

and with the advice and consent of the Senate. Testimony was heard from James R. Lyons, Under Secretary, Natural Resources and Environment, USDA; and a public witness.

### MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

*Committee on Resources:* Subcommittee on National Parks and Public Lands held a hearing on the following bills: H.R. 351, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to make appropriate improvements to a county road located in the Pictured Rocks National Lakeshore, and to prohibit construction of a scenic shoreline drive in that national lakeshore; H.R. 1714, to provide for the acquisition of the Plains Railroad Depot at the Jimmy Carter National Historic Site; H.R. 2136, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey, at fair market value, certain properties in Clark County, Nevada, to persons who purchased adjacent properties in good faith reliance on land surveys that were subsequently determined to be inaccurate; and H.R. 2283, Arches National Park Expansion Act of 1997. Testimony was heard from Representatives Stupak, Bishop and Cannon; the following officials of the Department of the Interior: Mat Millenbach, Deputy Director, Bureau of Land Management; and Denis Galvin, Deputy Director, National Park Service; Ed Norton, Vice President, Law and Public Policy, National Trust for Historic Preservation; and a public witness.

### NATIONAL COMMISSION ON RESTRUCTURING THE IRS

*Committee on Ways and Means:* Held a hearing to examine the recommendations of the National Commission on Restructuring the IRS with regard to Executive Branch governance and Congressional oversight of IRS. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the National Commission on Restructuring the IRS: Senators Kerrey, Co-Chair; and Grassley, Commissioner; Representative Portman, Co-Chair; Fred T. Goldberg, Jr., Josh S. Weston and James W. Wetzler, all Commissioners; Representatives Cardin, Coyne and Hoyer; Robert A. Rubin, Secretary of the Treasury; and public witnesses.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

## Joint Meetings

### APPROPRIATIONS—DEFENSE

*Conferees* met to resolve the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H.R. 2266, making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998, but did not complete action thereon, and recessed subject to call.

### AUTHORIZATION—INTELLIGENCE

*Conferees* agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of S. 858, to authorize funds for fiscal year 1998 for intelligence and intelligence-related activities of the United States Government, the Community Management Account, and the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement and Disability System.

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### COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 1997

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

#### Senate

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation,* Subcommittee on Surface Transportation and Merchant Marine, to hold hearings on S. 1115, to improve one-call notification process, 10 a.m., SR-253.

Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine future technologies such as high-definition television, digital television and multiplexing, and the transition process from analog, 2:15 p.m., SR-253.

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources,* to hold hearings on S. 1158, to amend the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act regarding the Huna Totem Corporation public interest land exchange, and S. 1159, to amend the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act regarding the Kake Tribal Corporation public interest land exchange, 9:30 a.m., SD-366.

*Committee on Environment and Public Works,* business meeting, to mark up S. 1173, to authorize funds for construction of highway safety programs, and for mass transit programs, 9:30 a.m., SD-406.

*Committee on Finance,* to hold hearings on proposed legislation providing fast track trade authority, 10 a.m., SD-215.

*Committee on Foreign Relations,* to hold hearings on the International Telecommunication Union Constitution and Convention (Treaty Doc. 104-34), 10 a.m., SD-419.

Full Committee, to hold hearings on S. 1164, to state a policy of the United States that engages the People's Republic of China in areas of mutual interest, promotes human rights, religious freedom, and democracy in China and enhances the national security interests of the United States with respect to China, 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* with the *Committee on Indian Affairs,* to examine incidences of criminal gang activity within Indian country, 10 a.m., SD-226.

Subcommittee on Antitrust, Business Rights, and Competition, to hold hearings to examine antitrust and competition issues in the telecommunications industry, 1:30 p.m., SD-226.

*Committee on Indian Affairs* with the *Committee on the Judiciary*, to examine incidences of criminal gang activity within Indian country, 10 a.m., SD-226.

### House

*Committee on Agriculture*, Subcommittee on Livestock, Dairy, and Poultry, hearing to review forage improvement legislation, 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

*Committee on Appropriations*, Subcommittee on the District of Columbia, to markup appropriations for fiscal year 1998, 1 p.m., H-144 Capitol.

*Committee on Banking and Financial Services*, Subcommittee on Housing and Community Opportunity, hearing on Tax Consequences of FHA Multifamily Restructuring, 2 p.m., 2128 Rayburn.

*Committee on Commerce*, Subcommittee on Health and Environment, to markup the following bills: H.R. 1411, Drug and Biological Products Modernization Act of 1997; H.R. 2469, Food and Nutrition Information Reform Act; and H.R. 1710, Medical Device Regulatory Modernization Act of 1997, 11 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

*Committee on International Relations*, Subcommittee on Asia and the Pacific, hearing on U.S. Democracy Program Promotions in Asia, 2 p.m., 2200 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Western Hemisphere, hearing on an Overview of U.S. Policy toward Mexico and Canada, 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

*Committee on the Judiciary*, to markup the following bills: H.R. 1544, Federal Agency Compliance Act; H.R. 2440, to make technical amendments to section 10 of title 9, United States Code; and H.R. 2464, to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to exempt international adopted children under age 10 from the immunization requirement, 2:30 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Courts and Intellectual Property, to continue hearings on the following bills: H.R. 2281, WIPO Copyright Treaties Implementation Act; and H.R. 2180, On-Line Copyright Liability Limitation Act, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

*Committee on Resources*, to markup the following measures: H. Con. Res. 131, expressing the sense of Congress regarding the ocean; H.R. 134, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to provide a loan guarantee to the Olivenhain water storage project; H.R. 512, New Wild-

life Refuge Authorization Act; H.R. 1154, Indian Federal Recognition Administrative Procedures Act of 1997; H.R. 1400, Tumalo Irrigation District Water Conservation Project Authorization Act; H.R. 1476, Miccosukee Settlement Act of 1997; H.R. 1567, Eastern Wilderness Act; H.R. 1805, Auburn Indian Restoration Amendment Act; H.R. 1849, Oklahoma City National Memorial Act of 1997; 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; H.R. 2233, Coral Reef Conservation Act of 1997; H.R. 2314, Kickapoo Tribe of Oklahoma Federal Indian Services Restoration Act of 1997; and H.R. 2402, to make technical and clarifying amendments to improve management of water-related facilities in the Western United States, 11 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

*Committee on Science*, to markup the following bills: H.R. 2429, to reauthorize the Small Business Technology Transfer Program through fiscal year 2000; H.R. 860, Surface Transportation Research and Development Act of 1997; and H.R. 112, to provide for the conveyance of certain property from the United States to Stanislaus County, CA., 2 p.m., 2318 Rayburn.

*Committee on Small Business*, hearing on OSHA's proposed revision on occupational injury and illness recording and reporting requirements, 10 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure*, to markup H.R. 2400, Building Efficient Surface Transportation and Equity Act of 1997, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

*Committee on Ways and Means*, to continue hearings to examine the recommendations of the National Commission on Restructuring the IRS with regard to Executive Branch governance and Congressional oversight of IRS, 10 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

### Joint Meetings

*Conferees*, on H.R. 2209, making appropriations for the Legislative Branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998, 10:30 a.m., S-128, Capitol.

*Conferees*, 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, 2 p.m., H-137, Capitol.