

NOMINATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Youth Violence concluded hearings on the nomination of John P. Walters, of Michigan, to be Director of National Drug Control Policy, after the nominee, who was introduced by Senators Hatch and Kyl, testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

INTELLIGENCE

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee met in closed session to consider pending intelligence matters, made no announcements, and recessed subject to call.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Measures Introduced: 11 public bills, H.R. 3073–3083; and 4 resolutions, H.J. Res. 67; and H. Res. 257, 259–260 were introduced. **Pages H6504–05**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows: H. Res. 258, providing for consideration of H.R. 3061, making appropriations for the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2002 (H. Rept. 107–233). **Page H6504**

Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Gibbons to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

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Guest Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the Rev. Ralph Hoyt Davis of Bethel United Baptist Church, Muncie, Indiana.

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Recess: The House recessed at 10:18 a.m. and reconvened at 10:55 a.m.

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Internet Equity and Education Act: The House passed H.R. 1992, to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to expand the opportunities for higher education via telecommunications by a recorded vote of 354 ayes to 70 noes, Roll No. 375. **Pages H6463–87**

Pursuant to the rule, the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Education and the Workforce now printed in the bill (H. Rept. 107–225) was considered as adopted.

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Rejected the Mink amendment in the nature of a substitute that sought to delete sections that allow changes to the 12 hours of regularly scheduled instruction rule and revise incentive compensation provisions by a yea-and-nay vote of 99 yeas to 327 nays, Roll No. 374.

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Earlier, the House agreed to H. Res. 256, the rule that provided for consideration of the bill by voice vote.

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Committee Election: The House agreed to H. Res. 257, electing Representative LaTourette to the Committee on Standards of Official Conduct. **Page H6487**

Recess: The House recessed at 2:59 p.m. and reconvened at 5:52 p.m.

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Recess: The House recessed at 7:37 p.m. and reconvened at 9:05 p.m.

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Senate Messages: Messages received from the Senate today appears on page H6493.

Referrals: S. Con. Res. 63 was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce and S. Con. Res. 76, was referred to the Committee on Government Reform.

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Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on page H6505.

Quorum Calls—Votes: One yea-and-nay vote and one recorded vote developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H6486–87, H6487. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 9:06 p.m.

Committee Meetings

DEFENSE APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Defense met in executive session and approved for full Committee action the Defense appropriations for Fiscal Year 2002.

ELECTRICITY TRANSMISSION POLICY

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Energy and Air Quality held a hearing entitled “Electricity Transmission Policy,” focusing on transmission siting, incentives, and reliability. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

The Subcommittee continued hearings on this subject, focusing on Regional Transmission Organizations, Open Access, and Federal Jurisdiction. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

FEDERAL BIOTERRORISM PREPAREDNESS PROGRAMS

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing entitled “A Review of Federal Bioterrorism Preparedness Programs from a Public Health Perspective.” Testimony was heard Scott Lillibridge, Special Assistant for Bioterrorism, Office of the Secretary, Department of Health and Human Services; Bruce Baughman, Director, Planning and Readiness Division, FEMA; Jan Heinrich, Director, Health Care and Public Health Issues, GAO; Lew Stringer, Medical Director, Division of Emergency Management, State of North Carolina; and public witnesses.

DEBT COLLECTION IMPROVEMENT ACT

Committee on Government Reform: Subcommittee on Government Efficiency, Financial Management and Intergovernmental Relations held a hearing on “The Debt Collection Improvement Act: How Well is it Working?” Testimony was heard from Gary T. Engel, Director, Financial Management and Assurance, GAO; Richard L. Gregg, Commissioner, Financial Management Service, Department of the Treasury; Claude A. Allen, Deputy Secretary, Department of Health and Human Services; William D. Hansen, Deputy Secretary, Department of Education; and Leo S. Mackay, Jr., Deputy Secretary, Department of Veterans Affairs.

ANTI-TERRORISM—ROLE OF DIPLOMACY

Committee on International Relations: Held a hearing on the Role of Public Diplomacy in Support of the Anti-Terrorism. Testimony was heard from Charlotte Beers, Under Secretary, Public Diplomacy and Public Affairs, Department of State; Marc Nathanson, Chairman, Broadcasting Board of Governors; and a public witness.

CAUCASUS AND CASPIAN REGION: U.S. INTERESTS AND POLICY

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on Europe held a hearing on The Caucasus and Caspian Region: Understanding U.S. Interests and Policy. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

WESTERN HEMISPHERE’S RESPONSE TO TERRORIST ATTACK

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on Western Hemisphere held a hearing on the Western Hemisphere’s Response to the September 11, 2001 Terrorist Attack on the United States. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of State: Francis X. Taylor, Ambassador-at-Large, Office of the Coordinator for Counterterrorism; Robert Noriega, Ambassador to the OAS; James F. Mack, Deputy Assistant Sec-

retary, Bureau of International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Affairs; and Curt Struble, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Western Hemisphere Affairs.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on the Judiciary: Ordered reported, as amended, the following bills: H.R. 1408, Financial Services Antifraud Network Act of 2001; H.R. 1840, to extend eligibility for refugee status of unmarried sons and daughters of certain Vietnamese refugees; and H.R. 1552, Internet Tax Non-discrimination Act.

LABOR, HHS AND EDUCATION APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, an open rule providing 1 hour of debate on H.R. 3061, making appropriations for the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and related agencies for fiscal year 2002 ending September 30, 2002. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule provides that the bill shall be considered for amendment by paragraph. The rule waives clause 2 of rule XXI (prohibiting unauthorized or legislative provisions in an appropriations bill) against provisions in the bill.

The rule makes in order the amendment printed in the report of the Committee on Rules accompanying the resolution, which may be offered only by a Member designated in the report and only at the appropriate point in the reading of the bill, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, shall not be subject to amendment, and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question in the House or in the Committee of the Whole. The rule waives all points of order against the amendment printed in the report. The rule waives points of order during consideration of the bill against amendments for failure to comply with clause 2(e) of rule XXI (prohibiting non-emergency designated amendments to be offered to an appropriations bill containing an emergency designation).

The rule authorizes the Chair to accord priority in recognition to Members who have preprinted their amendments in the Congressional Record. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions.

CYBER SECURITY

Committee on Science: Held a hearing on Cyber Security—How Can We Protect American Computer Networks From Attack? Testimony was heard from Robert Weaver, Assistant Special-Agent-in-Charge, U.S. Secret Service, Director, Electronic Crimes Task

Force, New York, Department of the Treasury; and public witnesses.

JUMPSTARTING ECONOMY—SMALL BUSINESSES ROLE

Committee on Small Business: Held a hearing on the Role Small Businesses Can Play in Jump-Starting the Economy. Testimony was heard from Hector Barreto, Administrator, SBA; and public witnesses.

TERRORISM—ARE AMERICA'S WATER RESOURCES AND ENVIRONMENT AT RISK

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment, hearing on Terrorism: Are America's Water Resources and Environment at Risk? Testimony was heard from Michael Parker, Assistant Secretary (Civil Works), Corps of Engineers, Department of the Army; Marianne Lamont Horinko, Assistant Administrator, Office of Solid Waste and Emergency, EPA; Ronald Dick, Director, National Infrastructure Protection Center, FBI, Department of Justice; Glenn L. McCullough, Jr., Chairman, Board of Directors, TVA; Beverly O'Neill, Mayor, City of Long Beach, California; Jeffrey J. Danneels, Department Manager, Security Systems and Technology Center, Sandia National Laboratories; and public witnesses.

VETERANS LEGISLATION

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Ordered reported, as amended, the following bills: H.R. 2716, Homeless Veterans Assistance Act of 2001; and H.R. 2792, Disabled Veterans Service Dog and Health Care Improvement Act of 2001.

CONFLICT DIAMONDS

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Trade held a hearing on "Conflict Diamonds." Testimony was heard from Senator DeWine; Representatives Hall of Ohio and Wolf; Alan W. Eastham, Special Negotiator for Conflict Diamonds, Department of State; James E. Mendenhall, Deputy General Counsel, Office of the U.S. Trade Representative; and public witnesses.

Joint Meetings

APPROPRIATIONS—INTERIOR

Conferees agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the Senate and House passed versions of H.R. 2217, making appropriations for the Department of the Interior and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2002.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST October 9, 2001, p. D992)

H.R. 2510, to extend the expiration date of the Defense Production Act of 1950. Signed on October 5, 2001. (Public Law 107-47)

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, OCTOBER 11, 2001

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Appropriations: business meeting to mark up proposed legislation making appropriations for the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2002; and 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, 2002, 4 p.m., S-128, Capitol.

Committee on Armed Services: to hold hearings on the nomination of Marvin R. Sambur, of Indiana, to be Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for Acquisition, the nomination of William Winkenwerder, Jr., of Massachusetts, to be Assistant Secretary of Defense for Health Affairs, the nomination of Mary L. Walker, of California, to be General Counsel of the Department of the Air Force, all of the Department of Defense; and the nomination of Everet Beckner, of New Mexico, to be Deputy Administrator for Defense Programs, and the nomination of Linton F. Brooks, of Virginia, to be Deputy Administrator for Defense Nuclear Nonproliferation, both of the National Nuclear Security Administration, Department of Energy, 2:30 p.m., SH-216.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Oceans, Atmosphere, and Fisheries, to hold hearings to examine the role of the Coast Guard and the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration in strengthening security against maritime threats, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

Subcommittee on Science, Technology, and Space, to hold hearings to examine the needs of fire services in responding to terrorism, 2:30 p.m., SR-253.

Committee on Finance: Subcommittee on Social Security and Family Policy, to hold hearings on S. 685, to amend title IV of the Social Security Act to strengthen working families, 2:30 p.m., SD-215.

Committee on Governmental Affairs: to hold hearings on the nomination of Mark W. Everson, of Texas, to be Controller, Office of Federal Financial Management, Office of Management and Budget, 9:30 a.m., SD-342.

House

Committee on the Budget, to mark up the Fiscal Year 2002 Discretionary Spending Cap/302(a) allocation, 1 p.m., 210 Cannon.