

NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION SAFETY BOARD

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Aviation and the Subcommittee on Railroads held a joint hearing on reauthorizing the National Transportation Safety Board. Testimony was heard from James E. Hall, Chairman, National Transportation Safety Board.

OVERSIGHT—RAIL SAFETY

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Railroads continued hearings on Rail Safety Oversight: Human Factors and Grade Crossing Issues. Testimony was heard from Robert Lauby, Chief, Railroad Division, National Transportation Safety Board; and Jolene Molitoris, Administrator, Federal Railroad Administration, Department of Transportation.

WATER SUPPLY INFRASTRUCTURE ASSISTANCE ACT

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment approved for full Committee action the following: H.R. 2747, amended, Water Supply Infrastructure Assistance Act of 1995; and 13 water resources survey resolutions.

BROWN/RUDMAN COMMISSION REPORT

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Held a hearing on the Brown/Rudman Commission Report. Testimony was heard from Warren B. Rudman, former Senator, State of New Hampshire; and Harold Brown, former Secretary of Defense.

Joint Meetings

GOVERNMENT PERFORMANCE

Joint Hearing: Senate Committee on Governmental Affairs held joint oversight hearings with the House Committee on Government Reform and Oversight on the implementation of the Government Performance and Results Act of 1993, receiving testimony from Charles A. Bowsher, Comptroller General of the United States, General Accounting Office; Malcolm Holmes, Senior Public Sector Management Specialist, World Bank, former Australia Senior Official Ministry of Finance; Donald F. Ketti, University of Wisconsin, Madison; Robert W. Lauterberg, Virginia Department of Planning and Budget, Richmond; and Frank Fairbanks, Phoenix, Arizona.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

CHECHEN CONFLICT

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe (Helsinki Commission): Commission held hearings to examine issues relating to the Chechen conflict and

Russian democratic development, receiving testimony from Anatol Lieven, Senior Fellow, United States Institute of Peace; Jack F. Matlock, Jr., Columbia University, New York, New York, former United States Ambassador to the Soviet Union; and Sergei Kovalev, Moscow, Russia.

Commission recessed subject to call.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST p. D80)

H.R. 1718, to designate the United States courthouse located at 197 South Main Street in Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania, as the "Max Rosenn United States Courthouse". Signed March 5, 1996. (P.L. 104-112)

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, MARCH 7, 1996

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Armed Services, business meeting, to consider pending military nominations; to be followed by hearings on the nominations of Kenneth H. Bacon, of the District of Columbia, to be Assistant Secretary of Defense for Public Affairs, Franklin D. Kramer, of the District of Columbia, to be Assistant Secretary of Defense for International Security Affairs, and Alvin L. Alm, of Virginia, to be Assistant Secretary of Energy for Environmental Management, 10 a.m., SR-222.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, to hold hearings to examine air bag safety issues, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, Subcommittee on Parks, Historic Preservation and Recreation, to hold hearings on S. 745, to require the National Park Service to eradicate brucellosis afflicting the bison in Yellowstone National Park, S. 796 and H.R. 238, bills to provide for the protection of wild horses within the Ozark National Scenic Riverways, Missouri, and prohibit the removal of such horses, and S. 1451, to authorize an agreement between the Secretary of the Interior and a State providing for the continued operation by State employees of national parks in the State during any period in which the National Park Service is unable to maintain the normal level of park operations, 9:30 a.m., SD-366.

Subcommittee on Forests and Public Land Management, to hold hearings on S. 393 and H.R. 924, bills to prohibit the Secretary of Agriculture from transferring any national forest system lands in the Angeles National Forest in California out of Federal ownership for use as a solid waste landfill, 1 p.m., SD-366.

Committee on Foreign Relations, Subcommittee on East Asian and Pacific Affairs, to hold joint hearings with the House International Relations Subcommittee on Asia and the Pacific to examine U.S.-Sino relations, focusing on

the intellectual property rights agreement and related trade issues, 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn Building.

Committee on Governmental Affairs, to resume hearings on S. 356, to declare English as the official language of the Government of the United States, 9:30 a.m., SD-342.

Committee on the Judiciary, business meeting, to resume consideration of S. 269 and S. 1394, proposed Immigration Reform Act, 10 a.m., SD-106.

Committee on Labor and Human Resources, to continue hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for the National Institutes of Health, 9:30 a.m., SD-430.

NOTICE

For a Listing of Senate Committee Meetings scheduled ahead, see pages E301-02 in today's Record.

House

Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies to continue on congressional and public witnesses, 1 p.m., 2362A Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Interior, public witnesses on Department of Energy and other programs, 10 a.m. and 1:30 p.m., B-308 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, to continue on public witnesses, 10 a.m. and 2 p.m., 2358 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Military Construction, on Air Force, 9:30 a.m., B-300 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on National Security, on fiscal year 1997 Defense Budget, 9 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Transportation, on GAO, 10 a.m., and on National Transportation Safety Board, 2 p.m., 2358 Rayburn.

Committee on Banking and Financial Services, Subcommittee on Domestic and International Monetary Policy, to continue hearings on the Future of Money, Part III, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on the Budget, hearing on Corporate Welfare, 11 a.m., 210 Cannon.

Committee on Commerce, Subcommittee on Health and Environment, hearing on Health Care Reform: Reforming the Small Business Marketplace and the Individual Health Insurance Market, 10 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Telecommunications and Finance, to mark up H.R. 3005, Securities Amendments of 1996, 1 p.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Economic and Educational Opportunities, Subcommittees on Early Childhood, Youth and Families, hearing on Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, 10 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight, to consider the following: Sections 356 and 523 of H.R. 2202, Immigration and National Interest Act of 1995; Special Committee Rules to obtain deposition testimony on the White House Travel Office matter; and a draft report entitled "National Drug Policy: A Review of the Status of the Drug War," 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on International Relations, Subcommittee on the Western Hemisphere, hearing to review the Adminis-

tration testimony on the White House Travel Office matter; and the administration's certification program for Narcotics producing and transit countries in Latin America, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on Judiciary, Subcommittee on the Constitution, to mark up H.R. 2128, Equal Opportunity Act of 1995, 9:30 a.m., 2226 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Crime, hearing on the following bills: H.R. 1143, to amend title 18, United States Code, with respect to witness retaliation; H.R. 1144, to amend title 18, United States Code, with respect to witness tampering; H.R. 2092, Private Security Officer Quality Assurance Act of 1995; H.R. 2137, Megan's Law; H.R. 2453, Fugitive Detention Act of 1995; H.R. 2587, War Crime Act of 1995; H.R. 2607, Veterans' Memorials Protection Act of 1995; H.R. 2641, United States Marshals Service Improvement Act of 1995; H.R. 2650, Mandatory Federal Prison Drug Treatment Act of 1995; H.R. 2803, Anti-Car Theft Improvements Act of 1995; H.R. 2804, to amend the auto theft provisions of title 49, United States Code, to add air bag modules to the list of major auto parts protected under such provisions; H.R. 2974, Crimes Against Children and Elderly Persons Punishment and Prevention Act of 1995; H.R. 2980, Interstate Stalking Punishment and Prevention Act of 1996; and H.R. 2996, Law Enforcement and Industrial Security Cooperation Act of 1996, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on National Security, Subcommittee on Military Installations and Facilities, hearing on alternative authorities for construction and improvement of military housing, 2 p.m., 2216 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Military Personnel, to begin hearings on the fiscal year 1996 national defense authorization request, 2 p.m., 2212 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Military Procurement and the Subcommittee on Military Research and Development, joint hearing on the fiscal year 1997 national defense authorization request, 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Committee on Resources, Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources, hearing on H.R. 1813, Mineral Management Service Organic Act, 2 p.m., 1324 Longworth.

Subcommittee on Water and Power Resources, oversight hearing on dam safety and deferred maintenance issues at Bureau of Reclamation facilities, 10 a.m., 1334 Longworth.

Committee on Science, Subcommittee on Energy and Environment, hearing on Department of Energy's Restructured Fusion Energy Sciences Program, 9:30 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Small Business, hearing on EPA's Progress in Reducing Unnecessary Regulations and Paperwork Burdens Upon Small Business, 2 p.m., 2359 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Regulation and Paperwork, hearing on rulemaking at the NLRB, 10 a.m., 2359 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, to mark up the following: a resolution authorizing the 1996 Special Olympics Torch to be run through the Capitol Grounds; a resolution authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds for the 15th Annual National Peace Officers' Memorial Service; pending water resolutions; H.R. 2747, Water Supply Infrastructure Assistance Act of 1995; and

Views and Estimates Report to the Committee on the Budget, 2 p.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Aviation, to continue hearings on the Airport Improvement Program, with emphasis on revenue diversion, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs, Subcommittee on Education, Training, Employment and Housing, oversight hearing on the Montgomery GI Bill, 9 a.m., 334 Cannon.

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, executive, hearing on China, 10 a.m., H-405 Capitol.

Joint Meetings

Conferees, on H.R. 1561, to consolidate the foreign affairs agencies of the United States; to authorize appropria-

tions for the Department of State and related agencies for fiscal years 1996 and 1997; to responsibly reduce the authorizations of appropriations for the United States foreign assistance programs for fiscal years 1996 and 1997, 10:30 a.m., S-116, Capitol.

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