

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 7:27 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Thursday, April 1, 2004. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S3515.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

APPROPRIATIONS: DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development concluded a hearing to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2005 for the Department of Energy's Office of Environmental Management, Office of Civilian Radioactive Waste Management, and Office of Environment, Safety and Health, after receiving testimony from Jessie Hill Roberson, Assistant Secretary for Environmental Management, Margaret Chu, Director, Civilian Radioactive Waste Management, and Beverly Cook, Assistant Secretary for Environment, Safety and Health, all of the Department of Energy.

APPROPRIATIONS: INTELLIGENCE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Defense concluded a closed hearing to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2005 for intelligence and world wide threat assessment, after receiving testimony from George Tenet, Director, Central Intelligence Agency.

APPROPRIATIONS: SAA/CAPITOL POLICE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Legislative Branch concluded hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2005 for the U.S. Capitol Police and the Senate Sergeant-at-Arms, after receiving testimony from Terrance W. Gainer, Chief, United States Capitol Police; and William H. Pickle, Senate Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper; and W. Wilson Livingood, Chairman, United States Capitol Police Board.

DEFENSE: AUTHORIZATION

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Personnel concluded a hearing to examine the Defense authorization request for fiscal year 2005, focusing on active and Reserve military and civilian personnel programs, after receiving testimony from Thomas F. Hall, Assistant Secretary of Defense for Reserve Affairs; Lieutenant General H. Steven Blum, ARNG, Chief, National Guard Bureau, Army National Guard; Lieutenant General Roger C. Schultz, ARNG, Director, Army National Guard; Lieutenant General Daniel James III, ANG, Director, Air National Guard; Lieutenant General James R. Helmly,

USAR, Chief, Army Reserve; Vice Admiral John G. Cotton, USNR, Chief, Naval Reserve; Lieutenant General Dennis M. McCarthy, USMCR, Commander, Marine Forces Reserve; and Lieutenant General James E. Sherrard III, USAFR, Chief, Air Force Reserve.

TANKER AIRCRAFT

Committee on Armed Services: Committee met in closed session to receive a briefing on the acquisition of the Boeing KC-767A tanker aircraft from Joseph E. Schmitz, Inspector General, Henry Kleinknecht, Program Director, Contract Audits, John F. Meling, Program Director, Acquisition Audits, Francis E. Reardon, Deputy Inspector General for Auditing, and David K. Steensma, Director, Contract Management Directorate, all of the Office of the Inspector General, Department of Defense.

MUTUAL FUND INDUSTRY

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee continued hearings to examine the current investigations and regulatory actions regarding the mutual fund industry, focusing on soft-dollar practices, after receiving testimony from Harold S. Bradley, American Century Investments, Kansas City, Missouri; Geoffrey I. Edelstein, Westcap Investors, Los Angeles, California, on behalf of Investment Counsel Association of America, Inc.; Howard M. Schilit, Center for Financial Research and Analysis, Rockville, Maryland; Grady G. Thomas, Jr., The Interstate Group, Division of Morgan Keegan and Company, Inc., Charlotte, North Carolina; and Benn Steil, Council on Foreign Relations, and Joseph M. Velli, The Bank of New York, both of New York, New York.

MUTUAL FUND INDUSTRY

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee continued a hearing to examine the current investigations and regulatory actions regarding the mutual fund industry, focusing on fund costs and distribution practices, receiving testimony from Senators Fitzgerald, Collins, Levin, and Akaka; Paul G. Haaga, Jr., Capital Research and Management Company, Los Angeles, California, on behalf of the Investment Company Institute; Mark Treanor, Wachovia Corporation, Charlotte, North Carolina, on behalf of the Financial Services Roundtable; Chet Helck, Raymond James Financial, Inc., St. Petersburg, Florida; Thomas O. Putnam, Fenimore Asset Management, Inc., Cobleskill, New York; and Edward A.H. Siedle, Benchmark Financial Services, Inc./Benchmark Companies, Ocean Ridge, Florida.

Committee recessed subject to the call.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Stephen L. Johnson, of Maryland, to be Deputy Administrator, Ann R. Klee, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Administrator, Charles Johnson, of Utah, to be Chief Financial Officer, who was introduced by Senator Bennett, and Benjamin Grumbles, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Administrator, all of the Environmental Protection Agency, and Gary Lee Visscher, of Maryland, to be a Member of the Chemical Safety and Hazard Investigation Board, after each nominee testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

NATION'S WATER RESOURCE NEEDS

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Subcommittee on Transportation and Infrastructure concluded a hearing to examine the role of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers in meeting the nation's water resource needs in the 21st century, including related provisions of the proposed Water Resources Development Act of 2004, after receiving testimony from former Representative John T. Myers, on behalf of the National Waterways Conference; John Paul Woodley, Jr., Assistant Secretary of the Army for Civil Works, and Lieutenant General Robert B. Flowers, Chief of Engineers, both of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers; Steve Levy, Office of the Suffolk County Executive, Hauppauge, New York; Michael A. Leone, American Association of Port Authorities, Alexandria, Virginia; William G. Howland, Lake Champlain Basin Program, Grand Isle, Vermont; Michael W. Cameron, The Nature Conservancy,

Reno, Nevada; Derrick Crandall, American Recreation Coalition, Dominic Izzo, American Society of Civil Engineers, Raymond J. Poupore, National Heavy and Highway Alliance, and Scott Faber Environmental Defense, all of Washington, D.C.; and Gregory A. Zlotnick, Santa Clara Valley Water District, San Jose, California.

NOMINATION

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nomination of Paul V. Applegarth, of Connecticut, to be Chief Executive Officer, Millennium Challenge Corporation, Department of State, after the nominee, who was introduced by Senator Schumer, testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

MADRID TERRORIST ATTACKS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on European Affairs concluded a hearing to examine the effects of the Madrid terrorist attacks on U.S. European cooperation in the war on terrorism, after receiving testimony from J. Cofer Black, Coordinator for Counterterrorism, Department of State; Robert Kagan, Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, Robin Niblett, Center for Strategic and International Studies, Philip H. Gordon, Brookings Institution, and James Dobbins, RAND Corporation, all of Washington D.C.

BUSINESS MEETING

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee met in closed session to consider pending intelligence matters.

Committee recessed subject to the call.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Measures Introduced: 22 public bills, H.R. 4077–4097; 4100; 2 private bills, H.R. 4098–4099; and 2 resolutions, H. Res. 590–591, were introduced.

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Additional Cosponsors:

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.Res. 592, waiving a requirement of clause 6(a) of rule XIII with respect to the same day consideration of certain resolutions reported by the Rules Committee (H.Rept. 108-455); and

H.Res. 593, providing for further consideration of H.R. 3550, to authorize funds for Federal-aid high-

ways, highway safety programs, and transit programs (H.Rept. 108-456).

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

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Chaplain: The prayer was offered today by Rev. Cynthia O. Baskin, Rector, St. James Episcopal Church in Potomac, Maryland.

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Committee Election: The House agreed to H. Res. 590, electing Representative Chandler to the Committees on Agriculture and International Relations.

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