

Intergovernmental Relations held an oversight hearing on H.R. 866, Subsidy Termination for Overdue Payments Act of 2001. Testimony was heard from Representative Bilirakis; Frank Fuentes, Acting Commissioner, Office of Child Support Enforcement, Department of Health and Human Services; J. B. Penn, Under Secretary, Farm and Foreign Agricultural Services, USDA; and public witnesses.

#### MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

*Committee on International Relations:* Ordered reported the following measures: H.R. 931, Sudan Peace Act; and H. Con. Res. 145, condemning the recent order by the Taliban regime of Afghanistan to require Hindus in Afghanistan to wear symbols identifying them as Hindu.

#### U.N. COMMISSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS

*Committee on International Relations:* Subcommittee on International Operations and Human Rights held a hearing on "Has the U.N. Commission on Human Rights Lost its Course? A Review of its Mission, Operations, and Structure." Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of State: Michael E. Parmly, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Democracy, Human Rights and Labor; and William B. Woods, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary, Bureau of International Organization Affairs; and public witnesses.

#### U.S. POLICY IN CENTRAL ASIA

*Committee on International Relations:* Subcommittee on the Middle East and South Asia held a hearing on U.S. Policy in Central Asia. Testimony was heard from Clifford G. Bond, Acting Principal Deputy, Office of the Special Adviser to the Secretary for the New Independent States, Department of State.

#### OVERSIGHT—DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Held an oversight hearing on the U.S. Department of Justice. Testimony was heard from John D. Ashcroft, The Attorney General.

#### FAMILY SPONSOR IMMIGRATION ACT; PRIVATE BILLS

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on Immigration and Claims approved for full Committee action, as amended, H.R. 1892, Family Sponsor Immigration Act of 2001.

The Subcommittee also approved two private relief bills.

#### OVERSIGHT

*Committee on Resources:* Held an oversight hearing on National Energy Policy. Testimony was heard from Gail A. Norton, Secretary of the Interior.

#### NSF BUDGET—RESEARCH AND RELATED ACTIVITIES

*Committee on Science:* Subcommittee on Research held a hearing on NSF fiscal year 2002 Budget Request: Research and Related Activities. Testimony was heard from Joseph Bordogna, Deputy Director, NSF; and public witnesses.

#### FEDERAL PRISON INDUSTRIES—UNFAIR COMPETITION WITH SMALL BUSINESS

*Committee on Small Business:* Held a hearing on Federal Prison Industries-Unfair competition with small business, focusing on H.R. 1577, Federal Prison Industries Competition in Contracting Act of 2001. Testimony was heard from Representatives Hoekstra and Maloney of New York; Joseph Aragon, Chairman, Federal Prison Industries, Bureau of Prisons, Department of Justice; and public witnesses.

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#### NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST of June 5, 2001, p. D530)

H.R. 801, to amend title 38, United States Code, to expand eligibility for CHAMPVA, to provide for family coverage and retroactive expansion of the increase in maximum benefits under Servicemembers' Group Life Insurance, to make technical amendments. Signed on June 5, 2001. (Public Law 107-14)

H.R. 1727, to amend the Taxpayer Relief Act of 1997 to provide for consistent treatment of survivor benefits for public safety officers killed in the line of duty. Signed on June 5, 2001. (Public Law 107-15)

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#### COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, JUNE 7, 2001

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

##### Senate

*Committee on Armed Services:* to hold hearings on the nomination of Susan Morrissey Livingstone, of Montana, to be Under Secretary of the Navy; the nomination of Jessie Hill Roberson, of Alabama, to be Assistant Secretary of Energy for Environmental Management; and the nomination of Thomas P. Christie, of Virginia, to be Director of Operational Test and Evaluation, Department of Defense, 9:30 a.m., SH-216.

Subcommittee on SeaPower, to hold hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 2002 for the Department of Defense and the Future Years Defense Program, focusing on Navy and Marine Corps equipment for 21st century operational requirements, 2 p.m., SR-232A.