

Tuesday, May 13, 1997

Daily Digest

Highlights

The House passed H.R. 5, to amend the Individuals With Disabilities Education Act and to reauthorize and make improvements to that Act.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S4327–S4400

Measures Introduced: Two bills were introduced, as follows: S. 736 and 737. Page S4393

Family Friendly Workplace Act: Senate began 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, with a committee amendment, as modified. Pages S4327–54

During consideration of this measure today, Senate also took the following action:

A motion was entered to close further debate on the modified committee amendment and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on the cloture motion will occur on Thursday, May 15, 1997. Page S4350

Individuals With Disabilities Education Act: Senate continued consideration of S. 717, to amend the Individuals With Disabilities Education Act, to reauthorize and make improvements to that Act, taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows: Pages S4354–57

Adopted:

Jeffords Amendment No. 242, to make technical corrections. Page S4355

Pending:

Gregg Amendment No. 241, to modify the provision relating to the authorization of appropriations for special education and related services to authorize specific amounts or appropriations. Pages S4354–76

Gorton Amendment No. 243, to permit State and local educational agencies to establish uniform disciplinary policies. Pages S4355–68

Smith Amendment No. 245, to require a court in making an award under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act to take into consideration the impact the granting of the award would have on the education of all children of State educational agencies and local educational agencies. Pages S4368–71

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill and amendments proposed thereto, on Wednesday, May 14, 1997, with final disposition to occur thereon. Page S4400

Partial-Birth Abortion Ban Act—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for the consideration of H.R. 1122, to amend title 18, United States Code, to ban partial-birth abortions, on Wednesday, May 14, 1997. Page S4382

Appointments:

Advisory Committee on the Records of Congress: The Chair announced, on behalf of the Democratic Leader, pursuant to Public Law 101–509, his reappointment of John C. Waugh, of Texas, to the Advisory Committee on the Records of Congress. Page S4400

Advisory Committee on the Records of Congress: The Chair announced, on behalf of the Majority Leader, pursuant to Public Law 101–509, his appointment of C. John Sobotka, of Mississippi, to the Advisory Committee on the Records of Congress. Page S4400

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

Transmitting a report concerning the national emergency with respect to Iran; referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. (PM–34). Pages S4391–92

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m., and adjourned at 7:18 p.m., until 9:15 a.m., on Wednesday, May 14, 1997. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S4400.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

COUNTERTERRORISM

Committee on Appropriations: Committee concluded hearings in open and closed sessions to examine the Administration's counterterrorism policy, the threat of terrorism in the United States, and Federal efforts to prevent and combat terrorism in the United States, after receiving testimony from Janet Reno, Attorney General, and Louis J. Freeh, Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation, both of the Department of Justice; and George J. Tenet, Acting Director, Central Intelligence Agency.

APPROPRIATIONS—DEFENSE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Defense held hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1998 for the Department of Defense, focusing on environmental programs, receiving testimony from Robert M. Walker, Assistant Secretary of the Army (Installations, Logistics and Environment); Robert Pirie, Jr., Assistant Secretary of the Navy (Installations and Environment); and Rodney A. Coleman, Assistant Secretary of the Air Force (Manpower, Reserve Affairs, Installations and Environment).

Subcommittee will meet again on Wednesday, May 21.

APPROPRIATIONS—HUD

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on VA, HUD, and Independent Agencies concluded hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1998 for the Department of Housing and Urban Development, after receiving testimony from Andrew M.

Cuomo, Secretary of Housing and Urban Development.

AIRLINE COMPETITION

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Aviation held hearings to examine issues with regard to maintaining competition in United States domestic airline service, focusing on how barriers to entry in the airline industry limit benefits of airline deregulation, receiving testimony from Charles A. Hunnicutt, Assistant Secretary, and Patrick Murphy, Deputy Assistant Secretary, both for Aviation and International Affairs, Department of Transportation; John H. Anderson, Jr., Director, and Tim Hennigan, Assistant Director, both of the Transportation Issues, Resources, Community, and Economic Development Division, General Accounting Office; John A. Edwardson, United Airlines, Elk Grove Village, Illinois; William A. Franke, America West Holdings Corporation, Phoenix, Arizona; Paul Stephen Dempsey, University of Denver, Denver, Colorado, on behalf of Frontier Airlines, Inc. and the Air Carrier Association of America; Duane Woerth, Air Line Pilots Association, International, Washington, D.C.; and H. Hugh Davis, Jr., and William H. Tittle, III, both of the Metropolitan Chattanooga Airport Authority, Chattanooga, Tennessee.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

ENERGY CONSERVATION

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee concluded hearings on S. 417, to extend energy conservation programs under the Energy Policy and Conservation Act through September 30, 2002, S. 416, to extend the expiration dates of existing authorities and enhance United States participation in the energy emergency program of the International Energy Agency, S. 186, to amend the Energy Policy and Conservation Act with respect to purchases from the Strategic Petroleum Reserve by entities in the insular areas of the United States, and S. 698, to authorize the Secretary of Energy, by lease or otherwise, to store in underutilized Strategic Petroleum Reserve facilities petroleum products owned by foreign governments or their representatives, after receiving testimony from Federico Peña, Secretary of Energy; John P. Ferriter, Deputy Executive Director, International Energy Agency; William F. Martin, Washington Policy and Analysis, Inc., Washington, D.C., former Deputy Secretary of Energy; Kenneth W. Haley, Chevron Corporation, San Francisco, California; and George M. Yates, Harvey E. Yates Company, Roswell, New Mexico, on behalf of the Independent Petroleum Association of America.

TIBET

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded hearings to examine the situation in Tibet and the impact of China's occupation policies on the people of Tibet, after receiving testimony from former Senator Pell; Jeffrey A. Bader, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for East Asian and Pacific Affairs; Jeane M. Kirkpatrick, American Enterprise Institute; Maura Moynihan, Refugees International, and Lodi Gyari, International Campaign for Tibet, all of Washington, D.C.; and Robert A. F. Thurman, Columbia University, New York, New York.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Subcommittee on Oversight of Government Management, Restructuring, and the District of Columbia concluded hearings to examine the President's proposed National Capital Revitalization and Self-Government Improvement Plan and alternative approaches to reorganize the government of the District of Columbia, after receiving testimony from G. Edward DeSeve, Controller, Office of Management and Budget; and Mayor Marion Barry, and Linda W. Cropp, Acting Chair, District of Columbia City Council, both of Washington, D.C.

CHEMICAL WEAPONS CONVENTION IMPLEMENTATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded hearings on proposals to implement the obligations of the United States under the Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production, Stock-

piling and Use of Chemical Weapons and on Their Destruction, known as "the Chemical Weapons Convention" and opened for signature and signed by the United States on January 13, 1993 (Treaty Doc. 103-21), and a related measure S. 610, after receiving testimony from Richard L. Shiffrin, Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legal Counsel, Department of Justice; Ronald D. Rotunda, University of Illinois College of Law, Champaign; D. Bruce Merrifield, Pridtronic, Arlington, Virginia; and Barry Kellman, DePaul University College of Law, Chicago, Illinois.

INDIAN EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING PROGRAMS

Committee on Indian Affairs: Committee concluded oversight hearings on the implementation of the Indian Employment Training and Related Services Demonstration Act (P.L. 102-477), after receiving testimony from Ada E. Deer, Assistant Secretary of the Interior for Indian Affairs; Russell D. Mason, Sr., Three Affiliated Tribes Business Council, New Town, North Dakota; James E. Billie and Maureen Vass, both of the Seminole Tribe of Florida, Hollywood; Leroy Bingham, Cook Inlet Tribal Council, Anchorage, Alaska, on behalf of the 477 Tribal Work Group; Sharon Olsen, Tlingit and Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska, Juneau; Gerald Heminger, Jr., Sisseton-Wahpeton Sioux Tribal Council, Agency Village, South Dakota; and Norm DeWeaver, Indian and Native American Employment and Training Coalition, Washington, D.C.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 11 public bills, H.R. 1578-1588; 1 private bill, H.R. 1589; and 3 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 78, and H. Res. 145 and 147, were introduced. Pages H2589, H2590

Reports Filed: Reports were filed as follows:

H.R. 5, to amend the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, to reauthorize and make improvements to that Act, amended (H. Rept. 105-95); and

H. Res. 146, providing for consideration of H.R. 1469, making emergency supplemental appropriations for recovery from natural disasters, and for overseas peacekeeping efforts, including those in Bosnia, for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1997 (H. Rept. 105-96). Page H2589

Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Sununu to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. Page H2491

Recess: The House recessed at 1:07 p.m. and reconvened at 2 p.m. Page H2495

Suspensions: The House voted to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

IDEA Improvement Act of 1997: H.R. 5, amended, to amend the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act and to reauthorize and make improvements to that Act (passed by a yea-and-nay vote of 420 yeas to 3 nays, Roll No. 124);

Pages H2498-H2541, H2567-68

Higher Education Act: H. Res. 145, providing for the concurrence of the House with the amendment of the Senate to H.R. 914, to make certain technical corrections in the Higher Education Act of 1965 relating to graduation data disclosures, with amendments; **Pages H2541–46**

Soap Box Derby: H. Con. Res. 49, authorizing the use of the Capitol grounds for the Greater Washington Soap Box Derby; **Page H2547**

National Peace Officers' Memorial Service: H. Con. Res. 66, authorizing the use of the Capitol grounds for the sixteenth annual National Peace Officers' Memorial Service; **Page H2548**

Special Olympics Torch Relay: H. Con. Res. 67, authorizing the 1997 Special Olympics Torch Relay to be run through the Capitol Grounds; and **Pages H2548–49**

Honoring the Late Chaim Herzog: H. Con. Res. 73, concerning the death of Chaim Herzog. **Pages H2549–52**

Presidential Message—National Emergency Re Iran: Read a message from the President wherein he submitted his report concerning the National Emergency with respect to Iran—referred to the Committee on International Relations and ordered printed (H. Doc. 105–82). **Pages H2552–53**

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, Wednesday, May 7, and Thursday, May 8. **Pages H2553–67**

Agreed To:

The Nadler amendment that authorizes the sale of a Federal building at 252 Seventh Avenue in New York County, New York to a qualifying nonprofit organization for use as housing for low-and-moderate-income families or individuals; and **Pages H2556–57**

The Towns amendment that requires a management assessment indicator to determine whether the housing agency has conducted an assessment to identify any pest control problems in its public housing and its effectiveness in eradicating or controlling such problems. **Pages H2558–59**

Rejected:

The Smith of Michigan amendment, as modified, that sought to limit pet ownership in public housing to the elderly or a person with disabilities; **Pages H2559–61**

The Kennedy of Massachusetts amendment, debated on May 8, that sought 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 (rejected by a recorded vote of 162 ayes to 260 noes, Roll No. 119); **Page H2563**

The Kennedy of Massachusetts amendment, debated on May 8, that sought to delete title IV, the Home Rule Flexible Grant Option that gives local governments and municipalities the flexibility to administer Federal housing assistance (rejected by a recorded vote of 153 ayes to 270 noes, Roll No. 120); **Pages H2563–64**

The Vento amendment, debated on May 8, that sought to delete the Housing Evaluation and Accreditation Board that is to be established as an independent agency (rejected by a recorded vote of 200 ayes to 228 noes, Roll No. 121); **Pages H2564–65**

The Kennedy amendment that sought to require adult owners of housing subject to project based assistance to contribute not less than 8 hours of work per month within the community in which the housing is located (rejected by a recorded vote of 87 ayes to 341 noes, Roll No. 122); and **Pages H2555–56, H2565–66**

The Davis of Illinois amendment that sought to exempt residents and others receiving choice-based housing assistance from community work, agreements establishing target dates for transition out of assisted housing, and minimum rent requirements when HUD takes possession of an agency or any developments or functions of an agency, or has possession of an agency or the operational responsibilities of it (rejected by a recorded vote of 145 ayes to 282 noes, Roll No. 123). **Pages H2561–62, H2566**

On April 30, the House agreed to H. Res. 133, the rule that is providing for consideration of the bill. **Pages H2035–38**

Referrals: S. Con. Res. 26, to permit the use of the rotunda of the Capitol for a congressional ceremony honoring Mother Teresa, was referred to the Committee on House Oversight. **Page H2585**

Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on pages H2590–93.

Senate Messages: Message received from the Senate on Friday, May 9 by the Clerk appears on page H2495.

Quorum Calls—Votes: One yea-and-nay vote and five recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H2563, H2564, H2564–65, H2565–66, H2566, and H2567–68. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: Met at 12:30 a.m. and adjourned at 8:46 p.m.

Committee Meetings

TEXAS LOW-LEVEL RADIOACTIVE WASTE DISPOSAL COMPACT CONSENT

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Energy and Power approved for full Committee action H.R. 629, Texas Low-Level Radioactive Waste Disposal Compact Consent Act.

Prior to this action, the Subcommittee held a hearing on this measure. Testimony was heard from Representatives Barton of Texas, Reyes, Bonilla and Green; and public witnesses.

ENDOWMENT FOR THE ARTS

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Subcommittee on Early Childhood, Youth and Families and the Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a joint hearing on the Endowment for the Arts. Testimony was heard from Representatives Armev, Stearns, Doolittle, Lewis of Kentucky, Houghton, Slaughter and Nadler; Jane Alexander, Chairman, National Endowment for the Arts; and public witnesses.

TREATMENT OF INSIDE SALES PERSONNEL AND PUBLIC SECTOR VOLUNTEERS UNDER FAIR LABOR STANDARDS ACT

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Subcommittee on Workforce Protections held a hearing on the treatment of inside sales personnel and public sector volunteers under the Fair Labor Standards Act. Testimony was heard from Representative Myrick; and public witnesses.

EXPORT TRADE ADMINISTRATION—FUTURE

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on International Economic Policy and Trade held a hearing on the Future of the Export Trade Administration. Testimony was heard from William Reinsch, Under Secretary, Bureau of Export Administration, Department of Commerce; Thomas E. McNamara, Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Politico-Military Affairs, Department of State; Michael Wallerstein, Deputy Acting Secretary, Counter Proliferation Policy, International Security Policy, Department of Defense; and public witnesses.

VOLUNTEER PROTECTION ACT; PRIVATE IMMIGRATION BILL

Committee on the Judiciary: Ordered reported amended H.R. 911, Volunteer Protection Act of 1997.

The Committee also considered a private immigration bill.

OVERSIGHT—FBI

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Crime held an oversight hearing on the activities of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Justice: Michael R. Bromwich, Inspector General; Frederic Whitehurst, Supervisory Special Agent, Donald Thompson, Acting Assistant Director and James Maddock, Deputy General Counsel, all with the FBI; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Immigration and Claims held a hearing on the following bills: H.R. 231, to improve the integrity of the Social Security card and to provide for criminal penalties for fraud and related activity involving work authorization documents for purposes of the Immigration and Nationality Act; H.R. 429, NATO Special Immigration Amendments of 1997; H.R. 471, Illegal Alien Employment Disincentive Act of 1997; and H.R. 1493, to require the Attorney General to establish a program in local prisons to identify, prior to arraignment, criminal aliens and aliens who are unlawfully present in the United States. Testimony was heard from Representatives Pickett, Gallegly and McCollum; Paul Virtue, Acting Executive Associate Commissioner, Programs, Immigration and Naturalization Service, Department of Justice; Sandy Crank, Associate Commissioner, Policy and Planning, SSA; and public witnesses.

EMERGENCY SUPPLEMENTAL ACT FOR FY 1997

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, an open rule providing one hour of general debate on H.R. 1469, 1997 Emergency Supplemental Appropriations Act for Recovery from Natural Disasters, and for Overseas Peacekeeping Efforts, Including Those in Bosnia, equally divided and controlled by the Chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropriations. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule provides that the amendment printed in the rule and the amendment printed in Part 1 of the Rules Committee report shall be considered as adopted. The rule waives all points of order against provisions in

the bill for failure to comply with clause 2 (prohibiting unauthorized or legislative provisions in a general appropriations bill) and clause 6 (prohibiting re-appropriations in a general appropriations bill) of Rule XXI, except as specified in the rule. The rule also waive all points of order against each amendment printed in Part 2 of the Rules Committee report which may be offered in the order specified, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, shall be offered only by the member designated in the report, and is not amendable. The rule accords priority in recognition to those Members who have pre-printed their amendments in the Congressional Record prior to their consideration. The rule also allows the Chairman of the Committee of the Whole to postpone votes during consideration of the bill, and to reduce the vote to five minutes on a postponed question provided that the vote follows a fifteen minute vote. The rule waives points of order against all amendments for failure to comply with clause 2(e) of rule XXI (prohibiting non-emergency designated amendments to be offered to an appropriations bill containing an emergency designation). Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit, with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Chairman Livingston, Representatives Sabo, Miller of Florida, Nethercutt, Neumann, McHugh, Ramstad, Spence, Gilman, Shuster, Goodling, Barcia, Roukema, Gekas, Smith of Oregon, Morella, Shays, Stearns, Crapo, Jackson-Lee, McKeon, Riggs, Coburn, Foley, Weldon of Florida, Obey, Kennedy of Rhode Island, Kleczka, Kaptur, Olver, Meek of Florida, Dingell, Oberstar, Cannon, Norton, Peterson of Minnesota, Condit, Harmon, Stupak, Maloney of New York, Wynn, Romero-Barceló, Pomeroy, Jones, Minge, Strickland, Barr of Georgia, Davis of Virginia, Hilleary, and Thune.

URBAN EMPOWERMENT

Committee on Small Business: Subcommittee on Empowerment held a hearing on regulatory, tax, and licensing initiatives that empower businesses and citizens in impoverished communities. Testimony was heard from Representative Weller; and the following Mayors: Paul Helmke, Fort Wayne, Indiana and Victor Ashe, Knoxville, Tennessee; and a public witness.

Hearings continue May 20.

BRIEFING—CHINA

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Met in executive session to hold a briefing on China. The Committee was briefed by departmental witnesses.

Joint Meetings

NATO ENLARGEMENT

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe (Helsinki Commission): Commission resumed hearings to examine the process to enlarge the membership of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO), receiving testimony from Ernest Petric, Ambassador of the Republic of Slovenia to the United States; Mircea Dan Geoana, Ambassador of Romania to the United States; and Alexandr Vondra, Ambassador of the Czech Republic to the United States.

Commission recessed subject to call.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, MAY 14, 1997

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Treasury, Postal Service, and General Government, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1998 for the Office of National Drug Control Policy, 9:30 a.m., SD-192.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, to hold hearings to examine program efficiencies at the Department of Commerce, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

Subcommittee on Oceans and Fisheries, to hold hearings on S. 39, to revise the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972 to support the International Dolphin Conservation Program in the eastern tropical Pacific Ocean, 2:30 p.m., SR-253.

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

Committee on Rules and Administration, to hold hearings on the campaign finance system for presidential elections, focusing on the growth of soft money and other effects on political parties and candidates, 9:30 a.m., SR-301.

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

Full Committee, to resume closed hearings on the nomination of George John Tenet, of Maryland, to be Director of Central Intelligence, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

House

Committee on Agriculture, Subcommittee on Department Operations, Nutrition, and Foreign Agriculture, hearing to review the information technology procurement practices of the USDA, 9:30 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, on Secretary of Labor, 10 a.m., 2358 Rayburn.

Committee on Banking and Financial Services, to continue hearings on Financial Modernization, including H.R. 10, Financial Services Competitiveness Act of 1997, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on the Budget, to mark up the Fiscal Year 1998 Budget Resolution, 2 p.m., 210 Cannon.

Committee on Commerce, Subcommittee on Finance and Hazardous Materials, hearing on Financial Services Reform, focusing on Consolidation in the Brokerage Industry, 10 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

Committee on Education and the Workforce, to mark up H.R. 1377, Savings Are Vital to Everyone's Retirement Act of 1997, 10 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight, Subcommittee on National Security, International Affairs, and Criminal Justice, hearing on National Guard Support in the Fight Against Illegal Drugs, 1 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on House Oversight, to consider pending business, 10:30 a.m., 1310 Longworth.

Committee on International Relations, Subcommittee on the Western Hemisphere, hearing on the Caribbean: An Overview, 9:30 a.m., 2200 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary, to mark up of the following measures: H.R. 695, Security and Freedom Through Encryption (SAFE) Act; and H.J. Res. 54, proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States authorizing the Congress to prohibit the physical desecra-

tion of the flag of the United States, 1:30 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Commercial and Administrative Law, hearing on H.R. 1494, Apprehension of Tainted Money Act of 1997, 9:30 a.m., 2226 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Courts and Intellectual Property, hearing on H.R. 1252, Judicial Reform Act of 1997, 9 a.m., 2237 Rayburn.

Committee on Rules, to consider H.R. 1486, Foreign Policy Reform Act, 2 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

Committee on Science, hearing on Department of Energy Posture, 1 p.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation, hearing on Commercial Vessel Safety, 2 p.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs, Subcommittee on Benefits, hearing on operations within the VA's Compensation and Pension Service using Government Performance and Results Act (GPRA) principles, to review the adequacy of VA's efforts in the processing of Persian Gulf War claims for compensation, and to discuss legislation to limit the liability for compensating and treating veterans with smoking-related diseases, 8:30 a.m., 334 Cannon.

Next Meeting of the SENATE
9:15 a.m., Wednesday, May 14

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
10 a.m., Wednesday, May 14

Senate Chamber

Program for Wednesday: Senate will resume consideration of S. 717, Individuals With Disabilities Education Act, with votes to occur thereon.

Also, Senate will begin consideration of H.R. 1122, Partial-Birth Abortion Ban Act.

House Chamber

Program for Wednesday: Consideration of H.R. 1469, Supplemental Appropriations Act for FY 1997 (open rule, 1 hour of debate).

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