

authorize appropriations for the Department of State and related agencies for fiscal years 1996 and 1997; to responsibly reduce the authorizations of appropriations for United States foreign assistance programs for fiscal years 1996 and 1997 (H. Rept. 104-478); and

H.R. 2202, to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to improve deterrence of illegal immigration to the United States by increasing border patrol and investigative personnel, by increasing penalties for alien smuggling and for document fraud, by reforming exclusion and deportation law and procedures, by improving the verification system for eligibility for employment, and through other measures, to reform the legal immigration system and facilitate legal entries into the United States (H. Rept. 104-469, Part I).

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Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designates Representative Nethercutt to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

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Quorum Calls—Votes: No quorum calls or votes developed during the proceedings of the House today.

Adjournment: Met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 10:14 a.m.

Committee Meetings

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY-TRAVEL EXPENDITURES

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations continued hearings on the Department of Energy: Travel Expenditures and Related Issues. Testimony was heard from John C. Layton, Inspector General, Department of Commerce.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Courts and Intellectual Property held a hearing on the following bills: H.R. 1659, Patent and Trademark Office Corporation Act of 1995; and H.R. 2553, United States Intellectual Property Organization Act of 1995. Testimony was heard from Representatives Rohrabacher and Hunter; and public witnesses.

DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION

Committee on National Security: Continued hearings on fiscal year 1997 national defense authorization request. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Defense: Togo D. West, Jr., Secretary of the Army; John H. Dalton, Secretary of the Navy; and Sheila E. Widnall, Secretary of the Air Force.

Hearings continue March 13.

Joint Meetings

EMPLOYMENT—UNEMPLOYMENT

Joint Economic Committee: Committee held hearings to examine the employment-unemployment situation for February, receiving testimony from Katharine G. Abraham, Commissioner, Bureau of Labor Statistics, Department of Labor.

Committee recessed subject to call.

NEW PUBLIC LAW

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D149)

H.R. 2196, to amend the Stevenson-Wydler Technology Innovation Act of 1980 with respect to inventions made under cooperative research and development agreements. Signed March 7, 1996. (P.L. 104-113)

CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of March 11 through 16, 1996

Senate Chamber

On *Monday*, Senate will consider H.R. 3019, Continuing Appropriations, 1996.

On *Tuesday*, Senate will vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the conference report on H.R. 2546, D.C. Appropriations, 1996 at 2:15 p.m., to be followed by a vote to invoke cloture on the motion to proceed to the consideration of S. Res. 227, Whitewater Committee Extension.

During the balance of the week, Senate may consider any cleared legislative and executive business.

(Senate will recess from 12:30 p.m. until 2:15 p.m., on *Tuesday*, March 12, 1996, for respective party conferences.)

Senate Committees

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Committee on Appropriations: March 12, Subcommittee on Foreign Operations, to hold hearings to examine international crime, terrorism, and narcotics, 10 a.m., SD-138.

March 13, Subcommittee on Defense, to hold closed hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1997 for intelligence programs, 8:30 a.m., SD-117.

Committee on Armed Services: March 12, to resume hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 1997 for the Department of Defense, and the future years defense plan, 9:30 a.m., SR-222.

March 13, Subcommittee on Strategic Forces, to hold closed and open hearings on the Department of Energy Atomic Energy Defense Programs (Nuclear Stockpile Stewardship and Management), 9:30 a.m., SR-232A.

March 13, Subcommittee on Personnel, to hold hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal

year 1997 for the Department of Defense and the future years defense program, focusing on manpower, personnel, and compensation programs, 10 a.m., SR-222.

March 13, Full Committee, to resume hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 1997 for the Department of Defense and the future years defense plan, 2 p.m., SR-222.

March 14, Full Committee, to continue hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 1997 for the Department of Defense and the future years defense plan, 10 a.m., SR-222.

March 14, Subcommittee on Readiness, to hold hearings on current and future military readiness as the armed forces prepare for the 21st century, 2 p.m., SR-232A.

March 15, Subcommittee on Airland Forces, to hold hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 1997 for the Department of Defense, focusing on tactical aviation programs, 9:30 a.m., SR-222.

March 15, Subcommittee on Acquisition and Technology, to hold hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 1997 for the Department of Defense, 10 a.m., SR-232A.

Committee on the Budget: March 12, to hold hearings to examine immigration and public welfare benefits, 10 a.m., SD-608.

March 14, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the budgetary and economic implications of alternative spectrum use policies, 10 a.m., SD-608.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: March 13, Subcommittee on Science, Technology, and Space, to hold hearings to examine recent developments in the Space Station program, 10:30 a.m., SR-253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: March 13, business meeting, to consider pending calendar business, 9:30 a.m., SD-366.

March 14, Full Committee, to hold hearings on S. 1425, to recognize the validity of rights-of-way granted under section 2477 of the Revised Statutes, 9:30 a.m., SD-366.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: March 14, to hold oversight hearings on wetland mitigation banking under section 404 of the Clean Water Act, 2 p.m., SD-406.

Committee on Finance: March 11, Subcommittee on Social Security and Family Policy, to hold hearings to examine the Social Security program in relation to future retirees, focusing on the original intent of the program, expectations of different generations, and changes necessary to ensure that retirees born after 1946 will be treated fairly relative to current and past retirees, 10 a.m., SD-215.

Committee on Foreign Relations: March 12, to resume hearings on the Convention on the Prohibition of Development, Production, Stockpiling and Use of Chemical Weapons and on Their Destruction, opened for signature and signed by the United States at Paris on January 13, 1993 (Treaty Doc. 103-21), 10 a.m., SD-419.

March 12, Subcommittee on African Affairs, to hold hearings to examine the prospects for peace and democracy in Angola, 2 p.m., SD-419.

Committee on Governmental Affairs: March 11, to hold hearings on the nomination of Thomas A. Fink, of Alaska, to be a Member of the Federal Retirement Thrift Investment Board, 10 a.m., SD-342.

March 12, Full Committee, to hold hearings on human radiation experiments, 9 a.m., SD-342.

March 13, Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations, to resume hearings to examine global proliferation of weapons of mass destruction, 9:30 a.m., SD-342.

March 14, Subcommittee on Post Office and Civil Service, to hold hearings to examine issues relating to United States Postal Service customers, 9:30 a.m., SD-342.

Committee on the Judiciary: March 12, Subcommittee on Youth Violence, to hold hearings to examine how youth violence programs should be funded in the future, 10 a.m., SD-226.

March 13, Full Committee, business meeting, to resume markup of S. 269 and S. 1394, bills to reform the United States immigration system, 10 a.m., SD-106.

Committee on Labor and Human Resources: March 13, business meeting, to mark up S. 1477, to improve the Federal regulation of food, drugs, devices, and biological products, and proposed legislation to amend the Older Americans Act, 9:30 a.m., SD-430.

Committee on Rules and Administration: March 13, to resume hearings on S. 46, to amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to provide for a voluntary system of spending limits and partial public financing of Senate primary and general election campaigns, and to limit contributions by multicandidate political committees, S. 1219 and S. 1389, bills to reform the financing of Federal elections, and S. 1528, to reform the financing of Senate campaigns, 9:30 a.m., SR-301.

Committee on Veterans Affairs: March 14, to hold joint hearings with the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs to review the legislative recommendations of the Paralyzed Veterans of America, the Jewish War Veterans, the Retired Officers Association, the Association of the U.S. Army, the Non-Commissioned Officers Association, and the Blinded Veterans Association, 9:30 a.m., 345 Cannon Building.

Select Committee on Intelligence: March 13, to hold closed hearings on intelligence matters, 1 p.m., SH-219.

House Chamber

Monday, House is not in session.

Tuesday, Consideration of the following measure on the Corrections Calendar: H.R. 2685, to repeal the Medicaid and Medicare Coverage Data Bank.

Consideration of the following 3 Suspensions:

H.R. 2972, Securities and Exchange Commission Reauthorization;

H.R. 2276, Federal Aviation Administration Revitalization Act; and

H.J. Res. 78, Bi-State Development Agency by the States of Missouri and Illinois;

Consideration of the conference report on H.R. 1561, the American Overseas Interests Act (rule waiving points of order); and

Consideration of H.R. 2703, Effective Death Penalty and Public Safety Act (rule providing for one hour of general debate only).

Wednesday and the balance of the week: Complete consideration of Crime bill; and

Possible consideration of conference reports on debt limit and balanced budget downpayment measures.

NOTE: Conference reports may be brought up at any time. Any further program will be announced later.

House Committees

Committee on Appropriations, March 12, Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies, on Food and Drug Administration, 1 p.m., 2362A Rayburn.

March 12, Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, on Corporation for National and Community Service and Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service, 10 a.m., and on the Federal Mine Safety and Health Review Commission, the National Commission on Libraries and the National Council on Disability, 2 p.m., 2358 Rayburn.

March 12, Subcommittee on Transportation, on Coast Guard, 10 a.m., 2358 Rayburn.

March 12, Subcommittee on Treasury, Postal Service, and General Government, on developments in financial law enforcement, 2 p.m., 2360 Rayburn.

March 13, Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies, on Inspector General Overview, 1 p.m., 2362A Rayburn.

March 13, Subcommittee on Interior, on National Endowment for the Arts, 10 a.m., B-308 Rayburn.

March 13, Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, on the National Mediation Board and the Railroad Retirement Board, 10 a.m., and on Armed Forces Retirement Home, the Physician Payment Review Commission and the Prospective Payment Assessment Commission, 2 p.m., 2358 Rayburn.

March 13, Subcommittee on Military Construction, on Navy, 9:30 a.m., B-300 Rayburn.

March 13, Subcommittee on National Security, executive, on Commander in Chief, U.S. Pacific Command and the Commander in Chief, United States Forces Korea, 10 a.m., H-140 Capitol.

March 13, Subcommittee on Transportation, on Federal Railroad Administration and AMTRAK, 10 a.m., 2358 Rayburn.

March 13 and 14, Subcommittee on VA, HUD and Independent Agencies, on the EPA, 10 a.m. and 2 p.m., 2360 Rayburn on March 13 and 10 a.m., H-143, Capitol on March 14.

March 14, Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies, on Farm Credit Administration, 10 a.m., and on Commodity Futures Trading Commission, 1 p.m., 2362A Rayburn.

March 14, Subcommittee on Interior, public witnesses on Natural Resources, 10 a.m. and 1:30 p.m., B-308 Rayburn.

March 14, Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, on the Corporation for Public Broadcasting, the U.S. Institute of Peace, 10 a.m., and the National Education Goals Panel and the NLRB, 2 p.m., 2358 Rayburn.

March 14, Subcommittee on Military Construction, on Congressional and public witnesses, 9:30 a.m., B-300 Rayburn.

March 14, Subcommittee on National Security, executive, on Commander in Chief, Special Operations Command, 10 a.m. and, executive, on Commander in Chief, U.S. Central Command, 1:30 p.m., H-140, Capitol.

March 14, Subcommittee on Transportation, on Office of the Secretary, 10 a.m., 2358 Rayburn.

March 14, Subcommittee on Treasury, Postal Service, and General Government, on tax systems modernization, 10 a.m. and on IRS operations, 2 p.m., 2360 Rayburn.

Committee on Banking and Financial Services, March 12, Subcommittee on Domestic and International Monetary Policy, oversight hearing on the Bureau of Engraving and Printing, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

March 13, full Committee, hearing on the Risk Assessment of Banks, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on the Budget, March 13, hearing on Generational Accounting and Long-term Fiscal Prospects, 10 a.m., 210 Cannon.

Committee on Economic and Educational Opportunities, March 14, to mark up the following: H.R. 2570, Older Americans Amendments of 1995; a measure amending section 326 of title III of the Higher Education Act of 1965; a measure amending section 1505 of the Higher Education Amendments of 1986; and a measure to authorize the Native Americans Program Act of 1974, 9:30 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight, March 11, Subcommittee on Human Resources and Intergovernmental Relations, hearing on the status to identify Persian Gulf War Syndrome, Part 1, 10:30 a.m., 2247 Rayburn.

March 13, Subcommittee on the Postal Service, oversight hearing on the U.S. Postal Service, 9:30 a.m., 311 Cannon.

March 14, Subcommittee on Human Resources and Intergovernmental Relations, to mark up H.R. 2086, Local Empowerment and Flexibility Act of 1995, 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on House Oversight, March 12, to consider pending business, 10 a.m., 1310 Longworth.

Committee on International Relations, March 12, hearing on PLO Commitment Compliance and the Terrorist Threat to Israel, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

March 12, Subcommittee on International Economic Policy and Trade, hearing on exports, growth and jobs and reauthorizing Federal Export Assistance programs, Part II, 2 p.m., 2200 Rayburn.

March 13, full Committee, to consider Budget Views and Estimates for submission to the Committee on the

Budget; followed by a hearing on Arms Transfers to Jordan, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

March 13, Subcommittee on International Economic Policy and Trade, to mark up H.R. 361, Omnibus Export Administration Act of 1995, 1 p.m., 2200 Rayburn.

March 13, Subcommittee on International Operations and Human Rights and Subcommittee on Africa, joint hearing Slavery in Mauritania and Sudan, 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

March 14, full committee, to mark up the Iran Oil Sanctions Act of 1996, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary, March 12, to mark up the following: H.R. 2925, Antitrust Health Care Advancement Act of 1996; Budget Views and Estimates for submission to the Committee on the Budget; H.R. 2937, for the reimbursement of legal expenses and related fees incurred by former employees of the White House Travel Office with respect to the termination of their employment in that Office on May 19, 1993; H.R. 2511, Anticounterfeiting Consumer Protection Act of 1995; H.R. 1861, to make technical corrections in the Satellite Home Viewer Act of 1994 and other provisions of title 17, United States Code; H.R. 1734, National Film Preservation Act of 1995; H.R. 2977, Administrative Dispute Resolution Act of 1996; H.J. Res. 129, granting the consent of Congress to the Vermont-New Hampshire Interstate Public Water Supply Compact; and H.R. 2604, to amend title 28, United States Code, to authorize the appointment of additional bankruptcy judges, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

March 14, Subcommittee on Courts and Intellectual Property, hearing on H.R. 1989, Federal Courts Improvement Act of 1995, 10 a.m., B-352 Rayburn.

Committee on National Security, March 12, Subcommittee on Military Personnel, to continue hearings on the fiscal year 1997 national defense authorization request, to receive a quality-of-life and compensation review, 2 p.m., 2212 Rayburn.

March 12, Subcommittee on Military Procurement, to begin hearings on the fiscal year 1997 national defense authorization request, with emphasis on the Department of Energy budget, 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

March 12, Subcommittee on Military Research and Development, to continue hearings on the fiscal year 1997 national defense authorization request, with emphasis on the chemical-biological defense program and response to urban terrorism, 2 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

March 13 and 14, full Committee, to continue hearings on fiscal year 1997 national defense authorization request, 9:30 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

March 13, Subcommittee on Military Installations and Facilities, to begin hearings on the fiscal year 1997 national defense authorization request, with emphasis on the recapitalization and modernization of facilities, 2 p.m., 2212 Rayburn.

Committee on Resources, March 13, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 1823, to amend the Central Utah Project Completion Act to direct the Secretary of the Interior to allow for prepayment of repayment contracts between the United States and the Central Utah Water Conservancy District dated December 28, 1965, and No-

vember 26, 1985; H.R. 2824, Snowbasin Land Exchange Act of 1995; H.R. 1965, to reauthorize the Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972; H.R. 2160, to authorize appropriations to carry out the interjurisdictional Fisheries Act of 1966 and the Anadromous Fish Conservation Act; H.R. 2107, Visitor Services Improvement and Outdoor Legacy Act of 1995; H.R. 1527, to amend the National Forest Ski Area Permit Act of 1986 to clarify the authorities and duties of the Secretary of Agriculture in issuing ski area permits on National Forest System lands and to withdraw lands within ski area permit boundaries from the operation of the mining and mineral leasing laws; H.R. 1999, to establish the Augusta Canal National Heritage Area in the State of Georgia; and H.R. 1975, Federal Oil and Gas Royalty Simplification and Fairness Act of 1995, 11 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

March 14, Subcommittee on Fisheries, Wildlife and Oceans, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 1772, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to acquire certain interests in the Waihee Marsh for inclusion in the Oahu National Wildlife Refuge Complex; H.R. 1836, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to acquire property in the town of East Hampton, Suffolk County, New York, for inclusion in the Amagansett National Wildlife Refuge; H.R. 2660, to increase the amount authorized to be appropriated to the Department of the Interior for the Tensas River National Wildlife Refuge; and H.R. 2679, to revise the boundary of the North Platte National Wildlife Refuge, 10 a.m., 1334 Longworth.

Committee on Rules, March 12, to consider H.R. 2703, Effective Death Penalty and Public Safety Act of 1996, 2 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

Committee on Science, March 13, hearing on U.S. Space Launch Strategy, 1 p.m., 2318 Rayburn.

March 14, Subcommittee on Energy and Environment, hearing on U.S. Energy Outlook and Implications for Energy R&D, 9:30 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, March 13 and 14, Subcommittee on Aviation, to continue hearings on the Airport Improvement Program, 10:15 a.m., on March 13, and 1 p.m., on March 14, 2167 Rayburn.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs, March 14, to consider Budget Views and Estimates for submission to the Committee on the Budget, 2 p.m., 334 Cannon.

Committee on Ways and Means, March 12, Subcommittee on Human Resources, hearing on the causes of poverty, with a focus on out-of-wedlock births, 1 p.m., B-318 Rayburn.

March 13, Subcommittee on Trade, hearing on implementation of Uruguay Round Agreements and World Trade Organization, 10 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

March 14, full committee, to mark up miscellaneous trade measures, and to consider Budget Views and Estimates for submission to the Committee on the Budget, 10 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, March 12, executive, hearing on NRO forward funding, 2 p.m., H-405 Capitol.

March 14, executive, hearing on community management, 9 a.m., H-405 Capitol.

Joint Meetings

Joint hearing: March 14, Senate Committee on Veterans Affairs, to hold joint hearings with the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs to review the legislative recommendations of the Paralyzed Veterans of America, the Jewish War Veterans, the Retired Officers Association,

the Association of the U.S. Army, the Non-Commissioned Officers Association, and the Blinded Veterans Association, 9:30 a.m., 345 Cannon Building.

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe: March 14, to hold hearings to examine the challenges to democracy in Albania, 11 a.m., 311 Cannon Building.