

amendment in the nature of a substitute. (As approved by the committee, the amendment incorporates provisions of S. 1822, S. 2115, 2181 S.)

Also, committee reconsidered their action of October 7, 1997, and again ordered favorably reported S. 730, to make retroactive the entitlement of certain Medal of Honor recipients to the special pension provided for persons entered and recorded on the Army, Navy, Air Force, and Coast Guard Medal of Honor Roll, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (As approved by the committee, the amendment incorporates provisions of S. 730, S. 1743, S. 1745, and S. 2108.)

CALIFORNIA NURSING HOMES

Special Committee on Aging: Committee concluded hearings to examine the quality of care in California nursing homes, focusing on certain allegations of

abuse and neglect and the adequacy of the Health Care Financing Administration's enforcement of federal care requirements for nursing homes, after receiving testimony from William J. Scanlon, Director, Health Financing and Systems Issues, Health, Education, and Human Services Division, General Accounting Office; Michael Hash, Deputy Administrator, Health Care Financing Administration, Department of Health and Human Services; Charlene Harrington, University of California, San Francisco; Andrew M. Kramer, University of Colorado Health Sciences Center, Boulder; Dennis Stone, American Medical Directors Association, Columbia, Maryland, on behalf of the California Association of Health Facilities; and Paul R. Willging, American Health Care Association, and Sheldon L. Goldberg, American Association of Homes and Services for the Aging, both of Washington, D.C.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 2 public bills, H.R. 4340-4341; and 1 resolution, H. Con. Res. 312 were introduced.

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 3891, to amend the Trademark Act of 1946 to prohibit the unauthorized destruction, modification, or alteration of product identification codes, amended (H. Rept. 105-650);

H. Res. 510, providing for consideration of H.R. 4328, making appropriations for the Department of Transportation and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998 (H. Rept. 105-651); and

H. Res. 511, waiving points of order against the conference report to accompany H.R. 629, to grant the consent of the Congress to the Texas Low-Level Radioactive Waste Disposal Compact (H. Rept. 105-652).
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Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Burr to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. Page H6489

Recess: The House recessed at 10:17 a.m. and reconvened at 11:30 a.m. Page H6491

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Senate Message: Message received from the Senate appears on page H6489.

Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on page H6511.

Quorum Calls—Votes: One quorum call (Roll No. 341) and one ye and nay vote developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H6491 and H6508-09.

Adjournment: The House met at 10:00 and at 2:59 p.m. agreed to the Gutknecht motion to adjourn in memory of Detective Gibson and Private First Class Chestnut by a ye and nay vote of 392 yeas with none voting "nay" and 1 voting "present," Roll No. 342.

Committee Meetings

USE OF DECEPTIVE PRACTICES TO GAIN ACCESS TO PERSONAL FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Committee on Banking and Financial Services: Held a hearing to review the Use of Deceptive Practices to Gain Access to Personal Financial Information. Testimony was heard from Julie L. Williams, Acting Comptroller of the Currency, Department of the Treasury; Mozelle W. Thompson, Commissioner, FTC; Jeff Clements, Assistant Attorney General, State of Massachusetts; and public witnesses.

"CLINTON-GORE V. STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENTS"

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on National Economic Growth, Natural

Resources, and Regulatory Affairs held a hearing on "Clinton-Gore v. State and Local Governments". Testimony was heard from G. Edward DeSeve, Acting Deputy Director, Management, OMB; Douglas Racine, Lieutenant Governor, State of Vermont; Mark Schwartz; Councilman, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma; and public witnesses.

DEER AND ELK PROTECTION ACT

Committee on Resources: Held a hearing on H.R. 3987, Deer and Elk Protection Act. Testimony was heard from Michael J. Anderson, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior; Jim Buck, member, House of Representatives, State of Washington; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on National Parks and Public Lands held a hearing on the following bills: H.R. 2125, to authorize appropriations for the Coastal Heritage Trail Route in New Jersey; H.R. 3950, Otay Mountain Wilderness Act of 1998; H.R. 3963, to establish terms and conditions under which the Secretary of the Interior shall convey leaseholds in certain properties around Canyon Ferry Reservoir; H.R. 4144, Cumberland Island Preservation Act; H.R. 4211, to establish the Tuskegee Airmen National Historic Site, in association with the Tuskegee University, in the State of Alabama; H.R. 4230, El Porto Administrative Site Land Exchange Act; and a measure to make technical corrections and minor adjustments to the boundaries of the Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument in the State of Utah. Testimony was heard from Representatives Hill, Radanovich, Riley, Kingston, Bilbray and LoBiondo; the following officials of the Department of the Interior: Eluid L. Martinez, Commissioner, Bureau of Reclamation; and Tom Fry, Deputy Director, Bureau of Land Management; and Katherine Stevenson, Associate Director, Stewardship and Partnerships, National Park Service; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Water and Power held a hearing on the following bills: H.R. 3478, Colorado Ute Settlement Act Amendments of 1998; and H.R. 745, to deauthorize the Animas-La Plata Federal reclamation project, and to direct the Secretary of the Interior to enter into negotiations to satisfy, in a manner consistent with all Federal laws, the water rights interests of the Ute Mountain Ute Indian Tribe. Testimony was heard from Representatives McInnis, Redmond and Petri; Roy Romer, Governor, State of Colorado; Eluid Martinez, Commissioner, Bureau of Reclamation, Department of the Interior; and public witnesses.

TRANSPORTATION APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Rules: The Committee granted, by voice vote, an open rule providing 1 hour of general debate on H.R. 4328, making appropriations for the Department of Transportation and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999. The rule waives clause 7 of rule XXI (relating to the 3 day availability of printed hearings) and section 401(a) (prohibiting consideration of legislation containing contract authority not previously subject to appropriations) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 against consideration of the bill. The rule provides that the amendments printed in the report accompanying the resolution shall be considered as adopted.

The rule waives clause 6 (prohibiting reappropriations in an appropriations bill) of rule XXI and clause 2 of rule XXI (prohibiting unauthorized and legislative provisions in an appropriations bill) against provisions in the bill, as amended, except as otherwise specified in the rule. The rule authorizes the Chair to accord priority in recognition to Members who have pre-printed 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 votes to five minutes on a postponed question if the vote follows a fifteen minutes vote. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit, with or without instruction. Testimony was heard from Representatives Wolf and Sabo.

CONFERENCE REPORT—TEXAS LOW-LEVEL RADIOACTIVE WASTE DISPOSAL COMPACT CONSENT ACT

Committee on Rules: The Committee granted, by voice vote, a rule waiving all points of order against the conference report on H.R. 629, Texas Low-Level Radioactive Waste Disposal Compact Consent Act, and against its consideration. Testimony was heard from Representatives Dan Schaefer of Colorado, Barton of Texas, Hall of Texas, and Reyes.

SPECIAL INVESTIGATIVE AUTHORITY TO COMMITTEE

Committee on Rules: Ordered reported amended H. Res. 507, providing special investigative authority for the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

TRANSATLANTIC ECONOMIC PARTNERSHIP

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Trade held a hearing on Trade Relations with Europe and the new Transatlantic Economic Partnership. Testimony was heard from Representative Smith of Oregon; Charlene Barshefsky, U.S. Trade Representative; David L. Aaron, Under Secretary,

International Trade, Department of Commerce; and public witnesses.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, JULY 29, 1998

Senate

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry, to hold oversight hearings on the Department of Agriculture's progress in consolidating and downsizing its operations, 9 a.m., SR-332.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, business meeting, to consider pending calendar business, 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 Environment and Public Works, business meeting, to consider pending calendar business, 9:30 a.m., SD-406.

Committee on Finance, Subcommittee on Social Security and Family Policy, to hold hearings on S. 1858, to provide individuals with disabilities with incentives to become economically self-sufficient, 2 p.m., SD-215.

Committee on Governmental Affairs, Subcommittee on International Security, Proliferation and Federal Services, to hold hearings to examine the satellite export licensing process, 2 p.m., SD-342.

Committee on the Judiciary, to hold hearings on S. 1554, to provide for relief from excessive punitive damage awards in cases involving primarily financial loss by establishing rules for proportionality between the amount of punitive damages and the amount of economic loss, 9:30 a.m., SD-226.

Subcommittee on Immigration, to hold oversight hearings on enforcement activities of the Immigration and Naturalization Service, Department of Justice, 2 p.m., SD-226.

Committee on Labor and Human Resources, business meeting, to mark up S. 1380, Charter Schools Expansion Act, and S. 2213, Education Flexibility Amendments of 1998, 9:30 a.m., SD-430.

Committee on Rules and Administration, to hold hearings on S. 2288, to provide for the reform and continuing legislative oversight of the production, procurement, dissemination, and permanent public access of the Government's publications, 9:30 a.m., SR-301.

Committee on Indian Affairs, business meeting, to consider pending calendar business, 2 p.m., SR-485.

Select Committee on Intelligence, to hold closed hearings on intelligence matters, 10 a.m., SH-219.

Full Committee, to hold closed hearings on intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

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Committee on Agriculture, hearing on H.R. 4149, Forest Service Cost Reduction and Fiscal Accountability Act of 1998, 2 p.m., 1300 Longworth.

Committee on Commerce, hearing on Electronic Commerce: The Global Electronic Marketplace, 10:30 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Education and the Workforce, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 4241, Head Start Amendments of 1998; H.R. 4271, Community Services Authorization Act of 1998; and H.R. 4037, to require the Occupational Safety and Health Administration to recognize that electronic forms of providing Material Safety Data Sheets provide the same level of access to information as paper copies and to improve the presentation of safety and emergency information on such Data Sheets, 10:30 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight, Subcommittee on Human Resources, hearing on Job Corps Oversight Part II: Vocational Training Standards, 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on International Relations, hearing on Recent Developments in the Middle East, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on International Operations and Human Rights and the Subcommittee on Africa, joint hearing on the Crises in Sudan and Northern Uganda, 1:30 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Western Hemisphere, hearing on Conflict Resolution: Chiapas, Mexico and the Search for Peace, 1:30 p.m., 2200 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary, hearing on H.R. 4277, Quality Health-Care Coalition Act of 1998, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Resources, to mark up the following measures: H. Res. 494, expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that the United States has enjoyed the loyalty of the United States citizens of Guam, and that the United States recognizes the centennial anniversary of the Spanish-American War as an opportune time for Congress to reaffirm its commitment to increase self-government consistent with self-determination for the people of Guam; H.R. 1110, Sudbury, Iceboat, and Concord Wild and Scenic Rivers Act; H.R. 2370, Guam Judicial Empowerment Act of 1997; 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; H.R. 3445, Oceans Act of 1998; H.R. 4068, to make certain technical corrections in laws relating to Native Americans; H.R. 4079, to authorize the construction of temperature control devices at Folsom Dam in California; and H.R. 4326, Oregon Public Lands Transfer and Protection Act of 1998; and to hold a hearing on H.R. 2743, Indian Land Consolidation Amendment Act of 1997. 11 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Committee on Small Business, to continue hearings on Kyoto Protocol: The Undermining of American Prosperity? Part 2—The Science, 10:30 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation, hearing on the Needs of the U.S. Marine Transportation System: The Waterways, Ports, and Their Intermodal Connections, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.