

District Work Period: By a yea-and-nay vote of 232 yeas to 167 nays, Roll No. 368, the House agreed to H. Con. Res. 203, providing for the adjournment of both Houses. **Pages H8573–74**

Small Business Job Protection: It was made in order to disagree with the Senate amendments to H.R. 3448, to provide tax relief for small businesses, to protect jobs, to create opportunities, to increase the take home pay of workers, and agree to a conference. **Pages H8574–81**

Appointed as conferees from the Committee on Ways and Means for consideration of the House bill (except for title II) and the Senate amendment numbered 1, and modifications committed to conference: Representatives Archer, Crane, Thomas, Gibbons, and Rangel; as additional conferees from the Committee on Economic and Educational Opportunities for consideration of sections 1704(h)(1)(B) and 1704(1) of the House bill and sections 1421(d), 1442(b), 1442(c), 1451, 1457, 1460(b), 1460(c), 1461, 1465, and 1704(h)(1)(B) of the Senate amendment numbered 1, and modifications committed to conference: Representatives Goodling, Fawell, Ballenger, Clay, and Owens; as additional conferees from the Committee on Economic and Educational Opportunities, for consideration of title II of the House bill and the Senate amendments numbered 2–6, and modifications committed to conference: Representatives Goodling, Fawell, Ballenger, Riggs, Clay, Owens, and Hinchey. **Page H8581**

Agreed to the Clay motion to instruct conferees to report as soon as possible their resolution of the differences between the Houses, because the minimum wage is at its lowest real value in 40 years and because working families deserve a raise (agreed to by yea-and-nay vote of 365 yeas to 26 nays, Roll No. 369). **Pages H8574–81**

Legislative Program: The Majority Whip announced the legislative program for the week of July 29. Agreed to adjourn from Friday to Monday. **Pages H8581–82**

Meeting Hour: Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 12:30 p.m. on Monday, July 29 for morning hour debates. **Page H8582**

Calendar Wednesday: Agreed to dispense with Calendar Wednesday business of July 31. **Page H8582**

Agriculture Market Transition: The House passed H.R. 3900, to amend the Agricultural Market Transition Act to provide greater planting flexibility. **Pages H8582–83**

Referrals: Two Senate-passed measures were referred to the appropriate House Committees. **Page H8596**

Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on pages H8598–99.

Senate Messages: Messages received from the Senate today appear on pages H8560 and H8573.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Four yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H8559–60, H8572–73, H8574, and H8580–81. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: Met at 9:00 a.m. and adjourned at 2:55 p.m.

Committee Meetings

SECTION 8 CONTRACTS AND FHA INSURANCE

Committee on Banking and Financial Services: Subcommittee on Housing and Community Opportunity held a hearing on Expiring Section 8 Contracts and FHA Insurance. Testimony was heard from Judy England-Joseph, Director, Housing and Community Development, GAO; and public witnesses.

SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL ACT AMENDMENTS

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Commerce, Trade, and Hazardous Materials held a hearing on H.R. 3391, to amend the Solid Waste Disposal Act to require at least 85 percent of funds appropriated to the Environmental Protection Agency from the Leaking Underground Storage Tank Trust Fund to be distributed to States for cooperative agreements for undertaking corrective action and for enforcement of subtitle I of such Act. Testimony was heard from Jim Matthews, Deputy Assistant Administrator, Office of Solid Waste and Emergency Response, EPA; and public witnesses.

CONSUMER HEALTH INFORMATICS

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on Human Resources and Intergovernmental Relations held a hearing on Consumer Health Informatics. Testimony was heard from Pat Taylor, Director, Health, Education and Human Services Information Systems, GAO; Mary Jo Deering, Director, Health Communications and Telehealth, Office of Disease Prevention and Promotion, Department of Health and Human Services; and public witnesses.

BRIEFING—PROPOSED NATIONAL PETROLEUM RESERVE—ALASKA LAND EXCHANGE

Committee on Resources: Held a briefing on proposed National Petroleum Reserve—Alaska Land Exchange contained in the House counter-offer to the Senate

on the Presidio legislation. The Committee was briefed by public witnesses

Joint Meetings

HEALTH INSURANCE REFORM

Conferees met to resolve the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H.R. 3103, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to improve portability and continuity of health insurance coverage in the group and individuals 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, but did not complete action thereon, and recessed subject to call.

SAFE DRINKING WATER ACT

Conferees met to resolve the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of S. 1316, to authorize funds for programs of the Safe Drinking Water Act, but did not complete action thereon, and recessed subject to call.

CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of July 29 through August 3, 1996

Senate Chamber

On *Monday and Tuesday*, Senate will resume consideration of S. 1959, Energy and Water Appropriations, 1997, and consider H.R. 3754, Legislative Branch Appropriations, 1997.

On *Wednesday*, Senate will consider S. 1936, Nuclear Waste Policy.

Also, during the week, Senate may consider further appropriations bills, and any cleared executive and legislative business, and conference reports, when available.

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

Senate Committees

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Committee on Armed Services: August 1, to hold hearings to examine current U.S. participation in the NATO Implementation Force Mission in Bosnia, 10 a.m., SR-222.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: July 31, to hold hearings on provisions of H.R. 361, to provide authority to control exports, 10 a.m., SD-538.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: August 1, to hold hearings on aviation security issues, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: July 30, Subcommittee on Forests and Public Land Management, to

hold oversight hearings to examine the conditions that have made the national forests in Arizona susceptible to fires and disease, 10:30 a.m., SD-366.

August 1, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, to hold oversight hearings to review the propriety of a commercial lease issued by the Bureau of Land Management and Lake Havasu, Arizona, including its consistency with the Federal Land Policy and Management Act and Department of the Interior land use policies, 9 a.m., SD-366.

August 1, Full Committee, to hold oversight hearings on the implementation of Section 2001, Emergency Timber Salvage, of Public Law 104-19, 2 p.m., SD-366.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: July 31, Subcommittee on Transportation and Infrastructure, to hold hearings on the Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act and the role of Federal, State, and local governments in surface transportation, 9:30 a.m., SD-406.

Committee on Finance: July 30, Subcommittee on International Trade, to resume hearings in conjunction with the Caucus on International Narcotics Control to examine how drug trafficking and money laundering may pose threats to United States trade and financial systems, and efforts to combat international drug trafficking and money laundering, 10 a.m., SD-215.

Committee on Foreign Relations: July 29, to hold hearings to examine international drug trafficking and its local impact, 2 p.m., SD-419.

July 30, Full Committee, to hold hearings on the nominations of Pete Peterson, of Florida, to be Ambassador to the Socialist Republic of Vietnam, Genta Hawkins Holmes, of California, to be Ambassador to Australia, Arma Jane Karaer, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to Papua New Guinea, and to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador to Solomon Islands, and as Ambassador to the Republic of Vanuatu, and John Stern Wolf, of Maryland, for the rank of Ambassador during his tenure of service as U.S. Coordinator for Asia Pacific Economic Cooperation, 10 a.m., SD-419.

July 30, Subcommittee on Western Hemisphere and Peace Corps Affairs, to hold hearings on the implementation of the Cuban Liberty and Democratic Solidarity Act (Libertad) (P.L. 104-114), 3 p.m., SD-419.

July 31, Subcommittee on African Affairs, to hold hearings on food security issues in Africa, 2 p.m., SD-419.

August 1, Full Committee, to hold hearings to review foreign policy issues, 10 a.m., SD-419.

Committee on Governmental Affairs: July 31, to hold hearings on S. 1724, to require that the Federal Government procure from the private sector the goods and services necessary for the operations and management of certain Government agencies, 10 a.m., SD-342.

Committee on the Judiciary: July 30, to hold hearings to examine the incidents of drug smuggling at U.S. borders, 10 a.m., SD-226.

July 30, Subcommittee on Constitution, Federalism, and Property Rights, business meeting, to mark up S.J. Res. 8, proposing an amendment to the Constitution of