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**Corrections Calendar Office:** The House agreed to H. Res. 130, providing for a lump sum allowance for the Corrections Calendar Office. Page H1849

**Meeting Hour:** Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 2 p.m. on Monday, April 28; and agreed that when the House adjourns on Monday, it adjourn to meet at 12:30 p.m. on Tuesday, April 29 for morning hour debate.

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**Calendar Wednesday:** Agreed that the business in order under the Calendar Wednesday rule be dispensed with on Wednesday, April 30. Page H1849

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** Two recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H1843 and H1848–49. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** Met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 8 p.m.

## Committee Meetings

### AGRICULTURAL EXPORT PROGRAMS

*Committee on Agriculture:* Subcommittee on General Farm Commodities and the Subcommittee on Risk Management and Specialty Crops held a joint hearing on the effectiveness of Agricultural Export Programs. Testimony was heard from Chris Goldthwait, General Sales Manager, Foreign Agricultural Service, USDA; and public witnesses.

### EMERGENCY SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS

*Committee on Appropriations:* Ordered reported an Emergency Supplemental Appropriations for Fiscal Year 1997.

### COMMERCE, JUSTICE, STATE, AND THE JUDICIARY APPROPRIATIONS

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, State, and the Judiciary continued appropriation hearings. Testimony was heard from Members of Congress.

### FOREIGN OPERATIONS, EXPORT FINANCING, AND RELATED PROGRAMS APPROPRIATIONS

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Foreign Operations, Export Financing and Related Programs continued appropriation hearings. Testimony was heard from Members of Congress and public witnesses.

### LABOR-HHS-EDUCATION APPROPRIATIONS

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education continued appropriation hearings. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### NATIONAL TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION ADMINISTRATION

*Committee on Commerce:* Subcommittee on Telecommunications, Trade, and Consumer Protection held a hearing on Reauthorization of the National Telecommunications and Information Administration. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Commerce: Shirl G. Kinney, Deputy Assistant Secretary, National Telecommunications and Information Administration; and Larry Irving, Assistant Secretary, Communications and Information; and public witnesses.

### EMPLOYMENT, TRAINING AND LITERACY ENHANCEMENT ACT

*Committee on Education and the Workforce:* Subcommittee on Postsecondary Education, Training and Life-Long Learning approved for full Committee action amended H.R. 1385, Employment, Training and Literacy Enhancement Act of 1997.

### FEDERAL HIRING FROM WELFARE ROLLS

*Committee on Government Reform and Oversight:* Subcommittee on Civil Service held a hearing on Federal Hiring from the Welfare Rolls. Testimony was heard from Representative Eddie Bernice Johnson of Texas; John A. Koskinen, Deputy Director, Management, OMB; James B. King, Director, OPM; Diane Disney, Deputy Assistant Secretary (Civilian Personnel), Department of Defense; Eugene A. Brickhouse, Assistant Secretary, Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs; and public witnesses.

### OVERSIGHT—STATUS OF EFFORTS TO IDENTIFY GULF WAR SYNDROME

*Committee on Government Reform and Oversight:* Subcommittee on Human Resources and Intergovernmental Relations continued oversight hearings on Status of Efforts to Identify Gulf War Syndrome, Part II. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Defense: Bernard Rostker, Special Assistant, Gulf War Illnesses; and Donald Mancuso, Deputy Inspector General; Robert Walpole, Special Assistant, Gulf War Illnesses, CIA; and public witnesses.

### OVERSIGHT—U.S. POSTAL SERVICE

*Committee on Government Reform and Oversight:* Subcommittee on Postal Service held an oversight hearing of the U.S. Postal Service. Testimony was heard

from Michael E. Motley, Acting Director, Government Business Operations Issues, GAO; and Marvin T. Runyon, Postmaster General and CEO, U.S. Postal Service.

#### **COMMITTEE FUNDING; MISCELLANEOUS MEASURE; COMMITTEE BUSINESS**

*Committee on House Oversight:* Ordered reported amended the following measures: H. Res. 129, providing amounts for the expenses of certain committees of the House of Representatives in the One Hundred Fifth Congress; and H. Con. Res. 25, providing for acceptance of a statute of Jack Swigert, presented by the State of Colorado, for placement in National Statuary Hall.

The Committee also considered pending Committee business.

#### **ANGOLA'S GOVERNMENT OF NATIONAL UNITY**

*Committee on International Relations:* Subcommittee on Africa held a hearing on Angola's Government of National Unity. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of State: George Moose, Assistant Secretary; and Paul Hare, U.S. Special Representative to Angola.

The Subcommittee also received a briefing on this subject from public witnesses.

#### **JUVENILE CRIME CONTROL ACT**

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Began mark up of H.R. 3, Juvenile Crime Control Act of 1997.

Will continue April 29.

#### **FUTURE OF HYDROGRAPHY**

*Committee on Resources:* Subcommittee on Fisheries Conservation, Wildlife and Oceans held an oversight hearing on the future of hydrography. Testimony was heard from Diana Josephson, Deputy Under Secretary, Oceans and Atmosphere, Department of Commerce; and public witnesses.

#### **QUINCY LIBRARY GROUP FOREST RECOVERY AND ECONOMIC STABILITY ACT**

*Committee on Resources:* Subcommittee on Forests and Forests Health approved for full Committee action amended H.R. 858, Quincy Library Group Forest Recovery and Economic Stability Act of 1997.

#### **BUDGET REQUEST—NATIONAL EARTHQUAKE HAZARDS REDUCTION PROGRAM**

*Committee on Science:* Subcommittee on Basic Research held a hearing on fiscal year 1998 budget request for the National Earthquake Hazards Reduction Program. Testimony was heard from Richard W.

Krimm, Executive Associate Director, Mitigation Directorate, FEMA; P. Patrick Leahy, Chief Geologist, U.S. Geological Survey, Department of the Interior; Elbert L. Marsh, Acting Assistant Director, Engineering, NSF; Robert Hebner, Acting Director, National Institute of Standards and Technology, Department of Commerce; and public witnesses.

#### **PATENT TERM AND PATENT APPLICATION DISCLOSURE**

*Committee on Small Business:* Subcommittee on Government Programs and Oversight held a hearing on the Importance of Patent Term and Patent Application Disclosure Issues to Small Businesses: What Impact Will Proposed Changes in the Patent Laws Have on Small Businesses? Testimony was heard from Representatives Rohrabacher and Kucinich; and public witnesses.

#### **GSA FEDERAL BUILDINGS FUND SHORTFALL**

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure:* Subcommittee on Public Buildings and Economic Development held a hearing on the Shortfall in the GSA Federal Buildings Fund. Testimony was heard from Robert A. Peck, Commissioner, Public Buildings Service, GSA; and Michael Motley, Associate Director, Government Business Operations Issues, GAO.

#### **MEDICARE PROVIDER-SPONSORED ORGANIZATIONS**

*Committee on Ways and Means:* Subcommittee on Health held a hearing on Medicare Provider-Sponsored Organizations. Testimony was heard from Kathleen A. Buto, Associate Administrator, Policy, Health Care Financing Administration, Department of Health and Human Services; Gail R. Wilensky, Chair, Physician Payment Review Commission; and public witnesses.

#### **UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE ISSUES**

*Committee on Ways and Means:* Subcommittee on Human Resources held a hearing on Unemployment Insurance Issues. Testimony was heard from Representatives Thomas, English of Pennsylvania, Upton, Farr and Shadegg; David Poythress, Commissioner, Department of Labor, State of Georgia; Thomas P. Nagle, Under Secretary, Health and Welfare, State of California; and public witnesses.

#### **DISABILITY APPEALS PROCESS**

*Committee on Ways and Means:* Subcommittee on Social Security held an oversight hearing on the Disability Appeals Process. Testimony was heard from Carolyn Colvin, Deputy Commissioner, Programs

and Policy, SSA; Jane L. Ross, Director, Income Security Issues, Health, Education, and Human Services Division, GAO; and public witnesses.

## *Joint Meetings*

### NATO ENLARGEMENT

*Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe (Helsinki Commission):* Commission held hearings to examine the process to enlarge the membership of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO), receiving testimony from Ojars Kainins, Latvia Ambassador to the United States; Alfonsas Eidintas, Lithuania Ambassador to the United States; Jerzy Kozminski, Poland Ambassador to the United States; and Grigore-Kalev Stoicescu, Estonia Ambassador to the United States.

Hearings continue on Thursday, May 8.

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### COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY, APRIL 25, 1997 SENATE

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

*Committee on Labor and Human Resources, Subcommittee on Public Health and Safety, to hold hearings to examine how the United States' health care workforce must evolve to meet future needs, 9:30 a.m., SD-430.*

### House

*Committee on Government Reform and Oversight, Subcommittee on the District of Columbia, hearing on Medicaid and Treasury Borrowing Sections of the Administration's National Capital Revitalization and Self-Government Improvement Plan, 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.*