

protection, law enforcement, technology development, and electronic commerce, after receiving testimony from Katherine Borsechnik, America Online, Inc., Dulles, Virginia; Michael Sheridan, Novell, Inc., Orem, Utah; Irving Wladawsky-Berger, IBM Corporation, and Jerry Berman, Center for Democracy and Technology, both of Washington, D.C.; Russell T. Bodoff, BBBOnline, Inc., Arlington, Virginia; and Gregory Fischbach, Acclaim Entertainment, Inc., Glen Cove, New York.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Constitution, Federalism, and Property Rights approved for full committee consideration S.J. Res. 14, proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States authorizing Congress to prohibit the physical desecration of the flag of the United States.

NATIVE AMERICAN BUSINESS, TRADE, AND TOURISM

Committee on Indian Affairs: Committee concluded hearings on S. 401, to provide for business development and trade promotion for native Americans, focusing on physical infrastructure, skill development, separation of powers and good governance, regulatory reform, access to capital, and international trade and tourism, after receiving testimony from Phillip A.

Singerman, Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Economic Development; Tex G. Hall, Three Affiliated Tribes of the Fort Berthold Reservation, New Town, North Dakota; Gloria O'Neill, Cook Inlet Tribal Council, Inc., Anchorage Alaska; John R. Sunchild, Sr., National Tribal Development Association, Box Elder, Montana; and Michael A. Rouleau, U.S. WEST Communications, Inc., Denver, Colorado.

INTELLIGENCE

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee held closed hearings on intelligence matters, receiving testimony from officials of the intelligence community.

Committee will meet again tomorrow.

CORRUPTION THREAT ON THE SOUTHWEST BORDER

United States Senate Caucus on International Narcotics Control: Caucus concluded hearings on the threat of corruption to United States Law Enforcement along the Southwest border, after receiving testimony from Richard M. Stana, Associate Director, Administration of Justice Issues, General Government Division, General Accounting Office; Raymond W. Kelly, Commissioner, United States Customs Service, Department of the Treasury; and Doris M. Meissner, Commissioner, Immigration and Naturalization Service, Department of Justice.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 20 public bills, H.R. 1500–1519; and 2 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 90–91, were introduced. Pages H2271–72

Reports Filed: One report was filed as follows:

H. Res. 145, providing for consideration of H.R. 999, to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to improve the quality of coastal recreation waters (H. Rept. 106–103). Page H2271

Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Shimkus to act as Speaker Pro Tempore for today. Page H2205

Guest Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the guest Chaplain, Bill Shimkus of Idaho Falls, Idaho. Page H2205

Conference Report on Education Flexibility Act: By a ye and nay vote of 368 yeas to 57 nays, Roll No. 94, the House agreed to the conference report

on H.R. 800, to provide for education flexibility partnerships. Pages H2211–18

H. Res. 143, the rule that waived all points of order against the conference report was agreed to earlier by voice vote. Pages H2208–11

Earthquake Hazards Reduction Act: The House passed H.R. 1184, to authorize appropriations for carrying out the Earthquake Hazards Reduction Act of 1977 for fiscal years 2000 and 2001 by a ye and nay vote of 414 yeas to 3 nays, Roll No. 95. Pages H2219–25

Agreed to the Committee amendment in the nature of a substitute made in order by the rule. Page H2224

Agreed to the Traficant amendment that requires the compliance with the “Buy American Act;” notifies recipients of assistance concerning the purchase of American-made equipment and products; and prohibits contracts with any person who intentionally affixes a “Made in America” inscription to a product that is not made in the United States. Page H2224

H. Res. 142, the rule providing for consideration of the bill was agreed to earlier by voice vote.

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Senate Messages: Message received from the Senate appears on page H2205.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Two yea and nay votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H2217–18 and H2224–25. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 6:48 p.m.

Committee Meetings

DEFENSE APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Defense met in executive session to hold a hearing on the Kosovo Supplemental. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Defense: Williams S. Cohen, Secretary; and Gen. Henry H. Shelton, USA, Chairman, Joints Chiefs of Staff.

LABOR, HHS, AND EDUCATION APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education continued appropriation hearings. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

VA, HUD AND INDEPENDENT AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on VA, HUD and Independent Agencies continued hearings on the Department of Veterans Affairs. Testimony was heard from Togo D. West, Jr., Secretary of Veterans Affairs.

INTERNATIONAL FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS AUTHORIZATIONS

Committee on Banking and Financial Services: Subcommittee on Domestic and International Monetary Policy held a hearing on the Administration's Fiscal Year 2000 authorizations for the international financial institutions and related programs. Testimony was heard from Lawrence Summers, Deputy Secretary, Department of the Treasury; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Commerce: Ordered reported the following bills: H.R. 1400, Bond Price Competition Improvement Act of 1999; H.R. 459, to extend the deadline under the Federal Power Act for FERC Project No. 9401, the Mt. Hope Waterpower Project; amended, H.R. 1378, to authorize appropriations for carrying out pipeline safety activities

under chapter 601 of title 49, United States Code; and H.R. 45, amended, Nuclear Waste Policy Act of 1999.

FEDERAL PRISON INDUSTRIES

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing on Federal Prison Industries. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

WORKPLACE LEGISLATION

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Subcommittee on Workforce Protections held a hearing on the following measures: H.R. 987, Workplace Preservation Act; the Safety and Health Audit Promotion Act; the Safety and Health Audit Promotion and Whistleblower Improvement Act; and the Models of Safety and Health Excellence Act. Testimony was heard from Representatives Petri, Andrews, Blunt and Pelosi; and public witnesses.

RESOLUTION—REMOVE U.S. ARMED FORCES FROM PRESENT OPERATIONS AGAINST YUGOSLAVIA

Committee on International Relations: Began markup of H. Con. Res. 82, directing the President, pursuant to section 5(c) of the War Powers Resolution, to remove United States Armed Forces from their positions in connection with the present operations against the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia.

Will continue tomorrow.

KOSOVO SITUATION

Committee on International Relations: Held a hearing on the Situation in Kosovo. Testimony was heard from Madeleine K. Albright, Secretary of State.

EMBATTLED STATE OF U.S.-CHINA RELATIONS

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on Asia and the Pacific and the Subcommittee on International Economic Policy and Trade held a joint hearing on the Embattled State of U.S.-China Relations: Assessing the Zhu Rongji Visit. Testimony was heard from Stanley Roth, Assistant Secretary, East Asian and Pacific Affairs, Department of State; and public witnesses.

BANKRUPTCY REFORM ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Continued markup of H.R. 833, Bankruptcy Reform Act of 1999.

Will continue tomorrow.

BEACHES, ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT, CLEANUP, AND HEALTH ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by a vote of 11 to 0, an open rule providing 1 hour of debate on H.R. 999, Beaches, Environmental Assessment, Cleanup,