

Quorum Calls—Votes: One ye and nay vote and five recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H3013, H3038, H3039, H3050–51, H3052–53, and H3053. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10:00 a.m. and adjourned at 9:03 p.m.

Committee Meetings

LEGISLATIVE APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Legislative approved for full Committee action the Legislative appropriations for fiscal year 2000.

NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION ACT

Committee on Armed Services: Special Oversight Panel on Merchant Marine approved for full Committee consideration recommendations on H.R. 1401, National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Years 2000 and 2001.

NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION ACT

Committee on Armed Services: Special Oversight Panel on Morale, Welfare and Recreation approved for full Committee consideration recommendations on H.R. 1401, National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Years 2000 and 2001.

NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION ACT

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Military Installations and Facilities approved for full Committee action H.R. 1401, National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Years 2000 and 2001.

OFHEO'S PROPOSED RISK-BASED CAPITAL RULE

Committee on Banking and Financial Services: Subcommittee on Capital Markets, Securities and Government Sponsored Enterprises held a hearing on the Office of Federal Housing Enterprise Oversight's proposed Risk-Based Capital Rule. Testimony was heard from Mark A. Kinsey, Acting Director, Office of Federal Housing Enterprise Oversight, Department of Housing and Urban Development.

REGULATORY BURDEN RELIEF

Committee on Banking and Financial Services: Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Credit held a hearing on Regulatory Burden Relief. Testimony was heard from Laurence H. Meyer, member, Board of Governors, Federal Reserve System; the following officials of the Department of the Treasury: John D. Hawke, Jr., Comptroller of the

Currency; and Carolyn J. Buck, Chief Counsel, Office of Thrift Supervision; Andrew Hove, Vice Chairman, FDIC; Robert Fenner, General Counsel, National Credit Union Administration; and public witnesses.

EVEN START AND FAMILY LITERACY PROGRAMS

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Held a hearing on Even Start and Family Literacy Programs Under the Elementary and Secondary Education Act. Testimony was heard from Andy Hartman, Director, National Institute for Literacy, Department of Education; Cheryl Keenan, Director, Bureau of Adult Basic and Literacy Education, Department of Education, State of Pennsylvania; Mary Brown, Program Supervisor, Even State Family Education Program, Public Schools, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma; and public witnesses.

DEPARTMENTS OF LABOR AND EDUCATION—MANAGEMENT—Y2K COMPUTER PROBLEM

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing on Review of the Management of the Year 2000 Computer Problem by the Department of Labor and the Department of Education. Testimony was heard from Marshall Smith, Acting Deputy Secretary, Department of Education; the following officials of the Department of Labor: Patricia W. Lattimore, Assistant Secretary, Administration and Management; and Patricia A. Dalton, Assistant Inspector General; Joel Willemsen, Director, Civil Agencies Information Systems Issues, GAO; and a public witness.

RUSSIA'S FOREIGN POLICY OBJECTIVES: WHAT ARE THEY?

Committee on International Relations: Held a hearing on Russia's Foreign Policy Objectives: What are They? Testimony was heard from Steven R. Sestanovich, Ambassador at Large and Special Adviser to the Secretary for Independent States, Department of State; Lt. Gen. Brent Scowcroft, USAF (Ret.), former Assistant to the President for National Security Affairs; and a public witness.

DEMOCRACY IN INDONESIA

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on Asia and the Pacific held a hearing on Democracy in Indonesia: Preparations for the National Election. Testimony was heard from Stanley Roth, Assistant Secretary, East Asian and Pacific Affairs, Department of State; Robert C. Randolph, Assistant Administrator, Bureau for Asia and the Near East, AID, U.S.

International Development Cooperation Agency; and public witnesses.

NATIONAL POLICE TRAINING COMMISSION ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Held a hearing on H.R. 1659, National Police Training Commission Act of 1999. Testimony was heard from Representatives Serrano, Meeks of New York, and Walsh; Julius Davis, Deputy Chief of Police, Los Angeles, California; the following officials of the Department of Police, Chicago, Illinois: Callie L. Baird, Administrator in Charge, Office of Professional Standards; and Charles B. Roberts, Assistant Deputy Superintendent; Terrence W. Gainer, Assistant Chief of Police, Metropolitan Police Department, District of Columbia; and public witnesses.

RELIGIOUS LIBERTY PROTECTION ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on the Constitution held a hearing on H.R. 1691, Religious Liberty Protection Act of 1999. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT—IMPLEMENTATION—NET ACT AND ENFORCEMENT AGAINST INTERNET PIRACY

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Courts and Intellectual Property held an oversight hearing on the Implementation of the Net Act and Enforcement Against Internet Piracy. Testimony was heard from Kevin V. DiGregory, Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Computers Crime Division, Department of Justice; Timothy B. McGrath, Interim Staff Director, U.S. Sentencing Commission; and public witnesses.

CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION AND ENFORCEMENT ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Crime held a hearing on H.R. 764, Child Abuse Prevention and Enforcement Act. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Justice: Cathryn Turman, Acting Director, Office for Victims of Crime; and Patrick Coleman, Deputy Director, Policy and Management, Bureau of Justice Assistance; and public witnesses.

INTELLIGENCE AUTHORIZATION ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a modified open rule providing 1 hour of debate on H.R. 1555, Intelligence Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2000.

The rule makes in order the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Select Committee on Intelligence as an original bill for the purpose of amendment. 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 amendment in the nature of a substitute for failure to comply with clause 7 of rule XVI (prohibiting nongermane amendments).

The rule makes in order only those amendments printed in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD. The rule provides that each amendment printed in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD may be offered only by the Member who caused it to be printed or his designee, and each amendment shall be considered as read.

The rule allows the Chairman of the Committee of the Whole to postpone votes during consideration of the bill, and to reduce voting time to five minutes on a postponed question if the vote follows a fifteen minute vote. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Chairman Goss.

COMPREHENSIVE BUDGET PROCESS REFORM ACT

Committee on Rules: Held a hearing on H.R. 853, Comprehensive Budget Process Reform Act of 1999. Testimony was heard from Representatives Nussle, Cardin and Minge; Dan L. Crippen, Director, CBO; Susan J. Irving, Associate Director, Federal Budget Issues, GAO; and public witnesses.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

METHANE HYDRATE RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT ACT

Committee on Science: Subcommittee on Energy and Environment approved for full Committee action amended H.R. 1753, Methane Hydrate Research and Development Act of 1999.

Prior to this action, the Subcommittee held a hearing on H.R. 1753 (and S. 330). Testimony was heard from Robert S. Kripowicz, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary, Fossil Energy, Department of Energy; William Dillon, Geologist, U.S. Geological Survey, Department of the Interior; and a public witness.

Y2K IN ORBIT: IMPACT ON SATELLITES AND GLOBAL POSITIONING SYSTEM

Committee on Science: Subcommittee on Technology, the Subcommittee on Space and Aeronautics and the Subcommittee on Government Management, Information and Technology of the Committee on Government Reform held a joint hearing on Y2K in Orbit: Impact on Satellites and the Global Positioning System. Testimony was heard from Lee B. Holcomb, Chief Information Officer, Department of Defense; Marvin Langston, Deputy Chief Information Officer, Department of Defense; Keith Rhodes,

Technical Director, Computers and Telecommunications, GAO; and a public witness.

RECYCLE AMERICA'S LAND ACT

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment held a hearing on H.R. 1300, Recycle America's Land Act of 1999. Testimony was heard from Carol M. Browner, Administrator, EPA; and public witnesses.

Joint Meetings

SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS

Conferees continued in evening session to resolve the differences between the Senate and House passed versions of H.R. 1141, making emergency supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, MAY 13, 1999

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Armed Services: closed business meeting to mark up S. 974, to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 2000 and 2001 for military activities of the Department of Defense, to prescribe military personnel strengths for fiscal years 2000 and 2001, and related measures, 9:30 a.m., SR-222.

Full Committee, closed business meeting to mark up S. 974, to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 2000 and 2001 for military activities of the Department of Defense, to prescribe military personnel strengths for fiscal years 2000 and 2001, and related measures, 2 p.m., SR-222.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: to hold hearings on S. 698, to review the suitability and feasibility of recovering costs of high altitude rescues at Denali National Park and Preserve in the state of Alaska; S. 711, to allow for the investment of joint Federal and State funds from the civil settlement of damages from the Exxon Valdez oil spill; and S. 748, to improve Native hiring and contracting by the Federal Government within the State of Alaska, 9:30 a.m., SD-366.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: to hold hearings on issues relating to the Clean Water Action Plan, 10 a.m., SD-406.

Committee on Finance: to hold oversight hearings on United States Customs, focusing on commercial operations, 10 a.m., SD-215.

Committee on Foreign Relations: to hold hearings on issues relating to the ABM Treaty, focusing on Start II and missile defense, 10 a.m., SD-562.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: to hold hearings on the nomination of Richard M. McGahey, of the District of Columbia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Labor, 10 a.m., SD-628.

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Criminal Justice Oversight, to hold hearings to examine the Department of Justice's refusal to enforce the Law on Voluntary Confessions, 2 p.m., SD-226.

House

Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies, to mark up fiscal year 2000 appropriations, 10 a.m., 2362 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Treasury, Postal Service, and General Government, to mark up fiscal year 2000 appropriations, 2 p.m., 2358 Rayburn.

Committee on Armed Services, Subcommittee on Military Personnel, to mark up H.R. 1401, National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Years 2000 and 2001, 11 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Military Readiness, to mark up H.R. 1401, National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Years 2000 and 2001, 1:30 p.m., 2212 Rayburn.

Committee on Commerce, Subcommittee on Energy and Power, to continue hearings on Electricity Competition, focusing on the Role of the Federal Electric Utilities, 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Telecommunications, Trade, and Consumer Protection, hearing on Access to Buildings and Facilities by Telecommunications Providers, 10 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

Committee on Education and the Workforce, Subcommittee on Postsecondary Education, Training, and Life-Long Learning, hearing on Developing and Maintaining a High-Quality Teacher Force, 9:30 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Workforce Protections, hearing on H.R. 1434, to amend the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970, 1:30 p.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Government Reform, Subcommittee on Civil Service, hearing on FEHBP: OPM's Policy Guidance for Fiscal Year 2000; and to mark up H.R. 457, Organ Donor Leave Act, 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Criminal Justice, Drug Policy, and Human Resources, hearing on International Law: The Importance of Extradition, 2 p.m., 2203 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Government Management, Information, and Technology, oversight hearing on Single Audit Act Amendments of 1996; and to mark up the following bills: H.R. 28, Quality Child Care for Federal Employees Act; H.R. 1219, Construction Industry Payment Protection Act of 1999; and H.R. 1442, Law Enforcement and Public Safety Enhancement Act of 1999, 10 a.m., 2247 Rayburn.

Committee on International Relations, hearing on Diplomatic Initiatives for Kosovo, including H. Con. Res. 99, expressing the sense of the Congress that the congressional leadership and the Administration should support the efforts and recommendations of the United States Congress-Russian Duma meeting in Vienna, Austria, held April 30 to May 1, 1999, in order to bring about a fair, equitable, and peaceful settlement between warring factions in Yugoslavia, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary, oversight hearing to examine youth culture and violence, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.