

H. Res. 460, the rule that provided for consideration of the bill was agreed to by a voice vote.

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Meeting Hour—Monday, April 10: Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 12:30 p.m. on Monday, April 10. Page H1942

Calendar Wednesday: Agreed to dispense with the Calendar Wednesday business of April 12.

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Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure—Late Reports: Agreed that the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure have until midnight tonight to file reports on H.R. 809, amended, H.R. 3069, amended, and H.R. 3171, amended.

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Presidential Message—National Endowment for the Arts: Read a message from the President wherein he transmitted his annual report of the National Endowment for the Arts; referred to the Committee on Education and the Workforce. Page H1942

Quorum Calls—Votes: Five recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H1938, H1939, H1939–40, H1940, and H1941. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10:00 a.m. and adjourned at 5:55 p.m.

Committee Meetings

EMERGENCY FOOD ASSISTANCE ENHANCEMENT ACT

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on Department Operations, Oversight, Nutrition, and Forestry held a hearing on H.R. 3453, Emergency Food Assistance Enhancement Act of 1999. Testimony was heard from Representative Hall of Ohio; Shirley Watkins, Under Secretary, Food, Nutrition and Consumer Services, USDA; Gary Gay, Director, Commodity Options, Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, State of North Carolina; and public witnesses.

COMMERCE, JUSTICE, STATE AND JUDICIARY APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, State, and Judiciary held a hearing on the Bureau of the Census; and NOAA. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Commerce: Kenneth Prewitt, Director, Bureau of the Census; and D. James Baker, Under Secretary, Oceans and Atmosphere, and Administrator, NOAA.

FOREIGN OPERATIONS, EXPORT FINANCING AND RELATED PROGRAMS APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Foreign Operations, Export Financing and Related Programs held a hearing on the Under Secretary of Defense for Policy. Testimony was heard from James Bodner, Principal Deputy Under Secretary, Policy, Department of Defense; and John Holum, Senior Advisor, Arms Control and International Security, Department of State.

INTERIOR APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Interior held a hearing on Natural Resources, Energy, and other programs. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

LABOR-HHS-EDUCATION APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education held a hearing on the Armed Forces Retirement Home; National on Disability; Elementary and Secondary Education; and Bilingual Education and Minority Language Affairs. Testimony was heard from David F. Lacy, CEO/Chairman of the Board, Armed Forces Retirement Home; and the following officials of the Department of Education: Michael Cohen, Assistant Secretary, Elementary and Secondary Education; and Arthur Love, Acting Director, Bilingual Education and Minority Language Affairs.

VA, HUD AND INDEPENDENT AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on VA, HUD and Independent Agencies held a hearing on FEMA; and on NASA. Testimony was heard from James Lee Witt, Director, FEMA; and the following officials of NASA: Dan S. Goldin, Administrator; Malcom Peterson, Associate Chief Financial Officer; Joseph H. Rothenberg, Associate Administrator, Space Flight; Edward J. Weiler, Associate Administrator, Space Science; Ghassem Asrar, Associate Administrator, Earth Science; and Samuel L. Venneri, Associate Administrator, Aero-Space Technology.

THIRD PARTY BILLING COMPANY FRAUD: ASSESSING MEDICARE THREAT

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing on Third Party Billing Company Fraud: Assessing the Threat Posed to Medicare. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the GAO: Robert Hast, Acting Assistant Comptroller General, Office of Special Investigations; and Leslie Aronovitz, Associate Director, Health Financing and Public Health Issues; the

following officials of the Department of Health and Human Services: Lew Morris, Counsel, Office of the Inspector General; and Penny Thompson, Director, Medicare Program Integrity Group, Health Care Financing Administration; and a public witness.

ADVISORY COMMISSION ON ELECTRONIC COMMERCE REPORT; WIRELESS TELECOMMUNICATIONS SOURCING AND PRIVACY ACT

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Telecommunications, Trade, and Consumer Protection held a hearing to receive the report of the Advisory Commission on Electronic Commerce. Testimony was heard from James S. Gilmore III, Governor, State of Virginia.

The Subcommittee also held a hearing on H.R. 3489, Wireless Telecommunications Sourcing and Privacy Act. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

EDUCATION OPTIONS

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Continued markup of H.R. 4141, Education Opportunities To Protect and Invest In Our Nation's Students (Education OPTIONS) Act.

AUTISM; PRESENT CHALLENGES, FUTURE NEEDS

Committee on Government Reform: Held a hearing on Autism: Present Challenges, Future Needs—Why the Increased Rates? Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Health and Human Services: Coleen A. Boyle, Chief, Developmental Disability Branch Division of Birth Defects, Child Development, Disability and Health; Centers for Disease Control and Prevention; and Deborah Hirtz, M.D., National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke, NIH; and public witnesses.

CHINA AND TIBET—STATUS OF NEGOTIATIONS

Committee on International Relations: Held a hearing on the Status of Negotiations Between China and Tibet. Testimony was heard from Julia Taft, U.S. Special Coordinator for Tibetan Issues, Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Population, Refugees and Migration, Department of State; and Lodi Gyari, Special Envoy, His Holiness The Dalai Lama.

NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION ACT AMENDMENTS

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on International Economic Policy and Trade approved for full Committee action H.R. 3680, to amend the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1998 with respect to the adjustment of composite

theoretical performance levels of high performance computers.

INTERNET GAMBLING PROHIBITION ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Ordered reported, as amended, H.R. 3125, Internet Gambling Prohibition Act of 1999.

OVERSIGHT—FOURTH AMENDMENT AND THE INTERNET

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on the Constitution held an oversight hearing on the Fourth Amendment and the Internet. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Justice: Kevin V. DeGregory, Deputy Associate Attorney General; and David Green, Deputy Chief, Computer Crime and Intellectual Property Section; and public witnesses.

PROJECT EXILE: THE SAFE STREETS AND NEIGHBORHOODS ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Crime held a hearing on H.R. 4051, Project Exile: The Safe Streets and Neighborhoods Act of 2000. Testimony was heard from Walter C. Holton, Jr., U.S. Attorney, Middle District of North Carolina, Department of Justice; the following officials of the State of Virginia: James S. Gilmore III, Governor; and Mark L. Earley, Attorney General; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Fisheries Conservation, Wildlife and Oceans approved for full Committee action the following bills: H.R. 3176, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a study to determine ways of restoring the natural wetlands conditions in the Kealia Pond National Wildlife Refuge, Hawaii; and H.R. 3292, amended, to provide for the establishment of the Cat Island National Wildlife Refuge in West Feliciana Parish, Louisiana.

The Subcommittee held an oversight hearing on Section 118 of the Marine Mammal Protection. Testimony was heard from Andrew Rosenberg, Deputy Assistant Administrator, Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, NOAA, Department of Commerce; John E. Reynolds, Chairman, Marine Mammal Commission; and public witnesses.

The Subcommittee also held an oversight hearing on Section 119 of the Marine Mammal Protection Act. Penelope Dalton, Assistant Administrator, Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, NOAA, Department of Commerce; David B. Allen, Regional Director, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior; and public witnesses.

GENERAL AVIATION ACCESS ACT

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on National Parks, and Public Lands, the Subcommittee on Forests and Forest Health and the Subcommittee on Aviation of the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure held a joint hearing on H.R. 3661, General Aviation Access Act. Testimony was heard from Pat Shea, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Land and Minerals Management, Bureau of Land Management, Department of the Interior; Barton W. Welsh, Aeronautics Administrator, Division of Aeronautics, Department of Transportation, State of Idaho; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES; OVERSIGHT

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Water and Power held a hearing on the following bills: H.R. 1787, Deschutes Resources Conservancy Reauthorization Act of 1999; and H.R. 1113, Colusa Basin Watershed Integrated Resources Management Act. Testimony was heard from Eluid Martinez, Commissioner, Bureau of Reclamation, Department of the Interior; and public witnesses.

The Subcommittee also held an oversight hearing on Bonneville Power Administrations' Subscription process. Testimony was heard from Paul Norman, Senior Vice President of Power Business Line, Bonneville Power Administration, Department of Energy; and public witnesses.

HUMAN GENOME PROJECT

Committee on Science: Subcommittee on Energy and Environment held a hearing on the Human Genome Project. Testimony was heard from Neal F. Lane, Assistant to the President for Science and Technology, Director, Office of Science and Technology Policy; and public witnesses.

PREPAREDNESS AGAINST TERRORIST ATTACKS

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Oversight, Investigations, and Emergency Management held a hearing on Preparedness Against Terrorist Attacks Involving Weapons of Mass Destruction. Testimony was heard from Norman J. Rabkin, Director, National Security and Preparedness Issues, GAO; Brett Burdick, Director of Terrorism Preparedness Programs, Department of Emergency Services, State of Virginia; and public witnesses.

SOCIAL SECURITY TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Social Security held a hearing on the 2000 Social Security Trustees Annual Report. Testimony was heard from the following former public trustees of the Social Security Board of Trustees: Stephen G. Kellison; and Marilyn Moon.

**COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY,
APRIL 7, 2000**
Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

House

Committee on Government Reform, Subcommittee on Government Management, Information, and Technology, oversight hearing on "The Office of Management and Budget: Is OMB Fulfilling its Mission?", 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary, to continue oversight hearings on Solutions to Competitive Problems in the Oil Industry: Part 2, 9:30 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.