following draft reports entitled: "Hepatitis C: Silent Epidemic, Mute Public Health Response;" "Medicare Home Health Services: No Surety in the Fight Against Fraud and Waste;" "The Year 2000 Problem;" and "Campaign Fundraising Improprieties and Other Possible Violations of Law."

The Committee also approved the release of Depositions and Interrogatories.

### ASSESSING ADMINISTRATION'S FOREIGN POLICY

*Committee on International Relations:* Held a hearing on Assessing the Administration's Foreign Policy: The Record After Six Years. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE MODERNIZATION

*Committee on National Security:* Subcommittee on Military Procurement and the Subcommittee on Military Research and Development held a joint hearing on Department of Defense modernization. Testimony was heard from Jacques S. Gansler, Under Secretary, Acquisition and Technology, Department of Defense; Richard Davis, Director, National Security Analysis, National Security and International Affairs Division, GAO; and public witnesses.

### NAVY SHIP DONATION PROCEDURES

*Committee on National Security:* Subcommittee on Military Procurement held a hearing on Navy ship donation procedures. Testimony was heard from Representative Andrews; Michael C. Hammes, Deputy Assistant Secretary (Research, Development and Acquisition), Department of the Navy; Joseph Azzolina, Assemblyman, State of New Jersey; and a public witness.

### CONFERENCE REPORT—BANKRUPTCY REFORM ACT

*Committee on Rules:* Granted, by voice vote, a rule waiving all points of order against the conference report to accompany H.R. 3150, Bankruptcy Reform Act of 1998, and against its consideration. The rule provides that the conference report shall be considered as read. Testimony was heard from Representatives Gekas, Nadler, and Jackson-Lee.

### LABOR-HHS-EDUCATION APPROPRIATIONS

*Committee on Rules:* Granted, by a vote of 7 to 2, a rule providing for the further consideration of H.R. 4274, making appropriations for the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, pursuant to H. Res. 564. The rule provides 1 hour of debate. The rule makes in order, before consideration of any other amendments, the amendments numbered 2 and 3 that were printed in the Rules Committee report (105-762) that accompanied H. Res. 564.

### FASTENER QUALITY ACT: NEEDED OR OUTDATED?

*Committee on Science:* Subcommittee on Technology held a hearing on the Fastener Quality Act: Needed or Outdated? Testimony was heard from Representative Manzullo; Raymond Kammer, Director, National Institute of Standards and Technology, Department of Commerce; and public witnesses.

## Joint Meetings

### HUMAN SERVICES/HEAD START AUTHORIZATION

*Conferees* on Tuesday, October 6, agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of S. 2206, to amend the Head Start Act, the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Act of 1981, and the Community Services Block Grant Act to reauthorize and make improvements to those Acts, and to establish demonstration projects that provide an opportunity for persons with limited means to accumulate assets.

### APPROPRIATIONS—TREASURY/POSTAL SERVICES

*Conferees* on Wednesday, October 7, agreed to file a further conference report on the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H.R. 4104, making appropriations for the Treasury Department, the United States Postal Service, the Executive Office of the President, and certain Independent Agencies, for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999.

### BANKRUPTCY REFORM

*Conferees* on Wednesday, October 7, agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H.R. 3150, to amend title 11 of the United States Code.

### DIGITAL MILLENNIUM COPYRIGHT ACT

*Conferees* agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H.R. 2281, to amend title 17, United States Code, to implement the World Intellectual Property Organization Copyright Treaty and Performances and Phonograms Treaty.

### CARL D. PERKINS VOCATIONAL-TECHNICAL EDUCATION ACT AMENDMENTS

*Conferees* agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H.R. 1853, to amend the Carl D. Perkins Vocational and Applied Technology Education Act.

## COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY, OCTOBER 9, 1998

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

### Senate

Committee on Governmental Affairs, business meeting, to consider pending nominations, 10:30 a.m., SD-342.

### House

*Committee on Commerce*, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, to consider pending Subcommittee business, 9 a.m., and to continue hearings on the circumstances surrounding the FCC's planned relocation to the Portals, including the efforts of Franklin L. Haney and his representatives with respect to this matter and the circumstances surrounding the payment of fees to those representatives, 9:30 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

*Committee on Government Reform and Oversight*, to consider the following draft report entitled: "Investigation of the White House Database;" and to consider release of Documents, 9:30 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on National Economic Growth, Natural Resources, and Regulatory Affairs, hearing on Will the Administration Implement the Kyoto Protocol Through the Back Door? 11 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

*Committee on House Oversight*, to consider pending business, 1 p.m., 1310 Longworth.

*Committee on Science*, oversight hearing on The Road from Kyoto—Part 4: The Kyoto Protocol's Impacts on U.S. Energy Markets and Economic Activity, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure*, to consider the following: H.R. 3243, Alternative Water Source Development Act of 1998; GSA leasing program; Courthouse construction resolutions; Public building resolutions; Corps of Engineers water resources survey resolutions; and other pending business, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

*Committee on Ways and Means*, to consider a measure concerning expiring tax provisions, 11 a.m., H-137 Capitol.

*Select Committee on U.S. National Security and Military/Commercial Concerns with the People's Republic of China*, executive, to continue to receive briefings, 8 a.m., H-405 Capitol.

*Next Meeting of the SENATE*  
9:30 a.m., Friday, October 9

Senate Chamber

**Program for Friday:** Senate will resume consideration of H.R. 2431, Freedom from Religious Persecution Act, with a vote to occur thereon.

Senate may also consider any conference reports or legislative or executive items cleared for action.

*Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES*  
9 a.m., Friday, October 9

House Chamber

**Program for Friday:** Consideration of the conference report on H.R. 3150, Bankruptcy Reform Act (rule waiving points of order);

Consideration of Suspensions:

1. H.R. 4651, Federal Criminal Law and Procedure Minor and Technical Amendments;
  2. H.R. 1197—Plant Patent Amendments Act;
  3. H. Con. Res. 334—Taiwan World Health Organization;
  4. H. Con. Res. 320—Supporting the Baltic People of Estonia, Latvia, and Lithuania, and Condemning the Nazi-Soviet Non-Aggression Pact;
  5. S. 2094—Amending the Fish and Wildlife Improvement Act of 1978;
  6. S. 2505—Title conveyance to the Tunnison Lab Hagerman Field Station to the University of Idaho;
  7. H. Con. Res. 214—Recognizing the Contributions of Bristol, Tennessee, and Bristol, Virginia, to the Origins and Development of Country Music;
  8. Conference report on H.R. 1853—Carl D. Perkins Vocational-Technical Education Act; and
  9. H.R. 2616—Community-Designed Charter Schools Act
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