

Committee Meetings

DISCRETIONARY SPENDING CAP/ ALLOCATIONS

Committee on the Budget: Ordered reported H.R. 3084, to revise the discretionary spending limits for fiscal year 2002 set forth in the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985 and to make conforming changes respecting the appropriate section 302 (a) allocation for fiscal year 2002 established pursuant to the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2002.

AMERICAN SPIRIT FRAUD PREVENTION ACT; BEST PHARMACEUTICALS FOR CHILDREN ACT

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Ordered reported the following bills: H.R. 2985, American Spirit Fraud Prevention Act; and H.R. 2887, amended, Best Pharmaceuticals for Children Act.

FINANCIAL ANTI-TERRORISM ACT; EMERGENCY SECURITIES RESPONSE ACT

Committee on Financial Services: Ordered reported the following bills: H.R. 3004, amended, Financial Anti-Terrorism Act of 2001; and H.R. 3060, Emergency Securities Response Act of 2001.

SECURE AMERICA'S BORDERS—USING INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Immigration and Claims held an oversight hearing on "Using Information Technology to Secure America's Borders: INS Problems with Planning and Implementation." Testimony was heard from Randolph C. Hite, Director, Information Technology Systems Issues, GAO; the following officials of the Department of Justice: Glenn A. Fine, Inspector General; and James W. Ziglar, Commissioner, INS; and a public witness.

DEVELOPMENT OF MINERALS WITHIN DESIGNATED RESOLUTION AREA

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources held a hearing on H.R. 2952, to ensure the orderly development of coal, coalbed methane, natural gas, and oil within a designated Dispute Resolution Area in the Powder River Basin, Wyoming. Testimony was heard from Tom Fulton, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Land and Minerals, Department of the Interior; and public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT—MARINE MAMMAL PROTECTION ACT REAUTHORIZATION

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Fisheries Conservation, Wildlife and Oceans held an oversight hearing on the reauthorization of the Marine Mammal Protection Act. Testimony was heard from Representative Mink of Hawaii; the following officials of

the National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce: William T. Hogarth, Assistant Administrator, Fisheries; and Joe Scordino, Deputy Director, Northwest Region; the following officials of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior: Marshall Jones, Acting Director; and Steve Thompson, Acting Manager, California-Nevada Operations; John E. Reynolds, III, Chairman, Marine Mammal Commission; Margaret Hayes, Director, Office of Ocean Affairs, Bureau of Oceans and International Environmental and Scientific Affairs, Department of State; Vice Adm. Dennis V. McGinn, USN, Deputy Chief of Naval Operations, Warfare Requirements and Programs, OPNAV (N7); and public witnesses.

SAME DAY CONSIDERATION

Committee on Rules: Granted a rule waiving clause 6(a) of rule XIII (requiring a two-thirds vote to consider a rule on the same day it is reported from the Rules Committee) against certain resolutions reported from the Rules Committee. The rule applies the waiver to a special rule reported on the legislative day of Friday, October 12, 2001, providing for consideration of disposition of the bill H.R. 2975) to combat terrorism.

WEATHERPROOFING THE U.S.

Committee on Science: Subcommittee on Environment, Technology, and Standards held a hearing on Weatherproofing the U.S.: Are We Prepared for Severe Storms? Testimony was heard from the following officials of NOAA, Department of Commerce: Chris Landsea, Hurricane Research Division, Atlantic Oceanographic and Meteorological Laboratory; and John L. Hayes, Director, Office of Science and Technology, National Weather Service, Co-chair, U.S. Weather Research Program; and public witnesses.

SPACE PLANES AND X-VEHICLES

Committee on Science: Subcommittee on Space and Aeronautics held a hearing on Space Planes and X-Vehicles. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

ARE AMERICA'S SMALL BUSINESSES STILL GROUNDED

Committee on Small Business: Subcommittee on Regulatory Reform and Oversight held a hearing entitled "September 11, 2001 plus 30: Are America's Small Businesses Still Grounded?" Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

DEPLOYMENT AND USE OF SECURITY TECHNOLOGY

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Aviation held a hearing on Deployment and Use of Security Technology, focusing on

Weapon and Explosive Detection Technology. Testimony was heard from James F. O'Bryon, Deputy Director, Operational Test and Evaluation Live Fire Testing, Department of Defense; the following officials of the Department of Transportation: Jane F. Garvey, Administrator, FAA; and Kenneth R. Mead, Inspector General; and public witnesses.

MEDICARE REGULATORY AND CONTRACTING REFORM ACT

Committee on Ways and Means: Ordered reported, as amended, H.R. 2768, Medicare Regulatory and Contracting Reform Act of 2001.

NATIONAL SECURITY ADVISORS ROLE IN THE CURRENT CRISIS

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Subcommittee on Terrorism and Homeland Security held a hearing on National Security Advisors Role in the Current Crisis with former National Security Advisors. Testimony was heard from Tim Caruso, Deputy Assistant Director, Counterterrorism Division, FBI, Department of Justice; Col. Edward M. Eitzen, Jr., M.D., Commander, U.S. Army Medical Research Institute of Infectious Diseases, Department of the Army; and the following former National Security Advisors: Frank Carlucci; and Richard V. Allen.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY, OCTOBER 12, 2001

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Armed Services: to hold a closed briefing with the Office of the Secretary of Defense and Joint Chiefs of Staff Representatives concerning current military operations in Afghanistan, 12 p.m., SR-222.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Consumer Affairs, Foreign Commerce, and Tourism, to hold hearings to examine the state of the tourism industry, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

Committee on Governmental Affairs: to hold hearings to examine legislative options to strengthen homeland defense, 10 a.m., SD-342.

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Technology, Terrorism, and Government Information, to hold hearings to examine the role of technology in preventing the entry of terrorists into the United States, 10 a.m., SD-226.

House

Committee on Government Reform, Subcommittee on National Security, Veterans Affairs, and International Relations, hearing on "Combating Terrorism: Assessing the Threat of Biological Terrorism," 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on Ways and Means, to mark up the Economic Security and Recovery Act of 2001, 9 a.m., 1100 Longworth.