

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

NOMINATION

Committee on Armed Services: Committee concluded hearings on the nomination of Adm. Vernon E. Clark, to be Chief of Naval Operations, United States Navy, and appointment to the grade of Admiral, after the nominee, who was introduced by Senator Warner, testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

HUD SINGLE FAMILY PROPERTY DISPOSITION

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Subcommittee on Housing and Transportation concluded oversight hearings on the Department of Housing and Urban Development's implementation of its single family management and marketing contracts, focusing on property maintenance and security, evaluation and monitoring efforts, property inventory, and contractor incentives, after receiving testimony from William C. Apgar, Assistant Secretary of Housing and Urban Development for Housing and Federal Housing Commissioner; Stanley J. Czerwinski, Associate Director, Housing and Community Development Issues, Resources, Community, and Economic Development Division, General Accounting Office; and Irene H. Facha, Department of Housing and Urban Development Council of Locals 222, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, on behalf of the American Federation of Government Employees, Local 2032, AFL-CIO.

MARITIME ADMINISTRATION

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee held hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 2001 for the Maritime Administration, receiving testimony from Clyde J. Hart, Jr., Maritime Administrator, and Raymond J. DeCarli, Deputy Inspector General, both of the Department of Transportation; and Vice Adm. Gordon S. Holder, USN, Commander, Military Sealift Command.

Hearings recessed subject to call.

FOREST SERVICE ROAD MANAGEMENT POLICY

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Forests and Public Land Management concluded oversight hearings on the United States Forest Service's proposed road management policy, focusing on safety, public and agency needs, environmental soundness, cost, and management efficiency, after receiving testimony from Dale Bosworth, Re-

gional Forester, Northern Region, Forest Service, Department of Agriculture.

ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS PROJECTS

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Subcommittee on Transportation and Infrastructure held hearings on the Army Corps of Engineers backlog of authorized projects and the future of the Army Corps of Engineers mission, focusing on the Civil Works program, construction backlog, navigational and water resources, flood control, the Mississippi Valley, and the nation's coastline, receiving testimony from Claudia L. Tornblom, Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Army (Civil Works) for Management and Budget; J. Ron Brinson, New Orleans Port Authority, New Orleans, Louisiana, on behalf of the National Waterways Conference, Inc. and the American Association of Port Authorities; Scott Faber, American Rivers, and Tony B. MacDonald, Coastal States Organization, both of Washington, D.C.; and Bill Parrish, Maryland Department of the Environment, Baltimore, on behalf of the Association of Flood Plain Managers.

Hearings recessed subject to call.

INTERNATIONAL RELIGIOUS FREEDOM

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded hearings to examine the Annual Report of the United States Commission on International Religious Freedom, focusing on Russia, China, and Sudan, after receiving testimony from Robert A. Seiple, Ambassador at Large, Rabbi David Saperstein, Religious Action Center of Reform Judaism, Elliott Abrams, Ethics and Public Policy Center, and Nina Shea, Freedom House, all of Washington, D.C., and Firuz Kazemzadeh, National Spiritual Assembly of the Baha'is of the United States, Alta Loma, California, all on behalf of the United States Commission on International Religious Freedom.

LONG-TERM CARE SECURITY

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Subcommittee on International Security, Proliferation and Federal Services concluded hearings on S. 2420, to amend title 5, United States Code, to provide for the establishment of a program under which long-term care insurance is made available to Federal employees, members of the uniformed services, and civilian and military retirees, after receiving testimony from Senators Grassley and Mikulski; and Janice R. Lachance, Director, Office of Personnel Management.

FEDERAL LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER THREAT

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Criminal Justice Oversight concluded hearings to examine

threats to Federal law enforcement officers, after receiving testimony from David A. Saleeba, Special Agent in Charge, Intelligence Division, Secret Service, and John C. Varrone, Acting Deputy Assistant Commissioner, Office of Investigations, Customs Service, both of the Department of the Treasury; and

Andreas Stephens, Section Chief, Violent Crimes and Major Offenders Section, Federal Bureau of Investigation, and William E. Ledwith, Chief, Office of International Operations, Drug Enforcement Administration, both of the Department of Justice.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 14 public bills, H.R. 4460–4473; 1 private bill, H.R. 4474; and 2 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 327–328, were introduced. **Pages H3171–72**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 4461, making appropriations for Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2001 (H. Rept. 106–619);

H.R. 4392, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2001 for intelligence and intelligence-related activities of the United States Government, the Community Management Account, and the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement and Disability System, and for other purposes, amended (H. Rept. 106–620); and

H. Res. 503, providing for consideration of H.R. 4205, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2001 for military activities of the Department of Defense and for military construction, to prescribe military personnel strengths for fiscal year 2001 (H. Rept. 106–621). **Page H3171**

Guest Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the guest Chaplain, the Rev. Lyle W. Lipps of Nashport, Ohio. **Page H3054**

Recess: The House recessed at 9:25 a.m. and reconvened at 10 a.m. **Page H3054**

Private Calendar: On the call of the Private Calendar, the House passed the following measures:

Relief of Persian War Evacuees: H.R. 3646, for the relief of certain Persian Gulf evacuees; and **Pages H3054–55**

Relief of Akai Security, Inc.: H.R. 3363, for the relief of Akai Security, Inc. **Pages H3055–56**

National Aeronautics and Space Administration Authorization: The House disagreed to the Senate amendment to H.R. 1654, to authorize appropriations for the National Aeronautics and Space Administration for fiscal years 2000, 2001, and 2002, and agreed to a conference. **Page H3056**

Appointed as conferees: Chairman Sensenbrenner and Representatives Rohrabacher, Weldon of Florida, Hall of Texas, and Gordon. **Page H3145**

Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Internet Access Charge Prohibition: H.R. 1291, to prohibit the imposition of access charges on Internet service providers; and **Pages H3058–62**

Cerro Grande Fire In New Mexico: H. Con. Res. 326, expressing the sense of the Congress regarding the Federal Government's responsibility for starting a destructive fire near Los Alamos, New Mexico (agreed to by a ye and nay vote of 404 yeas with 6 voting "present", Roll No. 183). **Pages H3062–67**

Military Construction Appropriations Act: The House passed H.R. 4425, making appropriations for military construction, family housing, and base realignment and closure for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2001 by a ye and nay vote of 386 yeas to 22 nays, Roll No. 184. **Pages H3069–78**

Agreed to the Traficant amendment that prohibits any funding to a person or entity that is convicted of violating the "Buy America Act." **Page H3076**

H. Res. 502, the rule that provided for consideration of the bill was agreed to by voice vote. **Pages H3068–69**

Comprehensive Budget Process Reform Act: The House failed to pass H.R. 853, to amend the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 to provide for joint resolutions on the budget, reserve funds for emergency spending, strengthened enforcement of budgetary decisions, increased accountability for Federal spending, accrual budgeting for Federal insurance programs, mitigation of the bias in the budget process toward higher spending, modifications in paygo requirements when there is an on-budget surplus by a recorded vote of 166 yeas to 250 noes, Roll No. 189. **Pages H3093–S3145**

Agreed to the amendment in the nature of a substitute made in order by the rule. **Pages H3144–45**