

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

The House passed H.R. 4392, Intelligence Authorization Act for FY 2001

The House also passed 11 measures including bills to authorize a Congressional Gold Medal to be awarded to Pope John Paul II and to designate the State Department Headquarters as the "Harry S Truman Federal Building."

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S4241–S4335

Measures Introduced: Fourteen bills and seven resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2602–2615, S. Res. 309–313, and S. Con. Res. 114–116.

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Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H.R. 2260, to amend the Controlled Substances Act to promote pain management and palliative care without permitting assisted suicide and euthanasia, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 106–299)

S. 1089, to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 2000 and 2001 for the United States Coast Guard, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 106–300)

S. 2327, to establish a Commission on Ocean Policy. (S. Rept. No. 106–301)

H.R. 1651, to amend the Fishermen's Protective Act of 1967 to extend the period during which reimbursement may be provided to owners of United States fishing vessels for costs incurred when such a vessel is seized and detained by a foreign country, with an amendment. (S. Rept. No. 106–302)

Special Report entitled "Revised Allocation to Subcommittees of Budget Totals, Fiscal Year 2001". (S. Rept. No. 106–303)

S. 2603, making appropriations for the Legislative Branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2001. (S. Rept. No. 106–304)

S. 2089, to amend the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act of 1978 to modify procedures relating to orders for surveillance and searches for foreign intelligence purposes, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

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Measures Passed:

Commending Israel Redeployment: Senate agreed to S. Con. Res. 116, commending Israel's redeployment from southern Lebanon. **Pages S4327–28**

Honoring Members of U.S. Marine Corps: Senate agreed to S. Res. 310, honoring the 19 members of the United States Marine Corps who died on April 8, 2000, and extending the condolences of the Senate on their deaths. **Pages S4328–29**

Women-Owned Small Business Opportunities: Senate agreed to S. Res. 311, to express the sense of the Senate regarding Federal procurement opportunities for women-owned small businesses. **Pages S4330–34**

Senate Legal Representation: Senate agreed to S. Res. 312, to authorize testimony, document production, and legal representation in *State of Indiana v. Amy Han*. **Page S4334**

Senate Legal Representation: Senate agreed to S. Res. 313, to authorize representation by the Senate Legal Counsel in *Harold A. Johnson v. Max Cleland, et al.* **Page S4334**

National Child's Day: Senate agreed to S. Res. 296, designating June 4, 2000, as "National Child's Day", after agreeing to a committee amendment. **Pages S4334–35**

Nominations Considered: Senate began consideration of the nominations of Bradley A. Smith, of Ohio, to be a Member of the Federal Election Commission, Timothy B. Dyk, of the District of Columbia, to be a United States Circuit Judge for the Federal Circuit, and Gerard E. Lynch, to be a United States District Judge for the Southern District of New York. **Pages S4255–90**

A unanimous-consent time agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the aforementioned nominations and certain other nominations, on Wednesday, May 24, 2000, with votes to occur thereon.

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Legislative Branch Appropriations Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for the consideration of S. 2603, making appropriations for the Legislative Branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2001, on Wednesday, May 24, 2000, at 11 a.m.

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Removal of Injunction of Secrecy: The injunction of secrecy was removed from the following treaties:

Investment Treaty with Bahrain (Treaty Doc. No. 106–25);

Investment Treaty with Bolivia (Treaty Doc. No. 106–26);

Investment Treaty with Honduras (Treaty Doc. No. 106–27);

Investment Treaty with El Salvador (Treaty Doc. No. 106–28);

Investment Treaty with Croatia (Treaty Doc. No. 106–29);

Investment Treaty with Jordan (Treaty Doc. No. 106–30);

Investment Treaty with Mozambique (Treaty Doc. No. 106–31).

The treaties were transmitted to the Senate today, considered as having been read for the first time, and referred, with accompanying papers, to the Committee on Foreign Relations and were ordered to be printed.

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Appointment:

NATO Parliamentary Assembly: The Chair, on behalf of the Vice President, in accordance with 22 U.S.C. 1928a–1928d, as amended, appointed the following Senators as members of the Senate Delegation to the NATO Parliamentary Assembly during the Second Session of the 106th Congress, to be held in Budapest, Hungary, May 26–30, 2000: Senators Grassley (Acting Chairman), Specter, Enzi, and Voinovich.

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

Transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled the “Agreement on Social Security Between the United States of America and the Republic of Chile”; to the Committee on Finance. (PM–108)

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Transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled the “Agreement Between the United States of Amer-

ica and the Republic of Korea on Social Security”; to the Committee on Finance. (PM–109)

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Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Don Harrell, of New York, to be a Member of the Federal Retirement Thrift Investment Board for a term expiring September 25, 2002.

Mildred Spiewak Dresselhaus, of Massachusetts, to be Director of the Office of Science, Department of Energy. (New Position)

Jayne G. Fawcett, of Connecticut, to be a Member of the Board of Trustees of the Institute of American Indian and Alaska Native Culture and Arts Development for a term expiring May 19, 2006.

1 Navy nomination in the rank of admiral.

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Nominations Withdrawn: Senate received notification of the withdrawal of the following nominations:

Nicholas P. Godici, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks, which was sent to the Senate on January 31, 2000.

Mildred Spiewak Dresselhaus, of Massachusetts, to be Director of the Office of Energy Research, which was sent to the Senate on April 13, 2000.

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Messages From the President: **Pages S4295–96**

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:31 a.m., and adjourned at 7:01 p.m., until 10 a.m., on Wednesday, May 24, 2000. (For Senate’s program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today’s Record on page S4335.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

STRATEGIC NUCLEAR FORCE

Committee on Armed Services: Committee concluded open and closed hearings on United States strategic nuclear force requirements, after receiving testimony from Walter B. Slocombe, Under Secretary of Defense for Policy; Gen. Henry H. Shelton, USA, Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff; Gen. Eric K. Shinseki, USA, Chief of Staff, United States Army;

Adm. Jay L. Johnson, USN, Chief of Naval Operations; Gen. James L. Jones, Jr., USMC, Commandant of the Marine Corps; Gen. Michael E. Ryan, USAF, Chief of Staff, United States Air Force; and Adm. Richard W. Mies, USN, Commander in Chief, United States Strategic Command.

HUD HOMELESS ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Subcommittee on Housing and Transportation concluded hearings to examine the consolidation of HUD's homeless assistance programs, focusing on the requirements and administration of the Emergency Shelter Grants program, the Supportive Housing program, the Shelter Plus Care program, and the Section 8 Single-Room Occupancy program and the potential need for program consolidation, after receiving testimony from Stanley J. Czerwinski, Associate Director, Housing and Community Development Issues, Resources, Community, and Economic Development Division, General Accounting Office; Fred Karnas, Deputy Assistant Secretary of Housing and Urban Development for Special Needs Programs; Barbara Richardson, Rockford Department of Community Development, Rockford, Illinois, on behalf of the U.S. Conference of Mayors, the National League of Cities, and the National Association of Counties; William C. Shelton, Virginia Department of Housing and Community Development, Richmond, on behalf of the Council of State Community Development Agencies; John Parvensky, Colorado Coalition for the Homeless, Denver; Richard H. Godfrey, Jr., Rhode Island Housing and Mortgage Finance Corporation, Providence, on behalf of the National Council of State Housing Agencies; and Nan P. Roman, National Alliance to End Homelessness, Washington, D.C.

HYDROELECTRIC LICENSING PROCESS IMPROVEMENT

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Water and Power concluded hearings on S. 740, to amend the Federal Power Act to improve the hydroelectric licensing process by granting the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission statutory authority to better coordinate participation by other agencies and entities, after receiving testimony from David J. Hayes, Deputy Secretary of the Interior; James J. Hoecker, Chairman, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Department of Energy; Dennis C. Lewis, Petersburg Municipal Power and Light, Petersburg, Alaska; Andrew Fahlund, American Rivers, Washington, D.C., on behalf of the Hydropower Reform Coalition; Terry Hudgens, PacifiCorp, and Randy Settler, Yakama Nation, on behalf of the Columbia River Inter-Tribal Fish Commission, both of Portland, Oregon; Lionel Topaz, Grant County Pub-

lic Utility District, Ephrata, Washington; and Kevin Snape, Clean Air Conservancy, Cleveland Heights, Ohio.

WATER RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Subcommittee on Transportation and Infrastructure concluded hearings to examine programs related to the proposed Water Resources Development Act of 2000, include the Puget Sound Restoration Project, the Port of New York and New Jersey Project, the Ohio River Project, Brownfields revitalization, and the National Shore Protection Act of 1996, after receiving testimony from Joseph W. Westphal, Assistant Secretary of the Army for Civil Works; Mayor Dannel Malloy, Stamford, Connecticut, on behalf of the National Association of Local Government Environmental Professionals; Doug Sutherland, Pierce County Executive's Office, Tacoma, Washington; Lillian Borrone, Port Authority of New York and New Jersey, New York, New York; R. Barry Palmer, Association for the Development of Inland Navigation in America's Ohio Valley, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; and Howard D. Marlowe, American Coastal Coalition, Washington, D.C.

IMF AND WORLD BANK REFORM

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded hearings on International Monetary Fund and World Bank reform issues, focusing on the International Financial Institution Advisory Commission report, after receiving testimony from Allan H. Meltzer, Carnegie Mellon University and the American Enterprise Institute, Charles W. Calomiris, Columbia University School of International and Public Affairs and the American Enterprise Institute, and Jerome I. Levinson, American University Washington College of Law, all of Washington, D.C., all on behalf of the International Financial Institution Advisory Commission.

IRS RESTRUCTURING

Committee on Small Business: Committee held hearings on Internal Revenue Service restructuring issues, focusing on IRS efforts to reduce the taxpayer burden of the small business community, receiving testimony from Charles O. Rossotti, Commissioner, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury; Cornelia M. Ashby, Associate Director, Tax Policy and Administration Issues, General Government Division, General Accounting Office; and Sandra A. Abalos, Abalos and Associates, Phoenix, Arizona, and Roy M. Quick, Jr., Quick Tax and Accounting Service, St. Louis, Missouri, both on behalf of the IRS Electronic Tax Administration Advisory Committee.

Hearings recessed subject to call.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 13 public bills, H.R. 4515–4527; and 2 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 333 and H. Res. 509, were introduced. **Pages H3648–49**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 297, 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 the planning and construction of the water supply system, amended (H. Rept. 106–633);

H.R. 2498, to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide for recommendations of the Secretary of Health and Human Services regarding the placement of automatic external defibrillators in Federal buildings in order to improve survival rates of individuals who experience cardiac arrest in such buildings, and to establish protections from civil liability arising from the emergency use of the devices, amended (H. Rept. 106–634);

H.R. 4516, making appropriations for the Legislative Branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2001 (H. Rept. 106–635);

H. Res. 510, providing for consideration of H.R. 3916, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to repeal the excise tax on telephone and other communication services (H. Rept. 106–636);

H. Res. 511, providing for consideration of H.R. 4444, to authorize extension of nondiscriminatory treatment (normal trade relations treatment) to the People's Republic of China (H. Rept. 106–637); and

H.R. 2764, to license America's Private Investment Companies and provide enhanced credit to stimulate private investment in low-income communities, amended (H. Rept. 106–638). **Page H3648**

Recess: The House recessed at 9:41 a.m. and reconvened at 10:00 a.m. **Page H3532**

Intelligence Authorization Act for FY 2001: The House passed H.R. 4392, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2001 for intelligence and intelligence-related activities of the United States Government, the Community Management Account, and the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement Disability System. **Pages H3535–37**

Agreed to the Committee amendment in the nature of a substitute made in order by the rule. **Page H3537**

Agreed To:

Trafficant amendment, No. 3 printed in the Congressional Record debated on Monday, May 22, that requires a report on the effects of foreign espionage

on United States trade secrets (agreed to by a recorded vote of 407 ayes to 1 no, Roll No. 215); and

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Trafficant amendment, No. 4 printed in the Congressional Record debated on Monday, May 22, that requires a report within 60 days by the Director of Central Intelligence on whether the policies and goals of the People's Republic of China constitute a threat to our national security (agreed to by a recorded vote of 404 ayes to 8 noes, Roll No. 216).

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Rejected the Roemer amendment, No. 1 printed in the Congressional Record debated on Monday, May 22, that sought to require an annual statement of the total amount of intelligence expenditures for the preceding fiscal year (rejected by a ye and nay vote of 175 yeas to 225 nays, Roll No. 214).

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Agreed that the Clerk be authorized to make technical and conforming changes in the engrossment of the bill. **Page H3537**

House agreed to H. Res. 506, the rule that provided for consideration of the bill on May 19.

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

Lewis and Clark Rural Water System: H.R. 297, amended, 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 the planning and construction of the water supply system (passed by a ye and nay vote of 400 yeas to 13 nays, Roll No. 217). The Clerk was authorized to make technical and conforming changes in the engrossment of the bill; **Pages H3538–40, H3581–82, H3583**

Raising of the United States Flag in American Samoa: H. Res. 443, amended, expressing the sense of the House of Representatives with regard to the centennial of the raising of the United States flag in American Samoa (agreed to by a ye and nay vote of 417 yeas with none voting "nay", Roll No. 218);

Pages H3540–43, H3582–83

Pope John Paul II Congressional Gold Medal: H.R. 3544, amended, to authorize a gold medal to be awarded on behalf of the Congress to Pope John Paul II in recognition of his many and enduring contributions to peace and religious understanding (passed by a ye and nay vote of 416 yeas to 1 nay, Roll No. 219). Agreed to amend the title;

Pages H3543–48, H3583

Veterans and Dependents Millennium Education Act: S. 1402, amended, to amend title 38, United States Code, to enhance programs providing education benefits for veterans (passed by a yeas and nay vote of 417 yeas to 3 nays, Roll No. 220). Agreed to amend the title; **Pages H3548–58, H3593–94**

Recognition of World War II Minority Veterans: H.J. Res. 98, supporting the Day of Honor 2000 to honor and recognize the service of minority veterans in the United States Armed Forces during World War II. Subsequently the House passed S.J. Res. 44, a similar Senate-passed bill—clearing the measure for the President. H.J. Res. 98 was then laid on the table; **Pages H3558–63**

International Child Abduction: H. Con. Res. 293, amended, urging compliance with the Hague Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction (agreed to by a recorded vote of 416 yeas with none voting “no”, Roll No. 221); **Pages H3564–68, H3594–95**

INS Data Management Improvement: H.R. 4489, to amend section 110 of the Illegal Immigration Reform and Immigrant Responsibility Act of 1996; **Pages H3568–76**

Private Mortgage Insurance Technical Corrections and Clarification: H.R. 3637, to amend the Homeowners Protection Act of 1998 to make certain technical corrections; **Pages H3578–81**

Cardiac Arrest Survival Act: H.R. 2498, amended, to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide for recommendations of the Secretary of Health and Human Services regarding the placement of automatic external defibrillators in Federal buildings in order to improve survival rates of individuals who experience cardiac arrest in such buildings, and to establish protections from civil liability arising from the emergency use of the devices (passed by a yeas and nay vote of 415 yeas to 2 nays, Roll No. 222; and **Pages H3584–88, H3595**

Harry S Truman Federal Building: H.R. 3639, amended, to designate the Federal building located at 2201 C Street, Northwest, in the District of Columbia, currently headquarters for the Department of State, as the “Harry S Truman Federal Building” (passed by a yeas and nay vote of 413 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 223). **Pages H3588–93, H3595–96**

Hmong Veterans’ Naturalization Act of 2000: The House agreed to the Senate amendment to H.R. 371, to expedite the naturalization of aliens who served with special guerrilla units in Laos—clearing the measure for the President. **Pages H3576–78**

First Sponsor of Captive Exotic Animal Protection Act: Agreed that Representative Franks of New Jersey be hereafter considered as the first sponsor of H.R. 1202, to amend title 18, United States Code, to prohibit interstate-connected conduct relating to exotic animals, a bill originally introduced by the late Representative George Brown of California, for the purpose of adding cosponsors and requesting printings under clause 7 of rule 12. **Page H3563**

Normal Trade Relations Treatment to China: The House completed two hours of debate on H.R. 4444, to authorize extension of nondiscriminatory treatment (normal trade relations treatment) to the People’s Republic of China pursuant to a unanimous consent request. Consideration will resume on Wednesday, May 24. **Pages H3596–H3615**

Earlier, agreed that it be in order to declare the House resolved into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union for consideration of the bill; that the first reading be dispensed with; that all points of order against its consideration be waived; that general debate proceed without intervening motion, be confined to the bill, and be limited to two hours equally divided among and controlled by the Chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Ways and Means, Representative Stark or his designee, and Representative Rohrabacher or his designee; that after debate the Committee of the Whole rise without motion; and that no further consideration of the bill be in order except pursuant to a subsequent order of the House. **Page H3593**

Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on page H3650.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Six yeas and nay votes and four recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H3535–36, H3536, H3537, H3581–82, H3582–83, H3583, H3593–94, H3594–95, H3595, and H3595–96. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 9:00 a.m. and adjourned at midnight.

Committee Meetings

VA, HUD AND INDEPENDENT AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on VA, HUD and Independent Agencies approved for full Committee action the VA, HUD and Independent Agencies appropriations for fiscal year 2001.

U.S.—TERRORIST THREATS

Committee on Armed Services: Special Oversight Panel on Terrorism held a hearing on terrorist threats to

the United States. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

CHINA—PERMANENT NORMAL TRADE RELATIONS

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Finance and Hazardous Materials held a hearing entitled: "PNTR: Opening the World's Biggest Potential Market to American Financial Services Competition." Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY—WHISTLEBLOWERS

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing entitled: "Whistleblowers at Department of Energy Facilities: Is There Really 'Zero Tolerance' for Contractor Retaliation?" Testimony was heard from Mary Anne Sullivan, General Counsel, Department of Energy; Joe Gutierrez, Assessor, Audits and Assessment Division, Los Alamos National Laboratory; and public witnesses.

INTERNET—OBSCENE MATERIAL AVAILABLE

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Telecommunications, Trade, and Consumer Protection held a hearing on Obscene Material Available via the Internet. Testimony was heard from Alan Gershel, Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division, Department of Justice; and public witnesses.

WEALTH THROUGH THE WORKPLACE ACT

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Subcommittee on Employer-Employee Relations approved for full Committee action H.R. 3462, Wealth Through The Workplace Act of 2000.

SECRET EVIDENCE REPEAL ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Held a hearing on H.R. 2121, Secret Evidence Repeal Act of 1999. Testimony was heard from Representatives Campbell and Bonior; the following officials of the Department of Justice: Larry R. Parkinson, General Counsel, FBI; and Bo Cooper, General Counsel, Immigration and Naturalization Service; and public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT—FEDERAL PUBLIC LANDS POLICIES

Committee on Resources: Held an oversight hearing on Funding of Environmental Initiatives and their Influence on Federal Public Lands Policies. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

BISCAYNE NATIONAL PARK

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on National Parks and Public Lands held a hearing on H.R. 3033, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to make certain adjustments to the boundaries of Biscayne

National Park in the State of Florida. Testimony was heard from Representatives Ros-Lehtinen, Meek of Florida, Hastings of Florida and Shaw; Denis Galvin, Deputy Director, National Park Service, Department of the Interior; and public witnesses.

NORTHERN COLORADO WATER CONSERVANCY DISTRICT—WATER CONVEYANCE

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Water and Power held a hearing on H.R. 4389, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain water distribution facilities to the Northern Colorado Water Conservancy District. Testimony was heard from Eluid Martinez, Commissioner, Bureau of Reclamation, Department of the Interior; and public witnesses.

CHINA—NORMAL TRADE RELATIONS TREATMENT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a closed rule providing three hours of debate on H.R. 4444, to authorize extension of nondiscriminatory treatment (normal trade relations treatment) to the People's Republic of China, equally divided among and controlled by the chairman and ranking member of the Committee on Ways and Means, Representative Stark of California, and Representative Rohrabacher of California. The rule provides that, in lieu of the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Ways and Means, the amendment in the nature of a substitute printed in the report of the Committee on Rules accompanying the rule shall be considered as adopted. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Chairman Archer and Representatives Crane, English, Bereuter, Hunter, Weldon of Pennsylvania, Levin, Cardin, Markey, Berman, Pelosi and Sherman.

REPEAL EXCISE TAX ON TELEPHONE AND OTHER COMMUNICATION SERVICES

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a closed rule on H.R. 3916, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to repeal the excise tax on telephone and other communication services providing one hour of debate equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Ways and Means. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule provides that the amendment recommended by the Committee on Ways and Means now printed in the bill shall be considered as adopted upon adoption of the resolution. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Chairman Archer and Representatives Towns and Wynn.

TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER

Committee on Science: Subcommittee on Technology held a hearing on Technology Transfer Challenges and Partnerships: A Review of the Department of Commerce's Biennial Report on Technology Transfer. Testimony was heard from Kelly H. Carnes, Assistant Secretary, Technology Policy, Technology Administration, Department of Commerce; and public witnesses.

Joint Meetings**RUSSIA HUMAN RIGHTS ABUSES**

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe: Commission concluded hearings to examine human rights abuses in Russia, focusing on an attack on the Media-Most headquarters in Moscow by armed government security agents, alleged illegally acquired tapes and transcripts, and the war in Chechnya, after receiving testimony from Lt. Gen. William Odom (Ret.), Hudson University, Washington, D.C., former head of the National Security Agency; Igor Malashenko, Media-Most, Moscow, Russia; Sarah Mendelson, Tufts University Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy, Boston, Massachusetts; Georgi Derlugian, Northwestern University Department of Sociology, Chicago, Illinois; and Rachel Denber, Human Rights Watch, New York, New York.

**COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR
WEDNESDAY, MAY 24, 2000**

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Armed Services: to hold hearings on the nomination of General John A. Gordon, United States Air Force, to be Under Secretary for Nuclear Security, Department of Energy, 9:30 a.m., SR-222.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: business meeting to mark up S. 2107, to amend the Securities Act of 1933 and the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 to reduce securities fees in excess of those required to fund the operations of the Securities and Exchange Commission, to adjust compensation provisions for employees of the Commission; S. 2266, to provide for the minting of commemorative coins to support the 2002 Salt Lake Olympic Winter Games and the programs of the United States Olympic Committee; S. 2453, to authorize the President to award a gold medal on behalf of Congress to Pope John Paul II in recognition of his outstanding and enduring contributions to humanity; the nomination of Richard Court Houseworth, of Arizona, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation for the remainder of the term expiring December 25, 2001; and the nomination of Nuria I. Fernandez, of Illinois, to be Federal Transit Administrator, 10 a.m., SD-538.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: business meeting to consider pending calendar business, 9:30 a.m., SD-366. Subcommittee on Water and Power, to hold hearings on S. 2163, to provide for a study of the engineering feasibility of a water exchange in lieu of electrification of the Chandler Pumping Plant at Prosser Diversion Dam, Washington; S. 2396, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to enter into contracts with the Weber Basin Water Conservancy District, Utah, to use Weber Basin Project facilities for the impounding, storage, and carriage of nonproject water for domestic, municipal, industrial, and other beneficial purposes; S. 2248, to assist in the development and implementation of projects to provide for the control of drainage water, storm water, flood water, and other water as part of water-related integrated resource management, environmental infrastructure, and resource protection and development projects in the Colusa Basin Watershed, California; S. 2410, to increase the authorization of appropriations for the Reclamation Safety of Dams Act of 1978; and S. 2425, to authorize the Bureau of Reclamation to participate in the planning, design, and construction of the Bend Feed Canal Pipeline Project, Oregon, 2:30 p.m., SD-366.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: to hold hearings on S. 25, to provide Coastal Impact Assistance to State and local governments, to amend the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act Amendments of 1978, the Land and Water Conservation Fund Act of 1965, the Urban Park and Recreation Recovery Act, and the Federal Aid in Wildlife Restoration Act (commonly referred to as the Pittman-Robertson Act) to establish a fund to meet the outdoor conservation and recreation needs of the American people; S. 2123, to provide Outer Continental Shelf Impact assistance to State and local governments, to amend the Land and Water Conservation Fund Act of 1965, the Urban Park and Recreation Recovery Act of 1978, and the Federal Aid in Wildlife Restoration Act (commonly referred to as the Pittman-Robertson Act) to establish a fund to meet the outdoor conservation and recreation needs of the American people; and S. 2181, to amend the Land and Water Conservation Fund Act to provide full funding for the Land and Water Conservation Fund, and to provide dedicated funding for other conservation programs, including coastal stewardship, wildlife habitat protection, State and local park and open space preservation, historic preservation, forestry conservation programs, and youth conservation corps; and for other purposes, 9:30 a.m., SD-406.

Committee on Foreign Relations: to hold hearings on the nomination of Marc Grossman, of Virginia, to be Director General of the Foreign Service, Department of State, 9:30 a.m., SD-419.

Committee on Indian Affairs: to hold hearings on S. 611, to provide for administrative procedures to extend Federal recognition to certain Indian groups, 2:30 p.m., SR-485.

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Administrative Oversight and the Courts, to hold oversight hearings to examine the 1996 campaign finance investigations, 9 a.m., SD-226.

House

Committee on Appropriations, to mark up the Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education appropriations for fiscal year 2001, 9:30 p.m., 2359 Rayburn.

Committee on Banking and Financial Services, hearing on Predatory Lending Practices, 9:30 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on the Budget, Education Task Force, hearing on "Education Department Fails Accounting101: The Department of Education's Unreliable Financial Records," 10 a.m., 210 Cannon.

Natural Resources and the Environment Task Force, hearing on "Management Failures at the National Parks, Oversight Weaknesses with Concession Contracts," 2 p.m., 210 Cannon.

Committee on Commerce, Subcommittee on Energy and Power, hearing on National Energy Policy: Ensuring Adequate Supply of Natural Gas and Crude Oil, 10 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

Committee on Government Reform, Subcommittee on National Security, Veterans Affairs, and International Relations, hearing on "DoD Chemical and Biological Defense Program: Management and Oversight," 10 a.m., 2247 Rayburn.

Committee on International Relations, hearing on the U.S. Commission on International Religious Freedom: First Annual Report, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 2987, Methamphetamine Anti-Proliferation Act of 1999; H.R. 3048, Presidential Threat Protection Act of 1999; H.R. 4108, Secure Our Schools Act; H.R. 4391, Mobile Telecommunications Sourcing Act; H.R. 3489, Wireless Telecommunications Sourcing and Privacy Act; and S. 1515, Radiation Exposure Compensation Act Amendments of 1999, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Resources, to consider the following bills: S. 1211, to amend the Colorado River Basin Salinity Control Act to authorize additional measures to carry out the control of salinity upstream of Imperial Dam in a cost-effective manner; S. 1629, Oregon Exchange Act of 2000; H.R. 1775, Estuary Habitat Restoration Partnership Act of 1999; S. 1892, to authorize the acquisition of the Valles Caldera, to provide for an effective land and wild-

life management program for this resource within the Department of Agriculture; H.R. 3023, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior, acting through the Bureau of Reclamation, to convey property to the Greater Yuma Port Authority of Yuma County, Arizona, for use as an international port of entry; H.R. 3176, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a study to determine ways of restoring the natural wetlands conditions in the Kealia Pond National Wildlife Refuge, Hawaii; H.R. 3241, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to recalculate the franchise fee owed by Fort Sumter Tours, Inc., a concessioner providing service to Fort Sumter National Monument in South Carolina; H.R. 3291, Shivwits Band of the Paiute Indian Tribe of Utah Water Rights Settlement Act; H.R. 3292, to provide for the establishment of the Cat Island National Wildlife Refuge in West Feliciana Parish, Louisiana; H.R. 3468, Duchesne City Water Rights Conveyance Act; H.R. 3535, Shark Finning Prohibition Act; H.R. 3999, Virgin Islands and Guam Constitutional Self-Government Act of 2000; H.R. 4070, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to correct a map relating to the coastal Barrier Resources System Unit P31, located near the city of Mexico Beach, Florida; H.R. 4132, to reauthorize grants for water resources research and technology institutes established under the Water Resources Research Act of 1984; and H.R. 4435, to clarify certain boundaries on the map relating to Unit NCO1 of the Coastal Barrier Resources System, 11 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

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10 a.m., Wednesday, May 24

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