

Tuesday, July 29, 1997

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed Commerce, Justice, State Appropriations.

The House passed H.R. 2266, DOD Appropriations Act for FY 1998.

Committee on the Conference filed the Conference report on H.R. 2015, the Balanced Budget Act of 1997 (H. Rept. 105-217).

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S8207-S8285

Measures Introduced: Nine bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 1078-1086 and S. Con. Res. 45. **Page S8262**

Measures Passed:

Commerce, Justice, State, the Judiciary Appropriations, 1998: By a unanimous vote of 99 yeas (Vote No. 206), Senate passed S. 1022, making appropriations for the Departments of Commerce, Justice, and State, the Judiciary, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998, after taking action on further amendments proposed thereto, as follows: **Pages S8211, S8213-18, S8226-48**

Adopted:

Gregg/Hollings Amendment No. 1024, to make funds available for a study on the effect of intentional encirclement on dolphins in the eastern tropical Pacific Ocean. **Pages S8213-15**

Gregg Amendment No. 1025, to provide funds for the Ship Creek facility in Anchorage, Alaska, for the construction of a facility on the Gulf Coast in Mississippi, and for an open ocean aquaculture project in Durham, New Hampshire. **Pages S8213-15**

Gregg (for Coverdell) Amendment No. 1026, to require the Attorney General to submit a report on the feasibility of requiring convicted sex offenders to submit DNA samples for law enforcement purposes. **Pages S8213-15**

Gregg (for Dorgan) Amendment No. 1027, to express the sense of the Senate that the Federal Government should not withhold universals service support payments. **Pages S8213-15**

Gregg (for McCain/Kyl) Amendment No. 1028, regarding the waiver of certain vaccination requirements for immigrants. **Pages S8213-15**

Gregg (for Biden) Amendment No. 1029, to extend funding for the Violent Crime Reduction Trust Fund through fiscal year 2002. **Pages S8213-15**

Gregg (for Kerry) Amendment No. 1030, to provide funding for the Community Policy to Combat Domestic Violence Program. **Pages S8213-15**

Gregg/Hollings Amendment No. 1031, regarding political appointees in positions at the Office of the United States Trade Representative. **Pages S8213-15**

Wellstone Amendment No. 1032, to clarify the income eligibility requirements for victims of domestic violence. **Pages S8216-17**

Wellstone/Kennedy Amendment No. 1033, to require the Legal Services Corporation to conduct a study regarding persons prohibited from receiving legal representation regarding efforts to reform welfare systems. **Pages S8217-18**

Gregg Amendment No. 1034, to establish a funding level for the Department of State Capital Investment Fund. **Pages S8226-27**

Gregg (for Kyl) Amendment No. 995, to provide for the payment of special masters for civil actions concerning prison conditions. **Pages S8211, S8226-27**

Withdrawn:

Kerry Amendment No. 992, to provide funding for the Community Policing to Combat Domestic Violence Program. **Page S8211**

Gregg (for Coverdell) Amendment No. 996, to require the Attorney General to submit a report on the feasibility of requiring convicted sex offenders to submit DNA samples for law enforcement purposes. **Page S8211**

Hollings (for Dorgan) Amendment No. 997, to express the sense of the Senate that the Federal Government should not withhold universals service support payments. **Page S8211**

Hollings (for Biden) Amendment No. 998, to provide additional funds for the Violent Crime Reduction Trust Fund. **Page S8211**

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

By unanimous-consent agreement, Amendments Numbered 1003, 1004, and 1008, as previously agreed to on July 24, 1997, were modified. **Page S8215**

Legislative Branch Appropriations, 1998: Senate passed H.R. 2209, making appropriations for the Legislative Branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998, after striking all after the enacting clause except appropriations for the House of Representatives and House office buildings and inserting in lieu thereof the text of S. 1019, Senate companion measure, as passed by the Senate on July 16, 1997. Senate insisted on its amendments, requested a conference with the House thereon, and the Chair appointed the following conferees: Senators Bennett, Stevens, Craig, Cochran, Dorgan, Boxer, and Byrd. **Page S8216**

Pursuant to the order of July 16, 1997, passage of S. 1019 was vitiated and the bill was indefinitely postponed. **Pages S7601-02**

Defense Appropriations, 1998: Pursuant to the order of July 14, 1997, Senate passed H.R. 2266, making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998, after striking all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the text of S. 1005, Senate companion measure, as passed by the Senate. 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, McConnell, Shelby, Gregg, Hutchison, Inouye, Hollings, Byrd, Leahy, Bumpers, Lautenberg, Harkin, and Dorgan. **Pages S8248-49**

Also, pursuant to the order of July 15, 1997, Senate vitiated passage of S. 1005 and the bill was indefinitely postponed. **Page S7459**

Transportation Appropriations, 1998: Senate concluded consideration of S. 1048, making appropriations for the Department of Transportation and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998, after taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows: **Pages S8223-24, S8249-50**

Adopted:

Shelby (for D'Amato/Moynihan) Amendment No. 1022, to direct a transit fare study in the New York City metropolitan area. **Pages S8223-24, S8228-48**

Shelby (for Kerrey/Hagel) Amendment No. 1035, to extend the expiration date of a general provision from the fiscal year 1997 transportation appropriations act. **Pages S8249-50**

Shelby/Lautenberg Amendment No. 1036, to make certain technical and funding changes. **Pages S8249-50**

Shelby (for Abraham) Amendment No. 1037, to make funds available for certain transit bus projects. **Pages S8249-50**

Shelby (for Campbell) Amendment No. 1038, to provide for a study of the metropolitan planning process in Denver, Colorado. **Pages S8249-50**

Shelby/Lautenberg Amendment No. 1039, to make a technical correction relating to the Right-of-Way Revolving Fund. **Pages S8249-50**

Shelby (for Inouye) Amendment No. 1040, of a clarifying nature. **Pages S8249-50**

Shelby (for Hollings) Amendment No. 1041, to facilitate the application of the pilot record-sharing provisions of title 49, United States Code, added by the Federal Aviation Reauthorization Act of 1996, to air carriers operating non-scheduled operations under part 135 of the FAA regulations. **Pages S8249-50**

Shelby (for Frist) Amendment No. 1042, to require the Secretary of Transportation to exercise the exemption authority under section 41714 of title 49, United States Code, with respect to certain air service between slot-controlled airports subject to that authority and nonhub points, within 120 days after receiving a request for such an exemption. **Pages S8249-50**

Shelby (for Levin/Graham) Amendment No. 1043, to express the sense of the Senate concerning reauthorization of highway and mass transit programs. **Pages S8249-50**

Shelby (for Johnson/Daschle) Amendment No. 1044, to provide for the development and operation of the Nationwide Differential Global Positioning System. **Page S8250**

Also, Senate considered H.R. 2169, House companion measure, striking all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the text of S. 1048, as amended. **Page S8258**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for a vote on final passage of H.R. 2169 to occur on Wednesday, July 30, 1997. **Page S8258**

Foreign Affairs Reform and Restructuring Act—Conferees: Senate insisted on its amendment to H.R. 1757, to consolidate international affairs agencies, and to authorize appropriations for the Department of State and related agencies for fiscal years 1998 and 1999, agreed to the request of the House for a conference thereon, and the Chair appointed the following conferees: Senators Helms, Coverdell, Hagel, Grams, Biden, Sarbanes, and Dodd. **Page S8222**

Removal of Injunction of Secrecy: The injunction of secrecy was removed from the following treaties, received by the Senate on Monday, July 28, 1997.

Extradition Treaty with Cyprus (Treaty Doc. 105-16); and

WIPO Performances and Phonograms Treaty (WPPT) (1996) and WIPO Copyright Treaty (WCT) (1996) (Treaty Doc. 105-17).

The treaties were transmitted to the Senate today, considered as having been read for the first time, and referred, with accompanying papers, to the Committee on Foreign Relations and ordered to be printed.

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

Transmitting the report entitled "U.S. Arctic Research Plan, Biennial Revision: 1998-2002"; referred to the Committee on Governmental Affairs. (PM-57).

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Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

1 Department of Defense nomination in the rank of general.

Routine lists in the Air Force and Marine Corps.

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Messages From the President: Page S8260

Messages From the House: Pages S8260-61

Measures Referred: Page S8261

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Record Votes: One record vote was taken today. (Total—206) Page S8228

Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m., and adjourned at 6:14 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Wednesday, July 30, 1997. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S8265.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

AGRICULTURAL PRICE VOLATILITY

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: Committee concluded hearings to examine the impact of the Federal Agriculture Improvement and Reform Act (P.L. 104-127) on price and income volatility in agricultural markets and the Federal Government's role to manage volatility, after receiving testimony from Keith Collins, Chief Economist, Department of Agriculture; Leland H. Swenson, National Farmers Union, Aurora, Colorado; Michael R. Dicks, Oklahoma State University, Stillwater; Ken Rulon, Rulon Enterprises, Cicero, Indiana; Duane Fischer, Scoular Company, Omaha, Nebraska, on behalf of the National Grain and Feed Association; N. Alan Bair, Pennsylvania State University, Middletown; Edward T. Coughlin, National Milk Producers Federation, Arlington, Virginia; and Gary A. Corbett, Dean Foods Company, Rockford, Illinois, on behalf of the International Dairy Foods Association.

ATM NETWORKS

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee concluded hearings to examine automated teller machine (ATM) network operations and the practice of surcharging by banks and thrifts with regard to ATMs, and S. 885, to limit fees charged by financial institutions for the use of automatic teller machines, after receiving testimony from Donald I. Baker, Baker & Miller, G. Henry Mundt, III, Cirrus System, Inc., and Anthony N. McEwen, PLUS ATM/Visa U.S.A., all of Washington, D.C.; Thomas M. Caron, Easton Cooperative Bank, Easton, Massachusetts, on behalf of the Community Bank League of New England; Allen I. Olson, Independent Community Bankers of Minnesota, Eagan; and John G. Bascom, Magic Line, Inc., Dearborn, Michigan.

GLOBAL TOBACCO SETTLEMENT

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee held hearings to examine commerce related issues with regard to the proposed Global Tobacco Settlement which will mandate a total reformation and restructuring of how tobacco products are manufactured, marketed, and distributed in America, and its long-term impact on children and the public health, receiving testimony from C. Everett Koop, former Surgeon General of the Public

Health Service, and David A. Kessler, former Commissioner of Food and Drugs, both of the Department of Health and Human Services, both on behalf of the Advisory Committee on Tobacco Policy and Public Health; Minnesota Attorney General Hubert H. Humphrey III, St. Paul; Arizona Attorney General Grant Woods, Phoenix; Washington Attorney General Christine Gregoire, Olympia; and Mississippi Attorney General Mike Moore, Jackson.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

ALASKA LANDS

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee concluded hearings on the following bills:

S. 967, to make certain technical changes to the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act and the Alaska National Interest Lands Conservation Act to benefit Alaska Natives and rural residents, after receiving testimony from Deborah L. Williams, Special Assistant to the Secretary of the Interior for Alaska; William P. Horn, Washington, D.C., on behalf of the Alaska Professional Hunters Association and the Alaska Professional Sportfish Coalition; Matthew Nicolai, Calista Corporation, and Allen E. Smith, Wilderness Society, both of Anchorage, Alaska; Michael Sheldon, Southeast Alaska ANCSA Land Acquisition Coalition (SAALAC), Petersburg; and Bart Koehler, Southeast Alaska Conservation Council, and Robert W. Loescher, Sealaska Corporation, both of Juneau, Alaska; and

S. 1015, to provide for the exchange of lands within Admiralty Island National Monument in Alaska, after receiving testimony from Janice McDougale, Associate Deputy Chief, and Eleanor Towns, Director of Lands, both of the Forest Service, Department of Agriculture; Mayor Peter Hallgren, and Charles E. Horan, Horan, Corak and Co., both of Sitka, Alaska; and James F. Clark, Alaska Pulp Corporation, Juneau, Alaska.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of Philip Lader, of South Carolina, to be Ambassador to the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, Felix George Rohatyn, of New York, to be Ambassador to France, Keith C. Smith, of California, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Lithuania, Richard Dale Kauzlarich, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina, James W. Pardew Jr., of Virginia, for the Rank of Ambassador during his tenure of service as U.S. Special Representative for Military Stabilization in the Balkans, Anne Marie Sigmund, of the District of Columbia, to be Ambassador to the Kyrgyz Republic, and Daniel V. Speckhard, of Wisconsin, to be Ambassador to

the Republic of Belarus, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf. Mr. Lader was introduced by Senator Thurmond.

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 Jerome Campana, Special Agent, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Department of Justice, detailed to the Committee as a Special Investigator; and Yue F. Chu and Xi Ping Wang, both of Gaithersburg, Maryland.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

JUDICIAL ACTIVISM

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on the Constitution, Federalism, and Property Rights concluded hearings to examine certain 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, focusing on proposals to ensure that the Federal courts are kept within their proper constitutional role, including S.J. Res. 26, proposing a constitutional amendment to establish limited judicial terms of office, after receiving testimony from Senator Robert Smith; Representatives Delahunt and Canady; Timothy E. Flanagan, Great Falls, Virginia, former Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legal Counsel, Department of Justice; and Thomas L. Jipping, Center for Law and Democracy, and Elliot M. Minberg, People for the American Way, both of Washington, D.C.

EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

Committee on Labor and Human Resources: Committee concluded hearings on proposals to improve educational opportunities for low-income children, including provisions of S. 847, to provide scholarship assistance for District of Columbia elementary and secondary school students, after receiving testimony from Texas State Representative Glenn Lewis, Fort Worth; Dolores Fridge, Minnesota Department of Human Rights, St. Paul; Howard Fuller, Institute for the Transformation of Learning/Marquette University, Alex Molnar, University of Wisconsin, and Zakiya Courtney, Parents for School Choice, all of Milwaukee, Wisconsin; Barbara S. Lewis, Families Organized for Real Choice in Education, Indianapolis, Indiana; Alieze Stallworth, District of Columbia Parent Teachers Association, Washington, D.C., on behalf of the National Parent Teachers Association; Paul E. Peterson, Harvard University Department of Government, Cambridge, Massachusetts; and Pam Ballard, Cleveland, Ohio.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 11 public bills, H.R. 2281–2291; and 4 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 129–132, were introduced. Pages H6025–26

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows: Report on the Revised Subdivision of Budget Totals for Fiscal Year 1998 (H. Rept. 105–215);

H. Res. 201, waiving a requirement of clause 4(b) of rule XI with respect to consideration of certain resolutions reported from the Committee on Rules (H. Rept. 105–216).

Conference report on H.R. 2015, the Balanced Budget Act of 1997 (H. Rept. 105–217). Pages H6025, H6029–H6298

Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Emerson to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. Page H5921

Recess: The House recessed at 9:38 a.m. and reconvened at 10:00 a.m. Page H5926

DOD Appropriations: By a yea and nay vote of 322 yeas to 105 nays, Roll No. 338, the House passed H.R. 2266, making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998. Pages H5932–83

Agreed To:

The DeFazio amendment that increases Defense Wide RDT&E funding for the DOD/VA cooperative research program by \$15 million and reduces Defense Wide O&M funding accordingly; Pages H5939–40

The Sanders amendment that increases Defense Wide O&M funding for the National Guard Starbase program by \$2 million and reduces Air Force RDT&E funding accordingly; Page H5940

The Traficant amendment that expresses the sense of Congress that all NATO members should contribute their proportionate share of the costs of the Partnership for Peace program and that no funds may be used for NATO expansion not authorized by law; Page H5964

The Solomon amendment that prohibits any funds to be obligated or expended to contractors that have not submitted the most recent report set forth in subsection (d) of section 4212 of title 38, United States Code concerning the hiring of veterans; Page H5966

The Obey amendment that prohibits any funds to be used to approve or license the sale of F–22 advanced tactical fighter to any foreign government; Pages H5966–68

The Coburn amendment that prohibits any funds to be made available for the United States Man and the Biosphere program, or related projects; and Page H5968

The Kennedy of Massachusetts amendment that prohibits any funds for the Department of Defense specimen repository to be used for any purpose except as specified by existing Department of Defense policy. Pages H5968–69

Rejected:

The Obey amendment that sought to reduce Air Force Aircraft Procurement funding by \$331 million for the production of 9 B–2 bombers and increase National Guard and Reserve Equipment funding by \$105 million for Air National Guard KC–135 aircraft, increase Defense Health Program funding by \$12 million for the Army breast cancer research program, and apply \$202 million toward deficit reduction (rejected by a recorded vote of 200 yeas to 222 noes, Roll No. 336); Pages H5942–52, H5965

The Nadler amendment that sought to reduce Air Force RDT&E funding for the F–22 fighter aircraft program by \$420 million; Pages H5953–56

The Filner amendment that sought to prohibit any funds to be used to transfer Marine Corps helicopters located at El Toro and Tustin Marine Corps Bases to Miramar Naval Air Station, California; and Pages H5972–74

The Shays amendment that sought to limit new budget authority to the FY 1997 level resulting in an overall reduction of \$3.8 billion (rejected by a recorded vote of 137 yeas to 290 noes, Roll No. 337). Pages H5974–83

Withdrawn:

The Clayton amendment was offered, but subsequently withdrawn, that sought to authorize the Secretary of the Army to reimburse military members, deployed in support of Bosnian operations, for expenses incurred in the shipment of personal items to or from Europe; and Pages H5964–65

The Maloney of New York amendment was offered, but subsequently withdrawn, that sought to provide \$1 million to provide statistics on sexual assault in the military. Pages H5969–72

The Clerk was authorized to correct section numbers, punctuation, cross references, and to make other conforming changes as may be necessary to reflect the actions of the House today. Page H5983

Agreed to H. Res. 198, the rule that provided for consideration of the bill by a voice vote. Pages H5929–32

Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures that were debated on Monday, July 28:

Violent Crimes by Repeat Offenders: H. Con. Res. 75, expressing the sense of the Congress that States should work more aggressively to attack the problem of violent crimes committed by repeat offenders and criminals serving abbreviated sentences (agreed to by a ye and nay vote of 400 yeas to 24 nays with 1 voting "present", Roll No. 339); and

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Expanded War Crimes Act of 1997: H.R. 1348, amended, to amend title 18, United States Code, relating to war crimes (passed by a ye and nay vote of 391 yeas to 32 nays, Roll No. 340).

Pages H5984–85

Presidential Message—Arctic Research Plan: Read a message from the President wherein he transmitted his fifth biennial revision (1998–2002) to the United States Arctic Research Plan—referred to the Committee on Science.

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Recess: The House recessed at 10:30 p.m. and reconvened at 3:14 a.m. on Wednesday, July 30.

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Senate Messages: Message received from the Senate today appears on page H5926.

Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on pages H6026–27.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Three ye-and-nay votes and two recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H5965, H5982–83, H5983, H5984, and H5984–85. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: Met at 9:00 a.m. and adjourned at 3:15 a.m. on Wednesday, July 30.

Committee Meetings

TREASURY, POSTAL SERVICE, AND GENERAL GOVERNMENT APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Began markup of the Treasury, Postal Service, and General Government appropriations for fiscal year 1998.

Committee recessed subject to call.

OVERSIGHT—GOVERNMENT PERFORMANCE AND RESULTS ACT

Committee on Banking and Financial Services: Held an oversight hearing on the Government Performance and Results Act. Testimony was heard from Andrew C. Hove, Acting Chairman, FDIC; Shirlee P. Bowne, Vice Chairman, National Credit Union Administration; the following officials of the Department of the Treasury: Eugene A. Ludwig, Comptroller; and

Nicolas P. Retsinas, Director, Office of Thrift Supervision; Alice M. Rivlin, Vice Chairman, Board of Governors, Federal Reserve System; Thomas J. McCool, Economist/Associate Director, GAO; and public witnesses.

ENERGY DEPARTMENT WASTE-SITE CLEAN-UP CONTRACTS

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations concluded hearings on the Department of Energy's Implementation of Contract Reform: Problems with the Fixed-Price Contract to Clean Up Pit 9. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Energy: Federico F. Peña, Secretary; and John M. Wilcynski, Manager, Operations Office; and public witnesses.

VIDEO COMPETITION

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Telecommunications, Trade, and Consumer Protection held a hearing on Video Competition: The Status of Competition Among Video Delivery Systems. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

HIGHER EDUCATION AMENDMENTS

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Subcommittee on Postsecondary Education, Training and Life-Long Learning concluded hearings on H.R. 6, the Higher Education Amendments of 1998, with emphasis on System Modernization efforts at the Department of Education and Accreditation. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Education: David Longanecker, Assistant Secretary; and Thomas Bloom, Inspector General; Joel C. Willemsen, Director, Information Resources Management Accounting and Information Management Division, GAO; and public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT—METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREAS

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on Government Management, Information, and Technology held an oversight hearing of Metropolitan Statistical Areas. Testimony was heard from Representatives Holden, Mink of Hawaii, Hinchey, Hunter, and Redmond; Sally Katzen, Administrator, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, OMB; and public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT—STATISTICAL PROPOSALS

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on Government Management, Information, and Technology held an oversight hearing of Statistical Proposals. Testimony was heard from Sally Katzen, Administrator, Office of Information and

Regulatory Affairs, OMB; Edward J. Sondik, Director, National Center for Health Statistics, Department of Health and Human Services; Jay Hakes, Administrator, Energy Information Administration, Department of Energy; and public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT—EPA'S RULEMAKING NATIONAL AMBIENT AIR QUALITY STANDARDS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Commercial and Administrative Law held an oversight hearing on the EPA's rulemaking on National Ambient Air Quality Standards for Particulate Matter and Ozone. Testimony was heard from Representatives Upton, Boucher, Klink, and Kucinich; Fred Hansen, Deputy Administrator, EPA; Richard L. Russman, Senator, State of New Hampshire; and public witnesses.

QUADRENNIAL DEFENSE REVIEW—RESERVE COMPONENT ISSUES

Committee on National Security, Subcommittee on Military Personnel held a hearing on Reserve Component issues resulting from the Quadrennial Defense Review. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Defense: Edward L. Warner, Assistant Secretary, Strategy and Requirements; William J. Lynn, Director, Program Analysis and Evaluation; Lt. Gen. David J. McCloud, USAF, Director, Force Structure, Resources and Assessments, Joint Staff, Joints Chiefs of Staff; Sara E. Liser, Assistant Secretary, Army, Manpower and Reserve Affairs; Maj. Gen. William Navas, USA, Director, Army National Guard; Gen. Ronald Griffith, USA, Vice Chief of Staff, Army; Maj. Gen. Max Baratz, USA, Chief, Army Reserve; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Water and Power approved for full Committee action amended the following bills: H.R. 2007, to amend the Act that authorized the Canadian River reclamation project, Texas, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to allow use of the project distribution system to transport water from sources other than the project; and H.R. 134, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to provide a loan guarantee to the Olivenhain water storage project.

Prior to this action, the Subcommittee held a hearing on H.R. 2007. Testimony was heard from David Cottingham, Counselor to the Assistant Secretary, Water and Science, Department of the Interior; and John C. Williams, General Manager, Canadian River Municipal Water Authority.

EXPEDITED PROCEDURES

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a rule waiving clause 4(b) of rule XI (requiring a 2/3 vote to consider a rule on the same day it is reported from the Committee on Rules) providing for consid-

eration of specified measures. The waiver applies to rules for the Conference Report on H.R. 2015, the Balanced Budget Act of 1997, an amendment thereto, a conference report thereon, or an amendment reported in disagreement from a conference thereon reported before August 3, 1997; and for the Conference Report on H.R. 2014, the Taxpayer Relief Act of 1997, an amendment thereto, a conference report thereon, or an amendment reported in disagreement from a conference thereon reported after July 30, 1997, and before August 3, 1997.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Science: Ordered reported the following bills: H.R. 1903, amended, Computer Security Enhancement Act of 1997; H.R. 922, amended, Human Cloning Research Prohibition Act of 1997; and H.R. 2249, to reauthorize appropriations for carrying out the Earthquake Hazards Reduction Act of 1997 for fiscal years 1998 and 1999.

Joint Meetings

FOREIGN AFFAIRS REFORM

Conferees met to resolve the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H.R. 1757, to consolidate international affairs agencies and to authorize funds for fiscal years 1998 and 1999 for the Department of State and related agencies, but did not complete action thereon, and will meet again tomorrow.

REVENUE RECONCILIATION

Conferees on Monday, July 28, agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H.R. 2014, to provide for reconciliation pursuant to subsections (b)(2) and (d) of section 105 of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 1998.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, JULY 30, 1997

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry, business meeting, to mark up proposed legislation authorizing funds for agricultural research programs of the 1996 Farm Bill, and to consider the nominations of August Schumacher Jr., of Massachusetts, to be Under Secretary for Farm and Foreign Agricultural Services and a Member of the Board of Directors of the Commodity Credit Corporation, Catherine E. Woteki, of the District of Columbia, to be Under Secretary for Food Safety, I. Miley Gonzalez, of New Mexico, to be Under Secretary for Research, Education, and Economics, and Shirley Watkins, Arkansas, to be Under Secretary for Food, Nutrition, and

Consumer Services and a Member of the Board of Directors for the Commodity Credit Corporation, all of the Department of Agriculture, 9 a.m., SR-332.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs, Subcommittee on Financial Services and Technology, to resume hearings to review information processing challenges of the Year 2000 for certain financial institutions, 9 a.m., SD-538.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, Subcommittee on Communications, to hold hearings on the regulation of international satellites, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

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

Subcommittee on National Parks, Historic Preservation, and Recreation, to hold hearings to review the management and operations of concession programs within the National Park System, 2 p.m., SD-366.

Committee on Environment and Public Works, to hold hearings on S. 1059, to amend the National Wildlife Refuge System Administration Act of 1966 to improve the management of the National Wildlife Refuge System, 9:30 a.m., SD-406.

Committee on Foreign Relations, business meeting, to consider the Agreement between the Government of the United States and the Government of Hong Kong for the Surrender of Fugitive Offenders signed at Hong Kong on December 20, 1996 (Treaty Doc. 105-3), S. Con. Res. 39, expressing the sense of the Congress that the German Government should expand and simplify its reparations system, provide reparations to Holocaust survivors in Eastern and Central Europe, and set up a fund to help cover the medical expenses of Holocaust survivors, and pending nominations, 10 a.m., SD-419.

Committee on Governmental Affairs, to resume 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 resume hearings to examine certain issues with regard to the proposed Global Tobacco Settlement which will mandate a total reformation and restructuring of how tobacco products are manufactured, marketed and distributed in America, 10 a.m., SD-226.

Committee on Rules and Administration, business meeting, to consider the status of the investigation into the contested Senate election in Louisiana, 2:30 p.m., SR-301.

Committee on Indian Affairs, business meeting, to mark up S. 569, to amend the Indian Child Welfare Act of 1978 to provide for retention by an Indian tribe of exclusive jurisdiction over child custody proceedings involving Indian children and other related requirements; to be followed by an oversight hearing on the Bureau of Indian Affairs Special Trustee's strategic plan to reform the management of Indian trust funds, 9:30 a.m., SD-106.

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

House

Committee on Banking and Financial Services, Subcommittee on General Oversight and Investigations, hearing to review the Department of the Treasury's Proposed Regulations for Money Service Businesses, 1 p.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Commerce, Subcommittee on Finance and Hazardous Materials, to continue hearings on H.R. 10, Financial Services Competitiveness Act of 1997, 10:00 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Health and Environment, hearing on Title VI of the Clean Air Act and the Ninth Meeting of the Parties to the Montreal Protocol, 10:00 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Education and the Workforce, Subcommittee on Workforce Protections and the Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, joint hearing to review the Davis-Bacon Act, 10:00 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on International Relations, hearing on the Threat to the United States from Emerging Infectious Diseases, 10:30 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Africa, hearing on Kenya's Election Crisis, 2 p.m., 2200 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on Crime, to continue oversight hearings on the activities of the FBI, focusing on the Olympic Park bombing and the investigation of Richard Jewell, 9:30 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on National Security, hearing on H.R. 695, Security and Freedom Through Encryption Act, and its impact on U.S. national security, 10:00 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Committee on Resources, hearing on H.R. 1948, Hood Bay Land Exchange Act of 1997, 11:00 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Committee on Rules, to consider H.R. 2267, making appropriations for the Departments of Commerce, Justice, and State, the Judiciary, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998, 10:30 a.m., H-313 Capitol.

Committee on Science, hearing on Demanding Results: Implementing the Government Performance and Results Act, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Small Business, to mark up the reauthorization of the SBA, 10 a.m., 2359 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, to mark up H.R. 2247, Amtrak Reform and Privatization Act of 1997, 11 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, Subcommittee on Technical and Tactical Intelligence, executive, hearing on Defense Airborne Reconnaissance Office (DARO), 10 a.m., H-405 Capitol.

Joint Meetings

Conferees, on H.R. 1757, to consolidate international affairs agencies and to authorize funds for fiscal years 1998 and 1999 for the Department of State and related agencies, 11 a.m., S-116, Capitol.

Next Meeting of the SENATE
9:30 a.m., Wednesday, July 30

Senate Chamber

Program for Wednesday: After the recognition of certain Senators for speeches and the transaction of any morning business (not to extend beyond 10:30 a.m.), Senate expects to consider S. 39, International Dolphin Conservation Program Act, and vote on passage of H.R. 2169, Transportation Appropriations, 1998.

Senate also expects to consider the conference report on H.R. 2015, Budget Reconciliation.

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
10 a.m., Wednesday, July 30

House Chamber

Program for Wednesday: Consideration of H. Res. 201, rule waiving Clause 4(b) of rule XI to allow same-day consideration of rules providing for consideration of the Conference Report to accompany H.R. 2015, the Balanced Budget Act of 1997 and the Conference Report to accompany H.R. 2014, the Taxpayer Relief Act of 1997;

Consideration of the Conference Report to accompany H.R. 2015, the Balanced Budget Act of 1997 (subject to a rule); and

Consideration of H.R. 2264, Labor, HHS and Education Appropriations Act for FY 1998 (open rule, 1 hour general debate).



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