

Rear Adm. Terry M. Cross, USCG, Assistant Commandant, Operations, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Transportation; and public witnesses.

MOTION TO CONCUR IN THE SENATE AMENDMENTS WITH AN AMENDMENT TO H.R. 622—HOPE FOR CHILDREN ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted by voice vote, a rule providing for a single motion to be offered by the Chairman of the Committee on Ways and Means or his designee that the House concur in each of the Senate amendments to H.R. 622, Hope for Children Act, with the amendment printed in the Rules Committee report accompanying the resolution. The rule provides one hour of debate in the House equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Ways and Means. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the motion to concur in the Senate amendments with an amendment. Finally, the rule provides that the previous question shall be considered as ordered on the motion to final adoption without intervening motion or demand for division of the question. Testimony was heard from Chairman Thomas and Representatives Rangel, Dooley, and Jackson-Lee.

R&D BUDGET—AN EVALUATION

Committee on Science: Held a hearing on the R&D Budget for Fiscal Year 2003: An Evaluation. Testimony was heard from Jack Marburger, Director, Office of Science and Technology Policy; Rita Covell, Director, NSF; Samuel W. Bodman, Deputy Secretary, Department of Commerce; and Bruce Carnes, Chief Financial Officer, Director, Office of Management, Budget and Evaluation, Department of Energy.

SBA PROPOSED BUDGET

Committee on Small Business: Held a hearing on the Administration's Proposed Budget for the SBA for Fiscal Year 2003. Testimony was heard from Hector V. Barreto, Jr., Administrator, SBA; and public witnesses.

PORT SECURITY

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation held a hearing on Port Security: Credentials for Port Security. Testimony was heard from Adm. James Underwood, USCG, Director, Office of Intelligence and Security, Department of Transportation; and public witnesses.

OFFICE OF PIPELINE SAFETY REAUTHORIZATION

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Highways and Transit held a hearing on the Reauthorization of the Office of Pipeline Safety. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Transportation: Ellen Engelman, Administrator, Research and Special Programs Administration; and Mark Dayton, Deputy

Assistant Inspector General, Competition, Economic, Rail and Special Programs; Robert J. Chipkevich, Director, Office of Railroad, Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Investigations, National Transportation Safety Board; and public witnesses.

VA BUDGET PROPOSAL

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Held a hearing on the Department of Veterans Affairs Fiscal Year 2003 budget. Testimony was heard from Anthony J. Principi, Secretary of Veterans Affairs; Frederico Juarbe, Jr., Assistant Secretary, Veterans' Training and Employment, Department of Labor; and representatives of veterans organizations.

HEALTH CARE TAX CREDITS

Committee on Ways and Means: Held a hearing on Health Care Tax Credits to Decrease the Number of Uninsured. Testimony was heard from Mark B. McClellan, member, Council of Economic Advisors; Mark Weinberger, Assistant Secretary, Tax Policy, Department of the Treasury; and public witnesses.

MILOSEVIC TRIAL

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Subcommittee on Intelligence Policy and National Security met in executive session to hold a hearing on the Milosevic Trial. Testimony was heard from departmental witnesses.

SPEAKER—MANDATED REPORT

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Subcommittee on Terrorism and Homeland Security met in executive session to discuss Speaker-mandated Report. Testimony was heard from departmental witnesses.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST of February 12, 2002, p. D90)

H.R. 700, to reauthorize the Asian Elephant Conservation Act of 1997. Signed on February 12, 2002. (Public Law 107-141)

H.R. 1937, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to engage in certain feasibility studies of water resource projects in the State of Washington. Signed on February 12, 2002. (Public Law 107-142)

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2002

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Transportation, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2003 for the U.S. Coast Guard, 10 a.m., SD-124.

Committee on Armed Services: to hold hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 2003 for the Department of Defense, focusing on the results of the Nuclear Post Review; to be followed by closed hearings (in Room SH-219), 9:30 a.m., SH-216.