

of the Trade Act of 1974, the previous question shall be considered as ordered on H.R. 2738 to final passage without intervening motion.

The rule further provides for consideration of H.R. 2739, U.S.-Singapore Free Trade Agreement Implementation Act, under a closed rule. The rule provides 2 hours of debate in the House on H.R. 2739 with one hour and forty minutes equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Ways and Means and twenty minutes equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on the Judiciary. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of H.R. 2739. The rule provides that pursuant to section 151(f)(2) of the Trade Act of 1974, the previous question shall be considered as ordered on H.R. 2739 to final passage without intervening motion. The rule provides that during consideration of H.R. 2738 or H.R. 2739, notwithstanding the operation of the previous question, the Chair may postpone further consideration of the bill to a time designated by the Speaker.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Science: Ordered reported, as amended, the following bills: H.R. 2734, Federal Aviation Administration Research and Development Reauthorization Act; H.R. 1085, NASA Flexibility Act of 2003; H.R. 1856, Harmful Algal Bloom and Hypoxia Research Amendments Act of 2003; H.R. 2801, Minority Serving Institution Digital and Wireless Technology Opportunity Act of 2003; H.R. 2608, National Earthquake Hazards Reduction Program Reauthorization Act of 2003; and H.R. 2692, United States Fire Administration Authorization Act of 2003.

“FEDERAL PROCUREMENT POLICY: IS THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT FAILING CERTAIN INDUSTRIAL SECTORS?”

Committee on Small Business: Subcommittee on Workforce, Empowerment and Government Programs held a hearing on “Federal Procurement Policy: Is the Federal Government Failing Certain Industrial Sectors?” Testimony was heard from Diedre Lee, Director, Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, Department of Defense; Jody Falvey, Director, Office of Small Business Development, Department of the Treasury; and public witnesses.

MANDATORY TRANSPORTATION PROGRAMS

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Held a hearing on elimination of waste, fraud and abuse in mandatory transportation programs as required by the fiscal year 2004 budget resolution reconciliation

instructions. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Transportation: Kenneth M. Mead, Inspector General; and Mary E. Peters, Administrator, Federal Highway Administration; Jayetta Z. Hecker, Director, Physical Infrastructure Team, GAO; and the following officials of the Railroad Retirement Board: Martin J. Dickman, Inspector General; and Michael S. Schwartz, Chairman.

PORT SECURITY—INTERIM FINAL REGULATIONS

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation held a hearing on Interim Final Regulations on Port Security. Testimony was heard from Adm. Thomas H. Collins, USCG, Commandant, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security; and public witnesses.

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Met in executive session to consider pending business.

“CYBERSECURITY—GETTING IT RIGHT”

Select Committee on Homeland Security: Subcommittee on Cybersecurity, Science and Research and Development held a hearing entitled “Cybersecurity—Getting It Right.” Testimony was heard from Daniel G. Wolf, Information Assurance Director, NSA, Department of Defense; and public witnesses.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, JULY 23, 2003

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Subcommittee on Housing and Transportation, to hold hearings to examine enhancing the role of the private sector in public transportation, 2:30 p.m., SD-538.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: to hold hearings to examine public interest and localism, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: business meeting to consider pending calendar business, 10 a.m., SD-366.

Committee on Foreign Relations: business meeting to consider the Protocol to Amend the Convention for the Unification of Certain Rules Relating to International Carriage by Air Signed at Warsaw on October 12, 1929, done at The Hague September 28, 1955 (The Hague Protocol) (Treaty Doc. 107-14), Agreement Between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Russian Federation on the Conservation and Management of the Alaska-Chukotka Polar Bear Population done at Washington on October 16, 2001 (Treaty Doc. 107-10), Agreement Amending the Treaty

Between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of Canada on Pacific Coast Albacore Tuna Vessels and Port Privileges done at Washington May 26, 1981 (the "Treaty"), effected by an exchange of diplomatic notes at Washington on July 17, 2002, and August 13, 2002 (the "Agreement") (Treaty Doc. 108-1), The Convention for the Unification of Certain Rules for International Carriage by Air, done at Montreal May 28, 1999 (Treaty Doc. 106-45), Amendments to the 1987 Treaty on Fisheries Between the Governments of Certain Pacific Island States and the Government of the United States of America, with Annexes and agreed statements, done at Port Moresby, April 2, 1987, done at Koror, Palau, March 30, 1999, and at Kiritimati, Kiribati, March 24, 2002 (Treaty Doc. 108-2), H. Con. Res. 209, commending the signing of the United States-Adriatic Charter, a charter of partnership among the United States, Albania, Croatia, and Macedonia, S. Res. 184, calling on the Government of the People's Republic of China immediately and unconditionally to release Dr. Yang Jianli, and a Foreign Service Officer Promotion list received in the Senate on June 25, 2003, 9:30 a.m., SD-419.

Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine status and prospects for reconstruction relating to Iraq, 2:45 p.m., SH-216.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: business meeting to consider proposed Patient Safety and Quality Improvement Act of 2003, and the nominations of Daniel Pipes, of Pennsylvania, Charles Edward Horner, of the District of Columbia, and Stephen D. Krasner, of California, each to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the United States Institute of Peace, and Eric S. Dreiband, of Virginia, to be General Counsel of the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, 10 a.m., SD-430.

Committee on Indian Affairs: to hold hearings to examine S. 556, to amend the Indian Health Care Improvement Act to revise and extend that Act, 10 a.m., SR-485.

Committee on the Judiciary: business meeting to consider pending calendar business, 9 a.m., SH-216.

Full Committee, to resume oversight hearings on law enforcement and terrorism, 10 a.m., SH-216.

Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Rene Acosta, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Attorney General, and Daniel J. Bryant, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Attorney General, both of the Department of Justice, 2 p.m., SD-226.

Subcommittee on Antitrust, Competition Policy and Consumer Rights, to hold hearings to examine agricultural consolidation and the Smithfield/Farmland Deal, 4 p.m., SD-138.

House

Committee on Agriculture, hearing to review the 2002 Wildlife Season and the Wildfire Threats of the 2003 Season, 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

Committee on Armed Services, hearing on the Air Force Tanker Lease Proposal, 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, Subcommittee on Environment and Hazardous Materials, hearing on the following bills: H.R. 382, Solid Waste International Transportation Act of 2003; H.R. 411, to direct the Adminis-

trator of the Environmental Protection Agency to carry out certain authorities under an agreement with Canada respecting the importation of municipal solid waste; and H.R. 1730, Solid Waste Interstate Transportation Act of 2003, 3 p.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled "Issues Relating to Ephera—containing Dietary Supplements," 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, to consider the following: H.R. 1533, to amend the securities laws to permit church pension plans to be invested in collective trusts; H.R. 1985, FHA Multifamily Loan Limit Adjustment Act of 2003; "Changes in Law to Eliminate Waste, Fraud, and Abuse;" H.R. 253, Two Floods and You Are Out of the Taxpayers' Pocket Act of 2003; H.R. 2420, Mutual Funds Integrity and Fee Transparency Act of 2003; H.R. 2622, Fair and Accurate Credit Transaction Act of 2003; and H.R. 2179, Securities Fraud Deterrence and Investor Restitution Act of 2003, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Government Reform, Subcommittee on Civil Service and Agency Organization and the Subcommittee on Criminal Justice, Drug Policy and Human Resources, joint hearing entitled "Federal Law Enforcement Personnel in the Post 9/11 Era: How Can We Fix an Imbalanced Compensation System?" 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Civil Service and Agency Organization, to mark up H.R. 2751, GAO Human Capital Reform Act of 2003, 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Government Efficiency and Financial Management, oversight hearing entitled "SEC Strategic Planning—Will Additional Resources Help the SEC Fulfill It's Mission?" 2:30 p.m., 2247 Rayburn.

Committee on International Relations, to mark up the following measures: H.J. Res. 63, to approve the "Compact of Free Association, as amended between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Federated States of Micronesia," and the "Compact of Free Association, as amended between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Republic of the Marshall Islands," and otherwise to amend Public Law 99-239, and to appropriate for the purposes of amended Public Law 99-239 for fiscal years ending on or before September 30, 2023; H.R. 1813, Torture Victims Relief Reauthorization Act of 2003; and H.R. 2620, Trafficking Victims Protection Reauthorization Act of 2003, 10:30 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on the Middle East and Central Asia, hearing on Central Asia: Terrorism, Religious Extremism, and Regional Stability, 1:30 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 1829, Federal Prison Industries Competition in Contracting Act of 2003; H.R. 292, Korean War Veterans Recognition Act of 2003; H. Res. 234, condemning bigotry and violence against Arab-Americans, Muslim-Americans, South Asian-Americans, and Sikh Americans; H.R. 2655, to amend and extend the Irish Peace Process Cultural and Training Programs Act of 1998; H.R. 1417, Copyright Royalty and Distribution Reform Act of 2003; and H.R. 1837, Services Acquisition Reform Act of 2003, 10:30 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Small Business, hearing on Assisting Small Businesses Through the Tax Code—Recent Gains and What Remains to be Done, 2 p.m., 2360 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, to consider the following: GSA Fiscal Year 2004 Capital Investment and Leasing Programs Resolutions and Courthouse Resolutions; Natural Resources Conservation Service Small Watershed Resolution; Transportation and Infrastructure Committee Waste, Fraud, and Abuse Reports; H.R.

2557, Water Resources Development Act of 2003; and other pending business, 11 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, executive hearing on Intelligence Issues, 10:30 a.m., and executive hearing on Legal Authorities, 2 p.m., H-405 Capitol.

Select Committee on Homeland Security. Subcommittee on Infrastructure and Border Security, hearing entitled “Best Business Practices in Securing America’s Borders,” 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.