

Wednesday, June 19, 1996

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

House Committees ordered reported 14 sundry measures.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S6421–S6547

Measures Introduced: Nine bills were introduced, as follows: S. 1885–1893. **Page S6517**

Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:
S. 253, to repeal certain prohibitions against political recommendations relating to Federal employment, to reenact certain provisions relating to recommendations by Members of Congress. (S. Rept. No. 104–282)

S. 1577, to authorize appropriations for the National Historical Publications and Records Commission for fiscal years 1998, 1999, 2000, and 2001. (S. Rept. No. 104–283)

H.R. 2739, to provide for a representational allowance for Members of the House of Representatives, to make technical and conforming changes to sundry provisions of law in consequence of administrative reforms in the House of Representatives, with amendments.

S. 1888, to extend energy conservation programs under the Energy Policy and Conservation Act through September 30, 1996. **Page S6517**

DOD Authorizations: Senate continued consideration of S. 1745, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 1997 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the department of Energy, and to prescribe personnel strengths for such fiscal year for the Armed Forces, with committee amendments, taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows: **Pages S6421–S6508**

Adopted:

Inouye Amendment No. 4050, to codify existing practices of the Army and Air Force regarding the grade of the Chief of the Army Nurse Corps and of the Chief of the Air Force Nurse Corps. **Pages S6425–26**

Kerry Amendment No. 4055, to provide for the Secretary of Defense to make payment to Vietnamese

personnel who infiltrated into North Vietnam to perform covert operations as part of OPLAN 34A or its predecessor. **Pages S6438–43**

Grams/Robb Modified Amendment No. 4052, to express the sense of the Senate regarding the reopening of Pennsylvania Avenue. (By 39 yeas to 59 nays (Vote No. 161), Senate earlier failed to table the amendment.) **Pages S6432–36, S6438, S6441–50**

Reid Amendment No. 4056 (to Amendment No. 4052), to provide that a plan for the reopening of Pennsylvania Avenue is certified to protect the security of the people who live and work in the White House. **Pages S6447–49**

Craig Amendment No. 4057, to express the sense of the Senate that the United States-Japan Semiconductor Trade Agreement should be renegotiated. **Pages S6450–53**

Murray Amendment No. 4059, to repeal the restriction on the use of Department of Defense facilities for abortions. (By 45 yeas to 51 yeas (Vote No. 163), Senate earlier failed to table the amendment.) **Pages S6460–69**

Simpson Amendment No. 4061, to authorize funds for phase I construction of a combined support maintenance shop at Camp Guernsey, Wyoming. **Pages S6479–81, S6492–93**

McCain Amendment No. 4072 (to Amendment No. 4061), to require that the project be in the future years defense plan. **Pages S6492–93**

Reid/Bryan Amendment No. 4062, to strike the authorization for the military construction project of the National Security Agency at Fort Meade, Maryland, to authorize funds for the construction of a ramp addition for C-130 aircraft at Reno International Airport, Nevada, and to authorize funds for the construction of a jet engine test facility/aircraft test enclosure at Fallon Naval Air Station, Nevada. **Pages S6481–82**

Kempthorne (for Cohen) Amendment No. 4063, to specify funding and requirements for research, development, test, and evaluation of advanced submarine technologies. **Pages S6484–85**

Nunn (for Byrd) Amendment No. 4064, to ensure that the annual report from the Reserve Forces Policy Board is submitted as a report that is separate from the annual report of the Secretary of Defense on the expenditures, work, and accomplishments of the Department of Defense. **Page S6485**

Kempthorne (for Gorton/Cohen/Glenn) Amendment No. 4065, to provide for managed health care services to be furnished under the health care delivery system of the uniformed services by transferees of Public Health Service hospital or other stations previously deemed to be uniformed services treatment facilities that enter into agreements with the Secretary of Defense to provide such services on an enrollment basis. **Pages S6485-88**

Nunn (for Sarbanes/Mikulski) Amendment No. 4066, to authorize the Secretaries of the military departments and the Secretary of Transportation to carry out a food donation pilot program at the services academies. **Page S6488**

Kempthorne (for Warner) Amendment No. 4067, to provide for the designation of a memorial as the National D-Day Memorial in Bedford, Virginia. **Pages S6488-89**

Nunn (for Byrd/Ford/Feinstein) Amendment No. 4068, to increase funds for the Air National Guard for support of 10 primary authorized C-130 aircraft for each airlift squadron in the Air National Guard of Kentucky, West Virginia, North Carolina, Tennessee, and California, and to increase various personnel end strength authorizations by 385 for support of such aircraft. **Pages S6489-90**

Kempthorne (for Cohen) Amendment No. 4069, to modify the specification of the source authorization of appropriations for certain submarine program contracts. **Page S6490**

Nunn (for Simon) Amendment No. 4070, to improve the National Security Education Program. **Pages S6490-91**

Kempthorne (for Cohen) Amendment No. 4071, to require a modification of a plan for development of a program leading to production of a more capable and less expensive submarine than the New Attack Submarine in order to advance by three years the earliest fiscal year in which a design for a next submarine for serial production may be selected. **Pages S6491-92**

Kempthorne (for Smith/Santorom) Amendment No. 4073, to waive a limitation on use of funds in the National Defense Sealift Fund for purchasing three ships for the purpose of enhancing Marine Corps prepositioning squadrons. **Page S6493**

Nunn (for Bingaman/Smith) Amendment No. 4074, to revise and improve the authority for research projects under transactions other than con-

tracts and grants and for certain cooperative research and development agreements. **Pages S6493-95**

Kempthorne (for Grassley/Boxer/Harkin) Amendment No. 4075, to make reimbursement of Government contractors for costs of excessive amounts of compensation for contractor personnel unallowable under Government contracts. **Pages S6495-S6502**

Nunn (for Boxer) Amendment No. 4076, to amend the reporting requirement under demonstration project for purchase of fire, security, police, public works, and utility services from local government agencies. **Page S6502**

Kempthorne (for McCain) Amendment No. 4077, to authorize agreements with Indian tribes for services under the Defense Environmental Restoration Program. **Page S6502**

Nunn Amendment No. 4078, to revise the description of a category of expenses for which humanitarian and civic assistance funds may be used. **Page S6502**

Kempthorne Amendment No. 4079, to revise the eligibility requirements for grants and contracts under the University Research Initiative Support Program. **Pages S6502-03**

Kempthorne (for Lott) Amendment No. 4080, to strike provisions relating to the prohibition on the use of funds for Office of Naval Intelligence representation or related activities. **Page S6503**

Kempthorne (for Nickles/Inhofe) Amendment No. 4081, to authorize the Secretary of the Army to convey certain real property located at Fort Sill, Oklahoma. **Pages S6503-04**

Kempthorne (for McCain) Amendment No. 4082, to revise the provision relating to the environmental restoration accounts. **Page S6504**

Rejected:

By 44 yeas to 53 nays (Vote No. 160), Dorgan Amendment No. 4048, to reduce funds authorized for research, development, test, and evaluation for national missile defense. **Pages S6421-24**

Bingaman Modified Amendment No. 4058, to strike provisions that predetermine the outcome of an ongoing Department of Defense study on space control and to provide a framework for space control decisions to be made. (By 52 yeas to 46 nays (Vote No. 162), Senate tabled the amendment.) **Pages S6453-59**

McCain/Glenn Amendment No. 4060, to reduce funds for military construction projects not included in the Administration request for such projects for fiscal year 1997. (By 83 yeas to 13 nays (Vote No. 164), Senate tabled the amendment.) **Pages S6469-78**

Pending:

Kyl/Reid Amendment No. 4049, to authorize underground nuclear testing under limited conditions. **Pages S6424-32, S6482-83**

Senate will continue consideration of the bill, the pending amendment, and amendments to be proposed thereto, on Thursday, June 20, 1996.

Removal of Injunction of Secrecy: The injunction of secrecy was removed from the following treaty:

International Natural Rubber Agreement. (Treaty Doc. No. 104–27).

The treaty was transmitted to the Senate today, considered as having been read for the first time, and referred, with accompanying papers, to the Committee on Foreign Relations and ordered to be printed.

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Record Votes: Five record votes were taken today. (Total—164) Pages S6424, S6447, S6459, S6469, S6478

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9 a.m., and adjourned at 9:29 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Thursday, June 20, 1996. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S6547.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

BUDGET RECONCILIATION

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: Committee completed its review of certain spending reductions and revenue increases to meet reconciliation expenditures as imposed by H. Con. Res. 178, establishing the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 1997 and setting forth appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 1998, 1999, 2000, 2001, and 2002, and agreed on recommendations which it will make thereon to the Committee on the Budget.

APPROPRIATIONS—DEFENSE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Defense approved for full committee consideration, with

amendments, H.R. 3610, making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1997.

APPROPRIATIONS—DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on District of Columbia held hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1997 for the District of Columbia court system, receiving testimony from Annice Wagner, Chief Judge, District of Columbia Court of Appeals; Eugene Hamilton, Chief Judge, Superior Court of the District of Columbia; and Ulysses Hammond, Executive Officer, District of Columbia Court System.

Subcommittee recessed subject to call.

SECURITIES INVESTMENT PROMOTION ACT

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee ordered favorably reported, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute, S. 1815, to provide for improved regulation of the securities markets, eliminate excess securities fees, and reduce the costs of investing.

SALMON RECOVERY

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Science, Technology, and Space held hearings to examine the status of salmon recovery research for the Columbia and Snake Rivers, receiving testimony from Douglas K. Hall, Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Oceans and Atmosphere; Dennis P. Lettenmaier, University of Washington, Seattle; Mark Reller, Montana Power Planning Council, Helena; Jack A. Stanford, University of Montana, Polson; and Bruce Lovelin, Columbia River Alliance, and Doug DeHart, Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife, both of Portland, Oregon.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 391, to protect and restore the health of Federal forest lands, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 901, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to participate in the design, planning, and construction of certain water reclamation and reuse projects and desalination research and development projects, with an amendment;

H.R. 1823, to allow for prepayment of repayment contracts between the United States and the Central Utah Water Conservancy District dated December 28, 1965, and November 26, 1985;

S. 1225, to require the Secretary of the Interior to conduct an inventory of historic sites, buildings, and artifacts in the Champlain Valley and the Upper Hudson River Valley in Vermont, including the Lake George area, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 1226, to require the Secretary of the Interior to prepare a study of battlefields of the Revolutionary War and the War of 1812, and to establish an American Battlefield Protection Program, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

H.R. 238, to provide for the protection of wild horses in the Ozark National Scenic Riverways, Missouri, and prohibit the removal of such horses, with an amendment;

H.R. 3008, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to enter into agreements with private parties for the recovery and disposal of helium on Federal lands, with an amendment;

S. 1646, to authorize and facilitate a program to enhance safety, training, research and development, and safety education in the propane gas industry for the benefit of propane consumers and the public, with an amendment;

H.R. 1014, to authorize extension of time limitation for a FERC-issued hydroelectric license;

S. 1174, to designate certain segments of the Lamprey River in New Hampshire as components of the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System;

S. 1194, to promote the research, identification, assessment, and exploration of marine mineral resources, with an amendment;

H.R. 2967, to extend the authorization through fiscal year 1998 for the Uranium Mill Tailings Radiation Control Act, while allowing the disposal site in Mesa County, Colorado to operate until it reaches its full capacity, or until September 30, 2023, whichever comes first;

S. 1662, to establish areas of wilderness and recreation in the State of Oregon, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 1703, to provide the National Park Foundation a greater ability to raise funds from individuals, foundations and corporations to help repair and preserve national parks, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 1874, to amend sections of the Department of Energy Organization Act that are obsolete or inconsistent with other statutes and to repeal a related section of the Federal Energy Administration Act of 1974;

An original bill extending the authorities in the Energy Policy and Conservation Act through September 30, 1996; and

The nomination of Vicky A. Bailey, of Indiana, to be a Member of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Department of Energy.

Also, committee began mark up of S. 1186, to provide for the transfer of operation and maintenance of the Flathead Irrigation and Power Project in Montana, S. 1852, to bar class action lawsuits against Department of Energy contractors for nonphysical injuries, to bar the award of punitive damages against Department of Energy contractors for incidents occurring before August 20, 1988, and S. 1187, to convey certain real property located in Tongass National Forest to Daniel J. Gross, Sr., and Douglas K. Gross, but did not complete action thereon and recessed subject to call.

WELFARE AND MEDICAID REFORM

Committee on Finance: Committee resumed hearings on S. 1795, to restore the American family, enhance support and work opportunities for families with children, reduce out-of-wedlock pregnancies, reduce welfare dependence by requiring work, meet the health care needs of America's most vulnerable citizens, control welfare and medicaid spending, and increase State flexibility with regard to these matters, receiving testimony from Virginia State Senator Stephen H. Martin, Richmond; Massachusetts Secretary of Administration and Finance Charles D. Baker, Boston; Arnold R. Tompkins, Ohio Department of Human Services, Columbus; David T. Ellwood, Harvard University, Cambridge, Massachusetts; Charles D. Hobbs, American Institute for Full Employment, Washington, D.C.; and Karen Davis, The Commonwealth Fund, New York, New York.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

ACCESS TO GOVERNMENT INFORMATION

Committee on Rules and Administration: Committee continued 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 Jeanne Hurley Simon, Chairperson, U.S. National Commission on Libraries and Information Science; Lewis J. Bellardo, Deputy Archivist of the United States, National Archives and Records Administration; William Wulf, University of Virginia, Charlottesville; Dennis F. Galletta, University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; and Robert L. Smith, Jr., Interactive Services Association, Silver Spring, Maryland.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

INDIAN CHILD WELFARE AMENDMENT

Committee on Indian Affairs: Committee ordered favorably reported, with an amendment, Title III, to amend the Indian Child Welfare Act of 1978 to make title I of such Act inapplicable to any child

custody proceeding involving a child who does not reside or is not domiciled within a reservation with certain exceptions, of H.R. 3286, Adoption Promotion and Stability Act.

BUSINESS MEETING

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee met in closed session to consider pending committee business, but made no announcements, and recessed subject to call.

U.S. TREATMENT OF VIETNAMESE COMMANDOS

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee concluded hearings to examine United States treatment of certain Vietnamese commandos who were trained and equipped by the Central Intelligence Agency and the Department of Defense during the Vietnam War, after receiving testimony from Senator Kerry; Sedgwick Tourison, former Analyst, Defense Intelligence Agency; Maj. Gen. John K. Singlaub, USA (Ret.), former head of the commando operation; and Ha Van Son, representing a group of Vietnamese commandos.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 10 public bills, H.R. 3673–3674, 3676–3683 and 1 resolution, H. Con. Res. 190 were introduced. **Page H6532**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed as follows:

H. Res. 456, providing for consideration of 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. 104–630); and

H.R. 3675, making appropriations for the Department of Transportation and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1997 (H. Rept. 104–631). **Page H6531**

Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Collins of Georgia to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H6513**

Committees To Sit: The following committees and their subcommittees received permission to sit today during proceedings of the House under the 5-minute rule: Committees on Agriculture, Banking and Financial Services, Commerce, Economic and Educational Opportunities, Government Reform and Oversight, International Relations, Judiciary, National Security, Resources, Science, Transportation and Infrastructure, Veterans Affairs, and Select Intelligence. **Page H6518**

Suspensions: The House voted to suspend the rules and pass the following measures which were debated on Tuesday, 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 (passed by a yeas-and-nays vote of 407 yeas to 8 nays with 1 voting "present", Roll No. 249); and **Page H6528**

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. Agreed to amend the title (passed by a yeas-and-nays vote of 415 yeas, Roll No. 250). **Pages H6528–29**

Interior Appropriations: The House completed all general debate on H.R. 3662, making appropriations for the Department of the Interior and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1997. Consideration of amendments will resume on Thursday, June 20. **Pages H6537–H6625**

Agreed To:

The Dicks amendment that strikes language dealing with limitations on the designation of a critical habitat for the marbled murrelet (agreed to by a recorded vote of 257 yeas to 164 nays, Roll No. 253); **Pages H6567–87**

The Skaggs amendment that increases energy conservation programs by \$8 million and reduces the minerals management program by \$4 million and the fossil energy program by \$4 million; **Pages H6587–88**

The Calvert amendment that increases the cooperative endangered species conservation fund by \$1

million and reduces Forest Service funding accordingly.

Pages H6588–89

The Kennedy of Massachusetts amendment that reduces Forest Service reconstruction and construction funding by \$42 million (agreed to by a recorded vote of 211 ayes to 210 noes, Roll No. 258).

Pages H6611–20, H6624–25

Rejected:

The Farr amendment that sought to increase funding for land acquisition by \$135 million and decrease fossil energy research and development funding accordingly (rejected by a recorded vote of 183 ayes to 235 noes, Roll No. 251);

Pages H6550–57

The Walker amendment that sought to increase funding for the National Park Service by \$62 million and the Bureau of Indian Affairs by \$55 million and reduce fossil energy research and development funding accordingly (rejected by a recorded vote of 196 ayes to 224 noes, Roll No. 252);

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The Richardson amendment that sought to increase funding for the Fish and Wildlife Service by \$5 million and reduce fossil energy research and development funding accordingly (rejected by a recorded vote of 200 ayes to 220 noes, Roll No. 254);

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The Vento amendment that sought to increase funding for the National Park Service by \$23.5 million and reduce Forest Service reconstruction and construction funding accordingly (rejected by a recorded vote of 178 ayes to 242 noes, Roll No. 255);

Pages H6592–99, H6605–06

The Miller amendment that sought to increase National Recreation and Preservation funding by \$10 million and reduce Fossil Energy Research and Development funding accordingly (rejected by a recorded vote of 199 ayes to 223 noes, Roll 256);

Pages H6599–H6602, H6606–07

The Richardson amendment that sought to increase funding for the National Park Service by \$15.5 million and reduce Forest Service Reconstruction and Construction funding accordingly (rejected by a recorded vote of 203 ayes to 218 noes, Roll No. 257);

Pages H6602–04, H6607

Withdrawn:

The Goss amendment was offered, but subsequently withdrawn that sought to increase funding for National Park Service land acquisition by \$15 million and reduce Forest Service funding accordingly;

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Points of order were sustained against the following:

Language in the bill that sought to require binding agreements between Indian tribes, States, and

local governments regarding taxes before any new Federal lands are transferred into tribal trust; and

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Language in the bill that sought to direct the Secretary of Energy to draw down \$200 million in oil from the Strategic Petroleum Reserve.

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H. Res. 455, the rule providing for consideration of the bill, was agreed to earlier by a voice vote.

Pages H6518–28

Order of Business: It was made in order that during further consideration of H.R. 3662 that the bill be considered as having been read; and no amendment shall be in order except for the following amendments, which shall be considered as read, shall not be subject to amendment or to a demand for a division of the question in the House or in the Committee of the Whole, and shall be debatable for the time specified, equally divided and controlled by the proponent and a Member opposed: Representative Sanders (regarding weatherization—20 minutes), Representative Fox (regarding weatherization—10 minutes), Representative Parker (regarding weatherization—10 minutes), Representative Faleomavaega (regarding the red squirrel—15 minutes), Representative Hoekstra (regarding NEA—10 minutes), Representative Shadegg (regarding NEH—30 minutes), Representative Klug or another Member (regarding timber contracts—10 minutes), Representative DeFazio (regarding timber sourcing—10 minutes), Representative Olver (regarding funding levels for codes and standards—10 minutes), Representative Condit (regarding Endangered Species Act—10 minutes), Representative Sanders (regarding PILT—20 minutes), Representative Furse/Representative Porter (regarding timber salvage—60 minutes), Representative Gutknecht (regarding across-the-board cut—20 minutes), Representative Chenoweth (regarding grizzly bears—10 minutes), Representative Istook (regarding BIA—20 minutes), and Representative Yates (regarding telecommunications—10 minutes).

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Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on pages H6532–35.

Senate Messages: Message received from the Senate today appears on page H6513.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Two yea-and-nay votes and eight recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today. There were no quorum calls.

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Adjournment: Met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 12 midnight.

Committee Meetings

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Agriculture: Ordered reported the following bills: H.R. 2670, amended, to provide for the release of the reversionary interest held by the United States in certain property located in the County of Iosco, MI; H.R. 3387, to designate the Southern Piedmont Conservation Research Center located at 1420 Experimental Station Road in Watkinsville, Georgia, as the "J. Phil Campbell, Senior Natural Resource Conservation Center;" H.R. 3464, amended, to make a minor adjustment in the exterior boundary of the Devils Backbone Wilderness in the Mark Twain National Forest, Missouri, to exclude a small parcel of land containing improvements; H.R. 3665, amended, to transfer to the Secretary of Agriculture the authority to conduct the census of agriculture; and H.R. 1627, amended, Food Quality Protection Act of 1995.

TRANSPORTATION APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Ordered reported the Transportation appropriations for fiscal year 1997.

ELECTRONIC BENEFIT TRANSFER SYSTEMS AND REGULATION

Committee on Banking and Financial Services: Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Credit held a hearing on Electronic Benefit Transfer Systems and Regulation E. Testimony was heard from Ellen Haas, Under Secretary, Division of Food, Nutrition and Consumer Service, USDA; Edward DeSeve, Comptroller, OMB; Griffith Garwood, Director, Division of Consumer and Community Affairs, Federal Reserve System; William Kilmartin, Comptroller, State of Massachusetts; and public witnesses.

WELFARE AND MEDICAID REFORM ACT

Committee on the Budget: Ordered reported the Welfare and Medicaid Reform Act of 1996.

OVERSIGHT

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Energy and Power held an oversight hearing on the Status of the International Global Climate Change Negotiations. Testimony was heard from Rafe Pomerance, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Environment and Development, Department of State, Marc Chupka, Acting Assistant Secretary, Policy and International Affairs, Department of Energy; David Gardiner, Assistant Administrator, Office of Policy Planning and Evaluation, EPA; and Jeffrey Hunker, Deputy Assistant to the Secretary, Department of Commerce.

WORKER RIGHT TO KNOW ACT

Committee on Economic and Educational Opportunities: Subcommittee on Employer-Employee Relations held a hearing on H.R. 3580, Worker Right to Know Act. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

FBI BACKGROUND FILES SECURITY

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Held a hearing on Security of FBI Background Files. Testimony was heard from the following former White House Counsels: C. Boyden Gray; A.B. Culvahouse; and Dick Hauser, Deputy Counsel; and the following former officials of the Office of Personnel Security: Jane Dannenhauer; and Nancy Gemmell.

ADMINISTRATION'S NONPROLIFERATION POLICY

Committee on International Relations: Held a hearing on the Administration's Nonproliferation Policy. Testimony was heard from Lynn E. Davis, Under Secretary, Arms Control and International Security Affairs, Department of State; and public witnesses.

SOUTHEAST ASIA-U.S. COMMERCIAL INTERESTS

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on Asia and the Pacific and the Subcommittee on International Economic Policy and Trade held a joint hearing on U.S. Commercial Interests in Southeast Asia: Tapping the "Big Merging Markets". Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

FEDERAL RECORD KEEPING AND SEX OFFENDERS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Crime held a hearing regarding federal record keeping and sex offenders. Testimony was heard from Representatives Frost, Gutknecht and Zimmer; Harlin R. McEwen, Deputy Assistant Director, Criminal Justice Information Services, FBI, Department of Justice; and public witnesses.

POW/MIA ISSUES

Committee on National Security: Subcommittee on Military Personnel held a hearing on POW/MIA issues. Testimony was heard from Kent M. Wiedemann, Deputy Assistant Secretary, East Asian and Pacific Affairs, Department of State; James W. Wold, Deputy Assistant Secretary, POW/MIA affairs, Department of Defense; and public witnesses.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Resources: Ordered reported the following bills: H.R. 3378, to amend the Indian Health Care Improvement Act to extend the demonstration program for direct billing of Medicare, Medicaid, and

other third party payors; H.R. 401, amended, Kenai Natives Association Equity Act of 1995; H.R. 2941, amended, Housing Improvement Act for Land Management Agencies; H.R. 3290, to authorize appropriations for the Bureau of Land Management for each of the fiscal years 1997 through 2002; H.R. 3660; amended, Reclamation Recycling and Water Conservation Act of 1996; H.R. 3198, National Geologic Mapping Reauthorization Act of 1996; and H.R. 3249, amended, to authorize appropriations for a mining institute to develop domestic technological capabilities for the recovery of minerals from the Nation's seabed.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Native American and Insular Affairs approved for full Committee action the following bills: H.R. 3640, to settle a land claim for the Torres Martinez Indian Tribe; H.R. 3642, California Indian Land Transfer Act; and H.R. 2591, Indian Federal Recognition Administrative Procedures Act of 1995.

Prior to this action, the Subcommittee held a hearing on H.R. 3640. Testimony was heard from Representatives Bono and Brown of California; Michael Anderson, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Indian Affairs, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior; and public witnesses.

VA, HUD, AND INDEPENDENT AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, an open rule providing one hour of general debate on 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 fiscal year ending September 30, 1997. The rule waives points of order against consideration of the bill for failure to comply with clause 2(l)(6) of rule XI (the three-day availability of the report), clause 7 of rule XXI (the three-day requirement for availability of printed hearings and reports on appropriation bills) and section 302(f) of the Budget Act (prohibiting consideration of legislation providing budget authority, new entitlement authority, or new credit authority in excess of subcommittee's 302(b) allocation for such authority).

The rule waives points of order against provisions in the bill (other than sections 204 and 205) for failure to comply with clause 2 of rule XXI (prohibiting unauthorized appropriations and legislation on general appropriations bills) or clause 6 of rule XXI (prohibiting transfers of unobligated balances). The rule provides for the adoption of the amendment printed in section 2 of the resolution (to remedy the Budget Act violation).

The rule provides for priority in recognition of those amendments that have been preprinted in the Congressional Record. The rule allows for the Chairman of the Committee of the Whole to postpone votes during consideration of the bill, and to reduce to five minutes on a postponed question if the vote follows a fifteen minute vote.

The rule provides that a motion to rise and report the bill to the House with such amendments as may have been adopted and shall have precedence over a motion to amend, if offered by the Majority Leader or a designee after the reading of the final lines of the bill. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit, with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Representatives Lewis of California; Lazio and Stokes.

SAVINGS IN CONSTRUCTION ACT OF 1995

Committee on Science: Subcommittee on Technology approved for full Committee action amended H.R. 2779, Savings in Construction Act of 1995.

AVIATION SAFETY

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Aviation held a hearing on Aviation Safety: Treatment of Families After Airline Accidents. Testimony was heard from James E. Hall, Chairman, National Transportation Safety Board; Michael Harris, Associate Deputy Secretary, Department of Transportation; and public witnesses.

DVA COMPUTER MODERNIZATION

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Subcommittee on Compensation, Pension, Insurance and Memorial Affairs held a hearing on the DVA computer modernization effort. Testimony was heard from Gene L. Dodaro, Assistant Comptroller General, Accounting and Information Management Division, GAO; and R. John Vogel, Under Secretary, Benefits, Department of Veterans Affairs.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, JUNE 20, 1996

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Appropriations, business meeting, to consider 602(b) subcommittee allocations of budget outlays and new budget authority allocated to the committee in H. Con. Res. 178, establishing the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 1997 and setting forth appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 1998, 1999, 2000, 2001, and 2002, and to mark up H.R. 3610, making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30,

1997, H.R. 3517, making appropriations for military construction for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1997, and H.R. 3540, making appropriations for foreign operations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1997, 10:30 a.m., SD-192.

Subcommittee on Treasury, Postal Service, and General Government, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1997 for the Treasury Department, 2:30 p.m., SD-192.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs, Housing Opportunity and Community Development to hold joint hearings with the Committee on Indian Affairs, on Title VII, Native American Housing Assistance provisions of H.R. 2406, United States Housing Act, 10 a.m., SD-538.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, to resume hearings on broadcast spectrum issues, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

Committee on Environment and Public Works, business meeting, to resume markup of pending calendar business, 2:30 p.m., S-216, Capitol.

Committee on Foreign Relations, to hold hearings on the Agreement for the Implementation of the Provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 relating to the Conservation and Management of Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks, with annexes (Treaty Doc. 104-24), and the International Natural Rubber Agreement (Treaty Doc. 104-27), 10 a.m., SD-419.

Full Committee, to hold hearings on the nominations of John F. Hicks, Sr., of North Carolina, to be Ambassador to the State of Eritrea, Alan R. McKee, of Maryland, to be Ambassador to the Kingdom of Swaziland, Tibor P. Nagy, Jr., of Texas, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Guinea, and Arlene Render, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Zambia, 3 p.m., SD-419.

Committee on the Judiciary, to hold hearings to examine White House access to FBI background summaries, 10 a.m., SH-216.

Committee on Indian Affairs to hold joint hearings with the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs' Housing Opportunity and Community Development, on Title VII, Native American Housing Assistance provisions of H.R. 2406, United States Housing Act, 10 a.m., SD-538.

NOTICE

For a listing of Senate Committee Meetings scheduled ahead, see pages E1113-14 in today's RECORD.

House

Committee on Appropriations, to consider the Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education appropriations for fiscal year 1997, 8:30 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

Committee on Economic and Educational Opportunities, Subcommittee on Workforce Protections and the Subcommit-

tee on Oversight and Investigations, joint hearing on Davis-Bacon/GAO Report, 10 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight, to markup the following bills: H.R. 3586, Veterans Employment Opportunities Act of 1996; H.R. 885, to designate the U.S. Post Office building located at 153 East 110th Street, New York, NY, as the "Oscar Garcia Rivera Post Office Building"; H.R. 3139, to redesignate the United States Post Office building located at 245 Centereach Mall on Middle Country Road in Centereach, New York, as the "Rose Y. Caracappa United States Post Office Building"; H.R. 3663, District of Columbia Water and Sewer Authority Revenue Bond Act of 1996; and H.R. 3664, District of Columbia Government Improvement and Efficiency Act of 1996; and to consider investigative reports; and other pending Committee business, 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on International Relations, hearing on U.S. Policy Toward NATO Enlargement, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on International Economic Policy and Trade, to markup the Exports Jobs and Growth Act of 1996, to reauthorize OPIC, TDA and the Export Related Programs of the Department of Commerce, 2 p.m., 2200 Longworth.

Subcommittee on Western Hemisphere, hearing on Haiti: Where Has All the Money Gone? 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on Commercial and Administrative Law, to markup H.R. 3307, Regulatory Fair Warning Act, 10 a.m., 2226 Rayburn.

Committee on National Security, Subcommittee on Military Personnel, to continue hearings on POW/MIA issues, 1 p.m., 2212 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Military Procurement and the Subcommittee on Military Research and Development, executive, classified briefing on Ballistic Missile Defense, 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Military Procurement and the Subcommittee on Military Research and Development, to continue joint hearings on Ballistic Missile Defense, 11 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Committee on Resources, Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources, oversight hearing on Bureau of Land Management's oil and gas inspection, enforcement responsibilities, and regulatory burdens on small operations, 2 p.m., 1334 Longworth.

Subcommittee on Fisheries, Wildlife and Oceans, oversight hearing on African Elephant Conservation Act of 1988 and Rhinoceros and Tiger Conservation Act of 1994, 10 a.m., 1334 Longworth.

Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Lands, oversight hearing on Forest Service Appeal Process, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Committee on Science, Subcommittee on Technology and the Subcommittee on Energy and Environment, joint hearing on Environmental Regulation: A Barrier to the

Use of Environmental Technology? 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: to mark up the following bills: H.R. 3458, Veterans' Compensation Cost-of-Living Adjustment Act of 1996; H.R. 3643, to amend title 38, United States Code, to extend through December 31, 1998, the period during which the Secretary of Veterans Affairs is authorized to provide priority health care to certain veterans who were exposed to Agent Orange or who served in the Persian Gulf War and to make such author-

ity permanent in the case of certain veterans exposed to ionizing radiation; H.R. 3673, Veterans' Compensation and Readjustment Benefits Amendments of 1996; and H.R. 3674, Veterans' Education and Compensation Benefits Amendments of 1996, 9:30 a.m., 334 Cannon.

Committee on Ways and Means, Subcommittee on Oversight, to continue hearings on Employment Classification Issues, 10:30 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, executive, hearing on Bosnia/Iran, 2:30 p.m., H-405 Capitol.

Next Meeting of the SENATE
9:30 a.m., Thursday, June 20

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
10 a.m., Thursday, June 20

Senate Chamber

Program for Thursday: Senate will resume consideration of the nomination of Alan Greenspan, to be Chairman of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, with a vote to occur thereon at 2 p.m., following which Senate will vote on the remaining nominees to the Federal Reserve System.

Senate also expects to resume consideration of S. 1745, DOD Authorizations.

House Chamber

Program for Thursday: Complete consideration of H.R. 3662, Interior Appropriations Act for FY 1997 (open rule, 1 hour of general debate); and

Consideration of H.R. 3666, VA, HUD Appropriations Act for FY 1997 (rule only).



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