

Issues. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Energy: Adm. Richard Guimond, USN, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary, Environmental Management; and Daniel A. Dreyfuss, Director, Office of Civilian Radioactive Waste Management.

INTERIOR APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Interior held a hearing on the Bureau of Indian Affairs and on the Indian Health Service. Testimony was heard from Ada E. Deer, Assistant Secretary, Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior; and Michael H. Trujillo, M.D., Assistant Surgeon General, Director, Indian Health Service, Department of Health and Human Services.

TRANSPORTATION APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Transportation held a hearing on Research and Special Programs Administration. Testimony was heard from Dharmendia K. Sharma, Administrator, Research and Special Programs Administration, Department of Transportation.

HUMAN RIGHTS PRACTICES—COUNTRY REPORTS

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on International Operations and Human Rights held a hearing on Country Reports on Human Rights Practices for 1995. Testimony was heard from John Shattuck, Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Democracy, Human Rights and Labor, Department of State; and public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Lands held an oversight hearing on Forest Service's decisionmaking process. Testimony was heard from Barry Hill, Director, Energy Resources and Science Issues, GAO; Jack Ward, Chief, Forest Service, USDA; and public witnesses.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, MARCH 27, 1996 Senate

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Defense, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1997 for the Department of Defense, focusing on Navy and Marine Corps programs, 10 a.m., SD-192.

Committee on Armed Services, Subcommittee on Acquisition and Technology, to resume hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 1997 for the Department of Defense and the future years defense program, focusing on proliferation of weapons of mass de-

struction and the impact of export controls on national security, 10 a.m., SR-222.

Subcommittee on Seapower, to continue hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 1997 for the Department of Defense and the future years defense program, focusing on the Department of the Navy's Submarine Development and Procurement programs, 1:30 p.m., SR-232A.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs, business meeting, to consider pending nominations, 10 a.m., SD-538.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, to hold hearings to examine Spectrum's use and management, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, to hold hearings on S. 1605, to amend the Energy Policy and Conservation Act to manage the Strategic Petroleum Reserve more effectively, and S. 186, to amend the Energy Policy Act with respect to purchases from the Strategic Petroleum Reserve by entities in the insular areas of the United States, 9:30 a.m., SD-366.

Committee on Environment and Public Works, to hold hearings on proposals to improve prevention of, and response to, oil spills in light of the recent North Cape spill, 9 a.m., SD-406.

Committee on Foreign Relations, business meeting, to consider pending treaties and nominations, 10 a.m., SD-419.

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

Committee on the Judiciary, to hold hearings on pending nominations, 2 p.m., SD-226.

Committee on Labor and Human Resources, business meeting, to mark up S. 1477, to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act and the Public Health Service Act to improve the regulation of food, drugs, devices, and biological products, S. 969, to require that health plans provide coverage for a minimum hospital stay for a mother and child following the birth of the child, and proposed legislation authorizing funds for the Older Americans Act, 9 a.m., SD-106.

Committee on Rules and Administration, to resume hearings on proposals 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, to limit contributions by multicandidate political committees, and to reform the financing of Federal elections and Senate campaigns, 9:30 a.m., SR-301.

Committee on Veterans Affairs, to hold joint hearings with the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs to review the legislative recommendations of the Veterans of World War I, AMVETS, the American Ex-Prisoners of War, the Vietnam Veterans of America, and the Military Order of the Purple Heart, 9:30 a.m., 345 Cannon Building.

Select Committee on Intelligence, to resume hearings on the future of United States intelligence, 9:30 a.m., SH-216.

Full Committee, to hold a closed briefing on intelligence matters, 2 p.m., SH-219.

House

Committee on Agriculture, Subcommittee on Resource Conservation, Research, and Forestry, hearing to review the goals and priority setting mechanisms of federally supported agricultural research, education, and extension, 9 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies, on Natural Resources and Environment, 10 a.m., and on Farm and Foreign Agricultural Service, 1 p.m., 2362A Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, State, and Judiciary, on Attorney General, 2 p.m., 2237 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development, on Secretary of the Interior and Commissioner of Reclamation, 10 a.m.; on NRC, 2 p.m.; and on Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 3 p.m., 2362B Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Foreign Operations, on Secretary of State, 1:30 p.m., 2360 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on National Security, on fiscal year 1997 Air Force Posture, 10 a.m., 2212 Rayburn and on Air Force Acquisition Programs, 1:30 p.m., H-140 Capitol.

Subcommittee on Transportation, on Federal Transit Administration and on the Washington Metropolitan Transit Authority, 2 p.m., 2358 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Treasury, Postal Service, and General Government, on White House Operations, 1 p.m., and on U.S. Postal Service, 2 p.m., H-144 Capitol.

Subcommittee on Veterans' Affairs, HUD and Independent Agencies, on Department of Housing and Urban Development, 9 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

Committee on Banking and Financial Services, hearing on Issues Related to Recent Developments in Electronic Benefits Transfer, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on the Budget, hearing on Prospects for Economic Growth, 10 a.m., 210 Cannon.

Committee on Commerce, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing on the Department of Energy: Furloughs and Financial Management, 10 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Telecommunications and Finance, hearing on FCC Reform, 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight, Subcommittee on Government Management, Information, and Technology, hearing on Federal Budget Process Reform, 9:30 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on National Security, to continue hearings on the fiscal year 1997 national defense authorization, with emphasis on the Department of Defense Joint Requirements Oversight Council, 1 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Special Oversight Panel on Morale, Welfare, and Recreation, hearing on the fiscal year 1997 national defense authorization, with emphasis on morale, welfare and recreation, 10 a.m., 2216 Rayburn.

Committee on Resources, Subcommittee on Fisheries, Wildlife and Oceans, oversight hearing on fiscal year 1997 budget requests from Fish and Wildlife Service, National Marine Fisheries Service, and NOAA; and hearing on the following bills: H.R. 2909, Silvio O. Conte National Fish and Wildlife Refuge Eminent Domain Prevention Act, and H.R. 2982, Carbon Hill National Fish Hatchery Conveyance Act, 1 p.m., 1334 Longworth.

Committee on Rules, to consider the following: H.R. 3130, Health Coverage Availability and Affordability Act; H.R. 3070, Health Coverage Availability and Affordability Act; H.R. 995, ERISA Targeted Health Insurance Reform Act; H.R. 3136, Contract With America Advancement Act; the Conference Report to accompany H.R. 2854, Federal Agriculture Improvement and Reform Act of 1996; and the Conference Report to accompany H.R. 956, Product Liability Reform, 1 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

Committee on Small Business, Subcommittee on Government Programs, hearing on H.R. 2715, Paperwork Elimination Act of 1995, 2 p.m., 2359 Rayburn.

Committee on Standards of Official Conduct, executive, to consider pending business, 2 p.m., HT-2M Capitol.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, Subcommittee on Aviation, to hold a hearing on problems in the United States Aviation Relationship with the United Kingdom and Japan, 2 p.m., and to mark up a measure to reauthorize the National Transportation Safety Board, 5 p.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Railroads and the Subcommittee on Technology of the Committee on Science, joint hearing on Rail Safety Oversight: High Technology Train Control Devices, 2 p.m. 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Ways and Means, to continue hearings on Replacing the Federal Income Tax, 10 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, executive, hearing on Analysis/Exploitation, 2 p.m., H-405 Capitol.

Joint Meetings

Conferees, on H.R. 3019, making appropriations for fiscal year 1996 to make a further downpayment toward a balanced budget, 3 p.m., S-5, Capitol.

Conferees, on S. 641, to reauthorize the Ryan White CARE Act of 1990, 4 p.m., S-207, Capitol.

Conferees, on S. 735, to prevent and punish acts of terrorism, 5 p.m., S-10, Capitol.

Joint Hearing: Senate Committee on Veterans Affairs, to hold joint hearings with the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs to review the legislative recommendations of the Veterans of World War I, AMVETS, the American Ex-Prisoners of War, the Vietnam Veterans of America, and the Military Order of the Purple Heart, 9:30 a.m., 345 Cannon Building.