

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Ordered reported, as amended, the following measures: H.R. 1663, National Medal of Honor Memorial Act; and H.J. Res. 65, commending the World War II veterans who fought in the Battle of the Bulge.

STRENGTHENING MEDICARE FOR FUTURE GENERATIONS

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Health held a hearing on Strengthening Medicare for Future Generations. Testimony was heard from Dan L. Crippen, Director, CBO; David M. Walker, Comptroller General, GAO; and public witnesses.

Joint Meetings**APPROPRIATIONS—AGRICULTURE**

Conferees continued to resolve the differences between the Senate and House passed versions of H.R. 1906, making appropriations for Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2000, but did not complete action thereon, and recessed subject to call.

APPROPRIATIONS—FOREIGN OPS/EXPORT FINANCING

Conferees met to resolve the differences between the Senate and House passed versions of H.R. 2606, making appropriations for foreign operations, export financing, and related programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2000, but did not complete action thereon, and recessed subject to call.

APPROPRIATIONS—DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Conferees continued in evening session to resolve the differences between the Senate and House passed versions of H.R. 2561, making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2000.

**COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY,
SEPTEMBER 23, 1999**

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: to hold hearings on the nomination of Paul W. Fiddick, of Texas, to be an Assistant Secretary of Agriculture; and the nomination of Andrew C. Fish, of Vermont, to be an Assistant Secretary of Agriculture, and proposed legislation authorizing funds for the Commodity Exchange Act, focusing on the impact of electronic trading on regulation, 9 a.m., SH-216.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: business meeting to consider the nomination of Harry J.

Bowie, of Mississippi, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the National Consumer Cooperative Bank; the nomination of John D. Hawke, Jr., of the District of Columbia, to be Comptroller of the Currency; the nomination of Dorian Vanessa Weaver, of Arkansas, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Export-Import Bank of the United States; the nomination of Dan Herman Renberg, of Maryland, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Export-Import Bank of the United States; and the nomination of Roger Walton Ferguson, Jr., of Massachusetts, to be Vice Chairman of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, and proposed legislation authorizing funds for the Export Administration Act, 9 a.m., SD-538.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: to hold oversight hearings to explore the potential consequences of the year 2000 computer problem to the Nation's supply of electricity, 9:30 a.m., SD-366.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: to hold hearings on the nomination of Richard A. Meserve, of Virginia, to be a Member of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission; the nomination of Paul L. Hill, Jr., of West Virginia, to be Chairperson of the Chemical Safety and Hazard Investigation Board; the nomination of Major General Phillip R. Anderson, United States Army, to be a Member and President of the Mississippi River Commission, under the provisions of Section 2 of an Act of Congress, approved June 1879 (21 Stat. 37) (33 USC 642); the nomination of Sam Epstein Angel, of Arkansas, to be a Member of the Mississippi River Commission; and the nomination of Brigadier General Robert H. Griffin, United States Army, to be a Member of the Mississippi River Commission, under the provisions of Section 2 of an Act of Congress, approved June 1879 (21 Stat. 37) (33 USC 642), 3 p.m., SD-406.

Committee on Foreign Relations: to hold hearings to examine issues on corruption in Russia, 3:30 p.m., SD-419.

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Subcommittee on Oversight of Government Management, Restructuring and the District of Columbia, to hold hearings to examine quality management issues at the federal level, 9:30 a.m., SD-628.

Committee on the Judiciary: business meeting to consider pending calendar business, 10 a.m., SD-226.

Subcommittee on Immigration, to hold hearings to examine Immigration and Naturalization Service reform issues, 2 p.m., SD-226.

Committee on Rules and Administration: business meeting to markup of S. Res. 172, to establish a special committee of the Senate to address the cultural crisis facing America, 9 a.m., SR-301.

House

Committee on Agriculture, to consider H.R. 2389, County Schools Funding Revitalization Act of 1999, 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 the Budget, hearing on Fixing Our Schools From the Bottom Up, State, Local and Private Reform Initiatives, 10:30 a.m., 210 Cannon.

Committee on Commerce, Subcommittee on Energy and Power, hearing on the following: Reauthorization of Expiring Energy Policy and Conservation Act Programs; and on the Energy Policy and Conservation Act Amendments; followed by a mark up of the following: a measure to reauthorize the Energy Policy and Conservation Act; and H.R. 2531, Nuclear Regulatory Commission Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2000, 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing on Blood Safety and Availability, 10 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

Committee on Government Reform, hearing on Fighting Prostate Cancer: Are We Doing Enough? 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on International Relations, to mark up the following measures: H. Res. 292, expressing the sense of the House of Representatives regarding the referendum in East Timor, calling on the Government of Indonesia to assist in the termination of the current civil unrest and violence in East Timor, and supporting a United Nations Security Council-endorsed multinational force for East Timor; H. Res. 181, condemning the kidnapping and murder by the Revolutionary Armed Forces of Columbia (FARC) of 3 United States citizens, Ingrid Washinawatok, Terence Freitas, and Lahe'ena'e Gay; H.R. 2608, to amend the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 to clarify the definition of "major drug-transit country" under the international narcotics control program; H.J. Res. 65, commending the World War II veterans who fought in the Battle of the Bulge; and H. Con. Res. 187, expressing the sense of Congress regarding the European Council noise rule affecting hushkitted and reengined aircraft, 1:30 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on Commercial and Administrative Law, oversight hearing on the Abuses of Individual Rights by Independent Counsel, 11 a.m., 2237 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on the Constitution, hearing on H.R. 1173, States' Choice of Voting Systems Act, 2 p.m., 2226 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Crime, to mark up H.R. 2558, Prison Industries Reform Act of 1999, 1:30 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Resources, Subcommittee on Fisheries Conservation, Wildlife and Oceans, hearing on the following bills: H.R. 2496, to reauthorize the Junior Duck Stamp

Conservation and Design Program Act of 1994; H.R. 2821, to amend the North American Wetlands Conservation Act to provide for appointment of 2 additional members of the North American Wetlands Conservation Council; and H.R. 1775, Estuary Habitat Restoration Act of 1999, 10 a.m., 1334 Longworth.

Subcommittee on National Parks and Public Lands, to mark up the following bills: S. 382, Minuteman Missile National Historic Site Establishment Act of 1999; H.R. 1695, to provide for the conveyance of certain Federal public lands in the Ivanpah Valley, Nevada, to Clark County, Nevada, for the development of an airport facility; H.R. 1725, Miwaketa Park Expansion Act; and H.R. 2737, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to convey to the State of Illinois certain Federal land associated with the Lewis and Clark National Historic Trail to be used as an historic and interpretive site along the trail, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Committee on Science, Subcommittee on Space and Aeronautics, hearing on Space Shuttle Safety, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Technology, hearing on Small Manufacturing and the Challenges of the New Millennium, 1 p.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, to mark up the following measures: H. Con. Res. 187, Expressing the sense of Congress regarding the European Council noise rule affecting hushkitted and reengined aircraft; and H.R. 2910, to amend title 49, United States Code, to authorize appropriations for the National Transportation Safety Board for fiscal years 2000, 2001, and 2002, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing on fraud and mismanagement in the Department of Veterans Affairs, 10 a.m., 334 Cannon.

Committee on Ways and Means, Subcommittee on Human Resources, oversight hearing of the Child Support Enforcement Program, 11 a.m., B-318 Rayburn.

Joint Meetings

Conference: closed meeting of conferees on 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, 2 p.m., SH-219.