

entrepreneurship development program (H. Rept. 107–212);

H.R. 1860, to reauthorize the Small Business Technology Transfer Program, amended (H. Rept. 107–213, Pt. 1); and

H. Res. 244, providing for consideration of H.R. 2926, to preserve the continued viability of the United States air transportation system (H. Rept. 107–214).  
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**Military Construction, Family Housing, and Base Realignment Appropriations:** The House passed H.R. 2904, making appropriations for military construction, family housing, and base realignment and closure for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2002 by a yea-and-nay vote of 401 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 344.  
**Pages H5868–75**

Earlier, agreed to consider the bill by unanimous consent order.  
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**Recess:** The House recessed at 9:58 a.m. and reconvened at 5:44 p.m.  
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**Air Transportation System Stabilization Act:** The House passed H.R. 2926, to preserve the continued viability of the United States air transportation system by a yea-and-nay vote of 356 yeas to 54 nays with 2 voting “present”, Roll No. 348.  
**Pages H5894–H5918**

Rejected the DeFazio motion that sought to recommit the bill to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure with instructions to report it back to the House with amendments that require air carriers to provide health insurance for 18 months to laid off airline employees and requires the FAA to conduct security screening of air passengers and property at airports by a yea-and-nay vote of 174 yeas to 239 nays, Roll No. 347.  
**Pages H5915–18**

The House agreed to H. Res. 244, the rule that provided for consideration of the bill by a yea-and-nay vote of 285 yeas to 130 nays, Roll No. 346. Earlier, the House agreed to H.Res. 242, the rule providing for same day consideration of this rule by a yea-and-nay vote of 303 yeas to 107 nays, Roll No. 345.  
**Pages H5875–83, H5884–93**

**Legislative Program:** The Majority Leader announced the legislative program for the week of Sept. 24, 2001.  
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**Meeting Hour Monday, Sept. 24:** Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 12:30 p.m. on Monday, Sept. 24 for morning hour debate.  
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**Calendar Wednesday:** Agreed to dispense with the Calendar Wednesday business of Wednesday, Sept. 26.  
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**Senate Messages:** Message received from the Senate today appears on pages H5918–19.

**Amendments:** Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appears on page H5929.

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** Five yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appears on pages H5875, H5883, H5893, H5917–18, and H5918. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 9 a.m. and adjourned at 11:56 p.m.

## Committee Meetings

### MEDICARE DRUG REIMBURSEMENTS

*Committee on Energy and Commerce:* Subcommittee on Health and the Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a joint hearing entitled “Medicare Drug Reimbursements: A Broken System for Patients and Taxpayers.” Testimony was heard from William J. Scanlon, Director, Health Care Issues, GAO; the following officials of the Department of Health and Human Services: George Grob, Deputy Inspector General; Thomas A. Scully, Administrator, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services; and Ezekiel Emanuel, Chief, Clinical Bioethics Department, Warren G. Magnuson Clinical Center, NIH; and public witnesses.

### MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

*Committee on Financial Services:* Subcommittee on International Monetary Policy and Trade approved for full Committee action, as amended the following bills: H.R. 2604, to authorize the United States to participate in and contribute to the seventh replenishment of the resources of the Asian Development Fund and the fifth replenishment of the resources of the International Fund for Agricultural Development, and to set forth additional policies of the United States towards the African Development Bank, the Inter-American Development Bank, and the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development; and H.R. 2871, Export-Import Reauthorization Act of 2001.

### CRIMINAL JUSTICE COORDINATING COUNCIL RESTRUCTURING ACT; MASS TRANSIT—NATIONAL CAPITAL REGION

*Committee on Government Reform,* Subcommittee on the District of Columbia approved for full Committee action, as amended, H.R. 2305, Criminal Justice Coordinating Council Restructuring Act of 2001.

The Subcommittee also held a hearing on “Mass Transit in the National Capital Region: Meeting Future Capital Needs.” Testimony was heard from JayHetta Hecher, Director, Physical Infrastructure

Issues, GAO; from the following officials of the Department of Transportation: Jennifer L. Dorn, Administrator, Federal Transit Administration; and Phil Mendelson, Vice-Chairman, National Capital Region, Transportation Planning Board; the following officials of the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority: Decatur Trotter, Chairman, Board of Directors; and Richard A. White, General Manager; and Donna Sorokin, member, Access Board. .

### CREATING A NEW EPA DEPARTMENT

*Committee on Government Reform:* Subcommittee on Energy Policy, Natural Resources and Regulatory Affairs held a hearing on "Creating a New EPA Department." Testimony was heard from Representatives Boehlert, Horn, Ehlers; and public witnesses.

### AIR TRANSPORTATION SAFETY AND SYSTEM STABILIZATION ACT

*Committee on Rules:* The Committee granted, by voice vote, a closed rule waiving all points of order against consideration of H.R. 2926, Air Transportation Safety and System Stabilization Act. The rule provides one hour of debate in the House equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Chairman Young and Representatives LaTourette, Graves, Tiahrt, DeFazio, Hastings of Florida, Jackson-Lee of Texas, Stupak, Sherman and Wu.

### AVIATION SECURITY—FUTURE OF AVIATION INDUSTRY

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure:* Subcommittee on Aviation held a hearing on Aviation Security and the Future of the Aviation Industry. Testimony was heard from Gerald L. Dillingham, Director, Physical Infrastructure Issues, GAO; the following officials of the Department of Transportation: Kenneth M. Mead, Inspector General; and Jane F. Garvey, Administrator, FAA; and public witnesses.

Hearings continue September 25.

## Joint Meetings

### AVIATION SECURITY

*Joint Hearing:* On Thursday, September 20, Senate Committee on Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation concluded open and closed joint hearings with the House Committee on Appropriations' Subcommittee on Transportation to examine aviation security issues, focusing on aviation related computer systems, airport access controls, and passenger and carry-on baggage screening, including how the

United States and selected other countries differ in their screening practices, after receiving testimony from Norman Y. Mineta, Secretary, Jane F. Garvey, Administrator, Federal Aviation Administration, Kenneth M. Mead, Inspector General, and Michael P. Jackson, Deputy Secretary, all of the Department of Transportation; Gerald L. Dillingham, Director, Physical Infrastructure Issues, General Accounting Office; and Hank Queen, Boeing Company, Seattle, Washington.

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## CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of September 24 through 29, 2001

### Senate Chamber

On *Monday*, at 12 noon, Senate will consider H.R. 2603, United States-Jordan Free Trade Area Implementation Act. Also, at 2 p.m., Senate will consider the nomination of Kirk Van Tine, of Virginia, to be General Counsel of the Department of Transportation, with a vote on confirmation of the nomination to occur thereon; following which, Senate will resume consideration of S. 1438, Department of Defense Authorization.

During the balance of the week, Senate may consider any other cleared legislative and executive business, including appropriation bills when available.

### Senate Committees

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

*Special Committee on Aging:* September 24, to hold hearings to examine long-term care challenges and solutions relating to the aging and disability communities, focusing on the relationships between public-private and local-state-federal relationships for new service models, 1 p.m., SD-106.

*Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry:* September 26, to hold hearings to examine Administration's perspective with regard to the new federal farm bill; immediately following, a hearing on the nominations of Elsa A. Murano, of Texas, to be Under Secretary for Food Safety, and Edward R. McPherson, of Texas, to be Chief Financial Officer, both of Department of Agriculture, 9 a.m., SD-106.

*Committee on Appropriations:* September 25, business meeting to mark up proposed legislation making appropriations for military construction, family housing, and base realignment and closure for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2002, and proposed legislation making appropriations for the government of the District of Columbia and other activities chargeable in whole or in part against the revenues of said District for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2002, 2 p.m., S-128, Capitol.

*Committee on Armed Services:* September 25, to hold hearings to examine the nomination of the following named officer for appointment in the United States Air Force to