

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.

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.