

Thursday, May 1, 1997

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

See Résumé of Congressional Activity.

Senate passed Volunteer Protection Act.

Senate

Chamber Action

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Measures Introduced: Sixteen bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 675–690 and S.J. Res. 29. Page S3901

Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows: S. Res. 79, to commemorate the 1997 National Peace Officers Memorial Day.

S. 476, to provide for the establishment of not less than 2,500 Boys and Girls Clubs of America facilities by the year 2000. Page S3900

Measures Passed:

Volunteer Protection Act: By 99 yeas to 1 nay (Vote No. 55), Senate passed S. 543, to provide certain protections to volunteers, nonprofit organizations, and governmental entities in lawsuits based on the activities of volunteers, after taking action on the following amendment proposed thereto:

Pages S3861–67, S3870–80

Adopted:

Coverdell-Leahy Amendment No. 53, in the nature of a substitute. Pages S3874–79

Honoring Jackie Robinson: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation was discharged from further consideration of H. Con. Res. 61, honoring the lifetime achievements of Jackie Robinson, and the resolution was then agreed to. Page S3929

FDR Memorial: Senate passed S.J. Res. 29, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to design and construct a permanent addition to the Franklin Delano Roosevelt Memorial in Washington, D.C. Pages S3930–31

National Correctional Officers and Employees Week: Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 64, to designate the week of May 4, 1997, as “National Correctional

Officers and Employees Week”, and the resolution was then agreed to. Page S3931

Family Friendly Workplace Act: Senate began consideration of the motion to proceed to S. 4, to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 to provide to private sector employees the same opportunities for time-and-a-half compensatory time off, bi-weekly work programs, and flexible credit hour programs as Federal employees currently enjoy to help balance the demands and needs of work and family, and to clarify the provisions relating to exemptions of certain professionals from the minimum wage and overtime requirements of the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938, with a committee amendment. Pages S3880–90, S3894–95

Subsequently, the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill was withdrawn. Page S3895

Supplemental Appropriations—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for the consideration of S. 672, making supplemental appropriations and rescissions for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1997, on Monday, May 5, 1997, at 1 p.m. Page S3880

Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

M.R.C. Greenwood, of California, to be a Member of the National Science Board, National Science Foundation, for a term expiring May 10, 2002.

John A. Armstrong, of Massachusetts, to be a Member of the National Science Board, National Science Foundation, for a term expiring May 10, 2002.

Stanley Vincent Jaskolski, of Ohio, to be a Member of the National Science Board, National Science Foundation, for a term expiring May 10, 2002.

Jane Lubchenco, of Oregon, to be a Member of the National Science Board, National Science Foundation, for a term expiring May 10, 2000.

Richard A. Tapia, of Texas, to be a Member of the National Science Board, National Science Foundation, for a term expiring May 10, 2002.

Mary K. Gaillard, of California, to be a Member of the National Science Board, National Science Foundation, for a term expiring May 10, 2002.

Bob H. Suzuki, of California, to be a Member of the National Science Board, National Science Foundation, for a term expiring May 10, 2002.

Eamon M. Kelly, of Louisiana, to be a Member of the National Science Board, National Science Foundation, for a term expiring May 10, 2002.

Vera C. Rubin, of the District of Columbia, to be a Member of the National Science Board, National Science Foundation, for a term expiring May 10, 2002.

Routine lists in the Air Force, Army, Marine Corps, Navy.

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Record Votes: One record vote was taken today. (Total—55). Page S3880

Adjournment: Senate convened at 10:30 a.m., and adjourned at 5:08 p.m., until 12 noon, on Monday, May 5, 1997. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S3932.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

APPROPRIATIONS—CFTC/FDA

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, and Related Agencies concluded hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1998, after receiving testimony in behalf of funds for their respective activities from Brooksley Born, Chairperson, Commodity Futures Trading Commission; and Michael A. Friedman, Lead Deputy Commissioner, Robert J. Byrd, Deputy Commissioner, Management and Systems, William B. Schultz, Deputy Commissioner for Policy, and Dennis P. Williams, Deputy Assistant Secretary for

Budget, all of the Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services.

APPROPRIATIONS—VETERANS AFFAIRS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on VA, HUD, and Independent Agencies held hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1998 for the Department of Veterans Affairs, receiving testimony from Jesse Brown, Secretary of Veterans Affairs.

Subcommittee will meet again on Tuesday, May 6.

APPROPRIATIONS—DEFENSE

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Readiness concluded hearings on S. 450, authorizing funds for fiscal years 1998 and 1999 for military activities of the Department of Defense, and to prescribe military personnel strengths for fiscal years 1998 and 1999, focusing on depot maintenance privatization initiatives, after receiving testimony from John P. White, Deputy Secretary of Defense; and David Warren, Director, and Julia Denman, Assistant Director, both of the Defense Management Issues, and John Brosnan, Assistant General Counsel, all of the General Accounting Office.

COMPTROLLER OF THE CURRENCY

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Regulatory Relief concluded oversight hearings on the regulatory activities of the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, after receiving testimony from Eugene A. Ludwig, Comptroller of the Currency, Department of the Treasury.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

The nominations of Triruvurur R. Lakshmanan, of New Hampshire, to be Director of the Bureau of Transportation Statistics, Kenneth M. Mead, of Virginia, to be Inspector General, Vice Adm. Roger T. Rufe, U.S. Coast Guard, to be Commander, Atlantic Area, United States Coast Guard, with the grade of vice admiral while so serving, and Rear Adm. James C. Card, U.S. Coast Guard, to be Commander, Pacific Area, United States Coast Guard, all of the Department of Transportation, Jerry M. Melillo, of Massachusetts, and Kerri-Ann Jones, of Maryland, each to be an Associate Director of the Office of Science and Technology Policy, with the grade of vice admiral while so serving, Andrew J. Pincus, of New York, to be General Counsel of the Department of Commerce, and certain promotion lists in the United States Coast Guard;

S. 648, to establish legal standards and procedures for product liability litigation;

S. 363, to require that violent video programming is limited to broadcast after the hours when children are reasonably likely to comprise a substantial portion of the audience, unless it is specifically rated on the basis of its violent content so that it is blockable by electronic means specifically on the basis of that content, with an amendment;

S. 414, to encourage competition in international shipping and growth of United States imports and exports, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (As approved by the committee, the bill authorizes \$15 million for the Federal Maritime Commission.); and

S. 542, to authorize the Secretary of Transportation to issue a certificate of documentation with appropriate endorsement for employment in the coastwise trade for the vessel *Far Horizons*.

GRAND STAIRCASE-ESCALANTE NATIONAL MONUMENT

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on National Parks, Historic Preservation and Recreation concluded hearings on S. 357, to authorize the Bureau of Land Management to manage the Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument in Utah, after receiving testimony from Senators Hatch and Bennett; Representative Hansen; Bruce Babbitt, Secretary of the Interior; Ted Stewart, Utah Department of Natural Resources, John A. Harja, Utah School and Institutional Trust Lands Administration, and Scott Groene, Southern Utah Wilderness Alliance, all of Salt Lake City; Louise Liston, Garfield County Commission, Panguitch, Utah; Joe C. Judd, Kane County Commission, Kanab, Utah; Mark Austin, Boulder Mountain Lodge, Boulder, Utah; Debbie Sease, Sierra Club, Washington, D.C.; and Robert E. Irelan, Conoco, Inc., Midland, Texas.

NOMINATION

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded hearings on the nomination of Stuart E. Eizenstat, of Maryland, to be Under Secretary of State for Economic, Business and Agricultural Affairs, after the nominee, who was introduced by Senators D'Amato, Sarbanes, Coverdell, and Cleland, testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

RELIGIOUS PERSECUTION

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on Near Eastern and South Asian Affairs concluded hearings to examine the impact of religious persecution against Christians and other religious minorities in the Middle East, after receiving testimony from Representative Wolf; Steven J. Coffey, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for Democracy, Human

Rights and Labor; Nina Shea, Freedom House, Washington, D.C.; Walid Phares, Florida Atlantic University, Miami; and Bat Ye'or, Geneva, Switzerland.

DOD HIGH RISK AREAS

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Committee held hearings on proposed strategies to eliminate Department of Defense programs and operations identified as high risk because of waste, fraud, abuse, and mismanagement, focusing on financial management, information technology, weapon systems acquisition, contract management, infrastructure, and inventory management, receiving testimony from Henry L. Hinton, Jr., Assistant Comptroller General, National Security and International Affairs Division, and Jeffrey C. Steinhoff, Director of Planning and Reporting, Accounting and Information Management Division, both of the General Accounting Office; and R. Noel Longuemare, Principal Deputy Under Secretary for Acquisition and Technology, John F. Phillips, Deputy Under Secretary for Logistics, Emmett Paige, Jr., Assistant Secretary for Command, Control, Communication, and Intelligence, and John J. Hamre, Under Secretary and Comptroller, all of the Department of Defense.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

NATIONAL MISSILE DEFENSE

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Subcommittee on International Security, Proliferation, and Federal Services concluded hearings to examine the Administration's plan for national missile defense known as the "3+3" program and its compliance with the 1972 Anti-Ballistic Missile Treaty, after receiving testimony from John D. Holum, Director, U.S. Arms Control and Disarmament Agency.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee ordered favorably reported the following measures:

S. 476, to provide for the establishment of not less than 2,500 Boys and Girls Clubs of America facilities by the year 2000; and

S. Res. 79, to commemorate the 1997 National Peace Officers Memorial Day.

INS REFORM

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Immigration concluded oversight hearings to review certain activities of the Immigration and Naturalization Service, focusing on the criminal record verification process for citizenship applicants, after receiving testimony from Stephen R. Colgate, Assistant Attorney General for Administration, Justice Management Division, Michael R. Bromwich, Inspector General, Doris Meissner, Commissioner, Immigration and

Naturalization Service, and Charles W. Archer, Assistant Director, Criminal Justice Information Services Division, Federal Bureau of Investigation, all of the Department of Justice; Richard M. Stana, Acting Associate Director, Administration of Justice Issues, General Government Division, General Accounting Office; and Gary M. Ahrens, KPMG Peat Marwick, Washington, D.C.

AUTHORIZATION—NIH/BIOMEDICAL RESEARCH

Committee on Labor and Human Resources: Subcommittee on Public Health and Safety held hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for the National Institutes of Health, focusing on biomedical

research priorities, receiving testimony from Harold E. Varmus, Director, National Institutes of Health, Department of Health and Human Services; Kenneth I. Shine, President, Institute of Medicine, National Academy of Sciences; Michael Rosenblatt, Harvard-MIT Division of Health Sciences and Technology, Boston, Massachusetts; John W. Suttie, Federation of American Societies for Experimental Biology, Bethesda, Maryland; Leon E. Rosenberg, Bristol-Myers Squibb Company, Princeton, New Jersey; Myrl Weinberg, National Health Council, Washington, D.C.; and Mary Woolley, Research! America, Alexandria, Virginia.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 20 public bills, H.R. 1508–1527; 1 private bill, H.R. 1528; and 7 resolutions, H.J. Res. 76, H. Con. Res. 70–72, and H. Res. 139–141, were introduced.

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed as follows:

H.R. 408, to amend the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972 to support the International Dolphin Conservation Program in the eastern tropical Pacific Ocean (H. Rept. 105–74 Part II);

H.R. 1463, to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 1998 and 1999 for the Customs Service, the Office of the United States Trade Representative, and the International Trade Commission, amended (H. Rept. 105–85); and

H.R. 3, to combat violent youth crime and increase accountability for juvenile criminal offenses, amended (H. Rept. 105–86).

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

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Guest Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the guest chaplain, the Rev. Leander Wilkes of Santa Barbara, California.

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Journal Vote: By a yea-and-nay vote of 343 yeas to 42 nays, Roll No. 97, the House agreed to the Speaker's approval of the Journal of Wednesday, April 30.

Pages H2095–96

Committee Funding: By a yea-and-nay vote of 262 yeas to 157 nays, Roll No. 98, the House agreed to H. Res. 129 as amended pursuant to the rule, pro-

viding amounts for the expenses of certain committees of the House of Representatives in the One Hundred Fifth Congress.

Pages H2099–H2106

H. Res. 136, the rule that provided for consideration of the resolution was agreed to earlier by a voice vote.

Pages H2098–99

Housing Authority and Responsibility Act: The House completed all debate on Wednesday, April 30 and began consideration of amendments to H.R. 2, to repeal the United States Housing Act of 1937, deregulate the public housing program and the program for rental housing assistance for low-income families, and increase community control over such programs. Consideration of amendments will resume on Tuesday, May 6.

Pages H2107–24

A point of order under section 425(a) of the Budget Act, against the Committee amendment in the nature of a substitute (made in order by the rule for the purpose of amendment) was resolved by the decision of the House on the question of consideration pursuant to section 426(b)(3) of the Budget Act. The point of order asserted that Section 105, Community Work and Family Self-Sufficiency Requirements, and Section 106, Local Housing Management Plans, constituted an unfunded intergovernmental mandate. By a recorded vote of 237 yeas to 183 noes, Roll No. 99, the House voted to consider the Committee amendment in the nature of a substitute.

Pages H2107–12

Agreed to:

Lazio amendment that makes technical changes, allows Public Housing Authorities to use money earned from increases to rental income for additional vouchers; replaces precise authorization amount appropriated for choice-based housing assistance with

“such funds as may be appropriated”; clarifies the availability of housing for nonelderly disabled tenants; revises the home rule flexible grants program to provide greater rent protections to tenants; and authorizes rule-making to protect senior homeowners under reverse mortgage programs; and

Pages H2113–22

Lazio en bloc amendment that requires that applicants and tenants disclose income information to the Public Housing Authority; provides for policy coordination with entities providing assistance to homeless families; and requires that homeownership activities and annual goals for additional homeownership units be reported in the housing management plan annual report.

Pages H2122–24

Rejected:

The Jackson of Illinois amendment that sought to prohibit any public housing agency from evicting a family solely on the basis of any failure to comply with the community work requirements (rejected by a recorded vote of 160 ayes to 251 noes, Roll No. 100);

Pages H2124–48

The Weldon of Florida amendment to the Jackson of Illinois amendment that sought to exempt not more than 20 percent of the total number of families assisted by a public housing agency from the community work requirement: single parents, grandparents, or spouses of an otherwise exempted individual who are the primary caregivers of children under six, elderly persons, or persons with disabilities (rejected by a recorded vote of 153 ayes to 252 noes, Roll No. 101); and

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The Jackson of Illinois amendment that sought to exempt from the community work requirement single parents, grandparents, or spouses of an otherwise exempted individual who are the primary caregivers of children under six, elderly persons, or persons with disabilities (rejected by a recorded vote of 181 ayes to 216 noes, Roll No. 102).

Pages H2149–50

On April 30, the House agreed to H. Res. 133, the rule that is providing for consideration of the bill.

Pages H2035–41

Meeting Hour: Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 2:00 p.m. on Monday, May 5. Agreed that when the House adjourns on Monday, it adjourn to meet at 12:30 p.m. on Tuesday, May 10 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, May 7.

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Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on pages H2157–58.

Senate Messages: Message received from the Senate today appears on page H2096.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Two yea-and-nay votes and four recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H2095–96, H2106, H2112–13, H2147–48, H2148, and H2149–50. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: Met at 10:00 a.m. and adjourned at 6:07 p.m.

Committee Meetings

LABOR-HHS-EDUCATION APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education held a hearing on the SSA and on the Corporation for National and Community Service. Testimony was heard from John J. Callahan, Acting Commissioner, Social Security, SSA and Harris Wofford, CEO, Corporation for National Service.

VA-HUD-INDEPENDENT AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on VA, HUD, and Independent Agencies continued appropriation hearings. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

COMPUTER GENERATED CHECK FRAUD

Committee on Banking and Financial Services: Subcommittee on Domestic and International Monetary Policy held a hearing on Computer Generated Check Fraud. Testimony was heard from Kevin T. Foley, Deputy Assistant Director, U.S. Secret Service, Department of the Treasury; Charles L. Owens, Chief, Financial Crimes Section, FBI, Department of Justice; and public witnesses.

FINANCIAL SERVICES REFORM

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Finance and Hazardous Materials held a hearing on Financial Services Reform, focusing on “A Two Way Street” and Functional Regulation. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

REVIEW OF EPA’S OZONE AND PARTICULATE MATTER NAAQS REVISIONS

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Health and Environment and the Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations continued joint hearings on Review of EPA’s Proposed Ozone and Particulate Matter NAAQS Revisions: Perspectives of State and Local Elected Officials. Testimony was heard from Craig Peterson, Senator, State of Utah; Tom Alley, Representative, State of Michigan; Alan Kukavich, Senator, State of Pennsylvania; Rick Russman, Senator, State of New Hampshire; Richard L. Brodsky,

Chairman, Committee on Environmental Conservation, Assembly, State of New York; and public witnesses.

Hearings continue May 8th.

EDUCATION—WHAT WORKS, WHAT'S WASTED

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations and the Subcommittee on the District of Columbia of the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight held a joint hearing on "Education at a Crossroads, What Works, What's Wasted in the D.C. School System?" Testimony was heard from the following officials of the District of Columbia: Marion Barry, Mayor; Julius Becton, Chief Executive Officer, Public Schools; Bruce Maclaury, Chairman, Emergency Board of Trustees, Public Schools; Don Reeves, President, Board of Education; and Kevin Chavous, Chairman, Committee on Education, Libraries and Recreation, City Council; Joyce Ladner, member, Financial Responsibility and Management Assistance Authority; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on Government Management, Information, and Technology held a hearing on the following: Presidential and Executive Office Financial Accountability Act of 1997; and Special Government Employee Act of 1997. Testimony was heard from Representative Mica; Stephen Potts, Director, Office of Government Ethics; and public witnesses.

REAUTHORIZATION—OFFICE OF NATIONAL DRUG CONTROL POLICY

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on National Security, International Affairs and Criminal Justice held a hearing on Reauthorization of the Office of National Drug Control Policy. Testimony was heard from Barry R. McCaffrey, Director, Office of National Drug Control Policy; and Norman J. Rabkin, Director, Administration of Justice Issues, GAO.

FOREIGN POLICY REFORM ACT

Committee on International Relations: Continued markup of H.R. 1486, Foreign Policy Reform Act.

Will continue May 6.

OVERSIGHT

Committee on Resources: Held an oversight hearing on the provision in the 1997 Omnibus Appropriations Act which removed the Narragansett Indian Tribe of Rhode Island from the coverage of the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act. Testimony was heard from Senators Chafee and Reed; Representative Weygand;

David J. Hayes, Counselor to the Secretary, Department of the Interior; the following officials of the State of Rhode Island: Lincoln Almond, Governor; and Donald J. Lally, Jr., Representative, House of Representatives; and public witnesses.

CIVILITY—HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Committee on Rules: Subcommittee on Rules and Organization of the House concluded hearings on Civility in the House of Representatives. Testimony was heard from Kathleen Hall Jamieson, Dean, Annenberg School for Communication, University of Pennsylvania; Donald Wolfensberger, Guest Scholar, Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars; Stephen Frantzich, Professor and Chairman, Department of Political Science, U.S. Naval Academy; and Eric Uslander, Professor, Political Science, University of Maryland-College Park.

WHY EXPORTS MATTER

Committee on Small Business: Subcommittee on Tax, Finance, and Exports held a hearing on "Why Exports Matter". Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

REAUTHORIZATION—WAR RISK INSURANCE PROGRAM

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Aviation held a hearing on Reauthorization of the War Risk Insurance Program. Testimony was heard from Gerald L. Dillingham, Associate Director, Transportation Issues, Resources, Community and Economic Development Division, GAO; Louise E. Maillett, Acting Assistant Administrator, Policy, Planning and International Aviation, FAA, Department of Transportation; the following officials of the U.S. Air Force, Department of Defense: Maj. Gen. Gary A. Voellger, USAF, Director of Operations, Headquarters, Air Mobility Command; and Brig. Gen. Gilbert J. Regan, USAF, Chief Counsel, Headquarters, U.S. Transportation Command and Staff Judge Advocate, Air Mobility Command; and a public witness.

LOW-INCOME HOUSING TAX CREDIT

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Oversight concluded hearings on the Low-Income Housing Tax Credit. Testimony was heard from Representatives Rangel and Metcalf; and public witnesses.

BRIEFING; BUDGET HEARING

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Met in executive session for a briefing on Chinese Counterintelligence Issues. The Committee was briefed by departmental witnesses.

The Committee also met in executive session to hold a Budget hearing on Legislative Issues. Testimony was heard from departmental witnesses.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST p. D396)

H.R. 1003, to clarify Federal law with respect to restricting the use of Federal funds in support of assisted suicide. Signed April 30, 1997. (P.L. 105-12)

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY, MAY 2, 1997

Senate

No meetings are scheduled.

House

Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on VA, HUD, and Independent Agencies, on public witnesses, 10 a.m., and 2 p.m., H-143 Capitol.

Joint Meetings

Joint Economic Committee, to hold hearings to examine the employment-unemployment situation for April and the Consumer Price Index, 9:30 a.m., 1334 Longworth Building.

CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD Week of May 5 through 10, 1997 Senate Chamber

On *Monday*, Senate will consider S. 672, Supplemental Appropriations.

During the balance of the week, Senate expects to complete consideration of S. 672, Supplemental Appropriations, and consider any cleared executive and legislative business.

(Senate will recess on Tuesday, May 6, 1997 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 Appropriations: May 6, Subcommittee on VA, HUD, and Independent Agencies, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1998 for the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, 9:30 a.m., SD-138.

May 6, Subcommittee on Legislative Branch, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1998 for the Joint Committee on Taxation, the Joint Economic Committee, and the Joint Committee on Printing, 10 a.m., S-128, Capitol.

May 6, Subcommittee on Foreign Operations, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1998 for foreign assistance programs, focusing on Russia

and the Newly Independent States, 2 p.m., S-128, Capitol.

May 7, Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1998 for cancer research programs of the Department of Health and Human Services, 9:15 a.m., SH-216.

May 7, Subcommittee on Defense, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1998 for the Department of Defense, 10 a.m., SD-192.

May 7, Subcommittee on Transportation, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1998 for the Department of Transportation, focusing on transportation infrastructure financing issues, 10 a.m., SD-124.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: May 5, to hold hearings on S. 430, to amend the Act of June 20, 1910, to protect the permanent trust funds of the State of New Mexico from erosion due to inflation and modify the basis on which distributions are made from those funds, 10:30 a.m., SD-366.

May 6, Full Committee, to hold hearings on the nomination of Elizabeth Anne Moler, of Virginia, to be Deputy Secretary of Energy, 9:30 a.m., SD-366.

May 8, Full Committee, to hold a workshop to examine competitive change in the electric power industry, focusing on the effects of competition on fuel use and types of generation, 9:30 a.m., SH-216.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: May 7, Subcommittee on Transportation and Infrastructure, to resume hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for programs of the Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act of 1991, focusing on safety issues and programs, 9:30 a.m., SD-406.

Committee on Foreign Relations: May 6, Subcommittee on Near Eastern and South Asian Affairs, to hold hearings to examine who is responsible for arming Iran, 10 a.m., SD-419.

May 7, Subcommittee on European Affairs, to hold hearings on the Administration's proposed budget request for fiscal year 1998 for Central and Eastern Europe and the former Soviet Union, 10 a.m., SD-419.

May 8, Full Committee, business meeting, to consider the Document Agreed Among the States Parties to the Treaty on Conventional Armed Forces in Europe (CFE) of November 19, 1990, adopted at Vienna on May 31, 1996 ("the Flank Document") (Treaty Doc. 105-5), and other pending calendar business, 10:30 a.m., SD-419.

Committee on Governmental Affairs: May 7, to hold hearings to review the final report of the Commission on Protecting and Reducing Government Secrecy and the recommendations of the report, including recommendations for legislation to codify the classification system and enhance accountability, 10 a.m., SD-342.

May 8, Subcommittee on Oversight of Government Management, Restructuring and the District of Columbia, to hold hearings to examine the Government's impact on television programming, 10 a.m., SD-342.

Committee on the Judiciary: May 6, to hold hearings to examine encryption issues in the information age, 10 a.m., SD-226.

May 6, Subcommittee on Youth Violence, to hold hearings to review the programs and mandates of the Office of Juvenile Justice Delinquency Prevention, 2 p.m., SD-226.

May 7, Full Committee, to hold hearings on S. 507, to establish the United States Patent and Trademark Organization as a Government corporation, and to revise the provisions of title 35, United States Code, relating to procedures for patent applications, commercial use of patents, and reexamination reform, 10 a.m., SD-226.

May 7, Full Committee, to hold hearings on pending nominations, 2 p.m., SD-226.

May 8, Full Committee, to hold hearings on provisions of S. 43, to throttle criminal use of guns, 2 p.m., SD-226.

Committee on Labor and Human Resources: May 6, Subcommittee on Public Health and Safety, to hold hearings to examine public health issues, focusing on Centers for Disease Control project grants for preventable health services, 9:30 a.m., SD-430.

May 7, Full Committee, business meeting, to mark up the proposed Individuals with Disabilities Education Act Amendments of 1997, and consider pending nominations, 9:30 a.m., SD-430.

Committee on Rules and Administration: May 8, to resume hearings to discuss revisions to Title 44, relating to the operations of the Government Printing Office, 9:30 a.m., SR-301.

Committee on Small Business: May 7, to hold hearings on the Small Business Administration's finance programs, 9:30 a.m., SR-428A.

Select Committee on Intelligence: May 6 and 7, to hold hearings on the nomination of George J. Tenet, of Maryland, to be Director of Central Intelligence, Tuesday at 10 a.m. in SH-216 and Wednesday at 2 p.m. in SH-219.

House Chamber

Monday, No Legislative Business;

Tuesday, Consideration of 1 Suspension: H.R. 1463, Customs Service, U.S. Trade Representative, and International Trade Commission Authorization; and

Continue consideration of H.R. 2, Housing Opportunity and Responsibility Act of 1997 (open rule);

Wednesday and Thursday, Consideration of H.R. 478, Flood Prevention and Family Protection Act of 1997 (subject to a rule);

Consideration of H.R. 3, Juvenile Crime Control Act of 1997 (subject to a rule); and

Consideration of H.R. 1469, Supplemental Appropriations Act (subject to a rule);

Friday, No votes are expected.

House Committees

Committee on Agriculture, May 8, Subcommittee on Livestock, Dairy, and Poultry, hearing to review the status and future prospects for trade in livestock, dairy, and

poultry products between the United States and the European Union, 1 p.m., 1300 Longworth.

Committee on Appropriations, May 6, Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, on Occupational Safety and Health Review Commission; National Mediation Board; and Armed Forces Retirement Home, 2 p.m., 2358 Rayburn.

May 7, Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, on Secretary of Labor, 10 a.m., and on National Cancer Institute; National Institute on Allergy and Infectious Diseases; and National Human Genome Research Institute, 2 p.m., 2358 Rayburn.

May 7, Subcommittee on VA-HUD, and Independent Agencies, on Consumer Product Safety Commission, 10 a.m., Consumer Information Center, 11 a.m., and on Office of Consumer Affairs, 12 p.m., H-143 Capitol.

May 8, Subcommittee on District of Columbia, on D.C. Privatization of the Financial Management System, 10 a.m., H-144 Capitol.

Committee on Banking and Financial Services, May 7, hearing on Financial Modernization, including H.R. 10, Financial Services Competitiveness Act of 1997, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

May 8, Subcommittee on Domestic and International Monetary Policy, to mark up the following: H.R. 1370, to reauthorize the Export-Import Bank of the United States; and a measure to reauthorize the International Financial Institutions, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Commerce, May 7, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing on the Department of Energy's Office of Science and Technology (OST), focusing on issues relating to OST-funded technologies and their deployment at DOE sites, 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

May 8, Subcommittee on Health and Environment and Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, to continue joint hearings on Review of EPA's Proposed Ozone and Particulate Matter NAAQS Revisions, 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Education and the Workforce, May 7, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 5, IDEA Improvement Act of 1997; and H.R. 1511, Cost of Higher Education Review Act of 1997, 10 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

May 8, Subcommittee on Employer-Employee Relations, hearing on H.R. 1515, Expansion of Portability and Health Insurance Coverage Act of 1997, 10 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

May 8, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing on Dollars to the Classroom, 1 p.m., 2261 Rayburn.

Committee on International Relations, May 6, to continue markup of H.R. 1486, Foreign Policy Reform Act, 5 p.m., 2172, Rayburn.

May 7, Subcommittee on Asia and the Pacific, hearing on U.S. Policy Toward Indonesia, 1:30 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary, May 7, oversight hearing regarding "Grassroots Solutions to Youth Crime," 2 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on National Security, May 7, Subcommittee on Military Readiness, hearing on Naval Petroleum Reserves, 10 a.m., 2212 Rayburn.

May 7, Subcommittee on Military Research and Development, hearing on the fiscal year 1998 National Defense Authorization request-Ballistic Missile Defense (BMD) Threat, 2 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

May 8, Subcommittee on Military Installations and Facilities, hearing on the fiscal year 1998 military construction budget, 2 p.m., 2212 Rayburn.

May 8, Subcommittee on Military Personnel, hearing on the status of the Ready Reserve Mobilization Insurance Program, 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Committee on Resources, May 6, Subcommittee on Fisheries Conservation, Wildlife and Oceans, hearing on the following measures: H. Res. 87, expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that the United States and the United Nations should condemn coral reef fisheries that are harmful to coral reef ecosystems and promote the development of sustainable coral reef fishing practices worldwide; H.R. 608, Marion National Fish Hatchery Conveyance Act; and H.R. 796, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to make technical corrections to a map relating to Coastal Barrier Resources System, 10 a.m., 1334 Longworth.

May 6, Subcommittee on Forests and Forest Health, hearing on the following bills: H.R. 985, to provide for the expansion of the Eagles Nest Wilderness within Arapaho and White River National Forests, Colorado, to include the lands known as the Slate Creek Addition upon the acquisition of the lands by the United States; H.R. 1019, to provide for a boundary adjustment and land conveyance involving the Raggeds Wilderness, White River National Forest, Colorado, to correct the effects of earlier erroneous land surveys; H.R. 1020, to adjust the land boundary of the White River National Forest in the State of Colorado to include all National Forest System lands within Summit County, Colorado, which are currently part of the Dillon Ranger District of the Arapaho National Forest; H.R. 1439, a bill to facilitate the sale of certain land in Tahoe National Forest in the States of California to Placer County, California; and H.R. 79, Hoopa Valley Reservation South Boundary Adjustment Act, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

May 6, Subcommittee on Water and Power, oversight hearing on Bureau of Reclamation Project financing, 2 p.m., 1324 Longworth.

May 7, full Committee, to consider pending business, 11 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

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Committee on Science, May 6, Subcommittee on Technology, hearing on "Technology in the classroom: Panacea or Pandora's Box?" 2 p.m., 2318 Rayburn.

May 7, Subcommittee on Energy and Environment, hearing on "The Science Behind EPA's Proposed Particulate Matter/Ozone Standards, Part 2", 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, May 7, to consider the following: H. Con. Res. 49, authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds for the Greater Washington Soap Box Derby; H. Con. Res. 66, authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds for the 16th annual National Peace Officers' Memorial Service; H. Con. Res. 67, authorizing the 1997 Special Olympics Torch Relay to run through the Capitol Grounds; two Committee amendments to GSA resolutions; Water Resources Survey resolutions; and other pending Committee business, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs, May 7, Subcommittee on Benefits, hearing on Government Performance and Results Act strategies for the Veterans Employment and Training Service, 8:30 a.m., 340 Cannon.

May 8, Subcommittee on Health, hearing on the following: H.R. 1362, Veterans Medicare Reimbursement Demonstration Act of 1997; and proposals on both Medical Care Cost Recovery and physician's special pay, 9:30 a.m., 340 Cannon.

Committee on Ways and Means, May 6, Subcommittee on Health, hearing on waste, fraud, and abuse in the health care system, 10 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

May 6, Subcommittee on Social Security, hearing on the Social Security Administrations Website, 3 p.m., B-318 Rayburn.

May 8, full Committee, hearing to examine the Earned Income Tax Credit Compliance Study released by the IRS, 10 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, May 8, executive, hearing on China, 10 a.m., H-405 Capitol.

Joint Meetings

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe: May 8, to resume hearings to examine the process to enlarge the membership of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO), 10 a.m., SD-538.

Résumé of Congressional Activity

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The first table gives a comprehensive résumé of all legislative business transacted by the Senate and House. The second table accounts for all nominations submitted to the Senate by the President for Senate confirmation.

DATA ON LEGISLATIVE ACTIVITY

January 3 through April 30, 1997

	<i>Senate</i>	<i>House</i>	<i>Total</i>
Days in session	53	40	..
Time in session	338 hrs., 19'	221 hrs., 15'	..
Congressional Record:			
Pages of proceedings	3859	2094	..
Extensions of Remarks .....	..	808	..
Public bills enacted into law	2	10	..
Private bills enacted into law .....	..	..	..
Bills in conference .....	..	..	..
Measures passed, total	68	135	..
Senate bills	6	2	..
House bills	11	52	..
Senate joint resolutions	3	1	..
House joint resolutions	3	4	..
Senate concurrent resolutions	6	5	..
House concurrent resolutions	3	9	..
Simple resolutions	36	62	..
Measures reported, total	*36	*81	..
Senate bills	9	..	..
House bills .....	..	52	..
Senate joint resolutions	2	..	..
House joint resolutions .....	..	4	..
Senate concurrent resolutions .....	..	..	..
House concurrent resolutions .....	..	1	..
Simple resolutions	25	24	..
Special reports	6	3	..
Conference reports .....	..	..	..
Measures pending on calendar	27	9	..
Measures introduced, total	805	789	..
Bills	674	1507	..
Joint resolutions	28	75	..
Concurrent resolutions	23	69	..
Simple resolutions	80	138	..
Quorum calls	1	2	..
Yea-and-nay votes	54	59	..
Recorded votes .....	..	35	..
Bills vetoed .....	..	..	..
Vetoes overridden .....	..	..	..

DISPOSITION OF EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS

January 7, 1997 through April 30, 1997

Civilian nominations, totaling 174, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	36
Unconfirmed	136
Withdrawn	2
Civilian nominations (FS, PHS, CG, NOAA), totaling 1,772, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	619
Unconfirmed	1,153
Air Force nominations, totaling 2,015, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	244
Unconfirmed	1,771
Army nominations, totaling 1,857, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	908
Unconfirmed	949
Navy nominations, totaling 1,158, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	491
Unconfirmed	667
Marine Corps nominations, totaling 1,497, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	582
Unconfirmed	915
<i>Summary</i>	
Total nominations received this session	8,473
Total confirmed	2,880
Total unconfirmed	5,591
Total withdrawn	2

*These figures include all measures reported, even if there was no accompanying report. A total of 10 reports has been filed in the Senate, a total of 84 reports has been filed in the House.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

12 noon, Monday, May 5

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

2 p.m., Monday, May 5

Senate Chamber

Program for Monday: After the transaction of any morning business (not to extend beyond 1 p.m.), Senate will begin consideration of S. 672, Supplemental Appropriations.

House Chamber

Program for Monday: No legislative business.

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