

## *Committee Meetings*

### COMMERCE, JUSTICE, STATE AND JUDICIARY APPROPRIATIONS

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, State and Judiciary held a hearing on the DEA. Testimony was heard from Donnie Marshall, Administrator, DEA, Department of Justice.

### DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA APPROPRIATIONS

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on District of Columbia held a hearing on Housing and Environment Issues. Testimony was heard from Thomas Voltaggio, Acting Regional Administrator, Region III, EPA; Thomas S. Elias, Director, U. S. National Arboretum, USDA; the following officials of the District of Columbia: Michael Kelly, Director, Housing Authority; Eric Price, Deputy Mayor, Planning and Economic Development; Jerry N. Johnson, General Manager, Water and Sewer Authority; James L. Wareck, Special Assistant to the Mayor, Environmental Affairs; and Theodore J. Gordon, Director, Environmental Health; and Jay Fiset, member, Board of Directors, Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments, and Chairman, Arlington County Board, State of Virginia.

### FOREIGN OPERATIONS APPROPRIATIONS

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Foreign Operations, Export Financing and Related Programs held a hearing on AID Administrator. Testimony was heard from Andrew S. Natsios, Administrator, AID, Department of State

### LABOR-HHS-EDUCATION APPROPRIATIONS

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services and Education held a hearing on NIH Health Budget (Research Infrastructure), and on the NLRB. Testimony was heard from Ruth L. Kirschstein, M.D., Acting Director; NIH, Department of Health and Human Services; and John C. Truesdale, Chairman, NLRB.

### VA, HUD APPROPRIATIONS

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on VA, HUD and Independent Agencies held a hearing on FEMA. Testimony was heard from Joe M. Allbaugh, Director, FEMA.

### TRICARE MANAGED CARE

*Committee on Armed Services:* Subcommittee on Military Personnel held a hearing on lessons learned from the current version of the TRICARE managed care support contracts and recommendations for the design of the next round of contracts. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department

of Defense: Maj. Gen. Lee Rodgers, USAF, Commander, 59th Medical Wing, Lackland Air Force Base; Brig. Gen. Kenneth Farmer, USA, Commander, Western Regional Medical Command, Michigan Army Medical Center; and Rear Adm. Kathleen L. Martin, USN, Commander, National Naval Medical Center; Stephen P. Backhus, Director, Veterans' Affairs and Military Health Care Issues, GAO; and public witnesses.

### DOD NETWORKS—EXAMINING VULNERABILITIES

*Committee on Armed Services:* Subcommittee on Readiness held a hearing on examining vulnerabilities of Department of Defense networks. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Defense: Linton Well, II, Acting Assistant Secretary (Command, Control, Communications and Intelligence); Brig. Gen. Dale W. Meyerrose, USAF, Director, Command Control Systems, Headquarters, U.S. Space Command and North American Aerospace Defense Command and Director, Communications and Information, Headquarters, Air Force Space Command, Department of the Air Force; Maj. Gen. James Bryan, USMC, Commander, Joint Task Force on Computer Network Operations (JTF/CNO), Headquarters, U.S. Marine Corps; Lt. Gen. Peter Cuvillo, USA, Director, Information Systems for Command, Control, Communications and Computers and Chief Information Officer, Department of the Army; Vice Ad. Richard Mayo, USN, Director, Space Information Warfare Command and Control, Department of the Navy; Lt. Gen. John L. Woodward, USAF, Director, Command, Control, Communications, and Computer Systems, Department of the Air Force; and Brig. Gen. Robert M. Shea, USMC, Director, Command, Control, Communications and Computers, Headquarters, U.S. Marine Corps.

### SMALL BUSINESS LIABILITY PROTECTION ACT

*Committee on Energy and Commerce:* Ordered reported H.R. 1831, Small Business Liability Protection Act.

### COMMUNICATIONS ACT—INCREASE PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS

*Committee on Energy and Commerce:* Subcommittee on Telecommunications and the Internet held a hearing on H.R. 1765, to increase penalties for common violations of the Communications Act of 1934. Testimony was heard from David H. Solomon, Chief, Enforcement Bureau, FCC; and public witnesses.

### FAIR DISCLOSURE OR FLAWED DISCLOSURE

*Committee on Financial Services,* Subcommittee on Capital Markets, Government Sponsored Enterprises, and

Insurance held a hearing entitled “Fair Disclosure or Flawed Disclosure: Is Reg FD helping or hurting investors?” Testimony was heard from the following officials of the SEC: Laura S. Unger, Acting Chairman; and Isaac C. Hunt, Jr., Commissioner; and public witnesses.

#### **PRESIDENTIAL ARCHIVAL DEPOSITORY—DISCLOSE SOURCES AND AMOUNTS OF FUNDS RAISED**

*Committee on Government Reform:* Ordered reported, as amended, H.R. 577, to require any organization that is established for the purpose of raising funds for the creation of a Presidential archival depository to disclose the sources and amounts of any funds raised.

#### **RULE OF LAW ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS**

*Committee on Government Reform:* Subcommittee on National Security, Veterans Affairs, and International Relations held a hearing on “Rule of Law Assistance Programs: Limited Impact, Limited Sustainability.” Testimony was heard from Jess T. Ford, Associate Director, National Security and International Affairs Division, GAO; the following officials of the Department of State: Daniel Rosenblum, Deputy Coordinator, U.S. Assistance to the New Independent States; Viviann Gary, Director, Office of Democracy and Governance, Europe and Eurasia Bureau, AID; and Peter Prahar, Deputy Director, Office of Asian, African, and European NIS Programs, Bureau of International Narcotics and Law Enforcement; Bruce Swartz, Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division, Department of Justice; and Pamela Hicks, Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary, Law Enforcement, Department of the Treasury.

#### **VOTING TECHNOLOGY**

*Committee on House Administration:* Held a hearing on Voting Technology. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

#### **CONGO—HUMANITARIAN CRISIS**

*Committee on International Relations:* Subcommittee on International Operations and Human Rights held a hearing on Suffering and Despair: Humanitarian Crisis in the Congo. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

#### **OVERSIGHT—MUSIC ON THE INTERNET**

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on the Courts, the Internet, and Intellectual Property held an oversight hearing on “Music On The Internet.” Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

#### **MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES**

*Committee on Resources:* Subcommittee on National Parks, Recreation, and Public Lands approved for

full Committee action, as amended, the following bills: H.R. 1161, to authorize the American Friends of the Czech Republic to establish a memorial to honor Tomas G. Masaryk in the District of Columbia; and H.R. 1384, Navajo Long Walk National Historic Trail Act.

#### **DOE—OFFICE OF SCIENCE**

*Committee on Science:* Subcommittee on Energy held a hearing on the Department of Energy Office of Science Issues and Opportunities. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory: Charles V. Shank, Director; and T. James Symons, Chair, DOE/NSF Nuclear Science Advisory Committee, National Sciences Division; and public witnesses.

#### **EPA—ESTABLISH POSITION; EPA—SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY BUDGET REQUEST**

*Committee on Science:* Subcommittee on Environment, Technology, and Standards approved for full Committee, as amended, H.R. 64, to provide for the establishment of the position of Deputy Administrator for Science and Technology of the Environmental Protection Agency.

The Subcommittee also held a hearing on Science and Technology at the Environmental Protection Agency: The Fiscal Year Budget Request. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the EPA: Henry Longest, Acting Assistant Administrator, Office of Research and Development; and W. Randall Seeker, member, EPA’s Science Advisory Board’s Research Strategies Advisory Committee; and Ron Hammerschmidt, Director, Division of Environment, Department of Health and the Environment, State of Kansas.

#### **ACCESS TO CAPITAL**

*Committee on Small Business:* Held a hearing on Access to Capital. Testimony was heard from Roger W. Ferguson, Jr., Vice Chairman, Board of Governors, Federal Reserve System; and public witnesses.

#### **RURAL AMERICA—ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

*Committee on Small Business:* Subcommittee on Regulatory Reform and Oversight and the Subcommittee on Rural Enterprises, Agriculture and Technology held a joint hearing on Economic Development in Rural America—Small Business Access to Broadband. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

#### **SOCIAL SECURITY’S PROCESSING ATTORNEY FEES**

*Committee on Ways and Means:* Subcommittee on Social Security held a hearing on Social Security’s Processing of Attorney Fees. Testimony was heard from

William C. Taylor, Deputy Associate Commissioner, Office of Hearings and Appeals, SSA; Barbara D. Bovbjerg, Director, Education, Workforce and Income Security Issues; and public witnesses.

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### COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY, MAY 18, 2001

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

#### Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

#### House

No Committee hearings are scheduled.

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### CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of May 21 through May 26, 2001

#### Senate Chamber

On *Monday*, Senate will resume consideration of H.R. 1836, Economic Growth and Tax Relief Reconciliation Act, with votes on pending amendments and final passage of the bill to occur beginning at 6 p.m.

During the remainder of the week, Senate will resume consideration of S. 1, Elementary and Secondary Education Act Authorization, and may consider any other cleared legislative and executive business.

#### Senate Committees

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

*Committee on Appropriations:* May 23, Subcommittee on Defense, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2002 for the Department of Defense and related programs, 9:30 a.m., SD-192.

May 23, Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2002 for the National Institutes of Health, Department of Health and Human Services, 9:30 a.m., SH-216.

May 23, Subcommittee on Foreign Operations, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2002 for international financial institutions, 10 a.m., SD-138.

May 24, Subcommittee on Legislative Branch, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2002 for the Secretary of the Senate and the Architect of the Capitol, 10 a.m., SD-124.

May 24, Subcommittee on Transportation, to hold hearings to examine transportation safety issues and Coast Guard modernization proposals, 10 a.m., SD-192.

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* May 22, Subcommittee on Economic Policy, to hold hearings to examine the reverse wealth effect, focusing on consumer confidence with regard to market losses, 10 a.m., SD-538.

May 24, Subcommittee on Securities and Investment, to hold hearings on the implementation and future of decimalized markets, 10 a.m., SD-538.

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* May 22, to hold hearings to examine issues surrounding Amtrak, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

May 22, Subcommittee on Consumer Affairs, Foreign Commerce, and Tourism, to hold hearings to examine prescription drug advertising, 2:30 p.m., SR-253.

May 23, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine issues relating to the boxing industry, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

May 23, Subcommittee on Science, Technology, and Space, to hold hearings to examine issues relating to carbon sequestration, 2 p.m., SR-253.

May 24, Full Committee, business meeting to consider pending calendar business, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* May 23, to hold hearings on the Administration's proposed national energy policy report, 9:30 a.m., SD-366.

*Committee on Environment and Public Works:* May 23, business meeting to consider pending calendar business, 9:30 a.m., SD-628.

May 23, Subcommittee on Fisheries, Wildlife, and Water, to hold hearings to examine the Environmental Protection Agency's support of water and wastewater infrastructure, 10 a.m., SD-628.

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* May 22, to hold hearings on the nomination of Lorne W. Craner, of Virginia, to be Assistant Secretary for Democracy, Human Rights, and Labor, the nomination of Ruth A. Davis, of Georgia, to be Director General of the Foreign Service, the nomination of Carl W. Ford, Jr., of Arkansas, to be Assistant Secretary for Intelligence and Research, and the nomination of Paul Vincent Kelly, of Virginia, to be Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, all of the Department of State, 2 p.m., SD-419.

May 24, Full Committee, business meeting to consider pending calendar business, 10:30 a.m., SD-419.

*Committee on Governmental Affairs:* May 22, to hold hearings on the nomination of Erik Patrick Christian and the nomination of Maurice A. Ross, each to be an Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia, 9 a.m., SD-342.

May 23, Full Committee, business meeting to consider certain nominations, 10 a.m., SD-342.

May 24, Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations, to hold hearings to examine alleged problems in the tissue industry, such as claims of excessive charges and profit making within the industry, problems in obtaining appropriate informed consent from donor families, issues related to quality control in processing tissue, and whether current regulatory efforts are adequate to ensure the safety of human tissue transplants, 9:30 a.m., SD-342.

*Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:* May 22, to hold hearings to examine certain issues surrounding retiree health insurance, 9:30 a.m., SD-430.

May 23, Subcommittee on Public Health, to hold hearings to examine issues surrounding human subject protection, 9:30 a.m., SD-430.