

# Daily Digest

## HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed Nuclear Waste Policy Amendments Act.

The House passed H.R. 6, Marriage Tax Penalty Relief Act.

## Senate

### Chamber Action

*Routine Proceedings, pages S563–S647*

**Measures Introduced:** Twenty three bills and five resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2051–2073, S. Res. 256–258, and S. Con. Res. 80–81. **Pages S612–13**

**Measures Reported:** Reports were made as follows:

S. Res. 251, designating March 25, 2000, as “Greek Independence Day: A National Day of Celebration of Greek and American Democracy”.

S. 671, to amend the Trademark Act of 1946 to provide for the registration and protection of trademarks used in commerce, in order to carry out provisions of certain international conventions.

S. 1638, to amend the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 to extend the retroactive eligibility dates for financial assistance for higher education for spouses and dependent children of Federal, State, and local law enforcement officers who are killed in the line of duty. **Page S612**

**Measures Passed:**

**Nuclear Waste Policy Amendments Act:** By 64 yeas to 34 nays (Vote No. 8), Senate passed S. 1287, to provide for the storage of spent nuclear fuel pending completion of the nuclear waste repository, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto: **Pages S564–79**

Adopted:

Lott (for Murkowski) Amendment No. 2808, in the nature of a substitute. **Pages S564–74**

**Adjournment Resolution:** Senate agreed to S. Con. Res. 80, providing for a conditional adjournment or recess of the Senate and a conditional adjournment of the House of Representatives. **Page S582**

**National Heart Failure Awareness Week:** Senate agreed to S. Res. 256, designating the week of Feb-

ruary 14–18, 2000, as “National Heart Failure Awareness Week”. **Page S646**

**Use of Rotunda/Holocaust Remembrance Ceremony:** Committee on Rules and Administration was discharged from further consideration of H. Con. Res. 244, permitting the use of the Rotunda of the Capitol for a ceremony as part of the commemoration of the days of remembrance of victims of the Holocaust, and the resolution was then agreed to. **Page S646**

**Measures Indefinitely Postponed:** Senate indefinitely postponed the following bills:

**Armed Forces Pay Equity:** S. 270, to improve pay and retirement equity for members of the Armed Forces. **Page S646**

**Education Flexibility Partnership Act:** S. 271, to provide for education flexibility partnerships. **Page S646**

**Education Flexibility Partnership Act:** S. 280, to provide for education flexibility partnerships. **Page S646**

**Small Business Investment Improvement Act:** S. 364, to improve certain loan programs of the Small Business Administration. **Page S646**

**Y2K Act:** S. 96, to regulate commerce between and among the several States by providing for the orderly resolution of disputes arising out of computer-based problems related to processing data that includes a 2-digit expression of that year’s date. **Page S646**

**Ronald V. Dellums Federal Building:** S. 272, to designate the Federal building located at 1301 Clay Street in Oakland, California, as the “Ronald V. Dellums Federal Building”. **Page S646**

**Thomas S. Foley Federal Building and Courthouse/Walter F. Horan Plaza:** S. 392, to designate the Federal building and United States courthouse

located at West 920 Riverside Avenue in Spokane, Washington, as the “Thomas S. Foley Federal Building and United States Courthouse”, and the plaza at the south entrance of that building and courthouse as the “Walter F. Horan Plaza”. **Page S646**

**Steffens Family Property Transfer:** H.R. 509, 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. **Page S646**

**Wyoming Land Transfer:** H.R. 510, 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. **Page S646**

**Lewis R. Morgan Federal Building and U. S. Courthouse:** S. 858, to designate the Federal building and United States courthouse located at 18 Greenville Street in Newnan, Georgia, as the “Lewis R. Morgan Federal Building and United States Courthouse”. **Page S646**

**Arizona Statehood and Enabling Act Amendments:** S. 415, to designate the Federal building and United States courthouse located at 18 Greenville Street in Newnan, Georgia, as the “Lewis R. Morgan Federal Building and United States Courthouse”. **Page S646**

**Chattahoochee River National Recreation Area Protection:** S. 109, to improve protection and management of the Chattahoochee River National Recreation Area in the State of Georgia. **Page S646**

**Star-Spangled Banner National Historic Trail Study Act:** S. 441, to amend the National Trails System Act to designate the route of the War of 1812 British invasion of Maryland and Washington, District of Columbia, and the route of the American defense, for study for potential addition to the national trails system. **Page S646**

**National Geologic Mapping Reauthorization Act:** S. 607, to reauthorize and amend the National Geologic Mapping Act of 1992. **Page S646**

**Thomas Cole National Historic Site Designation Act:** S. 140, to establish the Thomas Cole National Historic Site in the State of New York as an affiliated area of the National Park System. **Page S646**

**Franklin D. Roosevelt National Visitor Center:** S. 946, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to transfer administrative jurisdiction over land within the boundaries of the Home of Franklin D. Roo-

sevelt National Historic Site to the Archivist of the United States for the construction of a visitor center. **Page S646**

**Virginia Land Acquisition:** S. 955, 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. **Page S646**

**NHTA Authorization Corrections:** S. 1248, to correct errors in the authorizations of certain programs administered by the National Highway Traffic Administration. **Page S646**

**Veterans' Compensation Cost-of-Living Adjustment:** S. 1393, to provide a cost-of-living adjustment in rates of compensation for veterans with service-connected disabilities and dependency and indemnity compensation for survivors of such veterans, to amend title 38, United States Code, to codify the previous cost-of-living adjustment in such rates. **Page S646**

**Pennsylvania Battlefields Protection Act:** S. 581, to protect the Paoli and Brandywine Battlefields in Pennsylvania, to authorize a Valley Forge Museum of the American Revolution at Valley Forge National Historical Park. **Page S646**

**Terry Peak Land Transfer Act:** S. 953, to direct the Secretary of Agriculture to convey certain land in the State of South Dakota to the Terry Peak Ski Area. **Page S646**

**New Mexico Land Conveyance:** H.R. 695, to direct the Secretary of Agriculture and the Secretary of the Interior to convey an administrative site in San Juan County, New Mexico, to San Juan College. **Page S646**

**Utah Water Development:** S. 1377, to amend the Central Utah Project Completion Act regarding the use of funds for water development for the Bonneville Unit. **Page S646**

**Private Relief:** S. 2006, for the relief of Yongyi Song. **Page S646**

**Removal of Injunction of Secrecy:** The injunction of secrecy was removed from the following treaty:

Treaty with Russia on Mutual Legal Assistance in Criminal Matters (Treaty Doc. No. 106–22)

The treaty was transmitted to the Senate today, considered as having been read for the first time, and referred, with accompanying papers, to the Committee on Foreign Relations and was ordered to be printed. **Page S646**

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

Transmitting, pursuant to law, the 2000 Economic Report of the President together with the annual report of the Council of Economic Advisers; to the Joint Economic Committee. (PM-87)

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During today's session, Senate also took the following action:

By 79 yeas to 19 nays (Vote No. 9), Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to executive session.

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**Nominations Confirmed:** Senate confirmed the following nominations:

By 96 yeas 2 nays (Vote No. EX. 10), Thomas L. Ambro, of Delaware, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Third Circuit.

By 95 yeas 2 nays (Vote No. EX. 11), Joel A. Pisano, of New Jersey, to be United States District Judge for the District of New Jersey vice Maryanne Trump Barry, elevated.

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

Edward William Gnehm, Jr., of Georgia, to be Ambassador to Australia.

Ronald D. Godard, of Texas, to be Ambassador to the Co-operative Republic of Guyana.

Daniel A. Johnson, of Florida, Career Member of the Senior Foreign Service, Class of Minister-Counselor, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Suriname.

V. Manuel Rocha, of California, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Bolivia.

Michael J. Senko, of the District of Columbia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of the Marshall Islands, and to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador to the Republic of Kiribati.

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**Record Votes:** Four record votes were taken today. (Total—11)

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**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 10 a.m., and pursuant to the provisions of S. Con. Res. 80, adjourned at 6:14 p.m., until 11 a.m., on Tuesday, February 22, 2000. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S647.)

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

### OVER-THE-COUNTER DERIVATIVES MARKETS

*Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry:* Committee concluded hearings to examine the findings of the President's Working Group on Financial Markets' report on Over the Counter Derivatives Markets and the Commodity Exchange Act, after receiving testimony from Laurence H. Summers, Secretary of the Treasury; Alan Greenspan, Chairman, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System; William J. Rainer, Chairman, Commodity Futures Trading Commission; Annette L. Nazareth, Director, Division of Market Regulation, Securities and Exchange Commission; Jerold Solzman, Chicago Mercantile Exchange, and David P. Brennan, Chicago Board of Trade, both of Chicago, Illinois; and Daniel Rappaport, New York Mercantile Exchange, Edward J. Rosen, Cleary, Gottlieb, Steen and Hamilton, on behalf of the Coalition, and Richard Grove, International Swaps and Derivatives Association, Inc., all of Washington, D.C.

### APPROPRIATIONS—AGRICULTURE

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, and Related Agencies concluded hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2001 for the Department of Agriculture, after receiving testimony from Dan Glickman, Secretary, Richard Rominger, Deputy Secretary, Keith Collins, Chief Economist, and Stephen B. Dewhurst, Budget Officer, all of the Department of Agriculture.

### APPROPRIATIONS—TRANSPORTATION

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Transportation concluded hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2001 for the Department of Transportation, after receiving testimony from Rodney E. Slater, Secretary of Transportation.

### DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION

*Committee on Armed Services:* Committee held hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 2001 for the Department of Defense and the future years defense program, receiving testimony from

Louis Caldera, Secretary of the Army; Richard Danzig, Secretary of the Navy; and F. Whitten Peters, Secretary of the Air Force.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

### 2001 BUDGET: SPECTRUM AUCTIONS

*Committee on the Budget:* Committee concluded hearings on the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2001, focusing on certain provisions relating to spectrum auctions and their impact on the digital economy, after receiving testimony from William E. Kennard, Chairman, Federal Communications Commission; Peter Cramton, University of Maryland, College Park, on behalf of Market Design, Inc.; Daniel Pegg, Leap Wireless International, Inc., San Diego, California; Timothy M. Donahue, Nextel Communications, Inc., Reston, Virginia; Raymond P. Dolan, NextWave Telecom, Inc., Hawthorne, New York; and Dennis F. Strigl, Bell Atlantic Mobile, Bedminster, New Jersey.

### BUSINESS MEETING

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

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, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 503, designating certain land in the San Isabel National Forest in the State of Colorado as the "Spanish Peaks Wilderness", with an amendment;

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;

S. 397, to authorize the Secretary of Energy to establish a multiagency 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, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

H.R. 834, to extend the authorization for the National Historic Preservation Fund, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

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, Washington, Montana, and Idaho, with an amendment in the nature of a

substitute. (As approved by the committee the substitute amendment incorporated certain provisions of S. 1723, Senate companion measure.)

S. 1167, to amend the Pacific Northwest Electric Power Planning and Conservation Act to provide for expanding the scope of the Independent Scientific Review Panel, with an amendment;

S. 1629, to provide for the exchange of certain land in the State of Oregon, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 1343, to direct the Secretary of Agriculture to convey certain National Forest land to Elko County, Nevada, for continued use as a cemetery;

S. 408, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey a former Bureau of Land Management administrative site to the City of Carson City, Nevada, for use as a senior center;

S. 1218, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to issue to the Landusky School District, without consideration, a patent for the surface and mineral estates of certain lots, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 1686, to provide for the conveyances of land interests to Chugach Alaska Corporation to fulfill the intent, purpose, and promise of the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act, with an amendment;

H.R. 3090, to amend the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act to restore certain lands to the Elim Native Corporation, in lieu of S. 1702, Senate companion measure;

S. 1694, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a study on the reclamation and reuse of water and wastewater in the State of Hawaii, with an amendment; and

The nomination of Sylvia V. Baca, of New Mexico, to be Assistant Secretary of the Interior for Land and Minerals Management.

### LAND MANAGEMENT BILLS

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* Committee concluded hearings on S. 1797, to amend the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act, to provide for a land conveyance to the City of Craig, Alaska, S. 1925, to promote environmental restoration around the Lake Tahoe basin, S. 1664/H.R. 2863, bills to clarify the legal effect on the United States of the acquisition of a parcel of land in the Red Cliffs Desert Reserve in the State of Utah, S. 1665/H.R. 2862, bills to direct the Secretary of the Interior to release reversionary interests held by the United States in certain parcels of land in Washington County, Utah, to facilitate an anticipated land exchange, and S. 1936, to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to sell or exchange all or part of certain administrative sites and other National Forest System land in the State of Oregon and use the proceeds derived from the sale

or exchange for National Forest System purposes, after receiving testimony from Senators Reid and Feinstein; Representatives Doolittle and Gibbons; Jack Craven, Director of Lands, Forest Service, Department of Agriculture; Henri Bisson, Assistant Director, Bureau of Land Management, Department of the Interior; Mayor Dennis Watson, Craig, Alaska; Steve Teshara, Lake Tahoe Gaming Alliance, Lake Tahoe, Nevada, and Rochelle Nason, League to Save Lake Tahoe, South Lake Tahoe, California, Stan Hansen, Heavenly Ski Resort, Stateline, Nevada, all on behalf of the Lake Tahoe Transportation and Water Quality Coalition; and Carrie Whitaker, Bend Metro Park and Recreation District, Bend, Oregon.

#### TRADE NEGOTIATIONS

*Committee on Finance:* Committee held hearings to assess the mission of the World Trade Organization over the past five years, events of last year's Ministerial Conference in Seattle, and forthcoming trade negotiations, receiving testimony from Charlene Barshefsky, United States Trade Representative; Susan S. Westin, Associate Director, International Relations and Trade Issues, National Security and International Affairs Division, General Accounting Office; Thomas J. Donohue, United States Chamber of Commerce, Allen F. Johnson, National Oilseed Processors Association, and Richard L. Trumka, AFL-CIO, all of Washington, D.C.; and Mark Van Putten, National Wildlife Federation, Vienna, Virginia.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

#### PRESIDENT'S BUDGET

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* Committee concluded hearings on the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2001 for foreign assistance programs, and the priorities of the Agency for International Development, after receiving testimony from Brady Anderson, Administrator, U.S. Agency for International Development.

#### RUSSIAN INTELLIGENCE ACTIVITIES

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* Committee concluded hearings on Russian intelligence activities directed at the Department of State, after receiving testimony from David G. Carpenter, Assistant Secretary of State for Diplomatic Security.

#### COLLEGE COST

*Committee on Governmental Affairs:* Committee concluded hearings to examine the rising cost of college

tuition and the effectiveness of Government financial aid, after receiving testimony from Lawrence E. Galdieux, The College Board, Washington, D.C.; Michael S. McPherson, Macalester College, Saint Paul, Minnesota; Jerry S. Davis, USA Group Foundation, Indianapolis, Indiana; Mark Kantrowitz, FinAid, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; and Patricia Somers, University of Missouri, St. Louis.

#### INTELLIGENCE

*Select Committee on Intelligence:* Committee held closed hearings on intelligence matters, receiving testimony from officials of the intelligence community.

Committee recessed subject to call.

#### BUSINESS MEETING

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Committee ordered favorably reported the following measures:

S. 1638, to amend the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 to extend the retroactive eligibility dates for financial assistance for higher education for spouses and dependent children of Federal, State, and local law enforcement officers who are killed in the line of duty;

S. 671, to amend the Trademark Act of 1946 to provide for the registration and protection of trademarks used in commerce, in order to carry out provisions of certain international conventions; and

S. Res. 251, designating March 25, 2000, as "Greek Independence Day: A National Day of Celebration of Greek and American Democracy."

#### U.S. BORDER SECURITY

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on Immigration concluded hearings to examine enhancements to United States border security, after receiving testimony from Senators Gorton and Murray; Diana Dean, Customs Inspector, and Charles W. Winwood, Assistant Commissioner of Field Operations, both of the Customs Service, Department of the Treasury; Michael A. Pearson, Executive Associate Commissioner for Field Operations, and Ryan H. Callister, Immigration Inspector (Eastport, Idaho), and Ora A. Smith, Immigration Inspector (Detroit, Michigan), both on behalf of the American Federation of Government Employees, all of the Immigration and Naturalization Service, Department of Justice; and Robert E. Lindemann, Detroit Border Patrol Council, Detroit, Michigan, on behalf of the National Border Patrol Council.

# House of Representatives

## *Chamber Action*

**Bills Introduced:** 35 public bills, H.R. 3610–3644; 2 private bills, H.R. 3645–3646; and 2 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 248–249, were introduced.

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

H. Res. 422, providing for consideration of H.R. 2086, authorize funding for networking and information technology research and development for fiscal years 2000 through 2004 (Rept. 106–496).

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**Journal:** Agreed to the Speaker's approval of the Journal of Wednesday, February 9 by a ye and nay vote of 362 yeas to 37 nays with 1 voting "present", Roll No. 11.

**Pages H279–80**

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

***Economic Report of the President:*** Message wherein he transmitted his Economic Report—referred to the Joint Economic Committee and ordered printed (H. Doc. 106–161);

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***Budget Rescissions and Deferrals:*** Message wherein he transmitted his three rescissions of budget authority totaling \$128 million, affecting the programs of the Department of Energy and the Department of Housing and Urban Development, and two deferrals of budget authority totaling \$1.6 million, affecting programs of the Department of State and International Assistance Programs—referred to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered printed (H. Doc. 106–194); and

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***Albanian Emigration Laws and Policies:*** Message wherein he transmitted his report concerning Albanian compliance with U.S. and international standards in the area of emigration—referred to the Committee on Ways and Means and ordered printed (H. Doc. 106–195).

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**Marriage Tax Penalty Relief Act:** The House passed H.R. 6, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to reduce the marriage penalty by providing for adjustments to the standard deduction, 15-percent rate bracket, and earned income credit and to repeal the reduction of the refundable tax credits, by a ye and nay vote of 268 yeas to 158 nays, Roll No. 15. Agreed to amend the title. **Pages H291–H330**

Rejected the Hill of Indiana motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Ways and Means with instructions to report it back to the House with an amendment which corrects the disparity in the Tax Code affecting married couples and which provides

that the effectiveness of this tax reduction is contingent on a certification by the Director of the Office of Management and Budget that (a) there is a comprehensive framework which provides resources for debt retirement, strengthening Social Security and Medicare, tax relief, and investing in other priorities; (b) a portion of the on-budget surplus is reserved for debt retirement sufficient to eliminate the debt by 2013; and (c) there are protections to ensure that the funds reserved for debt retirement may not be used or any other purpose, except for technical adjustments to reflect changes in budget projections by a recorded vote of 196 yeas to 230 noes, Roll No. 14.

**Pages H327–29**

Rejected the Rangel amendment in the nature of a substitute that sought to make marriage tax penalty relief contingent on Social Security solvency certification, Medicare solvency certification, and public debt elimination certification by a ye and nay vote of 192 yeas to 233 nays, Roll No. 13. **Pages H318–27**

Earlier, agreed to H. Res. 419, the rule that provided for consideration of the bill by a ye and nay vote of 255 yeas to 165 nays, Roll No. 12. Pursuant to the rule, the amendment recommended by the Committee on Ways and Means now printed in the bill was considered as adopted.

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**President's Day District Work Period:** The House agreed to S. Con. Res. 80, providing for a conditional adjournment or recess of the Senate and a conditional adjournment of the House of Representatives.

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**Legislative Program:** The Majority Leader discussed the legislative program for the week of February 14.

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**Meeting Hour Monday, February 14:** Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 12:30 p.m. on Monday, February 14 for morning-hour debate.

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**Calendar Wednesday:** Agreed to dispense with Calendar Wednesday business of Wednesday, February 16.

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**Senate Messages:** Message received today from the Senate appears on page H330.

**Re-Referral:** Agreed to re-refer S. 1809 to the Committees on Commerce and Education and the Workforce.

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**Amendments:** Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on page H343.

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** Four ye and nay votes and one recorded vote developed during the proceedings

of the House and appear on pages H279–80, H291, H326–27, H329, and H329–30. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 10:00 a.m. and adjourned at 5:44 p.m.

## *Committee Meetings*

### LABOR-HHS-EDUCATION APPROPRIATIONS

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education held a hearing on the Health Resources and Services Administration and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Health and Human Services: Claude Earl Fox, Administrator, Health Resources and Services Administration; and Jeffrey Koplan, Director, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

### TRANSPORTATION APPROPRIATIONS

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Transportation began appropriation hearings. Testimony was heard from Members of Congress and public witnesses.

### NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION BUDGET REQUEST

*Committee on Armed Services:* Continued hearings on the Fiscal Year 2001 National Defense Authorization Budget Request. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Defense: Gen. Eric K. Shinseki, USA, Chief of Staff, Department of the Army; Adm. Jay L. Johnson, USN, Chief of Naval Operations, Department of the Navy; Gen. Michael E. Ryan, USAF, Chief of Staff, Department of the Air Force; and Gen. James L. Jones, USMC, Commandant, Headquarters, U.S. Marine Corps.

Hearings continue February 17.

### HOLOCAUST VICTIMS' ASSETS RESTITUTION

*Committee on Banking and Financial Services:* Concluded hearings on issues related to the restitution of Holocaust victims' assets. Testimony was heard from Lawrence Eagleburger, Chairman, International Commission on Holocaust-Era Insurance Claims; Earl Powell, Director, National Gallery of Art, Smithsonian Institution; and public witnesses.

### REUSE OF SINGLE-USE MEDICAL DEVICES

*Committee on Commerce:* Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing on the reuse of single-use medical devices. Testimony was heard from David W. Feigal, Jr., M.D., Director, Center for De-

vices and Radiological Health, FDA, Department of Health and Human Services; and public witnesses.

### 21ST CENTURY COMMUNITY LEARNING CENTERS PROGRAM

*Committee on Education and the Workforce:* Subcommittee on Early Childhood, Youth, and Families held a hearing on 21st Century Community Learning Centers Program. Testimony was heard from Michael Cohen, Assistant Secretary, Office of Elementary and Secondary Education, Department of Education; and public witnesses.

### OPEC AND THE NORTHEAST ENERGY CRISIS

*Committee on International Relations:* Held a hearing on OPEC and the Northeast Energy Crisis. Testimony was heard from David L. Goldwyn, Assistant Secretary, International Affairs, Department of Energy; Peter Bass, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Energy, Sanctions and Commodities, Bureau of Economic and Business Affairs, Department of State; and public witnesses.

### CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT—PROTECT THE RIGHTS OF CRIME VICTIMS

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on the Constitution held a hearing on H.J. Res. 64, proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States to protect the rights of crime victims. Testimony was heard from Senators Kyl and Feinstein; Representatives Chabot, Barcia and Scott; Judge Emmet G. Sullivan, U.S. District Court, District of Columbia; and public witnesses.

### MONEY LAUNDERING

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on Crime held a hearing on money laundering. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Justice: James K. Robinson, Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division; and Stefan Cassella, Assistant Chief, Asset Forfeiture and Money Laundering Section; John Varrone, Executive Director, Domestic Operations East, Office of Investigations, U.S. Customs Service, Department of the Treasury; and public witnesses.

### SECRET EVIDENCE REPEAL ACT

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on Immigration and Claims held a hearing on H.R. 2121, Secret Evidence Repeal Act of 1999. Testimony was heard from Representatives Campbell and Bonior; Larry R. Parkinson, General Counsel, FBI, Department of Justice; and public witnesses.

### OVERSIGHT—VISA WAIVER PILOT PROGRAM

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on Immigration and Claims held an oversight hearing on the Visa Waiver Pilot Program. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Justice: Robert Ashbaugh, Acting Inspector General; Mike Cronin, Acting Associate Commissioner, Office of Programs, Immigration and Naturalization Service; and Elisa Liang, Associate Deputy Attorney General; Ambassador Mary A. Ryan, Assistant Secretary, Consular Affairs, Department of State; and public witnesses.

### OVERSIGHT—PROPOSED CONCESSIONS REGULATIONS

*Committee on Resources:* Subcommittee on National Parks and Public Lands held an oversight hearing on Proposed Concessions Regulations. Testimony was heard from Maureen Finnerty, Associate Director, Park Operations and Education, National Park Service, Department of the Interior; and public witnesses.

### MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

*Committee on Resources:* Subcommittee on Water and Power held a hearing on the following bills: H.R. 3595, to increase the authorization of appropriations for the Reclamation Safety and Dams Act of 1978; H.R. 3577, to increase the amount authorized to be appropriated for the north side pumping division of the Minidoka reclamation project, Idaho; H.R. 2647, Ak-Chin Water Use Amendments Act of 1999; and H.R. 3236, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to enter into contracts with the Weber Basin Water Conservancy District, Utah, to use Weber Basin Project facilities for the impounding, storage, and carriage of nonproject water for domestic, municipal, industrial, and other beneficial purposes. Testimony was heard from Representative Shadegg; Eluid Martinez, Commissioner, Bureau of Reclamation, Department of the Interior; and public witnesses.

### CERTAIN EPA'S PROPOSED REGULATIONS

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure:* Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment held a hearing on EPA's Proposed Regulations Regarding Total Maximum Daily Loads, the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System, and the Federal Anti-Degradation Policy. Testimony was heard from J. Charles Fox, Assistant Administrator, EPA; Peter J. Guerrero, Director, Resources, Community and Economic Development, GAO; Carol R. Collier, Executive Director, Delaware River Basin Commission; and public witnesses.

Hearings continue February 15.

### MEDICAL ERRORS

*Committee on Ways and Means:* Subcommittee on Health held a hearing on Medical Errors. Testimony was heard from Linda J. Connell, Director, Aviation Safety Reporting System, Ames Research Center, NASA; James P. Bagian, Director, National Center for Patient Safety, Veterans Health Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs; and public witnesses.

### BABY BOOMER BENEFICIARIES—SOCIAL SECURITY READINESS

*Committee on Ways and Means:* Subcommittee on Social Security and the Subcommittee on Human Resources held a joint hearing to Examine Social Security's Readiness for the Impending Wave of Baby Boomer Beneficiaries. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Social Security Advisory Board: Stanford G. Ross, Chair; and Sylvester J. Schieber, member; the following officials of the GAO: Cynthia M. Fagnoni, Director, Education, Workforce and Income Security Issues, Health Education and Human Services Division; and Joel C. Willemsen, Director, Civil Agencies Information Systems, Accounting and Information Management Division; and public witnesses.

## Joint Meetings

### EAST TIMOR

*Joint Hearing:* Senate Committee on Foreign Relations' Subcommittee on East Asian and Pacific Affairs concluded joint hearings with the House Committee on International Relations' Subcommittee on Asia and the Pacific to examine the current situation in East Timor, after receiving testimony from Stanley O. Roth, Assistant Secretary for East Asian and Pacific Affairs, and C. David Welch, Assistant Secretary for International Organization Affairs, both of the Department of State; Charles Costello, Emory University Carter Center, Atlanta, Georgia; and Andrew MacIntyre, University of California Graduate School of International Relations and Pacific Studies, San Diego.

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### COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2000

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

#### Senate

*Committee on the Budget:* to resume hearings on the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2001, 10 a.m., SD-608.

#### House

No Committee meetings are scheduled.

## CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of February 14 through February 19, 2000

## Senate Chamber

Senate will not be in session.

## Senate Committees

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

## House Chamber

To be announced.

## House Committees

*Committee on Agriculture*, February 15, Subcommittee on Risk Management, Research, and Specialty Crops, hearing to review the President's Working Group Report on the over-the-counter derivatives markets and the Commodity Exchange Act, 9:30 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

February 17, full Committee, to consider Committee Budget Views and Estimates for Fiscal Year 2001 for submission to the Committee on the Budget; and to hold a hearing to review the state of agricultural economy, 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

*Committee on Appropriations*, February 15, Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, State, and Judiciary, on the Legal Services Corporation, 10 a.m., H-309 Capitol.

February 15, Subcommittee on Interior, oversight on the Fish and Wildlife Service, 10 a.m., B-308 Capitol.

February 15, Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, on the Director, National Institutes of Health, 1 p.m., and on the National Cancer Institute, 2 p.m., 2358 Rayburn.

February 15, Subcommittee on Military Construction, on overview, 9:30 a.m., B-300 Rayburn.

February 15, Subcommittee on Transportation, on the Secretary of Transportation, 10 a.m., 2358 Rayburn.

February 16, Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies, on the Secretary of Agriculture, 1 p.m., 2362A Rayburn.

February 16, Subcommittee on Defense, executive, on Military Readiness, 9:30 a.m., H-140 Capitol.

February 16, Subcommittee on Interior, oversight on the Forest Service and on the National Association of Public Administration, 10 a.m., B-308 Rayburn.

February 16, Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, on the National Institute on Aging and the National Center for Research Resources, 10 a.m., and on the National Institute of Child Health and Human Development and the National Institute of Deafness and Other Communication Disorders, 2 p.m., 2358 Rayburn.

February 16, Subcommittee on Military Construction, on the Quality of Life, 9:30 a.m., B-300 Rayburn.

February 17, Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies, on the Inspector General, 10 a.m., 2362A Rayburn.

February 17, Subcommittee on Defense, on Defense Medical Programs, 9:30 a.m., H-140 Capitol.

February 17, Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, on the National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute and the National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research, 10 a.m., and on the National Institute of Drug Abuse and the National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism, 2 p.m., 2358 Rayburn.

*Committee on Armed Services*, February 16, Subcommittee on Military Procurement and the Subcommittee on Military Research and Development, joint hearing on ballistic missile defense programs, 2 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

February 17, full Committee, to continue hearings on the Fiscal Year 2001 National Defense Authorization Budget Request, 9:30 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

*Committee on Banking and Financial Services*, February 15, Subcommittee on Housing and Community Opportunity, to mark up H.R. 1776, American Homeownership and Economic Opportunity Act of 1999, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

February 16, full Committee, to consider Committee Budget Views and Estimates for Fiscal Year 2001 for submission to the Committee on the Budget, 2:30 p.m., 2128 Rayburn.

February 16, Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Credit, hearing on Merging the Deposit Insurance Funds, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

February 17, full Committee, hearing on the Conduct of Monetary Policy (Humphrey-Hawkins), 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

*Committee on the Budget*, February 16, hearing on Preliminary Analysis of the Administration's Fiscal Year 2001 Budget, 10 a.m., 210 Cannon.

February 16, hearing on "Oversight of 'High-Risk' Government Programs," 210 Cannon.

*Committee on Commerce*, February 16, Subcommittee on Health and Environment, hearing on Seniors' Access to Affordable Prescription Drugs: Models for Reform, 10 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

February 16, Subcommittee on Telecommunications, Trade, and Consumer Protection, hearing on Video on the Internet: iCraveTV.com and Other Recent Developments in Webcasting, 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

February 17, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing on Cyber Insecurity at EPA: GAO Reports Agency Systems Vulnerable to Attack, 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

February 17, Subcommittee on Telecommunications, Trade, and Consumer Protection, hearing on the FCC's Low-power FM: A Review of the FCC's Spectrum Management Responsibilities in addition to H.R. 3439, Radio Broadcasting Preservation Act of 1999, 10 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

*Committee on Education and the Workforce*, February 15, Subcommittee on Early Childhood, Youth, and Families, hearing on H.R. 3614, Emergency Commodity Distribution Act of 2000, 2 p.m., 2175 Rayburn.

February 15, Subcommittee on Employee-Employer Relations, hearing on the Evolving Pension and Investment World After 25 years of ERISA, 10 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

February 16, full Committee, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 3222, Literacy Involves Families Together Act; and H.R. 3616, Impact Act Reauthorization Act of 2000, 10:30 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

February 17, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing on 21st Century Worker Shortages, 10 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

*Committee on Government Reform*, February 15, Subcommittee on the Census, oversight hearing of the 2000 Census: Examining the GAO's Census 2000 Oversight Activities, 2 p.m., 2203 Rayburn.

February 15, Subcommittee on Criminal Justice, Drug Policy and Human Resources, hearing on The U.S. Response to the Crisis in Colombia, 10 a.m., 2247 Rayburn.

February 15, Subcommittee on National Economic Growth, Natural Resources, and Regulatory Affairs, hearing on "Is the Department of Labor Regulating the Public Through the Backdoor?" 1 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

February 16, Subcommittee on National Security, Veterans' Affairs, and International Relations, hearing on Defense Security Service Oversight, 10 a.m., 2247 Rayburn.

February 17, Subcommittee on Criminal Justice, Drug Policy and Human Resources, hearing on HHS Drug Treatment Support: Is SAMHSA Optimizing Resources? 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

*Committee on International Relations*, February 15, Subcommittee on Africa, hearing on Peace Keeping in the Democratic Republic of the Congo, 2 p.m., 2200 Rayburn.

February 16, full committee, hearing on the Administration's Fiscal Year 2001 International Affairs Budget Request, 10 a.m., room to be announced.

February 16, Subcommittee on Asia and the Pacific, hearing on Indonesia: Confronting the Political and Economic Crises, 1:30 p.m., 2200 Rayburn.

February 17, full Committee, to consider Committee Budget Views and Estimates for Fiscal Year 2001 for submission to the Committee on the Budget; followed by a hearing on North Korea: Leveraging Uncertainty? 10 a.m., room to be announced.

*Committee on the Judiciary*, February 15, to consider Committee Budget Views and Estimates for Fiscal Year 2001 for submission to the Committee on the Budget; and to mark up the following bills: H.R. 1443, Traffic Stops Statistics Study Act of 1999; H.R. 1283, Fairness in Asbestos Compensation Act of 1999; and H.R. 2372, Private Property Rights Implementation Act of 1999, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

February 17, Subcommittee on Crime, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 3048, Presidential Threat Protection Act of 1999; and H.R. 1349, Federal Prisoner Health Care Copayment Act of 1999, 9:30 a.m., 2226 Rayburn.

February 17, Subcommittee on Immigration and Claims, hearing on the following bills: H.R. 271, Justice for Holocaust Survivors Act; H.R. 3058, Anti-Atrocity Alien Deportation Act; and H.R. 2883, Adopted Orphans Citizenship Act, 9:30 a.m., 2237 Rayburn.

*Committee on Resources*, February 15, Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources, hearing on H.R. 3432, to direct the Minerals Management Service to grant the State of Louisiana and its lessees a credit in the payment

of Federal offshore royalties to satisfy the authorization for compensation contained in the Oil Pollution Act of 1990 for oil and gas drainage in the West Delta field, 9:30 a.m., 1334 Longworth.

February 15, Subcommittee on Forests and Forest Health, oversight hearing on the Funding of Environmental Initiatives and Their Impacts on Local Communities, 2 p.m., 1334 Longworth.

February 16, full Committee, to consider pending business, 11 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

February 17, Subcommittee on Fisheries Conservation, Wildlife and Oceans, to mark up pending business; and to hold an oversight hearing on the Administration's Budget request for Fiscal Year 2001 for U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and NOAA, 10 a.m., 1334 Longworth.

February 17, Subcommittee on National Parks and Public Lands, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 1509, to authorize the Disabled Veterans' LIFE Memorial Foundation to establish a memorial in the District of Columbia or its environs to honor veterans who became disabled while serving in the Armed Forces of the United States; H.R. 1864, to standardize the process for conducting public hearings for Federal agencies within the Department of the Interior; and H.R. 2932, Golden Spike/Crossroads of the West National Heritage Area Act of 1999, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

*Committee on Science*, February 16, Subcommittee on Basic Research, hearing on National Science Foundation Fiscal Year 2001 Budget Authorization Request, Part I: Research and Related Activities and Major Research Equipment, 2 p.m., 2318 Rayburn.

February 16, Subcommittee on Space and Aeronautics, hearing on Fiscal Year 2001 NASA Authorization, NASA Posture, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

February 17, Subcommittee on Technology, hearing on FAA Research and Development Fiscal Year 2001 Budget Review, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

*Committee on Small Business*, February 16, hearing on Association Health Plans, 10 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure*, February 15, Subcommittee on Aviation, hearing on the Recent Breakdown of Aviation Negotiations Between the United States and the United Kingdom, 2 p.m., 2167 Rayburn.

February 15, Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment, to continue hearings on the EPA's Proposed Regulations Regarding Total Maximum Daily Loads, the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System, and the Federal Anti-Degradation Policy, 1 p.m., 2318 Rayburn.

February 16, Subcommittee on Oversight, Investigations, and Emergency Management, hearing on Flood Water Rescue, 2 p.m., 2167 Rayburn.

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs*, February 17, hearing on the Fiscal Year 2001 budget for the Department of Veterans Affairs, 9:30 a.m., 334 Cannon.

*Committee on Ways and Means*, February 15, Subcommittee on Health, hearing on Seniors' Access to Prescription Drug Benefits, 1 p.m., 1100 Longworth.

February 15, Subcommittee on Social Security, hearing on improving Social Security Work Incentives, 10 a.m., B-318 Rayburn.

February 16, full Committee, hearing on the U.S.-China Bilateral Trade Agreement and the Accession of China to the WTO, 10 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

February 17, Subcommittee on Human Resources, hearing on Child Protection Review System, 9 a.m., B-318 Rayburn.

*Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence*, February 15, executive, to consider pending business, 2 p.m., H-405 Capitol.

February 16, hearing on the State of Counterintelligence at the Department of Energy and Its Three Key Nuclear Weapons Laboratories, 1 p.m., 2212 Rayburn.

February 17, hearing on Colombia, 1 p.m., 2212 Rayburn.

*Next Meeting of the SENATE*

11 a.m., Tuesday, February 22

*Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES*

12:30 p.m., Monday, February 14

## Senate Chamber

**Program for Tuesday:** Senator Moynihan will read Washington's Farewell Address; following which, there will be a period of morning business (not to extend beyond 12:30 p.m.).

At 2:15 p.m., Senate will consider any cleared executive or legislative business.

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

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**Program for Monday:** Consideration of Suspensions.

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