

Friday, May 16, 1997

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed Emergency Supplemental Appropriations.

The House passed H.R. 1385, the Employment, Training, and Literacy Enhancement Act.

The House agreed to a conference with the Senate on H.R. 1469, Emergency Supplemental Appropriations Act and appointed conferees.

House Committee ordered reported the Fiscal Year 1998 Concurrent Budget Resolution.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S4625–S4662

Measures Introduced: Six bills were introduced, as follows: S. 757–762. Page S4658

Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H.J. Res. 32, to consent to certain amendments enacted by the Legislature of the State of Hawaii to the Hawaiian Homes Commission Act, 1920. (S. Rept. No. 105–19)

Measures Passed:

Emergency Supplemental Appropriations: Pursuant to the order of May 8, 1997, Senate passed 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, after striking all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the text of S. 672, Senate companion measure, as amended. Senate insisted on its amendment, requested a conference with the House thereon, and the Chair appointed the following conferees: Senators Stevens, Cochran, Specter, Domenici, Bond, Gorton, McConnell, Burns, Shelby, Gregg, Bennett, Campbell, Craig, Faircloth, Hutchison, Byrd, Inouye, Hollings, Leahy, Bumpers, Lautenberg, Harkin, Mikulski, Reid, Kohl, Murray, Dorgan, and Boxer. Pages S4633–45

Appointments:

Commission to Assess the Organization of the Federal Government to Combat the Proliferation of Weapons of Mass Destruction: The Chair, on be-

half of the Majority Leader, pursuant to Section 711(b)(2) of Public Law 104–293, appointed Senator Specter as a Member of the Commission to Assess the Organization of the Federal Government to Combat the Proliferation of Weapons of Mass Destruction. Page S4649

Messages From the House: Pages S4657–58

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m., and adjourned at 2:04 p.m., until 12 noon, on Monday, May 19, 1997. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S4662.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

ADULT EDUCATION

Committee on Labor and Human Resources: Committee concluded hearings on proposals to provide assistance to States and local communities to improve adult education and literacy skills, and to help achieve the national educational goals for all citizens, after receiving testimony from Patricia W. McNeil, Assistant Secretary of Education for Vocational and Adult Education; Mary Paul Hankinson, Joel Mudge, and Kathy Garrow, all of the Vermont Adult Learning, East Montpelier; Stephen Steurer, Correctional Education Association, John Ryan, and Richard Dennis, all of Baltimore, Maryland; James Olson, Toyota

Motor Sales, U.S.A., Inc., Washington, D.C.; Lloyd David, Continuing Education Institute, Inc., Water-

town, Massachusetts; and Lois J. Thoms, Fire Control Instruments, Inc., Newton, Massachusetts.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 9 public bills, H.R. 1650–1659; and 1 resolution, H. Con. Res. 83, were introduced.

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Reports Filed: One report was filed as follows:

H.R. 1276, to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 1998 and 1999 for the research, development, and demonstration activities of the Environmental Protection Agency, amended (H. Rept. 105–99 Part I).

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Guest Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the Guest Chaplain, the Rev. Dr. Ronald Christian of Washington, D.C.

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Employment, Training, and Literacy Enhancement Act: By a yea-and-nay vote of 343 yeas to 60 nays, Roll No. 138, the House passed H.R. 1385, to consolidate, coordinate, and improve employment, training, literacy, and vocational rehabilitation programs in the United States.

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

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Agreed To:

The McKeon amendment that requires that state collaborative processes represent diverse regions of the State, including urban, rural, and suburban areas; clarifies the development of accountability standards by the States and expedites their ability to enforce standards and provide comments to Congress; provides discretion to States to allocate funds not distributed under the formula; provides local discretion for summer youth and year-round disadvantaged youth programs; and streamlines the adult education provisions;

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The Graham amendment that clarifies that parents engaged in home schooling are not compelled to participate in the programs; emphasizes the importance of phonics in literacy; and specifies that local workforce development boards do not have the authority to mandate the curriculum for schools;

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The Traficant en bloc amendment that requires compliance with the provisions of the Buy America Act; expresses the Sense of Congress that entities receiving financial assistance should purchase only American-made equipment and products; and pro-

hibits contracts with persons falsely labeling products as made in America; and

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The McKeon amendment that streamlines the individualized rehabilitation plan for employment; provides for informed choice throughout the vocational rehabilitation process; allows services to individuals whose vocational goal is self-employment or business ownership; and requires that federal agencies provide certification of compliance with electronic and information technology accessibility guidelines.

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Rejected:

The Owens amendment that sought to separate the summer youth employment program from the disadvantaged youth block grant program (rejected by a recorded vote of 168 yeas to 238 nays, Roll No. 137).

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Withdrawn:

The Millender-McDonald amendment was offered but subsequently withdrawn that sought to revise the qualifications for membership on the National Institute for Literacy Advisory Board; and

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The Kennedy of Massachusetts amendment was offered but subsequently withdrawn that sought to establish support for a workforce development coordinator on site at a secondary or post-secondary educational institution.

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The Clerk was authorized in the engrossment of H.R. 1385 to make technical and conforming changes as may be necessary to reflect the actions of the House.

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Earlier, the House agreed to H. Res. 150, the rule that provided for consideration of the bill.

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Emergency Supplemental Appropriations: The House disagreed to the Senate amendment to 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 and agreed to a conference. Appointed as conferees: Representatives Livingston, McDade, Young of Florida, Regula, Lewis of California, Porter, Rogers, Skeen, Wolf, Kolbe, Packard, Callahan, Walsh, Taylor of North Carolina, Obey, Yates, Stokes, Murtha, Sabo, Fazio, Hoyer, Mollohan, Kaptur, and Pelosi.

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Agreed to the Kaptur motion to instruct conferees that the managers on the part of the House at the conference on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses on H.R. 1469 be instructed to insist on the House position with respect to funding for the Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC), providing a funding level of \$76,000,000 to ensure no reduction in the number of participants being served by this program.

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Meeting Hour: Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 2:00 p.m. on Monday, May 19; and agreed that when the House adjourns on Monday, it adjourn to meet at 10:30 a.m. on Tuesday, May 20 for Morning-Hour debate.

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Receiving Former Members of Congress: Agreed that when the House adjourns on Tuesday, May 20, it adjourn to meet at 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday, May 21. Agreed that it may be in order for the Speaker to declare a recess, subject to the Call of the Chair, on Wednesday, May 21 for the purpose of receiving in the Chamber former Members of Congress.

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Calendar Wednesday: Agreed that the business in order under the Calendar Wednesday rule be dispensed with on Wednesday, May 21.

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Late Report: The Committee on the Budget received permission to have until midnight on Sunday, May 18 to file a report on a Concurrent Resolution on the Budget for FY 1998.

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Senate Messages: Message received from the Senate today appears on pages H2851-52.

Quorum Calls—Votes: One yea-and-nay vote and one recorded vote developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H2850-51 and H2860. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: Met at 9:00 a.m. and adjourned at 3:44 p.m.

Committee Meetings

CONCURRENT BUDGET RESOLUTION

Committee on the Budget: Ordered reported the Fiscal Year 1998 Concurrent Budget Resolution.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Ordered reported the following bills: H.R. 1057, to designate the building in Indianapolis, IN, which houses the operations of the Circle City Station Post Office as the "Andrew Jacobs, Jr. Post Office Building"; H.R. 1058, to designate the facility of the U.S. Postal Service under construction at 150 West Margaret

Drive in Terre Haute, IN, as the "John T. Myers Post Office Building"; and H.R. 956, amended, Drug-Free Communities Act of 1997.

TROUBLED MEDICARE TRANSACTION SYSTEM

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on Human Resources and the Subcommittee on Government Management, Information and Technology held a joint hearing on the Health Care Financing Administration's Management of the Troubled Medicare Transaction System. Testimony was heard from Joel Willemsen, Director, Information Resources, GAO; Bruce Vladeck, M.D., Administrator, Health Care Financing Administration, Department of Health and Human Services; and public witnesses.

CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of May 19 through 24, 1997

Senate Chamber

On *Monday*, Senate may begin consideration of the First Concurrent Budget Resolution.

On *Tuesday*, Senate may resume consideration of H.R. 1122, Partial-Birth Abortion Ban Act, and may continue consideration of the First Concurrent Budget Resolution.

During the balance of the week, Senate may resume consideration of S. 4, Family Friendly Workplace Act.

Senate could also consider any cleared executive and legislative business, and available conference reports.

(Senate will recess on Tuesday, May 20, 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 20, Subcommittee on Interior, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1998 for the Department of the Interior, 9 a.m., SD-124.

May 20, Subcommittee on Legislative Branch, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1998 for the Capitol Police Board and the Congressional Budget Office, 10:30 a.m., S-128, Capitol.

May 20 and 22, Subcommittee on Foreign Operations, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1998, Tuesday, for foreign assistance programs, focusing on international financial institutions, 2:30 p.m.; Thursday, for foreign assistance programs, focusing on international affairs, 10:30 a.m.; SD-138.

May 21, Subcommittee on Defense, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1998 for the

Department of Defense, focusing on Air Force programs, 10 a.m., SD-192.

Committee on Armed Services: May 20, to hold hearings on the Quadrennial Defense Review, focusing on the impact of its recommendations on national security entering the 21st century, 10 a.m., SD-106.

May 21, Full Committee, to continue hearings on the Quadrennial Defense Review, focusing on its impact on the future years defense program, 2 p.m., SH-216.

Committee on the Budget: May 19, business meeting, to mark up a proposed concurrent resolution on the fiscal year 1998 budget for the Federal Government, 4 p.m., SD-608.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: May 21, to hold hearings to review a General Accounting Office report on management and program weaknesses at the Department of Transportation, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

May 22, Full Committee, to hold oversight hearings on the professional boxing industry, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

May 22, Subcommittee on Communications, to hold hearings on S. 442, to establish a national policy against State and local government interference with interstate commerce on the Internet or interactive computer services, and to exercise Congressional jurisdiction over interstate commerce by establishing a moratorium on the imposition of exactions that would interfere with the free flow of commerce via the Internet, 2 p.m., SR-253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: May 19, Subcommittee on Energy Research and Development, Production and Regulation, to hold hearings on H.R. 363, to extend through 1998 the Electric and Magnetic Fields Research and Public Information Dissemination Program, along with corresponding deadlines for the submission of certain reports concerning the extent to which human health is affected by exposure to electric and magnetic fields produced by electric energy, 11:30 a.m., SD-366.

May 21, Full Committee, business meeting, to consider pending calendar business, 9:30 a.m., SD-366.

May 21, Subcommittee on National Parks, Historic Preservation, and Recreation, to hold hearings on S. Res. 57, to support the commemoration of the bicentennial of the Lewis and Clark Expedition, S. 231, to establish the National Cave and Karst Research Institute in the State of New Mexico, S. 312, to revise the boundary of the Abraham Lincoln Birthplace National Historic Site in Larue County, Kentucky, S. 423, to extend the legislative authority for the Board of Regents of Gunston Hall to establish a memorial to honor George Mason, S. 669, to provide for the acquisition of the Plains Railroad Depot at the Jimmy Carter National Historic Site, and S. 731, to extend the legislative authority for construction of the National Peace Garden memorial, 2 p.m., SD-366.

May 22, Full Committee, to resume a workshop to examine competitive change in the electric power industry, focusing on the financial implications of restructuring, 9:30 a.m., SH-216.

May 22, Subcommittee on Forests and Public Land Management, to hold a workshop on the proposed "Public Land Management Responsibility and Accountability Act", 2 p.m., SD-366.

Committee on Finance: May 21, to hold hearings to examine the Federal Employees Health Benefit Plan as a model for Medicare reform, 10 a.m., SD-215.

Committee on Foreign Relations: May 21, to hold hearings on United States implementation of prison labor agreements with China, 10 a.m., SD-419.

May 22, Subcommittee on East Asian and Pacific Affairs, to hold hearings to review whether China's most-favored-nation status is an effective foreign policy tool, 10 a.m., SD-419.

Committee on Governmental Affairs: May 20, business meeting, to mark up S. 261, to provide for a biennial budget process and a biennial appropriations process and to enhance oversight and the performance of the Federal Government, S. 207, to review, reform, and terminate unnecessary and inequitable Federal subsidies, and S. 307 and H.R. 680, bills to authorize the transfer to States of surplus personal property for donation to nonprofit providers of assistance to impoverished families and individuals, and to consider the nominations of David J. Barram, of California, to be Administrator of General Services, and Kenneth M. Mead, of Virginia, to be Inspector General, Department of Transportation, 9 a.m., SD-342.

May 22, Subcommittee on International Security, Proliferation and Federal Services, to hold hearings to examine Russian case studies on proliferation, 2 p.m., SD-342.

Committee on the Judiciary: May 20, Subcommittee on Immigration, to hold hearings on proposed legislation granting lawful residence to Michel Meili, 9:30 a.m., SD-226.

May 22, Subcommittee on Antitrust, Business Rights, and Competition, to hold hearings to examine the antitrust implications of the college bowl alliance, 2 p.m., SD-226.

Committee on Labor and Human Resources: May 20, to hold hearings to examine the quality of various health plans, 10 a.m., SD-430.

May 22, Subcommittee on Public Health and Safety, to hold hearings to review the activities of the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, Department of Health and Human Services, 9:30 a.m., SD-430.

Committee on Rules and Administration: May 22, to resume 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, 9:30 a.m., SR-301.

Committee on Indian Affairs: May 21, to hold oversight hearings on programs designed to assist Native American veterans, 9:30 a.m., SR-485.

Select Committee on Intelligence: May 20, to hold hearings on the Zona Rosa massacre, 10 a.m., SH-216.

May 22, Full Committee, to hold closed hearings on intelligence matters, 2 p.m., SH-219.

Special Committee on Aging: May 19, to hold hearings to examine the current Medicare payment system, focusing on managed care payment, 2 p.m., SD-562.

House Chamber

Monday, No Legislative Business

Tuesday, House will receive former Members of Congress;

Consideration of 3 Suspensions.

1. S. Con. Res. 26, permitting the use of the Rotunda of the Capitol for a ceremony honoring Mother Teresa;

2. H.R. 1650, to award a Congressional Gold Medal to Mother Teresa; and

3. H. Res. 147, expressing the Sense of the House that the House of Representatives should participate in and support activities to provide decent homes for the people of the United States; and

Consideration of a Concurrent Resolution on the Budget for FY 1998 (subject to a rule).

Wednesday and Thursday, Consideration of 4 Suspensions:

1. H.R. 1377, Savings are Vital to Everyone's Retirement Act;

2. H.R. 911, Volunteer Protection Act;

3. H.R. 1306, Riegle-Neal Clarification Act; and

4. H. Con. Res. 63, expressing the sense of the Congress regarding the 50th anniversary of the Marshall Plan;

Consideration of H.R. 408, International Dolphin Conservation program Act (subject to a rule);

Consideration of the Conference Report on a Concurrent Resolution on the Budget (subject to a rule); and

Consideration of the Conference Report on H.R. 1469, Emergency Supplemental Appropriations Act (subject to a rule).

Friday, The House is not in session.

House Committees

Committee on Agriculture, May 20, Subcommittee on Forestry, Resource Conservation, and Research, hearing to review the financing of National Forest roads, 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

Committee on Appropriations, May 20 and 21, Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, on Members of Congress, 10 a.m., 2358 Rayburn.

Committee on Banking and Financial Services, May 21 and 22, to continue hearings on Financial Modernization, including, H.R. 10, Financial Services Competitiveness Act of 1997, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Commerce, May 20, Subcommittee on Energy and Power, hearing on H.R. 1277, Department of Energy Civilian Research and Development Act of 1997, 2 p.m., 2123 Rayburn.

May 22, Subcommittee on Telecommunications, Trade, and Consumer Protection, to continue hearings on Reauthorization of the National Highway and Traffic Safety Administration, 10 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

Committee on Education and the Workforce, May 21, Subcommittee on Early Childhood, Youth and Families, hearing on Juvenile Crime Control and Delinquency Prevention legislation, 10 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

May 21, Subcommittee on Workforce Protections, hearing to review the status of scientific information on ergonomics, 10 a.m., 2261 Rayburn.

May 22, Subcommittee on Early Childhood, Youth, and Families, hearing on Vocational and Technical Education for the 21st Century, 10 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

May 22, Subcommittee on Employer-Employee Relations, hearing on Early Retirement in Higher Education, 9:30 a.m., 2261 Rayburn.

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight, May 19, Subcommittee on National Security, International Affairs and Criminal Justice, hearing on Defining NASA's Mission and America's Vision for the Future of Space Exploration, Part II, 8:30 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

May 21, full Committee, hearing on Compliance on Subpoenas Issued to Charles F.C. Ruff; and to consider pending business, 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

May 22, Subcommittee on the District of Columbia, hearing on Economic Development of the Administration's National Capital Revitalization and Self-Government Improvement Plans, 9:30 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

May 22, Subcommittee on Government Management, Information, and Technology, hearing on Race and Ethnicity in the Census 2000, 2:15 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on International Relations, May 21, Subcommittee on Africa, hearing on Obstacles to U.S.-African Trade and Investment?, 1 p.m., 2255 Rayburn.

May 22, Subcommittee on International Operations and Human Rights, hearing on Forced Labor in China, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary, May 20, Subcommittee on the Constitution, oversight hearing regarding the Civil Rights Division of the Department of Justice, 1 p.m., 2226 Rayburn.

May 20, Subcommittee on Immigration and Claims, oversight hearing regarding visa fraud and immigration benefits application fraud, 9:30 a.m., 2237 Rayburn.

May 22, Subcommittee on Commercial and Administrative Law, hearing on H.R. 1544, Federal Agency Compliance Act, 10 a.m., 2226 Rayburn.

May 22, Subcommittee on the Constitution, hearing regarding Application of the Americans with Disabilities Act to Medical Licensure and Judicial Officers, 10 a.m., 2237 Rayburn.

May 22, Subcommittee on Courts and Intellectual Property, hearing on the following: H.R. 567, Madrid Protocol Implementation Act; and the Trademark Law Treaty Implementation Act, 9 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on National Security, May 21 and 22, hearings on Quadrennial Defense Review, 9:30 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Committee on Resources, May 20, Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources, oversight hearing on energy and mineral issues raised by the New World Mine and Headwaters Forests proposed buyouts, 1:30 p.m., 1324 Longworth.

May 20, Subcommittee on National Parks and Public Lands, hearing on the following bills: H.R. 60, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to provide assistance to the Casa Malpais National Historic Landmark in Springerville, AZ; H.R. 951, to require the Secretary of

the Interior to exchange certain lands located in Hinsdale, CO; H.R. 822, to facilitate a land exchange involving private land within the exterior boundaries of Wenatchee National Forest in Chelan County, WA; H.R. 1198, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain land to the City of Grants Pass, OR; and H.R. 960, to validate certain conveyances in the City of Tulare, Tulare County, CA, 10 a.m., 1334 Longworth.

May 21, full committee, to markup the following bills: H.R. 79, Hoopa Valley Reservation South Boundary Adjustment Act; H.R. 765, Shackelford Banks Wild Horses Protection Act; H.R. 856, United States-Puerto Rico Political Status Act; H.R. 858, Quincy Library Group Forest Recovery and Economic Stability Act of 1997; H.R. 985, 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. 1127, National Monument Fairness Act of 1997; H.R. 1439, to facilitate the sale of certain land in Tahoe National Forest, in the State of California to Placer County, California; and H.R. 1460, to allow that election of the Delegate from Guam by other than separate ballot, 11 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

May 22, Subcommittee on Fisheries Conservation, Wildlife, and Oceans, to markup pending business and to hold a hearing on H.R. 374, Sikes Act Improvement Amendments of 1997, 11 a.m., 1334 Longworth.

Committee on Rules, May 19, to consider the Fiscal Year 1998 Concurrent Budget Resolution, 5 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

May 20, to consider H.R. 408, International Dolphin Conservation Program Act, 11 a.m., H-313 Capitol.

Committee on Science, May 21, Subcommittee on Energy and Environment, hearing on the Science behind EPA's Proposed Particulate Matter/Ozone Standards, Part 3, 2:30 p.m., 2318 Rayburn.

May 21, Subcommittee on Space and Aeronautics, hearing on Commercial Space Act of 1997: Commercial Remote Sensing, Part I, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

May 22, Subcommittee on Space and Aeronautics, hearing on the Commercial Space Act of 1997: Space Transportation, 10 a.m., 2325 Rayburn.

Committee on Small Business, May 20, Subcommittee on Taxation, Finance and Exports, hearing on the impact of estate taxes on small and family businesses, 1 p.m., 2359 Rayburn.

May 21, full committee, hearing on the private right of action provision in the Supplement to California's state OSHA plan (Cal/OSHA), 11 a.m., 2359 Rayburn.

May 22, Subcommittee on Government Programs and Oversight, hearing on the performance of the Small Business Technology Transfer Pilot Program (STTR), 10:30 a.m., 311 Cannon.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, May 21, Subcommittee on Aviation, hearing on Medical Kits on Commercial Airlines, 9:30 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

May 22, Subcommittee on Public Buildings and Economic Development, hearing on H.R. 20, Capitol Visitor Center Authorization Act of 1997, 9 a.m., 2253 Rayburn.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs, May 21, to markup the following: H.R. 1362, Veterans Medicare Reimbursement Demonstration Act of 1997; a measure to facilitate voluntary retirement of VA physicians; and a resolution naming Bob Hope an honorary veteran; and to hold a hearing to accept the report of the Veterans' Claims Adjudication Commission, 1:30 p.m., 334 Cannon.

May 22, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing to review safety and security procedures within the Department of Veterans Affairs, 9:30 a.m., 334 Cannon.

Committee on Ways and Means, May 20, Subcommittee on Social Security, to continue hearings on the Future of Social Security for this Generation and the Next, 10:30 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, May 22, executive, Briefing on Counterterrorism, 1 p.m., H-405 Capitol.

Joint Meetings

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe: May 20, to resume hearings to examine the process to enlarge the membership of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO), 10 a.m., SD-538.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

12 noon, Monday, May 19

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

2 p.m., Monday, May 19

Senate Chamber

Program for Monday: After the recognition of three Senators for speeches and the transaction of any morning business, Senate may consider the Fiscal Year 1998 Concurrent Budget Resolution.

House Chamber

Program for Monday: No legislative business is scheduled.

Extensions of Remarks, as inserted in this issue

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