

## 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.

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## 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)

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## 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