

Tuesday, July 15, 1997

# Daily Digest

## HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed Department of Defense Appropriations, 1998.

House passed H.R. 2107, Interior Appropriation Act for FY 1998.

## Senate

### Chamber Action

*Routine Proceedings, pages S7429-S7509*

**Measures Introduced:** Four bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 1017-1020 and S. Con. Res. 39. **Pages S7485-86**

**Measures Reported:** Reports were made as follows: S. 1019, making appropriations for the legislative branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998. (S. Rept. No. 105-47) **Page S7485**

#### Measures Passed:

**Department of Defense Appropriations:** By 94 yeas to 4 nays (Vote No. 176), Senate passed S. 1005, making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998, after taking action on further amendments proposed thereto, as follows: **Pages S7436-59**

#### Adopted:

Stevens/Inouye Amendment No. 846, to require a report to Congress on all anticipated costs to the United States for the admission of the Czech Republic, Poland and Hungary to NATO. **Pages S7436, S7438**

Stevens (for Hutchison) Amendment No. 849, to express the sense of the Senate regarding efforts to bring indicted war criminals to justice in Bosnia and Herzegovina. **Pages S7436-37**

Stevens (for Dorgan/Conrad) Amendment No. 850, to make available funds for the payment of claims for loss and damage to personal property suffered by military personnel due to flooding in the Red River Basin. **Pages S7437-38**

Stevens (for Robb) Amendment No. 851, to set aside \$36,000,000 of OTM funds for an authorized Navy program to demonstrate expanded use of multitechnology automated reader cards throughout the Navy and the Marine Corps, including demonstration of the use of the so-called "smartship" technology of the ship-to-shore work load/off load program. **Page S7438**

McCain Amendment No. 853, to require the Secretary of Defense to waive limitations applicable to

uses of funds for procurements from foreign sources as necessary to protect cooperative programs. **Pages S7440-41**

Inouye Amendment No. 854, to provide that no funds made available by this Act be obligated for the construction of certain maritime vessels. **Page S7440**

Stevens (for Coats) Amendment No. 855, to set aside for the Information System Security program \$15,708,000 of the amount provided for the Army for other procurement. **Pages S7441-42**

Stevens (for Feinstein) Modified Amendment No. 856, to express the Sense of Congress regarding Cost-sharing for NATO enlargement. **Pages S7442-44**

Stevens (for Graham/Mack) Amendment No. 857, to limit the use of funds to transfer more than 10 electro-magnetic test environment systems from Eglin Air Force Base, Florida to Nellis Air Force Base, Nevada. **Page S7444**

Stevens (for Bumpers) Amendment No. 858, to express the sense of the Senate regarding Department of Defense printing costs. **Page S7444**

#### Rejected:

By 15 yeas to 83 nays (Vote No. 175), Harkin Amendment No. 848, to prohibit the use of taxpayer funds to underwrite restructuring costs associated with a business merger. **Pages S7436, S7444**

#### Withdrawn:

McCain Amendment No. 852, to strike section 8097 making funds available for the Maritime Technology Program to assist with a pilot project that will facilitate the transfer of commercial cruise ship shipbuilding technology and expertise to U.S. yards, utilize the experience and expertise of existing U.S.-flag cruise ship operators, and enable the operation of a U.S.-flag foreign-built cruise ship, and two newly-constructed U.S.-flag cruise ships. **Pages S7438-40**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that S. 1005 remain at the desk pending receipt of the House companion measure, and when the House companion measure is passed, pursuant to the order of July 14, 1997, the passage of S. 1005

be vitiated, and that S. 1005 be indefinitely postponed.

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**Energy and Water Appropriations:** Senate began consideration of S. 1004, making appropriations for energy and water development for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998, taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows:

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**Adopted:**

Domenici (for Byrd) Amendment No. 859, relating to recreation development at Stonewall Jackson Lake, West Virginia.

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Domenici (for Daschle) Amendment No. 860, to allow funding for a feasibility study of the drinking water needs on the Cheyenne River Sioux Reservation, South Dakota.

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Domenici (for Kempthorne) Amendment No. 861, to allow the use of funds to initiate construction of the McCall Area Wastewater Reclamation and Reuse, Idaho project.

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Domenici (for Bingaman/Domenici) Amendment No. 862, to allow funding to undertake feasibility planning studies for the Ute Reservoir Pipeline (Quay County portion), New Mexico project.

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Domenici (for Wyden) Amendment No. 863, to establish terms and conditions for the Bureau of Reclamation to enter into watershed restoration or enhancement agreements.

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Domenici (for Biden/Roth) Amendment No. 864, to allow funding to initiate preconstruction engineering and design for the Delaware Coast from Cape Henlopen to Fenwick Island, Delaware project.

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Domenici (for Bumpers) Amendment No. 865, to make funds available to assess the cost of decommissioning the Southwest Experimental Fast Oxide Reactor site.

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Domenici (for Boxer) Amendment No. 866, to provide funds for improvements to Greenville Road in Livermore, California.

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Domenici (for Torricelli/Lautenberg) Amendment No. 869, to permanently prohibit the use of funds to carry out any plan for the Oak Way detention structure or the Sky Top detention structure in Berkeley Heights, New Jersey, as part of the project for flood control, Green Brook Sub-basin, Raritan River Basin, New Jersey.

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Domenici (for Kempthorne) Amendment No. 870, to provide funds for the continuation of the cost-shared fish friendly turbine program.

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Domenici (for Bumpers) Amendment No. 871, to provide funds for the construction of the Ten and Fifteen Mile Bayou channel enlargement.

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Domenici (for Daschle/Johnson) Amendment No. 872, to provide funds for a feasibility study of alternatives for the Crow Creek Rural Water Supply System to meet the drinking water needs on the Crow Creek Sioux Indian Reservation.

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Domenici (for Levin) Amendment No. 873, to prohibit the use of funds by the Secretary of the Army to consider any application for a permit that, if granted, would result in the diversion of ground water from the Great Lakes Basin.

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Domenici (for Moseley-Braun) Amendment No. 874, to provide for the consideration of the recommendations of the Special Reevaluation Report for the McCook Reservoir.

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Domenici (for Dorgan/Conrad) Amendment No. 875, to appropriate emergency funding for initiation of construction of an emergency outlet from Devils Lake, North Dakota, to the Sheyene River.

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**Rejected:**

Feingold Amendment No. 868, to require a report to Congress on a revised project plan for the Animas-LaPlata project, to limit the diversion of water, to ensure the project be cost-effective, and to limit construction funds for the project. (By 56 yeas to 42 nays (Vote No. 177), Senate tabled the amendment.)

Pages S7471–77

**Withdrawn:**

Bumpers Amendment No. 867, to reduce the amount appropriated for the Department of Energy's Weapons Activities Account.

Pages S7466–70

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that when the Senate receives the House companion measure, all after the enacting clause be stricken and the text of S. 1004, as passed by the Senate, be inserted in lieu thereof, that the bill be passed, the Senate insist on its amendment, and the Chair be authorized to appoint conferees on the part of the Senate.

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**Foreign Operations Appropriations—Agreement:**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for the consideration of S. 995, making appropriations for foreign operations, export financing, and related programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998, on Wednesday, July 16, 1998.

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**Nominations Received:** Senate received the following nominations:

John J. Hamre, of South Dakota, to be Deputy Secretary of Defense.

Charles J. Siragusa, of New York, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of New York.

Richard L. Young, of Indiana, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Indiana.

Sharon J. Zealey, of Ohio, to be United States Attorney for the Southern District of Ohio for the term of four years.

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**Messages From the House:**

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**Statements on Introduced Bills:**

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**Additional Cosponsors:**

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**Amendments Submitted:**

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**Notices of Hearings:**

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**Authority for Committees:** Page S7507

**Additional Statements:** Pages S7507-08

**Record Votes:** Three record votes were taken today. (Total—177) Pages S7444, S7447, S7477

**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 10 a.m., and adjourned at 7:21 p.m., until 11 a.m., on Wednesday, July 16, 1997. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on pages S7508-09.)

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

### APPROPRIATIONS—COMMERCE/JUSTICE/ STATE/JUDICIARY/TREASURY/POSTAL SERVICE/LEGISLATIVE BRANCH

*Committee on Appropriations:* Committee ordered favorably reported the following bills:

An original bill making appropriations for the Departments of Commerce, Justice, and State, the Judiciary, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998;

An original bill making appropriations for the Department of the Treasury, United States Postal Service, Executive Office of the President, and independent agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998; and

An original bill (S. 1019) making appropriations for the Legislative Branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998.

### APPROPRIATIONS—AGRICULTURE

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, and Related Agencies approved for full committee consideration an original bill making appropriations for the Department of Agriculture, rural development, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998.

### APPROPRIATIONS—TRANSPORTATION

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Transportation approved for full committee consideration an original bill making appropriations for the Department of Transportation and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998.

### APPROPRIATIONS—VA/HUD

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on VA, HUD, and Independent Agencies approved for full committee consideration an original bill making appropriations for the Departments of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998.

### COMPREHENSIVE MORTGAGE REFORM

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Regulatory Relief and the Subcommittee on Housing Opportunity and Community Development concluded

joint hearings to examine problems surrounding the mortgage origination process, the goals and objectives of the Real Estate Settlement Procedures Act and the Truth in Lending Act, and the need for comprehensive mortgage reform legislation, after receiving testimony from Laurence H. Meyer, Member, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System; and Nicholas P. Retsinas, Assistant Secretary of Housing and Urban Development for Housing/Federal Housing Administration Commissioner.

### NOMINATIONS

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of A. Peter Burleigh, of California, to be the Deputy Representative of the United States to the United Nations, with the rank and status of Ambassador, David J. Scheffer, of Virginia, to be Ambassador at Large for War Crimes Issues, Richard Sklar, of California, to be Representative of the United States to the United Nations for U.N. Management and Reform, with the rank of Ambassador, Linda Jane Zack Tarr-Whelan, of Virginia, for the rank of Ambassador during her tenure of service as United States Representative to the Commission on the Status of Women of the Economic and Social Council of the United Nations, James Franklin Collins, of Illinois, to be Ambassador to the Russian Federation, Marc Grossman, of Virginia, to be Assistant Secretary of State for European and Canadian Affairs, John Christian Kornblum, of Michigan, to be Ambassador to the Federal Republic of Germany, Stephen R. Sestanovich, of the District of Columbia, as Ambassador at Large and Special Adviser to the Secretary of State for the New Independent States, and Gordon D. Giffin, of Georgia, to be Ambassador to Canada, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf. Mr. Grossman was introduced by Senator Robb, Mr. Sestanovich was introduced by Senator Moynihan, and Mr. Giffin was introduced by Senators Cleland and Robb, and former Senator Nunn.

### CAMPAIGN FINANCING INVESTIGATION

*Committee on Governmental Affairs:* Committee resumed hearings to examine certain matters with regard to the committee's special investigation on campaign financing, receiving testimony from Harold Arthur, Lippo Bank, San Francisco, California; Juliana Utomo, Rosemead, California, formerly associated with Hip Hing Holdings (a Lippo Group Entity); and Thomas Hampson, Chicago, Illinois.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

### BUSINESS MEETING

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Committee resumed mark up of S. 10, to reduce violent juvenile crime, promote accountability by juvenile criminals, and punish and deter violent gang crime, but did not complete action thereon, and will continue on Thursday, July 17.

**JUDICIAL ACTIVISM**

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on the Constitution, Federalism, and Property Rights resumed hearings to examine issues with regard to the constitutional role of federal judges to decide cases and controversies, focusing on the problem and impact of judicial activism, whereby federal judges' decisions are based on policy preferences, receiving testimony from Alabama Attorney General Bill Pryor, Montgomery; Marc L. Fleischaker, Arent Fox Kitner Plot-

kin and Kahn, Washington, D.C., on behalf of the Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights Under Law; Terry L. Stewart, Arizona Department of Corrections, Phoenix; Gail Heriot, University of San Diego Law School, San Diego, California; Barry Friedman, Vanderbilt University School of Law, Nashville, Tennessee; and Rob Tier, Center for the Community Interest, Dallas, Texas.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

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## House of Representatives

**Chamber Action**

**Bills Introduced:** 8 public bills, H.R. 2161–2168; and 3 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 115–116 and H. Res. 186, were introduced. Pages H5296–97

**Reports Filed:** Reports were filed today as follows:  
H.R. 629, to grant the consent of the Congress to the Texas Low-Level Radioactive Waste Disposal Compact (H. Rept. 105–181);

Report on the Revised Subdivision of Budget Totals for Fiscal Year 1998 (H. Rept. 105–182);

H.R. 699, to guarantee the right of all active duty military personnel, merchant mariners, and their dependents to vote in Federal, State, and local elections (H. Rept. 105–183 Part I); and

H. Res 185, providing for consideration of H.R. 2159 making appropriations for foreign operations, export financing, and related programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998 (H. Rept. 105–184). Page H5296

**Speaker Pro Tempore:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Stearns to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. Page H5185

**Journal:** By a recorded vote of 373 ayes to 50 noes, Roll No. 269, the House agreed to the Speaker's approval of the Journal of Monday, July 14. Pages H5191–92, H5247

**Recess:** The House recessed at 11:11 a.m. and reconvened at 12:00 noon. Page H5191

**Private Calendar:** On the call of the Private Calendar, the House passed the following bills:

**Cleared for the President:** S. 768, for the relief of Michel Christopher Meilli, Giuseppina Meilli, Mirjam Naomi Meilli, and Davide Meilli. Pages H5192–93

**Sent to the Senate Without Amendment:** H.R. 378, for the relief of Heraclio Tolley. Page H5192

**Sent to the Senate, Amended:** H.R. 584, for the relief of John Wesley Davis. Page H5192

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

**Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention:** H.R. 1818, as amended, to amend the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act of 1974 to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 1998, 1999, 2000, and 2001 (passed by a ye-a-and-nay vote of 413 yeas to 14 nays, Roll No. 267); and Pages H5195–H5213, H5245–46

**Transfer of Naval Vessels:** H.R. 2035, amended, to authorize the transfer of naval vessels to certain foreign countries (passed by a ye-a-and-nay vote of 426 yeas to 1 nay, Roll No. 268). Pages H5213–14, H5246–47

**Interior and Related Agencies Appropriations Act:** By a ye-a-and-nay vote of 238 yeas to 192 nays, Roll No. 275, the House passed H.R. 2107, making appropriations for the Department of the Interior and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998. The House completed debate and considered amendments on July 10 and July 11. Pages H5214–45, H5266–72

Agreed To:

The Gibbons amendment that clarifies that the identified water rights are surface water rights; Pages H5215–17

The Crapo amendment that establishes the Deficit Reduction Lock-box Act of 1997 that requires an appropriations conference committee to allocate spending reductions to deficit reduction when both the House and Senate reduce the funding for a specific program, rather than reallocating the funding reduction to other programs (agreed to by a recorded vote of 314 ayes to 109 noes, Roll No. 271); Pages H5217–19, H5267–68

The Hill amendment that prohibits any funding that is made available to the Indian Health Service to be used to restructure Indian health care delivery systems to Alaskan Natives; Pages H5233–34

The Stupak amendment that prohibits any funding to be used for the eviction of any person from

real property in Sleeping Bear Dunes National Lakeshore that the person was authorized to occupy on July 10, 1997;

Pages H5234–35

The Coburn amendment that prohibits any funding to be used for the Man and Biosphere Program or the World Heritage Program administered by the United Nations Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Organization (agreed to by a recorded vote of 222 ayes to 203 noes, Roll No. 273); and

Pages H5235–44, H5268–69

The Weldon of Florida amendment that prohibits any funding to designate or post any sign designating the Canaveral National Seashore in Brevard County, Florida as a clothing optional area if such a designation would be contrary to local ordinance (passed by a recorded vote of 396 ayes to 25 noes, Roll No. 274).

Pages H5244–45, H5269–70

Rejected:

The Chabot amendment, debated on July 11, that sought to terminate the funding of \$110 million for the National Endowment for the Humanities (rejected by a recorded vote of 96 ayes to 328 noes, Roll No. 270); and

Pages H5156–68, H5266–67

The Istook amendment that sought to prohibit the use of any funds to carry out the provisions of the Indian Reorganization Act to acquire any interest in lands outside of existing Indian reservations (rejected by a recorded vote of 208 ayes to 216 noes, Roll No. 272).

Pages H5219–33, H5268

Point of Order Sustained Against:

The Istook amendment that sought to prohibit the Bureau of Indian Affairs from transferring any new land into trust without a binding agreement in place between the tribe and the local or state government regarding sales or excise taxes.

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The Clerk was authorized to correct section numbers, punctuation, and cross references and to make such other technical and conforming changes as may be necessary to reflect the actions of the House in amending the bill, H.R. 2107.

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The House agreed to H. Res. 181, the rule that provided for consideration of the bill on July 10.

Pages H5049–62

**Meeting Hour—Wednesday, July 16:** Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 11:00 a.m. on Wednesday, July 16.

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**VA, HUD, and Independent Agencies Appropriations Act:** The House completed general debate and began consideration of amendments to H.R. 2158, making appropriations for the Departments of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development, and for sundry independent agencies, commissions, corporations, and offices for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998. Consideration of amendments will resume on Wednesday, July 16.

Pages H5247–66, H5272–88

Agreed To:

The Tiahrt amendment that increases veterans health administration medical research by \$25 million including a \$5 million increase for gulf war ill-

ness research and decreases the operating expenses funding for the Corporation for National and Community Service by \$200 million.

Pages H5277–88

Vote Postponed:

The Obey Amendment that seeks to increase veteran medical care funding by \$48 million and decrease emergency management planning and assistance funding for a wind simulation center by \$60 million.

Pages H5273–77

The House agreed to H. Res. 184, the rule that is providing for consideration of the bill by a voice vote.

Pages H5247–51

**National Commission on the Cost of Higher Education:** The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of Mr. Martin Anderson of California, Mr. George Waldner of Pennsylvania, and Mr. Jonathan Brown of California on the part of the House to the National Commission on the Cost of Higher Education.

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**Bipartisan Task Force on Reform of the Ethics Process:** Agreed by unanimous consent that the order of the House of May 7, 1997, as extended on June 24, 1997, be further extended through Wednesday, July 30, 1997. The order of the House concerning the ethics process made in order during the period beginning immediately and ending on July 30, 1997: (1) the Committee on Standards of Official Conduct may not receive, renew, initiate, or investigate a complaint against the official conduct of a member, officer, or employee of the House; (2) the Committee on Standard of Official Conduct may issue advisory opinions and perform other non-investigative functions; and (3) a resolution addressing the official conduct of a Member, officer, or employee of the House that is proposed to be offered from the floor by a Member other than the Majority Leader or the Minority Leader, or a Member designated from the floor by the Majority Leader or the Minority Leader at the time of notice pursuant to clause 2(A)(1) of Rule IX, as a question of the privileges of the House shall once noticed pursuant to clause 2(a)(1) of Rule IX, have precedence over all other questions except motions to adjourn only at a time or place designated by the Chair in the legislative schedule within two legislative days after July 30, 1997.

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**Senate Messages:** Message received from the Senate today appears on page H5185.

**Referrals:** The following Senate passed bills were referred to the Committee on Resources: S. 231, to establish the National Cave and Karst Research Institute in the State of New Mexico; S. 669, to provide for the acquisition of the Plains Railroad Depot at the Jimmy Carter National Historic Site; S. 731, to extend the legislative authority for construction of the National Peace Garden memorial; and S. 423, to extend the legislative authority for the Board of Regents of Gunston Hall to establish a memorial to honor George Mason.

Pages H5295–96

**Amendments:** Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on pages H5297–H5301.

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** Three ye-and-nay votes and six recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H5245–46, H5246–47, H5247, H5266–67, H5267–68, H5268, H5268–69, H5269–70, and H5271–72. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** Met at 10:30 a.m. and adjourned at 11:28 p.m.

## Committee Meetings

### WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT

*Committee on Agriculture:* Held a hearing on Review of Wildfire Management in the United States. Testimony was heard from Joan Comanor, Deputy Chief, State and Private Forestry, Forest Service, USDA; Richard A. Wilson, Forester, Department of Forestry, State of California; James B. Hull, Forester, Forest Service, State of Texas; James Johnson, Forester, Department of Conservation, State of Missouri; and public witnesses.

### LABOR, HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, AND EDUCATION APPROPRIATIONS

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services approved for full Committee action the Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education appropriations for fiscal year 1998.

### PROPOSED INTERNATIONAL GLOBAL CLIMATE CHANGE AGREEMENT

*Committee on Commerce:* Subcommittee on Energy and Power held a hearing on the Economic and Environmental Impact of the Proposed International Global Climate Change Agreement. Testimony was heard from Timothy E. Wirth, Under Secretary, Global Affairs, Department of State; and Janet Yellen, Chair, Council of Economic Advisors.

### HIGHER EDUCATION ACT

*Committee on Education and the Workforce:* Subcommittee on Postsecondary Education, Training and Life-Long Learning continued hearings on H.R. 6, Higher Education Amendments of 1997, with emphasis on the Education of the Deaf Act and Title V of the Higher Education Act. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Education: Judith Heumann, Assistant Secretary; I. King Jordan, President, Gallaudet University; and Therese Knecht Dozier, Special Advisor on Teaching; and public witnesses.

Hearings continue July 17.

### IMPACT OF RADIO ON AFRICAN DEMOCRACY

*Committee on International Relations:* Subcommittee on Africa and the Subcommittee on International Operations and Human Rights held a joint hearing on

Impact of Radio on African Democracy. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the International Broadcasting Bureau, U.S. Information Agency: Kevin Klose, Director; and Evelyn Lieberman, Director, Voice of America; and public witnesses.

### MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES; OVERSIGHT—INSTITUTIONAL HEARING PROGRAM

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on Immigration and Claims approved for full Committee action the following bills: H.R. 1109, 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; H.R. 1348, Expanded War Crimes Act of 1997; and H.R. 2027, to provide for the revision of the requirements for a Canadian border boat landing permit pursuant to section 235 of the Immigration and Nationality Act, and to require the Attorney General to report to the Congress on the impact of such revision.

The Subcommittee approved a motion to request a report on a private immigration bill.

The Subcommittee also held an oversight hearing on the Institutional Hearing Program. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Administration of Justice Issues Division, GAO: Norman J. Rabkin, Director; Evi Rezmovic, Assistant Director; Jay Jennings and Fred Berry, both Senior Evaluators; the following officials of the Department of Justice: Paul Virtue, Executive Associate Commissioner, Programs and Lydia St. John-Mellado, IHP Coordinator, both with the Immigration and Naturalization Service; Michael J. Creppy, Chief Immigration Judge and Michael C. McGoings, Assistant Chief Immigration Judge, both with the Executive Office for Immigration Review; John L. Clark, Assistant Director, Community Corrections and Detention and James Zangs, Administrator, Detention Services Branch, both with the Bureau of Prisons; and public witnesses.

### OVERSIGHT—ADMINISTRATION'S PROPOSAL REGARDING AMERICAN HERITAGE RIVERS INITIATIVE

*Committee on Resources:* Held an oversight hearing on the Administration's Proposal regarding the American Heritage Rivers Initiative. Testimony was heard from Kathleen A. McGinty, Chair, Council on Environmental Quality; Bruce Babbitt, Secretary of the Interior; and Dan Glickman, Secretary of Agriculture.

### FOREIGN OPERATIONS, EXPORT FINANCING, AND RELATED PROGRAMS APPROPRIATIONS ACT FOR FY 1998.

*Committee on Rules:* Granted, by a voice vote, a modified open rule on H.R. 2159, making appropriations for foreign operations, export financing, and related programs for the fiscal year ending September 30,

1998, providing one hour of general debate equally divided between the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropriations. The rule waives points of order against consideration of the bill for failure to comply with clause 7 of Rule XXI (relating to the 3-day availability of published hearings) or clause 2(1)(6) of Rule XI (relating to the 3-day availability of the report). The rule waives points of order against provisions in the bill for failure to comply with clause 2 of Rule XXI (prohibiting unauthorized appropriations and legislating on an appropriations bill), and clause 6 of Rule XXI (prohibiting certain transfers of funds), except as specified in the resolution. The rule provides for consideration of the amendments printed in the report of the Committee on Rules, to be offered only by a Member designated in the report and only at the appropriate point in the reading of the bill, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, shall not be subject to amendment except as specified in the report, and shall not be subject to a demand for a division of the question in the House or in the Committee of the Whole and waives points of order against the amendments. The rule provides that no other amendment shall be in order unless that amendment has been pre-printed in the *Congressional Record*. The rule grants the Chairman of the Committee of the Whole the authority to postpone votes and reduce voting time to 5 minutes provided that the first vote in a series is not less than 15 minutes. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit, with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Representatives Callahan, Gilman, Hyde, Smith of New Jersey, Saxton, Cox of California, Pelosi, and McGovern.

#### MEETING THE NEEDS OF PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES THROUGH FEDERAL TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER

*Committee on Science:* Subcommittee on Technology held a hearing on Meeting the Needs of People with Disabilities Through Federal Technology Transfer. Testimony was from Katherine Seelman, Director, National Institute of Rehabilitation and Research, Department of Education; C. Dan Brand, Chairman, Federal Laboratory Consortium for Technology Transfer, Associate Director, Technology Advancement, FDA/National Center for Toxicological Research, Department of Health and Human Services; Bruce Webbon, Chief, Commercial Technology, Ames Research Center, NASA; and public witnesses.

#### DOES EX-IM HELP SMALL BUSINESS EXPORTERS?

*Committee on Small Business:* Subcommittee on Tax, Finance, and Exports held a hearing on Does Ex-Im Help Small Business Exporters? Testimony was heard from James A. Harmon, President and Chairman, Export-Import Bank; and public witnesses.

#### MFN TREATMENT—PRODUCTS OF MONGOLIA AND LAO PEOPLE'S DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC

*Committee on Ways and Means:* Subcommittee on Trade approved for full Committee action the following bills: H.R. 2133, to authorize the extension of nondiscriminatory treatment—most-favored-nation treatment—to the products of Mongolia; and H.R. 2132, to extend nondiscriminatory treatment—most-favored-nation treatment—to the products of the Lao People's Democratic Republic.

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#### COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, JULY 16, 1997

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

##### Senate

*Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry,* to hold hearings to examine the importance of alternative fuels in addressing future national security concerns, focusing on agriculture's vulnerability to energy price volatility, the contribution of home-grown renewable alternative fuels, and the role of new technologies in making agriculture more energy efficient while increasing yields, 9 a.m., SR-332.

*Committee on Appropriations,* Subcommittee on District of Columbia, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1998 for the District of Columbia Department of Corrections and the Metropolitan Police Department, 10 a.m., SD-192.

*Committee on Environment and Public Works,* to hold hearings on the nomination of Jamie Rappaport Clark, of Maryland, to be Director of the United States Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, 9:30 a.m., SD-406.

*Committee on Foreign Relations,* Subcommittee on Western Hemisphere, Peace Corps, Narcotics and Terrorism, to hold hearings to examine the threat of drug cartels and narco-violence in the United States, 2 p.m., SD-419.

*Committee on Governmental Affairs,* to continue hearings to examine certain matters with regard to the committee's special investigation on campaign financing, 10 a.m., SH-216.

*Committee on the Judiciary,* to hold hearings to review the Global Tobacco settlement, 10 a.m., SD-226.

Subcommittee on Antitrust, Business Rights, and Competition, to hold hearings on S. 539, to exempt agreements relating to voluntary guidelines governing telecast material from the applicability of the antitrust laws, 2 p.m., SD-226.

*Committee on Rules and Administration,* to resume a briefing on the status of the investigation into the contested U.S. Senate election held in Louisiana in November 1996, 2:30 p.m., SR-301.

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*Committee on Appropriations,* Subcommittee on the District of Columbia, on Fiscal Year 1998 D.C. Budget, 1 p.m., H-144 Capitol.

*Committee on Banking and Financial Services,* Subcommittee on Capital Markets, Securities and Government Sponsored Enterprises and the Subcommittee on Government

Management, Information and Technology of the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight, joint oversight hearing on Government Sponsored Enterprises, 2 p.m., 2128 Rayburn.

*Committee on Commerce*, Subcommittee on Telecommunications, Trade, and Consumer Protection, to markup H.R. 1839, National Salvage Motor Vehicle Consumer Protection Act of 1997, 2 p.m., 2123 Rayburn.

*Committee on Education and the Workforce*, Subcommittee on Early Childhood, Youth and Families, to continue hearings on the Authorization of the Older Americans Act, 10:30 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing on Ergonomics: A Question of Feasibility, 10:30 a.m., 2261 Rayburn.

*Committee on International Relations*, hearing on the Democratic Republic of Congo: Problems and Prospects, 10:15 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Asia and the Pacific, hearing on Familiar Ground: The Breakdown of Democracy in Cambodia and Implications for U.S. Foreign Policy, 2 p.m., 2200 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on International Economic Policy and Trade, to markup H.R. 2064, Jobs and Exports Renewal Act of 1997, 2 p.m., 2237 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on the Western Hemisphere, hearing on the Anti-Drug Effort in the Americas: A Mid-Term Report, 1:30 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

*Committee on the Judiciary*, to markup the following bills: H.R. 764, Bankruptcy Amendments of 1997; H.R. 1596, Bankruptcy Judgeship Act of 1997; and H.R. 1953, to clarify State authority to tax compensation paid to certain employees, 10:30 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Crime, to markup the following: H.R. 424, to provide for increased mandatory minimum sentences for criminals possessing firearms; and the Witness Protection and Interstate Relocation Act of 1997, 4 p.m., 2226 Rayburn.

*Committee on National Security*, Subcommittee on Military Research and Development hearing on threats posed by electromagnetic pulse to U.S. military systems and civilian infrastructure, 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

*Committee on Resources*, to markup the following bills: H.R. 700, to remove the restriction on the distribution of certain revenues from the Mineral Springs parcel to certain members of the Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla

Indians; H.R. 799, to require the Secretary of Agriculture to make a minor adjustment in the exterior boundary of the Hells Canyon Wilderness in the States of Oregon and Idaho to exclude an established Forest Service road inadvertently included in the wilderness; H.R. 838, to require adoption of a management plan for the Hells Canyon National Recreation Area that allows appropriate use of motorized and nonmotorized river craft in the recreation area; H.R. 948, Burt Lake Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians Act; H.R. 976, Mississippi Sioux Tribes Judgment Fund Distribution Act of 1997; H.R. 1460, to allow for election of the Delegate from Guam by other than separate ballot; H.R. 1604, to provide for the division, use, and distribution of judgment funds of the Ottawa and Chippewa Indians of Michigan pursuant to dockets numbered 18-E, 58, 364, and 18-R before the Indian Claims Commission; H.R. 1663, to clarify the intent of the Congress in Public Law 93-632 to require the Secretary of Agriculture to continue to provide for the maintenance of 18 concrete dams and weirs that were located in the Emigrant Wilderness at the time the wilderness area was designated as wilderness in that Public Law; H.R. 1944, Warner Canyon Ski Hill Land Exchange Act of 1997; and H.R. 1855, to establish a moratorium on large fishing vessels in Atlantic herring and mackerel fisheries; and to consider a resolution to authorize the Chairman to issue a subpoena concerning the matter of the committee review of hardrock bonding mining regulations, 11 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

*Committee on Rules*, to consider H.R. 1853, Carl D. Perkins Vocational-Technical Education Act Amendments of 1997, 2 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

*Committee on Science*, hearing on Science, Math, Engineering and Technology Education, 2 p.m., 2318 Rayburn.

*Committee on Small Business*, hearing on credit subsidy rates for the Section 7(a) general business loan program and the Section 504 Certified Development Company program, 10 a.m., 2359 Rayburn.

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure*, Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation, to markup the Coast Guard Authorization Act of 1997, 10:30 a.m., 2253 Rayburn.

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs*, Subcommittee on Benefits, hearing on pending proposals in the areas of education, training and employment, 9:30 a.m., 334 Cannon.

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**Program for Wednesday:** After the recognition of four Senators for speeches and the transaction of any morning business (not to extend beyond 11 a.m.), Senate will consider S. 955, Foreign Operations Appropriations, 1998. Senate will also vote on final passage of S. 1004, Energy and Water Appropriations, 1998.

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House Chamber

**Program for Wednesday:** Complete consideration of H.R. 2158, VA/HUD Appropriations Act for Fiscal Year 1998 (open rule, 1 hour of debate).

Consideration of H.R. 2160, Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration and Related Agencies Appropriations Act for Fiscal Year 1998; and

Consideration of H.R. 2159, Foreign Operations, Export Financing and Related Programs Appropriations for Fiscal Year 1998 (Modified open rule, 1 hour of debate).

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