

Rejected: The Sensenbrenner amendment that sought to reduce Human Space Flight funding by \$100 million (rejected by a recorded vote of 200 ayes to 227 noes, Roll No. 278).

Pages H5319–22, H5340–41

Points of Order Sustained Against:

Section 420 of the bill, that sought to make funding available for conservation and management plans notwithstanding section 320(g) of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act;

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The Vento amendment that sought to increase FEMA Emergency Food and Shelter Program funding by \$30.1 million and reduce the NASA Human Space Flight program by \$43 million; and

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The Hefley amendment that sought to increase EPA Leaking Underground Storage Tank program funding by \$11.2 million and decrease HUD Management and Administration Salaries and Expenses funding by \$31 million.

Pages H5362–63

Withdrawn:

The Wise amendment was offered but subsequently withdrawn that sought to provide \$3 million for expenses of the Chemical Safety and Hazard Investigation Board with the funding for it to be derived from the EPA Environmental Programs and Management account; and

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The Foley amendment was offered but subsequently withdrawn that sought to reduce the Community Development Financial Institutions Fund Program Account by \$75 million.

Pages H5347–62

The House agreed to H. Res. 184, the rule that provided for consideration of the bill on July 15.

Pages H5247–51

Agriculture Appropriations: The House completed general debate on H.R. 2160, making appropriations for Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998. Consideration of amendments will begin on Thursday, July 17.

Pages H5372–82

Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on pages H5401–05.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Two yea-and-nay votes and three recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H5339–40, H5340, H5341, H5370, and H5370–71. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: Met at 11:00 a.m. and adjourned at 11:45 p.m.

Committee Meetings

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA BUDGET

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on the District of Columbia held a hearing on the Fiscal Year 1998 D.C. Budget. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the District of Columbia: Marion Barry, Mayor; and Linda Cropp, Acting Chairman, Council; and Andrew F. Brimmer, Chairman, Financial Responsibility and Management Assistance Authority.

GOVERNMENT SPONSORED ENTERPRISES

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 held a joint oversight hearing on Government Sponsored Enterprises. Testimony was heard from Jim Bothwell, Chief Economist, GAO; Thomas Woodward, Economist, Congressional Research Service, Library of Congress; and public witnesses.

NATIONAL SALVAGE MOTOR VEHICLE CONSUMER PROTECTION ACT

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Telecommunications, Trade, and Consumer Protection approved for full Committee action amended H.R. 1839, National Salvage Motor Vehicle Consumer Protection Act of 1997.

OLDER AMERICANS ACT AUTHORIZATION

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Subcommittee on Early Childhood, Youth and Families continued hearings on the Authorization of the Older Americans Act. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

ERGONOMICS: A QUESTION OF FEASIBILITY

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing on Ergonomics: A Question of Feasibility. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF CONGO

Committee on International Relations: Held a hearing on the Democratic Republic of Congo: Problems and Prospects. Testimony was heard from Thomas Pickering, Under Secretary, Political Affairs, Department of State; J. Brian Atwood, Administrator, AID, U.S.

International Development Cooperation Agency; and public witnesses.

CAMBODIA—BREAKDOWN OF DEMOCRACY

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on Asia and the Pacific held a hearing on Familiar Ground: The Breakdown of Democracy in Cambodia and Implications for U.S. Foreign Policy. Testimony was heard from Aurelia Brazeal, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Bureau of East Asian and Pacific Affairs, Department of State; and public witnesses.

JOBS AND EXPORTS RENEWAL ACT

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on International Economic Policy and Trade approved for full Committee amended H.R. 2064, Jobs and Exports Renewal Act of 1997.

ANTI-DRUG EFFORT IN THE AMERICAS

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on the Western Hemisphere held a hearing on the Anti-Drug Effort in the Americas: A Mid-Term Report. Testimony was heard from Representative Hastert; Jane Becker, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary, Bureau of International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Affairs, Department of State; Rear Adm. Walter Doran, USN, Deputy Commander in Chief, U.S. Southern Command, Department of Defense; and James Milford, Deputy Administrator, DEA, Department of Justice.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on the Judiciary: Ordered reported 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.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Crime approved for full Committee action the following: H.R. 424, amended, to provide for increased mandatory minimum sentences for criminals possessing firearms; and the Witness Protection and Interstate Relocation Act of 1997.

THREATS POSED BY ELECTROMAGNETIC PULSE TO U.S. MILITARY SYSTEMS

Committee on National Security: Subcommittee on Military Research and Development held a hearing on threats posed by electromagnetic pulse to U.S. Military systems and civilian infrastructure. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Defense: George W. Ullrich, Deputy Director, Defense Special Weapons Agency; and Gilbert I. Klinger, Acting Deputy Under Secretary (Space);

Gen. Robert T. Marsh, USAF (Ret.), Chairman, President's Commission on Critical Infrastructure Protection; and Lowell Wood, Lawrence Livermore Laboratory; and a public witness.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Resources: Ordered reported the following bills: H.R. 700, amended, 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, amended, Mississippi Sioux Tribes Judgment Fund Distribution Act of 1997; H.R. 1460, amended, to allow for election of the Delegate from Guam by other than separate ballot; H.R. 1604, amended, 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, amended, 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, amended, to establish a moratorium on large fishing vessels in Atlantic herring and mackerel fisheries.

The Committee also approved a resolution authorizing the Chairman to issue a subpoena concerning the matter of the committee review of hardrock bonding mining regulations.

CARL D. PERKINS VOCATIONAL-TECHNICAL EDUCATION ACT AMENDMENTS

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, an open rule providing 1 hour of debate on H.R. 1853, Carl D. Perkins Vocational-Technical Education Act Amendments of 1997. The rule waives clause 2(I)(6) of rule XI (relating to the 3-day availability of the report) against consideration of the bill. The rule makes in order the Committee on Education and the Workforce amendment in the nature of a substitute as an original bill for purpose of amendment, shall

be open to amendment at any point, and each section shall be considered as read. The rule authorizes the Chair to accord priority in recognition to Members who have pre-printed their amendments in the Congressional Record. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit, with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Chairman Goodling; and Representatives Morella, Clay, Martinez and Mink of Hawaii.

CREDIT SUBSIDY RATES

Committee on Small Business: Held a hearing on credit subsidy rates for the Section 7(a) general business loan program and the Section 504 Certified Development Company program. Testimony was heard from Edward DeSeve, Acting Deputy Director, OMB; Aida Alvarez, Administrator, SBA; Judy England-Joseph, Director, Housing and Community Development Issues, GAO; and a public witness.

COAST GUARD AUTHORIZATION ACT

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation approved for full Committee action the Coast Guard Authorization Act of 1997.

VETERAN'S LEGISLATION

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Subcommittee on Benefits held a hearing on pending proposals in the areas of education, training and employment. Testimony was heard from former Representative G.V. Montgomery of Mississippi; Al Borrego, Acting Assistant Secretary, Veterans Employment and Training, Department of Labor; Celia Dollarhide, Director, Education Service, Department of Veterans Affairs; and representatives of various veterans organizations.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, JULY 17, 1997

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry, Subcommittee on Forestry, Conservation, and Rural Revitalization, to hold hearings on the implementation of the Northern Forestry Stewardship Act, 2:30 p.m., SR-332.

Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Transportation, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1998 for Amtrak, focusing on the calculation of excess railroad retirement payments, 10 a.m., SD-124.

Full Committee, business meeting, to markup proposed legislation making appropriations for fiscal year 1998 for the Department of Agriculture, rural development, and related agencies, proposed legislation making appropriations for fiscal year 1998 for military construction programs, and proposed legislation making appropriations for fiscal year 1998 for the Departments of Vet-

erans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development and related agencies, 3:30 p.m., SD-106.

Committee on Armed Services, to hold hearings on the nomination of Rudy deLeon, of California, to be Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness, 9:30 a.m., SR-222.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs, Subcommittee on International Finance, to hold hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for the Export-Import Bank of the United States, 9:30 a.m., SD-538.

Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Regulatory Relief, to hold oversight hearings on the implementation of the HUD Rebuilding and Loan Guaranty Program for financial institutions, 2 p.m., SD-538.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, to hold hearings on S. 625, to provide for competition between forms of motor vehicle insurance, to permit an owner of a motor vehicle to choose the most appropriate form of insurance for that person, to guarantee affordable premiums, and to provide for more adequate and timely compensation for accident victims, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, to hold hearings on the nominations of Patrick A. Shea, of Utah, to be Director of the Bureau of Land Management, and Robert G. Stanton, of Virginia, to be Director of the National Park Service, both of the Department of the Interior, Kneeland C. Youngblood, of Texas, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the United States Enrichment Corporation, and Kathleen M. Karpan, of Wyoming, to be Director of the Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement, Department of the Interior, 9:30 a.m., SD-366.

Subcommittee on National Parks, Historic Preservation, and Recreation, to hold hearings on S. 895, to designate the reservoir created by Trinity Dam in the Central Valley project, California, as "Trinity Lake", S. 931, to designate the Marjory Stoneman Douglas Wilderness and the Ernest F. Coe Visitor Center, and S. 871, to establish the Oklahoma City National Memorial as a unit of the National Park System and to designate the Oklahoma City Memorial Trust, 2 p.m., SD-366.

Committee on Environment and Public Works, to resume hearings to examine issues relating to climate change, 10 a.m., SD-406.

Committee on Foreign Relations, business meeting, to mark up S. Res. 98, expressing the sense of the Senate regarding the conditions for the United States becoming a signatory to any international agreement on greenhouse gas emissions under the United National Framework Convention on Climate Change, a proposed concurrent resolution expressing the sense of the Congress that the OAS-CIAV Mission in Nicaragua is to be congratulated for its defense of human rights, promotion of peaceful conflict resolution, and contribution to the development of freedom and democracy in Nicaragua, and to consider the Agreement with Hong Kong for the Surrender of Fugitive Offenders (Treaty Doc. 105-3), and pending nominations, 10 a.m., SD-419.

Subcommittee on European Affairs, to hold hearings to examine the status of Bosnia non-compliance with the Dayton Accords, 2 p.m., SD-419.