

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

House Committees ordered reported 14 sundry measures.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S8439–S8533

Measures Introduced: Five bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 3040–3044, S. Res. 356–357, and S. Con. Res. 135. **Page S8501**

Measures Reported:

S. 3041, making appropriations for the government of the District of Columbia and other activities chargeable in whole or part against the revenues of said District for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2001. (S. Rept. No. 106–409)

H.R. 4635, making appropriations for the Departments of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development, and for sundry independent agencies, boards, commissions, corporations, and offices for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2001, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 106–410)

H.R. 1102, to provide for pension reform, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 106–411) **Page S8501**

Measures Passed:

Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act: Senate passed S. 1608, to provide stability and predictability to the annual payments made to States and counties containing National Forest System lands and public domain lands managed by the Bureau of Land Management for the benefit of public schools and roads and to enhance the health, diversity and productivity of federal lands, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, and the following amendment proposed thereto: **Pages S8514–26**

Craig/Wyden Amendment No. 4139, in the nature of a substitute. **Pages S8519–26**

Select Committee on Intelligence Documentary Production: Senate agreed to S. Res. 356, to authorize documentary production by the Select Committee on Intelligence. **Pages S8526–27**

Adrian A. Spears Judicial Training Center: Senate passed H.R. 1959, to designate the Federal building located at 643 East Durango Boulevard in San Antonio, Texas, as the “Adrian A. Spears Judicial Training Center”, clearing the measure for the President. **Page S8527**

Pamela B. Gwin Hall: Senate passed H.R. 1729, to designate the Federal facility located at 1301 Emmet Street in Charlottesville, Virginia, as the “Pamela B. Gwin Hall”, clearing the measure for the President. **Page S8527**

Kika de la Garza United States Border Station: Senate passed H.R. 1901, to designate the United States border station located in Pharr, Texas, as the “Kika de la Garza United States Border Station”, clearing the measure for the President. **Page S8527**

James H. Quillen United States Courthouse: Senate passed H.R. 4608, to designate the United States courthouse located at 220 West Depot Street in Greeneville, Tennessee, as the “James H. Quillen United States Courthouse”, clearing the measure for the President. **Page S8527**

Welcoming Prime Minister of India: Senate agreed to S. Res. 357, welcoming Prime Minister Atal Bihari Vajpayee, Prime Minister of India, upon his first official visit to the United States. **Page S8527**

Enrollment Correction: Senate agreed to H. Con. Res. 394, directing the Secretary of the Senate to make technical corrections in the enrollment of S. 1374. **Page S8528**

PNTR (Permanent Normal Trade Relations) for China: Senate continued consideration of H.R. 4444, to authorize extension of nondiscriminatory treatment (normal trade relations treatment) to the People’s Republic of China, and to establish a framework for relations between the United States and the People’s Republic of China, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto: **Pages S8443–94**

Rejected:

By 33 yeas to 62 nays (Vote No. 240), Byrd Amendment No. 4131, to improve the certainty of the implementation of import relief in cases of affirmative determinations by the International Trade Commission with respect to market disruption to domestic producers of like or directly competitive products. **Pages S8443–44, S8449**

By 29 yeas to 66 nays (Vote No. 241), division 6 of Smith (of N.H.) Amendment No. 4129, to require that the Congressional-Executive Commission monitor the cooperation of the People's Republic of China with respect to POW/MIA issues, improvement in the areas of forced abortions, slave labor, and organ harvesting. **Pages S8443, S8445–49**

Thompson Amendment No. 4132, to provide for the application of certain measures to covered countries in response to the contribution to the design, production, development, or acquisition of nuclear, chemical, or biological weapons or ballistic or cruise missiles. (By 65 yeas to 32 nays (Vote No. 242), Senate tabled the amendment.) **Pages S8443, S8450–68**

By 43 yeas to 53 nays (Vote No. 243), Helms Amendment No. 4128, to express the sense of Congress regarding forced abortions in the People's Republic of China. **Pages S8469–71, S8472–76, S8490–91**

By 23 yeas to 73 nays (Vote No. 244), Helms Amendment No. 4123, to require the Secretary of Commerce to consult with leaders of American businesses to encourage them to adopt a code of conduct for doing business in the People's Republic of China. **Pages S8471–72, S8476–84, S8491**

By 18 yeas to 78 nays (Vote No. 245), Feingold Amendment No. 4138, to make technical changes relating to the recommendations of the Congressional-Executive Commission on the People's Republic of China. **Pages S8484–87, S8491–92**

By 22 yeas to 74 nays (Vote No. 246), Wellstone Amendment No. 4120, to require that the President certify to Congress that the People's Republic of China has responded to inquiries regarding certain people who have been detained or imprisoned and has made substantial progress in releasing from prison people incarcerated for organizing independent trade unions. **Pages S8443, S8487–90, S8492**

Pending:

Wellstone Amendment No. 4118, to require that the President certify to Congress that the People's Republic of China has taken certain actions with respect to ensuring human rights protection. **Page S8443**

Wellstone Amendment No. 4121, to strengthen the rights of workers to associate, organize and strike. **Page S8443**

Smith (of N.H.) Amendment No. 4129, to require that the Congressional-Executive Commission

monitor the cooperation of the People's Republic of China with respect to POW/MIA issues, improvement in the areas of forced abortions, slave labor, and organ harvesting (divisions 1 through 5). **Page S8443**

Hollings Amendment No. 4134, to direct the Securities and Exchange Commission to require corporations to disclose foreign investment-related information in 10-K reports. **Page S8443**

Hollings Amendment No. 4135, to authorize and request the President to report to the Congress annually beginning in January, 2001, on the balance of trade with China for cereals (wheat, corn, and rice) and soybeans, and to direct the President to eliminate any deficit. **Page S8443**

Hollings Amendment No. 4136, to authorize and request the President to report to the Congress annually, beginning in January, 2001, on the balance of trade with China for advanced technology products, and direct the President to eliminate any deficit. **Page S8443**

Hollings Amendment No. 4137, to condition eligibility for risk insurance provided by the Export-Import Bank or the Overseas Private Investment Corporation on certain certifications. **Page S8444**

A unanimous-consent-time agreement was reached providing for all remaining first degree amendments be limited to no more than one hour, to be equally divided in the usual form, and that no second degree amendments be in order. Further, that following disposition of these amendments and general debate on the bill, the bill be advanced to third reading and passage occur. **Page S8493**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill and pending amendments on Thursday, September 14, 2000. **Page S8528**

Escort Committee—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the President pro tempore of the Senate be authorized to appoint a committee on the part of the Senate to join with a like committee on the part of the House of Representatives to escort the Prime Minister of India into the House Chamber for the joint meeting on Thursday, September 14, 2000. **Page S8527**

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

Joint Convention on the Safety of Spent Fuel and Radioactive Waste Management (Treaty Doc. No. 106–48).

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. **Pages S8527–28**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Richard W. Anderson, of Montana, to be United States District Judge for the District of Montana vice Charles C. Lovell, retired.

78 Army nominations in the rank of general.

Routine lists in the Marine Corps, Navy.

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Messages From the House: **Pages S8496–97**

Measures Referred: **Page S8497**

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Amendments Submitted: **Pages S8508–13**

Authority for Committees: **Pages S8513–14**

Additional Statements: **Pages S8495–96**

Record Votes: Seven record votes were taken today. (Total—246) **Pages S8449, S8468, S8490–92**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 8:25 p.m., until 11 a.m., on Thursday, September 14, 2000. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S8528.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Appropriations: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

H.R. 4635, making appropriations for the Departments of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development, and for sundry independent agencies, boards, commissions, corporations, and offices for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2001, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute; and

An original bill (S. 3041) making appropriations for the government of the District of Columbia and other activities chargeable in whole or in part against revenues of said District for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2001.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on VA, HUD, and Independent Agencies approved for full committee consideration H.R. 4635, making appropriations for the Departments of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development, and for sundry

independent agencies, boards, commissions, corporations, and offices for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2001, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

COIN DESIGN SYMPOSIUM

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee met to discuss U.S. coin designs, focusing on the physical and fiscal concerns regarding changing circulating coin designs, after receiving testimony from Jay W. Johnson, Director, and Thomas D. Rogers, Engraver/Artist, both of the United States Mint, Department of the Treasury; Richard G. Doty, Curator of Numismatics, Smithsonian Institution; H. Robert Campbell, American Numismatic Association, Colorado Springs, Colorado; and Ute Wartenburg, American Numismatic Society, New York, New York.

MARKETING VIOLENCE TO CHILDREN

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee held hearings on the Federal Trade Commission report which examines the marketing of violence in movies, television, music, and video games to children, and recommendations to curtail their exposure, including entertainment industry self-regulation, the need for legislative oversight, enforcement of rating guidelines, and parental involvement and responsibility, receiving testimony from Senators Boxer, DeWine, Hagel, Hatch, Kohl, and Lieberman; Representatives Hyde and Markey; Robert Pitofsky, Chairman, Federal Trade Commission; Danny Goldberg, Artemis Records, and Strauss Zelnick, BMG Entertainment-North America, both of New York, New York; Peter Moore, Sega of America, Inc., San Francisco, California; Gregory Fischbach, Acclaim Entertainment, Inc., Glen Cove, New York; Tom Diaz, Violence Policy Center, Hilary Rosen, Recording Industry Association, Douglas Lowenstein, Interactive Digital Software Association, Daniel B. Borenstein, American Psychiatric Association, on behalf of the American Academy of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry, Jack Valenti, Motion Picture Association of America, and Jeff McIntyre, American Psychological Association, all of Washington, D.C.; Donald E. Cook, University of Colorado School of Medicine, Denver, on behalf of the American Academy of Pediatrics; and Michael E. Dyson, DePaul University Ida B. Wells-Barnett University, Chicago, Illinois.

Hearings recessed subject to call.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee met and began consideration of 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 non-project water for domestic, municipal, industrial, S. 1848, to amend the Reclamation Wastewater and Groundwater Study and Facilities Act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to participate in the design, planing, and construction of the Denver Water Reuse project, S. 2594, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to contract with the Mancos Water Conservancy District to use the Mancos Project facilities for impounding, storage, diverting, and carriage of nonproject water for the irrigation, domestic, municipal, and industrial purposes, H.R. 1680, to provide for the conveyance of Forest Service property in Kern County, California, in exchange for county lands suitable for inclusion in Sequoia National Forest, S. 2111, to direct the Secretary of Agriculture to convey for fair market value 1.06 acres of land in the San Bernardino National Forest, California, to KATY 101.3 FM, a California corporation, S. 2301, to amend the Reclamation Wastewater and Groundwater Study and Facilities Act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to participate in the design, planning, and construction of the Lakehaven water reclamation project for the reclamation and reuse of water, S. 2163, to provide for a study of the engineering feasibility of a water exchange in lieu of electrification of the Chandler Pumping Plant at Prosser Diversion Dam, Washington, H.R. 1235, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to enter into contracts with the Solano County Water Agency, California, to use Solano Project facilities for impounding, storage, and carriage of nonproject water for domestic, municipal, and industrial purposes, S. 2195, to amend the Reclamation Wastewater and Groundwater Study and Facilities Act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to participate in the design, planning, and construction of the Truckee watershed reclamation project for the reclamation and reuse of water, S. 2350, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain water rights to Duchesne City, Utah, S. 2877, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a feasibility study on water optimization in the Burnt River basin, Malheur River basin, Owyhee River basin, and Powder River basin, Oregon, 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, H.R. 4063, to establish the Rosie the Riveter-World War II Home Front National Historical Park in the State of California, S. 2345, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a special resource study concerning the preservation and public use of sites associated with Harriet Tubman located in Auburn, New York, H.R. 4115, to authorize appropriations for the United States Holocaust Memo-

rial Museum, and H. Con. Res. 89, recognizing the Hermann Monument and Hermann Heights Park in New Ulm, Minnesota, as a national symbol of the contributions of Americans of German heritage, but did not complete final action thereon, and will meet again on Wednesday, September 20.

FORESTS AND PUBLIC LAND MANAGEMENT

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Forests and Public Land Management concluded hearings on S. 2873, to provide for all right, title, and interest in and to certain property in Washington County, Utah, to be vested in the United States, H.R. 3676 and S. 2784, bills to establish the Santa Rosa and San Jacinto Mountains National Monument in the State of California, S. 2865, to designate certain land of the National Forest System located in the State of Virginia as wilderness, H.R. 4275 and S. 2956, bills to establish the Colorado Canyons National Conservation Area and the Black Ridge Canyons Wilderness, and S. 2977, to assist in the establishment of an interpretive center and museum in the vicinity of the Diamond Valley Lake in southern California to ensure the protection and interpretation of the paleontology discoveries made at the lake and to develop a trail system for the lake for use by pedestrians and nonmotorized vehicles, after receiving testimony from Representative Bono; Tom Fry, Director, Bureau of Land Management, Department of the Interior; Paul Brouha, Associate Deputy Chief, Forest Service, Department of Agriculture; Glen Peterson, Metropolitan Water District of Southern California, Los Angeles; James Doyle, Environmental Land Technology, Ltd., Sun Valley, Idaho; Brad Quayle, KSL Recreation Corporation, La Quinta, California; and Ed Kibbey, Building Industry Association of Southern California, and Katie Barrows, Friends of the Desert Mountain, on behalf of the Coachella Valley Mountains Conservancy, both of Palm Desert, California.

COLUMBIA RIVER POWER AND SALMON RECOVERY

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Subcommittee on Fisheries, Wildlife, and Drinking Water held hearings to examine the biological opinion on the Federal Columbia River Power System and the Federal Caucus Draft Basinwide Salmon Recovery Strategy, receiving testimony from William Stelle, Jr., Northwest Regional Administrator, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce; Col. Eric T. Mogren, Deputy Division Engineer, Northwestern Division, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers; Judith A. Johansen, Administrator/ Chief Executive Officer, Bonneville Power Administration, Department of Energy; David Cottingham, Special

Assistant to the Director, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior; Idaho Governor Dirk Kempthorne, Boise; Samuel Penny, Nez Perce Tribe, Lapwai, Idaho, on behalf of the Columbia River Inter-Tribal Fish Commission; Lionel Q. Boyer, Shoshone-Bannock Tribes, Fort Hall, Idaho; and John Etchart, Helena, Montana, Eric J. Bloch, Portland, Oregon, and Frank L. Cassidy, Vancouver, Washington, all on behalf of the Northwest Power Planning Council.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

TREATIES/NOMINATION

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded hearings on Investment Treaty with Bahrain (Treaty Doc. 106–25), Investment Treaty with Bolivia (Treaty Doc. 106–26), Investment Treaty with Honduras (Treaty Doc. 106–27), Investment Treaty with El Salvador (Treaty Doc. 106–28), Investment Treaty with Croatia (Treaty Doc. 106–29), Investment Treaty with Jordan (Treaty Doc. 106–30), Investment Treaty with Uzbekistan (Treaty Doc. 104–25), Investment Treaty with Mozambique (Treaty Doc. 106–31), Investment Treaty with Lithuania (Treaty Doc. 106–42), Treaty with Mexico on Delimitation of Continental Shelf (Treaty Doc. 106–39), and Protocol Relating to the Madrid Agreement (Treaty Doc. 106–41), Investment Treaty with Azerbaijan (Treaty Doc. 106–47), Protocol Amending Investment Treaty with Panama (Treaty Doc. 106–46), after receiving testimony from Mary Beth West, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Oceans and Fisheries, and Janice F. Bay, Deputy Assistant Secretary, International Finance and Development, Bureau of Economic and Business Affairs, both of the Department of State.

Also, committee concluded hearings on the nomination of Barry Edward Carter, of the District of Columbia, to be an Assistant Administrator of the

United States Agency for International Development, after the nominee, who was introduced by Senator Baucus, testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of John Ramsey Johnson and Gerald Fisher, each to be an Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf. Mr. Johnson and Mr. Fisher were introduced by Representative Norton.

INTELLIGENCE

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

LONG-TERM CARE INSURANCE COSTS

Special Committee on Aging: Committee concluded hearings to examine issues relating to long-term care insurance, including protecting consumers from unanticipated premium increases, rate stabilization regulation, and proposed legislation to allow tax incentives towards the purchase of policies, after receiving testimony from William J. Scanlon, Director, Health Financing and Public Health Issues, Health, Education, and Human Services Division, General Accounting Office; Kathleen Sebelius, Kansas Insurance Department, Topeka, on behalf of the National Association of Insurance Commissioners; Allan Kanner, Allan Kanner and Associates/Tulane Law School, New Orleans, Louisiana; Charles N. Kahn, III, Health Insurance Association of America, Washington, D.C.; and David S. Martin, John Hancock Life Insurance Company, Boston, Massachusetts, on behalf of the American Council of Life Insurers.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 10 public bills, H.R. 5163–5172; and 2 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 398–399, were introduced. **Pages H7577–78**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows.

H.R. 4986, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to repeal the provisions relating to foreign sales corporations (FSCs) and to exclude extraterritorial income from gross income, amended (H. Rept. 106–845). **Page H7577**

Journal: Agreed to the Speaker's approval of the Journal of Tuesday, September 12, 2000 by a ye and nay vote of 337 yeas to 51 nays with 2 voting "present", Roll No. 465. **Pages H7505, H7508–09**

Marriage Tax Penalty Relief Act of 2000—Veto Override: The House failed to override the President's veto 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 by a $\frac{2}{3}$ ye and nay vote of 270 yeas to 158 nays, Roll No. 466. Subsequently, the President's veto message

and the bill were referred to the Committee on Ways and Means. **Pages H7509–20**

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

Strengthening United States-India Relations: H. Res. 572, expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that it is in the interest of both the United States and the Republic of India to expand and strengthen United States-India relations, intensify bilateral cooperation in the fight against terrorism, and broaden the ongoing dialogue between the United States and India, of which the upcoming visit to the United States of the Prime Minister of India, Atal Bihari Vajpayee, is a significant step. (Debated and agreed to by voice vote on September 12, 2000. Agreed today to vacate the request for an electronic vote on the motion); **Page H7520**

Foreign Sales Corporation Repeal and Extraterritorial Income Exclusion: H.R. 4986, amended, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to repeal the provisions relating to foreign sales corporations (FSCs) and to exclude extraterritorial income from gross income (Debated on September 12, 2000. Passed by a recorded vote of 315 yeas to 109 noes with 1 voting “present,” Roll No. 467); and **Page H7521**

Honoring the Service and Sacrifice by the United States Merchant Marine: H. Con. Res. 327, honoring the service and sacrifice during periods of war by members of the United States Merchant Marine. (Debated on September 12, 2000. Passed by a yeas and nay vote of 418 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 469). **Pages H7522–23**

Suspension Failed—Repeal of Boy Scouts Federal Charter: The House failed to pass H.R. 4892, to repeal the Federal charter of the Boy Scouts of America by a yeas and nay vote of 12 yeas to 362 nays with 51 voting “present”, Roll No. 468. The bill was debated on September 12, 2000. **Pages H7521–22**

DOD Authorization—Motion to Instruct: Rejected the Graham motion to instruct conferees on the Senate amendment to 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, not to agree to provisions which (1) fail to recognize that the 14th amendment to the Constitution guarantees all persons equal protection under the law; (2) deny equal protection under the law by conditioning prosecution of certain offenses on the race, color, religion, national origin, gender, sexual orientation, or disability of the victim; and (3) preclude a person con-

victed of murder from being sentenced to death by a yeas and nay vote of 196 yeas to 227 nays, Roll No. 470. **Pages H7523–32**

DOD Authorization—Motion to Instruct: Agreed to the Conyers motion to instruct conferees on the Senate amendment to 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, to agree to the provisions contained in title XV of the Senate amendment by a yeas and nay vote of 232 yeas to 192 nays, Roll No. 471. **Pages H7532–41**

Presidential Transition Act: The House passed H.R. 4931, to provide for the training or orientation of individuals, during a Presidential transition, who the President intends to appoint to certain key positions, to provide for a study and report on improving the financial disclosure process for certain Presidential nominees. **Pages H7542–43**

Member of the Republican Conference: Read a letter from Representative Martinez wherein he announced his affiliation with the Republican conference. Subsequently, read letters from Representative Frost and the Speaker dealing with his resignation from the Democratic Caucus and vacating his election to the Committees on Education and the Workforce and International Relations. **Pages H7541–42**

Quorum Calls—Votes: Six yeas and nay votes and one recorded vote developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H7508–09, H7520, H7521, H7521–22, H7522–23, H7531–32, and H7541. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Committee Meetings

ANIMAL WELFARE ACT AMENDMENTS

Committee on Agriculture: Held a hearing on H.R. 1275, to amend the Animal Welfare Act to prohibit the interstate movement of live birds for the purpose of having the birds participate in animal fighting. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

UPPER MISSISSIPPI RIVER BASIN CONSERVATION ACT

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on General Farm Commodities, Resource Conservation, and Credit held a hearing on H.R. 4013, Upper Mississippi River Basin Conservation Act of 2000. Testimony was heard from Representatives Gutknecht and Kind; Thomas A. Weber, Deputy Chief, Programs, Natural Resources Conservation Service,

USDA; Robert Hirsch, Associate Director, Water, U.S. Geological Survey, Department of the Interior; and a public witness.

IDENTITY THEFT PREVENTION ACT

Committee on Banking and Financial Services: Held a hearing on H.R. 4311, Identity Theft Prevention Act of 2000, and related financial fraud issues. Testimony was heard from Representatives Hooley and LaTourette; Betsy Broder, Assistant Director, Division of Planning and Information, FTC; Bruce Townsend, Special Agent in Charge, Financial Crimes Division, U.S. Secret Service, Department of the Treasury; and public witnesses.

CONTROLLING WILDFIRES

Committee on the Budget: Task Force on Natural Resources and the Environment held a hearing on Controlling Wildfires In the Future: What Strategies and Resources Are Needed? Testimony was heard from Randle G. Phillips, Deputy Chief, Programs and Legislation, Forest Service, USDA; Barry T. Hill, Associate Director, Energy Resource and Science Issues, GAO; and a public witness.

“ORGANIZED CRIME ON WALL STREET”

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Finance and Hazardous Materials held a hearing entitled: “Organized Crime on Wall Street.” Testimony was heard from Thomas V. Fuentes, Chief, Organized Crime Section, Criminal Investigation Division, FBI, Department of Justice; Richard H. Walker, Director, Division of Enforcement, SEC; and public witnesses.

SECURING THE HEALTH OF THE AMERICAN PEOPLE

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Health and Environment held a hearing on Securing the Health of the American People: focusing on the following measures: H.R. 2399, National Commission for the New National Goal: The Advancement of Global Health Act; H.R. 4242, Orphan Drug Innovation Act; H.R. 762, Lupus Research and Care Amendments of 1999; H.R. 3677, Thomas Navarro FDA Patient Rights Act; H.R. 1795, National Institute of Biomedical Imaging and Engineering Establishment Act; and a resolution recognizing the importance of researching childhood cancers. Testimony was heard from Jack McCormick, Deputy Director, Office of Orphan Drugs, FDA, Department of Health and Human Services; and public witnesses.

TRUTH IN TELEPHONE BILLING ACT

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Telecommunications, Trade, and Consumer Protection approved for full Committee action, as amended, H.R. 3011, Truth in Telephone Billing Act of 1999.

Subcommittee recessed until September 18.

RECRUITMENT AND RETENTION OF QUALITY TEACHERS

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Subcommittee on Postsecondary Education, Training, and Life-Long Learning held a hearing on Recruitment and Retention of Quality Teachers. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

LABORATORIES OF DEMOCRACY

Committee on Government Reform: Subcommittee on National Economic Growth, Natural Resources, and Regulatory Affairs held a hearing on Lessons From the Laboratories of Democracy: Environmental Innovation in the States. Testimony was heard from Joe Hackney, Representative, State of North Carolina; Jim Seif, Secretary, Department of Environmental Protection, State of Pennsylvania; Landon Marsh, Director, Department of Environmental Quality, State of Oregon; Karen Studders, Commissioner, Pollution Control Agency, State of Minnesota; Lisa Polak Edgar, Deputy Director, Department of Environmental Protection, State of Florida; Christopher Recchia, Deputy Commissioner, Department of Environmental Conservation, State of Vermont; and public witnesses.

BIOLOGICAL WEAPONS CONVENTION

Committee on Government Reform: Subcommittee on National Security, Veterans' Affairs, and International Relations held a hearing on Biological Weapons Convention: Status and Implications. Testimony was heard from Ambassador Donald A. Mahley, Special Negotiator, Chemical and Biological Arms Control, Department of State; Susan Koch, Deputy Assistant Secretary (Threat Reduction Policy), Department of Defense; Roger Majak, Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Export Administration, Department of Commerce; Jack L. Brock, Jr., Managing Director, Acquisition and Sourcing Management, GAO; and public witnesses.

WESTERN SAHARA—U.N. REFERENDUM

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on Africa held a hearing on U.N. Referendum for Western Sahara: 9 Years and Counting. Testimony was heard from Allen Keiswetter, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Near Eastern Affairs, Department of State.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on Asia and the Pacific approved for full Committee action the following measures: H. Con. Res. 328, amended, expressing the sense of the Congress in recognition of the 10th anniversary of the free and

fair elections in Burma and the urgent need to improve the democratic and human rights of the people of Burma; and H. Con. Res. 397, voicing concern about serious violations of human rights and fundamental freedoms in most states of Central Asia, including substantial noncompliance with their Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe (OSCE) commitments on democratization and the holding of free and fair elections.

CORPORATE AND INDUSTRIAL ESPIONAGE

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on International Economic Policy and Trade held a hearing on Corporate and Industrial Espionage and Their Effects on American Competitiveness. Testimony was heard from Sheila Horan, Deputy Assistant Director, Counter Intelligence, FBI, Department of Justice; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on the Judiciary: Ordered reported the following bills: H.R. 3575, Student Athlete Protection Act; Opportunities Act; H.R. 5106, Copyright Technical Corrections Act of 2000; H.R. 5107, Work Made for Hire and Copyright Corrections Act of 2000; and H.R. 534, amended, Fairness and Voluntary Arbitration Act.

H.R. 534, Fairness and Voluntary Arbitration Act; H.R. 4548, Agricultural Opportunities Act.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Resources: Ordered reported the following measures: S. 426, Huna Totem Corporation Public Interest Land Exchange Act; S. 964, Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe Equitable Compensation Act; H.R. 1500, America's Wilderness Protection Act; S. 1778, to provide for equal exchanges of land around the Cascade Reservoir; H.R. 3067, amended, Nampa and Meridian Conveyance Act; H.R. 3986, amended, to provide for a study of the engineering feasibility of a water exchange in lieu of electrification of the Chandler Pumping Plant at Prosser Diversion Dam, Washington; H.R. 4613, amended, National Historic Lighthouse Preservation Act of 2000; H.R. 4656, to authorize the Forest Service to convey certain lands in the Lake Tahoe Basin to the Washoe County School District for use as an elementary school site; and H.R. 4800, amended, Ronald Reagan Recognition Act of 2000.

HOUSE RULES—PROPOSED CHANGES

Committee on Rules: Held a hearing to receive Member testimony on proposed changes to House Rules. Testimony was heard from Representatives Burton of Indiana, Morella, Davis of Virginia, Gary Miller of California, Tancredo, Norton and Underwood.

NASA'S SPACE SCIENCE ENTERPRISE

Committee on Science: Subcommittee on Space and Technology held a hearing on the State of NASA's Space Science Enterprise. Testimony was heard from Edward Weiler, Associate Administrator, Office of Space Science, NASA; and public witnesses.

TECHNICAL STANDARDS ROLE IN TODAY'S SOCIETY

Committee on Science: Subcommittee on Technology held a hearing on the Role of Technical Standards in Today's Society and in the Future. Testimony was heard from Raymond Kammer, Director, National Institutes of Standards and Technology, Department of Commerce; and public witnesses.

DOT'S PROPOSED NEPA AND PLANNING RULES

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Ground Transportation held a hearing on the Department of Transportation's Proposed NEPA and Planning Rules. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Transportation: Kenneth R. Wykle, Administrator, Federal Highway Administration; and Patrick R. Reilly, Chief Counsel, Federal Transit Administration; Mary E. Peters, Director, Department of Transportation, State of Arizona; and public witnesses.

FEDERAL AGENCY SHUTTLES

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Oversight, Investigations, and Emergency Management held a hearing on Federal Agency Shuttles. Testimony was heard from G. Martin Wagner, Associate Administrator, Governmentwide Policy, GSA; and William G. Dowd, Director, Office of Plans Review, National Capital Planning Commission.

DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS HEALTH CARE PERSONNEL ACT

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Ordered reported, as amended, H.R. 5109, Department of Veterans Affairs Health Care Personnel Act of 2000.

AFRICAN DIAMONDS TRADE

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Trade held a hearing on trade in African diamonds. Testimony was heard from Representatives Hall of Ohio, Wolf, Payne and McKinney; William B. Wood, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary, International Organization Affairs, Department of State; and public witnesses.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2000

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, to hold hearings to examine stem cell research, 9:30 a.m., SH-216.

Committee on the Budget, to hold hearings on budgeting for defense, focusing on maintaining today's forces, 2 p.m., SD-608.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, to hold hearings to examine air traffic control delays; to be followed by a hearing on the nominations of David Z. Plavin, of New York, to be a Member of the Federal Aviation Management Advisory Council; Arthenia L. Joyner, of Florida, to be a Member of the Federal Aviation Management Advisory Council; and Sue Bailey, of Maryland, to be Administrator of the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, to hold oversight hearings on the transportation of Alaska North Slope natural gas market and to investigate the cost, environmental aspects and energy security implications to Alaska and the rest of the nation for alternative routes and projects, 9:30 a.m., SD-366.

Subcommittee on National Parks, Historic Preservation, and Recreation, to hold hearings on S. 2749, to establish the California Trail Interpretive Center in Elko, Nevada, to facilitate the interpretation of the history of development and use of trails in the setting of the western portion of the United States; S. 2885, to establish the Jamestown 400th Commemoration Commission; S. 2950, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to establish the Sand Creek Massacre Historic Site in the State of Colorado; S. 2959, to amend the Dayton Aviation Heritage Preservation Act of 1992; and S. 3000, to authorize the exchange of land between the Secretary of the Interior and the Director of the Central Intelligence Agency at the George Washington Memorial Parkway in McLean, Virginia, 2:30 p.m., SD-366.

Committee on Environment and Public Works, to hold hearings on the nomination of the following named officer for appointment as the Chief of Engineers, United States Army, and appointment to the grade indicated while assigned to a position of importance and responsibility under title 10, U.S.C., section 601 and 3036: Maj. Gen. Robert B. Flowers, to be Lieutenant General, 9:30 a.m., SD-406.

Subcommittee on Fisheries, Wildlife, and Drinking Water, to continue hearings on the Draft Biological Opinions by the National Marine Fisheries Service and U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service on the operation of the Federal Columbia River Power System and the Federal Caucus draft Basinwide Salmon Recovery Strategy, 1 p.m., SD-406.

Committee on Foreign Relations, Subcommittee on International Operations, to hold hearings on exchange programs and the national interest, 9 a.m., SD-419.

Committee on Governmental Affairs, Subcommittee on International Security, Proliferation and Federal Services,

to hold hearings on the state of foreign language capabilities in national security and the Federal Government, 11 a.m., SD-342.

Committee on Indian Affairs, to hold hearings on S. 2899, to express the policy of the United States regarding the United States' relationship with Native Hawaiians, 3:30 p.m., SR-485.

Committee on Small Business, to hold hearings to examine slotting fees, and the battle family farmers are having to stay on the farm and in the grocery store, 1 p.m., SD-628.

House

Committee on Commerce, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 3100, Know Your Caller Act; H.R. 2592, to amend the Consumer Products Safety Act to provide that low-speed electric bicycles are consumer products subject to such Act; H.R. 3850, Independent Telecommunications Consumer Enhancement Act of 2000; H.R. 2346, to authorize the enforcement by State and local governments of certain Federal Communications Commission regulations regarding use of citizens band radio equipment; H.R. 1689, to prohibit States from imposing restrictions on the operation of motor vehicles providing limousine service between a place in a State and a place in another State; H.R. 2641, to make technical corrections to title X of the Energy Policy Act of 1992; and H.R. 1795, National Institute of Biomedical Imaging and Engineering Establishment Act, 11:15 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Education and the Workforce, Subcommittee on Employer-Employee Relations, hearing on How to Improve Pension Coverage for American Workers, 10:30 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Workforce Protections, hearing on a Review of Mine Safety and Health: The State of the Industry Today, 2 p.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on International Relations, Subcommittee on International Operations and Human Rights, hearing on H.Res. 398, United States Training on and Commemoration of the Armenian Genocide Resolution, 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on the Constitution, to mark up H.R. 5018, Electronic Communications Privacy Act of 2000, 9 a.m., 2237 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Immigration and Claims, to mark up the following: H.R. 4068, Religious Workers Act of 2000; and a private relief bill, 2 p.m., 2226 Rayburn.

Committee on Resources, oversight hearing on General Accounting Office review of Endangered Species Act implementation in Southern California, 11 a.m., 3124 Longworth.

Subcommittee on Forests and Forest Health, oversight hearing on Private Conservation Efforts: Lessons for National Forests, 11 a.m., 1334 Longworth.

Committee on Ways and Means, to consider the Debt Relief Lockbox Reconciliation Act for Fiscal Year 2001, 11 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

11 a.m., Thursday, September 14

Senate Chamber

Program for Thursday: Senate will continue consideration of H.R. 4444, PNTR for China.

(At 10 a.m., Senate will meet in a joint meeting with the House of Representatives to receive the Prime Minister of the Republic of India, His Excellency Atal Bihari Vajpayee.)

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

9 a.m., Thursday, September 14

House Chamber

Program for Thursday: Consideration of H.R. 4942, 2001 District of Columbia Appropriations;

Consideration of the conference report on H.R. 1654, National Aeronautics and Space Administration Authorization; and

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