

SOCIAL SECURITY REFORM

Committee on Finance: Subcommittee on Social Security and Family Policy held hearings to examine the status and future of the Social Security system, focusing on the current and projected financial status of Social Security, trends in income and retirements savings, and personal security accounts, receiving testimony from Henry J. Aaron, Brookings Institution, Washington, D.C.; and Olivia S. Mitchell, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, Howard Young, University of Michigan, Livonia, Edith U. Fierst, Fierst and Moss, and Sylvester J. Schieber, Watson

Wyatt Worldwide, both of Washington, D.C., and Edward M. Gramlich, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, all on behalf of the Advisory Council on Social Security.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

NOMINATION

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Committee concluded hearings on the nomination of Robert E. Morin, to be an Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia, after the nominee testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 1 public bill, H.R. 3158, was introduced. Page H2842

Reports Filed: Reports were filed as follows:

H.R. 2824, to authorize an exchange of lands in the State of Utah at Snowbasin Ski Area (H. Rept. 104-493);

Conference report on H.R. 2854, to modify the operation of certain agricultural programs (H. Rept. 104-494);

H.R. 3074, to amend the United States-Israel Free Trade Area Implementation Act of 1985 to provide the President with additional proclamation authority with respect to articles of the West Bank or Gaza Strip or a qualifying industrial zone (H. Rept. 104-495);

H. R. 3103, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to improve portability and continuity of health insurance coverage in the group and individual markets, to combat waste, fraud, and abuse in health insurance and health care delivery, to promote the use of medical savings accounts, to improve access to long-term care services and coverage, and to simplify the administration of health insurance, amended (H. Rept. 104-496, Part I);

H.R. 3070, to improve portability and continuity of health insurance coverage in the group and individual markets, to combat waste, fraud, and abuse in health insurance and health care delivery, and to simplify the administration of health insurance, amended (H. Rept. 104-497, Part I); and

H.R. 995, to amend the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 to provide new portability, participation, solvency, claims, and other

consumer protections and freedoms for workers in a mobile workforce; to increase purchasing power for employers and employees by removing barriers to the voluntary formation of multiple employer health plans and fully-insured multiple employer arrangements; to increase health plan competition providing more affordable choice of coverage by removing restrictive State laws relating to provider health networks, employer health coalitions, and insured plans and the offering of medisave plans; to expand access to fully-insured coverage for employees of small employers through fair rating standards and open markets, amended (H. Rept. 104-498, Part I).

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Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designates Representative Upton to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. Page H2715

Presidential Message—National Emergency Re Angola: Read a message from the President wherein he transmits his report concerning the national emergency with respect to Angola—referred to the Committee on International Relations and ordered printed (H. Doc. 104-189). Page H2715

Recess: House recessed at 2:07 p.m. and reconvened at 3:49 p.m. Page H2716

Senate Messages: Message received from the Senate today appears on page H2715.

Adjournment: Met at 2 p.m. and adjourned at 3:50 p.m.

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.