

H. Con. Res. 427, expressing the sense of the Congress regarding the imposition of sanctions on nations that are undermining the effectiveness of conservation and management measures for Atlantic marlin adopted by the International Commission for the Conservation of Atlantic Tunas and that are threatening the continued viability of United States commercial and recreational fisheries. Testimony was heard from William Hogarth, Assistant Administrator, Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, NOAA, Department of Commerce and Federal Government Commissioner, International Commission for the Conservation of Atlantic Tunas (ICCAT); and public witnesses.

NATION'S HIGHWAY AND TRANSIT SYSTEMS STATUS

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Highways and Transit held a hearing on the Status of the Nation's Highway and Transit Systems: Capital and Maintenance Needs. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Transportation: Mary E. Peters, Administrator, Federal Highway Administration; and Robert Jamison, Deputy Administrator, Federal Transit Administration; and Kate Siggerud, Acting Director, Physical Infrastructure Issues, GAO.

DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS— INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing on the Department of Veterans Affairs Information Technology (IT) program. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Veterans Affairs: Richard J. Griffin, Inspector General; and John A. Gauss, Assistant Secretary, Information Technology; and Joel C. Willemssen, Managing Director, Information Technology Issues, GAO.

SOCIAL SECURITY DISABILITY PROGRAMS' CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES

Committee on Ways and Means, Subcommittee on Social Security continued hearings on Social Security Disability Programs Challenges and Opportunities, with emphasis on the implementation of the Ticket to Work and Work Incentives Improvement Act. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the SSA: Martin Gerry, Deputy Commissioner, Disability and Income Security Programs; and Sarah Wiggins Mitchell, Chair, Ticket to Work and Work Incentives Advisory Panel; Charlene Dwyer, Administrator, Vocational Rehabilitation, Department of Workforce Development, State of Wisconsin; Dan O'Brien, Program Manager, Ticket to Work and Community Rehabilitation, Department of Rehabili-

tation Services, State of Oklahoma; and public witnesses.

Joint Meetings

9/11 INTELLIGENCE INVESTIGATION

Joint Hearing: Senate Select Committee on Intelligence continued 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, after receiving testimony from Dale L. Watson, Executive Assistant Director, Counterterrorism and Counterintelligence, Federal Bureau of Investigation; and Cofer Black, former Director for Counterterrorist Center, Central Intelligence Agency.

Hearings continue on Tuesday, October 1.

SECURING AMERICA'S FUTURE ENERGY ACT

Conferees met to resolve the differences between the Senate and House passed versions of 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, but did not complete action thereon, and will meet again on Tuesday, October 1.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 2002

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Armed Services: to hold hearings to examine the nominations of General James L. Jones, Jr., USMC, for reappointment to the grade of general and to be Commander, United States European Command and Supreme Allied Commander, Europe, Admiral James O. Ellis, Jr., USN, for reappointment to the grade of admiral and to be Commander, United States Strategic Command, Lieutenant General Michael W. Hagee, USMC, for appointment to the grade of general and to be Commandant of the Marine Corps, Charles S. Abell, of Virginia, to be Deputy Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness, Thomas Forrest Hall, of Oklahoma, to be Assistant Secretary of Defense for Reserve Affairs, and Charles E. Erdmann, of Colorado, to be a Judge of the United States Court of Appeals for the Armed Forces, 9 a.m., SH-216.

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Subcommittee on International Security, Proliferation and Federal Services, to hold hearings to examine the annual report of the Postmaster General, focusing on the Postal Service Transformation Plan, the progress of cleaning anthrax-contaminated postal facilities, and further steps the Postal Service

will take to reduce debt and increase financial transparency, 10 a.m., SD-342.

House

Committee on Government Reform, Subcommittee on Technology and Procurement Policy, hearing titled "An Oversight hearing to Review the Findings of the Commercial Activities Panel," 1:30 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of September 30 through October 5, 2002

Senate Chamber

On *Monday*, Senate will resume consideration of H.R. 5005, Homeland Security Act.

During the balance of the week, Senate will also consider any other cleared legislative and executive business, including appropriations bills and conference reports, when available.

Senate Committees

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: October 3, to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Nancy C. Pellett, of Iowa, to be a Member of the Farm Credit Administration Board, Farm Credit Administration, 11 a.m., SR-328A.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: October 1, to hold hearings to examine the government's role in promoting the future of the telecommunications industry and broadband deployment, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

October 2, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine airlines viability in the current economic climate, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

October 3, Full Committee, to hold oversight hearings to examine park overflight regulations, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

October 3, Subcommittee on Science, Technology, and Space, to hold hearings to examine Title IX, the equal treatment of women in education focusing on the sciences, 2:30 p.m., SR-253.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: September 30, Subcommittee on Transportation, Infrastructure, and Nuclear Safety, to hold hearings to examine the conditions and performance of the federal-aid highway system, 10 a.m., SD-406.

October 1, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine environmental standards for schools such as school siting in relation to toxic waste sites and green building codes, focusing on environmental and energy concerns relevant to school properties, 10 a.m., SD-406.

October 2, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the status and studies of the health impacts of fine particles which result from fuel combustion from motor vehicles, power generation, and industrial facilities, as well as from residential fireplaces and wood stoves, known as PM-2.5, focusing on those effects associated with power plant emissions, 2 p.m., SD-406.

Committee on Indian Affairs: October 1, business meeting to consider S. 2799, to provide for the use of and distribution of certain funds awarded to the Gila River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community; S. 2743, to approve the settlement of the water rights claims of the Zuni Indian Tribe in Apache County, Arizona; the nominations of Philip N. Hogen, of South Dakota, to be Chairman of the National Indian Gaming Commission, and Quanah Crossland Stamps, of Virginia, to be Commissioner of the Administration for Native Americans, Department of Health and Human Services, and other pending calendar business, 2:30 p.m., SR-485.

Select Committee on Intelligence: October 1, to resume 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: October 1, to hold hearings to examine recent Supreme Court jurisprudence on federalism issues, 10 a.m., SD-226.

October 1, Subcommittee on Immigration, to hold hearings to examine the detention and treatment of Haitian asylum seekers, 2:15 p.m., SD-226.

October 2, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine protecting children from child pornography, 10 a.m., SD-226.

Committee on Rules and Administration: October 3, to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Bruce R. James, of Nevada, to be Public Printer, Government Printing Office, 9 a.m., SR-301.

House Chamber

To be announced.

House Committees

Committee on Agriculture, October 2, Subcommittee on Department Operations, Oversight, Nutrition and Forestry, hearing on Invasive Species, 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

Committee on Appropriations, October 1, to continue markup of the Transportation appropriations for fiscal year 2003, 2 p.m., 2359 Rayburn.

Committee on Armed Services, October 2, to continue hearings on U.S. Policy towards Iraq, 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Committee on Education and the Workforce, October 1, Subcommittee on 21st Century Competitiveness, hearing on "Assuring Quality and Accountability in Postsecondary Education: Assessing the Role of Accreditation," 2:30 p.m., 2175 Rayburn.

October 2, full Committee, hearing on "The Rising Price of a Quality Postsecondary Education: Fact or Fiction," 2 p.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, October 1, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, to continue hearings entitled "Capacity Swaps by Global Crossing and Qwest: Sham Transactions Designed to Boost Revenues?" 9 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

October 1, Subcommittee on Telecommunications and the Internet, hearing entitled "Recording Industry Marketing Practices: A Check-up," 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.