

Tuesday, February 25, 1997

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S1495–S1592

Measures Introduced: Ten bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 348–357, and S. Res. 59. **Page S1553**

Measures Passed:

Population Planning: By 53 yeas to 46 nays (Vote No. 13), Senate agreed to H.J. Res. 36, approving the Presidential finding that the limitation on obligations imposed by section 518A(a) of the Foreign Operations Export Financing, and Related Programs Appropriations Act of 1997, is having a negative impact on the proper functioning of the population planning program. **Pages S1518–24**

Balanced Budget Constitutional Amendment: Senate continued consideration of S.J. Res. 1, proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States to require a balanced budget, taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows:

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Rejected:

Reid Amendment No. 8, to require that the outlay and receipt totals of the Federal Old-Age and Survivors Insurance and the Federal Disability Insurance Trust Funds not be included as a part of the budget totals. (By 55 yeas to 44 nays (Vote No. 14), Senate tabled the amendment.)

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Pending:

Hollings/Specter/Bryan Amendment No. 9, to add a provision proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States relating to contributions and expenditures intended to affect elections.

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Leahy (for Kennedy) Amendment No. 10, to provide that only Congress shall have authority to enforce the provisions of the balanced budget constitutional amendment, unless Congress passes legislation specifically granting enforcement authority to the President or State or Federal courts. **Page S1537**

Graham/Robb Amendment No. 7, to strike the limitation on debt held by the public. **Page S1547**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for consideration of certain further amendments to be proposed to the resolution. **Page S1516**

Senate will continue consideration of the resolution on Wednesday, February 26, 1997.

Appointments:

U.S. Naval Academy Board of Visitors: The Chair, on behalf of the Vice President, pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 6968(a), appointed Senator McCain, from the Committee on Armed Services, to the Board of Visitors of the U.S. Naval Academy. **Page S1588**

U.S. Air Force Academy Board of Visitors: The Chair, on behalf of the Vice President, pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 9355(a), appointed Senator Kempthorne, from the Committee on Armed Services, to the Board of Visitors of the U.S. Air Force Academy. **Page S1588**

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U.S. Military Academy Board of Visitors: The Chair, on behalf of the Vice President, pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 4355(a), appointed Senator Coats, from the Committee on Armed Services, to the Board of Visitors of the U.S. Military Academy. **Page S1588**

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Messages From the President: Senate received the following messages from the President of the United States:

Transmitting a report of the supplementary agreement between the U.S. and Great Britain; referred to the Committee on Finance. (PM–15). **Pages S1549–50**

Transmitting the report of the 1997 national drug control strategy; referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. (PM–16). **Pages S1550–51**

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Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Wyche Fowler, Jr., of Georgia, to be Ambassador to the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia.

Princeton Nathan Lyman, of Maryland, to be an Assistant Secretary of State.

Routine lists in the Army, Air Force, and Navy.

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 Record Votes: Two record votes were taken today.
 (Total—14) **Pages S1524, S1546–47**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9 a.m. and adjourned at 7:13 p.m., until 9 a.m., on Wednesday, February 26, 1997. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S1588.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

FARM TAX POLICY

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: Committee held hearings to examine certain taxes affecting American farmers, focusing on estate and capital gains taxes and their impact on United States agricultural producers, receiving testimony from Senators Kyl and Hagel; Keith Collins, Chief Economist, Department of Agriculture; William W. Beach, Heritage Foundation, and Larry W. Mitchell, National Farmers Union, both of Washington, D.C.; Clark Willingham, Dallas, Texas, on behalf of the National Cattlemen's Beef Association and the Family Business Estate Tax Coalition; William Sprague, Kentucky Farm Bureau Federation, Sturgis, on behalf of the American Farm Bureau Federation; Ralph Grossi, Novato, California, on behalf of the American Farmland Trust; and Cynthia Cruea, Pierre, South Dakota, on behalf of Women Involved in Farm Economics.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

APPROPRIATIONS—TREASURY/ INDEPENDENT AGENCIES

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on VA/ HUD and Independent Agencies held hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1998, receiving testimony in behalf of funds for their respective activities from Kathleen A. McGinty, Chair, Council on Environmental Quality; John H. Hawke, Jr., Under Secretary for Domestic Affairs, and Kirsten S. Moy, Director, Community Development Financial Institutions Fund, both of the Department of the Treasury; Norman E. D'Amours, Chairman, National Credit Union Administration; and George Knight, Executive Director, Neighborhood Reinvestment Corporation.

Subcommittee will meet again on Tuesday, March 4.

AUTHORIZATION—DEFENSE

Committee on Armed Services: Committee resumed hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 1998 for the Department of Defense and the future years defense program, receiving testimony from Sheila E. Widnall, Secretary, and Gen. Ronald R. Fogleman, Chief of Staff, both of the United States Air Force.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

HOMEOWNERS PROTECTION ACT

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee held hearings on S. 318, to amend the Truth in Lending Act to require automatic cancellation and notice of cancellation rights with respect to private mortgage insurance which is required by a creditor as a condition for entering into a residential mortgage transaction, receiving testimony from Representative Hansen; Michele Meier, Consumers Union, Washington, D.C.; R. Layne Morrill, Shepherd of the Hills Realtors, Kimberling City, Missouri, on behalf of the National Association of Realtors; Kenneth L. Nicholson, Overland Park, Kansas, on behalf of the Appraisal Institute; Brian L. McDonnell, Navy Federal Credit Union, Vienna, Virginia, on behalf of the National Association of Federal Credit Unions and the Credit Union National Association; Ron McCord, American Mortgage and Investment Company, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, on behalf of the Mortgage Bankers Association of America; Frank J. Sutkowski, Liberty Bank, Middletown, Connecticut, on behalf of the America's Community Bankers; and William H. Lacy, Mortgage Guaranty Insurance Corporation, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, on behalf of the Mortgage Insurance Companies of America.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

INTERIOR AND FOREST SERVICE BUDGET

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee concluded hearings on the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 1998 for the Department of the Interior and the Forest Service, after receiving testimony from Bruce Babbitt, Secretary of the Interior; James R. Lyons, Under Secretary for Natural Resources and Environment, and Michael Dombeck, Chief, Forest Service, both of the Department of Agriculture; and David Sunding, Senior Economist, Council of Economic Advisers.

FOREST LAND MANAGEMENT

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Forests and Public Land Management held hearings on proposed legislation to provide the

Forest Service and the Bureau of Land Management with the authority and ability to manage their lands in accordance with the principles of multiple use and sustained yield, receiving testimony from Barry T. Hill, Associate Director, Energy, Resources, and Science Issues, Resources, Community, and Economic Development Division, General Accounting Office; and K. Norman Johnson, Oregon State University, Corvallis.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

NOMINATION

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Committee concluded hearings on the nomination of David J. Barram, of California, to be Administrator of the General Services Administration, after the nominee, who was introduced by Senator Boxer, testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 26 public bills, H.R. 810–835; and 6 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 24–26, and H. Res. 74–76, were introduced. **Pages H627–28**

Reports Filed: One report was filed as follows:

H.R. 624, to amend the Armored Car Industry Reciprocity Act of 1993 to clarify certain requirements and to improve the flow of interstate commerce (H. Rept. 105–6). **Page H627**

Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Chambliss to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H591**

Recess: The House recessed at 1:09 p.m. and reconvened at 2 p.m. **Page H596**

Committee Resignation: Read a letter from Representative LoBiondo wherein he resigned from the Committee on Banking and Finance. **Page H596**

Review Panel of the Office of Fair Employment Practices: The Speaker announced that, without objection and with the concurrence of each appointing authority, the Review Panel of the Office of Fair Employment Practices is reconstituted in the 105th Congress in the same form as at the end of the 104th Congress. The clerk read the names of the appointees. By the Speaker: Mr. Randy Johnson and Mr. Alan F. Coffey, Jr. By the Minority Leader: Ms. Karen Johnson and Ms. Marda Robillard. By the Chairman of the Committee on House Oversight: Representative Diaz-Balart, Chairman, and Representative Ney. By the Ranking Minority Member of the Committee on House Oversight: Representatives Jefferson and Pastor. **Page H596**

Resignations and Appointments: Pursuant to the order of the House of Thursday, February 13, 1997 authorizing the Speaker, Majority Leader, and Minority Leader to accept resignations and to make appointments authorized by law or by the House, and upon consultation with the Minority Leader, the Speaker appointed Mr. John Wilhelm of Washington, D.C. to the National Gambling Impact and Policy Commission on the Part of the House. **Page H596**

United States Air Force Academy: The Speaker appointed Representatives Dicks and Tanner as members of the Board of Visitors to the United States Air Force Academy. **Page H596**

United States Coast Guard Academy: The Speaker appointed Representative Gejdenson as a member of

the Board of Visitors to the United States Coast Guard Academy. **Page H596**

United States Merchant Marine Academy: The Speaker appointed Representative Manton as a member of the Board of Visitors to the United States Merchant Marine Academy. **Page H596**

United States Military Academy: The Speaker appointed Representatives Hefner and Skelton as members of the Board of Visitors to the United States Military Academy. **Page H596**

United States Naval Academy: The Speaker appointed Representatives Hoyer and McHale as members of the Board of Visitors to the United States Naval Academy. **Page H596**

Smithsonian Institution: The Speaker appointed Representative Torres as a member of the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution. **Page H596**

Gallaudet University: The Speaker appointed Representative Bonior as a member of the Board of Trustees of Gallaudet University. **Page H596**

Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts: The Speaker appointed Representative Yates as a member of the Board of Trustees of the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts. **Pages H596–97**

Page Board: Read a letter from the Democratic Leader wherein he appointed Representative Kildee to the House of Representatives Page Board. **Page H597**

Suspension—Airport and Airway Trust Fund: The House completed all debate on the motion to suspend the rules and pass H.R. 668, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to reinstate the Airport and Airway Trust Fund excise taxes. The vote was postponed until, Wednesday, February 26. **Pages H598–H605**

Order of Business: It was made in order that on Wednesday, February 26, the Speaker be authorized to entertain motions to suspend the rules and pass the following two bills: H.R. 624, the Armored Car Reciprocity Amendments of 1997; and H.R. 497, to Repeal the Federal Charter of Group Hospitalization and Medical Services Inc. **Page H605**

George Washington Birthday Observance: It was made in order that the program and the remarks of Representative Morella, the member representing the House of Representatives at the wreath-laying ceremony at the Washington Monument for the observance of George Washington's birthday on Thursday,

February 20, 1997 be inserted in today's congressional record.

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Presidential Messages: Read the following messages from the President:

Social Security Agreement: Message wherein he transmits his Supplementary Social Security Agreement between the United States and the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland—referred to the Committee on Ways and Means and ordered printed (H. Doc. 105-47); and

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National Drug Control Strategy: Message wherein he transmits his 1997 National Drug Control Strategy—referred to the Committees on the Judiciary, Agriculture, Banking and Financial Services, Commerce, Education and the Workforce, Government Reform and Oversight, International Relations, National Security, Resources, Transportation and Infrastructure, Veterans' Affairs, and Ways and Means.

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Quorum Calls—Votes: No quorum calls or votes developed during the proceedings of the House today.

Adjournment: Met at 12:30 p.m. and adjourned at 5:45 p.m.

Committee Meetings

COMMERCE, JUSTICE, STATE, AND JUDICIARY APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, State, and Judiciary held a hearing on Inspectors General for the Department of State and Department of Commerce. Testimony was heard from Jacqueline L. Williams-Bridger, Inspector General, Department of State; and Frank DeGeorge, Inspector General, Department of Commerce.

TRANSPORTATION APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Transportation continued appropriation hearings. Testimony was heard from Members of Congress and public witnesses.

TREASURY, POSTAL SERVICE, AND GENERAL GOVERNMENT APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Treasury, Postal Service, and General Government, on the Customs Service held a hearing on the U.S. Customs Service. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of the Treasury: Ray Kelly, Under Secretary, Enforcement; and George Weise, Commissioner of Customs, U.S. Customs Service.

FINANCIAL SERVICES MODERNIZATION

Committee on Banking and Financial Services: Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Credit continued hearings on Financial Services Modernization legislation including H.R. 268, Depository Institution Affiliation and Thrift Charter Conversion Act. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

HOUSING AND OPPORTUNITY RESPONSIBILITY ACT

Committee on Banking and Financial Services: Subcommittee on Housing and Community Development held a hearing on H.R. 2, Housing and Opportunity Responsibility Act of 1997, and on Personal Responsibility and Accountability in Communities. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

ADULT EDUCATION ACT

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Subcommittee on Postsecondary Education, Training and Life-Long Learning held a hearing on Adult Education Act. Testimony was heard from Representative Smith of Texas; Patricia McNeil, Assistant Secretary, Office of Vocational and Adult Education, Department of Education; Andy Hartman, Director, National Institute for Literacy, Department of Health and Human Services; Sam Drew, Director, Office of Communications, Department of Education, State of South Carolina; and public witnesses.

COUNTERNARCOTICS EFFORTS IN MEXICO AND ALONG THE SOUTHWEST BORDER

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on National Security, International Affairs, and Criminal Justice held a hearing on "Counternarcotics Efforts in Mexico and Along the Southwest Border". Testimony was heard from Representative Bonilla; Robert S. Gelbard, Assistant Secretary, Bureau of International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Affairs, Department of State; from the following officials of the Department of Justice: Mary Lee Warren, Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division; Thomas A. Constantine, Administrator, DEA; and Douglas M. Kruhm, Assistant Commissioner, U.S. Border Patrol, Immigration and Naturalization Service; and Tony Castaneda, Chief of Police, Eagle Pass, Texas.

ADMINISTRATION'S FOREIGN ASSISTANCE BUDGET REQUEST

Committee on International Relations: Held a hearing on the Administration's fiscal year 1998 Foreign Assistance Budget Request. Testimony was heard from J. Brian Atwood, Administrator, AID, United States International Development Cooperation Agency.

BRIEFING—INTELLIGENCE ASSESSMENTS BY THE CIA

Committee on National Security: Subcommittee on Military Procurement and the Subcommittee on Research and Development met in executive session to receive a joint briefing on intelligence assessments by the CIA. The Subcommittees were briefed by representatives of the CIA.

MEDICARE HMO PAYMENT POLICIES

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Health held a hearing on Medicare HMO Payment Policies. Testimony was heard from Paul N. Van de Water, Assistant Director, Budget Analysis, CBO; Gail R. Wilensky, Chair, Physician Payment Review Commission; Joseph Newhouse, Chairman, Prospective Payment Assessment Commission; William J. Scanlon, Director, Health Systems Issues, GAO; and public witnesses.

ANNUAL REPORT—IRS TAXPAYER ADVOCATE

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Oversight held a hearing on the Annual Report of the IRS Taxpayer Advocate. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the IRS, Department of the Treasury: Lee R. Monks, Taxpayer Advocate; Fran Romano, Connecticut/Rhode Island District, Tom George, South Texas District, Louis Romito, Pennsylvania District-Pittsburg, Elayne M. Goldstein, Midwest District, and Jeanne Williams, North Florida District, all District Taxpayer Advocates.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 1997

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry, to hold hearings to examine the impact of capital gains taxes on farmers, 10 a.m., SD-192.

Committee on Armed Services, to continue hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 1998 for the Department of Defense and the future years defense program, 2 p.m., SR-222.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs, to hold hearings to review the Federal Reserve's monetary policy report to Congress, 10 a.m., SD-106.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, Subcommittee on Forests and Public Land Management, to continue hearings on the proposed Public Land Management Responsibility and Accountability Restoration Act, 2:30 p.m., SD-366.

Committee on Environment and Public Works, Subcommittee on Transportation and Infrastructure, to resume hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for pro-

grams of the Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act, 9:30 a.m., SD-406.

Committee on Foreign Relations, Subcommittee on International Economic Policy, Export and Trade Promotion, to hold hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 1998 for the Agency for International Development (AID), 2 p.m., SD-419.

Committee on Labor and Human Resources, business meeting, to consider pending calendar business, 9:30 a.m., SD-430.

Committee on Small Business, to hold hearings on the President's budget request for fiscal year 1998 for the Small Business Administration, 9:30 a.m., SR-428A.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs, to hold hearings on the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 1998 for veterans programs, 2 p.m., SR-418.

Committee on Indian Affairs, to hold hearings on the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 1998 for the Bureau of Indian Affairs and the Indian Health Service, 9:30 a.m., SR-485.

Select Committee on Intelligence, to hold closed hearings on intelligence matters, 2 p.m., SH-219.

House

Committee on Agriculture, Subcommittee on Forestry, Resource Conservation, and Research, hearing to review the USDA's final regulation on the Conservation Reserve Program, 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies, on the Secretary of Agriculture, 1 p.m., 2362A Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, State, and Judiciary, on Inspector General for the Department of Justice, 11 a.m., and on the Legal Services Corporation, 2 p.m., H-309 Capitol.

Subcommittee on Interior, on the Secretary of the Interior, 10 a.m., and 1:30 p.m., B-308 Capitol.

Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, on the Director, NIH, 10 a.m., on the National Cancer Institute and the National Eye Institute, 1:30 p.m., 2358 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on National Security, on the fiscal year 1998 Defense Budget, 9:30 a.m., 2212 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Transportation, on Members of Congress and public witnesses, 9:30 a.m., and 1 p.m., 2358 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Treasury, Postal Service, and General Government, on the Office of Inspector General, Department of the Treasury, 10 a.m., and on the Secret Service, 2 p.m., 2360 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on VA, HUD and Independent Agencies, on NASA, 11 a.m., and 2 p.m., H-143 Capitol.

Committee on Banking and Financial Services, Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Credit, hearing on issues currently facing the Credit Union Industry, 9:30 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Commerce, Subcommittee on Energy and Power, hearing and markup of the following bills: H.R. 649, Department of Energy Standardization Act of 1997;

and H.R. 363, to amend section 2118 of the Energy Policy Act of 1992 to extend the Electric and Magnetic Fields Research and Public Information Dissemination Program; and to mark up the following bills: H.R. 651, to extend the deadline under the Federal Power Act for the construction of a hydroelectric project located in the State of Washington; and H.R. 652, to extend the deadline under the Federal Power Act for the construction of a hydroelectric project located in the State of Washington, 2 p.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight, Subcommittee on Civil Service, hearing and markup of H.R. 240, Veterans' Employment Opportunity Act of 1997, 1:30 p.m., 2247 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on National Security, International Affairs, and Criminal Justice, hearing on Civic Volunteers, Youth Service Organizations, and the War on Drugs, 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on House Oversight, Task Force on Contested Election, hearing on the Forty Sixth Congressional District of California, 5 p.m., 1310 Longworth.

Committee on International Relations, hearing on New Thinking on Foreign Assistance, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Asia and the Pacific, hearing on Engaging the Hermit Kingdom: U.S. Policy Toward North Korea, 1:30 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on International Operations and Human Rights, hearing on the Department of State Management Initiatives, 1:30 p.m., 2200 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on Courts and Intellectual Property, hearing on the following: H.R. 400, 21st Century Patent System Improvement Act; H.R. 673, Patent and Trademark Office Surcharge Extension Act of 1997; and the Patent Term Restoration Act, 9 a.m., 2237 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Crime and the Subcommittee on Early Childhood, Youth and Families of the Committee on Education and the Workforce, joint hearing on the following bills: H.R. 26, to amend title 18, United States Code, to provide that the firearms prohibitions applicable by reason of a domestic violence misdemeanor conviction do not apply if the conviction occurred before the prohibitions became law; and H.R. 445, to provide that the firearms prohibitions applicable by reason of a domestic violence misdemeanor conviction do not apply to government entities, 10:15 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on National Security, hearing on defense reform, 9:30 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Military Procurement and the Subcommittee on Military Research and Development, joint hearing on Navy shipbuilding overview, 2 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, Subcommittee on Aviation, hearing on Whether the Traffic Alert and Collision Avoidance System Should be Required in Cargo Aircraft, 2 p.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation, to hold an organizational meeting; followed by a hearing on reauthorization of the State Boating Safety Grant Program, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Committee on Ways and Means, Subcommittee on Human Resources, hearing on Technical Corrections to Welfare Reform legislation, 2 p.m., B-318 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Trade, hearing on the WTO Singapore Ministerial Meeting, 10 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

Joint Meetings

Joint Economic Committee, to hold hearings to examine the economic and budget outlook, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn Building.

CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of February 24 through February 28

House Chamber

Monday, the House was not in session.

Tuesday, Consideration of 1 Suspension: H.R. 668, Airport and Airway Trust Fund Tax Reinstatement Act of 1997.

Wednesday, Consideration of 2 Suspensions:

1. H.R. 624, Armored Car Reciprocity Amendments of 1997; and

2. H.R. 497, Bill to Repeal the Federal Charter of Group Hospitalization and Medical Services, Inc.; and

Vote on motion to suspend the rules and pass H.R. 668, Airport and Airway Trust Fund Tax Reinstatement Act of 1997 (debated on Tuesday, February 25).

Thursday, Joint Meeting to receive His Excellency Eduardo Frei, President of the Republic of Chile.

Friday, no votes are expected.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

9 a.m., Wednesday, February 26

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

11 a.m., Wednesday, February 26

Senate Chamber

Program for Wednesday: Senate will resume consideration of S.J. Res. 1, Balanced Budget Constitutional Amendment.

House Chamber

Program for Wednesday: Consideration of 2 Suspensions:

1. H.R. 624, Armored Car Reciprocity Amendments of 1997; and
 2. H.R. 497, Bill to Repeal the Federal Charter of Group Hospitalization and Medical Services, Inc.; and
- Vote on motion to suspend the rules and pass H.R. 668, Airport and Airway Trust Fund Tax Reinstatement Act of 1997.

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