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## House of Representatives

The House was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 4, 1997, at 12:30 p.m.

## Senate

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 1997

The Senate met at 9:30 a.m. and was called to order by the Honorable TED STEVENS, a Senator from the State of Alaska.

### APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will please read a communication to the Senate from the President pro tempore [Mr. THURMOND].

The legislative clerk read the following letter:

U.S. SENATE,  
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,  
Washington, DC, February 3, 1997.

*To the Senate:*

Under the provisions of rule 1, section 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable TED STEVENS, a Senator from the State of Alaska, to perform the duties of the Chair.

STROM THURMOND,  
*President pro tempore.*

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 11 A.M.  
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 1997

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Under the previous order, the Senate will stand adjourned until 11 a.m., Tuesday, February 4, 1997.

Thereupon, the Senate, at 9:30 and 28 seconds a.m., adjourned until Tuesday, February 4, 1997, at 11 a.m.

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# EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

## SENATE COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Title IV of Senate Resolution 4, agreed to by the Senate on February 4, 1977, calls for establishment of a system for a computerized schedule of all meetings and hearings of Senate committees, subcommittees, joint committees, and committees of conference. This title requires all such committees to notify the Office of the Senate Daily Digest—designated by the Rules Committee—of the time, place, and purpose of the meetings, when scheduled, and any cancellations or changes in the meetings as they occur.

As an additional procedure along with the computerization of this information, the Office of the Senate Daily Digest will prepare this information for printing in the Extensions of Remarks section of the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD on Monday and Wednesday of each week.

Meetings scheduled for Tuesday, February 4, 1997, may be found in the Daily Digest of today's RECORD.

## MEETINGS SCHEDULED

### FEBRUARY 5

9:15 a.m.  
Appropriations  
Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education Subcommittee  
To hold hearings to examine the recommendation of the National Institutes of Health consensus development conference on breast screening for women ages 40-49.  
SD-192

9:30 a.m.  
Energy and Natural Resources  
To hold hearings on S. 104, to amend the Nuclear Waste Policy Act of 1982.  
SD-366

Environment and Public Works  
Clean Air, Wetlands, Private Property, and Nuclear Safety Subcommittee  
To hold hearings on ozone particulate matter standards proposed by the Environmental Protection Agency.  
SD-406

Rules and Administration  
To continue hearings on proposed committee resolutions requesting funds for operating expenses for 1997 and 1998.  
SR-301

10:00 a.m.  
Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs  
To hold hearings on the nomination of Janet L. Yellen, of California, to be a Member of the Council of Economic Advisers.  
SD-538

Budget  
To hold hearings to examine education reform and economic growth.  
SD-608

Select on Intelligence  
To hold hearings on intelligence matters.  
SH-216

2:00 p.m.  
Armed Services  
To hold hearings on the nomination of Federico Peña, of Colorado, to be Secretary of Energy.  
SR-222

Judiciary  
Administrative Oversight and the Courts Subcommittee  
To hold hearings on conserving judicial resources, focusing on the consideration of appropriate allocation of judgeships in the United States Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit.  
SD-226

### FEBRUARY 6

9:30 a.m.  
Energy and Natural Resources  
To hold hearings on S. 210, to amend the Organic Act of Guam, the Revised Organic Act of the Virgin Islands, and the Compact of Free Association Act.  
SD-366

Rules and Administration  
To continue hearings on proposed committee resolutions requesting funds for operating expenses for 1997 and 1998.  
SR-301

Small Business  
To hold hearings to examine women-owned and home-based businesses.  
SR-428A

10:00 a.m.  
Armed Services  
To hold open and closed hearings on the worldwide threat facing the United States.  
SR-222

2:30 p.m.  
Select on Intelligence  
Closed business meeting, on intelligence matters.  
SH-219

### FEBRUARY 7

9:30 a.m.  
Joint Economic  
To hold hearings to examine the employment-unemployment situation for January and the Consumer Price Index (CPI).  
1334 Longworth Building

10:00 a.m.  
Budget  
To hold hearings on the President's proposed budget for fiscal year 1998.  
SD-608

### FEBRUARY 10

2:00 p.m.  
Joint Economic  
To hold hearings on the 1997 Economic Report of the President.  
2359 Rayburn Building

### FEBRUARY 11

9:00 a.m.  
Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry  
To hold hearings on proposals to reform the Commodity Exchange Act.  
SR-332

9:30 a.m.  
Labor and Human Resources  
To hold hearings on the implementation of the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act.  
SD-430

Rules and Administration  
Business meeting, to mark up proposed legislation authorizing biennial expenditures by standing, select, and special committees of the Senate, and to consider other pending legislative and administrative business.  
SR-301

Veterans' Affairs  
To hold joint hearings with the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs on the legislative recommendations of the Veterans of Foreign Wars.  
345 Cannon Building

### FEBRUARY 12

9:30 a.m.  
Energy and Natural Resources  
Business meeting, to consider pending calendar business.  
SD-366

Environment and Public Works  
To hold hearings on the ozone and particulate matter standards proposed by the Environmental Protection Agency.  
SD-406

Governmental Affairs  
International Security, Proliferation, and Federal Services Subcommittee  
To hold hearings on the future of nuclear deterrence.  
SD-342

Labor and Human Resources  
To hold hearings on the implementation of the Teamwork for Employees and Managers Act (TEAM).  
SD-430

Small Business  
To hold hearings on the President's budget request for fiscal year 1998 for the Small Business Administration.  
SR-428A

10:00 a.m.  
Finance  
To hold hearings on the Administration's budget and revenue proposals for fiscal year 1998.  
SD-215

### FEBRUARY 13

9:00 a.m.  
Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry  
To resume hearings on proposals to reform the Commodity Exchange Act.  
SR-332

10:00 a.m.  
Finance  
To hold hearings on the Administration's budget for fiscal year 1998, focusing on Medicare, Medicaid and welfare proposals.  
SD-215

2:00 p.m.  
Environment and Public Works  
Transportation and Infrastructure Subcommittee  
To hold hearings on the implementation of the Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act and transportation trends, infrastructure funding requirements, and transportation's impact on the economy.  
SD-406

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Matter set in this typeface indicates words inserted or appended, rather than spoken, by a Member of the House on the floor.

<p>FEBRUARY 25</p> <p>9:00 a.m. Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry To hold hearings to examine the impact of estate taxes on farmers. SR-332</p> <p>FEBRUARY 26</p> <p>9:00 a.m. Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry To hold hearings to examine the impact of capital gains taxes on farmers. SR-332</p> <p>9:30 a.m. Environment and Public Works Transportation and Infrastructure Subcommittee To resume hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for programs of the Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act. SD-406</p> <p>Labor and Human Resources Business meeting, to consider pending calendar business. SD-430</p> <p>FEBRUARY 27</p> <p>9:30 a.m. Labor and Human Resources To hold hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for programs of the Higher Education Act. SD-430</p> <p>10:00 a.m. Armed Services To hold hearings concerning the Department of Defense actions pertaining to Persian Gulf illnesses. SD-106</p>	<p>MARCH 5</p> <p>9:00 a.m. Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry To hold hearings to examine the Department of Agriculture's business plan and reorganization management proposals. SR-332</p> <p>MARCH 6</p> <p>9:30 a.m. Veterans' Affairs To hold joint hearings with the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs on the legislative recommendations of the Paralyzed Veterans of America, the Jewish War Veterans, the Retired Officers Association, the Association of the U.S. Army, the Non-Commissioned Officers Association, the Military Order of the Purple Heart, and the Blinded Veterans Association. 345 Cannon Building</p> <p>MARCH 11</p> <p>9:00 a.m. Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry To hold hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for agricultural research. SR-332</p> <p>MARCH 13</p> <p>9:00 a.m. Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry To resume hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for agricultural research. SR-332</p>	<p>MARCH 18</p> <p>9:00 a.m. Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry To resume hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for agricultural research. SR-332</p> <p>MARCH 19</p> <p>9:30 a.m. Veterans' Affairs To hold joint hearings with the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs on the legislative recommendations of the Disabled American Veterans. 345 Cannon Building</p> <p>MARCH 20</p> <p>9:00 a.m. Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry To resume hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for agricultural research. SR-332</p> <p>9:30 a.m. Veterans' Affairs To hold joint hearings with the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs on the legislative recommendations of AMVETS, the American Ex-Prisoners of War, the Veterans of World War I, and the Vietnam Veterans of America. 345 Cannon Building</p>
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Monday, February 3, 1997

# Daily Digest

## Senate

### Chamber Action

*Routine Proceedings, page S919*

Senate met at 9:30 a.m. in pro forma session, and adjourned at 9:30:28 a.m. until 11 a.m. on Tuesday, February 4, 1997.

### Committee Meetings

*(Committees not listed did not meet)*

#### NOMINATION

*Committee on Environment and Public Works:* On Friday, January 31, committee concluded hearings on the nomination of Rodney E. Slater, of Arkansas, to be Secretary of Transportation, after the nominee, who was introduced by Senator Hutchinson, testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

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## House of Representatives

### Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. The House will next meet on Tuesday, February 4, 1997.

### Committee Meetings

#### HUMAN RIGHTS PRACTICES

*Committee on International Relations:* On January 31, the Committee held a hearing on Country Reports on Human Rights Practices for 1996. Testimony was heard from John Shattuck, Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Democracy, Human Rights and Labor, Department of State; and public witnesses.

#### PROPOSED BALANCED BUDGET CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Held a hearing on proposed Balanced Budget Constitutional Amendments. Testimony was heard from Representatives Stenholm, Cox of California, Sabo, and Wise; Robert E. Rubin, Secretary of the Treasury; and public witnesses.

#### COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 1997

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

##### Senate

*Committee on Armed Services,* to hold hearings to examine the Army sexual harassment incidents at Aberdeen Proving Ground and sexual harassment policies within the Department of Defense, 10 a.m., SH-216.

*Committee on Finance,* to hold hearings to examine the current system of the Airport and Airway Trust Fund Taxes, including the 10% ticket tax, and proposals to restructure this system, 10 a.m., SD-215.

*Committee on Labor and Human Resources,* Subcommittee on Employment and Training, to hold oversight hearings on the implementation of the Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA), 9:30 a.m., SD-430.

*Committee on Rules and Administration,* to hold hearings on proposed committee resolutions requesting funds for operating expenses for 1997 and 1998, 9:30 a.m., SR-301.

##### NOTICE

For a listing of Senate committee meetings scheduled ahead, see pages E119-20 in today's Record.

##### House

*Committee on Appropriations,* Subcommittee on Legislative, on U.S. House of Representatives, 1 p.m., H-144 Capitol.

*Committee on the Budget*, to hold an organizational meeting, 4 p.m., 210 Cannon.

*Committee on Education and the Workforce*, hearing on H.R. 5, to amend the Individuals With Disabilities Education Act, to reauthorize and make improvements to that act, 10 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

*Committee on the Judiciary*, to mark up H.J. Res. 2, proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States with respect to the number of terms of office of

Members of the Senate and the House of Representatives, 9:30 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

*Committee on Ways and Means*, Subcommittee on Health, to hold an organizational meeting, 1:30 p.m., H-137 Capitol.

Subcommittee on Oversight, to hold an organizational meeting, 10 a.m., 1129 Longworth.

Subcommittee on Trade, to hold an organizational meeting, 3 p.m., H-137 Capitol.

*Next Meeting of the SENATE*  
11 a.m., Tuesday, February 4

*Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES*  
12:30 p.m., Tuesday, February 4

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Senate Chamber

**Program for Tuesday:** After the transaction of any routine morning business, Senate may consider any cleared executive or legislative business.

*(Senate will recess from 12:30 p.m. until 2:15 p.m. for respective party conferences.)*

*(Senate will meet in joint session with the House of Representatives at 9 p.m. to receive a message from the President of the United States on the State of the Union.)*

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House Chamber

**Program for Tuesday:** The House will meet in Joint Session with the Senate to receive the President's State of the Union Address.



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