

Rhode Island, but did not complete action thereon, and recessed subject to call.

FEDERAL WITNESS SECURITY PROGRAM

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded oversight hearings on the effectiveness of the Department of Justice witness security program created under the Organized Crime Act of 1970 to protect witnesses who testify against traditional organized crime figures, after receiving testimony from John C. Keeney, Acting Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division, Eugene L. Coon, Jr., Acting Assistant Director, United States Marshals Service, Patrick H. Nemoier, United States Attorney for the Western District of New York, and Peter M. Carlson, Assistant Director, Federal Bureau of Prisons, all of the Department of Justice; Steven P. Wood, Delaware Deputy Attorney General, and Alisa Pennington, both of Wilmington, Delaware; James Peter Basile and George Taylor,

both former program participants; and a current program participant.

ACCESS TO GOVERNMENT INFORMATION

Committee on Rules and Administration: Committee held hearings to examine the role of the Federal Depository Library Program of the Government Printing Office in ensuring public access to Government information, receiving testimony from Wayne P. Kelley, Superintendent of Documents, Government Printing Office; Daniel P. O'Mahony, Brown University Library, Providence, Rhode Island, on behalf of the Federal Depository Library Council; Betty J. Turock, Rutgers University, New Brunswick, New Jersey, on behalf of the American Library Association, American Association of Law Libraries, Association of Research Libraries, and the Special Libraries Association; and Christie D. Vernon, Yorktown, Virginia.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 11 public bills, H.R. 3662–3672; and 1 resolution, H. Con. Res. 189, were introduced. **Pages H6508–09**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed as follows:

H.R. 3662, making appropriations for the Department of the Interior and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1997 (H. Rept. 104–625);

H.R. 3572, to designate the bridge on United States Route 231 which crosses the Ohio River between Maceo, Kentucky, and Rockport, Indiana, as the "William H. Natcher Bridge" (H. Rept. 104–626);

H. Res. 455, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 3662) making appropriations for the Department of the Interior and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1997 (H. Rept. 104–627);

H.R. 3666, making appropriations for the Departments of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development, and for sundry independent agencies, boards, commissions, corporations, and offices for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1997 (H. Rept. 104–628); and

Supplemental report on H.R. 1858, to reduce paperwork and additional regulatory burdens for depository institutions (H. Rept. 104–193, Part II).

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Recess: The House recessed at 1:23 p.m. and reconvened at 2:00 p.m. **Page H6431**

Suspensions: The House voted to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Anti-Car Theft Improvements: H.R. 2803, amended, to amend the anti-car theft provisions of title 49, United States Code, to increase the utility of motor vehicle title information to State and Federal law enforcement officials; **Pages H6449–51**

Church Arson Prevention: H.R. 3525, amended, to amend title 18, United States Code, to clarify the Federal jurisdiction over offenses relating to damage to religious property (passed by a yea-and-nay vote of 422 yeas, Roll No. 248); **Pages H6451–62, H6478–79**

William H. Natcher Bridge: H.R. 3572, to designate the bridge on United States Route 231 which crosses the Ohio River between Maceo, Kentucky, and Rockport, Indiana, as the "William H. Natcher Bridge"; and **Pages H6462–64**

Single Audit Act: S. 1579, to streamline and improve the effectiveness of chapter 75 of title 31, United States Code (commonly referred to as the "Single Audit Act"). **Pages H6464–69**

Suspensions—Votes Postponed: House completed all debate on motions to suspend the rules and pass the following measures. Votes were postponed until Wednesday, June 19.

Securities Amendments: H.R. 3005, amended, to amend the Federal securities laws in order to promote efficiency and capital formation in the financial markets, and to amend the Investment Company Act of 1940 to promote more efficient management of mutual funds, protect investors, and provide more effective and less burdensome regulation; and

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Iranian Oil Sanctions: H.R. 3107, amended, to impose sanctions on persons exporting certain goods or technology that would enhance Iran's ability to explore for, extract, refine, or transport by pipeline petroleum resources.

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Late Report: Committee on Appropriations received permission to have until midnight tonight to file a report on H.R. 3666, making appropriations for the Department of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1997.

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Supplemental Report: It was made in order for the Committee on Banking and Financial Services to file a supplemental report on H.R. 1858, to reduce paperwork and additional regulatory burdens for depository institutions.

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Referral: One Senate-passed measure was referred to the appropriate House committee.

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Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on pages H6509–11.

Senate Messages: Message received from the Senate today appears on page H6425.

Quorum Calls—Votes: One yea-and-nay vote developed during the proceedings of the House today. There were no quorum calls.

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Adjournment: Met at 12:30 p.m. and adjourned at 10:32 p.m.

Committee Meetings

LEGISLATIVE APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Legislative approved for full Committee action the Legislative appropriations for fiscal year 1997.

TREASURY, POSTAL SERVICE AND GENERAL GOVERNMENT APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Treasury, Postal Service, and General Government approved for full committee action the Treasury, Postal Service and General Government appropriations for fiscal year 1997.

PACIFIC NORTHWEST POWER SYSTEM

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Energy and Power held an oversight hearing on the Pacific

Northwest Power System. Testimony was heard from John Velehradsky, Director of Engineering and Technical Service, North Pacific Division, Corps of Engineers, Department of the Army; Donna Darm, Senior Policy Analyst, Northwest Region, National Marine Fisheries, NOAA, Department of Commerce; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on the District of Columbia approved for full Committee action the following bills: H.R. 3663, District of Columbia Water and Sewer Authority Act of 1996; and H.R. 3664, District of Columbia Government Improvement and Efficiency Act of 1996.

AID WHISTLEBLOWER—ADMINISTRATION'S RESPONSE

Committee on International Relations: Held a hearing on the Administration's response to AID Whistle Blower Paul Neifert. Testimony was heard from Larry E. Byrne, Assistant Administrator, Management, AID, U.S. International Development Cooperation Agency.

CHINA MFN

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on International Operations and Human Rights held a hearing on China MFN: Human Rights Consequences. Testimony was heard from Representatives Wolf and Pelosi; and public witnesses.

BALLISTIC MISSILE DEFENSE

Committee on National Security: Subcommittee on Military Procurement and the Subcommittee on Military Research and Development held a joint hearing on Ballistic Missile Defense. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Defense: RAdm. Richard D. West, USN, Acting Director, Ballistic Missile Defense Organization; Maj. Gen. Robert E. Linhead, USAF, Director of Plans, Department of the Air Force; and Lt. Gen. Jay M. Garner, USA, Commanding General, Space and Strategic Defense Command, Department of the Army.

Hearings continue June 20.

FEDERAL LAND USE POLICIES

Committee on Resources: Held an oversight hearing on citizens' perspectives on Federal Land Use Policies. Testimony was heard from Melvin R. Brown, Speaker, House of Representatives, State of Utah; Frederick W. King, Sr., Senator, State of New Hampshire; and public witnesses.

INDIAN TRUST FUNDS

Committee on Resources: Task Force on Indian Trust Management held an oversight hearing on management of Indian Trust Funds. Testimony was heard