

reform the Internal Revenue Service, including related measures S. 1096 and H.R. 2676, receiving testimony from Representative Portman; Donald C. Alexander, Akin, Gump, Strauss, Hauer & Feld, Sheldon S. Cohen, Morgan, Lewis & Bockius, Fred T. Goldberg, Jr., Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom, and Margaret M. Richardson, Ernst & Young, each a former Commissioner of Internal Revenue, Michael E. Mares, American Institute of Certified Public Accountants, and Stefan F. Tucker, Tucker, Flyer & Lewis, on behalf of the American Bar Association, all of Washington, D.C.; Douglas C. Burnette, National Society of Accountants, Alexandria, Virginia; Paul Cherecwich, Jr., Thiokol Corporation, Ogden, Utah, on behalf of the Tax Executives Institute, Inc.; and Bryan E. Gates, Clearwater, Florida, on behalf of the National Association of Enrolled Agents.

Hearings continue on Thursday, February 5.

## MEDICARE FRAUD

*Committee on Governmental Affairs:* Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations resumed hearings to examine fraud in the Medicare program, focusing on the enrollment process administered by the Health Care Finance Administration, receiving testimony from John M. Frazzini, former Investigator, Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations; John E. Hartwig, Deputy Inspector General for Investigations, Cathy E. Colton, Assistant Regional Inspector General for Investigations (Miami, Florida), and Susan A. Frisco, Special Agent (New York City), all of the Office of Inspector General, and H. Donna Dymon, Nurse Consultant (San Francisco, California), and Dewey Price, Team Leader (Miami, Florida), both of Operation Restore Trust, both of the Health Care Financing Administration, all of the Department of Health and Human Resources; and an incarcerated witness.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

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# House of Representatives

## *Chamber Action*

The House was not in session today. It will next meet on Tuesday, February 3.

## *Committee Meetings*

### LABOR-HHS-EDUCATION APPROPRIATIONS

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education continued appropriation hearings. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### LEGISLATIVE APPROPRIATIONS

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Legislative held a hearing on the House of Representatives and the Office of Compliance. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the House of Representatives: Jay Eagen, Chief Administrator Officer; Frank Derville, Associate Administrator, Office of Finance; Robin H. Carle, Clerk; Jeff Trandahl, Deputy Clerk; Wilson S. Linvingood, Sergeant at Arms; John W. Lainhardt IV, Inspector General; Bob Frey, Deputy Inspector General; and John F. Eisold, M.D., Attending Physician; and the following officials of the Office of Compliance: Glen Nager, Chairman, Board of Directors; and Ricky Silberman, Executive Director.

### BRIEFING—WORLD-WIDE THREAT

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on National Security met in executive session to hold a briefing on World-Wide Threat. The Subcommittee was briefed by George Tenet, Director, CIA; and Lt. Gen. Patrick M. Hughes, USA, Director, Defense Intelligence Agency, Department of Defense.

### TOBACCO SETTLEMENT

*Committee on Commerce:* Held a hearing on the Tobacco Settlement: Views of Tobacco Industry Executives. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### WISCONSIN CHIPPEWA'S CASINO APPLICATION DENIAL

*Committee on Government Reform and Oversight:* Concluded hearings on the Department of the Interior's denial of the Wisconsin Chippewa's casino application. Testimony was heard from Bruce Babbitt, Secretary of the Interior.

### OVERSIGHT

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on the Constitution held an oversight hearing on Congress, the Courts and the Constitution. Testimony was heard from Representatives Lewis of Kentucky, Hostettler, Frank of Massachusetts and Campbell; Louis Fisher, Senior Specialist, Separation of Powers, Congressional Research Service, Library of Congress; and public witnesses.