

Agriculture Appropriations: House completed all debate on H. Res. 188, providing for consideration of H.R. 1976, making appropriations for Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1996. The vote on ordering the previous question on the rule was postponed. **Pages H7017–21**

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 Government Reform and Oversight, Judiciary, and Resources. **Pages H7029–30**

Interior Appropriations: House continued consideration of H.R. 1977, making appropriations for the Department of the Interior and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1996; but came to no resolution thereon. Proceedings under the 5-minute rule will continue on Tuesday, July 18. **Pages H7030–64**

When the Committee of the Whole rose, votes had been postponed until Tuesday, July 18, on the following amendments debated earlier:

The Schaefer amendment that seeks to strike language allowing DOE to sell up to seven million barrels of oil from the Strategic Petroleum Reserve and deposit the receipts in a fund for decommissioning the Weeks Island site and reduces the SPR appropriation by \$100 million; and **Pages H7051–54**

The Chabot amendment that seeks to strike all funding for the National Endowment for the Humanities. **Pages H7055–60**

Agreed To:

The Coburn amendment, as modified, that provides \$52.5 million for the Education Department's Office of Elementary and Secondary Education to be allocated to local educational agencies for Indian education programs and to reduce the Forest Service general administrative account by \$10 million; **Pages H7031–32**

The Smith of Washington amendment that reduces the funding on the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars by \$1 million (agreed to by a recorded vote of 286 ayes and 124 noes, Roll No. 513); **Pages H7039–41, H7048**

The Kleczka amendment that reduces funding for fossil energy research and development by \$5 million (agreed to by a recorded vote of 251 ayes to 160 noes, Roll No. 514); and **Pages H7041–43, H7049**

The Skaggs amendment, as modified, that provides an additional \$3.5 million for the weatherization assistance program. **Pages H7054–55**

Rejected:

The Stearns amendment that sought to reduce the appropriation for the National Endowment for the

Arts by \$10 million (rejected by a recorded vote of 179 ayes to 227 noes, Roll No. 512); and

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The Tiahrt amendment that sought to reduce the appropriation for fossil energy research and development by \$163.6 million (rejected by a recorded vote of 144 ayes to 267 noes, Roll No. 515).

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Points of order were sustained against the following amendments:

The Kennedy of Massachusetts amendment that sought to reduce the appropriation for the National Forest System by \$13.5 million and reduce the Forest Service construction account by \$5 million;

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The Sanders amendment that sought to transfer \$100 million from fossil energy research and development to the weatherization assistance program;

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The Tiahrt amendment that sought to reduce funding for energy conservation programs by \$189 million; and

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The Fox amendment that sought to transfer \$50 million from the Energy Information Administration to the weatherization assistance program.

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The Bass amendment was offered but subsequently withdrawn that sought to direct the Forest Service to make a priority emergency purchase of the Bretton Woods tract within the White Mountain National Forest in New Hampshire. **Pages H7030–31**

H. Res. 189, the rule which is providing for the further consideration of the bill, was agreed to earlier by a voice vote. **Pages H7021–29, H7030**

Agreed to the Drier amendment to the rule that provides additional debate time for nine specific amendments. **Page H7029**

Amendments Ordered Printed: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on pages H7068–71.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Four recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H7047–48, H7048, H7049, and H7049–50. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: Met at 10:30 a.m. and adjourned at 10:32 p.m.

Committee Meetings

IMMIGRATION IN THE NATIONAL INTEREST ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Immigration and Claims continued markup of H.R. 1915, Immigration in the National Interest Act of 1995.

Will continue tomorrow.

TREASURY—POSTAL SERVICE APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Rules: Granted an open rule providing one hour of general debate on H.R. 2020, making appropriations for the Treasury Department, the United States Postal Service, the Executive Office of the President, and certain Independent Agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1996. The rule waives clause 2 (prohibiting unauthorized and legislative provisions), and clause 6 (prohibiting reappropriations) of rule XXI against provisions in the bill, except as follows: beginning with "Provided further" on page 33, line 2, through "Maryland:" on line 13; and page 42, line 9, through page 43, line 6.

The rule provides for the reading of the bill by title, rather than by paragraph or numbered section, for amendment, and each title is considered as read. The rule authorizes the Chairman of the Committee of the Whole to accord priority in recognition to Members who have pre-printed their amendment in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Representatives Lighthoot, Dornan, Cox, McIntosh, Hoyer, and Schroeder.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY, JULY 18, 1995

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry, business meeting, to mark up proposed legislation to strengthen and improve U.S. agricultural programs., 9 a.m., SR-332.

Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Defense, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1996 for the Department of Defense, 9:30 a.m., SD-138.

Full Committee, business meeting, to consider 602(b) subcommittee allocations of budget outlays and new budget authority allocated to the committee in H.Con.Res. 67, setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal years 1996, 1997, 1998, 1999, 2000, 2001, and 2002, and to mark up H.R. 1854, making appropriations for the Legislative Branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1996, 3 p.m., SD-192.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, to hold hearings to review existing oil production at Prudhoe Bay, Alaska and opportunities for new production on the coastal plain of arctic Alaska, 9:30 a.m., SD-366.

Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, to hold hearings to examine First Amendment activities, including sales of message-bearing merchandise, on public lands managed by the National Park Service and the U.S. Forest Service, 2:30 p.m., SD-366.

Committee on Finance, to hold hearings on deficit reduction fuel taxes and diesel dyeing requirements, 9 a.m., SD-215.

Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on Youth Violence, to hold hearings to examine the Federal government's role in helping prevent guns in schools, 10 a.m., SD-226.

Full Committee, to hold hearings on pending nominations, 2 p.m., SD-226.

Committee on Labor and Human Resources, to hold hearings on S. 1028, to provide increased access to health care benefits, to provide increased portability of health care benefits, to provide increased security of health care benefits, and to increase the purchasing power of individuals and small employers, 9:30 a.m., SD-430.

Special Committee To Investigate Whitewater Development Corporation and Related Matters, to hold hearings to examine issues relating to the President's involvement with the Whitewater Development Corporation, 9:30 a.m., SH-216.

NOTICE

For a listing of Senate Committee Meetings scheduled ahead, see pages E1447-48 in today's RECORD.

House

Committee on Agriculture, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 714, Illinois Land Conservation Act of 1995; H.R. 701, to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to convey lands to the city of Rolla, MO; and H.R. 1874, to modify the boundaries of the Talladega National Forest, AL, 9:30 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

Committee on Appropriations, to consider the following: Revised Section 602 (b) Budget Allocations for fiscal year 1996; and VA, HUD and Independent Agencies appropriations for fiscal year 1996, 8:15 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

Committee on Commerce, Subcommittee on Commerce, Trade and, Hazardous Materials, to continue hearings on the reauthorization of the Superfund program, 10 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Health and Environment, to continue hearings on the Future of the Medicare program, 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 1655, Intelligence Authorization Act for fiscal year 1996; and the Regulatory Sunset and Review Act of 1995, 1:30 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on House Oversight, to consider pending business, 10 a.m., 1310 Longworth.

Committee on International Relations, Subcommittee on Asia and the Pacific and the Subcommittee on International Economic Policy and Trade, joint hearing on the Future of Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC), 2 p.m., 2200 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on International Operations and Human Rights, hearing on the Beijing Conference on Women, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary, to continue markup of H.R. 1833, Partial-Birth Ban Act of 1995, 9:30 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.