

Thursday, May 8, 1997

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S4133-S4253

Measures Introduced: Fifteen bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 718-732 and S. Con. Res. 26. **Page S4217**

Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. Res. 58, to state the sense of the Senate that the Treaty of Mutual Cooperation and Security Between the United States of America and Japan is essential for furthering the security interests of the United States, Japan, and the countries of the Asia-Pacific region, and that the people of Okinawa deserve recognition for their contributions toward ensuring the Treaty's implementation.

S. 342, to extend certain privileges, exemptions, and immunities to Hong Kong Economic and Trade Offices.

S. 536, to amend the National Narcotics Leadership Act of 1988 to establish a program to support and encourage local communities that first demonstrate a comprehensive, long-term commitment to reduce substance abuse among youth, and for other purposes, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

S. 670, to amend the Immigration and Nationality Technical Corrections Act of 1994 to eliminate the special transition rule for issuance of a certificate of citizenship for certain children born outside the United States.

S. Con. Res. 6, expressing concern for the continued deterioration of human rights in Afghanistan and emphasizing the need for a peaceful political settlement in that country, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

S. Con. Res. 21, congratulating the residents of Jerusalem and the people of Israel on the thirtieth anniversary of the reunification of that historic city. **Page S4214**

Measures Passed:

Jack Swigert Statue: Senate agreed to H. Con. Res. 25, providing for acceptance of a statue of Jack Swigert, presented by the State of Colorado, for placement in Nation Statuary Hall. **Pages S4212-13**

Authorizing Use of Capitol Rotunda: Senate agreed to S. Con. Res. 26, to permit the use of the rotunda of the Capitol for a congressional ceremony honoring Mother Teresa. **Page S4253**

Supplemental Appropriations: By 78 yeas to 22 nays (Vote No. 63) Senate agreed to a motion to advance S. 672, making supplemental appropriations and rescissions for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1997, to third reading, after taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows: **Pages S4137-S4205, S4253**

Adopted:

Reid (for Kempthorne) Modified Amendment No. 139, to allow emergency repairs of flood control projects, structures and facilities. **Pages S4173-80**

Stevens (for Moseley-Braun) Amendment No. 100, to provide funds for the replacement of Gaumer's Bridge in Vermilion County, Illinois. **Page S4182**

Stevens (for Murray/Gorton) Amendment No. 134, to allow a State the option to issue food stamp benefits to certain individuals made ineligible by welfare reform. **Pages S4182-84**

Stevens (for Cochran) Amendment No. 236, to make a technical correction. **Page S4184**

Stevens (for Torricelli/Lautenberg) Amendment No. 114, to provide funds for a study of the high rate of cancer among children in the Dover Township, New Jersey. **Page S4198**

Stevens Amendment No. 237, to provide additional emergency community development block grant funds for disaster areas. **Pages S4198-99**

Stevens (for Snowe/Kerry) Modified Amendment No. 80, to provide a Good Samaritan exemption from the take reduction rules under the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972. **Pages S4199-S4200**

Stevens (for Conrad) Modified Amendment No. 175, to provide permissive transfer authority of up to \$20,000,000 from the Federal Emergency Management Agency Disaster Relief Account to the Disaster Assistance Direct Loan Program Account. **Pages S4200-01**

Stevens (for Murray/Gorton) Amendment No. 238, to provide funds to continue the salmon fishing permit buyback program. **Page S4201**

Stevens (for Dorgan) Amendment No. 151, to permit the use of certain child care funds to assist the residents of areas affected by the flooding of the Red River of the North and its tributaries in meeting emergency demands for child care services.

Pages S4201-02

Stevens (for Grassley) Amendment No. 239, to provide relief to agriculture producers who granted easements to, or owned or operated land condemned by, the Secretary of the Army for flooding losses caused by water retention at the dam site at Lake Redrock, Iowa, to the extent that the actual losses exceed the estimates of the Secretary.

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Rejected:

Byrd Amendment No. 59, to strike those provisions providing for continuing appropriations in the absence of regular appropriations for fiscal year 1998. (By 55 yeas to 45 nays (Vote No. 61), Senate tabled the amendment.)

Pages S4137, S4151-72

Warner Amendment No. 66, to modify the requirements for the additional obligation authority for Federal-aid highways. (By 54 yeas to 46 nays (Vote No. 60), Senate tabled the amendment.)

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Gramm Amendment No. 118, to ensure full funding of disaster assistance without adding to the Federal debt. (By 62 yeas to 38 nays (Vote No. 62), Senate tabled the amendment.)

Pages S4180-82, S4184-90

Hutchison Amendment No. 62, to provide for enrollment flexibility. (The Chair sustained a point of order that the amendment was not germane, and the amendment was ruled out of order.)

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Withdrawn:

Reid/Baucus Amendment No. 171, to substitute provisions waiving formal consultation requirements and "takings" liability under the Endangered Species Act for operating and repairing flood control projects damaged by flooding.

Pages S4137, S4172-73

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that when the Senate receives from the House H.R. 1469, Fiscal Year 1997 Supplemental Appropriations and Rescissions Act, the Senate be deemed to have considered the bill, that all after the enacting clause be stricken and the text of S. 672, as amended, be substituted in lieu thereof, that the bill be deemed to have been passed, that the Senate insist on its amendment and request a conference with the House thereon, and the Chair be authorized to appoint conferees on the part of the Senate.

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Family Friendly Workplace Act—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for the consideration of 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, biweekly work programs, and flexible credit hour programs as Federal employees currently enjoy to help balance the demands and need of work and family, 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, on Tuesday, May 13.

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Appointments:

U.S. Coast Guard Academy: The Chair, on behalf of the Vice President, pursuant to 14 U.S.C. 194(a), as amended by Public Law 101-595, appointed the following Senators to the Board of Visitors of the U.S. Coast Guard Academy: Senator McCain, ex officio, as Chairman, Senator Ashcroft, and Senator Hollings, each from the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, and Senator Murray, At Large.

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U.S. Merchant Marine Academy: The Chair, on behalf of the Vice President, pursuant to Title 46, Section 1295(b), of the U.S. Code, as amended by Public Law 101-595, appointed the following Senators to the Board of Visitors of the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy: Senator McCain, ex officio, as Chairman, Senator Snowe, and Senator Breaux, each from the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, and Senator Inouye, At Large.

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Record Votes: Four record votes were taken today. (Total—63)

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:15 a.m., and adjourned at 6:59 p.m., until 9:15 a.m., on Friday, May 9, 1997. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S4253.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

APPROPRIATIONS—MILITARY CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Military Construction concluded hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1998 for Army and certain defense agencies' military construction programs, after receiving testimony from Robert M. Walker, Assistant Secretary of the Army; Gary Robinson, Command Engineer, U.S. Special Operations Command; Brig. Gen. Robert G. Claypool, USA, Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense; Frederick N. Baillie, Executive Director of Business Management, Defense Logistics Agency; and Bruce M. Carnes, Deputy Director for Resource Management, Defense Finance and Accounting Service.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Armed Services: Committee ordered favorably reported 238 military nominations in the Army, Navy, and Air Force.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee ordered favorably reported, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute, S. 462, to reform and consolidate the public and assisted housing programs of the United States, and to redirect primary responsibility for these programs from the Federal Government to States and localities.

AUTHORIZATION—HAZARDOUS MATERIALS TRANSPORTATION

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Surface Transportation and Merchant Marine concluded hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for programs of the Hazardous Materials Transportation Act, focusing on safety issues, after receiving testimony from Kelley S. Coyner, Deputy Administrator, and Alan Roberts, Associate Administrator for Hazardous Materials Safety, both of the Research and Special Programs Administration, Department of Transportation; Robert Chipkevich, Chief, Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Division, National Transportation Safety Board; Charlotte R. Lane, West Virginia Public Service Commission, Charleston; and Cynthia Hilton, Association of Waste Hazardous Materials Transporters, and Clifford J. Harvison, National Tank Truck Carriers, Inc., both of Alexandria, Virginia.

ELECTRIC UTILITIES DEREGULATION

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee met to further discuss proposals to advance the goals

of deregulation and competition in the electric power industry, focusing on the effects of competition on fuel use and types of fuel generation, receiving testimony from Donald W. Niemiec, Union Pacific Resources Group, Fort Worth, Texas; Samuel K. Skinner, Commonwealth Edison Company, Chicago, Illinois; Steven F. Leer, Arch Mineral Corporation, St. Louis, Missouri, on behalf of the National Mining Association; George Minter, Pacific Enterprises, Los Angeles, California; Brent Allen, Alpar Resources Inc., Perryton, Texas, on behalf of the Independent Petroleum Association of America; Lawrence W. Plitch, Wheelabrator Technologies Incorporated, Hampton, New Hampshire, on behalf of the Integrated Waste Services Association; Julie A. Keil, Portland General Electric Company, Portland, Oregon, on behalf of the Industry Coalition for Hydro-power; and Dede Hapner, Pacific Gas and Electric Company, San Francisco, California.

Committee will meet again on Thursday, May 22.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

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"). The Flank Document is Annex A of the Final Document of the first CFE Review Conference (Treaty Doc. 105-5), with 14 conditions;

The nominations of Jeffrey Davidow, of Virginia, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Inter-American Foundation, Stuart E. Eizenstat, of Maryland, to be Under Secretary of State for Economic, Business and Agricultural Affairs, Thomas R. Pickering, of New Jersey, to be Under Secretary of State for Political Affairs, Karen Shepherd, of Utah, to be United States Director of the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development, Letitia Chamber, of the District of Columbia, to be a Representative of the United States to the Fifty-first Session of the General Assembly of the United Nations, and Prezell R. Robinson, of North Carolina, and James Catherwood Hormel, of California, each to be an Alternate Representative of the United States to the Fifty-first Session of the United Nations, and certain Foreign Service Officers' appointment and promotion lists;

S. 342, to extend certain privileges, exemptions, and immunities to Hong Kong Economic and Trade Offices;

S. Res. 58, to state the sense of the Senate that the Treaty of Mutual Cooperation and Security Between the United States and Japan is essential for furthering the security interest of the United States,

Japan, and the countries of the Asia-Pacific region, and that the people of Okinawa deserve recognition for their implementation;

S. Con. Res. 6, expressing concern for the continued deterioration of human rights in Afghanistan and emphasizing the need for a peaceful political settlement in that country, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute; and

S. Con. Res. 21, congratulating the residents of Jerusalem and the people of Israel on the thirtieth anniversary of the reunification of that historic city.

TELEVISION PROGRAMMING

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Subcommittee on Oversight of Government Management, Restructuring and the District of Columbia concluded oversight hearings to discuss the influence of certain television programming on children's language development, reading skill, attention span, and attitudes toward violence, sexuality, and other behaviors, and the Federal Government's role in improving the content of programming, after receiving testimony from L. Brent Bozell III, Parents Television Council/Media Research Center, Alexandria, Virginia; Sarah S. Brown, National Campaign to Prevent Teen Pregnancy, David Murray, Statistical Assessment Service, and Elayne Bennett, Best Friends Foundation, all of Washington, D.C.; Jane D. Brown, University of North Carolina School of Journalism and Mass Communications, Chapel Hill; Laurie Humphries, University of Kentucky College of Medicine, Lexington, on behalf of the American Academy of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry; and Mary Anne Layden, Center for Cognitive Therapy/University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

The nomination of Joel I. Klein, of the District of Columbia, to be an Assistant Attorney General, Department of Justice;

S. 536, to establish a program to support and encourage local communities that first demonstrate a comprehensive, long-term commitment to reduce

substance abuse among youth, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute; and

S. 670, to eliminate the special transition rule for issuance of a certificate of citizenship for certain children born outside the United States.

CRIMINAL USE OF GUNS

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded hearings on S. 191, to require a five-year mandatory minimum sentence for any violent or drug trafficking felon having a firearm in his or her possession during the commission of a heinous crime, and to review the impact of the Supreme Court's 1995 decision in *Bailey v. United States* on federal drug and violent crime prosecutions, after receiving testimony from Senator Helms; Kevin Di Gregory, Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division, and Walter C. Holton, Jr., United States Attorney for the Middle District of North Carolina, both of the Department of Justice; George J. Terwilliger III, McGuire, Woods, Battle, and Boothe, former Deputy Attorney General of the United States, and Thomas G. Hungar, Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher, both of Washington, D.C.; Paul F. Evans, Boston Police Department, Boston, Massachusetts; Katina M. Johnstone, New Yorkers Against Gun Violence, New York, New York; and Anthony M. Wilson, Chantilly, Virginia.

GPO REFORM

Committee on Rules and Administration: Committee concluded hearings to review legislative recommendations on certain revisions to Title 44 of the U.S. Code which authorizes the Government Printing Office to provide permanent public access to Federal government information, after receiving testimony from Sally Katzen, Administrator, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget; Richard L. Shiffrin, Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legal Counsel, Department of Justice; Francis J. Buckley, Shaker Heights Public Library, Shaker Heights, Ohio; Ben Cooper, Printing Industries of America, Inc., Alexandria, Virginia; and Ronald G. Dunn, Information Industry Association, Washington, D.C.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 25 public bills, H.R. 1553–1577; and 2 resolutions, H.J. Res. 78 and H. Con. Res. 77, were introduced.

Pages H2444–45

Reports Filed: One Report was filed as follows:

H.R. 1385, to consolidate, coordinate, and improve employment, training, literacy, and vocational rehabilitation programs in the United States, amended (H. Rept. 105–93).

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Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Ewing to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H2353**

Journal: By a yea-and-nay vote of 350 yeas to 56 nays, Roll No. 110, the House agreed to the Speaker's approval of the Journal of Wednesday, May 7. **Page H2356**

Juvenile Crime Control Act of 1997: By a recorded vote of 286 yeas to 132 noes, Roll No. 118, the House passed H.R. 3, to combat violent youth crime and increase accountability for juvenile criminal offenses. **Pages H2356–98**

Rejected, by a recorded vote of 174 yeas to 243 noes, Roll No. 117, the Conyers motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on the Judiciary with instructions to report it back to the House forthwith with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Pages H2393–97**

Agreed to the Committee amendment in the nature of a substitute as amended. **Page H2387**

Agreed To:

The Meehan amendment that allows special priority for Byrne Discretionary Grants to public agencies that have strategies implemented or proposed that provide for cooperation between law enforcement agencies to disrupt the illegal sale or transfer of firearms to juveniles by tracing the sources of guns; **Pages H2382–83**

The Dunn amendment that requires states submit a plan that describes the process by which parents will be notified of a juvenile sex offenders enrollment in an elementary or secondary school, as a condition of eligibility for Byrne Grant funding (agreed to by a recorded vote of 398 yeas to 21 noes, Roll No. 116); and **Pages H2383–85, H2387**

The McCollum amendment that specifies that the Attorney General can certify that the interests of justice can be best served by proceeding against a juvenile as a juvenile rather than an adult; clarifies that the Attorney General instead of the Director of the Bureau of Justice assistance is authorized to provide grants; defines serious violent crime as murder, aggravated sexual assault, and assault with a firearm; allows funding for renovating temporary or permanent juvenile correction or detention facilities and training of correctional personnel; allows 180 days to process grant applications; and limits administrative costs of eligible units that receive funds to not more than 10 percent. **Pages H2385–87**

Rejected:

The Stupak amendment in the nature of a substitute that sought to authorize \$1.5 billion in funding over three years for juvenile offender control and prevention grants with not less than 60 percent of the funding for prevention and intervention pro-

grams; not less than 10 percent of the funding for building or expanding secure juvenile correction or detention facilities for violent juvenile offenders; and not less than 20 percent of the funding for implementing graduated sanctions for juvenile offenders and improving State juvenile justice systems; expedites to 90 days the time in which a judge must decide whether to transfer a juvenile to adult court; increases the penalty for handgun possession; and provides a review to evaluate the effectiveness of federally funded programs for preventing juvenile violence and substance abuse (rejected by a recorded vote of 200 yeas to 224 noes with 1 voting "present", Roll No. 111); **Pages H2360–73**

The Waters amendment that sought to delete the provision requiring the prosecution as adults of juveniles who are charged with conspiracy to commit drug crimes (rejected by a recorded vote of 100 yeas to 320 noes, Roll No. 112); **Pages H2373–76**

The Conyers amendment that sought to eliminate the provisions that expand current law regarding the prosecution of 13-year-olds as adults (rejected by a recorded vote of 129 yeas to 288 noes, Roll No. 113); **Pages H2374–77**

The Scott amendment that sought to strike the authorization to use juvenile accountability block grants for building, expanding or operating temporary or permanent juvenile correction or detention facilities (rejected by a recorded vote of 101 yeas to 321 noes, Roll No. 114); **Pages H2377–79, H2381**

The Lofgren amendment that sought to use juvenile accountability block grants for specified programs to prevent young Americans from becoming involved in crime or gangs and requires that not less than 50 percent of the grant amount received by local governments be used for these prevention programs (recorded vote of 191 yeas to 227 noes, Roll No. 115); **Pages H2379–82**

The Clerk was authorized to correct section numbers, cross-references, and punctuation, and to make such stylistic, clerical, technical, conforming, and other changes as may be necessary to reflect the actions of the House in amending the bill. **Page H2398**

On May 7, the House agreed to H. Res. 143, the rule that is providing for consideration of the bill. **Pages H2323–33**

Housing Authority and Responsibility Act: The House resumed 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. The House completed all debate on Wednesday, April 30 and considered amendments to the bill on Thursday, May 1, Tuesday, May 6, and Wednesday, May 7. **Pages H2399–H2426**

Rejected:

The Nadler amendment that sought to increase funding for choice based rental housing and homeownership assistance by \$305 million to provide an additional 50,000 vouchers; **Pages H2405–08, H2412**

Votes postponed:

The Kennedy of Massachusetts amendment that seeks to specify that of all families who receive choice based housing assistance, not less than 75 percent shall be families whose incomes do not exceed 30 percent of the area median income;

Pages H2399–H2405

The Kennedy of Massachusetts amendment that seeks to delete Title IV, the Home Rule Flexible Grant Option that gives local governments and municipalities the flexibility to administer Federal housing assistance.

Pages H2410–12

The Vento amendment that seeks to delete the Housing Evaluation and Accreditation Board that is to be established as an independent agency.

Pages H2417–20

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

Pages H2035–38

Meeting Hour: Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at noon on Monday, May 12; and agreed that when the House adjourns on Monday, it adjourn to meet at 12:30 p.m. on Tuesday, May 13 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 14.

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Late Report: The Committee on International Relations received permission to have until midnight on Friday, May 9 to file a report on H.R. 1486, Foreign Policy Reform Act.

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Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on pages H2446–76.

Quorum Calls—Votes: One yea-and-nay vote and eight recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H2356, H2372–73, H2375–76, H2376–77, H2381, H2382, H2387, H2397, and H2397–98. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: Met at 10:00 a.m. and adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Committee Meetings

DAIRY AND RELATED PRODUCTS TRADE BETWEEN U.S. AND EUROPEAN UNION

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on Livestock, Dairy, and Poultry held a hearing to review the sta-

tus and future prospects for trade in livestock, dairy, and poultry products between the United States and the European Union. Testimony was heard from Representative Watkins; Paul Drazek, Special Assistant to the Secretary, International Trade, USDA; and public witnesses.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on District of Columbia held a hearing on D.C. Privatization of the Financial Management System. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

REAUTHORIZATIONS—EXPORT-IMPORT BANK AND U.S. PARTICIPATION IN INTERNATIONAL FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS

Committee on Banking and Financial Services: Subcommittee on Domestic and International Monetary Policy approved for full Committee action as amended the following bills: H.R. 1370, to reauthorize the Export-Import Bank of the United States; and H.R. 1488, to authorize U.S. participation in various international financial Institutions.

REVIEW OF EPA'S OZONE AND PARTICULATE MATTER NAAQS REVISIONS

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Health and Environment and Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations continued joint hearings on Review of EPA's Proposed Ozone and Particulate Matter NAAQS Revisions. Testimony was heard from Frederick W. Lipfert, Department of Applied Science, Brookhaven National Laboratory; and public witnesses.

Hearings continue May 15.

EXPANSION OF PORTABILITY AND HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE ACT

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Subcommittee on Employer-Employee Relations held a hearing on H.R. 1515, Expansion of Portability and Health Insurance Coverage Act of 1997. Testimony was heard from Representative Moran of Virginia; Kathleen Sebelius, Commissioner of Insurance, State of Kansas; and public witnesses.

DOLLARS TO THE CLASSROOM

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing on Dollars to the Classroom. Testimony was heard from Representatives Pitts, Graham and Blunt; Barbara Stock Nielsen, Superintendent of Education and CEO, Department of Education, State of South Carolina; and public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT—GPO

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on Government Management, Information and Technology held a hearing on "Oversight of the GPO". Testimony was heard from Michael DiMario, Public Printer, GPO; and public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on Human Resources held an oversight hearing of the NIH and FDA: Bioethics and the Adequacy of Informed Consent. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Health and Human Services: William Raub, Deputy Assistant Secretary and Acting Executive Director, National Bioethics Advisory Committee; Mary Pendergast, Deputy Commissioner, FDA; David Satcher, M.D., Director, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention; and Harold Varmus, M.D., Director, NIH; and public witnesses.

ENCRYPTION

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on International Economic Policy and Trade held a hearing on Encryption: Individual Right to Privacy vs. National Security. Testimony was heard from William Reinsch, Under Secretary, Bureau of Export Administration, Department of Commerce; William Crowell, Deputy Director, NSA, Department of Defense; Robert Litt, Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division, Department of Justice; and public witnesses.

FLAG DESECRATION—CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on the Constitution approved for full Committee action H.J. Res. 54, proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States authorizing the Congress to prohibit the physical desecration of the flag of the United States.

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION BUDGET

Committee on National Security: Subcommittee on Military Installations and Facilities held a hearing on the fiscal year 1998 military construction budget. Testimony was heard from Representatives Gordon, Farr, Pappas, Pallone, Whitfield, Bryant, Stupak, Smith of New Jersey and Frelinghuysen; and public witnesses.

READY RESERVE MOBILIZATION PROGRAM STATUS

Committee on National Security: Subcommittee on Military Personnel held a hearing on the status of the Ready Reserve Mobilization Insurance Program. Testimony was heard from Mark E. Gebicke, Director, Military Operations and Capabilities Issues, National

Security and International Affairs Division, GAO; and the following officials of the Department of Defense: Robert J. Lieberman, Jr., Assistant Inspector General, Auditing; and Deborah R. Lee, Assistant Secretary, Reserve Affairs.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Forests and Forest Health approved for full Committee action the following bills: H.R. 985, amended, to provide for the expansion of the Eagles Nest Wilderness within Arapaho and White River National Forests, CO, 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, CO, to correct the effects of earlier erroneous land surveys; H.R. 1020, to adjust the boundary of the White River National Forest in the State of Colorado to include all National Forest System lands within Summit County, CO, which are currently part of the Dillon Ranger District of the Arapaho National Forest; H.R. 1439, amended, to facilitate the sale of certain land in Tahoe National Forest, in the State of California to Placer County, California; and H.R. 79, amended, Hoopa Valley Reservation South Boundary Adjustment Act.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on National Parks and Public Lands approved for full Committee action the following bills: H.R. 765, to ensure maintenance of a herd of wild horses in Cape Lookout National Seashore; and H.R. 1127, National Monument Fairness Act of 1997.

VETERANS LEGISLATION

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Subcommittee on Health held a 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. Testimony was heard from Kathleen A. Buto, Associate Administrator, Policy, Health Care Financing Administration, Department of Health and Human Services; Paul Van de Water, Assistant Director, Budget Analysis, CBO; Kenneth Kizer, M.D., Under Secretary, Health, Veterans Health Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs; and representatives of veterans organizations.

IRS' 1995 EARNED INCOME TAX CREDIT COMPLIANCE STUDY

Committee on Ways and Means: Held a hearing on the Internal Revenue Service's 1995 Earned Income Tax Credit Compliance Study. Testimony was heard from

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the following officials of the Department of the Treasury: Michael P. Dolan, Deputy Commissioner and Ted F. Brown, Assistant Commissioner, Criminal Investigation, both with the IRS and John Karl Scholz, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Tax Analysis; and Lynda D. Willis, Director, Tax Policy and Administration Issues, General Government Division, GAO.

**COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY,
MAY 9, 1997**

Senate

No meetings are scheduled.

House

No Committee meetings are scheduled.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

9:15 a.m., Friday, May 9

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

12 noon, Monday, May 12

Senate Chamber

Program for Friday: No legislative business is scheduled.

House Chamber

Program for Monday: No legislative business is scheduled.

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