

Health and Human Services; Karen Davis, The Commonwealth Fund, New York, New York; and Gail R. Wilensky, Project HOPE, Bethesda, Maryland.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Johnnie Carson, of Illinois, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Zimbabwe; Herman E. Gallegos of California, Lee C. Howley of Ohio, and Isabelle Leeds of New York, each to be an Alternate United States Representative to the 49th Session of the General Assembly of the United Nations; Jeanette W. Hyde, of North Carolina, to serve concurrently as Ambassador to Antigua and Barbuda, St. Kitts and Nevis, and Grenada; Bismarck Myrick, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Kingdom of Lesotho; Robert E. Rubin, of New York, to be U.S. Governor of the International Monetary Fund, U.S. Governor of the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development, U.S. Governor of the Inter-American Development Bank, U.S. Governor of the African Development Bank, U.S. Governor of the Asian Development Bank, U.S. Governor of the African Development Fund, and U.S. Governor of the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development; and Frank G. Wisner, of the District of Columbia, for the rank of Career Ambassador in recognition of especially distinguished service over a sustained period.

START II TREATY

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee held open and closed hearings on the Treaty Between the Unit-

ed States and the Russian Federation on Further Reduction and Limitation of Strategic Offensive Arms (the START II Treaty) signed at Moscow on January 3, 1993, including the following documents, which are integral parts thereof: the Elimination and Conversion Protocol; the Exhibitions and Inspections Protocol; and the Memorandum of Attribution (Treaty Doc. 103-1), receiving testimony from Douglas MacEachan, Deputy Director of Intelligence, Central Intelligence Agency; and other officials of the intelligence community.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

WELFARE REFORM

Committee on Labor and Human Resources: Committee held hearings to examine proposals to reform the welfare system, focusing on programs for children and their families, receiving testimony from William Waldman, New Jersey Department of Human Services, Trenton; Lawrence E. Townsend, Jr., Riverside County Department of Public Social Services, Riverside, California; Sara McLanahan, Princeton University, Princeton, New Jersey; Judith M. Gueron, Manpower Demonstration Research Corporation, New York, New York; Sarah Cardwell Shuptrine, Sarah Shuptrine and Associates, Columbia, South Carolina, on behalf of the Southern Institute on Children and Families; Janet Schalansky, Kansas Department of Social and Rehabilitative Services, and Gladys Marisette, both of Topeka, Kansas; and Kevin Phillips, Bethesda, Maryland.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Seventeen public bills, H.R. 1070-1086; one private bill, H.R. 1087; and one resolution, H.J. Res. 70, were introduced.

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed as follows:

H.R. 517, to amend title V of Public Law 96-550, designating the Chaco Culture Archaeological Protection Sites (H. Rept. 104-56);

H.R. 536, to extend indefinitely the authority of the Secretary of the Interior to collect a commercial operation fee in the Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area, amended (H. Rept. 104-57);

H.R. 606, to amend the Dayton Aviation Heritage Preservation Act of 1992 (H. Rept. 104-58);

H.R. 694, entitled the "Minor Boundary Adjustments and Miscellaneous Park Amendments Act of 1995," amended (H. Rept. 104-59);

H.R. 562, to modify the boundaries of Walnut Canyon National Monument in the State of Arizona, amended (H. Rept. 104-60); and

H. Res. 101, providing for the consideration of H.R. 925, to compensate owners of private property for the effect of certain regulatory restrictions (H. Rept. 104-61).

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Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designates Representative Dickey to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. Page H2309

Recess: House recessed at 10:17 a.m. and reconvened at 11:00 a.m. Page H2315

Veterans of Foreign Wars: House passed S. 257, to amend the charter of the Veterans of Foreign Wars to make eligible for membership those veterans that have served within the territorial limits of South Korea—clearing the measure for the President.

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Risk Assessment and Cost-Benefit Analysis: By a recorded vote of 286 ayes to 141 noes, Roll No. 183, the House passed H.R. 1022, to provide regulatory reform and to focus national economic resources on the greatest risks to human health, safety, and the environment through scientifically objective and unbiased risk assessments and through the consideration of costs and benefits in major rules.

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By a recorded vote of 174 ayes to 250 noes, Roll No. 182, the House rejected the Doggett motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Science with instructions to report it back forthwith containing an amendment that would exclude peer reviewers who have a potential financial interest in the outcome.

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Agreed To:

The Traficant amendment that defines the term “non-United States-based entity”;

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The Oxley amendment that directs the President, in considering national priorities, to consider priorities developed and submitted by State, local, and tribal governments;

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The Smith of Michigan amendment that makes existing Federal agency databases available to other Federal agencies, subject to applicable confidentiality requirements;

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The Hayes of Louisiana amendment that clarifies that certain provisions do not apply to section 404 of the Clean Water Act; and

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The Walker amendment that sets forth the standards for environmental cleanup plans that are likely to cost in excess of \$5 million.

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Rejected:

The Roemer amendment that sought to change provisions regarding judicial review of agency actions (rejected by a recorded vote of 192 ayes to 231 noes, Roll No. 177);

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The Markey amendment that sought to change the peer review guidelines established under the peer review program (rejected by a recorded vote of 177 ayes to 247 noes, Roll No. 178);

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The Barton of Texas amendment that sought to establish a petition process under which affected businesses, individuals or other parties could petition Federal agencies to review and revise existing regulations or programs affecting human health, safety, or the environment which have compliance costs exceeding \$25 million (rejected by a recorded vote of 206 ayes to 220 noes, Roll No. 179);

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The Boehlert amendment that sought to set forth new rules of construction for decision criteria (rejected by a recorded vote of 181 ayes to 238 noes, Roll No. 180); and

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The Brown of California amendment to the Walker amendment that sought to change the exceptions in which the coverage of this legislation would not apply (rejected by a recorded vote of 157 ayes to 263 noes, Roll No. 181).

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Congressional Budget Office: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he announced that on Wednesday, February 22, he and the President pro tempore of the Senate did jointly appoint Ms. June Ellenoff O’Neill as Director of the Congressional Budget Office, effective March 1, 1995, for the term of office beginning January 3, 1995.

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Committees To Sit: The following committees received permission to sit on Wednesday, March 1, during proceedings of the House under the 5-minute rule: Committees on Banking and Financial Services, Economic and Educational Opportunities, Government Reform and Oversight, House Oversight, International Relations, Transportation and Infrastructure, and Veterans’ Affairs.

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Meeting Hour: Agreed that the House will meet at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, March 1.

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Federal Agency Rulemaking: House agreed to H. Res. 100, providing for the consideration of H.R. 926, to promote regulatory flexibility and enhance public participation in Federal agency rulemaking.

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Amendments Ordered Printed: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on pages H2393–94.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Seven recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H2337, H2344–45, H2356, H2365–66, H2368–69, H2372, and H2372–73.

Adjournment: Met at 9:30 a.m. and adjourned at 11:25 p.m.

Committee Meetings

COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION AUTHORIZATION

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on Risk Management and Specialty Crops approved for full Committee action H.R. 618, to extend the authorization for appropriations for the Commodity Futures Trading Commission through fiscal year 2000.

Prior to this action, the Subcommittee held a hearing on this measure. Testimony was heard from Mary Schapiro, Chairman, Commodity Futures Trading Commission; and public witnesses.