

Commission to seek civil penalties for such violations in actions brought under section 13 of that Act (agreed to by a yea-and-nay vote of 422 yeas to 1 nay, Roll No. 24). Pages H413–15

**Committee Election:** The House agreed to H. Res. 70, electing Representative Burns to the Committee on Education and the Workforce. Pages H416–17

**Presidential Message—National Drug Control Strategy:** Message wherein he transmitted the 2003 National Drug Control Strategy referred to the Committees on the Judiciary, Agriculture, Armed Forces, Financial Services, Energy and Commerce, Education and the Workforce, Government Reform, International Relations, Transportation and Infrastructure, Ways and Means, Veterans' Affairs, Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, and Select Committee on Homeland Security. Page H435

**Recess:** The House recessed at 10:01 p.m. and reconvened at 6:01 a.m. on Thursday, February 13. Pages H456, S459

**Recess:** The House recessed at 6:02 a.m. on Thursday, February 13 and reconvened at 7:42 a.m. on Thursday, February 13, 2003. Page H459

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** Three yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H414–15, H415–16, and H416. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 7:43 a.m. on Thursday, February 13.

## Committee Meetings

### COMMITTEE ORGANIZATION; OVERSIGHT PLAN

*Committee on Agriculture:* Met for organizational purposes.

The Committee approved an Oversight Plan for the 108th Congress.

### NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION BUDGET REQUEST

*Committee on Armed Services:* Held a hearing on the fiscal year 2004 National Defense Authorization budget request. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of the Army: Thomas E. White, Secretary; and Gen. Eric K. Shinseki, USA, Chief of Staff.

### TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT—BUDGET PRIORITIES

*Committee on the Budget:* Held a hearing on the Department of Transportation Budget Priorities Fiscal Year 2004. Testimony was heard from Representative Rahall; and Michael P. Jackson, Deputy Secretary, Department of Transportation.

### ECONOMIC RECOVERY AND THE WORKFORCE INVESTMENT ACT

*Committee on Education and the Workforce:* Held a hearing on “Back to Work: the Administration’s Plan for Economic Recovery and the Workforce Investment Act.” Testimony was heard from Elaine Chao, Secretary of Labor; and public witnesses.

### PATIENT SAFETY AND QUALITY IMPROVEMENT ACT; ADMINISTRATION’S FISCAL YEAR 2004 HEALTH CARE PRIORITIES; COMMITTEE ORGANIZATION; OVERSIGHT PLAN

*Committee on Energy and Commerce:* Ordered reported, as amended, H.R. 663, Patient Safety and Quality Improvement Act.

The Committee held a hearing entitled “A Review of the Administration’s Fiscal Year 2004 Health Care Priorities.” Testimony was heard from Tommy G. Thompson, Secretary of Health and Human Services.

The Committee met for further organizational purposes.

The Committee approved an Oversight Plan for the 108th Congress.

### MONETARY POLICY AND THE STATE OF THE ECONOMY

*Committee on Financial Services:* Held a hearing on monetary policy and the state of the economy. Testimony was heard from Alan Greenspan, Chairman, Board of Governors, Federal Reserve System.

### RECOVERY AND RENEWAL; PROTECTING CAPITAL MARKETS AGAINST TERRORISM POST 9/11

*Committee on Financial Services:* Subcommittee on Capital Markets, Insurance, and Government Sponsored Enterprises held a hearing entitled “Recovery and Renewal: Protecting the Capital Markets Against Terrorism Post 9/11.” Testimony was heard from Davi M. D’Agostino, Director, Financial Markets and Community Investment, GAO; Robert L. D. Colby, Deputy Director, Division of Market Regulation, SEC; and public witnesses.

### INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS BUDGET REQUEST

*Committee on International Relations:* Held a hearing on the President’s International Affairs Budget request for Fiscal Year 2004. Testimony was heard from Colin L. Powell, Secretary of State.

### IVORY COAST—PROSPECTS FOR PEACE

*Committee on International Relations:* Subcommittee on Africa held a hearing on Prospects for Peace in Ivory Coast. Testimony was heard from Walter H.

Kansteiner III, Assistant Secretary, Bureau of African Affairs, Department of State; Timothy W. Docking, Program Officer, Research and Studies Program, U.S. Institute of Peace; and a public witness.

**HUMAN CLONING PROHIBITION ACT;  
COMMITTEE ORGANIZATION; OVERSIGHT  
PLAN**

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Ordered reported H.R. 534, Human Cloning Prohibition Act of 2003.

Prior to this action, the Committee met for organizational purposes.

The Committee approved an Oversight Plan for the 108th Congress.

**COMMITTEE ORGANIZATION; OVERSIGHT  
PLAN**

*Committee on Resources:* Met for organizational purposes.

The Committee approved an Oversight Plan for the 108th Congress.

**CONFERENCE REPORT—FURTHER  
CONTINUING APPROPRIATIONS FISCAL  
YEAR 2003**

*Committee on Rules:* Granted, by voice vote, a rule waiving all points of order against the conference report to accompany H.J.Res. 2, making further continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 2003, and against its consideration. The rule provides that the conference report shall be considered as read. Finally, the rule provides that upon adoption of the conference report the House shall be considered to have adopted H. Con. Res. 35. Testimony was heard from Chairman Young of Florida.

**PERSONAL RESPONSIBILITY, WORK, AND  
FAMILY PROTECTION ACT; OVERSIGHT  
PLAN**

*Committee on Rules:* Granted, by voice vote, a modified closed rule, providing 2 hours of general debate on H.R. 4, Personal Responsibility, Work, and Family Promotion Act of 2003, with 50 minutes equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Ways and Means, 40 minutes equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Education and the Workforce, and 30 minutes equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Energy and Commerce. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule provides that the bill shall be considered as read for amendment.

The rule makes in order only those amendments printed in the Rules Committee report accompanying the resolution, which may be offered only in

the order printed in the report, may be offered only by a Member designated in the report, 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, and shall not be subject to amendment. The rule waives all points of order against the amendments printed in the report, except that the adoption of an amendment in the nature of a substitute shall constitute the conclusion of consideration of the bill for amendment. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Representative Herger, Chairman Boehner, Representatives Castle, Cardin, Levin, Woolsey, Kind, Kucinich, Jackson-Lee of Texas, Lee, McGovern and Watson.

The Committee approved an Oversight Plan for the 108th Congress.

**COMMITTEE ORGANIZATION; OVERSIGHT  
PLAN**

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure:* Met for organizational purposes.

The Committee approved an Oversight Plan for the 108th Congress.

**REAUTHORIZATION—FAA AND AVIATION  
PROGRAMS**

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure:* Subcommittee on Aviation held a hearing on reauthorization of the FAA and the Aviation Programs: Introduction. Testimony was heard from Gerald Dillingham, Director, Civil Aviation Issues, GAO; Kenneth R. Mead, Inspector General, Department of Transportation; and Robert Walker, Chairman, Commission on the Future of the United States Aerospace Industry.

**COMMITTEE ORGANIZATION**

*Committee on Ways and Means:* Subcommittee on Select Revenue Measures met for organizational purposes.

**COMMITTEE ORGANIZATION**

*Committee on Ways and Means:* Subcommittee on Social Security met for organizational purposes.

***Joint Meetings***

**SPACE SHUTTLE “COLUMBIA”**

*Joint Hearing:* Senate Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation and House Committee on Science Subcommittee on Space and Aeronautics held joint hearings to examine the recent space shuttle *Columbia* accident, focusing on the status of the

investigation, and implications of the loss of *Columbia* on the nation's space exploration efforts, receiving testimony from Sean O'Keefe, Administrator, National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

Hearing recessed subject to call.

## COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2003

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

### Senate

*Committee on Armed Services:* to hold hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 2004 for the Department of Defense, and the Future Years Defense Program, 9:30 a.m., SH-216.

*Committee on the Budget:* to resume hearings on the President's proposed budget for fiscal year 2004, focusing on the Department of Transportation, 2:30 p.m., SD-608.

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* organizational business meeting to consider subcommittee assignments and rules of procedure for the 108th Congress, 9:15 a.m., SR-253.

Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine United States Olympic Committee reforms, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine infrastructure needs of minority serving institutions, and S. 196, to establish a digital and wireless network technology program, 2:30 p.m., SR-253.

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* to hold hearings to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2004 for the Forest Service of the Department of Agriculture, 10 a.m., SD-366.

Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine oil, gas, hydrogen, and conservation, focusing on oil supply and prices, 2:30 p.m., SH-216.

*Committee on Environment and Public Works:* Subcommittee on Clean Air, Climate Change, and Nuclear Safety, to hold oversight hearings to examine the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, 9:30 a.m., SD-406.

*Committee on Finance:* to hold hearings to examine Enron, focusing on the Joint Committee on Taxation's investigative report, 10 a.m., SD-215.

*Committee on the Judiciary:* business meeting to consider the nomination of Deborah L. Cook, of Ohio, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Sixth Circuit, John G. Roberts, Jr., of Maryland, to be United States Circuit Judge for the District of Columbia Circuit, Jeffrey S. Sutton, of Ohio, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Sixth Circuit, Jay S. Bybee, of Nevada, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit, Ralph R. Erickson, to be United States District Judge for the District of North Dakota, William D. Quarles, Jr., to be United States District Judge for the District of Maryland, Gregory L. Frost, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Ohio, Jeremy H.G. Ibrahim, of Pennsylvania, to be a Member of the Foreign Claims Settlement Commission of the United States, Edward F. Reilly, of Kansas, and Cranston J. Mitchell, of Missouri,

both to be a Commissioner of the United States Parole Commission, S.253, to amend title 18, United States Code, to exempt qualified current and former law enforcement officers from State laws prohibiting the carrying of concealed handguns, and S.113, to exclude United States persons from the definition of "foreign power" under the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act of 1978 relating to international terrorism, 11 a.m., SD-G50.

*Committee on Rules and Administration:* to hold an organizational business meeting, to be followed by hearings on certain proposed committee resolutions requesting funds for operating expenses, 10:30 a.m., SR-301.

### House

*Committee on the Budget,* hearing on the Department of State Budget priorities Fiscal Year 2004, 10 a.m., 210 Cannon.

*Committee on Education and the Workforce,* to mark up the following bills: H.R. 13, Museum and Library Services Act of 2003; and H.R. 14, Keeping Children and Families Safe Act of 2003, 10 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Employer-Employee Relations, hearing on "The Pension Security Act: New Pension Protections to Safeguard the Retirement Savings of American Workers," 1 p.m., 2175 Rayburn.

*Committee on Financial Services,* to consider the following: H.R. 254, to authorize the President of the United States to agree to certain amendments to the Agreement between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the United Mexican States concerning the establishment of a Border Environment Cooperation Commission and a North American Development Bank; H.R. 258, American 5-Cent Coin Design Continuity Act of 2003; H.R. 239, Brownfields Redevelopment Enhancement Act; the Hospital Mortgage Insurance Act of 2003; the Emergency Securities Response Act of 2003; and a committee print entitled "Views and Estimates of the Committee on Financial Services on Matters to be Set Forth in the Concurrent Resolution on the Budget for Fiscal Year 2004," 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

*Committee on Government Reform,* to meet for organizational purposes; and to consider the following: an Oversight Plan for the 108th Congress; and to consider the Committee's Views and Estimates of the President's Fiscal Year 2004 Budget, 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

*Committee on International Relations,* Subcommittee on Asia and the Pacific, oversight hearing on North Korea's Nuclear Program: The Challenge to Stability in Northeast Asia, 9:30 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

*Committee on Science,* hearing on An Overview of the Federal R&D Budget for fiscal year 2004, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

*Committee on Ways and Means,* Subcommittee on Health, hearing on Medicare Regulatory and Contracting Reform, 12 p.m., B-318 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Oversight, hearing on Free Electronic Filing National Taxpayer Advocate Annual Report, 3 p.m., 1100 Longworth.