

Tuesday, May 12, 1998

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate agreed to Agriculture Research, Extension, and Education Reform Conference Report.

Senate passed National Science Foundation Reauthorization/Anti-Slamming Legislation.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S4639–S4748

Measures Introduced: Nine bills and four resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2062–2070, S. Con. Res. 95, and S. Res. 227–229. **Pages S4712–13**

Measures Passed:

National Science Foundation Authorization: Committee on Labor and Human Resources was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 1273, to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 1998 and 1999 for the National Science Foundation, and by a unanimous vote of 99 yeas (Vote No. 127), the bill was then passed, after striking all after the enacting clause and inserting the text of S. 1046, Senate companion measure, and agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto, as follows:

Jeffords (for McCain) Amendment No. 2386, in the nature of a substitute. **Pages S4659–64**

Subsequently, S. 1046 was returned to the Senate calendar.

Anti-Slamming: By a unanimous vote of 99 yeas (Vote No. 130). Senate passed S. 1618, to amend the Communications Act of 1934 to improve the protection of consumers against “slamming” by telecommunications carriers, after agreeing to committee amendments, and taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows: **Pages S4638–S4709**

Adopted:
McCain/Hollings Amendment No. 2389, in the nature of a substitute. **Pages S4690–91**

McCain (for Feingold) Amendment No. 2390, to authorize the enforcement by State and local governments of certain Federal Communications Commission regulations regarding use of citizens band radio equipment. **Page S4691**

Dorgan (for Feinstein) Amendment No. 2391, to modify the exception to the prohibition on the interception of wire, oral, or electronic communications to require that all parties to communications with health insurance providers consent to their interception. **Pages S4694–95**

Dorgan (for Rockefeller) Amendment No. 2392, to require truth in billing procedures for telecommunications carriers. **Pages S4702–04**

Printing Authority: Senate agreed to S. Res. 228, to authorize the printing of a document entitled “Washington’s Farewell Address”. **Page S4745**

Commemorating the 150th Anniversary of the Chicago Board of Trade: Senate agreed to S. Res. 229, commemorating the 150th anniversary of the establishment of the Chicago Board of Trade. **Pages S4745–47**

Wisconsin Statehood: Senate agreed to S. Con. Res. 75, honoring the sesquicentennial of Wisconsin Statehood. **Page S4747**

Commemorating Law Enforcement Officers: Senate agreed to S. Res. 201, to commemorate and acknowledge the dedication and sacrifice made by the men and women who have lost their lives while serving as law enforcement officers. **Page S4747**

Agriculture Research, Extension, and Education Reform Act—Conference Report: By 92 yeas to 8 nays (Vote No. 129), Senate agreed to the conference report on S. 1150, to ensure that federally funded agricultural research, extension, and education address high-priority concerns with national or multistate significance, and to reform, extend, and eliminate certain agricultural research programs. **Pages S4651–59, S4664–80**

During consideration of this measure today, Senate also took the following action:

By 23 yeas to 77 nays (Vote No. 128), Senate rejected a motion to recommit the conference report, with instructions.

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Securities Litigation Uniform Standards Act—Agreement: A further unanimous-consent time-agreement was reached providing for the consideration of S. 1260, to amend the Securities Act of 1933 and the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 to limit the conduct of securities class actions under State law, with a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, and certain amendments to be proposed thereto.

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WIPO Copyright Treaty Implementation—Agreement: A further unanimous-consent time-agreement was reached providing for the consideration of S. 2037, to amend title 17, United States Code, to implement the WIPO Copyright Treaty and the WIPO Performances and Phonograms Treaty, and to provide limitations on copyright liability relating to material online, and an amendment to be proposed thereto.

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Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Paul L. Cejas, of Florida, to be Ambassador to Belgium.

Cynthia Perrin Schneider, of Maryland, to be Ambassador to the Kingdom of the Netherlands.

5 Air Force nominations in the rank of general.

9 Navy nominations in the rank of admiral.

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Statements on Introduced Bills: Pages S4713-27

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Record Votes: Four record votes were taken today. (Total—130) Pages S4664, S4672, S4680, S4704

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 7:39 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Wednesday, May 13, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on pages S4747-48.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

APPROPRIATIONS—MILITARY CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Military Construction concluded hearings on proposed

budget estimates for fiscal year 1999 for the Department of Defense Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC) environmental programs, after receiving testimony from Robert Pirie, Jr., Assistant Secretary of the Navy for Installation and Environment; Paul Johnson, Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Army for Installation and Housing; and Jimmy G. Dishner, Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for Installations.

INTERNATIONAL RELIGIOUS FREEDOM ACT

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded hearings on S. 1868, to express United States foreign policy with respect to, and to strengthen United States advocacy on behalf of, individuals persecuted for their faith worldwide; to authorize United States actions in response to religious persecution worldwide; and to establish an Ambassador at Large on International Religious Freedom within the Department of State, a Commission on International Religious Persecution, and a Special Adviser on International Religious Freedom within the National Security Council, after receiving testimony from Senators Nickles and Lieberman; and John H.F. Shattuck, Assistant Secretary of State for Democracy, Human Rights and Labor.

TOBACCO PRICE INCREASE

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee held hearings to examine the consequences of raising the price of certain tobacco products as contained in the proposed comprehensive anti-tobacco legislation, including the impact on the consumption of tobacco products and the potential for increasing black market sales of tobacco products, receiving testimony from Gary Black, Sanford C. Bernstein & Co., Inc., and Martin Feldman, Salomon Smith Barney, both of New York, New York; and Matthew L. Myers, National Center for Tobacco-Free Kids, Washington, D.C.

Committee will meet again tomorrow.

INDIAN GAMING REGULATORY IMPROVEMENT ACT

Committee on Indian Affairs: Committee concluded hearings on S. 1870, to provide the National Indian Gaming Commission with resources to monitor and regulate certain Indian gaming operations, focusing on provisions relating to tribal acquisition of off-reservation lands for gaming purposes, and the Department of the Interior's role in this process, after receiving testimony from Senator Lieberman; Kevin Gover, Assistant Secretary of the Interior for Indian Affairs; Tanja Kozicky, on behalf of the Governor of Minnesota, St. Paul; gaiashkibos, Lac Courte Oreilles Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians, Hayward,

Wisconsin; and Richard G. Hill and Timothy Wapato, both of the National Indian Gaming Association, Raymond C. Scheppach, National Governors'

Association, and Franklin Ducheneaux, Ducheneaux, Taylor & Associates, all of Washington, D.C.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 22 public bills, H.R. 3828–3849; and 1 resolution, H. Con. Res. 275, were introduced.

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed as follows:

H.R. 375, private bill for the relief of Margarito Domantay, amended (H. Doc. 105–523);

H.R. 1949, private bill for the relief of Nuratu Olarewaju Abeke Kadiri. (H. Doc. 105–524);

H.R. 2652, to amend title 17, United States Code, to prevent the misappropriation of collections of information, amended (H. Doc. 105–525);

H.R. 3303, authorize appropriations for the Department of Justice for fiscal years 1999, 2000, and 2001; to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 1999 and 2000 to carry out certain programs administered by the Department of Justice; to amend title 28 of the United States Code with respect to the use of funds available to the Department of Justice, amended (H. Doc. 105–526);

H. R. 2886, to provide for a demonstration project in the Stanislaus National Forest, California, under which a private contractor will perform multiple resource management activities for that unit of the National Forest System, amended (H. Doc. 105–527);

H.R. 3723, to authorize funds for the payment of salaries and expenses of the Patent and Trademark Office, amended (H. Doc. 105–528);

H. Res. 426, providing for consideration of H.R. 3534, to improve congressional deliberation on proposed Federal private sector mandates, (H. Doc. 105–529);

H. Res. 427, providing for consideration of H.R. 512, to prohibit the expenditure of funds from the Land and Water Conservation Fund for the creation of new National Wildlife Refuges without specific authorization from Congress pursuant to a recommendation from the United States Fish and Wildlife Service to create the refuge. (H. Doc. 105–530);

H. Res. 428, providing for consideration of H.R. 10, to enhance competition in the financial services industry by providing a prudential framework for the affiliation of banks, securities firms, and other financial service providers (H. Doc. 105–531); and

H.R. 3616, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 1999 for military activities of the Department of Defense, to prescribe military personnel strengths for fiscal year 1999, amended (H. Rept. 105–532).

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Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Petri to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

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Guest Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the guest Chaplain, Rabbi Mark S. Miller of Newport Beach, California.

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Recess: The House recessed at 1:04 p.m. and reconvened at 2:00 p.m.

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Presidential Message—Building Sciences: Read a message from the President, received on Monday, May 11, wherein he transmitted his annual report of the National Institute of Building Sciences for fiscal year 1996—referred to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services.

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Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Granite Watershed Enhancement and Protection Act of 1997: H.R. 2886, amended, to provide for a demonstration project in the Stanislaus National Forest, California, under which a private contractor will perform multiple resource management activities for that unit of the National Forest System;

Pages H3032–33

Miles Land Exchange Act of 1997: H.R. 1021, to provide for a land exchange involving certain National Forest System lands within the Routt National Forest in the State of Colorado;

Pages H3033–34

Colorado FERC Project Deadline Extension: H.R. 2217, to extend the deadline under the Federal Power Act applicable to the construction of FERC Project Number 9248 in the State of Colorado;

Pages H3034–35

Kentucky Hydroelectric Project Construction Deadline Extension: H.R. 2841, amended, to extend the time required for the construction of a hydroelectric project;

Pages H3035–36

Winning the War on Drugs to Protect our Children: H. Res. 423, expressing the sense of the

House with respect to winning the war on drugs to protect our children (agreed to by ye and nay vote of 412 yeas to 2 nays, Roll No. 138);

Pages H3036–40, H3065

U.S. Patent and Trademark Office Reauthorization Act: H.R. 3723, amended, to authorize funds for the payment of salaries and expenses of the Patent and Trademark Office;

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Felony Violations for Failure to Pay Child Support Obligations: H.R. 3811, to establish felony violations for the failure to pay legal child support obligations (passed by ye and nay vote of 402 yeas to 16 nays, Roll No. 139);

Pages H3042–46, H3065–66

Bulletproof Vest Partnership Grant Act of 1997: H.R. 2829, to establish a matching grant program to help State and local jurisdictions purchase armor vests for use by law enforcement departments (passed by ye and nay vote of 412 yeas to 4 nays, Roll No. 140). The House subsequently passed S. 1605, to establish a matching grant program to help States, units of local government, and Indian tribes to purchase armor vests for use by law enforcement officers, after amending it to contain the text of H.R. 2829, as passed the House. Agreed to amend the title; and H.R. 2829 was laid on the table;

Pages H3046–54, H3066–68

Honoring Law Enforcement Officers who have Died in the Line of Duty: H. Res. 422, expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that law enforcement officers who have died in the line of duty should be honored, recognized, and remembered for their great sacrifice (agreed to by ye and nay vote of 416 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 141);

Pages H3059–62, H3067

District of Columbia Special Olympics Law Enforcement Torch Run: H. Con. Res. 262, amended, authorizing the 1998 District of Columbia Special Olympics Law Enforcement Torch Run to be run through the Capitol Grounds;

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Seventeenth Annual National Peace Officers' Memorial Service: H. Con. Res. 263, amended, authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds for the seventeenth annual National Peace Officers' Memorial Service; and

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Greater Washington Soap Box Derby: H. Con. Res. 255, amended, authorizing the use of the Capitol grounds for the Greater Washington Soap Box Derby.

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Personal Privilege: Representative Burton of Indiana rose to a point of personal privilege and was recognized for one hour.

Pages H3054–58

Texas Low-Level Radioactive Waste Disposal Compact Consent Act: The House disagreed with

the Senate amendment to H.R. 629, to grant the consent of the Congress to the Texas Low-Level Radioactive Waste Disposal Compact; insisted on the House bill, and requested a conference. Appointed as conferees: Chairman Bliley, and Representatives Dan Schaefer of Colorado, Barton of Texas, Dingell, and Hall of Texas.

Pages H3068–74

Canada-U.S. Interparliamentary Group: The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of the following Members to the Canada-United States Interparliamentary Group, in addition to Representative Houghton, Chairman, appointed on April 27: Representatives Gilman, Hamilton, Crane, LaFalce, Oberstar, Shaw, Lipinski, Upton, Stearns, Peterson of Minnesota, and Danner.

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Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on pages H3106–07.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Four ye and nay votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H3065, H3065–66, H3066–67, and H3067. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: Met at 12:30 p.m. and adjourned at 11:22 p.m.

Committee Meetings

AGRICULTURAL TRADE—MULTILATERAL NEGOTIATIONS—ASIA AND THE PACIFIC

Committee on Agriculture: Held a hearing to review the 1999 Multilateral Negotiations on Agricultural Trade—Asia and the Pacific. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Health and Environment approved for full Committee action the following measures: H.R. 2202, amended, National Marrow Donor Program Reauthorization Act of 1997; and H. Con. Res. 171, declaring the memorial service sponsored by the National Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Memorial Service Board of Directors to honor emergency medical services personnel to be the “National Emergency Medical Services Memorial Service”.

HANFORD SPENT NUCLEAR FUEL PROJECT—MANAGEMENT PROBLEMS

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing on Management Problems with the Department of Energy's Hanford Spent Nuclear Fuel Project. Testimony was heard from Representative Hastings of Washington; Gary L. Jones, Associate Director, Energy, Resources and Science Issues, Resources, Community and Economic

Development Division, GAO; John T. Conway, Chairman, Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board; the following officials of the Department of Energy: Ernest J. Montz, Under Secretary; and John Wagner, Manager, Richland Operations Office; and public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT—CREATING AN OFFICE OF FEDERAL MANAGEMENT

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on Government Management, Information and Technology held an oversight hearing on Creating an Office of Federal Management. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the GAO: J. Christopher Mihm, Associate Director, Federal Management and Workforce Issues; and Paul L. Posner, Director, Budget Issues, Accounting and Information Management; the following officials of the Congressional Research Service, Library of Congress: Harold C. Relyea, Specialist and Virginia McMurray, Specialist, both with the American National Government Division; and Ronald C. Moe, Specialist, Government Organization and Management Division; and public witnesses.

BANKRUPTCY REFORM ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Began consideration of H.R. 3150, Bankruptcy Reform Act of 1998.

Will continue tomorrow.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on National Parks and Public Lands held a hearing on the following bills: H.R. 3109, Thomas Cole National Site Act; and H.R. 1390, to authorize the Government of India to establish a memorial to honor Mahatma Gandhi in the District of Columbia. Testimony was heard from Representatives Solomon, Pallone, Regula and McCollum; Bill Shaddox, Acting Associate Director, Professional Services, National Park Service, Department of the Interior.

OVERSIGHT—CALFED

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Water and Power held an oversight hearing on California Federal Bay Delta Program (CALFED). Testimony was heard from David Potter, Chief Deputy Director, Department of Water Resources, State of California; and public witnesses.

MANDATES INFORMATION ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, an open rule providing 1 hour of debate on H.R. 3534, Mandates Information Act of 1998. The rule waives points of order against consideration of the bill for failure to comply with section 306 of the Budget Act (prohibiting consideration of legislation within

the Budget Committee's jurisdiction, unless reported by the Budget Committee). The rule considers the amendment recommended by the Committee on Rules now printed in the bill as adopted and the bill, as amended, as original text for the purpose of further amendment which is considered as read. The rule allows the chairman of the Committee of the Whole to accord priority in recognition to those members who have preprinted their amendments in the Congressional Record prior to their consideration. The rule allows the Chairman of the Committee of the Whole to postpone recorded votes and reduce to five minutes the voting time on any postponed question, provided that the voting time on the first in any series of questions is not less than fifteen minutes. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions.

FINANCIAL SERVICES ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a structured rule providing 1 hour of debate on H.R. 10, Financial Services Act of 1998. The rule provides that the amendment in the nature of a substitute printed in part 1 of the Rules Committee report shall be considered as an original bill for the purpose of amendment and that it shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against that amendment in the nature of a substitute. The rule provides that no amendment to that amendment in the nature of a substitute shall be in order except those printed in part 2 of the Rules Committee report, which may be offered only in the order printed in the report, may be offered only by a Member designated in the report, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent and shall not be subject to amendment except as specified in the report. The rule waives all points of order against the amendments printed in the report. The rule allows the Chairman of the Committee of the Whole to postpone recorded votes and reduce to five minutes the minimum time for electronic voting on any postponed votes provided that the voting time on the first in any series of questions shall be not less than fifteen minutes. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions.

NEW WILDLIFE REFUGE AUTHORIZATION ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, an open rule providing 1 hour of debate on H.R. 512, New Wildlife Refuge Authorization Act. The rule provides that the amendment in the nature of a substitute printed in the Congressional Record and numbered 1 shall be considered as an original bill for amendment purposes, and provides that the

amendment shall be considered as read. The rule waives clause 7 of rule XVI (prohibiting nongermane amendments) against the amendment in the nature of a substitute. The rule permits the Chair to accord priority in recognition to Members who have preprinted their amendments in the Congressional Record. The rule allows the Chairman of the Committee of the Whole to postpone recorded votes and reduce to five minutes the minimum time for electronic voting on any postponed votes provided that the voting time on the first in any series of questions shall be not less than fifteen minutes. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Chairman Young.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment held a hearing on H.R. 3689, The Land Between the Lakes Protection Act of 1998 and on two Small Watershed Projects. Testimony was heard from Representatives Whitfield, Tanner, Bryant and Ryun; Ann W. Wright, General Manager, Land Between the Lakes, Golden Pond, Kentucky, TVA; and Lawrence E. Clark, Deputy Chief, Programs, Natural Resources Conservation Service, USDA.

VETERANS MEDICARE ACCESS IMPROVEMENT ACT

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Health approved for full Committee action amended H.R. 3828, Veterans Medicare Access Improvement Act of 1998.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Trade approved for full Committee action amended the following bills; H.R. 3644, to amend the Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1985 to provide for the use of customs user fees for additional preclearance activities of the Customs Services; and H.R. 3809, Drug Free Borders Act of 1998.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, MAY 13, 1998

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Appropriations, 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 Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs, Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Regulatory Re-

lief, to hold hearings on proposed legislation to authorize funds for the Community Development Financial Institutions Fund (CDFI) program, 10 a.m., SD-538.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, Subcommittee on Communications, to hold hearings to examine the Federal Communication Commission's oversight of the Wireless Bureau, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, business meeting, to consider pending calendar business, 9:30 a.m., SD-366.

Committee on Foreign Relations, to hold hearings on the Montreal Protocol No. 4 to Amend the Convention for the Unification of Certain Rules Relating to International Carriage by Air (Ex. B, 95th Cong., 1st Sess.), the International Convention for the Protection of New Varieties of Plants (Treaty Doc. 104-17), the Grains Trade Convention and Food Aid Convention (Treaty Doc. 105-4), the Convention on the International Maritime Organization (Treaty Doc. 104-36), and the Trademark Law Treaty (Treaty Doc. 105-35), 10 a.m., SD-419.

Subcommittee on Near Eastern and South Asian Affairs, to hold hearings to examine the economic and political situation in India, 2 p.m., SH-216.

Committee on Governmental Affairs, Subcommittee on International Security, Proliferation and Federal Services, to hold hearings on S. 1710, to provide for the correction of retirement coverage errors under chapters 83 and 84 of title 5, United States Code, 2 p.m., SD-342.

Committee on the Judiciary, to hold hearings to examine whether tobacco legislation is constitutional, 10:30 a.m., SD-226.

Committee on Labor and Human Resources, business meeting, to consider H.R. 2614, to improve the reading and literacy skills of children and families by improving in-service instructional practices for teachers who teach reading, to stimulate the development of more high-quality family literacy programs, to support extended learning-time opportunities for children, and to ensure that children can read well and independently not later than third grade, and pending nominations, 9:30 a.m., SD-430.

House

Committee on Agriculture, Subcommittee on Forestry, Resource Conservation, and Research and the Subcommittee on Livestock, Dairy, and Poultry, joint oversight hearing on EPA activities related to concentrated animal feeding operations, 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

Committee on Banking and Financial Services, Subcommittee on Housing and Community Development, oversight hearing on Is FHA Limiting Choices for Home Finance? An Examination of Fair Housing Compliance, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Education and the Workforce, hearing on First Things First: Review of the Federal Government's Commitment to Funding Special Education, 10 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight, to grant Congressional immunity to four witnesses, 11 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on International Relations, hearing on the Kyoto Protocol: Problems with U.S. Sovereignty and the

Lack of Developing Country Participation, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Western Hemisphere, to mark up the following resolutions: H. Con. Res. 254, calling on the Government of Cuba to extradite to the United States convicted felon Joanne Chesimard and all other individuals who have fled the United States to avoid prosecution or confinement for criminal offenses and who are currently living freely in Cuba; and H. Res. 421, expressing the sense of the House of Representatives deploring the tragic and senseless murder of Bishop Juan Jose Gerardi, calling on the Government of Guatemala to expeditiously bring those responsible for the crime to justice, and calling on the people of Guatemala to reaffirm their commitment to continue to implement the peace accords without interruption, 1:30 p.m., 2255 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary, to continue consideration of H.R. 3150, Bankruptcy Reform Act of 1998; and to begin consideration of the following bills: H.R. 2604, Religious Liberty and Charitable Donation Protection Act of 1997; and H.R. 3736, Workforce Improvement and Protection Act of 1998, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Resources, oversight hearing on the National Forest Foundation, 11 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Committee on Rules, to consider H.R. 2431, Freedom From Religious Persecution Act, 2 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

Committee on Science, to mark up the following: H.R. 2544, Technology Transfer Commercialization Act of 1997; H.R. 3007, Commission on the Advancement of Women in Science, Engineering, and Technology Development Act; H.R. 3332, Next Generation Internet Research Act of 1998; and the Anti-Duplicative Regulations Act (Amendments to Fastener Quality Legislation); and pending Committee business, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, Subcommittee on Railroads, hearing on Surface Transportation Board Reauthorization: Rates, Access and Remedies, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Joint Meetings

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe, to hold an open briefing on democratic development in Croatia, 10 a.m., 340 Cannon Building.

Next Meeting of the SENATE
9:30 a.m., Wednesday, May 13

Senate Chamber

Program for Wednesday: Senate will resume consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 1873, Missile Defense System, with a cloture vote on the motion to close further debate on the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill to occur thereon.

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
9 a.m., Wednesday, May 13

House Chamber

Program for Wednesday: Consideration of H.R. 3534, Mandates Information Act of 1998 (Open Rule, 1 hour of general debate); and

Consideration of H.R. 10, Financial Services Competition Act of 1997 (Structured Rule, 1 hour of general debate).

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