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Recess: The House recessed at 6:13 p.m. and reconvened at 10:08 p.m. **Page H3168**

Senate Messages: Message received from the Senate appears on page H3109.

Amendments Ordered Printed: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on page H3172.

Quorum Calls—Votes: One yea and nay vote and one recorded vote developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H3140 and H3147. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 9:00 a.m. and adjourned at 10:09 p.m.

Committee Meetings

AGRICULTURE, RURAL DEVELOPMENT, FDA APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies approved for full Committee action the Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies appropriations for fiscal year 2000.

NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION ACT

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Military Personnel approved for full Committee action amended H.R. 1401, National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Years 2000 and 2001.

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ELECTRICITY COMPETITION

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Energy and Power continued hearings on Electricity Competition, focusing on the Role of the Federal Electric Utilities. Testimony was heard from Representatives DeFazio, McDermott, Nethercutt, Wamp, Clement, Franks of New Jersey and Hastings of Washington; Mark Medford, Executive Vice President, Customer Service, TVA; Mark Mazur, Acting Director, Office of Policy, Department of Energy; and public witnesses.

Hearings continue May 20.

TELECOMMUNICATIONS PROVIDERS— ACCESS TO BUILDINGS AND FACILITIES

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Telecommunications, Trade, and Consumer Protection held a hearing on Access to Buildings and Facilities by Telecommunications Providers. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the FCC: Thomas Sugrue, Chief, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau; William H. Johnson, Deputy Chief, Cable Services Bureau; and public witnesses.

HIGH-QUALITY TEACHER FORCE

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Subcommittee on Postsecondary Education, Training, and Life-Long Learning held a hearing on Developing and Maintaining a High-Quality Teacher Force. Testimony was heard from Katrina Robertson Reed, Associate Superintendent, Administrative Services, Public Schools, District of Columbia; and public witnesses.

SAFETY MEETINGS PROTECTION

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Subcommittee on Workforce Protections held a hearing on H.R. 1434, to amend the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970. Testimony was heard from Henry L. Solano, Solicitor, Department of Labor; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES; FEHBP: OPM'S POLICY GUIDANCE

Committee on Government Reform: Subcommittee on Civil Service approved for full action the following bills: H.R. 457, Organ Donor Leave Act; and H.R. 206, to provide for greater access to child care services for Federal employees.

The Subcommittee also held a hearing on FEHBP: OPM's Policy Guidance for Fiscal Year 2000. Testimony was heard from William E. Flynn, III, Associate Director, Retirement and Insurance Services, OPM; and public witnesses.

INTERNATIONAL LAW; THE IMPORTANCE OF EXTRADITION

Committee on Government Reform: Subcommittee on Criminal Justice, Drug Policy, and Human Resources held a hearing on International Law: The Importance of Extradition. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Justice: Mary Lee Warren, Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division; and Donnie Marshall, Deputy Administrator, DEA; Jamison S. Borek, Deputy Legal Adviser, Department of State; Rear Adm. Ernest Riutta, USCG, Assistant Commandant, Operations, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Transportation; and a public witness.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES; OVERSIGHT— SINGLE AUDIT ACT AMENDMENTS

Committee on Government Reform: Subcommittee on Government Management, Information, and Technology approved for full Committee action the following bills: H.R. 28, Quality Child Care for Federal Employees Act; H.R. 1219, amended, Construction Industry Payment Protection Act of 1999; and H.R. 1442, amended, Law Enforcement and Public Safety Enhancement Act of 1999.

The Subcommittee also held an oversight hearing on Single Audit Act Amendments of 1996. Testimony was heard from Deidre A. Lee, Acting Deputy Director, Management, OMB; David L. Clark, Director, Audit Oversight and Liaison, GAO; and Auston G. Johnson, Auditor, State of Utah.

KOSOVO REFUGEE NEEDS; KOSOVO— DIPLOMATIC INITIATIVES

Committee on International Relations: Favorably considered the following resolution and adopted a motion urging the Chairman to request that it be considered on the Suspension Calendar: H. Res. 161, amended, expressing the sense of the House of Representatives regarding the condition and humanitarian needs of refugees within Kosovo.

The Committee also held a hearing on Diplomatic Initiatives for Kosovo, including H. Con. Res. 99, expressing the sense of the Congress that the congressional leadership and the Administration should support the efforts and recommendations of the United States Congress-Russian Duma meeting in Vienna, Austria, held April 30 to May 1, 1999, in order to bring about a fair, equitable, and peaceful settlement between warring factions in Yugoslavia. Testimony was heard from Representatives Weldon of Pennsylvania, Abercrombie, Gibbons, Pitts, Sherwood, Saxton, Bartlett of Maryland, Brown of Florida, Kucinich, Hinchey and Sanders; and Thomas R. Pickering, Under Secretary, Political Affairs, Department of State.

OVERSIGHT—YOUTH CULTURE AND VIOLENCE

Committee on the Judiciary: Held an oversight hearing to examine youth culture and violence. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

COMPREHENSIVE BUDGET PROCESS REFORM ACT

Committee on Rules: Concluded hearings on H.R. 853, Comprehensive Budget Process Reform Act of 1999. Testimony was heard from Representatives Smith of Michigan, Barton of Texas, Gekas, Regula, Castle and Spratt.

NASA AUTHORIZATION

Committee on Science: Ordered reported amended H.R. 1654, National Aeronautics and Space Administration Authorization Act of 1999.

DEATH TAX REPEAL AND SMALL BUSINESS

Committee on Small Business: Subcommittee on Tax, Finance, and Exports and the Subcommittee on Rural Enterprises, Business Opportunities and Special Small Business Problems held a joint hearing on "What Would Repealing The 'Death' Tax Mean For Small Business?" focusing on H.R. 8, Death Tax Elimination Act. Testimony was heard from Representatives Dunn and Tanner; and public witnesses.

U.S. MARINE TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM FUTURE NEEDS

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation held a hearing on Future Needs of the U.S. Marine Transportation System. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Transportation: Adm. James Loy, Commandant, U.S. Coast Guard; and Clyde J. Hart, Jr., Administrator, Maritime Administration; Scott B. Gudes, Deputy Under Secretary, NOAA, Department of Commerce; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings, Hazardous Materials and Pipeline Transportation approved for full Committee action the following: resolutions authorizing the GSA's Fiscal Year 2000 Capital Investment Program; two construction prospectuses resolutions; H. Con. Res. 91, authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds for a clinic to be conducted by the United States Luge Association; and H. Con. Res. 105, authorizing the Law Enforcement Torch Run for the 1999 Special Olympics World Games to be run through the Capitol Grounds.

MEDICARE SELF-REFERRAL LAWS

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Health held a hearing on Medicare Self-Referral Laws. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Health and Human Services: Kathleen A. Buto, Deputy Director, Center for Health Plans and Providers, Health Care Financing Administration; and D. McCarty Thornton, Chief Counsel to the Inspector General; and public witnesses.

FOSTER CARE INDEPENDENT LIVING

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Human Resources held a hearing on Foster Care Independent Living. Testimony was heard from Representative DeLay; Cynthia Fagnoni, Director, Income Security Issues, GAO; and public witnesses.

KOSOVO

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Met in executive session to hold a hearing on Kosovo. Testimony was heard from Samuel R. Berger, Assistant to the President for National Security Affairs.

**COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY,
MAY 14, 1999**

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Defense, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2000 for the Department of Defense, 9:30 a.m., SD-192.

House

None scheduled.