

FOREIGN CURRENCY MANIPULATION EFFECT ON SMALL MANUFACTURERS AND EXPORTERS

Committee on Small Business: Held a hearing on the Effect of Foreign Currency Manipulation on Small Manufacturers and Exporters. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Ordered reported the following bills: H.R. 1572, to designate the historic Federal District Court Building located at 100 North Palafox Street in Pensacola, Florida, as the "Winston E. Arnow Federal Building"; H.R. 1668, to designate the United States courthouse located at 101 North Fifth Street in Muskogee, Oklahoma, as the "Ed Edmondson United States Courthouse," H.R. 2144, amended, Aviation Security Technical Corrections and Improvements Act of 2003; H.R. 2443, amended, Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation Act of 2003; H.R. 2535, amended, Economic Development Administration Reauthorization Act of 2003; H.R. 2572, Amtrak Reauthorization Act of 2003; H.R. 2571, Rail Infrastructure Development and Expansion Act for the 21st Century; and H.R. 2573, Public Private Partnership Act.

VETERAN'S LEGISLATION

Committee on Veterans' Affairs, Subcommittee on Benefits approved for full Committee action, as amended, the following bills: H.R. 1516, to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to establish a national cemetery for veterans in southeastern Pennsylvania; and H.R. 2297, to amend title 38, United States Code, to modify and improve certain benefits for veterans.

SECURE AMERICA'S BORDERS—ASSESS DHS INITIATIVES

Select Committee on Homeland Security: Held a hearing entitled "Assessment of DHS Initiatives to Secure America's Borders." Testimony was heard from Asa Hutchinson, Under Secretary, Border and Transportation Security, Department of Homeland Security.

CYBER PROBLEM OVERVIEW

Select Committee on Homeland Security: Subcommittee on Cybersecurity, Science, and Research and Development held a hearing entitled "Overview of the Cyber Problem: A Nation Dependent and Dealing with Risk." Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, JUNE 26, 2003

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: to hold hearings to examine H.R. 1904, to improve the capacity of the Secretary of Agriculture and the Secretary of the

Interior to plan and conduct hazardous fuels reduction projects on National Forest System lands and Bureau of Land Management lands aimed at protecting communities, watersheds, and certain other at-risk lands from catastrophic wildfire, to enhance efforts to protect watersheds and address threats to forest and rangeland health, including catastrophic wildfire, across the landscape, 9 a.m., SR-328A.

Committee on Appropriations: business meeting to consider proposed legislation making appropriations for the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2004, and proposed legislation making appropriations for military construction, family housing, and base realignment and closure for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2004, 2 p.m., SD-192.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: to hold hearings to examine affiliate sharing practices in relation to the Fair Credit Reporting Act, 10 a.m., SD-538.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: business meeting to consider S. 1264, to reauthorize the Federal Communications Commission, S. 1218, to provide for Presidential support and coordination of interagency ocean science programs and development and coordination of a comprehensive and integrated United States research and monitoring program, H.R. 1320, to amend the National Telecommunications and Information Administration Organization Act to facilitate the reallocation of spectrum from governmental to commercial users, S. 1262, to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 2004, 2005, and 2006 for certain maritime programs of the Department of Transportation, and S. 1106, to establish National Standards for Fishing Quota Systems, an original bill authorizing funds for TEA-21 programs, and pending nominations, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

Committee on Finance: to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Josette Sheeran Shiner, of Virginia, to be a Deputy United States Trade Representative, with the rank of Ambassador, and James J. Jochum, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Commerce, 10 a.m., SD-215.

Committee on Foreign Relations: business meeting to consider S. Res. 90, expressing the sense of the Senate that the Senate strongly supports the nonproliferation programs of the United States, S. Res. 62, calling upon the Organization of American States (OAS) Inter-American Commission on Human Rights, the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights, the European Union, and human rights activists throughout the world to take certain actions in regard to the human rights situation in Cuba, S. Res. 149, expressing the sense of the Senate that the international response to the current need for food in the Horn of Africa remains inadequate, and the nominations of Robert W. Fitts, of New Hampshire, to be Ambassador to Papua New Guinea, and to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador to the Solomon Islands and Ambassador to the Republic of Vanuatu, Marsha E. Barnes, of Maryland, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Suriname, John E. Herbst, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to Ukraine, Tracey Ann Jacobson, of the District of Columbia, to be Ambassador to Turkmenistan, George A. Krol, of New Jersey, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Belarus, John F. Maisto, of Pennsylvania, to be Permanent Representative of the

United States of America to the Organization of American States, with the rank of Ambassador, Greta N. Morris, of California, to be Ambassador to the Republic of the Marshall Islands, Roger Francisco Noriega, of Kansas, to be an Assistant Secretary of State (Western Hemisphere Affairs), William B. Wood, of New York, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Colombia, and certain Foreign Service Officer promotion lists, 9:15 a.m., SD-419.

Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the Department of State's Office of Children's Issues, focusing on responding to international parental abduction, 2 p.m., SD-106.

Committee on Governmental Affairs: business meeting to consider the nominations of Judith Nan Macaluso, to be an Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia, Fern Flanagan Saddler, to be an Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia, and Joshua B. Bolten, of the District of Columbia, to be Director of the Office of Management and Budget, Time to be announced, S-211, Capitol.

Committee on Indian Affairs: business meeting to consider pending calendar business, 11 a.m., SR-485.

Committee on the Judiciary: business meeting to resume consideration of S. 1125, to create a fair and efficient system to resolve claims of victims for bodily injury caused by asbestos exposure, and begin consideration of S.J. Res. 1, proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States to protect the rights of crime victims, S. 1280, to amend the Protect Act to clarify certain volunteer liability, S. Res. 174, designating Thursday, November 20, 2003, as "Feed America Thursday", S. Res. 175, designating the month of October 2003, as "Family History Month", and the nominations of William H. Pryor, Jr., of Alabama, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Eleventh Circuit, Diane M. Stuart, of Utah, to be Director of the Violence Against Women Office, Department of Justice, and Thomas M. Hardiman, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Pennsylvania, 9:30 a.m., SR-325.

Subcommittee on Terrorism, Technology and Homeland Security, to hold hearings to examine the ideological structure of Wahhabism, an extreme and violent form of Islam, and its potential for political and social influence in the United States, 2 p.m., SD-226.

Select Committee on Intelligence: to hold closed hearings to examine certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

House

Committee on Agriculture, hearing to review the mandatory country-of-origin labeling law, 9:30 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

Committee on Appropriations, to consider the following appropriations for fiscal year 2004; Defense and Legislative, 10 a.m., 2539 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Credit, hearing entitled "Serving the Underserved: Initiatives to Broaden Access to the Financial Mainstream," 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Governmental Reform, hearing titled "New Century, New Process: A Preview of Competitive Sourcing for the 21st Century," 9:30 a.m., and to mark up H.R. 2556, DC Parental Choice Incentive Act of 2003, 1 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on International Relations, Subcommittee on East Asia and the Pacific, hearing on U.S. Security Policy in Asia and the Pacific; Restructuring America's Forward Deployment, 12 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Europe, to mark up H.R. 2550, to amend the American Servicemembers' Protection Act of 2002 to provide clarification with respect to the eligibility of certain countries for United States military assistance, 11:30 a.m., 2200 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security, hearing on H.R. 919, Hometown Heroes Survivors Benefits, 9 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Immigration, Border Security, and Claims, to mark up private relief measures; and to hold an oversight hearing on "The Federal Government's Response to the Issuance and Acceptance in the U.S. of Consular Identification Cards," 11 a.m., 2237 Rayburn.

Committee on Resources, Subcommittee on Fisheries Conservation, Wildlife and Oceans, hearing on the following bills: H.R. 1204, to amend the National Wildlife Refuge System Administration Act of 1966 to establish requirements for the award of concessions in the National Wildlife Refuge System, to provide for maintenance and repair of properties located in the System by concessionaires authorized to use such properties; and H.R. 2408, National Wildlife Refuge Volunteer Act of 2003, 10 a.m., 1334 Longworth.

Committee on Science, Subcommittee on Space and Aeronautics, to mark up H.R. 1085, NASA Flexibility Act of 2003, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Small Business, Subcommittee on Regulatory Reform and Oversight, hearing entitled: "CRS Regulations and Small Business in the Travel Industry," 10 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, Subcommittee on Railroads, oversight hearing on National Rail Infrastructure Financing Proposals, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 1516, as amended, National Cemetery Expansion Act of 2003; H.R. 2297, as amended, Veterans Benefits Act of 2003; H.R. 116, as amended, Veterans' New Fitzsimons Health Care Facilities Act of 2003; H.R. 1720, as amended, Veterans Health Care Facilities Capital Improvement Act; H.R. 2357, as amended, to amend title 38, United States Code, to establish standards of access to care for veterans seeking health care from the Department of Veterans Affairs; and H.R. 2433, as amended, Health Care for Veterans of Project 112/Project SHAD Act of 2003, 10 a.m., 334 Cannon.

Select Committee on Homeland Security, to mark up H.R. 2122, Project BioShield Act of 2003, 10 a.m., 210 Cannon.