

New York, New York; and L. William Seidman, CNBC Business News, W. Henson Moore, American Forest and Paper Association, and Alan F. Holmer, Pharmaceutical Research and Manufacturers of America, all of Washington, D.C.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

KOREAN PENINSULA

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on East Asian and Pacific Affairs concluded hearings to examine United States policy toward North Korea, focusing on the efforts of the Korean Peninsula Energy Development Organization (KEDO) and the Agreed Nuclear Framework to increase stability in Korea,

after receiving testimony from Rust M. Deming, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for East Asian and Pacific Affairs; Desaix Anderson, Korean Peninsula Energy Development Organization (KEDO), New York, New York; and Robert Gallucci, Georgetown University School of Foreign Service, Washington, D.C.

NOMINATION

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee ordered favorably reported the nomination of L. Britt Snider, of Virginia, to be Inspector General, Central Intelligence Agency.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 21 public bills, H.R. 4195–4215, and 1 private bill, H.R. 4216, were introduced.

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed as follows:

Filed on June 25, H.R. 1756, to amend chapter 53 of title 31, United States Code, to require the development and implementation by the Secretary of the Treasury of a national money laundering and related financial crimes strategy to combat money laundering and related financial crimes, amended (H. Rept. 105–608, Part 1);

Filed on July 8, H.R. 4193, making appropriations for the Department of the Interior and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999 (H. Rept. 105–609);

Filed on July 8, H.R. 4194, making appropriations for the Departments of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development, and for sundry independent agencies, boards, commissions, corporations, and offices for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999 (H. Rept. 105–610);

Filed on July 8, H.R. 4005, to amend title 31 of the United States Code to improve methods for preventing financial crimes, amended (H. Rept. 105–611, Part 1);

H.R. 872, to establish rules governing product liability actions against raw materials and bulk component suppliers to medical device manufacturers, amended (H. Rept. 105–549, Part 2);

H.R. 1728, to provide for the development of a plan and a management review of the National Park System and to reform the process by which areas are considered for addition to the National Park System, amended (H. Rept. 105–612);

H.R. 3460, to approve a governing international fishery agreement between the United States and the Republic of Latvia, amended (H. Rept. 105–613);

H.R. 2379, to designate the Federal building and United States courthouse located at 251 North Main Street in Winston Salem, North Carolina, as the “Hiram H. Ward Federal Building and United States Courthouse” (H. Rept. 105–614);

H.R. 2787, to designate the United States courthouse located in New Haven, Connecticut, as the “Richard C. Lee United States Courthouse,” amended (H. Rept. 105–615);

H.R. 3223, to designate the Federal building located at 300 East 8th Street in Austin, Texas, as the “J.J. ‘Jake’ Pickle Federal Building” (H. Rept. 105–616);

H.R. 3696, to designate the Federal Courthouse located at 316 North 26th Street in Billings, Montana, as the “James F. Battin Federal Courthouse” (H. Rept. 105–617);

H.R. 3982, to designate the Federal building located at 310 New Bern Avenue in Raleigh, North Carolina, as the “Terry Sanford Federal Building,” amended (H. Rept. 105–618);

S. 1800, to designate the Federal building and United States courthouse located at 85 Marconi Boulevard in Columbus, Ohio, as the “Joseph P. Kinneary United States Courthouse” (H. Rept. 105–619);

H.R. 2544, to improve the ability of Federal agencies to license federally owned inventions, amended (H. Rept. 105–620, Part 1);

H.R. 3267, to direct the Secretary of the Interior, acting through the Bureau of Reclamation, to conduct a feasibility study and construct a project to reclaim the Salton Sea (H. Rept. 105–621, Part 1);

H. Res. 498, providing for consideration of H.R. 4104, making appropriations for the Treasury Department, the United States Postal Service, the Executive Office of the President, and certain Independent Agencies, for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999 (H. Rept. 105-622);

H. Res. 499, providing for consideration of H.R. 3682, to amend title 18, United States Code, to prohibit taking minors across State lines to avoid laws requiring the involvement of parents in abortion decisions (H. Rept. 105-623);

H. Res. 500, providing for the consideration of H.R. 3267, to direct the Secretary of the Interior, acting through the Bureau of Reclamation, to conduct a feasibility study and construct a project to reclaim the Salton Sea (H. Rept. 105-624); and

H.R. 3249, to provide for the rectification of certain retirement coverage errors affecting Federal employees, amendment (H. Rept. 105-625, Part 1).

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

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Recess: The House recessed at 1:10 p.m. and reconvened at 2 p.m.

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Address by the President of Romania: Agreed by unanimous consent that it be in order at any time on Wednesday, July 15, 1998, for the Speaker to declare a recess, subject to the call of the Chair, for the purpose of receiving in Joint Meeting His Excellency Emil Constantinescu, President of Romania.

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

National Science Foundation Authorization Act: Concur in the Senate amendment to H.R. 1273, to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 1998 and 1999 for the National Science Foundation—clearing the measure for the President;

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Technology Transfer Commercialization Act: H.R. 2544, amended, to improve the ability of Federal agencies to license federally owned inventions;

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Homeowners Protection Act: S. 318, amended, to require automatic cancellation and notice of cancellation rights with respect to private mortgage insurance which is required as condition for entering into a residential mortgage transaction and to abolish the Thrift Depositor Protection Oversight Board;

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Enforcement of Child Custody and Visitation Orders: H.R. 4164, to amend title 28, United States

Code, with respect to the enforcement of child custody and visitation orders;

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Hiram H. Ward Federal Building and Courthouse: H.R. 2379, to designate the Federal building and United States courthouse located at 251 North Main Street in Winston Salem, North Carolina, as the "Hiram H. Ward Federal Building and United States Courthouse";

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Designating the J.J. "Jake" Pickle Federal Building: H.R. 3223, to designate the Federal building located at 300 East 8th Street in Austin, Texas, as the "J.J. 'Jake' Pickle Federal Building";

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Designating the Dick Cheney Federal Building: H.R. 3453, to designate the Federal Building and Post Office located at 100 East B Street, Casper, Wyoming, as the "Dick Cheney Federal Building"; and

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Arms Export Control Act: S. 2282, amended, to amend the Arms Export Control Act.

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Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Nethercutt to act as Speaker pro tempore to sign enrolled bills and joint resolution on July 14.

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Presidential Messages: Read the following messages from the President:

National Energy Strategy: Message wherein he transmitted his National Energy Strategy—referred to the Committee on Commerce; and

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Federal Advisory Committees: Message wherein he transmitted the Twenty-sixth Annual Report on Federal Advisory Committees, covering fiscal year 1997—referred to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

Pages H5151-52

Bipartisan Campaign Integrity Act: The House continued consideration of amendments to H.R. 2183, to amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to reform the financing of campaigns for elections for Federal office.

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Agreed to Fossella amendment to the Shays amendment in the nature of a substitute that prohibits noncitizens from making contributions to Federal elections (agreed to by a recorded vote of 282 ayes to 126 noes, Roll No. 276).

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Rejected the Doolittle amendment, as modified, to the Shays amendment in the nature of a substitute, that specifies that express advocacy shall not apply to communications in printed form or posted on the Internet that provide information on the voting record or positions on issues taken by Federal office holders or candidate for Federal office (rejected

by a recorded vote of 201 ayes to 219 noes, Roll No. 275.

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Pending:

Wicker amendment to the Shays amendment in the nature of a substitute that prohibits the use of White House meals or accommodations for political fundraising;

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Stearns amendment to the Shays amendment in the nature of a substitute that bans campaign contributions that prohibits noncitizens from making contributions to candidates for Federal, state, or local election; and

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Pickering amendment to the Shays amendment in the nature of a substitute that prohibits the use of willful blindness as defense against a charge of violating the foreign contribution ban.

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Earlier, agreed to the Thomas motion to limit debate to 40 minutes on each of the following amendments to the Shays amendment: Representatives Fossella, Wicker, Stearns, Pickering, and DeLay.

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H. Res. 442 and H. Res. 458 the rules that are providing for consideration of the bill were agreed to on May 21 and June 18 respectively.

Senate Messages: Message received from the Senate appears on pages H5409–10.

Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on pages H5494–97.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Two recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H5468 and H5475. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: Met at 12:30 p.m. and adjourned at 11:07 p.m.

Committee Meetings

LABOR, HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Ordered reported the Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education appropriations for fiscal year 1999.

ADMINISTRATION'S PROPOSED CONTRACTING REGULATIONS

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing on "The Administration's Proposed Contracting Regulations: 'Good Government' or 'Blacklisting'?" Testimony was heard from Edward DeSeve, Controller and Acting Deputy Director, Management, OMB; Cornelia Blanchette, Associate Director, Education and Employment Issues, GAO; and public witnesses.

NAZI WAR CRIMES DISCLOSURE ACT

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight, Subcommittee on Government Management, Information, and Technology held a hearing on H.R. 4007 and S. 1379, Nazi War Crimes Disclosure Act. Testimony was heard from Senator DeWine; William Z. Slany, Historian, Department of State; Lewis J. Bellardo, Deputy Archivist, National Archives and Records Administration; former Representative Elizabeth Holtzman of New York; and public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT—FEDERAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on Government Management, Information, and Technology held an oversight hearing on the Federal Advisory Committee Act. Testimony was heard from L. Nye Stevens, Director, Federal Management and Workforce Issues, GAO; G. Martin Wagner, Associate Administrator, Governmentwide Policy, GSA; Ruth L. Kirschstein, Deputy Director, NIH, Department of Health and Human Services; Jim Solit, Committee Management Officer, Department of Energy; Bruce Alberts, President, National Academy of Sciences; and public witnesses.

RELIGIOUS LIBERTY PROTECTION ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on the Constitution held a hearing on H.R. 4019, Religious Liberty Protection Act of 1998. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

LETHAL DRUG ABUSE PREVENTION ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on the Constitution held a hearing on H.R. 4006, Lethal Drug Abuse Prevention Act of 1998. Testimony was heard from John A. Kitzhaber, Governor, State of Oregon; and public witnesses.

CHILD CUSTODY PROTECTION ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a closed rule providing for consideration in the House of H.R. 3682, Child Custody Protection Act, with 2 hours of debate. The rule provides that the Judiciary Committee amendment now printed in the bill will be considered as adopted. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Representatives Canady, Ros-Lehtinen, Watt of North Carolina and Jackson Lee of Texas.

SONNY BONO MEMORIAL SALTON SEA RECLAMATION ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a modified closed rule providing 1 hour of debate on H.R. 3267, Sonny Bono Memorial Salton Sea Reclamation