

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed Death Tax Elimination Act.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S6767–S6989

Measures Introduced: Eight bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 2870–2877, and S. Res. 336. **Page S6841**

Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows: 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, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 106–344) **Page S6841**

Measures Passed:

Death Tax Elimination Act: By 59 yeas to 39 nays (Vote No. 197), Senate passed H.R. 8, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to phase out the estate and gift taxes over a 10-year period, after taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto: **Pages S6767–81**

Adopted:

Roth Amendment No. 3841, to provide for pension reform by creating tax incentives for savings. **Pages S6768–69**

By 53 yeas to 45 nays (Vote No. 196), Roth (for Lott) motion to commit to Committee on Finance with instructions to report back forthwith. **Pages S6768, S6770**

Rejected:

By 45 yeas to 52 nays (Vote No. 189), Kerry Amendment No. 3839, to establish a National Housing Trust Fund in the Treasury of the United States to provide for the development of decent, safe, and affordable housing for low-income families. **Pages S6767–68**

By 42 yeas to 54 nays (Vote No. 192), Harkin Amendment No. 3840, to protect and provide resources for the Social Security System, to amend title II of the Social Security Act to eliminate the “moth-

erhood penalty”, increase the widow’s and widower’s benefit and to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to increase the unified credit exemption and the qualified family-owned business interest deduction. **Pages S6768–69**

By 46 yeas to 51 nays (Vote No. 193), Bayh Amendment No. 3843, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to increase the unified credit exemption and the qualified family-owned business interest deduction and provide a long-term care credit. **Pages S6768–69**

By 44 yeas to 54 nays (Vote No. 195), Feingold Amendment No. 3844, to preserve budget surplus funds so that they might be available to extend the life of Social Security and Medicare. **Pages S6768, S6770**

During consideration of this measure today, the Senate also took the following action:

By 57 yeas to 40 nays (Vote No. 190), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn not having voted in the affirmative, Senate rejected a motion to waive certain provisions of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 with respect to the consideration of Santorum Amendment No. 3838, to provide for the designation of renewal communities and to provide tax incentives relating to such communities, to provide a tax credit to taxpayers investing in entities seeking to provide capital to create new markets in low-income communities, and to provide for the establishment of Individual Development Accounts. Subsequently, a point of order that the amendment was in violation of section 311(a)(2)(b) of the Congressional Budget Act was sustained, and the amendment thus fell. **Page S6768**

By 41 yeas to 56 nays (Vote No. 191), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn not having voted in the affirmative, Senate rejected a motion to waive certain provisions of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 with respect to the consideration of Dodd Amendment No. 3837, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to increase the unified credit exemption and the qualified family-owned business

interest deduction, to increase, expand, and simplify the child and dependent care tax credit, to expand the adoption credit for special needs children, to provide incentives for employer-provided child care. Subsequently, a point of order that the amendment was in violation of section 302(f) of the Congressional Budget Act was sustained, and the amendment thus fell. **Pages S6768–69**

By 14 yeas to 84 nays (Vote No. 194), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn not having voted in the affirmative, Senate rejected a motion to waive certain provisions of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 with respect to the consideration of Gramm (for Lott) Amendment No. 3842, to provide tax relief by providing modifications to education individual retirement accounts. Subsequently, a point of order that the amendment was in violation of section 302(f) of the Congressional Budget Act was sustained, and the amendment thus fell. **Pages S6768–70**

Mobile Telecommunications Sourcing Act: Senate passed H.R. 4391, to amend title 4 of the United States Code to establish sourcing requirements for State and local taxation of mobile telecommunication services, clearing the measure for the President. **Pages S6812–13**

Radiation Exposure: Senate agreed to S. Res. 336, expressing the sense of the Senate regarding the contributions, sacrifices, and distinguished service of Americans exposed to radiation or radioactive materials as a result of service in the Armed Forces. **Pages S6982–83**

Marriage Tax Penalty Relief Reconciliation Act: Senate began consideration of H.R. 4810, to provide for reconciliation pursuant to section 103(a)(1) of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2001, striking all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the text of S. 2839, Senate companion measure, as an amendment, which was subsequently agreed to, and taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto: **Pages S6781–S6812, S6813–28**

Withdrawn:

Reid (for Lautenberg) Amendment No. 3858, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow a credit to holders of qualified bonds issued by Amtrak. **Pages S6798, S6812**

Pending:

Roth point of order against section 4 of the bill that it violates section 313 of the Congressional Budget Act. **Page S6784**

Roth motion to waive all points of order under the budget process, arising from the earned-income credit component. **Page S6784**

Feingold motion to commit the bill to the Committee on Finance with instructions that the Com-

mittee report it back along with legislation that would substantially extend the solvency of Social Security and Medicare. **Pages S6784–85**

Feingold Amendment No. 3845, to strike the adjustment to the rate brackets and to further adjust the standard deduction. **Pages S6785–88**

Feingold Amendment No. 3846, to provide a nonrefundable credit against tax for costs of COBRA continuation insurance and allow extended COBRA coverage for qualified retirees. **Pages S6788–89**

Harkin Amendment No. 3847, to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 to provide more effective remedies to victims of discrimination in the payment of wages on the basis of sex. **Pages S6789–90**

Kennedy Amendment No. 3848, to amend title XIX and XXI of the Social Security Act to permit States to expand coverage under the Medicaid program and SCHIP to parents of enrolled children. **Pages S6790–92**

Brownback Modified Amendment No. 3849, to provide tax relief for farmers. **Pages S6795, S6823–25**

Reid (for Durbin) Amendment No. 3850, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to increase the deduction for health insurance costs of self-employed individuals. **Page S6795**

Roth (for Bond) Amendment No. 3851, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow a deduction for 100 percent of the health insurance costs of self-employed individuals. **Page S6795**

Reid (for Durbin) Modified Amendment No. 3852, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow small business employers a credit against income tax for employee health insurance expenses paid or incurred by the employer. **Pages S6795–96, S6811–12**

Reid (for Robb) Amendment No. 3853, to make the bill effective upon enactment of a Medicare prescription drug benefit. **Pages S6796–97**

Reid (for Torricelli) Amendment No. 3854, to ensure that children enrolled in the Medicaid program at highest risk for lead poisoning are identified and treated. **Page S6797**

Reid (for Torricelli) Amendment No. 3855, to amend the Social Security Act to waive the 24-month waiting period for Medicare coverage of individuals disabled with amyotrophic lateral sclerosis. **Page S6797**

Reid (for Torricelli) Amendment No. 3856, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to lower the adjusted gross income threshold for deductible disaster casualty losses to 5 percent, to make such deduction an above-the-line deduction, to allow an election to take such deduction for the preceding or succeeding year, and to eliminate the marriage penalty for individuals suffering casualty losses. **Pages S6797–98**

Reid (for Torricelli) Amendment No. 3857, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to eliminate the marriage penalty for individuals suffering casualty losses. **Page S6798**

Reid (for Cleland) Amendment No. 3859, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to exclude United States savings bond income from gross income if used to pay long-term care expenses. **Pages S6798–99**

Reid (for Cleland) Amendment No. 3860, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to expand the enhanced deduction for corporate donations of computer technology to public libraries and community centers. **Page S6799**

Roth (for Grams) Amendment No. 3861, to repeal the increase in tax on Social Security benefits. **Pages S6799–S6800**

Roth (for Abraham) Modified Amendment No. 3862, to express the sense of the Senate regarding the need to repeal the marriage tax penalty and improve coverage of prescription drugs under the Medicare program this year. **Pages S6800, S6808**

Moynihan Amendment No. 3863, in the nature of a substitute. **Pages S6800–04**

Roth Amendment No. 3864, to strike sunset provision. **Page S6804**

Roth Amendment No. 3865 (to Amendment No. 3863), to strike sunset provision. **Page S6804**

Roth motion to waive any point of order made against Amendments numbered 3864 and 3865 (to Amendment No. 3863). **Page S6804**

Reid Amendment No. 3866 (to Amendment No. 3861), to express the sense of the Senate that the general fund transfer mechanism included in the Grams Social Security amendment should be used to extend the life of the Medicare trust fund through 2030, to ensure that Medicare remains a strong health insurance program for our nation's seniors and that its payments to health providers remain adequate. **Page S6804**

Roth (for Grams) Amendment No. 3867 (to Amendment No. 3861), to repeal the increase in tax on Social Security benefits. **Page S6804**

Roth (for Stevens) Amendment No. 3868, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to maintain exemption of Alaska from dyeing requirements for exempt diesel fuel and kerosene. **Page S6805**

Roth (for Stevens) Amendment No. 3869, to amend section 415 of the Internal Revenue Code. **Page S6805**

Roth (for Stevens) Amendment No. 3870, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide a charitable deduction for certain expenses incurred in support of Native Alaskan subsistence whaling. **Page S6805**

Roth (for Stevens) Amendment No. 3871, to amend the Internal Revenue Code to provide for equitable treatment of trusts created to preserve the benefits of Alaska Native Settlement Act. **Pages S6805–06**

Roth (for Stevens) Amendment No. 3872, to clarify the tax treatment of passengers filling empty seats on noncommercial airplanes. **Page S6806**

Roth (for Stevens) Amendment No. 3873, to amend title 26 of the Taxpayer Relief Act of 1986 to allow income averaging for fishermen without negative Alternative Minimum Tax treatment, for the creation of risk management accounts for fishermen. **Pages S6806–08**

Burns Amendment No. 3874, to repeal of the modification of the installment method. **Page S6811**

Reid (for Hollings) Amendment No. 3875, to pay down the debt by striking the tax cuts. **Page S6812**

Reid (for Dodd) Amendment No. 3876, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to increase the unified credit exemption and the qualified family-owned business interest deduction, to increase, expand, and simplify the child and dependent care tax credit, to expand the adoption credit for special needs children, to provide incentives for employer-provided child care. **Page S6812**

Dorgan Amendment No. 3877, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to treat payments under the Conservation Reserve Program as rentals from real estate, expand the applicability of section 179 expensing, provide an exclusion for gain from the sale of farmland, and allow a deduction for 100 percent of the health insurance costs of self-employed individuals. **Pages S6815–16**

Reid (for Wellstone) No. 3879, to express the sense of the Senate regarding the restoration of reductions in payments under the Medicare program caused by the Balanced Budget Act of 1997. **Pages S6816–17**

Reid (for Wellstone) No. 3880, to express the sense of the Senate regarding the restoration of reductions in payments under the Medicare program caused by the Balanced Budget Act of 1997. **Pages S6816–17**

Nickles (for Lott) Amendment No. 3881, to provide a substitute. **Pages S6821–22**

Nickles (for Lott) Amendment No. 3882, to provide a substitute. **Pages S6822–23**

Legislative Branch Appropriations—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for consideration of H.R. 4516, making appropriations for the Legislative Branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2001, and certain amendments to be proposed thereto. Further, that the bill be read a third time and passed, the Senate insist on its amendments, request a conference with the House

thereon, and the Chair be authorized to appoint conferees on the part of the Senate. **Page S6812**

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Enrolled Bills Presented: **Page S6839**

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Record Votes: Nine record votes were taken today. (Total—197) **Pages S6768–70, S6781**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:01 a.m., and adjourned at 4:19 p.m., until 12 noon on Monday, July 17, 2000. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S6983.)

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

House

Chamber Action

The House was not in session. It will next meet on Monday, July 17 at 12:30 p.m. for morning-hour debates.

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D722)

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. Signed July 13, 2000. (P.L. 106–246)

CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of July 17 through July 22, 2000

Senate Chamber

On *Monday*, Senate will resume consideration of H.R. 4578, Interior Appropriations. Also, Senate will resume consideration of H.R. 4810, Marriage Tax Penalty Reconciliation Act, with votes on certain pending amendments and final passage of the bill, to occur beginning at 6:15 p.m.

On *Tuesday*, Senate will continue consideration of H.R. 4578, Interior Appropriations, with votes on certain pending amendments to occur at 9:45 a.m.

During the remainder of the week, Senate expects to consider any other cleared legislative and executive business, including appropriation bills and conference reports, when available.

Senate Committees

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Special Committee on Aging: July 17, to hold hearings to examine end-of-life issues, focusing on improving care, easing pain, and helping families, 1:30 p.m., SD–628.

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: July 18, Subcommittee on Production and Price Competitiveness, to hold hearings to examine the future of United States agricultural export program, 2:30 p.m., SR–328A.

July 20, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine implications of high energy prices on United States agriculture, 9 a.m., SR–328A.

Committee on Appropriations: July 18, business meeting to mark up H.R. 4733, making appropriations for energy and water development for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2001; and H.R. 4690, making appropriations for the Departments of Commerce, Justice, and State, the Judiciary, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2001, 2 p.m., SD–106.

Committee on Armed Services: July 20, to hold closed hearings on the situation in Iraq and U.S. military operations in and around Iraq, 9:30 a.m., S–407, Capitol.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: July 18, Subcommittee on Housing and Transportation, to hold hearings on S. 2733, to provide for the preservation of assisted housing for low income elderly persons, disabled persons, and other families, 2 p.m., SD–538.

July 19, Subcommittee on Securities, to hold hearings on adapting a 1930's financial reporting model to the 21st century, 10 a.m., SD–538.

July 20, Full Committee, to hold oversight hearings on the conduct of monetary policy by the Federal Reserve, 10 a.m., SH–216.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: July 18, to hold hearings to examine the impact of climate change on the United States, 9:30 a.m., SR–253.

July 19, Full Committee, to hold hearings on the nomination of Norman Y. Mineta, of California, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority, 9:30 a.m., SR–253.

July 19, Subcommittee on Science, Technology, and Space, to hold hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 2001 for the National Science Foundation, focusing on current research activities, 2:30 p.m., SR-253.

July 20, Full Committee, to hold hearings on purchasing tickets through the Internet, and whether or not it benefits the consumer, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: July 18, business meeting to consider pending calendar business, 9:30 a.m., SD-366.

July 19, Full Committee, business meeting to consider pending calendar business, 9:30 a.m., SD-366.

July 19, Subcommittee on Water and Power, to hold oversight hearings on the status of the Biological Opinions of the National Marine Fisheries Service and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service on the operations of the Federal hydropower system of the Columbia River, 2:30 p.m., SD-366.

July 20, Full Committee, to hold oversight hearings on the United States General Accounting Office's investigation of the Cerro Grande Fire in the State of New Mexico, and from Federal agencies on the Cerro Grande Fire and their fire policies in general, 9:30 a.m., SD-366.

July 20, Subcommittee on Forests and Public Land Management, to hold hearings on S. 2757, to provide for the transfer or other disposition of certain lands at Melrose Air Force Range, New Mexico, and Yakima Training Center, Washington; S. 2691, to provide further protections for the watershed of the Little Sandy River as part of the Bull Run Watershed Management Unit, Oregon; S. 2754, to provide for the exchange of certain land in the State of Utah; S. 2834, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior, acting through the Bureau of Reclamation, to convey property to the Greater Yuma Port Authority of Yuma County, Arizona, for use as an international port of entry; H.R. 3023, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior, acting through the Bureau of Reclamation, to convey property to the Greater Yuma Port Authority of Yuma County, Arizona, for use as an international port of entry; and H.R. 4579, to provide for the exchange of certain lands within the State of Utah, 2 p.m., SD-366.

July 21, Subcommittee on Forests and Public Land Management, to hold oversight hearings on the Draft Environmental Impact Statement implementing the October 1999 announcement by the President to review approximately 40 million acres of national forest for increased protection, 9:30 a.m., SD-366.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: July 19, Subcommittee on Fisheries, Wildlife, and Drinking Water, to hold oversight hearings on the Fish and Wildlife Services's administration of the Federal Aid Program, 9:30 a.m., SD-406.

Committee on Finance: July 18, Subcommittee on Taxation and IRS Oversight, to hold hearings on federal income tax issues relating to proposals to lower U.S. dependency on foreign oil used in transportation fuels, 10 a.m., SD-215.

Committee on Foreign Relations: July 18, to hold hearings to examine national security implications of granting Per-

manent Normal Trade Relations status to communist China, 10:30 a.m., SD-419.

July 19, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine giving permanent normal trade relations status to Communist China, focusing on human rights, labor, trade and economic implications, 2:30 p.m., SD-419.

July 20, Subcommittee on Near Eastern and South Asian Affairs, to hold hearings on issues relating to the government of Afghanistan, focusing on the conduct of the Taliban (Militia that rules Afghanistan), 10 a.m., SD-419.

July 20, Full Committee, to hold hearings on inter-American Convention for the Protection and Conservation of Sea Turtles, with Annexes, done at Caracas, December 1, 1996, (the "Convention"), which was signed by the United States, subject to ratification, on December 13, 1996 (Treaty Doc. 105-48); International Plant Protection Convention (IPPC), adopted at the Conference of the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) of the United Nations at Rome on November 17, 1997 (Treaty Doc. 106-23); Food Aid Convention 1999, which was opened for signature at the United Nations Headquarters, New York, from May 1 through June 30, 1999. Convention was signed by the United States June 16, 1999 (Treaty Doc. 106-14); and convention (No. 176) Concerning Safety and Health in Mines, adopted by the International Labor Conference at its 82nd Session in Geneva on June 22, 1995 (Treaty Doc. 106-08), 2 p.m., SD-419.

Committee on Governmental Affairs: July 19, to hold hearings on certain legislative proposals and issues relevant to the operations of Inspectors General, including S. 870, to amend the Inspector General Act of 1978 (5 U.S.C. App.) to increase the efficiency and accountability of Offices of Inspector General within Federal departments, and an Administrative proposal to grant statutory law enforcement authority to 23 Inspectors General, 10 a.m., SD-342.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: July 18, to hold hearings on increases in prescription drug costs, 9:30 a.m., SD-430.

July 19, Full Committee, business meeting to consider pending calendar business, 9:30 a.m., SD-430.

July 20, Full Committee, to hold hearings on genetic information in the workplace, 10 a.m., SD-430.

Committee on Indian Affairs: July 19, to hold oversight hearings on activities of the National Indian Gaming Commission, 2:30 p.m., SR-485.

July 20, Full Committee, to hold hearings on S. 2688, to amend the Native American Languages Act to provide for the support of Native American Language Survival Schools, 10 a.m., SR-485.

Select Committee on Intelligence: July 18, to hold closed hearings on pending intelligence matters, 3 p.m., SH-219.

July 20, Full Committee, to hold closed hearings on pending intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

Committee on Small Business: July 20, to hold hearings to examine the General Accounting Office's performance and accountability review, 9:30 a.m., SR-428A.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: July 20, to hold hearings to consider the Department of Veterans' Affairs adjudication, and pending legislation including S. 1810, to amend title 38, United States Code, to clarify and improve veterans' claims and appellate procedures, and S. 2544, to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide compensation and benefits to children of female Vietnam veterans who were born with certain birth defects, 9:30 a.m., SR-418.

House Chamber

To be announced.

House Committees

Committee on Agriculture, July 19, to continue hearings to review federal farm policy, 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

Committee on Armed Services, July 19, hearing on military capabilities of the People's Republic of China, 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Committee on Banking and Financial Services, July 19, hearing on H.R. 4541, Commodity Futures Modernization Act of 2000, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

July 19, Subcommittee on Domestic and International Monetary Policy, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 4096, Bureau of Engraving and Printing Security Printing Amendments Act of 2000; and H.R. 4818, International Monetary Stability Act of 2000, 2 p.m., 2128 Rayburn.

July 20, Subcommittee on Capital Markets, Securities and Government Sponsored Enterprises, to continue hearings on Improving Regulation of Housing Government Sponsored Enterprises, focusing on H.R. 3703, Housing Finance Regulatory Improvement Act, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on the Budget, July 19, Natural Resources and the Environment Task Force, hearing on Fire Safety Failures of the Park Service; Caretaker of the Nation's Treasurers Ineffective in Addressing Hazards, 10 a.m., 210 Cannon.

July 19, Task Force on Welfare, hearing on Food Stamp Fraud: Why Trafficking Persists and What Can Be Done About It, 1 p.m., 210 Cannon.

July 20, Task Force on Defense and International Relations, hearing on Pentagon Financial Management, What's Broken, How to Fix It, 10 a.m., 210 Cannon.

Committee on Commerce, July 18, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing on "Medical Provider Enrollment: Assessing State Efforts to Prevent Fraud," 10 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

July 19, Subcommittee on Health and Environment, hearing on "BBA '97: A Look at the Current Impact on Providers and Patients," 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

July 19, Subcommittee on Telecommunications, Trade and Consumer Protection, hearing on a review of the FCC's Spectrum Policies for the 21st Century, including H.R. 4758, Spectrum Resource Assurance Act, 10 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

July 20, Subcommittee on Finance and Hazardous Materials, hearing on Improving Insurance for Consumers—Increasing Uniformity and Efficiency in Insurance Regulation, 10 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

July 20, Subcommittee on Telecommunications, Trade and Consumer Protection, hearing on H.R. 3850, Independent Telecommunications Consumer Enhancement Act of 2000, 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Education and the Workforce, July 19, Subcommittee on Employer-Employee Relations, to mark up H.R. 4747, Retirement Security Advice Act of 2000, 10:30 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

July 20, Subcommittee on Workforce Protections, hearing on OSHA's Recordkeeping Standard: Stakeholder Views on the 1996 proposal, 10:30 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Government Reform, July 18, hearing on "Mercury in Medicine—Are We Taking Unnecessary Risks?" 1 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

July 18, Subcommittee on Government Management, Information and Technology, oversight hearing on "The U.S. General Accounting Office," 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

July 19, Subcommittee on National Security, Veterans Affairs and International Relations, hearing on "Oversight of the State Department: Is Management Getting Results?" 10 a.m., 2247 Rayburn.

July 20, full Committee, hearing on "Has the Department of Justice Given Preferential Treatment to the President and Vice President?" 1 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

July 20, Subcommittee on Census, hearing on "The American Community Survey (A.C.S.)—A Replacement for the Census Long Form?" 9:30 a.m., 2247 Rayburn.

July 20, Subcommittee on Government Management, Information, and Technology, hearing on "Seven Years of GPRA: Has the Results Act Provided Results?" 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

July 21, Subcommittee on Criminal Justice, Drug Policy, and Human Resources, hearing on "The Privacy Act and the White House," 9:30 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on International Relations, July 19, hearing on Crime and Corruption in Bosnia, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

July 19, Subcommittee on International Economic Policy and Trade, hearing on the Costs of Internet Piracy for the Music and Software Industries, 2 p.m., 2200 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary, July 18, hearing on the following bills: H.R. 1686, Internet Freedom Act; and H.R. 1685, Internet Growth and Development Act of 1999, Part 2, 9:30 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

July 18, Subcommittee on Commercial and Administrative Law, hearing on H.R. 1293, Transportation Employee Fair Taxation Act of 1999; and a hearing and markup of H.R. 4700, to grant the consent of the Congress to the Kansas and Missouri Metropolitan Culture District Compact, 10 a.m., 2237 Rayburn.

July 19, full Committee, to mark up the following measures: H.J. Res. 72, granting the consent of the Congress to the Red River Boundary Compact: H.R. 2987, Methamphetamine Anti-Proliferation Act of 1999; H.R. 1349, Federal Prisoner Health Care Copayment Act of 1999; H.R. 4640, DNA Analysis Backlog Elimination Act of 2000; H.R. 2883, Adopted Orphans Citizenship Act; H.R. 238, to amend section 274 of the Immigration and Nationality Act to impose mandatory minimum sentences, and increase certain sentences, for bringing in and

harboring certain aliens act to amend title 18, United States Code, to provide enhanced penalties for persons committing such offenses while armed; and H.R. 2258, Prison Industries Reform Act of 1999, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

July 20, hearing on the following bills: H.R. 4826, Lobbying With Appropriated Funds Reform Act of 2000; and H.R. 4845, Federal Property Campaign Fundraising Reform Act of 2000, 2 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

July 20, Subcommittee on the Constitution, hearing on H.R. 4292, Born-Alive Infants Protection Act of 2000, 10 a.m., 2337 Rayburn.

July 20, Subcommittee on Immigration and Claims, hearing on H.R. 3083, Battered Immigrant Women Protection Act of 1999, 10 a.m., 2226 Rayburn.

July 20, Subcommittee on the Constitution, hearing on H.R. 4292, Born Alive Infants Protection Act of 2000, 10 a.m., 2237 Rayburn.

July 20, Subcommittee on Immigration and Claims, hearing on H.R. 3083, Battered Immigrant Women Protection Act of 1999, 10 a.m., 2226 Rayburn.

Committee on Resources, July 18, Subcommittee on National Parks and Public Lands, hearing on the following bills: H.R. 2317, Lower Delaware Wild and Scenic Rivers Act; and H.R. 4828, Steens Mountain Wilderness Act of 2000, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

July 19, full Committee, to mark up the following: a resolution and report containing statements of fact (1) reporting to the House of Representatives Contempt of Congress by the Project on Government Oversight, Ms. Danielle Brian Stockton, Mr. Keith Rutter, Mr. Henry M. Banta, and Mr. Robert A. Berman arising from refusals to comply with subpoenas duces tecum issued by the Committee on Resources and (2) reporting to the House of Representatives Contempt of Congress by Mr. Robert A. Berman, Mr. Keith Rutter, Ms. Danielle Brian Stockton, and Mr. Henry M. Banta arising from refusals to answer pertinent questions while testifying under subpoena before the Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources; H.R. 1124, Fort Peck Reservation Rural Water System Act of 1999; S. 1288, Community Forest Restoration Act; H.R. 1814, to provide incentives for Indian tribes to collect and pay lawfully imposed State sales taxes on goods sold on tribal lands and to provide for penalties against Indian tribes that do not collect and pay such State sales taxes; S. 1937, to amend the Pacific Northwest Electric Power Planning and Conservation Act to provide for sales of electricity by the Bonneville Power Administration to joint operating entities; H.R. 2674, Palmetto Bend Conveyance Act; H.R. 3033, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to make certain adjustments to the boundaries of Biscayne National Park in the State of Florida; H.R. 3112, Colorado Ute Settlement Act Amendments of 1999; H.R. 3241, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to recalculate the franchise fee owed by Fort Sumter Tours, Inc., a concessioner providing service to Fort Sumter National Monument in South Carolina; H.R. 3388, Lake Tahoe Restoration Act; H.R. 3745, Effigy Mounds National Monument Additions Act; H.R. 4125, to provide a grant under the urban park and recreation recovery program to assist in the development of a

Millennium Cultural Cooperative Park in Youngstown, Ohio; H.R. 4275, Colorado Canyons National Conservation Area and Black Ridge Canyons Wilderness Act of 2000; H.R. 4320, Great Ape Conservation Act of 2000; H.R. 4340, Mineral Revenue Payments Clarification Act of 2000; H.R. 4521, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to authorize and provide funding for rehabilitation of the Going-to-the-Sun Road in Glacier National Park, to authorize funds for maintenance of utilities related to the Park; and H.R. 4583, to extend the authorization for the Air Force Memorial Foundation to establish a memorial in the District of Columbia or its environs, 11 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

July 20, Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources, hearing on H.R. 4297, Powder River Basin Resource Development Act of 2000, 2:30 p.m., 1334 Longworth.

July 20, Subcommittee on Fisheries Conservation, Wildlife and Oceans, to mark up pending business; followed by a hearing on H.R. 4790, Hunting Heritage Protection Act, 10:30 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

July 20, Subcommittee on National Parks, and Public Lands, oversight hearing on general issues dealing with Access to our National Parks, 10 a.m., 1334 Longworth.

Committee on Rules, July 17, to consider the following: a resolution providing for a motion to resolve differences with the Senate on H.R. 4810, Marriage Penalty Tax Elimination Reconciliation Act of 2000; and H.J. Res. 103, disapproving the extension of the waiver authority contained in section 402(c) of the Trade Act of 1974 with respect to the People's Republic of China, 5 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

July 18, to consider the following: a measure making appropriations for the Treasury Department, the United States Postal Service, the Executive Office of the President, and certain Independent Agencies, for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2001; H.R. 4118, Russian-American Trust and Cooperation Act of 2000; and H.R. 4843, Comprehensive Retirement Security and Pension Reform Act of 2000, 5 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

Committee on Science, July 18, Subcommittee on Energy and Environmental, hearing on Reexamining the Scientific Basis for the Linear No-Threshold Model of Low-Dose Radiation, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

July 18, Subcommittee on Space and Aeronautics, hearing on Financing Commercial Space Ventures, 2 p.m., 2318 Rayburn.

July 19, full Committee, hearing on Encouraging Science, Math, Engineering and Technology Education in Kindergarten Through 12th Grade and H.R. 4273, National Science Education Incentive Act, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Small Business, July 20, Subcommittee on Tax, Finance and Imports, hearing on H.R. 1303, Dry Cleaning Environmental Tax Credit Act of 1999, 10 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, July 18, Subcommittee on Ground Transportation, hearing on the Implementation of the Federal Railroad Administration Grade-Crossing Whistle Ban Law, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

July 19, full Committee, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 4441, Motor Carrier Fuel Cost Equity Act of 2000; and H.R. 4844, Railroad Retirement and Survivors' Improvement Act of 2000, 2 p.m., 2167 Rayburn.

July 19, Subcommittee on Ground Transportation, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 4441, Motor Carrier Fuel Cost Equity Act of 2000; and H.R. 4844, Railroad Retirement and Survivors' Improvement Act of 2000, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

July 20, Subcommittee on Aviation, hearing on Portable Electronic Devices: Do they really pose a safety hazard on aircraft, 9:30 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

July 20, Subcommittee on Oversight, Investigations, and Emergency Management, hearing on Cost Effectiveness of Hazard Mitigation Spending, 2 p.m., 2167 Rayburn.

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July 20, full Committee, to mark up pending business, 10 a.m., 334 Cannon.

Committee on Ways and Means, July 17, Subcommittee on Trade, to mark up the Miscellaneous Trade and Technical Corrections Act of 2000, 7 p.m., H-137 Capitol.

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July 20, Subcommittee on Human Resources, hearing on Increasing State Flexibility in Use of Federal Child Protection Funds, 1 p.m., B-318 Rayburn.

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12:30 p.m., Monday, July 17

Senate Chamber

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