

Tuesday, April 4, 1995

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S5087-S5160

Measures Introduced: Twelve bills and four resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 663-674, S. Res. 100-102, and S. Con. Res. 10. **Pages S5141-42**

Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows: S. 384, to require a report on United States support for Mexico during its debt crisis, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

Special Report entitled "Revised Allocation to Subcommittees of Budget Totals from the Concurrent Resolution for Fiscal Year 1995". (S. Rept. No. 104-26)

Special Report entitled "Activities of the Committee on Governmental Affairs". (S. Rept. No. 104-27)

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FEMA Supplemental Appropriations/Rescissions: Senate continued consideration of H.R. 1158, making emergency supplemental appropriations for additional disaster assistance and making rescissions for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1995, taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows:

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Pending:

Hatfield Amendment No. 420, in the nature of a substitute.

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D'Amato Amendment No. 427 (to Amendment No. 420), to require Congressional approval of aggregate annual assistance to any foreign entity using the Exchange Stabilization Fund established under section 5302 of title 31, United States Code, in an amount that exceeds \$5 billion.

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Murkowski/D'Amato Amendment No. 441 (to Amendment No. 427), of a perfecting nature.

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Daschle Amendment No. 445 (to Amendment No. 420), in the nature of a substitute.

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Dole (for Ashcroft) Amendment No. 446 (to Amendment No. 445), in the nature of a substitute.

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Wellstone Amendment No. 450, to express the sense of the Senate that before the Senate votes on block granting WIC to States the Senate Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry should in-

vestigate whether there is any improper food industry lobbyists' involvement in the transfer of WIC into State controlled block grants. **Pages S5101-13**

Dole/McConnell Modified Amendment No. 451 (to Amendment No. 450), to establish debt restructuring and debt relief for Jordan. **Pages S5104-08**

A motion was entered to close further debate on Hatfield Amendment No. 420, listed above and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on the cloture motion will occur on Thursday, April 6, 1995.

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Senate will resume consideration of the bill on Wednesday, April 5, 1995.

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Nancy Friedman Atlas, of Texas, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Texas.

John Garvan Murtha, of Vermont, to be United States District Judge for the District of Vermont.

George A. O'Toole, Jr., of Massachusetts, to be United States District Judge for the District of Massachusetts.

Leland M. Shurin, of Missouri, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Missouri.

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Measures Placed on Calendar: **Pages S5140, S5160**

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 7:33 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Wednesday, April 5, 1995. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's RECORD on page S5160.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

1995 FARM BILL

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: Committee resumed hearings on proposed legislation to strengthen and improve United States agricultural programs, focusing on the market effects of Federal farm policy, receiving testimony from Senators Feingold and Kohl; Bob Bergland, Roseau, Minnesota, former Secretary of Agriculture; Mark Feight, Smith Barney, Inc., Southfield, Michigan; David C. Lyons, Louis Dreyfus Corporation, Washington, D.C.; Martin E. Abel, Abel, Daft, Earley & Ward International, Alexandria, Virginia; Robert D. Wellington, Agri-Mark, Inc., Lawrence, Massachusetts; Robert Amstrup, Northwood, North Dakota; and Blake Hurst, Westboro, Missouri.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

APPROPRIATIONS—DEFENSE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Defense held hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1996 for the Department of Defense, focusing on Air Force programs, receiving testimony from Sheila E. Widnall, Secretary of the Air Force; and Gen. Ronald R. Fogleman, Chief of Air Force Staff.

Subcommittee will meet again on Thursday, April 6.

EDUCATION TECHNOLOGY

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education (and Related Agencies) held hearings to examine the role of technology in the American school system, receiving testimony from Madeleine Kunin, Deputy Secretary, Sharon P. Robinson, Assistant Secretary for Educational Research and Improvement, and Linda Roberts, Special Advisor for Education Technology, all of the Department of Education; Linda Morra, Director, Education and Employment Issues, General Accounting Office; Kathleen Fulton, Project Director, Office of Technology Assessment; Mississippi State Superintendent of Education Tom Burnham, Jackson; Jeanne Hayes, Quality Education Data, Denver, Colorado; Ann Miller, Eastman Kodak, Rochester, New York; Margaret G. Kelly, International Society for Technology in Education, San Marcos, California; Joan Miller, West Sylvan Middle School, Portland, Oregon; Beryl Jackson, PBS Mathline, Alexandria, Virginia; Gary Vance, Satellite Education Resources Consortium, Columbia, South Carolina; Walt Hindenlang and Ben Casados, both of the Hughes Electronics Galaxy Institute for Education, El Segundo, California; Carolyn Reid-Wallace, Corpora-

tion for Public Broadcasting, Washington, D.C.; and Joy Rouse, Parkway School District, St. Louis County, Missouri.

Subcommittee will meet again on Friday, April 28.

AUTHORIZATION—DEFENSE

Committee on Armed Services: Committee resumed hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 1996 for the Department of Defense and the future years defense program, focusing on Department of Energy national security issues, receiving testimony from Hazel R. O'Leary, Secretary of Energy.

Committee recessed subject to call.

AUTHORIZATION—DEFENSE

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Seapower held hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 1996 for the Department of Defense and the future years defense program, focusing on surface shipbuilding programs and the Department of the Navy's plans for modernization and recapitalization, receiving testimony from Nora Slatkin, Assistant Secretary of the Navy for Research, Development and Acquisition; and Vice Adm. T.J. Lopez, USN, Deputy Chief of Naval Operations for Resources, Warfare Requirements and Assessments.

Subcommittee recessed subject to call.

PRODUCT LIABILITY

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Consumer Affairs, Foreign Commerce, and Tourism concluded hearings on S. 565, to regulate interstate commerce by providing for a uniform product liability law, after receiving testimony from Representatives Mink and Bilbray; Alabama State Representative Steve Flowers, Troy; Phyllis Greenberger, Society for the Advancement of Women Health Research, Helen Kirsch, Reed, Smith, Shaw & McClay, representing the Coalition for Uniform Product Liability Law, Theodore B. Olsen, Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher, David Weiner, American Bar Association, and Jonathan Massey, all of Washington, D.C.; Lucinda Finley, University of Buffalo School of Law, Buffalo, New York; Gail Armstrong, National Breast Implant Coalition, Dallas, Texas; M. Stuart Madden, Pace University School of Law, White Plains, New York; Art Kroetch, Scotchman Industries, Inc., Phillip, South Dakota, representing the Association for Manufacturing Technology; Pete Van DePutte, Jr., Dixie Flag Company, San Antonio, Texas; Stephen Daniels, American Bar Foundation, Chicago, Illinois; and Peggy Phillips, Falls Church, Virginia.

NOMINATION

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Committee ordered favorably reported the nomination of Shirley Ann Jackson, of New Jersey, to be a Member of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

TRADE POLICY AGENDA

Committee on Finance: Committee held hearings to review the Administration's 1995 trade agenda and the 1994 Annual Report of the President of the United States on the Trade Agreements Program, receiving testimony from Michael Kantor, United States Trade Representative.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

WESTERN HEMISPHERE DRUG CONTROL STRATEGY

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on Western Hemisphere and Peace Corps Affairs held hearings to examine Western Hemisphere drug control strategy issues, receiving testimony from Robert S. Gelbard, Assistant Secretary of State for International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Affairs; Stephen H. Greene, Deputy Administrator, Drug Enforcement Administration, Department of Justice; Brian E. Sheridan, Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Drug Enforcement Policy and Support; and John P. Walters, New Citizenship Project, and William J. Olson, National Strategy Information Center, both of Washington, D.C.

Subcommittee recessed subject to call.

EARNED INCOME TAX CREDIT

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Committee held hearings to examine tax refund fraud, focusing on the earned income tax credit and the Internal Revenue Service's efforts to detect and prevent erroneous claims, receiving testimony from Margaret Milner Richardson, Commissioner, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury; Lynda D. Willis, Associate Director, Tax Policy and Administration Issues, General Government Division, General Accounting Office; Finn M.W. Caspersen, Beneficial Corporation, Peapack, New Jersey; Daniel B. Grunberg, Jackson Hewitt Tax Service, Virginia Beach, Virginia; Daniel A. Stein, Federation for American Im-

migration Reform, Washington, D.C.; and Richard M. Hersch, West Palm Beach, Florida.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

CIVIL JUSTICE REFORM

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded hearings on S. 671, to provide a fair and balanced resolution to the problem of multiple imposition of punitive damages, after receiving testimony from George L. Priest, Yale University Law School, New Haven, Connecticut; Theodore B. Olson, Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher, on behalf of the American Civil Justice Reform Group, and Victor E. Schwartz, Crowell & Moring, on behalf of the American Tort Reform Association, both of Washington, D.C.; and Stephen Daniels, American Bar Foundation, and Robert Creamer, Citizen Action, both of Chicago, Illinois.

SBA'S 8(A) PROGRAM

Committee on Small Business: Committee held hearings to examine Federal policies governing small, disadvantaged businesses and the success and problems associated with the Small Business Administration's 8(a) Minority Business Development Program, receiving testimony from Philip Lader, Administrator, Small Business Administration; Judy England-Joseph, Director, Housing and Community Development Issues, Resources, Community, and Economic Development Division, General Accounting Office; R. Noel Longuemare, Principal Deputy Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisitions and Technology; Steven Sims, National Minority Suppliers Development Council, and Arnold J. O'Donnell, O'Donnell Construction Company, on behalf of the Association of General Contractors; James B. Graham, FaxLand Corporation, Falls Church, Virginia; Santos F. Garza, Counter Technology, Inc., Bethesda, Maryland; Peter Homer, Jr., Systems Integration and Research, Inc., Arlington, Virginia, on behalf of the National Indian Business Association; Nancy E. Archuleta, Mevatec Corporation, Huntsville, Alabama, on behalf of the Latin American Management Association and the Council on Minority and Women-Owned Businesses; and Joshua I. Smith, MAXIMA Corporation, Lanham, Maryland.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Eleven public bills, H.R. 1383–1393; three private bills, H.R. 1394–1396; and two resolutions, H. Con. Res. 55–56, were introduced. Pages H4176–77

Reports Filed: One report was filed as follows: H. Res. 128, providing for consideration of H.R. 1215, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to strengthen the American family and create jobs (H. Rept. 104–100). Page H4176

Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designates Representative Foley to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. Page H4107

Recess: House recessed at 10:07 a.m. and reconvened at 11:00 a.m. Page H4111

Journal: By a yea-and-nay vote of 369 yeas to 36 nays, with 1 voting “present”, Roll No. 282, the House approved the Journal of Monday, April 3. Pages H4111–12

Committees To Sit: The following committees and their subcommittees received permission to sit today during proceedings of the House under the 5-minute rule: Committees on Agriculture, Banking and Financial Services, Economic and Educational Opportunities, Government Reform and Oversight, International Relations, National Security, Small Business, Transportation and Infrastructure, and the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence. Page H4112

Suspensions: House voted to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Truth in Lending Act moratorium: H.R. 1380, to provide a moratorium on certain class action lawsuits relating to the Truth in Lending Act; and Pages H4120–22

Sexual crimes against children: H.R. 1240, amended, to combat crime by enhancing the penalties for certain sexual crimes against children (passed by a yea-and-nay vote of 417 yeas, Roll No. 283). Pages H4122–25

Family Privacy Protection: By a recorded vote of 418 yeas to 7 noes, Roll No. 287, the House passed H.R. 1271, to provide protection for family privacy. Pages H4129–41

Agreed to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. Page H4141

Agreed to the Souder amendment en bloc that requires that written consent to be obtained before requesting a minor’s participation in a survey or questionnaire; removes the \$500 limit on monetary dam-

ages that an individual can claim; and removes the exemption from the requirement for tests intended to measure academic performance (agreed to by a recorded vote of 379 yeas to 46 noes, Roll No. 285). Pages H4130–37

Rejected the Dornan amendment en bloc that sought to prohibit any person to require or otherwise seek the response of a minor to a survey or questionnaire (rejected by a recorded vote of 131 yeas to 291 noes, Roll No. 286). Pages H4137–40

H. Res. 125, the rule under which the bill was considered was agreed to earlier by a yea-and-nay vote of 423 yeas to 1 nay, Roll No. 284. Pages H4125–29

Late Report: Conferees received permission to have until midnight tonight to file a conference report on H.R. 889, making emergency supplemental appropriations and rescissions to preserve and enhance the military readiness of the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1995. Page H4141

Bill Re-referral: The joint resolution, H.J. Res. 70, authorizing the Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity to establish a memorial to Martin Luther King, Jr., in the District of Columbia or its environs, originally referred to the Committee on House Oversight, was re-referred to the Committee on Resources. Page H4143

Committees To Sit: The following committees and their subcommittees received permission to sit on Wednesday, April 4, during proceedings of the House under the 5-minute rule: Banking and Financial Services, Commerce, Economic and Educational Opportunities, Government Reform and Oversight, House Oversight, International Relations, Judiciary, Resources, Small Business, and Transportation and Infrastructure. Page H4143

Senate Messages: Messages received from the Senate today appear on page H4112.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Three yea-and-nay votes and three recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H4111–12, H4124–25, H4128–29, H4136–37, H4140, and H4141. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: Met at 9:30 a.m. and adjourned at 9:09 p.m.

Committee Meetings

COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION AUTHORIZATION

Committee on Agriculture: Ordered reported H.R. 618, to extend the authorization for appropriations for the Commodity Futures Trading Commission through fiscal year 2000.

AGRICULTURE, RURAL DEVELOPMENT, FDA, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies continued appropriation hearings. Testimony was heard from Members of Congress and public witnesses.

COMMERCE, JUSTICE, STATE, AND JUDICIARY APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, State, and Judiciary (and Related Agencies) held a hearing on NOAA, SEC, and on the Commission on Civil Rights. Testimony was heard from D. James Baker, Under Secretary, Oceans and Atmosphere, Department of Commerce; Arthur Levitt, Jr., Chairman, SEC; and Mary Frances Berry, Chair, Commission on Civil Rights.

FOREIGN OPERATIONS APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Foreign Operations, Export Financing and Related Programs held a hearing on Security Assistance/State and DOD. Testimony was heard from Walt Slocomb, Under Secretary, Policy, Department of Defense; Lynn Davis, Under Secretary, Arms Control and International Security Affairs, Department of State.

INTERIOR APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Interior (and Related Agencies) held a hearing on Natural Resources. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

LABOR, HHS, AND EDUCATION APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education (and Related Agencies) held a hearing on Corporation for National and Community Service and Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service, Federal Mine Safety and Health Review Commission, National Commission on Libraries, and on the National Council on Disability. Testimony was heard from Eli J. Segal, Chairman and Executive Officer, Corporation for National and Community Service; John Calhoun Weils, Director, Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service;

Mary Lu Jordan, Chairman, Federal Mine Safety and Health Review Commission; Jeanne Hurley Simon, Chairperson, National Commission on Libraries; and Marcia Bristo, Chairperson, National Council on Disability.

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Military Construction met in executive session to hold a hearing on Arabian Gulf Construction Program. Testimony was heard from Gen. J.H. Binford Peay III, USA, Commander in Chief, Central Command, Department of Defense.

NATIONAL SECURITY APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on National Security held a hearing on Fiscal Year 1996/97 Navy/Marine Corps Budget Overview. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Defense: John H. Dalton, Secretary of the Navy; Adm. Jeremy M. Boorda, USN, Chief, Naval Operations; and Gen. Carl E. Mundy, Jr., USMC, Commandant of the Marine Corps.

VA, HUD, AND INDEPENDENT AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Veterans' Affairs and Housing and Urban Development, and Independent Agencies continue appropriation hearings. Testimony was heard from Members of Congress and public witnesses.

FINANCIAL SERVICES COMPETITIVENESS ACT

Committee on Banking and Financial Services: Continued hearings on the following: H.R. 1062, Financial Services Competitiveness Act of 1995; Glass-Steagall Reform; and related issues. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

MEDICAID; PROGRAM IN NEED OF REFORM

Committee on the Budget: Held a hearing on Medicaid: A Program in Need of Reform. Testimony was heard from June O'Neill, Director, CBO; Charles Bowsher, Comptroller General, GAO; Michael Mangano, Principal Deputy Inspector General, Department of Health and Human Services; and the following officials of the Department of Justice: Daniel Anderson, Assistant Attorney General, Director, Medicaid Fraud Control Unit; and Tom Kubic, Section Chief, White Collar Crime, FBI.

IDENTIFYING CONFLICTS AND INCONSISTENCIES IN WORKPLACE REGULATIONS

Committee on Economic and Educational Opportunities: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing on Identifying Conflicts and Inconsistencies in Workplace Regulations. Testimony was heard from Sally Katzen, Administrator, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, OMB; and public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on Human Resources and Intergovernmental Relations held an oversight hearing on the Department of Labor: Opportunities for Cost Savings. Testimony was heard from Charles Masten, Inspector General, Department of Labor; Clarence Crawford, Associate Director, Education and Employment Issues, GAO; and public witnesses.

FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION AUTHORIZATION

Committee on House Oversight: Ordered reported H.R. 1372, to authorize appropriations for the Federal Election Commission for fiscal year 1996.

Prior to this action, the Committee held a hearing on this measure. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the FEC: Danny Lee McDonald, Chairman; Lee Ann Elliott, Vice Chairman and Finance Committee Chairman; and John Warren McGarry, Commissioner; and public witnesses.

STATE DEPARTMENT REORGANIZATION

Committee on International Relations: Held a hearing on State Department Reorganization. Testimony was heard from Richard Moose, Under Secretary, Management, Department of State; J. Brian Atwood, Administrator, AID, U.S. International Development Cooperation Agency; John Holum, Director, U.S. Arms Control and Disarmament Agency; and Joseph Duffey, Director, U.S. Information Agency.

ADMINISTRATION'S INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS BUDGET REQUEST

Committee on International Relations: Held a hearing on the Administration's International Affairs Budget Request for Fiscal Year 1996. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION

Committee on National Security: Subcommittee on Military Installations and Facilities continued hearings on the fiscal year 1996 national defense authorization request, with emphasis on the quality of military family housing, barracks and dormitories on military

installations. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Defense: Joshua Gotbaum, Assistant Secretary, Economic Security; Brig. Gen. Robert L. Herndon, USA, Director, Facilities and Housing Directorate, Office of the Assistant Chief of Staff, Installation Management, Department of the Army; RAdm. Jack E. Buffington, USN, Commander, Naval Facilities Engineering Command, Department of the Navy; Brig Gen. Thomas A. Braaten, USMC, Director Facilities Services Division, Installations and Logistics Department, U.S. Marine Corps; Maj. Gen. James McCarthy, USAF, Air Force Civil Engineer, Department of the Air Force; Sgt. Maj. Richard Kidd, USA; Master Chief Petty Officer John Hagan, USN; Sgt. Maj. Harold G. Overstreet, USMC; and CMSgt. David J. Campanale, USAF.

DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION

Committee on National Security: Subcommittee on Military Personnel continued hearings on the fiscal year 1996 national defense authorization request, with emphasis on manning the force. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of the Army: Maj. Gen. Wallace C. Arnold, USA, Assistant Deputy Chief of Staff, Personnel; and Maj. Gen. Gerald Putman, USA, Assistant Deputy Chief of Staff, Operations and Plans, and public witnesses.

DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION

Committee on National Security: Subcommittee on Military Research and Development continued hearings on the fiscal year 1996 national defense authorization request, with emphasis on ballistic missile defense. Testimony was heard from Lt. Gen. Malcolm O'Neill, USA, Director, Ballistic Missile Defense Organization, Department of Defense.

THE CONTRACT WITH AMERICA TAX RELIEF ACT OF 1995

Committee on Rules: Granted, by a recorded vote of 9 to 4, a modified closed rule. The rule waives all points of order against the bill (see next paragraph for an explanation of known waivers needed). The rule provides four hours of general debate, with two-hours allocated to the Ways and Means Committee, and one-hour each to the Budget and Commerce committees. The rule makes in order the text of H.R. 1327, as modified by the amendment printed in the Committee report, as the base bill for amendment purposes. All points of order against the amendment are waived. The rule makes in order one amendment in the nature of a substitute by Representative Gephardt of Missouri which is non-amendable but subject to one hour of debate. All points of order are waived against the Gephardt

amendment. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit, with or without instructions.

Two Budget Act points of order lie against the bill: section 303(a) for revenue changes preempting the coming budget resolution for fiscal year 1996; and section 311(a) for breaching the five-year revenue floor. Those points of order would also lie against the amendment in the nature of a substitute made in order as base text as well as the Gephardt substitute. In addition, both substitutes require a waiver of clause 7 of rule XVI, germaneness, since they contain matters from unrelated bills to offset the revenue losses; and the base text substitute requires a waiver of clause 5(a) of rule XXI, prohibiting appropriations in a legislative bill, because of its disposition of the Uranium Enrichment Corporation appropriations. Because all three vehicles may have other vulnerabilities, the Committee waived all points of order out of caution.

SBA—OFFICE OF ADVOCACY

Committee on Small Business: Held a hearing on the Office of Advocacy of the SBA. Testimony was heard from Jere W. Glover, Chief Counsel for Advocacy, SBA; the following former Chief Counsels for Advocacy, SBA: Milton D. Stewart; Frank S. Swain; and Thomas P. Kerester; and public witnesses.

CLEAN WATER AMENDMENTS

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Began markup of H.R. 961, Clean Water Amendments of 1995.

Will continue tomorrow.

COVERT ACTION

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Met in executive session to hold a hearing on Covert Action. Testimony was heard from departmental witnesses.

Joint Meetings

EMERGENCY SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS

Conferees continued to resolve the differences between the Senate and House-passed versions of H.R. 889, making emergency supplemental appropriations and rescissions to preserve and enhance the military readiness of the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1995, but did not complete action thereon, and recessed subject to call.

GENOCIDE IN BOSNIA

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe (Helsinki Commission): Commission held hearings to examine the extent to which ethnic cleansing, destruction of cultural sites, and associated war crimes in Bosnia and Herzegovina and other parts of the

former Yugoslavia constitute genocide, receiving testimony from M. Cherif Bassiouni, DePaul University, Chicago, Illinois; Andras J. Riedlmayer, Harvard University, Cambridge, Massachusetts; Roy Gutman, Newsday, Alexandria, Virginia; and David Rieff, New York, New York.

Commission will meet again on Thursday, April 6.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, APRIL 5, 1995

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on VA, HUD, and Independent Agencies, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1996 for the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, 9:30 a.m., SD-192.

Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1996 for the Agricultural Research Service, Cooperative State Research, Education, and Extension Service, Economic Research Service, and the National Agricultural Statistics Service, all of the Department of Agriculture, 10 a.m., SD-138.

Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, State, and Judiciary, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1996 for the Immigration and Naturalization Service, and the Bureau of Prisons, both of the Department of Justice, 10 a.m., S-146, Capitol.

Subcommittee on Transportation, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1996 for the Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, 1:30 p.m., SD-138.

Committee on Armed Services, Subcommittee on Personnel, to resume hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 1996 for the Department of Defense and the future years defense program, focusing on the Department of Defense Quality of Life Programs, 9:30 a.m., SH-216.

Subcommittee on Airland Forces, to hold hearings on the future of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO), 2:30 p.m., SR-222.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, Subcommittee on Forests and Public Land Management, to hold oversight hearings on the U.S. Forest Service land management planning process, 9:30 a.m., SD-366.

Committee on Environment and Public Works, Subcommittee on Superfund, Waste Control, and Risk Assessment, to resume oversight hearings on the implementation of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (P.L. 102-426), 9:30 a.m., SD-406.

Committee on Finance, to hold hearings to examine various flat tax proposals, 9:30 a.m., SD-215.

Committee on Foreign Relations, Subcommittee on African Affairs, to hold joint hearings with the House Committee on International Relations' Subcommittee on African Affairs to examine the crisis in Rwanda and Burundi, 2 p.m., SR-325.

Committee on Governmental Affairs, to continue hearings on the earned income tax credit, 10 a.m., SD-342.

Committee on the Judiciary, business meeting, to mark up S. 343, to reform the Federal regulatory process, 10 a.m., SD-226.

Subcommittee on Antitrust, Business Rights, and Competition, business meeting, to mark up S. 627, to require the general application of the antitrust laws to major league baseball, 2 p.m., SD-226.

Committee on Labor and Human Resources, to hold hearings to examine activities of the Department of Health and Human Services' Food and Drug Administration, focusing on the future of American biomedical and food industries, 10 a.m., SD-430.

Committee on Indian Affairs, to hold hearings on providing direct funding through block grants to tribes to administer welfare and other social service programs, 9:30 a.m., SR-485.

Select Committee on Intelligence, to hold hearings to examine allegations of U.S. involvement in two murders in Guatemala, 10:30 a.m., SD-106.

House

Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies, on Secretary of Agriculture, 12:30 p.m., 2362A Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, State, and Judiciary (and Related Agencies), on Overview of International Trade Promotion and Enforcement Programs, 10 a.m. and 2 p.m., 2360 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Interior (and Related Agencies), on National Endowment for the Arts, 10 a.m. and 1:30 p.m., B-308 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education (and Related Agencies), on National Mediation Board and Railroad Retirement Board, 10 a.m., and on Occupational Safety and Health Review Commission, Physician Payment Review Commission, and on Prospective Payment Assessment Commission, 2 p.m., 2358 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on National Security, on Navy/Marine Corps Acquisition, 10 a.m., executive, on Russian and Other Submarine Threats, 1 p.m., and executive, on Navy Submarine Program, 2 p.m., and on Submarine Industry Perspective, 3:30 p.m., H-140 Capitol.

Subcommittee on Veterans' Affairs, Housing and Urban Development and Independent Agencies, on Congressional and Public Witnesses, 9:30 a.m. and 2 p.m., H-143 Capitol.

Committee on Banking and Financial Services, to continue hearings on the following: H.R. 1062, Financial Services Competitiveness Act of 1995; Glass-Steagall Reform; and related issues, 9:30 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Commerce, Subcommittee on Health and Environment, hearing on the reauthorization of the Ryan White CARE Act, 9:30 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Economic and Educational Opportunities, hearing on Executive Order 12954, and H.R. 1176, to nullify an executive order that prohibits Federal contracts with companies that hire permanent replacements for striking employees, 9:30 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight, Subcommittee on Civil Service, to continue hearings on Contracting Out: Part 2, 1:30 p.m., 311 Cannon.

Committee on House Oversight, hearing on Franking Reform, 10 a.m., 1310 Longworth.

Committee on International Relations, to continue hearings on the Administration's International Affairs Budget Request, and to mark up H. Con. Res. 53, expressing the sense of the Congress regarding a private visit by President Lee Teng-hui of the Republic of China on Taiwan, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Asia and the Pacific, to consider the following measures: H. Con. Res. 33, expressing the sense of the Congress regarding a private visit by President Lee Teng-hui of the Republic of China on Taiwan to the United States; and H.J. Res. 83, relating to the United States-North Korea Agreed Framework and the obligations of North Korea under that and previous agreements with respect to the denuclearization of the Korean Peninsula and dialog with the Republic of Korea, 9:30 a.m., 2255 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on Courts and Intellectual Property, hearing on H.R. 1170, to provide that cases challenging the constitutionality of measures passed by State referendum be heard by a three-judge court, 10 a.m., 2237 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Crime, hearing on the Government policies associated with the Second Amendment, 9:30 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

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Senate Chamber

Program for Wednesday: After the recognition of seven Senators for speeches and the transaction of any morning business (not to extend beyond 11:30 a.m.), Senate will resume consideration of H.R. 1158, FEMA Supplemental Appropriations.

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