

# House of Representatives

## Chamber Action

**Bills Introduced:** 11 public bills, H.R. 2991–3001; and 3 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 191 and H. Res. 319–320, were introduced. **Page H9241**

**Reports Filed:** Reports were filed today as follows:  
H.R. 1381, to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 to provide that an employee's "regular state" for purposes of calculating overtime compensation will not be affected by certain additional payments, amended (H. Rept. 106–358);

H.R. 2884, to extend energy conservation programs under the Energy Policy and Conservation Act through fiscal year 2003, amended (H. Rept. 106–359); and

H.R. 764, to reduce the incidence of child abuse and neglect (H. Rept. 106–360). **Page H9241**

**Speaker Pro Tempore:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Ewing to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H9201**

**Department of Transportation and Related Agencies Appropriations:** The House agreed to the conference report on H.R. 2084, making appropriations for the Department of Transportation and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2000 by a yea and nay vote of 304 yeas to 91 nays with one voting "present", Roll No. 466. **Pages H9202–10**

H. Res. 318, the rule that waived points of order against the conference report, was agreed to by voice vote. **Pages H9201–02**

**Agriculture, Rural Development, FDA, and Related Programs Appropriations:** The House agreed to the conference report on H.R. 1906, making appropriations for Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2000 by a yea and nay vote of 240 yeas to 175 nays, Roll No. 469. **Pages H9217–37**

Rejected the Kaptur motion to recommit the conference report to the committee on conference by a yea and nay vote of 187 yeas to 228 nays, Roll No. 468. **Pages H9235–36**

H. Res. 317, the rule that waived points of order against the conference report, was agreed to by a yea and nay vote of 230 yeas to 188 nays, Roll No. 467. **Pages H9210–17**

**Meeting Hour—Monday, October 4:** Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 12:30 p.m. on Monday, October 4 for morning-hour debates. **Page H9237**

**Calendar Wednesday:** Agreed to dispense with the Calendar Wednesday business on Wednesday, October 6. **Page H9237**

**Senate Messages:** Message received from the Senate appears on page H9201.

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** Four yea and nay votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H9209, H9216–17, H9236, and H9236–37. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 9:00 a.m. and adjourned at 1:40 p.m.

## Committee Meetings

### MEDICARE BALANCED BUDGET ACT REFINEMENTS

*Committee on Ways and Means:* Subcommittee on Health held a hearing on Medicare Balanced Budget Act Refinements. Testimony was heard from Michael M. Hash, Acting Administrator, Health Care Financing Administration, Department of Health and Human Services; William J. Scanlon, Director, Health Financing and Public Health Issues, GAO; Gail R. Wilensky, Chair, Medicare Payment Advisory Commission; and public witnesses.

## Joint Meetings

### APPROPRIATIONS—TRANSPORTATION

*Conferees,* on Wednesday, September 29, agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the Senate and House passed versions of H.R. 2084, making appropriations for the Department of Transportation and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2000.

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## NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D1071)

H.R. 2605, making appropriations for energy and water development for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2000. Signed September 29, 1999. (P.L. 106–60)

H.J. Res. 34, congratulating and commending the Veterans of Foreign Wars. Signed September 29, 1999. (P.L. 106–61)

H.J. Res. 68, making continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 2000. Signed September 30, 1999. (P.L. 106–62)

## CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of October 4 through October 9, 1999

## Senate Chamber

On *Monday*, Senate will consider S. 82, Air Transportation Improvement Act (FAA Authorization), and will begin consideration of the nominations of Ronnie L. White, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Missouri, Brian Theodore Stewart, to be United States District Judge for the District of Utah, and Raymond C. Fisher, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit. Also, at 5:30 p.m., Senate will consider the conference report on H.R. 2084, Transportation Appropriations, with a vote on adoption to immediately occur thereon.

On *Tuesday*, Senate will continue consideration of S. 82, Air Transportation Improvement Act (FAA Authorization), and resume consideration of the nominations of Messrs. White, Stewart, and Fisher (see Monday), at 2:15 p.m., with votes to occur thereon.

On *Friday*, Senate will begin consideration of the Comprehensive Nuclear Test Ban Treaty (Treaty Doc. 105-28), at 9:30 a.m.

During the balance of the week, Senate expects to resume consideration of S. 1650, Labor/HHS/Education Appropriations, and consider any cleared legislative and executive business, including conference reports, when available.

*(On Tuesday, Senate will recess from 12:30 p.m. until 2:15 p.m. for their respective party conferences.)*

## Senate Committees

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

*Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry:* October 6, to hold hearings to review public policy related to biotechnology, focusing on domestic approval process, benefits of biotechnology and an emphasis on challenges facing farmers to segregation of product, 9 a.m., SR-328A.

October 7, Full Committee, to hold hearings to review public policy related to biotechnology, focusing on domestic approval process, benefits of biotechnology and an emphasis on challenges facing farmers to segregation of product, 9 a.m., SR-328A.

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* October 5, Subcommittee on Housing and Transportation, to hold hearings on S. 1452, to modernize the requirements under the National Manufactured Housing Construction and Safety Standards of 1974 and to establish a balanced consensus process for the development, revision, and interpretation of Federal construction and safety standards for manufactured homes, 9:30 a.m., SD-538.

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* October 6, to hold hearings on S. 1510, to revise the laws of the United States appertaining to United States cruise vessels, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* October 5, Subcommittee on Forests and Public Land Management, to hold hearings on S. 1608, to provide annual payments to the States and counties from National Forest System lands managed by the Forest Service, and the revested Oregon and California Railroad and reconveyed Coos Bay Wagon Road grant lands managed predominately by the Bureau of Land Management, for use by the counties in which the lands are situated for the benefit of the public schools, roads, emergency and other public purposes; to encourage and provide new mechanism for cooperation between counties and the Forest Service and the Bureau of Land Management to make necessary investments in federal lands, and reaffirm the positive connection between Federal Lands counties and Federal Lands; and for other purposes, 2:30 p.m., SD-366.

October 7, Subcommittee on Energy Research, Development, Production and Regulation, to hold hearings on S. 1183, to direct the Secretary of Energy to convey to the city of Bartlesville, Oklahoma, the former site of the NIPER facility of the Department of Energy; and S. 397, to authorize the Secretary of Energy to establish a multi-agency program in support of the Materials Corridor Partnership Initiative to promote energy efficient, environmentally sound economic development along the border with Mexico through the research, development, and use of new materials, 2:30 p.m., SD-366.

*Committee on Environment and Public Works:* October 5, Subcommittee on Clean Air, Wetlands, Private Property, and Nuclear Safety, to hold hearings on the Environmental Protection Agency's Blue Ribbon Panel findings on methyl tertiary-butyl ether, 9:30 a.m., SD-406.

October 6, Full Committee, to hold hearings on the nomination of 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; the nomination of Glenn L. McCullough, Jr., of Mississippi, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Tennessee Valley Authority; and the nomination of Gerald V. Poje, of Virginia, to be a Member of the Chemical Safety and Hazard Investigation Board, 10 a.m., SD-406.

October 7, Full Committee, to hold hearings on S. 188, to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to authorize the use of State revolving loan funds for construction of water conservation and quality improvements; S. 968, to authorize the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency to make grants to State agencies with responsibility for water source development, for the purposes of maximizing the available water supply and protecting the environment through the development of alternative water sources; and S. 914, to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to require that discharges from combined storm and sanitary sewers conform to the Combined Sewer Overflow Control Policy of the Environmental Protection Agency, 10 a.m., SD-406.

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* October 5, to hold hearings on convention On Protection of Children and Co-operation in Respect of Intercountry Adoption, Adopted and Opened for Signature at the Conclusion of the Seventeenth Session of the Hague Conference on Private International Law on May 29, 1993 (Treaty Doc. 105-51);