

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

House Committees ordered reported the DOT Kids Implementation and Efficiency Act of 2002 and the Immigration Reform and Accountability Act of 2002.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S2425–S2505

Measures Introduced: Eight bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2081–2088, and S. Res. 234–235. **Pages S2484–85**

Measures Passed:

Commending Capitol Hill Community: Senate agreed to S. Res. 187, commending the staffs of Members of Congress, the Capitol Police, the Office of the Attending Physician, and other members of the Capitol Hill community for their courage and professionalism following the release of anthrax in Senator Daschle's office. **Page S2504**

Energy Policy Act: Senate continued consideration of S. 517, to authorize funding for the Department of Energy to enhance its mission areas through technology transfer and partnerships for fiscal years 2002 through 2006, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto:

Pages S2425–43, S2447–51, S2452–65

Adopted:

Dorgan/Murkowski Amendment No. 3087 (to Amendment No. 2917), to provide technical assistance to States to identify areas with greatest energy resource potential and maximize energy efficiency.

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Bingaman (for Conrad) Amendment No. 3088 (to Amendment No. 2917), to direct the Secretary of Energy to conduct an assessment of wind energy resources and transmission capacity for wind energy.

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Bingaman (for Kennedy) Amendment No. 3098 (to Amendment No. 2917), to require a National Academy of Sciences Study of renewable resources on the Outer Continental Shelf. **Pages S2461–63**

Bingaman (for Kerry) Amendment No. 3099 (to Amendment No. 2917), to promote energy efficiency in small businesses. **Pages S2461–63**

Bingaman (for Wellstone) Amendment No. 3100 (to Amendment No. 2917), to include units of local government in the energy efficiency pilot program. **Pages S2461–63**

Bingaman (for Conrad) Amendment No. 3101 (to Amendment No. 2917), to set a funding goal of \$100 million for research and development on wind power. **Pages S2461–63**

Bingaman Amendment No. 3102 (to Amendment No. 2917), to clarify the requirement for the use of advanced meters in federal facilities. **Pages S2461–63**

Rejected:

By 32 yeas to 67 nays (Vote No. 62), Craig Amendment No. 3047 (to Amendment No. 2917), to provide for consumer protections and electric reliability. **Pages S2430–43, S2447–50**

Withdrawn:

Feinstein Modified Amendment No. 2989 (to Amendment No. 2917), to provide regulatory oversight over energy trading markets and metals trading markets. **Pages S2425, S2427–30**

Pending:

Daschle/Bingaman Further Modified Amendment No. 2917, in the nature of a substitute. **Pages S2425–43, S2447–51, S2452–65**

Kerry/McCain Amendment No. 2999 (to Amendment No. 2917), to provide for increased average fuel economy standards for passenger automobiles and light trucks. **Page S2425**

Dayton/Grassley Amendment No. 3008 (to Amendment No. 2917), to require that Federal agencies use ethanol-blended gasoline and biodiesel-blended diesel fuel in areas in which ethanol-blended gasoline and biodiesel-blended diesel fuel are available. **Page S2425**

Lott Amendment No. 3028 (to Amendment No. 2917), to provide for the fair treatment of Presidential judicial nominees. **Page S2425**

Landrieu/Kyl Amendment No. 3050 (to Amendment No. 2917), to increase the transfer capability of electric energy transmission systems through participant-funded investment. **Page S2425**

Graham Amendment No. 3070 (to Amendment No. 2917), to clarify the provisions relating to the Renewable Portfolio Standard. **Page S2425**

Schumer/Clinton Amendment No. 3093 (to Amendment no. 2917), to prohibit oil and gas drilling activity in Finger Lakes National Forest, New York. **Pages S2453–54, S2457–61**

Durbin Amendment No. 3094 (to Amendment No. 2917), to establish a Consumer Energy Commission to assess and provide recommendations regarding energy price spikes from the perspective of consumers. **Pages S2454–57**

Dayton Amendment No. 3097 (to Amendment No. 2917), to require additional findings for FERC approval of an electric utility merger. **Pages S2463–65**

During consideration of this measure today, Senate also took the following action:

By 48 yeas to 50 nays (Vote No. 61), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn not having voted in the affirmative, Senate rejected the motion to close further debate on Feinstein Modified Amendment No. 2989 (to Amendment No. 2917) (listed above). **Page S2429**

Reid Modified Amendment No. 3081 (to Amendment No. 2989), in the nature of a substitute fell, when Amendment No. 2989 (listed above) was withdrawn. **Pages S2425, S2430**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill at 10 a.m., on Thursday, April 11, 2002. **Page S2505**

Election Reform: Senate resumed consideration of S. 565, to establish the Commission on Voting Rights and Procedures to study and make recommendations regarding election technology, voting, and election administration, to establish a grant program under which the Office of Justice Programs and the Civil Rights Division of the Department of Justice shall provide assistance to States and localities in improving election technology and the administration of Federal elections, and to require States to meet uniform and nondiscriminatory election technology and administration requirements for the 2004 Federal elections, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto: **Pages S2465–77**

Adopted:

Dodd/McConnell Amendment No. 3104, to modify the requirements for voters who register by mail. **Pages S2466–68**

Dodd (for Wyden) Amendment No. 3105, to modify the requirements for individuals who register to vote by mail. **Pages S2466–68**

Dodd (for Rockefeller) Amendment No. 3106, to meet the needs of both military and civilian overseas voters by providing treatment more nearly equal to that of at-home voters. **Pages S2466–68**

McConnell (for Hatch) Amendment No. 3107, to establish the Advisory Committee on Electronic Voting and the Electoral Process, and to instruct the Attorney General to study the adequacy of existing electoral fraud statutes and penalties. **Page S2468**

McConnell (for Nickles) Amendment No. 3109, to provide for adequate technological security measures to prevent the unauthorized access of a certain computerized list. **Page S2471**

Dodd (for Levin) Amendment No. 3110, to permit voter information contained in a written affirmation to be used to verify the eligibility of an individual to vote in an election for Federal office, rather than the provisional ballot, for the purpose of determining whether that provisional ballot should be counted as a vote in that election. **Pages S2471–72**

McConnell (for Grassley) Amendment No. 3111, to permit States to coordinate the computerized statewide voter registration list with Federal records relating to death and identity. **Pages S2475–76**

McConnell (for Smith of NH) Amendment No. 3112, to provide for a study into the broadcasting of false election information. **Page S2476**

McConnell (for Thomas) Amendment No. 3113, to express the sense of the Senate regarding changes made to the electoral process and how such changes impact States. **Page S2476**

Withdrawn:

Clinton Amendment No. 2906, to establish a residual ballot performance benchmark. **Page S2465**

Dodd (for Schumer) Modified Amendment No. 2914, to permit the use of a signature or personal mark for the purpose of verifying the identity of voters who register by mail. **Page S2465**

Dodd (for Kennedy) Amendment No. 2916, to clarify the application of the safe harbor provisions. **Page S2465**

Hatch Amendment No. 2935, to establish the Advisory Committee on Electronic Voting and the Electoral Process, and to instruct the Attorney General to study the adequacy of existing electoral fraud statutes and penalties. **Page S2465**

Hatch Amendment No. 2936, to make the provisions of the Voting Rights Act of 1965 permanent. **Page S2465**

Smith (NH) Amendment No. 2933, to prohibit the broadcast of certain false and untimely information on Federal elections. **Page S2465**

Pending:

Roberts/McConnell Amendment No. 2907, to eliminate the administrative procedures of requiring election officials to notify voters by mail whether or not their individual vote was counted.

Pages S2468–69, S2472–75

Clinton Amendment No. 3108, to establish a residual ballot performance benchmark. Pages S2469–71

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the agreement of March 22 be modified to provide that all amendments remaining in order to the bill, first and any second degree, must be offered and debated during today's session; and that any votes ordered to occur with respect to these amendments be stacked to occur at a time to be determined by the two Leaders. Page S2503

A unanimous-consent-time agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill at 11:30 a.m., on Thursday, April 11, 2002, with votes to occur on or in relation to the pending amendments (listed above). Page S2505

Messages From the House: Page S2484

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Additional Statements: Pages S2483–84

Amendments Submitted: Pages S2491–S2503

Authority for Committees to Meet: Page S2503

Privilege of the Floor: Page S2503

Record Votes: Two record votes were taken today. (Total—62) Pages S2429, S2450

Adjournment: Senate met at 9:16 a.m., and adjourned at 8:24 p.m., until 10 a.m., on Thursday, April 11, 2002.

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

HOMELAND SECURITY

Committee on Appropriations: Committee held hearings to examine homeland security funding issues, focusing on federal funding support of state and local government security efforts, receiving testimony from Georgia Governor Roy E. Barnes, Atlanta, Michigan Governor John Engler, East Lansing, and Washington Governor Gary Locke, Olympia, all on behalf of the National Governors Association; Mayor Martin O'Malley, Baltimore, Maryland, on behalf of the United States Conference of Mayors; Mayor Michael Guido, Dearborn, Michigan, on behalf of the National League of Cities; Javier Gonzales, Santa Fe

County Commission, Santa Fe, New Mexico, on behalf of the National Association of Counties; Stephen Gale, University of Pennsylvania Political Science Department, Philadelphia; and Ashton B. Carter, Harvard University John F. Kennedy School of Government, Cambridge, Massachusetts.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Emerging Threats and Capabilities concluded hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 2003 for the Department of Defense, focusing on technology for combating terrorism and weapons of mass destruction, after receiving testimony from Ronald M. Sega, Director, Defense Research and Engineering, Dale Klein, Assistant to the Secretary for Nuclear, Chemical and Biological Defense Programs, and Stephen Younger, Director, Defense Threat Reduction Agency, all of the Department of Defense; John H. Marburger III, Director, Office of Science and Technology Policy; and Robert E. Waldron, Assistant Deputy Administrator for Nonproliferation Research and Engineering, National Nuclear Security Administration, Department of Energy.

DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Strategic concluded hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 2003 for the Department of Defense, focusing on the Department of Energy's Environmental Management program and the National Nuclear Security Administration's Defense Program and other weapons activities, after receiving testimony from Jessie H. Roberson, Assistant Secretary for Environmental Management, and Everet H. Beckner, Deputy Administrator for Defense Programs, and Ralph E. Erickson, Acting Associate Administrator for Facilities and Operations, both of the National Nuclear Security Administration, all of the Department of Energy.

SUPERFUND

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Subcommittee on Superfund, Toxics, Risks, and Waste Management concluded hearings to examine the current status of the Superfund Program, focusing on Superfund site cleanups including changes in projected sites, impact on communities, and shifts in the funding composition, after receiving testimony from Senator Nelson (FL); Marianne Lamont Horinko, Assistant Administrator, Office of Solid Waste and Emergency Response, Environmental Protection Agency; Norma Lopez-Reid, City Council of Montebello, Montebello, California; Robert Spiegel, Edison Wetlands Association, Inc., Edison, New Jersey; Grant Cope, U.S. Public Interest Research

Group, and Michael W. Steinberg, Morgan, Lewis, and Bockius, on behalf of the Superfund Settlements Project, both of Washington, D.C.; and Kenneth Cornell, AIG Environmental, New York, New York.

WELFARE REFORM

Committee on Finance: Committee resumed hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) Program, created by the Welfare Reform Law of 1996, focusing on proposed work requirement modifications, income and support for low-income working families, ongoing program performance standards, and increasing and improving the focus of State governments as reform implementers, receiving testimony from Cynthia M. Fagnoni, Managing Director, Education, Workforce, and Income Security Issues, General Accounting Office; Michigan Governor John Engler, East Lansing, and Vermont Governor Howard Dean, Montpelier, both on behalf of the National Governors Association; Lawrence M. Mead, New York University, New York, New York; Arlene McNamee, Catholic Social Services, Fall River, Massachusetts, on behalf of Catholic Charities USA; Steve Savner, Center for Law and Social Policy, Washington, D.C.; and Wendy Ardagna, Save-A-Lot, Ltd., Lindenhurst, Illinois, on behalf of the Welfare to Work Partnership.

Hearings recessed subject to call.

MUSEUM AND LIBRARY SERVICES ACT

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: Committee concluded hearings on proposed legisla-

tion authorizing funds for the Institute of Museum and Library Services Act, after receiving testimony from Robert S. Martin, Director, Institute of Museum and Library Services, National Foundation on the Arts and the Humanities; David Macksam, Cranston Public Library, Cranston, Rhode Island; and Joseph R. Phillips, Maine State Museum, Augusta, on behalf of the American Association of Museums.

INTELLIGENCE

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

Committee will meet again on Wednesday, April 17.

LONG-TERM CARE INSURANCE

Special Committee on Aging: Committee concluded hearings to examine long-term health care, focusing on eligibility, consumer protection and enrollment, and trends in employer and individual market policies, after receiving testimony from Frank D. Titus, Assistant Director for Long-Term Care, and Acting Associate Director for Retirement and Insurance, Office of Personnel Management; Bertram Scott, TIAA-CREF Life Insurance Company, New York, New York; Frolly Boyd, Aetna Life Insurance, Inc., Hartford, Connecticut, on behalf of the Americans for Long-Term Care Security; and Paul E. Forte, Long Term Care Partners, LLC, Charleston, Massachusetts.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Measures Introduced: 40 public bills, H.R. 4125–4164; 2 private bills, H.R. 4165–4166; and 7 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 371–373, and H. Res. 382–385, were introduced. **Pages H1199–1201**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 3784, to reauthorize the Museum and Library Services Act, amended (H. Rept. 107–395); and

H. Res. 386, providing for consideration of H.R. 3762, to amend title I of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 and the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide additional protections to participants and beneficiaries in individual account plans from excessive investment in employer securities and to promote the provision of retirement

investment advice to workers managing their retirement income assets, and to amend the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 to prohibit insider trades during any suspension of the ability of plan participants or beneficiaries to direct investment away from equity securities of the plan sponsor (H. Rept. 107–396).

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Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Sweeney to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

Page H1159

Digital Tech Corps Act: The House passed H.R. 3925, to establish an exchange program between the Federal Government and the private sector in order

to promote the development of expertise in information technology management by voice vote.

Pages H1163–80

Pursuant to the rule, the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Government Reform as modified by the amendments recommended by the Committee on the Judiciary now printed in the bill (H. Rept. 107–379, Parts I and II) was considered as original bill for the purpose of amendment.

Agreed To:

Tom Davis of Virginia amendment No. 1 printed in the Congressional Record of April 9 that clarifies that the training assignments are aimed at the management of complex technical projects, insures that small business concerns are represented in the training assignments, prohibits private sector participant organizations from charging employee costs to Federal contracts, and requires a report from the Office of Personnel Management on the information technology training programs available to Federal employees; and

Pages H1170–71

Velázquez amendment No. 2 printed in the Congressional Record of April 9 that sets aside at least 20 per cent of the private sector training assignments to small businesses.

Pages H1177–78

Rejected:

Waxman amendment No. 3 printed in the Congressional Record of April 9 that sought to prohibit any private sector executive from access to any trade secrets or any other nonpublic information which may be of commercial value to the executive's organization and establish a comprehensive training program for Federal information technology employees (rejected by a recorded vote of 204 ayes to 219 noes, Roll No. 83).

Pages H1171–77, H1179

Agreed to H. Res. 380, the rule that provided for consideration of the bill by voice vote.

Pages H1162–63

Suspension—Salt Lake City Olympic Winter Games: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass H. Res. 363, amended, congratulating the people of Utah, the Salt Lake organizing committee, and the athletes of the world for a successful and inspiring 2002 Olympic Winter Games (agreed to by a 2/3 yea-and-nay vote of 425 yeas with none voting nay, Roll No. 84). The measure was debated on April 9.

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Suspension Failed—Taxpayer Protection and IRS Accountability: The House failed to suspend the rules and pass H.R. 3991, amended, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to protect taxpayers and ensure accountability of the Internal Revenue Service (failed to agree by a 2/3 yea-and-nay vote of 205 yeas to 219 nays, Roll No. 85).

Pages H1180–81

Hector G. Godinez Post Office Building, Santa Ana California: The House passed H.R. 1366, to designate the United States Post Office building located at 3101 West Sunflower Avenue in Santa Ana, California, as the "Hector G. Godinez Post Office Building."

Pages H1181–83

Motion to Instruct Conferees on the Farm Security Act: Agreed to the Phelps motion to instruct House conferees on H.R. 2646, an act to provide for the continuation of agricultural programs through fiscal year 2011, to agree to the provisions contained in section 1071 of the Senate amendment, relating to re-enactment of the family farmer bankruptcy provisions contained in chapter 12 of title 11, United States Code by a yea-and-nay vote of 424 yeas to 2 nays, Roll No. 86.

Pages H1183–88

Service on Investigative Subcommittees: Read a letter from the Minority Leader wherein he designated Representatives Lewis of Georgia, Meek of Florida, and Tanner to serve on investigative subcommittees of the Committee on Standards of Official Conduct.

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Recess: The House recessed at 4:12 p.m. and reconvened at 9:22 p.m.

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Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on page H1202.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Three yea-and-nay votes and one recorded vote developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H1179, H1180, H1180–81, and H1187–88. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 9:23 p.m.

Committee Meetings

COMMERCE, JUSTICE, STATE AND JUDICIARY APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, State and Judiciary held a hearing on FTC. Testimony was heard from Timothy J. Muris, Chairman, FTC.

The Subcommittee also continued appropriation hearings. Testimony was heard from Members of Congress.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on the District of Columbia held a hearing on Public Safety/Emergency Preparedness/Courts. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the District of Columbia: Margret Kellems, Deputy Mayor, Public Safety and Justice; Charles H. Ramsey, Chief, Metropolitan Police Department; Ronnie Few, Chief, Fire

and Emergency Services Department; Peter LaPorte, Director, Emergency Management Agency; Rufus G. King III, Chief Judge, Superior Court; Olivia Golden, Director, Child and Family Services Agency; Mary Lou Leary, Principal Assistant, U.S. Attorney; and Arabella Teal, Principal Deputy, Corporation Counsel.

FOREIGN OPERATIONS APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Foreign Operations, Export Financing and Related Agencies held a hearing on U.S. Assistance to Colombia. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of State: Marc Grossman, Under Secretary, Political Affairs; and Adolfo Franco, Assistant Administrator, Latin America and Caribbean Affairs, AID and the following officials of the Department of Defense: Peter Rodman, Assistant Secretary, International Affairs; and Maj. Gen. Gary Speer, Acting Commander in Chief, U.S. Southern Command.

INTERIOR APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Interior held a hearing on National Park Service. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the National Park Service, Department of the Interior: Fran P. Mainella, Director; and John Trezise, Director, Office of the Budget.

The Subcommittee also held an oversight hearing on Forest Service and Bureau of Land Management-Fish Passage Barriers. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Forest Service, USDA: Peter A. Bisson, Research Fish Biologist, Pacific Northwest Research Station; and Tom Thompson, Deputy Chief, National Forest System.

LABOR-HHS-EDUCATION APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education held a hearing on Secretary of Education. Testimony was heard from Roderick R. Paige, Secretary of Education.

VA, HUD AND INDEPENDENT AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on VA, HUD and Independent Agencies continued appropriation hearings. Testimony was heard from Members of Congress.

U.S. MILITARY INSTALLATIONS AND FACILITIES

Committee on Armed Services, Subcommittee on Military Installations and Facilities held a hearing on force protection and long-term recapitalization of all U.S. military installations and facilities. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Depart-

ment of Defense: Raymond F. DuBois, Jr., Deputy Under Secretary (Installations and Environment); Maj. Gen. Robert L. Van Antwerp, Jr., USA, Assistant Chief of Staff (Installations Management), Department of the Army; Rear Adm. Christopher Cole, USN, Director, Ashore Readiness (N46), Deputy Chief of Naval Operations (Logistics), Department of the Navy; Maj. Gen. Earnest O. Robbins II, USAF, The Air Force Civil Engineer, Department of the Air Force; and Brig. Gen. Ronald S. Coleman, USMC, Assistant Deputy Commandant, Installations and Logistics (Facilities), Headquarters, U.S. Marine Corps.

DEFENSE HEALTH PROGRAM BUDGET REQUEST

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Military Personnel held a hearing on the fiscal year 2003 Defense Health Program budget request. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Defense: William L. Winkenwerder, Assistant Secretary (Health Affairs); Thomas Carrato, Executive Director, The TRICARE Management Activity; Lt. Gen. James B. Peake, USA, Surgeon General, Department of the Army; Vice Adm. Michael L. Cowan, USN, Surgeon General, Department of the Navy; and Lt. Gen. Paul K. Carlton, Jr., USAF, Surgeon General, Department of the Air Force; representatives of veterans organizations; and public witnesses.

DOL REPORTING SYSTEMS

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Subcommittee on Employer-Employee Relations and the Subcommittee on Workforce Protections held a joint hearing on "Record Keeping under the LMRDA: Do DOL Reporting Systems Benefit the Rank and File?" Testimony was heard from J. Cameron Findlay, Deputy Secretary, Department of Labor; and public witnesses.

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION— FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT STATUS

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Subcommittee on Select Education held a hearing on the "Status of Financial Management at the Department of Education." Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Education: William D. Hansen, Deputy Secretary; and Lorraine Lewis, Inspector General; and Linda Calbom, Director, Division of Financial Management and Assurance, GAO.

DOT KIDS IMPLEMENTATION AND EFFICIENCY ACT; COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Ordered reported, as amended, H.R. 3833, Dot Kids Implementation and Efficiency Act of 2002.

The Committee also approved pending Committee business.

HOUSING AFFORDABILITY FOR AMERICA ACT

Committee on Financial Services: Subcommittee on Housing and Community Opportunity held a hearing on H.R. 3995, Housing Affordability for America Act of 2002. Testimony was heard from Representative Sanders; and public witnesses.

Hearings continue April 16.

EMPOWERMENT ZONES AND RENEWAL COMMUNITIES—CURRENT STATUS

Committee on Financial Services: Subcommittee on Housing and Community Opportunity held a hearing to review the current status of empowerment zones and renewal communities. Testimony was heard from Representatives LoBiondo, Strickland and Capito; Ray Bernardi, Assistant Secretary, Community, Planning, and Development, Department of Housing and Urban Development; and public witnesses.

ENHANCING BORDER SECURITY AND LAW ENFORCEMENT

Committee on Government Reform: Subcommittee on Criminal Justice, Drug Policy, and Human Resources held a hearing on “Enhancing Border Security and Law Enforcement.” Testimony was heard from Bonni Tischler, Assistant Commissioner, Office of Field Operations, U.S. Customs Service, Department of the Treasury; and public witnesses.

IMMIGRATION REFORM AND ACCOUNTABILITY ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Ordered reported, as amended, H.R. 3231, Immigration Reform and Accountability Act of 2001.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Forests and Forest Health held a hearing on the following bills: H.R. 3962, Good Neighbor Act of 2002; H.R. 3954, Caribbean National Forest Wild and Scenic Rivers Act of 2002; and H.R. 3401, California Five Mile Regional Learning Center Transfer Act. Testimony was heard from Representatives Radanovich and Peterson of Pennsylvania, and Acevedo-Vilá; Elizabeth Estill, Deputy Chief, Programs and Legislation, Forest Service, USDA; and public witnesses.

BRIDGE CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Water and Power held a hearing on H.R. 2301, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to construct a bridge on Federal land west of and adjacent to Folsom Dam in

California. Testimony was heard from Mark A. Limbaugh, Director, External and Intergovernmental Affairs, Bureau of Reclamation, Department of the Interior; the following officials of the State of California: Jeffrey M. Starsky, Mayor, City of Folsom; and Roger Niello, Supervisor, County of Sacramento; and public witnesses.

PENSION SECURITY ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted by voice vote, a modified closed rule on H.R. 3762, Pension Security Act of 2002, providing two hours of debate in the House equally divided among and controlled by the chairmen and ranking minority members of the Committees on Education and the Workforce and Ways and Means. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule provides that in lieu of the amendment recommended by the Committee on Education and the Workforce now printed in the bill, the amendment in the nature of a substitute printed in part A of the Rules Committee report accompanying this resolution shall be considered as adopted. The rule waives all points of order against the bill, as amended. The rule makes in order the amendment printed in part B of the report, if offered by Representative George Miller of California or Representative Rangel of New York or a designee, which shall be considered as read, and shall be separately debatable for one hour equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent. The rule waives all points of order against the amendment printed in part B of the report. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Chairman Boehner and Representatives Gutknecht, Andrews, Tierney, Holt, and Cardin.

REGULATORY FLEXIBILITY ACT COMPLIANCE

Committee on Small Business: Held a hearing entitled “Can Improved Compliance with the Regulatory Flexibility Act Resuscitate Small Healthcare Providers?” Testimony was heard from Thomas Sullivan, Chief Counsel for Advocacy, SBA; and public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT—WATER RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT ACT PROPOSALS

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment held an oversight hearing on proposals for a Water Resources and Development Act of 2002. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

Hearings continue April 17.

VETERANS LEGISLATION

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Subcommittee on Health held a hearing on the following bills: H.R. 3253, National Medical Emergency Preparedness Act of 2001; and H.R. 3254 Medical Education for National Defense in the 21st Century Act. Testimony was heard from Leo S. Mackay, Jr., Deputy Secretary, Department of Veterans Affairs; Kevin Yeskey, M.D., Director, Bio-Terrorism Preparedness and Response Program, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Department of Health and Human Services; and public witnesses.

EXTRATERRITORIAL INCOME REGIME

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Select Revenue Measures held a hearing on Extraterritorial Income Regime. Testimony was heard from Barbara Angus, International Tax Counsel, Department of the Treasury; former Representatives Bill Archer of Texas and Sam M. Gibbons of Florida; and public witnesses.

Joint Meetings**FARM BILL**

Conferees met to resolve the differences between the Senate and House passed versions of H.R. 2646, to provide for the continuation of agricultural programs through fiscal year 2011, but did not complete action thereon, and will meet again tomorrow.

**COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY,
APRIL 11, 2002**

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Appropriations: to hold hearings to examine Homeland Security; hearings will continue at 10 a.m. and 2 p.m., SH-216.

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Personnel, to hold hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 2003 for the Department of Defense, focusing on military personnel benefits, 9:30 a.m., SR-232A.

Subcommittee on Strategic, to hold open and closed hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 2003 for the Department of Defense, focusing on the intelligence, surveillance, and reconnaissance programs of the Department of Defense (closed in S-407), 2:30 p.m., SR-222.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: to hold oversight hearings to examine proposals to improve the Housing Voucher Program, 2:30 p.m., SD-538.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Consumer Affairs, Foreign Commerce, and Tourism, to hold hearings to examine Enron's potential

role in electricity market manipulation and the subsequent effect on the western states, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: business meeting to consider pending calendar business, 10 a.m., SD-406.

Committee on Finance: to hold hearings to examine various improper and illegal tax avoidance schemes, including the use of credit/debit cards to access offshore bank accounts established to conceal taxable income, 10 a.m., SD-215.

Committee on Governmental Affairs: to hold hearings to examine proposed legislation that would establish a Department of National Homeland Security and a White House office to combat terrorism, 9 a.m., SD-342.

Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Paul A. Quander, Jr., of the District of Columbia, to be Director of the District of Columbia Offender Supervision, Defender, and Courts Services Agency, 3 p.m., SD-342.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: to hold hearings to examine issues related to health care for patients with the AIDS virus, 10:30 a.m., SD-106.

Committee on the Judiciary: business meeting to consider pending calendar business, 10 a.m., SD-226.

Full Committee, to hold hearings on judicial nominations, 2:30 p.m., SD-226.

United States Senate Caucus on International Narcotics Control: to hold hearings to examine the enforcement of the nation's drug enforcement laws, focusing on small towns' ability to face the challenge, 2:15 p.m., SD-419.

House

Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, State and Judiciary, on State Department Management, 10 a.m., H-309 Capitol.

Subcommittee on Interior, on U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 10 a.m., B-308 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, on Department of Education Panel: No Child Left Behind Implementation Issues, 9:45 a.m., 2358 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Transportation, on National Transportation Safety Board, 10 a.m., 2358 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on VA, HUD and Independent Agencies, on NSF, 9:30 a.m., H-143 Capitol.

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