

Tuesday, October 28, 1997

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate agreed to Interior Appropriations Conference Report.

The House agreed to the Conference report on H.R. 1119, Department of Defense Authorization Act.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S11245–S11303

Measures Introduced: Eight bills were introduced, as follows: S. 1321–1328. Pages S11289–90

Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 940, to provide for a study of the establishment of Midway Atoll as a national memorial to the Battle of Midway, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 105–114)

H.R. 765, to ensure maintenance of a herd of wild horses in Cape Lookout National Seashore, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 105–115)

Special Report on Further Revised Allocation to Subcommittees of Budget Totals from the Concurrent Resolution for Fiscal Year 1998. (S. Rept. No. 105–116) Page S11289

Department of the Interior Appropriations Conference Report: By 84 yeas to 14 nays (Vote No. 283), Senate agreed to the conference report on H.R. 2107, making appropriations for the Department of the Interior and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998, clearing the measure for the President. Pages S11253–75

ISTEA Authorizations—Cloture Vote: By 52 yeas to 48 nays (Vote No. 282), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn not having voted in the affirmative, Senate rejected a motion to close further debate on the modified committee amendment to S. 1173, to authorize funds for construction of highways, for highway safety programs, and for mass transit programs. Page S11250

Nomination—Agreement: A unanimous-consent time-agreement was reached providing for the consideration of the nomination of William E. Kennard, of California, to be a Member of the Federal Com-

munications Commission on Wednesday, October 29, 1997, with a vote to occur thereon.

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Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

Harold W. Furchtgott-Roth, of the District of Columbia, to be a Member of the Federal Communications Commission for a term of five years from July 1, 1995.

John C. Angell, of Maryland, to be an Assistant Secretary of Energy (Congressional and Intergovernmental Affairs).

Ernest J. Moniz, of Massachusetts, to be Under Secretary of Energy.

Michael K. Powell, of Virginia, to be a Member of the Federal Communications Commission for a term of five years from July 1, 1997.

Michael Telson, of the District of Columbia, to be Chief Financial Officer, Department of Energy.

Dan Reicher, of Maryland, to be an Assistant Secretary of Energy (Energy, Efficiency, and Renewable Energy).

Robert Wayne Gee, of Texas, to be an Assistant Secretary of Energy (Policy, Planning, and Program Evaluation).

Gloria Tristani, of New Mexico, to be a Member of the Federal Communications Commission for the remainder of the term expiring June 30, 1998.

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M. John Berry, of Maryland, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Interior. Pages S11302–03

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Katherine L. Archuleta, of Colorado, to be a Member of the Institute of American Indian and Alaska Native Culture and Arts Development for the remainder of the term expiring May 19, 2000.

Joseph Robert Brame, III, of Virginia, to be a Member of the National Labor Relations Board for the term of five years expiring December 16, 1999.

Sallyanne Harper, of Virginia, to be Chief Financial Officer, Environmental Protection Agency.

Hank Brown, of Colorado, to be a Member of the United States Advisory Commission on Public Diplomacy for a term expiring April 6, 2000.

Penne Percy Korth, of Texas, to be a Member of the United States Advisory Commission on Public Diplomacy for a term expiring July 1, 2000.

Susanne T. Marshall, of Virginia, to be a Member of the Merit Systems Protection Board for the term of seven years expiring March 1, 2004. Page S11303

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Additional Cosponsors: Pages S11299–S11300

Authority for Committees: Pages S11300–01

Additional Statements: Pages S11301–02

Record Votes: Two record votes were taken today. (Total—283) Pages S11250, S11275

Quorum Calls: One quorum call was taken today. (Total—6) Page S11250

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9 a.m., and adjourned at 7:19 p.m., until 11 a.m., on Wednesday, October 29, 1997. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on pages S11302–03.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

ELECTRONIC COMMERCE

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Subcommittee on Financial Services and Technology concluded hearings to examine issues with regard to the electronic commerce infrastructure, focusing on proposals to establish uniform national standards for the use of electronic authentication technology by financial institutions, including digital signatures, after receiving testimony from Massachusetts Deputy General Counsel Daniel Greenwood, Boston; Ira H. Parker, Alston and Bird, Alfred M. Pollard, Bankers Roundtable, and Robert D. Kramer, Bank of America, NT&SA, on behalf of the Electronic Commerce Working Group and the Coalition of Service Industries, all of Washington, D.C.; J. Scott Lowry, Digital Signature Trust Company, Salt Lake City, Utah; P. Michael Nugent, Citibank, New York, New York; and Richard Mossburg, Ford Motor Credit

Company, Dearborn, Michigan, on behalf of the Electronic Commerce Forum.

EDUCATION

Committee on the Budget: Committee held hearings to examine the current state of the national education system, receiving testimony from Richard W. Riley, Secretary, and Pascal D. Forgione, Jr., Commissioner of Education Statistics, both of the Department of Education; and William J. Bennett, Empower America, Washington, D.C., former Secretary of Education.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

AIRLINE COMPETITION

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee held hearings to examine air service problems affecting certain communities since the deregulation of the airline industry, and proposed legislation to remove certain barriers to promote competition in the domestic airline industry, receiving testimony from Senators Warner and Robb; Representatives Slaughter and Moran; Patrick V. Murphy, Deputy Assistant Secretary of Transportation for Aviation and International Affairs; Gerald Dillingham, Associate Director, Transportation Issues, Resources, Community, and Economic Development Division, General Accounting Office; David T. Ralston, Jr., Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority, Alexandria, Virginia; J. Randolph Babbitt, Air Line Pilots Association, International, and Edward P. Faberman, Air Carrier Association of America, both of Washington, D.C.; Charles M. Goodwin, Greater Rochester Metro Chamber of Commerce, Inc., Rochester, New York; Thomas G. Tait, Nevada Commission on Tourism, Carson City, on behalf of the Western States Tourism Policy Council; Lawrence M. Nagin, US Airways, Arlington, Virginia; Cyril Murphy, United Air Lines, Inc., Chicago, Illinois; and Bob Rowen, Reno Air, Inc., Reno, Nevada.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

EPA REGIONAL HAZE RULE

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Forests and Public Land Management concluded hearings to examine the potential impacts on, and additional responsibilities for, federal land managers imposed by the Environmental Protection Agency's Notice of Proposed Rulemaking on regional haze regulations implementing certain provisions of the Clean Air Act, after receiving testimony from Robert C. Joslin, Deputy Chief, National Forest System, Forest Service, Department of Agriculture; Michael Soukup, Associate Director, Natural Resource Stewardship and Science, National Park Service, Department of the Interior; John S. Seitz,

Director, Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards Division, Office of Air and Radiation, Environmental Protection Agency; Utah Governor Michael O. Leavitt, Salt Lake City; Anne E. Smith, Decision Focus Incorporated, and Marcia Frenz, National Parks and Conservation Association, both of Washington, D.C.; Greg E. Walcher, CLUB 20, Grand Junction, Colorado; Robert L. Pearson, Radian International, Denver, Colorado; and L. Bruce Hill, Appalachian Mountain Club, Gorham, New Hampshire.

NOMINATION

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Committee concluded hearings on the nomination of Kenneth R. Wykle, of Virginia, to be Administrator of the Federal Highway Administration, Department of Transportation, after the nominee, who was introduced by Representative Rahall, testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

NATO ENLARGEMENT

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded hearings to examine the costs, benefits, burdensharing and military implications of the proposal to grant NATO membership to Poland, Hungary, and the Czech Republic, after receiving testimony from Walter B. Slocombe, Under Secretary of Defense for Policy; Richard Kugler, Institute for National Strategic Studies/National Defense University, Fort McNair, Ivan Eland, CATO Institute, and Stephen Hadley, Shea and Gardner, all of Washington, D.C.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of Richard Frank Celeste, of Ohio, to be Ambassador to India, Shaun Edward Donnelly, of Indiana, to be Ambassador to the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka, and to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador to the Republic of Maldives, Edward M. Gabriel, of the District of Columbia, to be Ambassador to the Kingdom of Morocco, Cameron R. Hume, of New York, to be Ambassador to the Democratic and Popular Republic of Algeria, Daniel Charles Kurtzer, of Maryland, to be Ambassador to the Arab Republic of Egypt, James A. Larocco, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the State of Kuwait, and Edward S. Walker, Jr., of Maryland, to be Ambassador to Israel. Mr. Celeste was introduced by

Senators DeWine and Glenn, and Mr. Gabriel was introduced by Senators Domenici and Ford.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of Stanley Marcus, of Florida, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Eleventh Circuit, Ann L. Aiken, to be United States District Judge for the District of Oregon, Jerome B. Friedman, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Virginia, Norman K. Moon, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Virginia, and Rodney W. Sippel, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern and Western Districts of Missouri, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf. Mr. Marcus was introduced by Senators Mack and Graham, Ms. Aiken was introduced by Senators Gordon Smith and Wyden, Messrs. Friedman and Moon were introduced by Senators Warner and Robb, and Mr. Sippel was introduced by Senators Bond and Ashcroft.

CONFIDENTIAL MEDICAL INFORMATION

Committee on Labor and Human Resources: Committee concluded hearings on the Administration's proposal to protect the privacy of individually identifiable medical information and establish strong penalties for those who disclose such information, after receiving testimony from Senators Leahy, Bennett, and Snowe; Wanda Walker, Louisville, Kentucky, on behalf of the Consortium for Citizens with Disabilities; John Glaser, Partners HealthCare System, Inc., and A.G. Breitenstein, JRI Health Law Institute, both of Boston, Massachusetts; John T. Nielsen, Inter-mountain Health Care, Salt Lake City, Utah, on behalf of the American Association of Health Plans; Donald J. Palmisano, New Orleans, Louisiana, on behalf of the American Medical Association; Spencer Foreman, Montefiore Medical Center, Bronx, New York, on behalf of the American Hospital Association; Elizabeth B. Andrews, Glaxo-Wellcome, Research Triangle Park, North Carolina, on behalf of the Healthcare Leadership Council.

INTELLIGENCE

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee held closed hearings on intelligence matters, receiving testimony from officials of the intelligence community.

Committee recessed subject to call.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 11 public bills, H.R. 2746–2756; and 5 resolutions, H.J. Res. 98, H. Con. Res. 178–179, and H. Res. 282–285, were introduced.

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed as follows:

H. Res. 139, expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that the Department of Education, States, and local education agencies should spend a greater percentage of Federal education tax dollars in our children's classrooms, amended (H. Rept. 105–349);

Conference report on S. 858, to authorize appropriations 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 (H. Rept. 105–350);

H.R. 948, to reaffirm and clarify the Federal relationship of the Burt Lake Band as a distinct federally recognized Indian Tribe (H. Rept. 105–351);

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, amended (H. Rept. 105–352);

H.R. 2402, to make technical and clarifying amendments to improve management of water-related facilities in the Western United States, amended (H. Rept. 105–353);

H. Res. 283, providing for consideration of H.R. 1270, to amend the Nuclear Waste Policy Act of 1982 (H. Rept. 105–354); and

H. Res. 284, providing for consideration of H.R. 2493, to establish a mechanism by which the Secretary of Agriculture and the Secretary of the Interior can provide for uniform management of livestock grazing on Federal lands (H. Rept. 105–355).

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Recess: The House recessed at 11:14 a.m. and reconvened at 12:00 noon.

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Suspension—Treatment of Investment Managers under ERISA: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass S. 1227, to amend title I of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 to clarify treatment of investment managers under such title—clearing the measure for the President.

Pages H9575–76

Suspensions—Pending: The House completed debate on motions to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Dollars to Classrooms: H. Res. 139, amended, expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that the Department of Education, States, and local education agencies should spend a greater percentage of Federal education tax dollars in our children's classrooms;

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J. Roy Rowland Federal Courthouse: H.R. 1484, amended, to redesignate the Dublin Federal Courthouse building located in Dublin, Georgia, as the J. Roy Rowland Federal Courthouse; and

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David W. Dyer Federal Courthouse: H.R. 1479, amended, to designate the Federal building and United States courthouse located at 300 Northeast First Avenue in Miami, Florida, as the “David W. Dyer Federal Courthouse.”

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Recess: The House recessed at 1:25 p.m. and reconvened at 5:00 p.m.

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Motion to Adjourn: Rejected the Ensign motion to adjourn by a ye and nay vote of 52 yeas to 359 nays with 1 voting “present”, Roll No. 532. Later, rejected the Ensign motion to adjourn by a voice vote.

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DOD Authorization Conference Report: By a ye and nay vote of 286 yeas to 123 nays, Roll No. 534, the House agreed to the conference report on H.R. 1119, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 1998 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, and to prescribe personnel strengths for such fiscal year for the Armed Forces.

Pages H9600–10

Earlier, the House agreed to H. Res. 278, the rule waiving points of order against the conference report by a ye and nay vote of 353 yeas to 59 nays, Roll No. 533.

Pages H9579–86, H9595–H9600

Senate Messages: Message transmitted to the Clerk on October 27 appears on page H9567.

Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on pages H9615–16.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Three ye and nay votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H9579, H9599–H9600, and H9609–10. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: Met at 10:30 a.m. and adjourned at 9:12 p.m. in memory of the late Honorable Walter H. Capps of California.

Committee Meetings

PATIENT ACCESS TO RESPONSIBLE CARE ACT; HEALTH INSURANCE BILL OF RIGHTS ACT

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Health and Environment held a hearing on the following bills: H.R. 1415, Patient Access to Responsible Care Act of 1997; and H.R. 820, Health Insurance Bill of Rights Act of 1997. Testimony was heard from John Eisenberg, M.D., Administrator, Agency for Health Care Policy Research, Department of Health and Human Services and public witnesses.

IRS'S SUSPENSION—AFFIRMATIVE ACTION PROGRAM

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on Civil Service held a hearing on IRS' Suspension of Its Affirmative Action Program. Testimony was heard from Charles D. Fowler, III, National Director, Equal Employment Opportunity and Diversity, IRS, Department of the Treasury.

U.S. PERSONNEL OVERSEAS—SECURITY STATUS

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on National Security, International Affairs and Criminal Justice met in executive session to hold a hearing on the Security Status of U.S. Personnel Overseas. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Defense: Maj. Gen. James C. King, USA, Director, Intelligence, Joints Chiefs of Staff; H. Allen Holmes, Assistant Secretary, Special Operations and Low-Intensity Conflict; Brig. Gen. James T. Conway, USMC, Deputy Director, Combating Terrorism, Joints Chiefs of Staff; and the following officials from the Department of State: J. Eric Boswell, Assistant Secretary, Diplomatic Security; Jacquelyn L. Williams-Bridgers, Inspector General; and Mark Gebicke, Director, Military Operations and Capabilities Issues, National Security and International Affairs Division, GAO.

U.S./CHINA RELATIONS AND HUMAN RIGHTS

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on International Operations and Human Rights held a hearing on U.S./China Relations and Human Rights: Is Constructive Engagement Working? Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

AMENDMENT—RESTORING RELIGIOUS FREEDOM

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on the Constitution approved for full Committee action amended H.J. Res 78, proposing an amendment to the

Constitution of the United States restoring religious freedom.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Forest and Forest Health held a hearing on the following bills: H.R. 1659, Mount St. Helens National Volcanic Monument Completion Act; H.R. 2416, to provide for the transfer of certain rights and property to the United States Forest Service in exchange for a payment to the occupant of such property; and H.R. 2574, to consolidate certain mineral interest in the National grasslands in Billings County, ND, through the exchange of Federal and private mineral interest to enhance land management capabilities and environmental and wildlife protection. Testimony was heard from Senator Dorgan; Representative Earl Pomeroy; the following officials of the Forest Service, USDA: Sandra Key, Associate Deputy Chief, Programs and Legislation; and Paul Tittman, Chief Appraiser; Bob Anderson, Deputy Assistant Director, Minerals, Realty and Resource Protection, Bureau of Land Management, Department of the Interior and public witnesses.

FORAGE IMPROVEMENT ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted by voice vote, a modified open rule on H.R. 2493, Forage Improvement Act of 1997, providing one hour of general debate with 30 minutes equally divided between the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Resources and 30 minutes equally divided between the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Agriculture. The rule limits the amendment process to three hours. The rule makes in order the Resources Committee amendment in the nature of a substitute as an original bill for the purpose of amendment. The rule makes in order, before the consideration of any other amendment, a manager's amendment offered by Representative Smith of Oregon or his designee, which is printed in the Rules Committee report, is debatable for 10 minutes equally divided between the proponent and an opponent, is not subject to a demand for a division of the question, and if adopted will be considered as part of the base text. The rule provides priority recognition to members who pre-print their amendments in the Congressional Record. The rule also allows the Chairman of the Committee of the Whole to postpone votes during consideration of the bill, and to reduce votes to five minutes on a postponed question if the vote follows a fifteen minute vote. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Representatives Smith of Oregon, Chenoweth, and Vento.

NUCLEAR WASTE POLICY ACT OF 1997

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a structured rule on H.R. 1270, Nuclear Waste Policy Act of 1997, providing one hour of general debate equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Commerce and twenty minutes of general debate equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Resources. The rule waives points of order against consideration of the bill for failure to comply with section 306 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 (requiring provisions in the jurisdiction of the Committee of the Budget to be referred to or reported by the Committee on the Budget). The rule provides for consideration of the bill for amendment under the five minute rule. The rule provides for the consideration of the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Commerce as an original bill for the purpose of amendment. The rule waives points of order against the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute for failure to comply with clause 5(a) of rule XXI (prohibiting appropriations in authorization measures) and section 306 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 (requiring provisions in the jurisdiction of the Committee of the Budget to be referred to or reported by the Committee on the Budget). The rule also provides, notwithstanding clause 5(c) of rule XXIII (relating to motions to strike unfunded mandates), for consideration of only those amendments printed in the report of the Committee on Rules and that these amendments may only be offered in the order listed in the report and only by the Member designated in the report, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by a proponent and an opponent, shall not be subject to amendment and shall not be subject to a demand for a division of the question in the House or in the Committee of the Whole. The rule waives points of order against the last amendment printed in the Rules Committee report for failure to comply with clause 5(a) of rule XXI (prohibiting appropriations in authorization measures) and section 306 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 (requiring provisions in the jurisdiction of the Committee of the Budget to be referred to or reported by the Committee on the Budget). The rule allows the Chairman of the Committee of the Whole to reduce the voting time on any postponed question to five minutes provided that that vote follows a fifteen minute vote. The rule provides that after a motion that the Committee rise has been rejected on a day, the Chairman may entertain another such motion on that day only if offered by the Majority Leader or his designee. The rule also

provides that after the motion to strike out the enacting words of the bill (as described in clause 7 of rule XXIII) has been rejected, the Chairman may not entertain another such motion during the further consideration of the bill. The rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Further, the rule waives points of order against consideration in the House of S. 104 for failure to comply with section 306 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 (requiring provisions in the jurisdiction of the Committee of the Budget to be referred to or reported by the Committee on the Budget). The rule provides for the consideration of a motion to strike all after the enacting clause of S. 104 and to insert in lieu thereof the provisions of H.R. 1270, as passed by the House. Finally, the rule provides that upon the adoption of the motion and the Senate bill as amended, it is in order to move that the House insist on its amendment to S. 104 and request a conference thereon.

SIGNATURES IN A DIGITAL AGE

Committee on Science: Subcommittee on Technology held a hearing on Do You Know Who You Are Doing Business With? Signatures In a Digital Age. Testimony was heard from Andrew J. Pincus, General Counsel, Department of Commerce; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Public Buildings and Grounds approved for full Committee action the following: H.R. 623, to amend the Public Buildings Act of 1959 concerning the calculation of public building transactions; H.R. 2118, amended, Ban on Smoking in Federal Buildings Act; General Services Administration Improvement Act of 1997; 10 leasing resolutions; three amendments to previously approved resolutions; and one repair and alteration resolution.

**IMPACTS OF SUBSTANCE ABUSE—
FAMILIES RECEIVING WELFARE**

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Human Resources held a hearing on protecting children from the Impacts of Substance Abuse on Families Receiving Welfare. Testimony was heard from Representative Rangel; Jane Ross, Director, Income Security Issues, GAO; and public witnesses.

**EMPOWERMENT ZONE—ENTERPRISE
COMMUNITY PROGRAM**

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Oversight held a hearing on the performance of the Empowerment Zone/Enterprise Community Program. Testimony was heard from Representatives

Rangel and Hinchey; John Karl Scholz, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Tax Analysis, Department of the Treasury; Howard Glaser, Acting General Counsel and Deputy General Counsel, Department of Housing and Urban Development; Stanley J. Czerwinski, Associate Director, Housing and Community Development, GAO; Dick Posthumus, member, Senate, State of Michigan; Karl Schmoke, Mayor, Baltimore, Maryland; Paul D. Fraim, Mayor, Norfolk, Virginia; and public witnesses.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 29, 1997

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development, to hold hearings to examine the maintenance of the U.S. nuclear weapons stockpile without testing, 2:30 p.m., SD-124.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs, Subcommittee on Securities, to hold oversight hearings on securities litigation abuses, 10 a.m., SD-538.

Committee on the Budget, to hold hearings to examine U.S. policy implications for NATO enlargement, European Union expansion and the European Monetary Union, 10 a.m., SD-608.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, Subcommittee on Oceans and Fisheries, to hold hearings to examine the future of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration Corps, and S. 877, to disestablish the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration Corps of Commissioned Officers, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

Full Committee, to hold hearings on S. 943 and H.R. 2005, bills to revise Federal aviation law to declare that nothing in such law or in the Death on the High Seas Act shall affect any remedy existing at common law or under State law with respect to any injury or death arising out of any aviation incident occurring on or after January 1, 1995, 2 p.m., SR-253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, Subcommittee on National Parks, Historic Preservation, and Recreation, to hold hearings on S. 638, to provide for the expeditious completion of the acquisition of private mineral interests within the Mount St. Helens National Volcanic Monument mandated by the 1982 Act that established the monument, 2 p.m., SD-366.

Committee on Environment and Public Works, business meeting, to consider pending calendar and committee business, 9:30 a.m., SD-406.

Committee on Finance, to hold hearings on the nominations of David L. Aaron, of New York, to be Under Secretary of Commerce for International Trade, Mary Ann Cohen, of California, to be a Judge of the United States Tax Court, Margaret Ann Hamburg, of New York, to be an Assistant Secretary of Health and Human Services, Stanford G. Ross, of the District of Columbia, to be a Member of the Social Security Advisory Board, Social Security Administration, and David W. Wilcox, of Vir-

ginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Treasury, 10 a.m., SD-215.

Committee on Foreign Relations, to hold hearings on the nominations of Amy L. Bondurant, of the District of Columbia, to be Representative of the United States of America to the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development, with the rank of Ambassador, Terrence J. Brown, of Virginia, to be Assistant Administrator for Management, Thomas H. Fox, of the District of Columbia, to be an Assistant Administrator for Policy and Program Coordination, and Harriet C. Babbitt, of Arizona, to be Deputy Administrator, all of the Agency for International Development, and Kirk K. Robertson, of Virginia, to be Executive Vice President of the Overseas Private Investment Corporation, all of the Department of State, 11 a.m., SD-419.

Full Committee, to hold hearings on the nominations of Joseph A. Presel, of Rhode Island, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Uzbekistan, Stanley Tuemler Escudero, of Florida, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Azerbaijan, B. Lynn Pascoe, of Virginia, for the rank of Ambassador during his tenure of service as Special Negotiator for Nagorno-Karabakh, Steven Karl Pifer, of California, to be Ambassador to Ukraine, Kathryn Linda Haycock Proffitt, of Arizona, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Malta, James Catherwood Hormel, of California, to be Ambassador to Luxembourg, David B. Hermelin, of Michigan, to be Ambassador to Norway, Lyndon Lowell Olson, Jr., of Texas, to be Ambassador to Sweden, and Gerald S. McGowan, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Portugal, 2 p.m., SD-419.

Full Committee, to hold joint hearings with the United States Senate Caucus on International Narcotics Control, to examine United States-Mexican cooperation in efforts to combat drugs, 2 p.m., SD-106.

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, Subcommittee on Antitrust, Business Rights, and Competition, to hold hearings to examine antitrust implications of the proposed settlement between the State Attorneys General and tobacco companies to mandate a total reformation and restructuring of how tobacco products are manufactured, marketed, and distributed in America, 10 a.m., SD-226.

Full Committee, to hold hearings on pending nominations, 2 p.m., SD-226.

Committee on Indian Affairs, to hold hearings on S. 1077, to amend the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act, 9:30 a.m., SD-106.

House

Committee on Agriculture, hearing on H.R. 2534, Agricultural Research Extension and Education Reauthorization Act of 1997, 9:30 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

Subcommittee on Risk Management and Specialty Crops, hearing on the Review of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission's Government Performance Results Act Report, 1 p.m., 1302 Longworth.

Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Interior, hearing on Park Service Housing and Construction, 10 a.m., B-308 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, hearing on Child Health, 10:00 a.m., and 1:30 p.m., 2358 Rayburn.

Committee on Commerce, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing on Medicare Home Health, 10:30 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Telecommunications, Trade, and Consumer Protection, hearing and markup of H.R. 2691, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration Reauthorization Act of 1997; and to markup H.R. 2369, Wireless Privacy Enhancement Act of 1997, 10:30 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Education and the Workforce, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing on the American Worker at a Crossroads Project, "Future of Work in America", 10:30 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight, Subcommittee on Human Resources, will meet to consider an oversight report on Persian Gulf War veterans' illnesses, 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on International Relations, hearing on Recent Developments in Europe, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Asia and the Pacific, to markup the following measures: a resolution Congratulating the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) on the occasion of its 30th Anniversary; H. Con. Res. 172, expressing the sense of Congress in support of efforts to foster friendship and cooperation between the United States and Mongolia; H. Res. 231, urging the President to make clear to the Government of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam the commitment of the American people in support of democracy and religious and economic freedom for the people of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam; a resolution relating to the recent developments toward normalization of relations between India and Pakistan; and H. Con. Res. 156, expressing concern for the continued deterioration of human rights in Afghanistan and emphasizing the need for a peaceful political settlement in that country, 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary, to markup the following: H.R. 1023, Ricky Ray Hemophilia Relief Fund Act of 1997; H.R. 1753, to provide for the establishment of not less than 2,500 Boys and Girls Clubs of America facilities by the year 2000; H.R. 2460, Wireless Telephone Protec-

tion Act; H.R. 429, NATO Special Immigration Amendments of 1997; H.J. Res. 91, granting the consent of Congress to the Apalachicola-Chattahoochee-Flint River Basin Compact; H.J. Res. 92, granting the consent of Congress to the Alabama-Cossa Tallapoosa River Basin Compact; H.J. Res. 95, granting the consent of Congress to the Chickasaw Trail Economic Development Compact; H.J. Res. 96, granting the consent and approval of Congress for the State of Maryland, the Commonwealth of Virginia, and the District of Columbia to amend the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Regulation Compact; and private immigration bills, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Resources, hearing on the following bills: H.R. 100, Guam Commonwealth Act; H.R. 2370, Guam Judicial Empowerment Act of 1997; and S. 210, to amend the Organic Act of Guam, the Revised Organic Act of the Virgin Islands, and the Compact of Free Association Act, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Committee on Rules, to consider H.R. 2616 Charter Schools Amendments Act of 1997 and H.R. 2746, Helping Empower Low-income Parents (HELP) Scholarships Amendments of 1997, 1:30 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

Committee on Science, hearing on Science, Math, Engineering, and Technology Education (SMET) in America—Collaboration and Coordination of Federal Agency Efforts in SMET K-12 Education, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Small Business, hearing on SBA implementation of the Results Act, 11 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, to markup the following: H.R. 2626, to make clarifications to the Pilot Records Improvement Act of 1996; H.R. 2476, to amend title 49, United States Code, to require the National Transportation Safety Board and individual foreign air carriers to address the needs of families of passengers involved in aircraft accidents involving foreign air carriers; Water Resources Survey Resolution; and impending GSA resolutions, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

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Program for Wednesday: Senate will consider the nomination of William E. Kennard, of California, to be a Member of the Federal Communications Commission, with a vote to occur thereon, following which Senate may consider the conference report on H.R. 1119, National Defense Authorizations.

House Chamber

Program for Wednesday: Consideration of H.R. 1270, Nuclear Waste Policy Act (structured rule, 1 hour and 20 minutes of general debate);

Motion to instruct conferees on H.R. 2267, Commerce, Justice, State, Judiciary Appropriations Act;

Consideration of H.R. 2493, Forage Improvement Act (modified open rule, 1 hour of general debate); and

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