

Ticket to Work and Work Incentives Improvement Act: The House disagreed to the Senate amendment to H.R. 1180, to amend the Social Security Act to expand the availability of health care coverage for working individuals with disabilities and to establish a Ticket to Work and Self-Sufficiency Program in the Social Security Administration to provide such individuals with meaningful opportunities to work, and agreed to a conference. Appointed as conferees: Chairman Archer, Chairman Bliley, and Representatives Arney, Rangel, and Dingell.

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Meeting Hour—Monday, Nov. 1: Agreed that when the House adjourns today it adjourn to meet at 12:30 p.m. on Monday, Nov. 1, 1999 for morning-hour debates.

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Calendar Wednesday: Agreed to dispense with the Calendar Wednesday business of Nov. 3, 1999.

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Senate Messages: Messages received from the Senate appear on pages H11069 and H11137.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Five yea and nay votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H11075, H11085, H11094, H11120, and H11120–21. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10:00 a.m. and adjourned at 8:36 p.m.

Committee Meetings

EPA'S NEW AGRICULTURAL REGULATORY PROGRAMS

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on Department Operations, Oversight, Nutrition, and Forestry held a hearing to review the EPA's new agricultural regulatory programs. Testimony was heard from J. Charles Fox, Assistant Administrator, Water, EPA; Glenda Humiston, Deputy Under Secretary, Natural Resources and Environment, USDA; Arthur R. Nash, Jr., Deputy Director, Department of Environmental Quality, State of Michigan; and public witnesses.

EXPORT OF HIGH-PERFORMANCE COMPUTERS—U.S. POLICY

Committee on Armed Services: Held a hearing on U.S. policy regarding the export of high-performance computers. Testimony was heard from Harold J. Johnson, Associate Director, National Security and International Affairs Division, GAO; William Reinsch, Under Secretary, Export Administration, Department of Commerce; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURE

Committee on Commerce: Ordered reported, as amended, 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.

WIPO ONE YEAR LATER

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Telecommunications, Trade, and Consumer Protection held a hearing on WIPO One Year Later: Assessing Consumer Access to Digital Entertainment on the Internet and Other Media. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

TELEWORK—IMPACT ON WORKPLACE POLICY

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing on Telework: The Impact on Workplace Policy in the U.S. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES; IMMUNITY FOR JOHN HUANG

Committee on Government Reform: Ordered reported the following bills: H.R. 170, amended, to require certain notices in any mailing using a game of chance for the promotion of a product or service; H.R. 2952, to redesignate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 100 Orchard Park Drive in Greenville, South Carolina, as the "Keith D. Oglesby Station"; H.R. 3018, amended, to designate the United States Post Office located at 557 East Bay Street in Charleston, South Carolina, as the "Marybelle H. Howe Post Office"; and H.R. 3137, to amend the Presidential Transition Act of 1963 to provide for training of individuals a President-elect intends to nominate as department heads or appoint to key positions in the Executive Office of the President.

The Committee also approved a Grant of Immunity for John Huang.

FEDERAL ACTIVITIES INVENTORY REFORM ACT IMPLEMENTATION

Committee on Government Reform: Subcommittee on Government Management, Information, and Technology held a hearing on Implementation of the Federal Activities Inventory Reform (FAIR) Act of 1998. Testimony was heard from Senator Thomas; Representatives Sessions, Duncan, and Kucinich; Deidre Lee, Acting Deputy Director, Management, OMB; J. Christopher Mihm, Associate Director, Federal Management and Workforce Issues, General Government Division, GAO; Sally Anne Harper, Chief Financial Officer, EPA; William Early, Chief

Financial Officer, GSA; and Linda Bilmes, Acting Assistant Secretary, Administration and Acting Chief Financial Officer, Department of Commerce.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Commercial and Administrative Law held a hearing on the following measures: H. Con. Res. 30, to express the sense of the Congress that any Executive order that infringes on the powers and duties of the Congress under article I, section 8 of the Constitution, or that would require the expenditure of Federal funds not specifically appropriated for the purpose of the Executive order, is advisory only and has no force or effect unless enacted as law; H.R. 2655, Separation of Powers Restoration Act; and H.R. 3131, to permit congressional review of certain Presidential orders. Testimony was heard from Representatives Metcalf, Paul, and Barr of Georgia; and public witnesses.

JUSTICE IN FAIR HOUSING ENFORCEMENT ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on the Constitution held a hearing on H.R. 2437, Justice in Fair Housing Enforcement Act of 1999. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT—COMMUNITY ORIENTED POLICING SERVICES PROGRAM

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Crime held an oversight hearing on the COPS (Community Oriented Policing Services) Programs. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Justice: Thomas C. Frazier, Director, Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS); and Robert L. Ashbaugh, Acting Inspector General; Richard Stana, Associate Director, Administration of Justice Issues, GAO; and public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources held an oversight hearing on the Proposed World Heritage Committee Policy Prohibiting Mining in Areas Surrounding World Heritage Sites. Testimony was heard from Dan Barry, Assistant Secretary, Fish and Wildlife and Parks, Department of the Interior; and public witnesses.

ESTUARY HABITAT RESTORATION PARTNERSHIP ACT; OVERSIGHT—PACIFIC SALMON TREATY

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Fisheries Conservation, Wildlife and Oceans approved for full Committee action H.R. 1775, Estuary Habitat Restoration Partnership Act of 1999.

The Subcommittee also held an oversight hearing on Pacific Salmon Treaty. Testimony was heard from Jim Pipkin, Special Negotiator for Pacific Salmon, Department of the Interior; Dave Balton, Director, Office of Marine Conservation, Department of State; Terry Garcia, Assistant Secretary, Oceans and Atmosphere, Department of Commerce; Dave Benton, Deputy Commissioner, Department of Fish and Game, State of Alaska; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on National Parks, and Public Lands held a hearing on the following bills: H.R. 1500, America's Wilderness Protection Act; and H.R. 2874, Wild Horse and Burro Preservation and Management Act of 1999. Testimony was heard from Henri Bisson, Assistant Director, Renewable Resources and Planning, Bureau of Land Management, Department of the Interior; the following members of the Senate, State of Nevada: Dan Rhoads; and Dina Titus; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Science: Subcommittee on Energy and Environment held a hearing on the following bills: H.R. 2819, Biomass Research and Development Act of 1999; and H.R. 2827, National Sustainable Fuels and Chemicals Act of 1999. Testimony was heard from Dan W. Reicher, Assistant Secretary, Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, Department of Energy; I. Miley Gonzales, Under Secretary, Research, Education and Economics, USDA; and public witnesses.

SMALL BUSINESSES—CALIFORNIA PROP. 65'S EFFECT

Committee on Small Business: Held a hearing on California Prop. 65's effect on small businesses. Testimony was heard from Ann Brown, Chairman, Consumer Product Safety Commission; Ed Weil, Deputy Attorney General, State of California; and public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT—AMTRAK

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Ground Transportation held an oversight hearing on Amtrak. Testimony was heard from Phyllis Scheinberg, Associate Director, Transportation and Telecommunications Issues, GAO; Kenneth Mead, Inspector General, Department of Transportation; Thomas G. Thompson, Governor, State of Wisconsin and Chairman, Board of Directors, Amtrak; and public witnesses.

VETERANS' MATTERS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Subcommittee on Benefits held a hearing on concepts for 21st Century Veterans' Employment and Training legislation and legislative concepts for miscellaneous VA Education Programs. Testimony was heard from Representative Ney; Espiridion Borrego, Assistant Secretary, Veterans Employment and Training, Department of Labor; Celia Dollarhide, Director, Education Service, Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs; the following officials of the Department of Labor, State of New York: James Hartman, Federal Director of Veterans Employment and Training; and John Hall, Disabled Veterans Outreach Program; Effi Baldwin, Local Veterans Employment Representative, Department of Economic Security/Job Service, State of Arizona; representatives of veterans organizations; and public witness.

**DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS—
YEAR 2000 READINESS**

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing on Year 2000 readiness in the Department of Veterans Affairs. Testimony was heard from Joel C. Willemsen, Director, Civil Agencies Information Systems, Accounting and Information Management Division, GAO; William K. Hubbard, Senior Associate Commissioner, Policy, Planning and Legislation, FDA, Department of Health and Human Services; and Hershel W. Gober, Deputy Secretary, Veterans Affairs, Department of Veterans Affairs.

KOSOVO BRIEFING

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Met in executive session to receive a briefing on Kosovo: Lessons Learned. The Committee was briefed by departmental officials.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D1210)

H.R. 356, to provide for the conveyance of certain property from the United States to Stanislaus County, California. Signed October 27, 1999. (P.L. 106-82)

**COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY,
OCTOBER 29, 1999**

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Foreign Relations: to hold hearings on the nomination of Joseph R. Crapa, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Administrator of the United States Agency for International Development; Willene A. Johnson, of New York, to be United States Director of the African Development Bank; and Alan Phillip Larson, of Iowa, to be Under Secretary of State (Economic, Business and Agricultural Affairs), 10 a.m., SD-419.

House

Committee on Commerce, Subcommittee on Finance and Hazardous Materials, hearing on Increasing Disclosure to Benefit Investors, focusing on the following bills: H.R. 887, to amend the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934 to require improved disclosure of corporate charitable contributions; and H.R. 1089, Mutual Fund Tax Awareness Act of 1999, 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Government Reform, Subcommittee on Government Management, Information, and Technology, and the Subcommittee on Technology of the Committee on Science, joint hearing on Y2K Contingency and Day 1 Plans: If Computers Fail, What Will You Do? 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on Resources, Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources, oversight hearing on Limitations on Patenting Millsites under the Mining Law of 1872 and the Approval of Mining Plans of Operations Pursuant to the Federal Land Policy and Management Act, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.