

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** One yea-and-nay vote and one recorded vote developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H4156–57, and H4165–66. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 9 a.m. and adjourned at 6:58 p.m.

## *Committee Meetings*

### **RUNAWAY, HOMELESS AND MISSING CHILDREN PROTECTION ACT; CHILD MEDICATION SAFETY ACT**

*Committee on Education and the Workforce:* Ordered reported, as amended, the following bills: H.R. 1925, Runaway, Homeless and Missing Children Protection Act; and H.R. 1179, Child Medication Safety Act of 2003.

### **PROJECT BIOSHIELD ACT**

*Committee on Energy and Commerce:* Ordered reported H.R. 2122, Project Bioshield Act of 2003.

### **RETIREMENT SECURITY**

*Committee on Financial Services:* Subcommittee on Capital Markets, Insurance and Government Sponsored Enterprises held a hearing entitled “Retirement Security: What Seniors Need to Know about Protecting Their Futures.” Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### **OVEREXPOSED: THE THREATS TO PRIVACY AND SECURITY ON FILE SHARING NETWORKS**

*Committee on Government Reform:* Held a hearing entitled “Overexposed: The Threats to Privacy and Security on File Sharing Networks” Testimony was heard from James E. Farnan, Deputy Assistant Director, Cyber Division, FBI, Department of Justice; and public witnesses.

### **OFFICE OF NATIONAL DRUG CONTROL POLICY REAUTHORIZATION ACT**

*Committee on Government Reform:* Subcommittee on Criminal Justice, Drug Policy and Human Resources approved for full Committee action, as amended, H.R. 2086, Office of National Drug Control Policy Reauthorization Act of 2003.

### **U.S. POLICY TOWARD IRAQ**

*Committee on International Relations:* Held a hearing on U.S. Policy Toward Iraq. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of State: Alan P. Larson, Under Secretary, Bureau of Economic, Business, and Agricultural Affairs; and Wendy J. Chamberlin, Assistant Administrator, Bureau for Asia and the Near East, AID; and the following officials of the Department of Defense: Doug-

las J. Feith, Under Secretary, Policy; and Lt. Gen. Norton A. Schwartz, USAF, Director, Operations, The Joint Chiefs of Staff.

### **CLASS ACTION FAIRNESS ACT**

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Held a hearing on H.R. 1115, Class Action Fairness Act of 2003. Testimony was heard from Viet Dinh, Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legal Policy, Department of Justice; Lawrence H. Mirel, Commissioner, Department of Insurance and Securities Regulation, District of Columbia; and public witnesses.

### **SPORTS AGENT RESPONSIBILITY AND TRUST ACT**

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on Commercial and Administrative Law approved for full Committee action, as amended, H.R. 361, Sports Agent Responsibility and Trust Act.

Prior to this action, the Subcommittee held a hearing on H.R. 361. Testimony was heard from Representatives Gordon and Osborne; and public witnesses.

### **DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE CIVIL RIGHTS DIVISION REAUTHORIZATION**

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on the Constitution held an oversight hearing on the “Reauthorization of the U.S. Department of Justice Civil Rights Division.” Testimony was heard from Ralph F. Boyd Jr., Assistant Attorney General, Civil Rights Division, Department of Justice.

### **OVERSIGHT—CALFED’S CROSS-CUT BUDGET**

*Committee on Resources:* Subcommittee Water and Power held an oversight hearing on CALFED’s Cross-Cut Budget. Testimony was heard from Jason Peltier, Special Assistant, Assistant Secretary, Water and Sciences, Department of the Interior; and Patrick Wright, Director, California Bay-Delta Authority.

### **HEALTHY FORESTS RESTORATION ACT**

*Committee on Rules:* Testimony was heard from Chairmen Goodlatte and Pombo; Representatives Walden of Oregon, Inslee, Udall of Colorado, George Miller of California and Matheson, but action was deferred on H.R. 1904, Healthy Forests Restoration Act of 2003.

### **SMALL BUSINESS COMMUNITY—COST OF REGULATIONS**

*Committee on Small Business:* Subcommittee on Regulatory Reform and Oversight held a hearing on Federal Agency Treatment of Small Business. Testimony

was heard from Michael Barrera, National Ombudsman, SBA; and Nina Olson, National Taxpayer Advocate, IRS, Department of the Treasury; and public witnesses.

### SMALL BUSINESSES—IMPACT OF HIGHWAY BEAUTIFICATION ACT

*Committee on Small Business:* Subcommittee on Rural Enterprise, Agriculture and Technology held a hearing on the Impact of the Highway Beautification Act on small businesses across America. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### OVERSIGHT—ADMINISTRATION'S PROPOSED REAUTHORIZATION (SAFETEA)

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure:* Subcommittee on Highways, Transit and Pipelines held an oversight hearing on overview of Administration's Proposed Reauthorization bill (SAFETEA). Testimony was heard from Norman Mineta, Secretary of Transportation.

### VETERANS LEGISLATION

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs:* Ordered reported the following bills: H.R. 1460, amended, Veterans Entrepreneurship Act of 2003; H.R. 1562, amended, Veterans Health Care Cost Recovery Act of 2003; H.R. 1683, Veterans' Compensation Cost-of-Living Adjustment Act of 2003; H.R. 1257, Selected Reserve Home Loan Equity Act; H.R. 1911, to amend title 38, United States Code, to enhance cooperation and the sharing of resources between the Department of Veterans Affairs and the Department of Defense; and H.R. 1715, to amend title 38, United States Code, to enhance the authority of the Department of Veterans Affairs to recover from third parties costs of medical care furnished to veterans and other persons by the Department.

### SENSITIVE PROGRAMS BUDGET

*Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence:* Subcommittee on Intelligence Policy and National Security met in executive session to hold a hearing on Sensitive Programs Budget. Testimony was heard from departmental witnesses.

### BIOSHIELD: COUNTERING THE BIOSHIELD THREAT

*Select Committee on Homeland Security:* Held a hearing entitled "Bioshield: Countering the Bioterrorist Threat." Testimony was heard from Anthony S. Fauci, M.D., Director, National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases, NIH, Department of Health and Human Services; and public witnesses.

### NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST p. D439)

S. 162, to provide for the use of distribution of certain funds awarded to the Gila River Pima-Mari-copa Indian Community. Signed on May 14, 2003. (Public Law 108-22)

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### COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY, MAY 16, 2003

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

#### Senate

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2004 for programs of the Department of Agriculture, 9:30 a.m., SD-124.

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* to hold hearings to examine the Department of State's Office of Children's Issues, focusing on international parental abduction, 9 a.m., SD-419.

#### House

*Committee on Government Reform,* hearing on "Protecting Our Most Vulnerable Residents: A Review of Reform Efforts at the District of Columbia Child and Family Services Agency," 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

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### CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD Week of May 19 through May 24, 2003 Senate Chamber

On Monday, at 2:30 p.m., Senate will consider S. 1050, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2004 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe personnel strengths for such fiscal year for the Armed Forces.

During the balance of the week, Senate will continue consideration of S. 1050, Department of Defense Authorization, and may also consider S. 14, Energy Policy Act, H.J. Res. 51, Increased Public Debt, and any other cleared legislative and executive business.

#### Senate Committees

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

*Committee on Appropriations:* May 20, Subcommittee on Transportation, Treasury and General Government, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2004 for the Department of the Treasury, 10 a.m., SD-138.

May 22, Subcommittee on Transportation, Treasury and General Government, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2004 for high-way safety initiatives, 10:30 a.m., SD-138.