

Soukup, Associate Director, Natural Resources Stewardship and Science, National Parks Service; and public witnesses.

SUSPENSIONS

Committee on Rules: Granted, by a vote of 8 to 0, a resolution providing that suspensions will be in order on Wednesday, February 11, 1998, or on Thursday, February 12, 1998. The rule provides that the Speaker or his designee shall consult with the Minority Leader or his designee on any suspension considered under this resolution.

NASA POSTURE

Committee on Science: Subcommittee on Space and Aeronautics held a hearing on NASA Posture. Testimony was heard from Daniel S. Goldin, Administrator, NASA.

PERSIAN GULF WAR VETERANS' ILLNESSES

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Held a hearing on the research, investigations and programs involving Persian Gulf War veterans' illnesses. Testimony was heard from Arthur Caplan, member, Presidential Advisory Committee on Gulf War Veterans' Illnesses; the following officials of the Department of Veterans' Affairs: Kenneth W. Kizer, Under Secretary, Health, and Joseph Thompson, Under Secretary, Benefits; Bernard Rostker, Special Assistant to the Deputy Secretary, Gulf War Illnesses, Department of Defense; the following officials of the GAO; Donna Heivilin, Director, Planning and Reporting, National Security and International Affairs Division, and Stephen Backhus, Director, Veterans' Affairs and Military Health Care Issues, Health, Education, and Human Services Division; and public witnesses.

IRAQ BRIEFING

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Met in executive session to hold a briefing on Iraq. The Committee was briefed by departmental witnesses.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 1998

Senate

No meetings are scheduled.

House

No meetings are scheduled.

Joint Meetings

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

CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of February 9 through 14, 1998

Senate Chamber

On *Monday*, Senate will resume consideration of the nomination of David Satcher, to be Surgeon General of the Public Health Service.

On *Tuesday*, Senate will vote on a motion to close further debate on the nomination of David Satcher, following which Senate expects to vote on the confirmation of Mr. Satcher. Senate will also vote on a motion to close further debate on the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 1601, proposed Human Cloning Prohibition Act.

During the balance of the week, Senate may consider any executive or legislative business cleared for action.

(Senate will recess on Tuesday, February 10, 1998, for 12:30 p.m. until 2:15 p.m. for respective party conferences.)

Senate Committees

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Committee on Appropriations: February 10, Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1999 for the Department of Agriculture, 10 a.m., SD-138.

February 11, Subcommittee on Defense, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1999 for the Department of Defense, 10 a.m., SD-192.

Committee on Armed Services: February 10 and 12, to resume hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 1999 for the Department of Defense and the future years defense program, 10 a.m., SR-222.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: February 10, Subcommittee on Financial Services and Technology, to hold hearings to examine the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation preparedness for the Year 2000, 10 a.m., SD-538.

February 11, Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Regulatory Relief, to hold hearings to examine bankruptcy reform issues, 10 a.m., SD-538.

Committee on the Budget: February 10, to hold hearings to review recent revenue growth in the United States, 10 a.m., SD-608.

February 11, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the fiscal relationship between the Federal government and State and local governments, 10 a.m., SD-608.

February 11, Full Committee, to resume hearings on proposals to reform the national education system, 2 p.m., SD-608.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: February 10, to hold hearings to examine incidences of indecency on the internet, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

February 10, Subcommittee on Science, Technology, and Space, to hold hearings to examine current computer security vulnerabilities within civilian Federal agencies and