

with regard to contracts for the transportation of agricultural commodities; **Pages H12296–97**

The Whitfield amendment that increases the labor protections afforded to employees of small and mid-size railroads during acquisitions or mergers (agreed to by a recorded vote of 241 ayes to 184 noes, Roll No. 792); and **Pages H12297–H12306**

The Davis amendment that provides credibility of annual leave for purposes of meeting minimum eligibility requirements for an immediate annuity. **Pages H12306–07**

The Sam Johnson of Texas amendment was offered but subsequently withdrawn that sought to exempt small movers of household goods which exclusively operate vehicles weighing less than 13 tons from intrastate economic regulation. **Page H12296**

H. Res. 259, the rule under which the bill was considered, was agreed to earlier by a voice vote. **Pages H12248–53**

Senate Messages: Message received from the Senate today appears on page H12201.

Amendments Ordered Printed: Amendment ordered printed pursuant to the rule appears on page H12350.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Two yea-and-nay votes and two recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H12246–47, H12247–48, H12306, and H12311–12. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: Met at 9 a.m. and adjourned at 11:45 p.m.

Committee Meetings

COMMEMORATIVE COIN MEASURES

Committee on Banking and Financial Services: Subcommittee on Domestic and International Monetary Policy approved for full Committee action the following bills; H.R. 2336, to amend the Doug Barnard, Jr., 1996 Atlanta Centennial Olympic Games Commemorative Coin Act; and H.R. 2614, Commemorative Coin Authorization and Reform Act of 1995.

CAPITAL MARKETS DEREGULATION AND LIBERALIZATION ACT

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Telecommunications and Finance held a hearing on H.R. 2131, Capital Markets Deregulation and Liberalization Act of 1995. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE—FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on Government Management, Informa-

tion, and Technology held a hearing on the Department of Defense's Financial Management Problems. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Defense: John J. Hamre, Comptroller; Alvin Tucker, Deputy Chief Financial Officer; Richard F. Keevey, Director, Finance and Accounting Service; Helen T. McCoy, Assistant Secretary of the Army, Financial Management and Comptroller; Deborah P. Christie, Assistant Secretary of the Navy, Financial Management and Comptroller; Robert F. Hale, Assistant Secretary of the Air Force, Financial Management and Comptroller; and Eleanor J. Hill, Inspector General, Gene L. Dodaro, Assistant Comptroller General, GAO; and G. Edward DeSeve, Controller, Office of Federal Financial Management, OMB.

STATES OF FORMER SOVIET UNION—UNITED STATES POLICY AND ASSISTANCE

Committee on International Relations: Held a hearing on Newly Independent States of the Former Soviet Union: United States Policy and Assistance. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of State: James F. Collins, Senior Coordinator, Office of Ambassador-at-Large for the Newly Independent States; and Richard Morningstar, Coordinator, U.S. Assistance to the Newly Independent States; Thomas Dine, Assistant Administrator, Europe and the Newly Independent States, AID, U.S. International Development Cooperation Agency; Anne Sigmund, Director, Office of East European and Newly Independent States Affairs, U.S. Information Agency; Harold Smith, Assistant to the Secretary, Atomic Energy, Department of Defense; and public witnesses.

SRI LANKA

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on Asia and the Pacific held a hearing on Sri Lanka in Turmoil: Implications of Intensified Conflict. Testimony was heard from E. Gibson Lanpher, Deputy Assistant Secretary, South Asia, Department of State; and public witnesses.

INDOCHINA—POW/MIAs

Committee on National Security: Subcommittee on Military Personnel held a hearing on Vietnamese Government knowledge and accountability of United States POW/MIAs in Indochina. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Defense: James W. Wold, Deputy Assistant Secretary, POW/MIA Affairs; Lt. Col. Johnnie E. Webb, USA (Ret.), Deputy to the Commander, Central Identification Laboratory; and Capt. James C. Grover, USN; Col. Michael J. Kelly, USAF; and Col. John M. Kennerly, USA, all members of the Armed

Forces Identification Review Board; and public witnesses.

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE—HANDLING OF INHOLDINGS

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Lands held a hearing on the following bills: H.R. 2528, to require the Secretary of the Interior to renew to the heirs of permittees permits for historic cabins located in the Mineral King Addition of the Sequoia National Park; and H.R. 1666, to amend the Act of October 21, 1970, establishing the Sleeping Bear Dunes National Lakeshore to permit certain persons to continue to use and occupy certain areas within the lakeshore. Testimony was heard from Representatives Stupak, Bartlett of Maryland, and Knollenberg; former Representative John Krebs of California; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Native American and Insular Affairs approved for full Committee action H.R. 377, Burt Lake Band of Ottawa and Chipewa Indians Act.

Prior to this action, the Subcommittee held a hearing on H.R. 377 and also on the following bills: H.R. 2490, Saddleback Mountain Arizona Settlement Act of 1995; and H.R. 2591, Indian Federal Recognition Administrative Procedures Act of 1995. Testimony was heard from Representatives Hayworth and Stupak; William C. Sturtevant, Curator, North American Ethnology, Smithsonian Institution; and public witnesses.

TREASURY—POSTAL SERVICE APPROPRIATIONS CONFERENCE REPORT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a rule waiving all points of order against the conference report 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, 1995; and against its consideration. The rule further provides that if the conference report is adopted, then a motion that the House insist on its disagreement to Senate amendment 132 shall be considered as adopted. Testimony was heard from Representatives Lightfoot, Istook, Obey, and Hoyer.

GIFT REFORM; RULES OF THE HOUSE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS

Committee on Rules: Ordered reported amended, by voice vote, the following resolutions: H. Res. 250, to amend the Rules of the House of Representatives to provide for gift reform; and H. Res. 254, making technical corrections in the Rules of the House of Representatives.

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Committee on Standards of Official Conduct: Met in executive session to consider pending business.

Joint Meetings

BUDGET RECONCILIATION

Conferees met to resolve the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H.R. 2491, to provide for reconciliation pursuant to section 105 of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 1996, but did not complete action thereon, and recessed subject to call.

BILLS VETOED

H.J. Res. 115, making further continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 1996. (Vetoed November 13, 1995)

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

H.R. 1905, making appropriations for energy and water development for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1996. Signed November 13, 1995. (P.L. 104-46)

H.R. 2589, to extend authorities under the Middle East Peace Facilitation Act of 1994 until December 31, 1995. Signed November 13, 1995. (P.L. 104-47)

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 1995

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, to hold oversight hearings to review the decision-making process of the Department of the Interior in preparing and releasing the United States Geological Survey's 1995 estimate for the 1002 areas of the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge, 9:30 a.m., SD-366.

Committee on the Judiciary, to hold joint hearings with the House Committee on the Judiciary's Subcommittee on the Courts and Intellectual Property on S. 1284, to amend title 17 to adapt the copyright law to the digital, networked environment of the National Information Infrastructure, and H.R. 2441, to amend title 17, United States Code, to adapt the copyright law to the digital, networked environment of the national information infrastructure, 10 a.m., 2237 Rayburn Building.

House

Committee on Commerce, Subcommittee on Energy and Power, oversight hearing on Tritium Production and the