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Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 6:50 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Thursday, February 12, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S676.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

BANKRUPTCY REFORM

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Regulatory Relief concluded hearings on proposals to reform current bankruptcy law and provide for consumer bankruptcy protection, including related provisions of S. 1301, H.R. 3150, H.R. 3146, and H.R. 2500, after receiving testimony from Robert Ginsburg, United States Bankruptcy Judge for the Northern District of Illinois, on behalf of the National Bankruptcy Review Commission; James E. Smith, Union State Bank and Trust, Clinton, Missouri, on behalf of the American Bankers Association; Robert R. Davis, America's Community Bankers, Washington, D.C.; Dorinda Simpson, American Partners Federal Credit Union, Reidsville, North Carolina, on behalf of the Credit Union National Association; Bruce L. Hammonds, MBNA Corporation, Wilmington, Delaware; Oakley Orser, Belk Stores Services, Inc., Charlotte, North Carolina, on behalf of the National Retail Federation; Mark Lauritano, Wharton Economics Forecasting Associates Group, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; Lawrence M. Ausubel, University of Maryland, College Park; William E. Brewer, Jr., Raleigh, North Carolina, on behalf of the National Association of Consumer Bankruptcy Attorneys; and Gary Klein, National Consumer Law Center, Boston, Massachusetts.

EDUCATION REFORM

Committee on the Budget: Committee concluded hearings to examine the Federal role in education reform, focusing on broad education reform strategies, including charter schools, vouchers and private management and specific reforms to the current federal education establishment, after receiving testimony from Susan S. Westin, Associate Director, Advanced

Studies and Evaluation Methodology, General Government Division, General Accounting Office; Chester E. Finn, Jr., Hudson Institute, Washington, D.C., former Assistant Secretary of Education; Chris Whittle, Edison Project, New York, New York; Eugene W. Hickok, Pennsylvania Department of Education, Harrisburg, on behalf of the Education Leaders Council; David L. Brennan, HOPE Academies, Cleveland, Ohio; and Henry R. Marockie, West Virginia Department of Education, Charleston, on behalf of the Council of Chief State School Officers.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Donald J. Barry, of Wisconsin, to be Assistant Secretary of the Interior for Fish and Wildlife, and Margaret Hornbeck Greene, of Kentucky, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the United States Enrichment Corporation.

NATIONAL DISCOVERY TRAILS/HISTORIC LIGHTHOUSE PRESERVATION

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee concluded hearings on S. 1069, to provide for the establishment of the American Discovery Trail as a component of the National Trails System, and S. 1403, to provide for the establishment of a national historic lighthouse preservation program, after receiving testimony from Katherine H. Stevenson, Associate Director, Cultural Resource Stewardship and Partnerships, National Park Service, Department of the Interior; Gloria Manning, Associate Deputy Chief, National Forest System, Forest Service, Department of Agriculture; Rear Adm. John T. Tozzi, USCG, Assistant Commandant, Coast Guard Systems, United States Coast Guard, Department of Transportation; Gordon S. Creed, Deputy Assistant Commissioner, Office of Property Disposal, Public Buildings Service, General Services Administration; Reese F. Lukei, Jr., American Discovery Trail Society, Virginia Beach, Virginia; David Lillard, American Hiking Society, Silver Spring, Maryland; John Viehman, Anyplace Wild Television, Camden, Maine; and Richard L. Moehl, Great Lakes Lighthouse Keepers Association, Dearborn, Michigan.

IRS REFORM

Committee on Finance: Committee resumed hearings on proposals and recommendations to restructure and reform the Internal Revenue Service, including a related measure H.R. 2676, focusing on proposals to reform the innocent spouse tax rules, receiving testimony from Richard Beck, New York Law School, Elizabeth Cockrell, and Svetlana Pejanovic, all of New York, New York; David Keating, National Taxpayers Union, Alexandria, Virginia; Marjorie