

Friday, March 20, 1998

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S2351–S2375

Measures Introduced: Two bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 1807 and 1808 and S. Con. Res. 86. **Pages S2363–64**

Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows: S. Con. Res. 86, setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal years 1999, 2000, 2001, 2002, and 2003 and revising the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 1998. (S. Rept. No. 105–170) **Page S2363**

Measures Passed:

National Tartan Day: Senate agreed to S. Res. 155, designating April 6 of each year as “National Tartan Day” to recognize the outstanding achievements and contributions made by Scottish Americans to the United States. **Page S2373**

National Breast Cancer Survivors Day: Senate agreed to S. Res. 198, designating April 1, 1998, as “National Breast Cancer Survivors Day”. **Page S2373**

NATO Enlargement: Senate resumed consideration of Protocols to the North Atlantic Treaty of 1949 on Accession of Poland, Hungary, and the Czech Republic (Treaty Doc. 105–36), with seven declarations and four conditions. **Pages S2351–54, S2357–58**

Education Savings Act for Public and Private Schools—Cloture Vote Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for the vote on the motion to close further debate on H.R. 2646, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow tax-free expenditures from education individual retirement accounts for elementary and secondary school expenses, and to increase the maximum annual amount of contributions to such accounts, to occur on Tuesday, March 24, 1998 at 5:30 p.m. **Page S2374**

Emergency Supplemental Appropriations—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was

reached providing for the consideration of S. 1768, making emergency supplemental appropriations for recovery from natural disasters, and for overseas peacekeeping efforts, for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998, on Monday, March 23, 1998. **Page S2374**

Removal of Injunction of Secrecy: The injunction of secrecy was removed for the following treaty:

Treaty with Saint Kitts and Nevis on Mutual Legal Assistance in Criminal Matters (Treaty Doc. 105–37)

The treaty was transmitted to the Senate today, considered as having been read for the first time, and referred, with accompanying papers, to the Committee on Foreign Relations and was ordered to be printed. **Pages S2372–73**

Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

46 Air Force nominations in the rank of general.
3 Army nominations in the rank of general.

12 Marine Corps nominations in the rank of general.

1 Navy nomination in the rank of admiral.

Routine lists in the Air Force, Army, Marine Corps. **Pages S2373–74**

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m., and adjourned at 1:40 p.m., until 12 noon, on Monday, March 23, 1998. (For Senate’s program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today’s Record, on pages S2374–75.)

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. It will next meet on Monday, March 23.

Committee Meetings

OVERHEAD ACQUISITION ISSUES; IMAGERY INTELLIGENCE ISSUES; SIGNALS INTELLIGENCE ISSUES

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Met in executive session to hold hearings on the following: Overhead Acquisition Issues; Imagery Intelligence Issues; and Signals Intelligence Issues. Testimony was heard from departmental witnesses.

CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of March 23 through 28, 1998

Senate Chamber

On *Monday*, Senate will consider S. 1768, emergency supplemental appropriations.

On *Tuesday*, Senate will resume consideration of H.R. 2646, Education Savings Act for Public and Private Schools, with a cloture vote to occur thereon.

Also, during the week, Senate may resume consideration of Treaty Doc. (105-36), NATO Enlargement, and consider S. 270, Texas Low-Level Radioactive Waste Disposal Compact, S. 414, Ocean Shipping Reform Act, and any executive or legislative business cleared for action.

(Senate will recess on Tuesday, March 24, 1998, from 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: March 24, Subcommittee on Transportation, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1999 for AMTRAK, focusing on the future of AMTRAK, 9 a.m., SD-192.

March 24, Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, Tuesday, to hold hearings on issues with regard to Alzheimer's disease, 9:30 a.m.; to hold hearings on drug addiction and recovery issues, 10:30 a.m.; Tuesday at 9:30 a.m. and Tuesday at 10:30 a.m., SH-216.

March 24, Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1999 for the Farm Service Agency, Foreign Agricultural Service, and the Risk Management Agency, all of the Department of Agriculture, 10 a.m., SD-138.

March 24, Subcommittee on Foreign Operations, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1999 for foreign assistance programs, focusing on infectious diseases, 10:30 a.m., SD-124.

March 25, Subcommittee on Defense, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1999 for the Department of Defense, focusing on Army programs, 10 a.m., SD-192.

March 26, Subcommittee on Interior, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1999 for the National Endowment for the Arts, National Foundation on the Arts and the Humanities, 9:30 a.m., SD-124.

March 26, Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1999 for the Corp of Engineers, and the Bureau of Reclamation, Department of the Interior, 9:30 a.m., SD-116.

March 26, Subcommittee on Treasury, Postal Service, and General Government, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1999 for the Office of National Drug Control Policy, 9:30 a.m., SD-192.

Committee on Armed Services: March 24, Subcommittee on Acquisition and Technology, to hold hearings to examine Research, Development, Test and Evaluation management reform and related issues, 9:30 a.m., SR-232A.

March 24, Subcommittee on Strategic Forces, to resume hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 1999 for the Department of Defense and the future years defense program, focusing on Ballistic Missile Defense Programs, 2:30 p.m., SR-222.

March 25, Subcommittee on Airland Forces, to resume hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 1999 for the Department of Defense and the future years defense program, focusing on tactical aviation modernization, 10 a.m., SR-222.

March 25, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the situation in the Persian Gulf, 2 p.m., SR-222.

March 26, Full Committee, to resume hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 1999 for the Department of Defense and the future years defense program, focusing on Department of Energy atomic energy defense activities, 10 a.m., SR-222.

March 26, Subcommittee on Strategic Forces, to resume hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 1999 for the Department of Defense and the future years defense program, focusing on the DOD domestic emergency response program and support to the interagency preparedness efforts, including the federal response plan and the city training program, 2 p.m., SR-222.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: March 25, to hold hearings on the nomination of Arthur Levitt Jr., of New York, to be a Member of the Securities and Exchange Commission, 2 p.m., SD-538.

March 26, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the implications of the recent Supreme Court decision regarding credit union memberships, 9:30 a.m., SD-538.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: March 24, to hold hearings to examine business practices in the professional boxing industry, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

March 24, Full Committee, to resume hearings on proposed legislation to reform and restructure the process by which tobacco products are manufactured, marketed, and distributed, to prevent the use of tobacco products by minors, and to redress the adverse health effects of tobacco use, 2:30 p.m., SR-253.

March 25, Subcommittee on Communications, to hold hearings on the implementation of section 271 of the Telecommunications Act (P.L. 104-104) relating to the application process for local telephone companies desiring to provide long distance service, and on S. 1766, to permit Bell operating companies to provide interstate and intrastate telecommunications services within one year after the date of enactment of this Act, 2:30 a.m., SR-253.

March 26, Subcommittee on Oceans and Fisheries, to hold hearings on S. 1221, to prevent foreign ownership and control of United States flag vessels employed in the fisheries in the navigable waters and exclusive economic zone of the United States, and to prevent the issuance of fishery endorsements to certain vessels, 2 p.m., SR-253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: March 24, Subcommittee on National Parks, Historic Preservation, and Recreation, to hold hearings on S. 887, to establish in the National Park Service the National Underground Railroad Network to Freedom program, S. 991, to make technical corrections to the Omnibus Parks and Public Lands Management Act of 1996, S. 1695, to establish the Sand Creek Massacre National Historic Site in the State of Colorado, and S.J. Res. 41, approving the location of a Martin Luther King, Jr., Memorial in the Nation's Capital, 2 p.m., SD-366.

March 25, Subcommittee on Forests and Public Land Management, to hold hearings on general land exchange bills, including S. 890, S. 1109, S. 1468, S. 1469, S. 1510, S. 1683, S. 1719, S. 1752, H.R. 1439, and H.R. 1663, 2 p.m., SD-366.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: March 24, business meeting, to mark up S. 8, to reauthorize and amend the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Liability, and Compensation Act of 1980 (Superfund), 11 a.m., SD-406.

Committee on Finance: March 24, Subcommittee on Social Security and Family Policy, to hold hearings to examine the social security policy for children, 2:30 p.m., SD-215.

Committee on Foreign Relations: March 24, Subcommittee on East Asian and Pacific Affairs, to hold hearings to examine the present economic and political turmoil in Indonesia, focusing on causes and solutions, 10 a.m., SD-419.

Committee on Governmental Affairs: March 24, Subcommittee on Oversight of Government Management, Restructuring and the District of Columbia, to hold joint hearings with the House Government Reform and Oversight Committee's Subcommittee on Government Management, Information, and Technology to examine the proposed "Fair Competition Act of 1998", focusing on a

new free market approach to Federal contracting, 2 p.m., SD-342.

Committee on the Judiciary: March 24, to hold hearings on pending nominations, 2:30 p.m., SD-138.

March 25, Subcommittee on Constitution, Federalism, and Property Rights, to hold hearings to examine the tradition and importance of protecting the United States flag, 2 p.m., SD-226.

March 26, Full Committee, business meeting, to consider pending calendar business, 10 a.m., SD-226.

Committee on Labor and Human Resources: March 24, to hold hearings on proposed legislation relating to health care quality, 10 a.m., SD-430.

March 26, Subcommittee on Children and Families, to hold joint hearings with the House Committee on Education and the Workforce Subcommittee on Early Childhood, Youth and Families to examine the effectiveness of the Head Start education program, 9:30 a.m., SD-430.

Committee on Rules and Administration: March 25, to hold hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 1999 for the Federal Election Commission, 9:30 a.m., SR-301.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: March 24, to hold hearings on S. 1021, to provide that consideration may not be denied to preference eligibles applying for certain positions in the competitive service, 2:15 p.m., SR-418.

March 25, Full Committee, to hold joint hearings with the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs to review the legislative recommendations of AMVETS, the American Ex-Prisoners of War, the Vietnam Veterans of America, and the Retired Officers Association, 9:30 a.m., 345 Cannon Building.

Select Committee on Intelligence: March 25 and 26, to hold closed hearings on intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

House Chamber

Monday, pro forma session.

Tuesday, the House will meet at 12:30 p.m. for morning hour and at 2:00 p.m. for consideration of 6 suspensions:

1. H.R. 2843, Aviation Medical Assistance Act of 1997;
 2. H.R. 3039, Veterans Transitional Housing Opportunities Act of 1997;
 3. H.R. 3211, Eligibility Requirements for Burial in Arlington National Cemetery;
 4. H.R. 3213, to Clarify Enforcement of Veterans' Employment Rights;
 5. H.R. 3412, Small Business Investment Company Technical Corrections Act; and
 6. H.R. 118, Traffic Stops Statistics Study Act;
- Consideration of 1 measure from the Corrections Calendar:

H.R. 3096, to correct a provision relating to termination of benefits for convicted persons.

NOTE: *No recorded votes are expected before 5:00 p.m.*

Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, Consideration of H.R. 2578, to extend the visa waiver pilot program

and collect data on non immigrants who remain in the U.S. after the expiration of their authorized stay (subject to a rule being granted);

Consideration of H.R. 2589, Copyright Term Extension Act (subject to a rule being granted);

Consideration of H.R. 3310, Small Business Paperwork Reduction Act Amendments (subject to a rule being granted);

Consideration of H.R. 2515, Forest Recovery and Protection Act (subject to a rule being granted);

Consideration of H.R. 3246, Fairness for Small Business and Employees Act (subject to a rule being granted);

Consideration of H.R. 3485, to amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to reform the financing of Federal office campaigns (subject to a rule being granted); and

Consideration of the Conference Report to H.R. 1757, State Department Authorization Act (rule waiving all points of order);

House Committees

Committee on Agriculture, March 25, Subcommittee on Forestry, Resource Conservation, and Research, hearing on the effect of electric deregulation on rural areas, 9:30 a.m., and to consider agricultural credit legislation, 2 p.m., 1300 Longworth.

March 26, Subcommittee on Livestock, Dairy, and Poultry, hearing on review of the USDA's Federal Milk Marketing Order Reform, 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

Committee on Appropriations, March 24, Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development, on U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, 2 p.m., 2362-B Rayburn.

March 24, Subcommittee on Interior, on the Department of Energy—Conservation, 1:30 p.m., 308-B Rayburn.

March 24, Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, on National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke, and National Institute of General Medical Services, 10 a.m., and on GAO—Department of Education Oversight, 2 p.m., 2358 Rayburn.

March 24, Subcommittee on Treasury, on the National Archives, 10 a.m., and on the GSA, 2 p.m., 2359 Rayburn.

March 24, Subcommittee on VA, HUD and Independent Agencies, on NSF, 2 p.m., H-143 Capitol.

March 25, Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, State, and Judiciary, on the FCC, 10 a.m., H-309 Capitol and the Bureau of the Census, 2 p.m., 2358 Rayburn.

March 25, Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development, on the Bureau of Reclamation, 10 a.m., 2362-B Rayburn.

March 25, Subcommittee on Interior, on the Bureau of Indian Affairs, 10 a.m., and on the Indian Health Service, 1:30 p.m., 308-B Rayburn.

March 25, Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, Office of AIDS Research; Office of the Director, NIH; Building and Facilities, 10 a.m.,

and on the Secretary of Education, 2 p.m., 2358 Rayburn.

March 25, Subcommittee on National Security, on FY 1999 Department of Defense Budget, 9:30 a.m., H-140 Capitol.

March 25 and 26, Subcommittee on VA, HUD, and Independent Agencies, on Department of Housing and Urban Development, 10 a.m., and 2 p.m., 2359 Rayburn.

March 26, Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, State, and the Judiciary, on State and Local Law Enforcement, 2 p.m., H-309 Capitol.

March 26, Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development, on Appalachian Regional Commission, 10 a.m., 2362-B Rayburn.

March 26, Subcommittee on Interior, the Committee on the Budget and the Committee on Resources, joint oversight hearing on the Forest Service, 11 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

March 26, Subcommittee on the Interior, on Department of Education Conservation, 1:30 p.m., B-308 Rayburn.

March 26, Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, on Elementary and Secondary Education; Bilingual Education and Minority Languages Affairs, 10 a.m., and on Howard University and on Special Institutions for the Disabled, 2 p.m., 2358 Rayburn.

Committee on Banking and Financial Services, March 24, full Committee, hearing on Assessing the Year 2000 Readiness of Critical Systems at HUD, Treasury, and Federal Financial Regulatory Agencies, 2 p.m., 2128 Rayburn.

March 26, Subcommittee on Housing and Community Opportunity, hearing on the Role of Mortgage Brokers in the Mortgage Finance System, 2 p.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on the Budget, March 25, Task Force on Budget Process, hearing on Joint Budget Resolution (Should the Budget be a Law?), 10 a.m., 210 Cannon.

Committee on Commerce, March 24, Subcommittee on Telecommunications, Trade and Consumer Protection, hearing on Wireless Enhanced 911 Services, 2 p.m., 2123 Rayburn.

March 25, Subcommittee on Energy and Power, hearing on reauthorization of the NRC, 2:30 p.m., 2322 Rayburn.

March 26, Subcommittee on Health and Environment, hearing on New Developments in Medical Research: NIH and Patient Groups, 10:30 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Education and the Workforce, March 24, Subcommittee on Workforce Protections, hearing on Federal Employment Compensation Act, 10 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

March 25, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing on the Department of Labor's Denial of Employment Service Funds to the States, 1 p.m., 2261 Rayburn.

March 26, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing on Financial Affairs of the International Brotherhood of Teamsters, 10 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

March 27, Subcommittee on Workforce Protections, hearing to review pending OSHA legislation, 9:30 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight, March 26, Subcommittee on Civil Service, hearing on Long Term Care Insurance as an Employee Benefit, 9:30 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

March 26, Subcommittee on Government Management, Information, and Technology, hearing on the following: the Statistical Consolidation Act of 1998; and S. 1404, Federal Statistical System Act of 1997, 2 p.m., 2247 Rayburn.

Committee on International Relations, March 25, to markup H.R. 2431, Freedom From Religious Persecution Act of 1997, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

March 25, Subcommittee on the Western Hemisphere, hearing on the FY 1999 AID Budget Request for Latin America and the Caribbean, 2:30 p.m., 2200 Rayburn.

March 26, full Committee, hearing to review U.S. Assistance Programs to Russia, the Ukraine and the New Independent States, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

March 26, Subcommittee on International Operations and Human Rights, hearing on the Betrayal of Srebrenica: Why Did the Massacre Happen? Will It Happen Again? 1:30 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary, March 24, to continue markup of H.R. 1252, Judicial Reform Act of 1997; and to markup the following: Alternative Dispute Resolution Act of 1998; H.R. 2652, Collections of Information Antipiracy Act; and H.R. 2759, Health Professional Shortage Area Nursing Relief Act of 1997, 2 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

March 24, Subcommittee on Immigration and Claims, hearing regarding the immigration provisions of H.R. 2431, Freedom from Religious Persecution Act of 1997, 9:30 a.m., 2237 Rayburn.

March 25, Subcommittee on the Constitution, hearing on H.J. Res. 84, proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States to provide a procedure by which the States may propose constitutional amendments, 9:30 a.m., 2237 Rayburn.

March 25, Subcommittee on Crime, to continue hearings on H.R. 1524, Rural Law Enforcement Assistance Act of 1997; and to hold a hearing on H.R. 2829, Bulletproof Vest Partnership Grant Act of 1997, 10 a.m., 2226 Rayburn.

March 26, Subcommittee on the Constitution, to continue oversight hearings on the Need for Federal Protection of Religious Freedom after *Boerne v. Flores*, II, 9:30 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

March 26, Subcommittee on Courts and Intellectual Property, oversight hearing on privacy in electronic communications, 10 a.m., 2237 Rayburn.

March 26, Subcommittee on Crime, hearing on the following: Controlled Substances Trafficking Prohibition Act; and H.R. 2070, Correction Officers Health and Safety Act of 1997, 9:30 a.m., B-352 Rayburn.

Committee on National Security, March 26, to continue hearings on the fiscal year 1999 National Defense authorization request, 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Committee on Resources, March 24, Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources, hearing on H.R. 3334, Royalty Enhancement Act of 1998, 2 p.m., 1324 Longworth.

March 24, Subcommittee on Forests and Forest Health, hearing on the following bills; H.R. 3381, Gallatin Land Consolidation Act of 1998; H.R. 2886, Granite Watershed Enhancement and Protection Act of 1997; California Spotted Owl Interim Protection Act of 1998; and H.R. 1021 Miles Land Exchange Act of 1997, 10 a.m., 1334 Longworth.

March 24, Subcommittee on National Parks and Public Lands, oversight hearing on Realty Appraisal Process on BLM Land Exchanges, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

March 25, full committee, to consider the following bills: H.R. 1522, to extend the authorization for the National Historic Preservation; H.R. 1833, Tribal Self-Governance Amendments of 1997; H.R. 2098, National Cave and Karst Research Institute Act; H.R. 2742, California Indian Land Transfer Act; H.R. 3069, Advisory Council on California Indian Policy Act of 1997; and H.R. 3297, to suspend the continued development of a roadless area policy on public domain units and other units of the National Forest System pending adequate public participation and determinations that a roadless area policy will not adversely affect forest health, 11 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

March 26, Subcommittee on National Parks and Public Lands, hearing on the following bills; H.R. 2538, to establish a Presidential commission to determining the validity of certain land claims arising out of the Treaty of Guadalupe-Hidalgo of 1848 involving the descendants of persons who were Mexican citizens at the time of the Treaty; H.R. 2776, to amend the Act entitled "An Act to provide for the establishment of the Morristown National Historical Park in the State of New Jersey, and for other purposes" to authorize the acquisition of property known as the Warren property; and H.R. 3047, to authorize expansion of Fort Davis National Historic Site in Fort Davis, Texas, by 16 acres, 10 a.m., 1334 Longworth.

March 26, Subcommittee on Water and Power, on H.R. 3267, Sonny Bono Memorial Salton Sea Reclamation Act, 2 p.m., 1334 Longworth.

Committee on Rules, March 24, to consider the following: H.R. 2578, to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to extend the visa waiver pilot program, and to provide for the collection of data with respect to the number of non-immigrants who remain in the United States after the expiration of the period of stay authorized by the Attorney General; and H.R. 2589, Copyright Term Extension Act, 3:30 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

March 25, to consider the following: H.R. 3310, Small Business Paperwork Reduction Act Amendments of 1998; H.R. 2515, Forest Recovery and Protection Act of 1997; and H.R. 3246, Fairness for Small Business and Employees Act of 1998, 11 a.m., H-313 Capitol.

Committee on Science, March 24, Subcommittee on Technology and the Subcommittee on Early Childhood, Youth and Families, joint oversight hearing on Educating our Children with Technology Skills to Compete in the Next Millennium, 2 p.m., 2318 Rayburn.

March 25, full Committee, oversight hearing on International Science, 9:30 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

March 25, Subcommittee on Energy and Environment, oversight hearing on the Fiscal Year 1999 Budget Authorization Requests: Department of Energy, EPA Research and Development, and NOAA, 2 p.m., 2325 Rayburn.

March 26, Subcommittee on Technology, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 3007, Commission on the Advancement of Women in Science, Engineering, and Technology Development Act; and H.R. 2544, Technology Transfer Commercialization Act of 1997, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Small Business, March 25, Subcommittee on Taxation, Finance and Exports, hearing on The First Step: Death Tax Reform, 10 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

March 26, Subcommittee on Empowerment, hearing on urban education, 10 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, March 24, to continue markup of H.R. 2400, the Building Efficient Surface Transportation and Equity Act, 3 p.m., 2167 Rayburn.

March 25, Subcommittee on Aviation, to continue hearings on the Reauthorization of the Federal Aviation Administration and Airport Improvement Program in Light of the Recommendations of the National Civil Aviation Review Commission, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

March 25, Subcommittee on Public Buildings and Economic Development, hearing on the Reauthorization of Federal Funding for Operations, Maintenance and Capital improvement for the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts, 10:30 a.m., 2253 Rayburn.

March 26, Subcommittee on Railroads, hearing on Rail Safety Reauthorization: Federal Railroad Administration Resources Requirements, 2 p.m., 2167 Rayburn.

March 26, Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment, to markup H.R. 3035, National Drought Policy Act of 1997, 9:30 a.m., and to continue hearings on the Federal Cost of Disaster Assistance, 10 a.m., 2167, Rayburn.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs, March 25, to markup of FY 1999 Construction Authorization legislation, 1 p.m., 334 Cannon.

March 26, Subcommittee on Benefits, hearing on Government Performances and Results Act (GPRA) principles at the Veterans Benefits Administration, 10 a.m., 334 Cannon.

Committee on Ways and Means, March 24, Subcommittee on Health, hearing on patient confidentiality, 10 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

March 25, Subcommittee on Social Security, to mark up H.R. 3433, Ticket to Work and Self-Sufficiency Act of 1998, 10 a.m., B-318 Rayburn.

March 26, full Committee, to mark up H.R. 2400, Building Efficient Surface Transportation and Equity Act of 1997, 10 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, March 24, executive, briefing on Requirements Process, 2 p.m., H-405 Capitol.

March 25, executive, briefing on Information Assurance, 4 p.m., H-405 Capitol.

March 26, executive, hearing on Analysis and Production Issues, 2 p.m., H-405 Capitol.

Joint Meetings

Joint Economic Committee: March 24, to hold hearings to examine potential problems with cyber banking and protecting the cyber infrastructure while eliminating the potential of economic tampering and espionage, 10 a.m., SD-628.

Joint hearing: March 24, Senate Committee on Governmental Affairs' Subcommittee on Oversight of Government Management, Restructuring and the District of Columbia, to hold joint hearings with the House Government Reform and Oversight Committee's Subcommittee on Government Management, Information, and Technology to examine the proposed "Fair Competition Act of 1998", focusing on a new free market approach to Federal contracting, 2 p.m., SD-342.

Joint hearing: March 25, Senate Committee on Veterans Affairs, to hold joint hearings with the House Committee on Veterans Affairs to review the legislative recommendations of AMVETS, the American Ex-Prisoners of War, the Vietnam Veterans of America, and the Retired Officers Association, 9:30 a.m., 345 Cannon Building.

Joint hearing: March 26, Senate Committee on Labor and Human Resources' Subcommittee on Children and Families, to hold joint hearings with the House Committee on Education and the Workforce Subcommittee on Early Childhood, Youth and Families to examine the effectiveness of the Head Start education program, 9:30 a.m., SD-430.

Next Meeting of the SENATE
12 noon, Monday, March 23

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
2 p.m., Monday, March 23

Senate Chamber

Program for Monday: Senate will consider S. 1768, emergency supplemental appropriations.

House Chamber

Program for Monday: No legislative business scheduled.



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