

# Daily Digest

## HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed Department of the Interior Appropriations.

## Senate

### Chamber Action

*Routine Proceedings, pages S11277–S11378*

**Measures Introduced:** Ten bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 1623–1632, and S.J. Res. 34. Page S11362

**Measures Reported:** Reports were made as follows: S. Res. 99, designating November 20, 1999, as “National Survivors for Prevention of Suicide Day”. Page S11361

#### Measures Passed:

**Department of the Interior Appropriations:** By 89 yeas to 10 nays (Vote No. 291), Senate passed H.R. 2466, making appropriations for the Department of the Interior and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2000 (by unanimous consent, on September 22, 1999, certain provisions of H.R. 2466 were substituted with the text of S. 1596, Senate companion measure), after taking action on the following amendment proposed thereto: Pages S11277–S11347

#### Adopted:

By 51 yeas to 47 nays, 1 responding present (Vote No. 290), Hutchison Amendment No. 1603, to prohibit the use of funds for the purpose of issuing a notice of rulemaking with respect to the valuation of crude oil for royalty purposes until September 30, 2000. Pages S11277–S11327

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

By 60 yeas to 39 nays (Vote No. 287), Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to the motion to reconsider the vote by which the Senate, on Monday, September 13, 1999, rejected the motion to close further debate on the Hutchison Amendment No. 1603 (listed above). Pages S11277–78

By 60 yeas to 39 nays (Vote No. 288), Senate agreed to the motion to reconsider the vote by which the Senate, on Monday, September 13, 1999,

rejected the motion to close further debate on the Hutchison Amendment No. 1603 (listed above). Page S11278

By 60 yeas to 39 nays (Vote No. 289), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, having voted in the affirmative, Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the Hutchison Amendment No. 1603 (listed above). Pages S11278–80

Senate insisted on its amendment, requested a conference with the House thereon, and the Chair was authorized to appoint the following conferees on the part of the Senate: Senators Gorton, Stevens, Cochran, Domenici, Burns, Bennett, Gregg, Campbell, Byrd, Leahy, Hollings, Reid, Dorgan, Kohl, and Feinstein. Page S11346

**VA–HUD Appropriations:** Senate continued consideration of H.R. 2684, making appropriations for the Departments of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development, and for sundry independent agencies, commissions, corporations and offices for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2000, taking action on the following amendment proposed thereto: Pages S11347–54

#### Pending:

Wellstone Amendment No. 1789, to express the sense of the Senate that lung cancer, colon cancer, and brain and central nervous system cancer should be presumed to be service-connected disabilities as radiogenic diseases. Pages S11348–50

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for the further consideration of the bill and amendments to be proposed thereto on Friday, September 24, 1999. Page S11377

**Messages From the President:** Senate received the following messages from the President of the United States:

A message from the President of the United States transmitting, a report relative to the National Emergency with Respect to Iran; referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. (PM–59). Page S11359

A message from the President of the United States transmitting, a report entitled "The National Money Laundering Strategy for 1999"; referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. (PM-60). Page S11359

**Nominations Received:** Senate received the following nominations:

Ira Berlin, of the District of Columbia, to be a Member of the National Council on the Humanities for a term expiring January 26, 2004.

Evelyn Edson, of Virginia, to be a Member of the National Council on the Humanities for a term expiring January 26, 2004.

Skila Harris, of Kentucky, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Tennessee Valley Authority for the remainder of the term expiring May 18, 2005.

Glenn L. McCullough, Jr., of Mississippi, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Tennessee Valley Authority for a term expiring May 18, 2008.

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**Messages From the President:**

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**Additional Statements:**

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**Record Votes:** Five record votes were taken today. (Total—291)

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**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 9:31 a.m., and adjourned at 7:38 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Friday, September 24, 1999. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S11377.)

## Committee Meetings

*(Committees not listed did not meet)*

### NOMINATIONS

*Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry:* Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of Paul W. Fiddick, of Texas, to be Assistant Secretary of Agriculture for Administration, and Andrew C. Fish, of Vermont, to be Assistant Secretary of Agriculture for Congressional Relations, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf. Mr. Fish was introduced by Senators Harkin and Leahy.

### COMMODITY EXCHANGE ACT: ELECTRIC TRADING

*Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry:* Committee concluded hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for the Commodity Exchange Act, focusing on the impact of electronic trading on the futures and derivatives market place, after receiving testimony from Roger Barton, BrokerTec Global, Jersey City, New Jersey; David P. Brennan, Chicago Board of Trade, Leo Melamed, Chicago Mercantile Exchange, and David G. Downey, InterActive Brokers, all of Chicago, Illinois; Shawn A. Dorsch, DNI Holdings, Inc., Charlotte, North Carolina; Howard W. Lutnick, Cantor Fitzgerald, Edward J. Rosen, Cleary, Gottlieb, Steen and Hamilton, on behalf of the Coalition, and Matthew Andresen, Island ECN, all of New York, New York; and Philip McBride Johnson, Skadden Arps, Slate, Meagher and Flom, Washington, D.C.

### NOMINATIONS

*Committee on Armed Services:* Committee ordered favorably reported 3,086 military nominations in the Army, Navy, Air Force, and Marine Corps.

### BUSINESS MEETING

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

An original bill, titled the Export Administration Act of 1999; and

The nominations of Roger W. Ferguson, Jr., of Massachusetts, to be Vice Chairman of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, John D. Hawke, Jr., of the District of Columbia, to be Comptroller of the Currency, Department of the Treasury, Armando Falcon, Jr., of Texas, to be Director of the Office of Federal Housing Enterprise Oversight, Department of Housing and Urban Development, Harry J. Bowie, of Mississippi, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the National Consumer Cooperative Bank, and Dan H. Renberg, of Maryland, and Dorian V. Weaver, of Arkansas, each to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Export-Import Bank of the United States.

### ELECTRIC POWER INDUSTRY Y2K READINESS

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* Committee concluded oversight hearings on the potential consequences of the year 2000 computer problem to the Nation's supply of electricity, after receiving testimony from T.J. Glauthier, Deputy Secretary of Energy; Frank J. Miraglia, Deputy Executive Director for Reactor Programs, Nuclear Regulatory Commission; and Michehl R. Gent, North American Electric Reliability Council, Princeton, New Jersey.

**NOMINATIONS**

*Committee on Environment and Public Works:* Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of Richard A. Meserve, of Virginia, to be a Member of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Paul L. Hill, Jr., of West Virginia, to be Chairperson of the Chemical Safety and Hazard Investigation Board, Maj. Gen. Phillip R. Anderson, United States Army, to be a Member and President of the Mississippi River Commission, and Sam Epstein Angel, of Arkansas, and Brig. Gen. Robert H. Griffin, United States Army, each to be a Member of the Mississippi River Commission, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf. Mr. Hill was introduced by Senator Byrd.

**CORRUPTION IN RUSSIA**

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* Committee concluded hearings to examine issues on corruption in Russia and the status of United States and Russian relations, after receiving testimony from Strobe Talbott, Deputy Secretary of State; Jim E. Moody, Jim Moody and Associates, McLean, Virginia, former Deputy Assistant Director, Criminal Investigative Division, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Department of Justice; E. Wayne Merry, Atlantic Council of the United States, Washington, D.C.; Robert Legvold, Columbia University, New York, New York; and Fritz W. Ermarth, Fairfax, Virginia.

**BUSINESS MEETING**

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Committee ordered favorably reported S. Res. 99, designating November 20,

1999, as “National Survivors for Prevention of Suicide Day”.

Also, committee approved a committee resolution on issuance of subpoenas pursuant to Rule 26.

**INS REFORM AND BORDER SECURITY**

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on Immigration concluded hearings on proposals to reform current immigration structure and border security, including S. 1563, proposed Immigration and Naturalization Service Reform and Border Security Act of 1999, after receiving testimony from Doris Meissner, Commissioner, and Paul M. Berg, Chief, Del Rio Sector, U.S. Border Patrol, both of the Immigration and Naturalization Service, Department of Justice; Warren R. Leiden, Berry, Appleman and Leiden, San Francisco, California, on behalf of the American Immigration Lawyers Association; Rachel S. Yoskowitz, Jewish Family Service Metro Detroit, Detroit, Michigan; T.J. Bonner, National Border Patrol Council, Campo, California; and Richard J. Gallo, Federal Law Enforcement Officers Association, East Northport, New York.

**BUSINESS MEETING**

*Committee on Rules and Administration:* Committee continued to discuss procedural issues relating to S. Res. 172, to establish a special committee of the Senate to address the cultural crisis facing America.

Committee recessed subject to call.

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# House of Representatives

**Chamber Action**

**Bills Introduced:** 19 public bills, H.R. 2922–2940; and 3 resolutions, H. Res. 301–303, were introduced. Pages H8627–28

**Reports Filed:** Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 2392, to amend the Small Business Act to extend the authorization for the Small Business Innovation Research Program (H. Rept. 106–329, Pt. 1); and

H. Res. 300, waiving a requirement of clause 6(a) of rule XIII with respect to consideration of certain resolutions reported from the Committee on Rules (H. Rept. 106–330). Page H8627

**Speaker Pro Tempore:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Hefley to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. Page H8559

**Interstate Class Action Jurisdiction Act:** The House passed H.R. 1875, to amend title 28, United States Code, to allow the application of the principles of Federal diversity jurisdiction to interstate class actions by a recorded vote of 222 ayes to 207 noes, Roll No. 443. Pages H8568–95

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

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Agreed to:

The Boucher substitute amendment to the Watt of North Carolina amendment that allows a class action to be removed to a district court before or after a State has certified the class. Except that a plaintiff

who is not a named class member of the action may not seek removal of the action before a class containing the plaintiff has been certified. Subsequently, agreed to the Watt of North Carolina amendment, as amended.

Pages H8584–85

Rejected:

The Nadler amendment that sought to exempt any class action that is brought for harm caused by a firearm or ammunition (rejected by a recorded vote of 152 ayes to 277 noes, Roll No. 439);

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The Jackson-Lee of Texas amendment that sought to exempt any class action that is brought for harm caused by a tobacco product (rejected by a recorded vote of 162 ayes to 266 noes, Roll No. 440);

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The Frank of Massachusetts amendment that sought to allow a State court to certify a class action after the action has failed to meet class certification under Rule 23 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure in a Federal court (rejected by a recorded vote of 202 ayes to 225 noes, Roll No. 441); and

Pages H8585–88, H8593–94

The Waters amendment that sought to delay implementation of the act until the Judicial Conference of the United States certifies that the number of vacancies of Federal judgeships is less than 3 percent (rejected by a recorded vote of 185 ayes to 241 noes, Roll No. 442).

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H. Res. 295, the rule that provided for consideration of the bill was agreed to by a yeas and nays vote of 241 yeas to 181 nays, Roll No. 437.

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### Juvenile Justice Reform Act—Motions to Instruct Conferees:

**Lofgren Motions to Instruct:** Agreed to the Lofgren motion to instruct conferees on H.R. 1501, to provide grants to ensure increased accountability for juvenile offenders to recommend a conference substitute that (1) includes a loophole-free system that assures that no criminals or other prohibited purchasers (e.g. murderers, rapists, child molesters, fugitives from justice, undocumented aliens, stalkers and batterers) obtain firearms from non-licensed persons and federally licensed firearms dealers at gun shows; (2) does not include provisions that weaken current gun safety law; and (3) includes provisions that aid in the enforcement of current laws against criminals who use guns (e.g. murderers, rapists, child molesters, fugitives from justice, stalkers and batterers) by a yeas and nays vote of 305 yeas to 117 nays, Roll No. 438. Debate on the motion was completed on September 22.

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Subsequently, Representative Lofgren notified the House of her intention to offer another motion to instruct conferees on H.R. 1501 on September 24.

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**McCarthy of New York Motion to Instruct:** Representative McCarthy moved to instruct conferees on H.R. 1501, to provide grants to ensure increased accountability for juvenile offenders, to insist that (1) the committee of conference should this week have its first substantive meeting to offer amendments and motions, including gun safety amendments and motions; and (2) the committee of conference should meet every weekday in public session until the committee of conference agrees to recommend a substitute. Ordered vote on the motion was postponed until September 24; and

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**Doolittle Motions to Instruct:** Representative Doolittle notified the House of his intention to offer a motion to instruct conferees on H.R. 1501, to provide grants to ensure increased accountability for juvenile offenders; and

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Subsequently, Representative Doolittle notified the House of his intention to offer another motion to instruct conferees on H.R. 1501 on September 24.

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**Presidential Messages:** Read the following messages from the President:

**Veto Message Financial Freedom Act:** Message wherein he announced his veto of H.R. 2488, the Financial Freedom Act of 1999, and explained his reasons therefor—referred to the Committee on Ways and Means and ordered printed (H. Doc. 106–130);

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**National Emergency Re Iran:** Message wherein he transmitted his report on the national emergency with respect to Iran—referred to the Committee on International Relations and ordered printed (H. Doc. 106–131); and

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**Money Laundering:** Message wherein he transmitted the National Money Laundering Strategy for 1999—referred to the Committees on the Judiciary and Banking and Finance.

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**Amendments Ordered Printed:** Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on page H8629.

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** Two yeas and nays votes and five recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H8566–67, H8567–68, H8592, H8592–93, H8593–94, H8594, and H8594–95. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 10:00 a.m. and adjourned at 7:02 p.m.

## Committee Meetings

### COUNTY SCHOOLS FUNDING REVITALIZATION ACT

*Committee on Agriculture:* Ordered reported, as amended, H.R. 2389, County Schools Funding Revitalization Act of 1999.

### LABOR—HHS—EDUCATION APPROPRIATIONS

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education approved for full Committee action the Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education appropriations for fiscal year 2000.

### FIXING OUR SCHOOLS

*Committee on the Budget:* Held a hearing on Fixing Our Schools From the Bottom Up, State, Local and Private Reform Initiatives. Testimony was heard from Senator Voinovich; Richard W. Riley, Secretary of Education; Jeb Bush, Governor, State of Florida; Dwight Evans, member of the Legislature, State of Pennsylvania; and a public witness.

### MISCELLANEOUS ENERGY MEASURES

*Committee on Commerce:* Subcommittee on Energy and Power approved for full Committee action, as amended, the following bills: H.R. 2884, to extend energy conservation programs under the Energy Policy and Conservation Act through fiscal year 2003; and H.R. 2531, Nuclear Regulatory Commission Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2000.

Prior to this action, the Subcommittee held a hearing on the following: Reauthorization of Expiring Energy Policy and Conservation Act Programs; and on the Energy Policy and Conservation Act Amendments. Testimony was heard from Robert Gee, Assistant Secretary, Fossil Energy, Department of Energy; and public witnesses.

### BLOOD SAFETY AND AVAILABILITY

*Committee on Commerce:* Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing on Blood Safety and Availability. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Health and Human Services: Thomas Roslewicz, Deputy Inspector General, Audit Services; and Joe Green, Assistant Deputy, Audit Services; and public witnesses.

### FIGHTING PROSTATE CANCER

*Committee on Government Reform:* Held a hearing on Fighting Prostate Cancer: Are We Doing Enough? Testimony was heard from Representative Cunningham; former Senator Robert Dole of Kansas; and public witnesses.

### MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

*Committee on International Relations:* Favorably considered the following measures and adopted a motion urging the Chairman to request that they be considered on the Suspension Calendar: H. Res. 292, amended, 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, amended, commending the World War II veterans who fought in the Battle of the Bulge; H. Con. Res. 187, Expressing the sense of Congress regarding the European Council noise rule affecting hushkitted and reengineered aircraft; and H. Res. 297, amended, expressing sympathy for the victims of the devastating earthquake that struck Taiwan on September 21, 1999.

### OVERSIGHT—INDEPENDENT COUNSEL—ABUSES OF INDIVIDUAL RIGHTS

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on Commercial and Administrative Law held an oversight hearing on the Abuses of Individual Rights by Independent Counsel. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### STATES' CHOICE OF VOTING SYSTEMS ACT

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on the Constitution held a hearing on H.R. 1173, States' Choice of Voting Systems Act. Testimony was heard from Representative Campbell; Anita Hodgkiss, Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Civil Rights Division, Department of Justice; and public witnesses.

### PRISON INDUSTRIES REFORM ACT

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on Crime approved for full Committee action, as amended, H.R. 2558, Prison Industries Reform Act of 1999.

### MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

*Committee on Resources:* Subcommittee on Fisheries Conservation, Wildlife and Oceans held a 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. Testimony was heard from Representative Dingell; the following officials of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior: Tom Melius, Assistant Director, External Affairs; and Gary D. Frazer, Assistant Director, Ecological Services; Sally Yozell, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Oceans and Atmosphere, NOAA; Michael L. Davis, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Army, Civil Works, Department of the Army; Richard Ribb, Narragansett Bay Estuary Program, Department of Environmental Management, State of Rhode Island; and public witnesses.

### MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

*Committee on Resources:* Subcommittee on National Parks and Public Lands approved for full Committee action 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, amended, 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.

### EXPEDITED PROCEDURES

*Committee on Rules:* Granted, by voice vote, a rule waiving clause 6(a) of rule XIII (requiring a two-thirds vote to consider a rule on the same day it is reported from the Rules Committee) against certain resolutions reported from the Rules Committee. The rule applies the waiver to a special rule reported on or before October 1, 1999, providing for consideration of a bill or joint resolution making continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 2000, an amendment thereto, a conference report thereon, or an amendment reported in disagreement from a conference thereon. The rule applies the waiver to a special rule reported on or before October 1, 1999, providing for consideration of any conference report to accompany a bill making general appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2000, or any amendment reported in disagreement from a conference thereon.

### SPACE SHUTTLE SAFETY

*Committee on Science:* Subcommittee on Space and Aeronautics held a hearing on Space Shuttle Safety. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the NASA: Frederick D. Gregory, Associate Administrator, Safety and Mission Assurance; and William F.

Readdy, Deputy Associate Administrator, Space Flight; and a public witness.

### SMALL MANUFACTURING AND THE CHALLENGES OF THE NEW MILLENNIUM

*Committee on Science:* Subcommittee on Technology held a hearing on Small Manufacturing and the Challenges of the New Millennium. Testimony was heard from Raymond Kammer, Director, National Institute of Standards and Technology, Department of Commerce; and public witnesses.

### MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure:* Ordered reported 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.

### DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS—FRAUD AND MISMANAGEMENT

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs:* Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing on fraud and mismanagement in the Department of Veterans Affairs. Testimony was heard from Stephen P. Backhus, Director, Veterans' Affairs and Military Health Care Issues, GAO; and the following officials of the Department of Veterans Affairs: Richard J. Griffin, Inspector General; and Edward A. Powell, Jr., Assistant Secretary, Financial Management.

### OVERSIGHT—CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT PROGRAM

*Committee on Ways and Means:* Subcommittee on Human Resources held an oversight hearing of the Child Support Enforcement Program. Testimony was heard from Olivia A. Golden, Assistant Secretary, Children and Families, Department of Health and Human Services; Nick Young, Director, Child Support Enforcement Division, State of Virginia; Marilyn Ray Smith, Associate Deputy Commissioner and Chief Legal Counsel, Child Support Enforcement Division, Department of Revenue, State of Massachusetts; Teresa L. Kaiser, Executive Director, Child Support Enforcement Administration, Department of Human Resources, State of Maryland; Barbara L. Saunders, Assistant Deputy Director, Office of Child Support Enforcement, Department of Human Services, State of Ohio; Alisha Griffin, Assistant Director, Office of Child Support and Paternity Programs, Division of Family Development, State of New Jersey; Robert Doar, Deputy Commissioner and Director, Office of Child Support Enforcement, Office of

Temporary and Disability Assistance, State of New York; and public witnesses.

## Joint Meetings

### FINANCIAL SERVICES MODERNIZATION

*Conferees* met to resolve the differences between the Senate and House passed versions of S. 900/H.R. 10, bills to enhance competition in the financial services industry by providing a prudential framework for the affiliation of banks, securities firms, and other financial service providers, but did not complete action thereon, and recessed subject to call.

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### COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 1999

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

#### Senate

*Committee on the Judiciary*: business meeting to continue markup of S.J. Res. 3, proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States to protect the rights of crime victims, 9:30 a.m., SD-226.

#### House

*Committee on Banking and Financial Services*, to mark up H.R. 202, Preserving Affordable Housing for Senior Citizens and Families into the 21st Century Act, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

*Committee on Commerce*, Subcommittee on Telecommunications, Trade, and Consumer Protections, to mark up

H.R. 1832, Muhammad Ali Boxing Reform Act, 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

*Committee on Education and the Workforce*, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing on Federal Prison Industries: Recommendations for Reforms, 9:30 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

*Committee on Government Reform*, Subcommittee on Criminal Justice, Drug Policy and Human Resources, hearing on Examining the Drug Threat Along the Southwest Border, 9:30 a.m., 2203 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on the District of Columbia, oversight hearing on the Status of the District of Columbia's Year 2000 Conversion Compliance and Technology Improvement Plan, 11 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

*Committee on International Relations*, Subcommittee on International Operations and Human Rights, hearing on the Patten Commission Report on Policing in Northern Ireland, 9:45 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure*, Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment, hearing on H.R. 728, Small Watershed Rehabilitation Amendments of 1999, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

*Committee on Ways and Means*, to mark up a measure to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend expiring provisions to fully allow the non-refundable personal credit against regular tax liabilities, 11 a.m., H-208 Capitol.

### Joint Meetings

*Conference*: meeting of conferees on H.R. 2605, making appropriations for energy and water development for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2000, 10 a.m., S-128, Capitol.

*Next Meeting of the SENATE*

9:30 a.m., Friday, September 24

*Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES*

9 a.m., Friday, September 24

## Senate Chamber

**Program for Friday:** Senate will continue consideration of H.R. 2684, VA-HUD Appropriations, with a vote on Wellstone Amendment No. 1789 to occur at approximately 9:35 a.m.

## House Chamber

**Program for Friday:** Consideration of H.R. 1487, National Monument NEPA Compliance Act (modified open rule, one hour of general debate); and Consideration of Motions to Instruct Conferees on H.R. 1501, Juvenile Justice Reform Act of 1999 (McCarthy, Lofgren, and Doolittle Motions).

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