

to take all appropriate action with regards to Mexico's imposition of antidumping duties on United States high fructose corn syrup. **Pages H6680–82**

Legislative Counsel of the House of Representatives: Read a letter from David E. Meade wherein he resigned from his position as Legislative Counsel of the House. Subsequently, the Speaker accepted the resignation and appointed M. Pope Barrow, Jr., Legislative Counsel of the House of Representatives.

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Presidential Messages: Read the following messages from the President:

Continuation of Iraqi Emergency: Message wherein he transmitted his notice stating that the Iraqi emergency is to continue in effect—referred to the Committee on International Relations and ordered printed (H. Doc. 105–113); and **Page H6682**

National Emergency Re Iraq: Message wherein he transmitted his report on the developments since February 10, 1997 concerning the national emergency with respect to Iraq—referred to the Committee on International Relations and ordered printed (H. Doc. 105–114). **Pages H6682–84**

Resignations—Appointments: It was made in order that notwithstanding any adjournment of the House until Wednesday, September 3, 1997, the Speaker, Majority Leader, and Minority Leader be authorized to accept resignations and to make appointments authorized by law or by the House.

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Extension of Remarks: It was made in order that for today and tomorrow all members be permitted to extend their remarks and to include extraneous material in that section of the Record entitled “Extension of Remarks”.

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Calendar Wednesday: Agreed to dispense with Calendar Wednesday business of Wednesday, September 3, 1997. **Page H6684**

Senate Messages: Messages received from the Senate today appear on pages H6619, H6623, H6684, and H6694.

Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on page H6708.

Quorum Calls—Votes: One quorum call (Roll No. 349) and two yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H6662, H6664–65, and H6666–67.

Adjournment: Met at 10:00 a.m. and adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

Committee Meetings

TREASURY, POSTAL SERVICE, AND GENERAL GOVERNMENT APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Ordered reported the Treasury, Postal Service, and General Government appropriations for fiscal year 1998.

NUCLEAR WASTE POLICY ACT

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Energy and Power approved for full Committee action amended H.R. 1270, Nuclear Waste Policy Act of 1997.

LITERACY: A REVIEW OF CURRENT FEDERAL PROGRAMS

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Held a hearing on “Literacy: A Review of Current Federal Programs”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

FEDERAL RETIREMENT—AGENCY MISTAKES

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on Civil Service held a hearing on “Agency Mistakes in Federal Retirement: Who Pays the Price?” Testimony was heard from William E. Flynn, Associate Director, Retirement and Insurance Service, OPM; Diane Disney, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Civilian Personnel, Department of Defense; from the following officials of the Department of the Treasury: Linda Oakey-Hemphill, Agency Retirement Counselor; and Sarah Hall-Ingram, Associate Chief Counsel, Employee Benefits/Exempt Organizations, IRS.

FDA OVERSIGHT

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on Human Resources held an oversight hearing on “FDA Oversight: Blood Safety and the Implications of Pool Sizes in the Manufacture of Plasma Derivatives”. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Health and Human Services: David Satcher, M.D., Director, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention; Paul W. Brown, M.D., Senior Research Scientist, Laboratory of Central Nervous System Studies, National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke, NIH; and Kathryn Zoon, Director, Center for Biologics Evaluation and Research, FDA; and public witnesses.

PRIVATE BILL

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Immigration and Claims approved a motion to request a report by the Immigration and Naturalization Service on a private bill.

OVERSIGHT

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources held an oversight hearing on Royalty-In-Kind for Federal oil and gas production. Testimony was heard from Cynthia L. Quarterman, Director, Minerals Management Service, Department of the Interior; Jim Magagna, Director, Office of State Lands and Investments, Office of Federal Land Policy, State of Wyoming; Spencer Reid, Deputy Land Commissioner, General Land Office, State of Texas; David Darouse, Mineral Revenue Regional Auditor Supervisor, Department of Natural Resources, State of Louisiana; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Fisheries Conservation, Wildlife and Oceans approved for full Committee action the following bills: H.R. 512, New Wildlife Refuge Authorization Act of 1997; H.R. 1856, amended, Volunteers for Wildlife Act of 1997; and H.R. 2233, Coral Reef Conservation Act of 1997.

The Subcommittee also held a hearing on H.R. 1787, the Asian Elephant Conservation Act of 1997. Testimony was heard from Marshall P. Jones, Assistant Director, International Affairs, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior; and public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Forests and Forest Health oversight hearing on Forest Service Strategic Plan under the Government Performance and Results Act. Testimony was heard from Barry Hill, Associate Director, Energy, Resources and Science Issues, Resources, Community and Economic Development Division, GAO; and the following officials of the USDA: James R. Lyons, Under Secretary, Natural Resources and Environment; and Francis Pandolsi, Chief of Staff, Forest Service.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on National Parks and Public Lands approved for full Committee action amended the following bills: H.R. 1567, to provide for the designation of additional wilderness lands in the eastern United States; H.R. 136, to amend the National Parks and Recreation Act of 1978 to designate the Marjory Stoneman Douglas Wilderness and to amend the Everglades National Park Protection and Expansion Act of 1989 to designate the Ernest F. Coe Visitor Center; and H.R. 708 to require the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a study concerning grazing use of certain lands within and adjacent to Grand Teton National Park, Wyoming, and to extend temporarily certain grazing privileges.

CONFERENCE REPORT—TAXPAYER RELIEF ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a rule waiving all points of order against the conference re-

port to accompany H.R. 2014, Taxpayer Relief Act of 1997, and against its consideration and provides that the conference report shall be considered as read. The rule provides two hours and thirty minutes of debate equally divided and controlled between the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Ways and Means. Testimony was heard from Chairman Archer and Representative Rangel.

ENERGY CONSERVATION PROGRAMS EXTENSION

Committee on Science: Subcommittee on Energy and Environment held a hearing on S. 417, to extend energy conservation programs under the Energy Policy and the Conservation Act through September 30, 2002. Testimony was heard from Allan R. Hoffman, Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary, Office of Utility Technologies, Department of Energy; and public witnesses.

U.S. AND FRANCE—AVIATION RELATIONS

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Aviation held a hearing on Aviation Relations between the U.S. and France. Testimony was heard from Representative Klink; Charles Hunnicut, Assistant Secretary, Aviation and International Affairs, Department of Transportation; and public witnesses.

**COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY,
AUGUST 1, 1997**

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on Administrative Oversight and the Courts, to hold hearings to examine the negative impact of bankruptcy on local education funding, 10 a.m., SD-226.

House

No committee meetings are scheduled.

Joint Meetings

Joint Economic Committee, to hold hearings to examine the employment-unemployment situation for July, 9:30 a.m., 1334 Longworth Building.