

amounts effectively (passed by a yea and nay vote of 386 yeas to 23 nays, Roll No. 26),

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Sam Nunn Federal Center: H.R. 613, to designate the Federal building located at 100 Alabama Street NW, in Atlanta, Georgia, as the "Sam Nunn Federal Center" and agreed to amend the title. Subsequently, the House passed S. 347, a similar Senate-passed bill, after striking all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the text of H.R. 613. Agreed to amend the title; and H.R. 613 was laid on the table.

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Recess: The House recessed at 4:17 p.m. and reconvened at 5:00 p.m.

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Presidential Messages: Read the following messages from the President:

Housing and Urban Development: Message wherein he transmitted the 32nd Annual Report of the Department of Housing and Urban Development which covers calendar year 1996—referred to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services;

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Interagency Arctic Research Policy Committee: Message wherein he transmitted the Seventh Biennial Report of the Interagency Arctic Research Policy Committee—referred to the Committee on Science; and

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National Drug Control Strategy: Message wherein he transmitted the 1998 National Drug Control Strategy—referred to the Committees on Judiciary, Agriculture, Banking and Financial Services, Commerce, Education and the Workforce, Government Reform and Oversight, International Relations, National Security, Resources, Transportation and Infrastructure, Veterans' Affairs, and Ways and Means.

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National Summit on Retirement Savings: The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of the following participants on the part of the House to the National Summit on Retirement Savings: Representative Fawell, Ms. Meredith Bagby of New York, Mr. James E. Bayne of Texas, Mr. Carroll A. Campbell, Jr. of South Carolina, Ms. Joyce Campbell of Washington, D.C., Ms. Hilda Cannon of Georgia, Mr. Christopher W. Clement of Arizona, Mr. Benjamin Tanner Domenech of Virginia, Mr. Clinton A. Demetriou of Georgia, Mr. Pete duPont of Delaware, Mr. Adam Dubitsky of Washington, D.C., Ms. Lynn D. Dudley of Washington, D.C., Mr. Ric Edelman of Virginia, Mr. John N. Erlenborn of Maryland, Ms. Shannon Evans of Nevada, Mr. Peter J. Ferrara of Virginia, Mr. Ray Gaydos of Washington, D.C., Mr. Craig Gholston of Texas, Mr. Arthur Glatfelter of Pennsylvania, Mr. Dylan Glenn of Georgia, Mr.

James T. Gordon of Georgia, Mr. Brian H. Graff of Virginia, Mr. Matthew Greenwald of Washington, D.C., Mr. Brent R. Harris of California, Mr. Donald K. Hill of Georgia, Ms. Amy M. Holmes of Washington, D.C., Ms. Karen A. Jordan of Alaska, Mr. John Kimpel of Massachusetts, Mrs. Beth Kobliner of New York, Mr. Gerald Letendre of New Hampshire, Mr. Ronald Lyons of Ohio, Mrs. Patricia De L. Marvil of Virginia, Mr. Philip Matthews of Connecticut, Mr. Thomas J. McNerney of Connecticut, Mr. Kevin M. McRaith of Minnesota, Ms. Rita D. Metras of New York, Ms. Lena Moore of Washington, D.C., Ms. Dana Muir of Michigan, Ms. Heather Nauert of Washington, D.C., Mr. Jeffrey M. Pollock of New Hampshire, Ms. Pati Robinson of Washington, Ms. Andrea Batista Schlesinger of New York, Mr. Eugene Schweikert of South Carolina, Mr. Charles Schwab of California, Ms. Victoria L. Swaja of Arizona, Mr. Richard Thau of New York, Ms. Sandra R. Turner of Florida, Mrs. Sunny Warren of Georgia, Mr. Albert Zapanta of Virginia, and Mr. Roger Zion of Indiana.

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Quorum Calls—Votes: One yea-and-nay vote developed during the proceedings of the House today and appears on pages H730-31. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: Met at 12:30 p.m. and adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Committee Meetings

USDA YEAR 2000 COMPLIANCE ENHANCEMENT ACT

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on Department Operations, Nutrition, and Foreign Agriculture approved for full Committee action amended H.R. 3280, USDA Year 2000 Compliance Enhancement Act.

Prior to this action, the Subcommittee held a hearing on this legislation. Testimony was heard from Representative Latham; Anne Thomson Reed, Chief Information Officer, USDA; and Joel Willemsen, Director, Civil Agencies Information System, Accountant and Information Management Division, GAO.

AGRICULTURE, RURAL DEVELOPMENT, FDA, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies held a hearing on Rural Development. Testimony was heard from Jill Long Thompson, Under Secretary, Rural Development, USDA.

INTERIOR APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Interior continued appropriation hearings with emphasis on Natural Resources. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

LABOR-HHS-EDUCATION APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education held a hearing on the Secretary of Health and Human Services, and the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration and the Inspector General. Testimony was heard from the following officials from the Department of Health and Human Services: Donna E. Shalala, Secretary; and Nelba Chavez, Administrator, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration.

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Military Construction held a hearing on Navy Construction. Testimony was heard from Robert B. Pirie, Jr., Assistant Secretary, Installations and Environment, Department of the Navy.

NATIONAL SECURITY APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on National Security met in executive session to hold a hearing on U.S. Special Operations Command. Testimony was heard from Gen. Peter J. Schoomaker, USA, Commander in Chief, U.S. Special Operations Command.

TRANSPORTATION APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Transportation held a hearing on the Secretary of Transportation. Testimony was heard from Rodney E. Slater, Secretary of Transportation.

VA-HUD-INDEPENDENT AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on VA-HUD and Independent Agencies held a hearing on FEMA. Testimony was heard from James Lee Witt, Director, FEMA.

EEOC—FUTURE DIRECTION

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Subcommittee on Employer-Employee Relations, hearing on the Future Direction of the EEOC. Testimony was heard from Speaker Gingrich; Paul Igasaki, Acting Chairman, EEOC; and public witnesses.

GOVERNMENT PERFORMANCE AND RESULTS ACT TECHNICAL AMENDMENTS

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight, Subcommittee on Government Management, Information and Technology began markup of H.R. 2883, Government Performance and Results Act Technical Amendments of 1997.

Will continue tomorrow.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES; BUDGET VIEWS AND ESTIMATES; COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Committee on the Judiciary: Ordered reported amended the following bills: H.R. 2294, Federal Courts Improvement Act of 1997; and H.R. 2696, Vessel Hull Design Protection Act.

The Committee approved the Committee's Fiscal Year 1999 Budget views and estimates for submission to the Committee on the Budget.

The Committee also approved pending Committee business.

RESALE SYSTEM AND CBO REPORT IMPLICATIONS

Committee on National Security: Special Oversight Panel on Morale, Welfare and Recreation held a hearing on the resale system and CBO report implications. Testimony was heard from Deborah Clay-Mendez, Acting Deputy Assistant Director, CBO; the following officials of the Department of Defense: Rudy de Leon, Under Secretary, Personnel and Readiness; Maj. Gen. Richard E. Beale, Jr., (Ret.), Director, Defense Commissary Agency; Maj. Gen. Allen D. Bungler, Commander, Army and Air Force Exchange Service; Rear Adm. Paul Soderberg, USN, Commander, Navy Exchange Service Command; and Mike Tharrington, Director, Morale, Welfare, and Recreation, Headquarters, U.S. Marine Corps; and public witnesses.

DOD—MILITARY CONSTRUCTION AND MILITARY FAMILY HOUSING BUDGET REQUESTS

Committee on National Security: Subcommittee on Military Installations and Facilities held a hearing on the Administration's fiscal year 1999 budget request for the military construction and military family housing programs of the Department of Defense. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Defense: Robert B. Pirie, Jr., Assistant Secretary, Navy (Installations and Facilities); Rear Adm. David J. Nash, USN, Commander, Naval Facilities Engineering Command; Brig. Gen. James M. Hayes, USMC, Assistant Deputy Chief of Staff, Installations and Logistics (Facilities), Headquarters, U.S. Marine Corps; Rear Adm. John B. Totushek, USN, Deputy Director, Naval Reserve; Jimmy G.

Dishner, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Air Force (Installations); Maj. Gen. Eugene A. Lupia, USAF, The Civil Engineer, Headquarters, U.S. Air Force; Maj. Gen. Paul A. Weaver, Jr., USAF, Director, Air National Guard; and Brig. Gen. Ralph S. Clemm, USAF, Deputy to the Chief, Office of Air Forces Reserve.

SPORTFISHING AND BOATING IMPROVEMENT ACT

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Fisheries Conservation, Wildlife and Oceans held a hearing on H.R. 2973, Sportfishing and Boating Improvement Act of 1997. Testimony was heard from Representative Tanner; Dan Ashe, Assistant Director, External Affairs, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior; and public witnesses.

PUERTO RICO—FULL SELF GOVERNMENT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, an open rule providing 90 minutes of general debate on H.R. 856, to provide a process leading to a full self government for Puerto Rico, equally divided and controlled by Representative Young (AK), Representative Miller (CA), Representative Solomon, and Representative Gutierrez or their designees. The rule makes in order the amendment in the nature of a substitute printed in the Congressional Record and numbered 1, which shall be considered as read. The rule waives clause 5(a) of rule XXI (prohibiting appropriations in a legislative bill) against the amendment in the nature of a substitute.

The rule provides for the consideration, before any other amendment, of amendment numbered 3, printed in the Congressional Record, which is debatable for 1 hour equally divided between Representative Serrano and an opponent. The rule provides for the consideration of amendment numbered 2, printed in the Congressional Record, which is debatable for 30 minutes equally divided between Representative Serrano and an opponent. The rule provides that amendments numbered 3 and 2 shall be considered as read and shall not be subject to a demand for a division of the question in the House or in the Committee of the Whole, and that consideration of those amendments, and all amendments thereto, shall not exceed one hour.

The rule authorizes the Chair to accord priority in recognition to Members who have preprinted their amendments in the Congressional Record. The rule allows for the Chairman of the Committee of the Whole to postpone votes during consideration of the bill, and to reduce voting time 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 Chairman Young; and Rep-

resentatives Rohrabacher, Barr of Georgia, Miller of California, Romero-Barcelo, Serrano and Gutierrez.

SBA'S BUDGET—ANNUAL PERFORMANCE PLAN

Committee on Small Business: Held a hearing on the SBA's fiscal year 1999 Budget and their annual performance plan. Testimony was heard from Aida Alvarez, Administrator, SBA.

REPORTS—MEDICARE PAYMENT POLICIES

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Health held a hearing on reports regarding Medicare payment policies. Testimony was heard from Gail R. Wilensky, Chair, Medicare Payment Advisory Commission; William J. Scanlon, Director, Health Financing and Systems Issues, Health, Education, and Human Services Division, GAO; and public witnesses.

Joint Meetings

VETERANS PROGRAMS

Joint Hearing: Senate Committee on Veterans Affairs concluded joint hearings with the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs to examine the legislative recommendations of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States, after receiving testimony from John E. Moon, Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States, Washington, D.C.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, MARCH 4, 1998

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, State, and the Judiciary, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1999 for the Department of Commerce, 10 a.m., S-146, Capitol.

Subcommittee on Defense, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1999 for the Department of Defense, focusing on Air Force programs, 10:30 a.m., SD-192.

Committee on Armed Services, Subcommittee on Airland Forces, to hold hearings to examine military transformation initiatives, 10 a.m., SR-222.

Subcommittee on Readiness, to hold hearings on the ongoing competitions to determine the dispositions workloads currently performed at Sacramento and San Antonio Air Logistics Centers, 10 a.m., SH-216.

Subcommittee on Personnel, to hold hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 1999 for the Department of Defense and the future years defense program, focusing on recruiting and retention policies, 2 p.m., SR-222.