

S. 790, to provide for the modification or elimination of Federal reporting requirements—clearing the measure for the President. **Page H14206**

**Debt Limit Increase:** House agreed to the Archer motion to refer to the Committee on Ways and Means the veto message and accompanying bill on H.R. 2586, to provide for a temporary increase in the public debt limit. **Page H14206**

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** Three yea-and-nays votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H14187, H14201-02, and H14202-03. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** Met at 11 a.m. and adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

## Committee Meetings

### FARMER MAC STATUS; FARMER MAC REFORM ACT

*Committee on Agriculture:* Subcommittee on Resource Conservation, Research, and Forestry held a hearing on the Status of the Federal Agricultural Mortgage Corporation (Farmer Mac) and on H.R. 2130, Farmer Mac Reform Act of 1995. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Farm Credit Administration: Marsha P. Martin, Chairman; and Eugene Branstool, Chairman, Federal Agricultural Mortgage Corporation (Farmer Mac); and Charles O. Sethness, Manager, Finance Department, Inter-American Development Bank.

### SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION SESQUICENTENNIAL COMMEMORATIVE COIN

*Committee on Banking and Financial Services:* Subcommittee on Domestic and International Monetary Policy approved for full Committee action amended H.R. 2627, Smithsonian Institution Sesquicentennial Commemorative Coin Act of 1995.

### MISCELLANEOUS MEASURE; DEMOCRACY, RULE OF LAW AND POLICE TRAINING ASSISTANCE

*Committee on International Relations:* Ordered reported amended H. Con. Res. 117, concerning writer, political philosopher, human rights advocate, and Nobel Peace prize nominee Wei Jingsheng.

The Committee also held a hearing on Democracy, Rule of Law and Police Training Assistance. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of State: Timothy Wirth, Under Secretary, Global Affairs; and Ambassador Robert Gelbard, Assistant Secretary, Bureau for International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Affairs; J. Brian Atwood, Administrator, AID, U.S. International Development Cooperation Agency; Jamie S. Gorelick,

Deputy Attorney General, Department of Justice; and Penn Kemble, Deputy Director, U.S. Information Agency.

### BANKRUPTCY JUDGESHIP ACT

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on Commercial and Administrative Law held a hearing on H.R. 2604, Bankruptcy Judgeship Act of 1995. Testimony was heard from Paul A. Magnuson, Chief Judge, U.S. District Court of Minnesota and Chairman, Committee on Administration of the Bankruptcy System, U.S. Judicial Conference; Paul Mannes, Chief Bankruptcy Judge, District of Maryland, Chairman, Advisory Committee on Bankruptcy, U.S. Judicial Conference; William A. Anderson, Bankruptcy Judge, Western District of Virginia; and a public witness.

### EQUAL OPPORTUNITY ACT

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on the Constitution held a hearing on H.R. 2128, Equal Opportunity Act of 1995. Testimony was heard from Representatives Molinari, Fowler, and Jackson-Lee; Deval Patrick, Assistant Attorney General, Civil Rights Division, Department of Justice; and public witnesses.

### ANTICOUNTERFEITING CONSUMER PROTECTION

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on Courts and Intellectual Property held a hearing on H.R. 2511, Anticounterfeiting Consumer Protection Act of 1995. Testimony was heard from Philip G. Hampton II, Assistant Commissioner for Trademarks, Patent and Trademark Office, Department of Commerce; Leonard S. Walton, Deputy Assistant Commissioner, Office of Investigations, U.S. Customs Service, Department of the Treasury; and public witnesses.

### OVERSIGHT—"COPS" PROGRAM

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on Crime held an oversight hearing on the "COPS" Program, authorized by the Public Safety Partnership and Community Policing Act of 1994 (Title I of the Violent Crime Control and Law Enforcement Act of 1994). Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Office of Community Oriented Policing Services, Department of Justice: Joseph E. Brann, Director; Benjamin Tucker, Deputy Director; and L. Anthony Sutin, Deputy Director, Administration.

### OVERSIGHT—AGRICULTURAL GUEST WORKER PROGRAMS

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on Immigration and Claims held an oversight hearing on agricultural guest worker programs. Testimony was

heard from John Fraser, Deputy Administrator, Wage and Hour Division, Department of Labor; and public witnesses.

#### MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

*Committee on Resources:* Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Lands approved for full committee action H.J. Res. 70, authorizing the Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity to establish a memorial to Martin Luther King, Jr. in the District of Columbia.

Prior to this action, the Subcommittee held a hearing on H.J. Res. 70 and the following measures: H.R. 810, Revolutionary War and War of 1812 Historic Preservation Study Act of 1995; and H.R. 970, to improve the administration of the Women's Rights National Historical Park in the State of New York. Testimony was heard from Representatives Dixon, Morella, and Deal of Georgia; Denis Galvin, Associate Director, Planning Professional Services, National Park Service, Department of the Interior; and a public witness.

#### PUBLIC DEBT LIMIT ENFORCEMENT

*Committee on Rules:* Granted, by voice vote, a closed rule providing for consideration of H.R. 2621, to enforce the public debt limit and to protect the Social Security trust funds and other Federal trust funds and accounts invested in public debt obligations. The rule provides for the adoption of the amendment recommended by the Committee on Ways and Means printed in the report of the Committee on Rules. The rule also provides 1 hour of debate. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit. Testimony was heard from Chairman Archer and Representative Gibbons.

#### FAA R&D PROGRAMS—INDUSTRY PERSPECTIVE

*Committee on Science:* Subcommittee on Technology held a hearing on An Industry Perspective of FAA R&D Programs. Testimony was heard from Robert E. Whitehead, Associate Administrator, Office of Aeronautics, NASA; Alan R. Thomas, Deputy Assistant Administrator, Oceanic and Atmospheric Research, NOAA, Department of Commerce; William Laynor, Chief Technical Advisor, National Transportation Safety Board.

#### COMMITTEE BUSINESS

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

#### IN THE MATTER OF REPRESENTATIVE NEWT GINGRICH

*Committee on Standards:* On December 6, the Committee met in executive session and unanimously voted a Resolution of Preliminary Inquiry and will

hire a special counsel in the matter of Representative Gingrich.

#### PUBLIC AIRCRAFT AND SPECIAL PURPOSE AIRCRAFT

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure:* Subcommittee on Aviation held a hearing on Regulation of Public Aircraft by the FAA under Public Law 103-411 and on proposed restrictions on the use of Certain Special Purpose Aircraft under H.R. 1320, Special Purpose Aircraft Safety Act of 1995, Testimony was heard from Senator Pressler; Anthony Broderick, Associate Administrator, Regulations and Certification, FAA, Department of Transportation; and Claudia Schechter, Director, Operations, Office of Aircraft Service, Department of the Interior, and public witnesses.

#### MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure:* Subcommittee on Public Buildings and Economic Development approved for full Committee action and following bills: H.R. 2061, to designate the Federal building located at 1550 Dewey Avenue, Baker City, OR as the "David J. Wheeler Federal Building;" H.R. 2111, amended, to designate the Social Security Administration's Western Program Service Center located at 1221 Nevin Avenue, Richmond, CA, as the "Francis J. Hagel Building;" H.R. 2305, to designate the United States Courthouse for the Eastern District of Virginia in Alexandria, VA as the "Albert V. Bryan United States Courthouse;" H.R. 2481, to designate the Federal Triangle project under construction at 14th Street and Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, in the District of Columbia, as the "Ronald Reagan Building and International Trade Center;" H.R. 2504, to designate the Federal building located at the corner of Patton Avenue and Otis Street, and the U.S. Courthouse located on Otis Street, in Asheville, NC, as the "Veach-Baley Federal Complex;" H.R. 2547, to designate the U.S. Courthouse located at 800 Market Street in Knoxville, TN, as the "Howard H. Baker, Jr. United States Courthouse;" H.R. 2556, to redesignate the Federal building located at 345 Middlefield Road in Menlo Park, CA, and known as the Earth Sciences and Library Building, as the "Vincent E. McKelvey Federal Building;" and S. 369, to designate the Federal Courthouse in Decatur, AL., as the "Seybourn H. Lynne Federal Courthouse."

Prior to this action, the Subcommittee held a hearing on these measures. Testimony was heard from Representatives Eshoo, Cooley, Miller of California, Moran, Seastrand, Duncan, and Cramer.

**COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR  
FRIDAY, DECEMBER 8, 1995**

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

**Senate**

*Committee on Foreign Relations*, to hold hearings on the nomination of Ralph R. Johnson, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Slovak Republic, 9 a.m., SD-419.

*Special Committee To Investigate Whitewater Development Corporation and Related Matters*, business meeting, to consider the issuance of subpoenas of certain documents, 11 a.m., SH-216.

**House**

*Committee on Resources*, hearing on the following bills: H.R. 2706, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to accept from a State donations of services of State employees to perform hunting management functions in a National Wildlife Refuge in a period of Government budgetary shutdown; and H.R. 2677, National Parks and National Wildlife Refuge Systems Freedom Act of 1995, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

**Joint Meetings**

*Joint Economic Committee*, to hold hearings to examine the employment-unemployment situation for November, 9:30 a.m., SD-628.