

heard from Representatives Taylor of North Carolina; Dicks and Norton.

HOMELAND SECURITY APPROPRIATIONS FISCAL YEAR 2005

Committee on Rules: Granted, by a vote of 7 to 4, an open rule providing 1 hour of general debate on H.R. 4567, making appropriations for the Department of Homeland Security for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2005, equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropriations. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. Under the rules of the House the bill shall be read for amendment by paragraph. The rule waives points of order against provisions in the bill for failure to comply with clause 2 of rule XXI (prohibiting unauthorized appropriations or legislative provisions in an appropriations bill), except as specified in the resolution. The rule authorizes the Chair to accord priority in recognition to Members who have pre-printed their amendments in the Congressional Record. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Representatives Rogers, Manzullo, Obey, Sabo, DeLauro and Turner of Texas.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Science: Subcommittee on Energy approved for full Committee action the following bills: H.R. 3890, To reauthorize the Steel and Aluminum Energy Conservation and Technology Competitiveness Act of 1988; and H.R. 4516, Department of Energy High-End Computing Revitalization Act of 2004.

AIR TRAFFIC CONTROLLER WORKFORCE STATUS

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Aviation held an oversight hearing on The Status of the Air Traffic Controller Workforce. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Transportation: Marion Blakey, Administrator, FAA; and Alexis Stefani, Deputy Assistant Inspector General; JayEtta Z. Hecker, Director, Physical Infrastructure Team, GAO; and public witnesses.

TAX SIMPLIFICATION

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Oversight held a hearing on Tax Simplification. Testimony was heard from the following former Commissioners of IRS, Department of the Treasury;

Mortimer M. Caplin; Sheldon S. Cohen; Don C. Alexander; and Fred T. Goldberg; and public witnesses.

ENHANCING SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER PRIVACY

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Social Security held a hearing on Enhancing Social Security Number Privacy. Testimony was heard from J. Howard Beales III, Director, Bureau of Consumer Protection, FTC; Patrick P. O'Carroll, Acting Inspector General, SSA; Barbara Bovbjerg, Director, Education, Workforce, and Income Security, GAO; Lawrence E. Maxwell, Assistant Chief Inspector, Investigations and Security, United States Postal Inspection Service, United States Postal Service; and public witnesses.

BORDER SECURITY

Select Committee on Homeland Security: Subcommittee on Infrastructure and Border Security held a hearing entitled "Protecting the Homeland: Building a Layered and Coordinated Approach to Border Security." Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Homeland Security: Victor Cerda, Special Advisor to Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Immigration and Customs Enforcement; and Chief David Aguilar, Tuscan Sector Border Patrol Chief, Bureau of Customs and Border Protection; and public witnesses.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D557)

S. 2092, to address the participation of Taiwan in the World Health Organization. Signed on June 14, 2004. (Public Law 108-235)

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, JUNE 16, 2004

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Homeland Security, business meeting to mark up proposed legislation making appropriations for the Department of Homeland Security for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2005, 10 a.m., SD-124.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: to hold hearings to examine S. 2281, to provide a clear and

unambiguous structure for the jurisdictional and regulatory treatment for the offering or provision of voice-over-Internet-protocol applications, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: business meeting to consider pending calendar business, 11:30 a.m., SD-366.

Committee on Finance: to hold hearings to examine measures to strengthen regulations and oversight to better ensure agriculture financing integrity, 11 a.m., SD-215.

Committee on Foreign Relations: to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Charles P. Ries, of the District of Columbia, to be Ambassador to Greece, Tom C. Korologos, of the District of Columbia, to be Ambassador to Belgium, and John Marshall Evans, of the District of Columbia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Armenia, 2 p.m., SD-419.

Committee on Indian Affairs: business meeting to consider S.J. Res. 37, to acknowledge a long history of official depredations and ill-conceived policies by the United States Government regarding Indian Tribes and offer an apology to all Native Peoples on behalf of the United States; S. 297, to provide reforms and resources to the Bureau of Indian Affairs to improve the Federal acknowledgement process; S. 1529, to amend the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act to include provisions relating to the payment and administration of gaming fees; S. 1696, to amend the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act to provide further self-governance by Indian tribes; S. 1715, to amend the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act to provide further self-governance by Indian tribes; S. 2172, to make technical amendments to the provisions of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act relating to contract support costs; and S. 2277, to amend the Act of November 2, 1966 (80 Stat. 1112), to allow binding arbitration clauses to be included in all contracts affecting the land within the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Reservation, and motion to authorize the chairman to issue subpoenas in regards to tribal lobbying matters; to be followed by an oversight hearing to examine the No Child Left Behind Act (Public Law 107-110), 10 a.m., SR-485.

Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine S. 1996, to enhance and provide to the Oglala Sioux Tribe and Angostura Irrigation Project certain benefits of the Pick-Sloan Missouri River basin program, 2 p.m., SR-485.

Committee on the Judiciary: to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Richard A. Griffin, of Michigan, and David W. McKeague, of Michigan, each to be a United States Circuit Judge for the Sixth Circuit, and Virginia Maria Hernandez Covington, to be United States District Judge for the Middle District of Florida, 10 a.m., SD-226.

House

Committee on Agriculture, hearing to review Iraqi Agriculture: From Oil for Food to the Future of Iraqi Production Agriculture and Trade, 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

Committee on Appropriations, to mark up the following appropriations for fiscal year 2005: Defense and Energy and Water Development, 10 a.m., 2359 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Legislative, to mark up the Legislative appropriations for fiscal year 2005, following full Committee markup, H-144 Capitol.

Subcommittee on Military Construction, on Army Budget Request, 2 p.m., B-300 Rayburn.

Committee on Armed Services, hearing on the status of U.S. forces in Iraq after June 30, 2004, 10 a.m., and a hearing on the report of the United States-China Economic and Security Review Commission, 2 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Committee on Education and the Workforce, hearing entitled "H.R. 4283, College Access and Opportunity Act: Are Students at Proprietary Institutions Treated Equitably under Current Law?" 10:30 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled "Parents Be Aware: Health Concerns about Dietary Supplements for Overweight Children," 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, Subcommittee on Housing and Community Opportunity, hearing on H.R. 4110, FHA Single Family Loan Limit Adjustment Act of 2004, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled "Oversight of the Department of the Treasury," 2 p.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Government Reform, Subcommittee on Government Efficiency and Financial Management, oversight hearing entitled "Private Sector Consultants and Federal Management: More than Balancing the Books," 2 p.m., 2247 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Human Rights and Wellness, hearing entitled "Living in Fear: The Continued Human Rights Abuses in Castro's Cuba," 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Technology, Information Policy, Intergovernmental Relations and the Census, hearing entitled "Locking Your Cyber Front Door—The Challenges Facing Home Users and Small Businesses," 2:30 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on International Relations, Subcommittee on Europe, hearing on U.S. Initiatives at NATO's Istanbul Summit, 1:30 p.m., 2200 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on International Terrorism, Non-proliferation and Human Rights, hearing on The Visa Waiver Program and the Screening of Potential Terrorists, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on the Middle East and Central Asia, hearing on The Future of U.S.-Egyptian Relations, 3 p.m., 2255 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 218, Law Enforcement Officers Safety Act of 2003; H.R. 3266, Faster and Smarter Funding for First Responders Act of 2003; H.R. 4518, Satellite Home Viewer Extension and Reauthorization Act of 2004; H.R. 338, Defense of Privacy Act; H.R. 3632, Anti-Counterfeiting Amendments of 2003; and H.R. 2934, Terrorist Penalties Enhancement Act of 2003, 10 a.m. 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Resources, hearing on H.R. 3589, To create the Office of Chief Financial Officer of the Government of the Virgin Islands, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Subcommittee on Fisheries Conservation, Wildlife and Oceans, oversight hearing on The Importance of Fishery Data Collection Programs, 2 p.m., 1324 Longworth.

Subcommittee on Water and Power, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 3334, Riverside-Corona Feeder Authorization Act; H.R. 3597, To authorize the Secretary of the Interior, through the Bureau of Reclamation, to conduct a feasibility study on the Alder Creek water storage and conservation project in El Dorado County, California; and H.R. 4045, To authorize the Secretary of the Interior to prepare a feasibility study with respect to the Mokelumne River, 2 p.m., 1334 Longworth.

Committee on Rules, Subcommittee on Technology and the House, hearing to examine Rule X, the Organization of Committees, including its current legislative impact, arrangement, and effectiveness, 1 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

Committee on Science, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 3890, To reauthorize the Steel and Aluminum Energy Conservation and Technology Competitiveness Act of 1988; and H.R. 4516, Department of Energy High-End Computing Revitalization Act of 2004; H.R. 4218, High-Performance Computing Revitalization Act of 2004; and H.R. 3598, Manufacturing Technology Competitiveness Act of 2004, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, Subcommittee on Highways, Transit, and Pipelines, oversight hearing on Pipeline Safety and the Office of Pipeline Safety, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs, Subcommittee on Benefits, hearing on the following: H.R. 4032, Veterans Fiduciary Act of 2004; and the Veterans Self-Employment Act of 2004, 11 a.m., 340 Cannon.

Committee on Ways and Means, hearing on the Implementation of the United States-Australia Free Trade Agreement, 10 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, executive, to mark up the Intelligence Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2005, 3 p.m., H-405 Capitol.

Joint Meetings

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe: to hold hearings to examine the April 2003 Berlin Conference on Anti-Semitism and consider appropriate steps to following up on the conference, 10 a.m., 334 CHOB.