

Tuesday, July 20, 1999

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S8817–S8900

Measures Introduced: Twelve bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1394–1405, and S. Con. Res. 45–46. **Pages S8874–75**

Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 348, to authorize and facilitate a program to enhance training, research and development, energy conservation and efficiency, and consumer education in the oilheat industry for the benefit of oilheat consumers and the public, and for other purposes, with amendments. (S. Rept. No. 106–109)

S. 746, to provide for analysis of major rules, to promote the public's right to know the costs and benefits of major rules, and to increase the accountability of quality of Government, with amendments. (S. Rept. No. 106–110)

S. 937, to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 2000 and 2001 for certain maritime programs of the Department of Transportation, with an amendment. (S. Rept. No. 106–111)

S. 695, to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to establish a national cemetery for veterans in the Atlanta, Georgia, metropolitan area, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 106–113)

S. 1402, to amend title 38, United States Code, to enhance programs providing education benefits for veterans. (S. Rept. No. 106–114)

H.R. 1833, to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 2000 and 2001 for the United States Customs Service for drug interdiction and other operations, for the Office of the United States Trade Representative, for the United States International Trade Commission, with an amendment. **Page S8874**

Measures Passed:

30th Anniversary of the Lunar Landing: Senate agreed to S. Con. Res. 46, expressing the sense of Congress that the July 20, 1999, 30th anniversary of the first lunar landing should be a day of celebration and reflection on the Apollo-11 mission to the Moon and the accomplishments of the Apollo program throughout the 1960's and 1970's. **Pages S8895–99**

Intelligence Authorization: Senate began consideration of H.R. 1555, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2000 for intelligence and intelligence-related activities of the United States Government, the Community Management Account, and the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement and Disability System, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto: **Pages S8818–25, S8854–62, S8864–68**

Adopted:

Coverdell Amendment No. 1259, to block assets of narcotics traffickers who pose an unusual and extraordinary threat to the national security, foreign policy, and economy of the United States. **Pages S8865–68**

Pending:

Kyl Amendment No. 1258, to restructure Department of Energy nuclear security functions, including the establishment of the Agency for Nuclear Stewardship. **Pages S8858–62, S8864–65**

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

By a unanimous vote of 99 yeas (Vote No. 212), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn having voted in the affirmative, Senate agreed to close further debate on the motion to proceed to the consideration of the bill. **Pages S8818–25**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for certain amendments to be proposed thereto and final passage of the bill. **Page S8854**

Trade Status With China: By 12 yeas to 87 nays (Vote No. 213), Senate rejected the motion to discharge the Finance Committee of S.J. Res. 27, disapproving the extension of nondiscriminatory treatment (normal trade relations treatment) to the products of the People's Republic of China. **Pages S8842–51**

Trade Status With Vietnam: By 5 yeas to 94 nays (Vote No. 214), Senate rejected the motion to discharge the Finance Committee of S.J. Res. 28, disapproving the extension of the waiver authority contained in section 402(c) of the Trade Act of 1974 with respect to Vietnam. **Pages S8825–35, S8851**

Campaign Finance Reform—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for

the consideration of campaign finance reform legislation at a time to be determined, but not later than Tuesday, October 12, 1999. Pages S8851–52, S8854

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Record Votes: Three record votes were taken today. (Total—214) Pages S8825, S8851

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 7:25 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Wednesday, July 21, 1999. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on pages S8899–S8900.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

U.S.-KOSOVO POLICY AND OPERATIONS

Committee on Armed Services: Committee concluded hearings on the United States policy and military operations regarding Kosovo, focusing on Operation Allied Force and NATO's actions, after receiving testimony from William S. Cohen, Secretary of Defense; and Gen. Henry H. Shelton, USA, Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff.

NATIONAL MONUMENTS DECLARATIONS PARTICIPATION

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Forests and Public Land Management concluded hearings on S. 729, to ensure that Congress and the public have the right to participate in the declaration of national monuments on Federal land, after receiving testimony from Representative Cannon; George Frampton, Acting Chair, Council on Environmental Quality; Idaho State Representative Charles D. Cuddy, Orofino; John F. Shepherd, Holland and Hart, Denver, Colorado; William P. Horn, Birch, Horton, Bittner, and Cherot, former Assistant Secretary of the Interior for Fish, Wildlife and Parks, and Marcia F. Argust, National Parks and Conservation Association, both of Washington, D.C.; and Louise Liston, Garfield County, Escalante, Utah.

HABITAT CONSERVATION PLANS

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Subcommittee on Fisheries, Wildlife, and Drinking Water held hearings to examine the extent and quality of the science of the Endangered Species Act's habitat conservation plans, receiving testimony from Peter Kareiva, Senior Ecologist, National Marine Fisheries Service, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Department of Commerce; Stuart Pimm, University of Tennessee, Knoxville; and Dennis D. Murphy, University of Nevada, Reno.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Finance: Committee began markup of the proposed Taxpayer Refund Act of 1999, but did not complete action thereon, and will meet again tomorrow.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of A. Peter Burleigh, of California, to be Ambassador to the Republic of the Philippines and to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador to the Republic of Palau, Robert S. Gelbard, of Washington, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Indonesia, M. Osman Siddique, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Fiji, and to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador to the Republic of Nauru, Ambassador to the Kingdom of Tonga, and Ambassador to Tuvalu, and Sylvia Gaye Stanfield, of Texas, to be Ambassador to Brunei Darussalam, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf. Mr. Gelbard was introduced by Senators Coverdell and Biden, and Mr. Siddique was introduced by Senator Warner.

U.N. INTERNATIONAL CRIMINAL COURT

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on International Operations held closed hearings on issues relating to the United Nations International Criminal Court, receiving testimony from David J. Scheffer, Ambassador at Large for War Crimes Issues.

Hearings recessed subject to call.

SWEEPSTAKES COMPANIES DECEPTIVE MAILINGS

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations concluded hearings to examine deceptive mailings and the need for legislation to curb the deceptive practices used in the sweepstakes, skill contests and government look-alike mailings, after receiving testimony from

Glynn Christian Parde, Chief Investigator and Senior Counsel, Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations; Kenneth J. Hunter, Chief Postal Inspector, and Robert G. DeMuro, Postal Inspector Attorney, both of the United States Postal Inspection Service; Anthony Kasday, Neopolitan Consultants, Inc., Las Vegas, Nevada; and David Dobin, Lone Star Promotions, Inc., Merrick, New York.

ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION ACT

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: Committee concluded hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for programs of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act, focusing on improving use of funds, after receiving testimony from Robert A. Sampieri, PriceWaterhouseCoopers, Phoenix, Arizona; Nina Shokrai Rees, Heritage Foundation, Washington, D.C.; Mike Watson, Arkansas Policy Foundation, Little Rock; and Betty Preston,

Missouri State Board of Education, Chillicothe, on behalf of the National Association of State Boards of Education.

PRESCRIPTION DRUG BENEFITS

Special Committee on Aging: Committee concluded hearings to examine prescription drug benefits provided by health maintenance organizations (HMO) that participate in the Medicare+Choice program, focusing on a report that examines how Medicare HMOs manage drug formularies to control drug expenditures and the implications for beneficiaries, after receiving testimony from William J. Scanlon, Director, Health Financing and Public Health Issues, Health, Education, and Human Services Division, General Accounting Office; Elizabeth Helms, TMJ Society, Sacramento, California, on behalf of the Citizens for the Right to Know; Richard Jones, UnitedHealthcare, Minneapolis, Minnesota; and Mary Jane Lathrop, Antelope, California.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 18 public bills, H.R. 2558–2575; and 3 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 159–161, were introduced. Pages H6018–19

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 834, to extend the authorization for the National Historic Preservation Fund, amended (H. Rept. 106–241);

H.R. 1934, to amend the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972 to establish the John H. Prescott Marine Mammal Rescue Assistance Grant Program, amended (H. Rept. 106–242);

H.R. 1655, to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 2000 and 2001 for the civilian energy and scientific research, development, and demonstration and related commercial application of energy technology programs, projects, and activities of the Department of Energy, amended (H. Rept. 106–243);

H.R. 2561, making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2000, (H. Rept. 106–244);

Report on the Revised Suballocation of Budget Allocations for Fiscal Year 2000 (H. Rept. 106–245); and

H. Res. 256, providing for the consideration of H.R. 2488, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to reduce individual income tax rates, to provide marriage penalty relief, to reduce taxes on savings and investments, to provide estate and gift tax

relief, to provide incentives for education savings and health care (H. Rept. 106–246). Pages H6017–18

Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Wilson to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. Page H5841

Recess: The House recessed at 9:35 a.m. and reconvened at 10:00 a.m. Page H5845

Private Calendar: On the call of the Private Calendar, the House passed the following measures:

Relief of Suchada Kwong: H.R. 322, amended, for the relief of Suchada Kwong; Pages H5845–46

Relief of Ruth Hairston: H.R. 660, for the private relief of Ruth Hairston by waiver of a filing deadline for appeal from a ruling relating to her application for a survivor annuity; Page H5846

Transfer of Land to John R. and Margaret J. Lowe: S. 361, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to transfer to John R. and Margaret J. Lowe of Big Horn County, Wyoming, certain land so as to correct an error in the patent issued to their predecessors in interest—clearing the measure for the President; and Page H5846

Transfer of Land Comprising the Steffens Family Property: S. 449, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to transfer to the personal representative of

the estate of Fred Steffens of Big Horn County, Wyoming, certain land comprising the Steffens family property—clearing the measure for the President.

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Designating the Memorial Door in Honor of Officers Chestnut and Gibson: Under suspension of the rules, the House agreed to H. Con. Res. 158, amended, designating the Document Door of the United States Capitol as the “Memorial Door” by a yeas and nays vote of 417 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 311.

Pages H5848–53

American Embassy Security Act: The House resumed consideration of H.R. 2415, to enhance security of United States missions. The House completed general debate and began considering amendments to the bill on July 19.

Pages H5853–56

Agreed to:

The Campbell substitute to the Smith of New Jersey amendment that prohibits any United States contributions to the United Nations Population Fund to be used for abortion or for the population control program in China and requires a dollar for dollar reduction of U.S. contributions if the United Nations provides any funding for the Chinese government program (agreed to by a recorded vote of 221 yeas to 198 noes, Roll No. 312); and

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The Smith of New Jersey amendment, as amended, that prohibits United States contributions to the United Nations Population Fund for abortion or the population control program in China and lowers U.S. contributions if the United Nations uses U.S. funds for the Chinese program.

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Rejected:

The Sanford amendment that sought to reduce funding to the fiscal year 1998 levels of \$12 million for the Center for Cultural and Technical Interchange between East and West, \$1.5 million for the Dante B. Fascell North-South Center, and \$8 million for the Asia Foundation (rejected by a recorded vote of 180 yeas to 237 noes with 1 voting “present”, Roll No. 313); and

Pages H5854–55

The Paul amendment that sought to eliminate the authorization of funding for United Nations programs (rejected by a recorded vote of 74 yeas to 342 noes, Roll No. 314).

Pages H5855–56

H. Res. 247, the rule that provided for consideration of the bill was agreed to on July 16.

Teacher Empowerment Act: The House passed H.R. 1995, to amend the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 to empower teachers, improve student achievement through high-quality professional development for teachers, reauthorize the Reading Excellence Act by a recorded vote of 239 yeas to 185 noes, Roll No. 320.

Pages H5863–H5919

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

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Agreed to:

The Lazio amendment that encourages teacher mentoring programs, outlines their essential components, and strengthens the alternative certification program for teachers;

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The Castle amendment that authorizes the use of funds to develop and implement professional development programs to train teachers in the use of technology to improve teaching and learning;

Pages H5887–88

The McIntosh amendment that requires local educational agencies to describe their collaboration processes with teachers, principals, parents, and administrators to ensure parental involvement in decision-making;

Pages H5888–89

The Fletcher amendment that authorizes professional instruction in methods to teach character education;

Pages H5889–91

The Andrews amendment that specifies the importance of programs designed to improve the quality of principals;

Pages H5891–92

The Kucinich amendment that establishes the National Clearinghouse for Teacher Entrepreneurship;

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The Hilleary amendment that allows the Secretary of Education to include grants for needy rural school districts;

Pages H5893–94

The Roemer amendment that creates a competitive program, based on the Troops-to-Teachers program, to recruit qualified math and science teachers for high-need school systems;

Pages H5894–96

The Goodling amendment that makes technical changes, ensures that states receive funding at the fiscal year 1999 level or the new formula, whichever is greater; and strengthens accountability provisions (agreed to by a recorded vote of 424 yeas with 1 voting “no”, Roll No. 316); and

Pages H5878–85, H5915–16

The Crowley amendment that expresses the sense of Congress that quality teachers are integral to the development of children and that it is essential that Congress work to ensure their highest quality (agreed to by a recorded vote of 425 yeas with none voting “no”, Roll No. 318).

Pages H5898–99, H5917

Rejected:

The Mink of Hawaii amendment that sought to create a program to provide grants for teachers who take sabbatical leave to pursue study for professional development (rejected by a recorded vote of 181 yeas to 242 noes, Roll No. 317); and

Pages H5896–98, H5916–17

The Martinez amendment in the nature of a substitute that sought to authorize \$1.5 billion for

teacher training; \$1.5 billion for class size reduction activities; and allow the Secretary to award grants that include the establishment of technology centers, a clearinghouse for math and science education, and school counseling programs (rejected by a recorded vote of 207 ayes to 217 noes, Roll No. 319).

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The Clerk was authorized in the engrossment of the bill to correct section numbers, punctuation, and cross references, and make such other technical and conforming changes to reflect the actions of the House.

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H. Res. 253, the rule that provided for consideration of the bill was agreed to by a yea and nay vote of 227 yeas to 187 nays, Roll No. 315.

Pages H5856–63

Financial Services Act: The House passed S. 900, to enhance competition in the financial services industry by providing a prudential framework for the affiliation of banks, securities firms, insurance companies, and other financial service providers, after amending it to contain the text of H.R. 10, as passed the House. Agreed to amend the title.

Pages H5919–84

Recess: The House recessed at 11:55 p.m. and reconvened at 12:51 a.m. on July 21.

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Senate Messages: Message received from the Senate appears on page H5845.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Two yea and nay votes and eight recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H5852–53, H5853–54, H5854–55, H5855, H5862–63, H5915–16, H5916–17, H5917, H5917–18, and H5918–19. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 9:00 a.m. and adjourned at 12:52 a.m. on July 21.

Committee Meetings

SMALL WATERSHED REHABILITATION AMENDMENTS

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on General Farm Commodities, Resource Conservation, and Credit approved for full Committee action H.R. 728, Small Watershed Rehabilitation Amendments of 1999.

ENERGY AND WATER DEVELOPMENT; FOREIGN OPERATIONS; AND DC APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Ordered reported the following appropriations for fiscal year 2000: Energy and Water Development; the District of Columbia;

and Foreign Operations, Export Financing and Related Programs.

FINANCIAL PRIVACY

Committee on Banking and Financial Services, Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Credit held a hearing on financial privacy. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

LAWRENCE LIVERMORE NATIONAL LABORATORY—SECURITY INSPECTION RESULTS

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing on the Results of Security Inspections at the Department of Energy's Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Energy: Gil Weigand, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Strategic Computing and Simulation; Glenn S. Podonsky, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Oversight, Office of Environment, Safety and Health; James Turner, Manager, Oakland Operations Office; and C. Bruce Tarter, Director, Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory.

The Subcommittee also met in executive session to receive classified information on this subject.

CORPORATION FOR PUBLIC BROADCASTING AUTHORIZATION ACT

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Telecommunications, Trade, and Consumer Protection concluded hearings on H.R. 2384, Corporation for Public Broadcasting Authorization Act of 1999. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

NATIVE AMERICAN CHILDREN—EXAMINING EDUCATION PROGRAMS

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Subcommittee on Early Childhood, Youth, and Families held a hearing on Examining Education Programs Benefiting Native American Children. Testimony was heard from Joe Christie, Acting Director, Office of Indian Education Programs, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES; COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Committee on the Judiciary: Ordered reported the following bills: H.R. 2031, amended, Twenty-First Amendment Enforcement Act; H.R. 2336, amended, to amend title 28, United States Code, to provide for appointment of United States marshals by the Attorney General; H.R. 456, amended, for the relief of the survivors of the 14 members of the Armed Forces and the one United States civilian Federal

employee who were killed on April 14, 1994, when United States fighter aircraft mistakenly shot down 2 United States helicopters; and H.R. 1788, Nazi Benefits Termination Act of 1999.

The Committee also approved pending Committee business.

PAIN RELIEF PROMOTION ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on the Constitution approved for full Committee action H.R. 2260, Pain Relief Promotion Act of 1999.

OVERSIGHT

Committee on Resources: Held an oversight hearing on Federal Aid Programs (under the Dingell-Johnson Act and Wallop-Breaux Act) administered by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. Testimony was heard from Barry Hill, Associate Director, Energy, Resources and Science, GAO; James Beers, Wildlife Biologist, Division of Federal Aid, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on National Parks and Public Lands held a hearing on the following bills: H.R. 1615, Lamprey Wild and Scenic River Extension Act; H.R. 1665, to allow the National Park Service to acquire certain land for addition to the Wilderness Battlefield in Virginia, as previously authorized by law, by purchase or exchange as well as by donation; and H.R. 2140, to improve protection and management of the Chattahoochee River National Recreation Area in the State of Georgia. Testimony was heard from Representatives Sununu, Bateman, Deal of Georgia and Isakson; Katherine Stevenson, Associate Director, Cultural Resource Stewardship and Partnerships, National Park Service, Department of the Interior; and public witnesses.

FINANCIAL FREEDOM ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a structured rule on H.R. 2488, Financial Freedom Act of 1999, providing two hours of debate equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Ways and Means. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule makes in order the amendment recommended by the Committee on Ways and Means, as modified by the amendments printed in Part A of the Rules Committee report. The rule provides for consideration of the amendment in the nature of a substitute offered by Representative Rangel or his designee printed in Part B of the Rules Committee report which shall be considered as read and shall be debatable for one hour

equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent. The rule waives all points of order against the amendment printed in Part B of the report. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Chairman Archer and Representatives Hunter, Castle, Smith of Michigan, McIntosh, Pickering, Spratt, Rangel, Stenholm, Tanner, Stupak, Maloney of Connecticut, Roemer, Baird, Clement, and John.

HEALTH INFORMATION CONFIDENTIALITY

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Health held a hearing on confidentiality of health information. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Health and Human Services: Margaret Hamburg, M.D., Assistant Secretary, Planning and Evaluation; and Michael Hash, Deputy Administrator, Health Care Financing Administration; Leslie Aronovitz, Associate Director, Health Financing and Public Health Issues, Health, Education, and Human Services Division, GAO; and public witnesses.

PROMOTING ADOPTION AND OTHER PERMANENT PLACEMENTS

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Human Resources held a hearing on promoting adoption and other permanent placements. Testimony was heard from Representatives Bliley and Lewis of Kentucky; Karen Spar, Specialist in Social Legislation, Domestic Social Policy Division, Congressional Research Service, Library of Congress; and public witnesses.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, JULY 21, 1999

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: to hold hearings on the nomination of William Rainer to be Chairman of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission and to conduct an oversight review of the farmland protection program, 9 a.m., SR-328A.

Committee on Armed Services: to hold hearings on the nomination of F. Whitten Peters, of the District of Columbia, to be Secretary of the Air Force; and the nomination of Arthur L. Money, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Defense, 9:30 a.m., SR-222.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Forests and Public Land Management, to hold hearings on S. 1184, to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to dispose of land for recreation or other public purposes; S. 1129, to facilitate the acquisition of inholdings in Federal land management units and the disposal of surplus

public land; and H.R. 150, to amend the Act popularly known as the Recreation and Public Purposes Act to authorize disposal of certain public lands or national forest lands to local education agencies for use for elementary or secondary schools, including public charter schools, 2 p.m., SD-366.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Subcommittee on Fisheries, Wildlife, and Drinking Water, to continue hearings on the habitat conservation plans, 9:30 a.m., SD-406.

Committee on Finance: business meeting to continue markup of the proposed Taxpayer Refund Act of 1999, 10 a.m., SH-216.

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on East Asian and Pacific Affairs, to hold hearings on issues relating to Taiwan-China relations, 10 a.m., SD-419.

Full Committee, to hold hearings on the role of sanctions in United States National Security Policy, 3:30 p.m., SD-419.

Full Committee, to hold hearings on the nomination of Barbara J. Griffiths, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Iceland; the nomination of Richard Monroe Miles, of South Carolina, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Bulgaria; the nomination of Carl Spielvogel, of New York, to be Ambassador to the Slovak Republic; the nomination of J. Richard Fredericks, of California, to be Ambassador to Switzerland, and to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador to the Principality of Liechtenstein; and the nomination of William B. Taylor, Jr., of Virginia, for the Rank of Ambassador during tenure of service as Coordinator of U.S. Assistance for the New Independent States, 4:30 p.m., SD-419.

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Subcommittee on International Security, Proliferation and Federal Services, to hold hearings to examine the purpose of Russian space launch quota, 2 p.m., SD-342.

Committee on Indian Affairs: to hold hearings on S. 985, to amend the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act, 9:30 a.m., SD-106.

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Criminal Justice Oversight, to hold oversight hearings on Federal asset forfeiture, focusing on its role in fighting crime, 2 p.m., SD-628.

House

Committee on Agriculture, Subcommittee on Risk Management, Research, and Specialty Crops, to consider legislation to improve the Federal Crop Insurance Program, 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, to mark up appropriations for fiscal year 2000, 10 a.m., 2358 Rayburn.

Committee on Armed Services, to mark up H.R. 850, Security and Freedom through Encryption (SAFE) Act, 11:30 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Committee on Banking and Financial Services, Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Credit, to continue hearings on financial privacy, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Commerce, Subcommittee on Energy and Power, hearing on H.R. 2531, Nuclear Regulatory Commission Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2000, 2 p.m., 2322 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Finance and Hazardous Materials, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 1714, Electronic Signatures in Global and National Commerce Act; and H.R. 1858, Consumer and Investor Access to Information Act of 1999, 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Health and Environment, hearing on H.R. 1070, to amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to provide medical assistance for certain women screened and found to have breast or cervical cancer under a federally funded screening program, 10 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

Committee on Education and the Workforce, Subcommittee on Employer-Employee Relations, hearing on Union Democracy, Part VII: Government Supervision of the Hotel Employees and Restaurant Employees International Union, 10:30 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing on Examining the Effect of Davis-Bacon Helper Rules on Job Opportunities in Construction, 2 p.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Government Reform, Subcommittee on Government Management, Information, and Technology, to consider the following bills: H.R. 1788, Nazi Benefits Termination Act of 1999; and H.R. 1827, Government Waste Corrections Act of 1999, 10:30 a.m., 2247 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on National Security, Veterans Affairs and International Relations, hearing on Anthrax Vaccine Adverse Reactions, 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary, hearing on the following bills: H.R. 1875, Interstate Class Action Jurisdiction Act of 1999; and H.R. 2005, Workplace Goods Job Growth and Competitiveness Act of 1999, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on the Constitution, hearing on H.R. 2436, Unborn Victims of Violence Act of 1999, 1:30 p.m., 2237 Rayburn.

Committee on Resources, to consider the following: H.R. 940, Lackawanna Valley Heritage Act of 1999; H.R. 1619, Quinebaug and Shetucket Rivers Valley National Heritage Corridor Reauthorization Act of 1999; H.R. 2435, to expand the boundaries of the Gettysburg National Military Park to include the Wills House; H. Con. Res. 63, expressing the sense of the Congress opposing removal of dams on the Columbia and Snake Rivers for fishery restoration purposes; S. 323, Black Canyon of the Gunnison National Park and Gunnison Gorge National Conservation Area Act of 1999; H.R. 795, Chippewa Cree Tribe of the Rocky Boy's Reservation Indian Reserved Water Rights Settlement Act of 1999; H.R. 970, Perkins County Rural Water System Act of 1999; H.R. 1231, to direct the Secretary of Agriculture to convey certain National Forest lands to Elko County, Nevada, for continued use as a cemetery; H.R. 1444, to authorize the Secretary of the Army to develop and implement projects for fish screens, fish passage devices, and other similar

measures to mitigate adverse impacts associated with irrigation system water diversions by local governmental entities in the States of Oregon, Washing, Montana, and Idaho; H.R. 2368, to assist in the resettlement and relocation of the people of Bikini Atoll by amending the terms of the trust fund established during the United States administration of the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands; H.R. 2454, to assure the long-term conservation of mid-continent light geese and the biological diversity of the ecosystem upon which many North American migratory birds depend, by directing the Secretary of the Interior to implement rules to reduce the overabundant population of mid-continent light geese; a motion to adopt a resolution and report recommending that Ferdinand Aranza be held in contempt of Congress for failure to comply with the subpoena served on him on July 13, 1999, and reporting the matter to the full House for appropriate action; and a motion to adopt a resolution granting the Chairman authority to issue such subpoenas as he may deem necessary in relation to an inquiry into partisan political activities by employees at the Office of Insular Affairs and the Department of the Interior, 11 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Committee on Rules, hearing on Guaranteed Spending Rules, 10 a.m., and to consider the following: a measure

making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2000; and H.R. 1074, Regulatory Right-to-Know Act of 1999, 2 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

Committee on Science, Subcommittee on Energy and Environment, hearing on Sulfur in Gasoline and Diesel Fuel, 1 p.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings, Hazardous Materials and Pipeline Transportation, hearing on National Health Museum proposals, 10 a.m., 2253 Rayburn.

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, executive, to discuss pending Intelligence Issues, 12:30 p.m., H-405 Capitol.

Joint Meetings

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe: to hold hearings to examine the scope of bribery and corruption in the OSCE region, 2 p.m., SD-138.

Joint Economic Committee: to hold hearings to examine the financial structure of the International Monetary Fund, focusing on IMF costs, including quotas, reserves, gold holdings, and the treatment of the IMF in the budget, 10 a.m., 311 Cannon Building.

Next Meeting of the SENATE
9:30 a.m., Wednesday, July 21

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
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Senate Chamber

Program for Wednesday: After the recognition of two Senators for speeches and the transaction of any morning business (not to extend beyond 10:30 a.m.), Senate will continue consideration of H.R. 1555, Intelligence Authorization.

House Chamber

Program for Wednesday: Consideration of H.R. 2488, Financial Freedom Act (structured rule, two hours of general debate); and
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