

E-GOVERNMENT ACT

Committee on Government Reform: Subcommittee on Technology and Procurement Policy held a hearing on the following bills: H.R. 2458, E-Government Act of 2001; and S. 803, E-Government Act of 2002. Testimony was heard from Linda Koontz, Director, Information Management, GAO; the following officials of the OMB: Mark Forman, E-Government Administrator; and Mark W. Everson, Deputy Director, Management; and public witnesses.

NEW PARTNERSHIP FOR AFRICA'S DEVELOPMENT

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on Africa held a hearing on the New Partnership for Africa's Development: An African Initiative. Testimony was heard from Aziz Pahad, Deputy Minister, Foreign Affairs, Government of the Republic of South Africa; and public witnesses.

U.S. POLICY TOWARD SYRIA; SYRIA ACCOUNTABILITY ACT

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on the Middle East and South Asia held a hearing on U.S. Policy Toward Syria and H.R. 4483, Syria Accountability Act of 2002. Testimony was heard from Representatives Armeiy and Engel; and public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT—INS'S FOREIGN STUDENT TRACKING PROGRAM IMPLEMENTATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Immigration, Border Security, and Claims held an oversight hearing on the INS's Implementation of the Foreign Student Tracking Program. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Justice: Janis Sposato, Assistant Deputy Executive Associate Commissioner, Immigration Services Division, INS; and Glenn A. Fine, Inspector General; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS TRADE AND TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS ACT; PATIENT SAFETY IMPROVEMENT ACT

Committee on Ways and Means: Ordered reported, as amended, the following bills: H.R. 5385, Miscellaneous Trade and Technical Corrections Act of 2002; and H.R. 4889, Patient Safety Improvement Act of 2002.

Joint Meetings**9/11 INTELLIGENCE INVESTIGATION**

Joint Hearing: Senate Select Committee on Intelligence held joint hearings with the House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence to examine activities of the U.S. Intelligence Community in

connection with the September 11, 2001 terrorist attacks on the United States, receiving testimony from Eleanor Hill, Staff Director, Joint Inquiry Staff; Stephen Push, Great Falls, Virginia, on behalf of Families of September 11, Inc.; and Kristen Brietweiser, Middletown, New Jersey, on behalf of September 11th Advocates.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

AUTHORIZATION—STATE DEPARTMENT

Conferees agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the House and Senate passed versions of H.R. 1646, to authorize appropriations for the Department of State for fiscal years 2002 and 2003, but did not complete action thereon, and recessed subject to the call.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2002

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Special Committee on Aging: to hold hearings to examine disease management and coordinating care, focusing on the quality of life for Medicare patients, 9:30 a.m., SD-628.

Committee on Armed Services: to hold open and closed hearings to examine U.S. policy on Iraq, 2:30 p.m., SD-106.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: to hold hearings to examine financial privacy and consumer protection, 10 a.m., SD-538.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: business meeting to consider pending calendar business, 10 a.m., SR-253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on National Parks, to hold hearings to examine S. 2623, to designate the Cedar Creek Battlefield and Belle Grove Plantation National Historical Park as a unit of the National Park System; S. 2640 and H.R. 321, bills to provide for adequate school facilities in Yosemite National Park; S. 2776, to provide for the protection of archaeological sites in the Galisteo Basin in New Mexico; S. 2788, to revise the boundary of the Wind Cave National Park in the State of South Dakota; S. 2880, to designate Fort Bayard Historic District in the State of New Mexico as a National Historic Landmark; H.R. 3786, to revise the boundary of the Glen Canyon National Recreation Area in the States of Utah and Arizona; and H.R. 3858, to modify the boundaries of the New River Gorge National River, West Virginia, 2:15 p.m., SD-366.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: to hold hearings to examine progress on environmental streamlining under the Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century (TEA-21), 9:30 a.m., SD-406.

Committee on Finance: business meeting to markup an original bill entitled, Small Business and Foreign Economic Recovery Act of 2002, 4 p.m., SD-215.

Committee on Foreign Relations: to hold hearings to examine certain law enforcement treaties, 11 a.m., SD-419.

Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of C. William Swank, of Ohio, Ned L. Siegel, of Florida, Diane M. Ruebling, of California, and Samuel E. Ebbesen, of the Virgin Islands, each to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Overseas Private Investment Corporation, Wendy Jean Chamberlin, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Administrator of the United States Agency for International Development, and Nancy P. Jacklin, of New York, to be United States Executive Director of the International Monetary Fund, 2 p.m., SD-419.

Select Committee on Intelligence: to continue joint hearings with the House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence to examine events surrounding September 11, 2001, 10 a.m., SH-216.

Committee on the Judiciary: business meeting to consider pending calendar business, 10 a.m., SD-226.

Subcommittee on Antitrust, Competition and Business and Consumer Rights, to hold oversight hearings to examine the enforcement of the antitrust laws, 1:30 p.m., SD-226.

House

Committee on Armed Services, hearing on Iraq's Weapons of Mass Destruction Program and Technology Exports, 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Committee on Education and the Workforce, Subcommittee on 21st Century Competitiveness and the Subcommittee on Select Education, joint hearing on Responding to the Needs of Historically Black Colleges and Universities in the 21st Century, 10 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, to consider a resolution authorizing the Chairman of the full Committee to issue subpoenas in connection with the Committee's investigation into Global Crossing Ltd., Qwest and related entities, 9:15 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, hearing entitled "Terrorist Financing: A Progress Report on Implementation of the USA PATRIOT Act," 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Government Reform, Subcommittee on Criminal Justice, Drug Policy and Human Resources,

hearing on "Ecstasy and Club Drugs: A Growing Threat to the Nation's Youth," 1 p.m., 2203 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Energy Policy, Natural Resources and Regulatory Affairs, hearing on "Agency Implementation of the SWANCC Decision," 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Government Efficiency, Financial Management and Intergovernmental Relations and the Subcommittee on Legislative and Budget Process of the Committee on Rules, joint oversight hearing "Linking Program Funding to Performance Results," 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on International Relations, hearing on U.S. Policy Toward Iraq, 10:45 a.m., and 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on Courts, the Internet, and Intellectual Property, hearing on H.R. 5119, Plant Breeders Equity Act of 2002, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Small Business, Subcommittee on Regulatory Reform and Oversight, hearing entitled "Federal Farm Program: Unintended Consequences of FAV Rules," 10 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, Subcommittee on Highways and Transit, hearing on Stakeholder Proposals for the Reauthorization of Surface Transportation Programs, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing on the Department of Veterans Affairs medical research programs, 11 a.m., 334 Cannon.

Committee on Ways and Means, Subcommittee on Social Security and the Subcommittee on Immigration, Border Security, and Claims of the Committee on the Judiciary, joint hearing on Preserving the Integrity of Social Security Numbers and Preventing Their Misuse by Terrorists and Identity Thieves, 1 p.m., 1100 Longworth.

Joint Meetings

Conference: meeting of conferees on H.R. 4, to enhance energy conservation, research and development and to provide for security and diversity in the energy supply for the American people, 9:30 a.m., 2123 RHOB.

Joint Meetings: Senate Select Committee on Intelligence, to continue joint hearings with the House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence to examine events surrounding September 11, 2001, 10 a.m., SH-216.