

ECONOMIC ADJUSTMENT ACT

Committee on Public Works: Subcommittee on Economic Development began hearings on H.R. 12942, Economic Adjustment Act of 1974. Testimony was heard from Walter D. Scott, Associate Director for Economics and Government, OMB; Secretary of Commerce Frederick B. Dent; and public witnesses.

Hearings continue Monday, April 1.

NSF AUTHORIZATION

Committee on Science and Astronautics: Subcommittee on Science, Research and Development concluded markup of H.R. 12816, National Science Foundation Authorization, 1975.

VIETNAM VETERANS' TUITION PAYMENTS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Subcommittee on Education and Training held a hearing on pending legislation to provide separate tuition payments for Vietnam veterans. Testimony was heard from veterans' organizations and Veterans' Administration witnesses.

Hearings continue Tuesday, April 2.

WINDFALL PROFITS

Committee on Ways and Means: Met for consideration of committee print on windfall profits, and will resume on Monday, April 1.

Joint Committee Meetings**NUCLEAR PAYMENT CLAIMS**

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Committee continued hearings on the possible modification or extension of the Price-Anderson Act (to assure the availability of funds for the payment of claims in the event of a nuclear accident), receiving testimony from Ann Roosevelt, Friends of the Earth, who was accompanied by Joseph Lippman, both of Washington, D.C.; Dr. Bruce L. Welch, Friends Medical Science Research Center, Inc., Baltimore; and Mark Swann, New Park, Pa.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

AEC AUTHORIZATIONS

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Committee began executive consideration of proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 1975 for the Atomic Energy Commission, but did not complete action thereon, and will meet again on Tuesday, April 2.

GAS AND ELECTRIC RATES

Joint Economic Committee: Subcommittee on Consumer Economics began hearings on recent increases in gas and electricity rates, receiving testimony from John N. Nassikas, Chairman, Federal Power Commission;

Professor Charles Cicchetti, University of Wisconsin, Madison; and Alan Roth, Commissioner-designate, New York Public Service Commission, Albany.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

EDUCATION

Conferees, in executive session, agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H.R. 12253, to amend the General Education Provisions Act to provide that funds appropriated for applicable programs for fiscal year 1974 shall remain available during the succeeding fiscal year and that such funds for fiscal year 1973 shall remain available during fiscal years 1974 and 1975.

Friday, March 29, 1974

Senate**Chamber Action**

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Bills Introduced: Seven bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 3271-3277; S.J. Res. 200; and S. Res. 301.

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Bill Reported: Report was made as follows:

S. 1539, to amend and extend certain laws relating to elementary and secondary education programs, with an amendment, together with supplemental and additional views (S. Rept. 93-763).

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Bill Referred: H.R. 12412, foreign disaster assistance, was referred to Committee on Foreign Relations.

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Bill Placed on Calendar: H.R. 69, education amendments, was received and ordered placed on the Senate calendar.

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Measures Passed:

Recreation use fees: Senate passed S. 2844, to clarify and make uniform the system for collection of certain recreation use fees on Federal lands, after agreeing to committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, which had at first been amended by adoption of Bartlett amendment to provide that fees shall be charged at picnic areas or at boat ramps only if certain specialized facilities or services are utilized.

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Calendar bills: Senate took from calendar and passed the following measures:

Without amendment and cleared for the White House:

Foreign Service Buildings: H.R. 12465, authorizing approximately \$1.52 million in additional funds for the Foreign Service building program.

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VA appropriations: H.J. Res. 941, making supplemental appropriations in the amount of \$750 million for veterans readjustment benefits for fiscal year 1974.

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With amendment for return to the House:

State Department authorizations: H.R. 12466, authorizing approximately \$31 million in additional funds for fiscal year 1974 for the Department of State.

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With amendment and sent to the House:

Canal Zone marriage licenses: S. 2348, transferring the issuance and recording of marriage licenses and related activities from the Office of the Clerk of the U.S. District Court for the District of the Canal Zone to the civil affairs director of the Canal Zone Government.

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Resolution agreed to with amendment:

Committee funds: S. Res. 295, authorizing an additional \$65,000 for Select Committee on Nutrition and Human Needs for inquiries and investigations.

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Federal Election Campaign Financing: Senate continued consideration of S. 3044, to provide for public financing of Federal primary and general election campaigns, taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows:

Adopted:

(1) Huddleston amendment No. 1114, to require that when candidates, other than for the offices of President and Vice President, are given broadcast time, the licensee shall make available to any other candidate for that office not less than 5 minutes broadcast time without charge; and

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(2) Church amendment to provide that no public funding be made to any candidate for campaigns for an election occurring before January 1, 1976.

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Rejected: By 20 yeas to 43 nays Helms amendment to require complete disclosure of all contributions and expenditures.

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Aging Committee Report: Special Committee on Aging was authorized to extend from March 29 to April 30, date for filing its report on "Developments in Aging, 1973, January-March 1974."

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Treaty Approved: By unanimous vote of 63 yeas, two-thirds of the Senators present and voting having voted in the affirmative, Senate agreed to resolution of ratification to Treaty of Extradition between the United States and Denmark (Ex. U, 93d Cong., 1st sess.).

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Confirmations: Senate confirmed the nominations of Rear Adm. Owen W. Siler, to be Coast Guard Com-

mandant (to serve with the rank of admiral), and Rear Adm. Ellis Lee Perry, to be Vice Commandant (to serve with the rank of vice admiral); and sundry nominations in the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.

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Nominations: Senate received the nominations of Leonard Kimball Firestone, of California, to be Ambassador to Belgium; and

Wendell A. Miles, to be U.S. District Judge for the Western District of Michigan.

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Record Votes: Two record votes were taken today.

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Adjournment: Senate met at 10:45 a.m. and adjourned at 1:34 p.m.

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Committee Meetings

APPROPRIATIONS—DEFENSE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee held closed hearings on supplemental appropriations for fiscal year 1974 for the Defense Establishment, receiving testimony in behalf of funds for their respective activities from Brig. Gen. C. C. Blanton, Deputy Director, Office of Budget, Office of the Comptroller of the Air Force; Maj. Gen. J. A. Kjellstrom, Director, Army Budget, Office of the Comptroller of the Army; and Capt. M. C. Cook, Assistant Director of Budget and Reports, Office of the Comptroller of the Navy.

Subcommittee will meet in closed session on Wednesday, April 3, on proposed fiscal year 1975 budget estimates for the Defense Establishment.

APPROPRIATIONS—INTERIOR

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee continued hearings on proposed fiscal year 1975 budget estimates for the Department of the Interior and related agencies, receiving testimony in behalf of funds for the Bureau of Sport Fisheries and Wildlife from Nathaniel P. Reed, Assistant Secretary; and Lynn A. Greenwalt, Director, Bureau of Sport Fisheries and Wildlife, who were accompanied by other officials of the Department of the Interior.

Hearings continue on Monday, April 1, on funds for the Office of the Secretary and Office of the Solicitor, Department of the Interior.

APPROPRIATIONS—PUBLIC WORKS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee held closed hearings on proposed fiscal year 1975 budget estimates for public works and related activities, receiving testimony on funds for the Atomic Energy Commission from F. P. Baranowski, Director, Division of Production and Materials Management, AEC.

Hearings continue, in closed session, on Tuesday, April 2.

ARMY WEAPONS PROGRAMS

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Tactical Air Power held hearings on Army attack helicopter programs, including Cobra/TOW, AAH, and Hellfire missile, receiving testimony from Lt. Gen. E. H. Almquist, Assistant Chief of Staff for Force Development; Brig. Gen. James H. Merryman, Director, Army Aviation, both of the Office of the Assistant Chief of Staff for Force Development; and Brig. Gen. S. G. Cockerman, Program Manager, Advanced Attack Helicopter, Army Materiel Command, all of the Department of the Army; and on Army air defense missile programs, including the Hawk, Chaparral, Foreign Shorad, Stinger, and AAA guns, receiving testimony from Maj. Gen. William A. Burke, Deputy Assistant Chief of Staff, and Brig. Gen. Edward Hirsch, Director of Army Air Defense, both of the Office of the Assistant Chief of Staff for Force Development, Department of the Army.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

MILITARY PROCUREMENT

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Research and Development resumed closed hearings on proposed military procurement authorizations for fiscal year 1975, receiving testimony on advanced research projects and high energy lasers from Dr. Malcolm R. Currie, Director of Defense Research and Engineering; and Dr. Stephen J. Lukasik, Director, Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency.

Hearings continue on Monday, April 1.

SOLAR ENERGY

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Science and Technology held hearings on S. 2650 and H.R. 11864, authorizing funds for programs to demonstrate feasibility of utilizing solar energy to heat and cool homes and other buildings, receiving testimony from Senator Cranston; Martin Glesk, Arthur D. Little, Inc., Cambridge, Mass.; Irwin R. Barr, AAI Corp., Cockeysville, Md.; Dr. Karl W. Boer, Institute of Energy Conservation, University of Delaware, Newark; Lawrence G. Spielvogel, Lawrence G. Spielvogel, Inc., Wyncote, Pa.; and John R. Cox, Environmental Design Collaborative, Philadelphia.

Hearings continue on Friday, April 5, in joint session with Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs.

TOURISM

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Foreign Commerce and Tourism began hearings on S. Res. 281,

expressing the sense of the Senate with respect to allocation of necessary energy sources to the tourism industry, receiving testimony from Senators Gurney and Abourezk; C. Langhorne Washburn, Assistant Secretary for Tourism, Department of Commerce; and numerous other witnesses, including representatives of several of the States and tourism organizations.

Hearings continue on Monday, April 1.

TRADE REFORM

Committee on Finance: Committee continued hearings on H.R. 10710, to stimulate U.S. economic growth, and to strengthen and promote economic relations with foreign countries, receiving testimony from I. W. Abel, president of the Industrial Union Department of the AFL-CIO, Washington, D.C.; Richard D. Higgins, International Trade Club of Chicago; Robert McLellan, Mid-America Council for International Economic Policy, Chicago; Robert L. Roper, International Executives Association, Inc., New York City; and Arthur A. Desantis, Italy-American Chamber of Commerce, Inc., Washington, D.C.

Hearings continue on Monday, April 1.

DISASTER RELIEF

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded hearings on H.R. 12412, authorizing funds for disaster relief assistance to Pakistan, Nicaragua, and the Sahelian nations of Africa, after receiving testimony from Daniel Parker, Administrator, who was accompanied by Samuel C. Adams, Jr., Assistant Administrator, Bureau for Africa; Donald G. MacDonald, Assistant Administrator, Bureau for Asia; and David Lazar, Director, Office of Central American Affairs, Bureau of Latin America, all of the Agency for International Development, Department of State; and Roger Morris, Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, Washington, D.C.

MINING ON FEDERAL LANDS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Subcommittee on Minerals, Materials, and Fuels resumed continued hearings on legislation to revise the laws governing mineral development on Federal lands (S. 1040, 2085, 3086, 3009, and 3010), after receiving testimony from George Alderson, Wilderness Society, Washington, D.C.; E. J. Wentworth, representing Western Oil and Gas Association, who was accompanied by D. G. Couvillon, Standard Oil Co. of California; Howard L. Edwards, representing the American Mining Congress; William H. Budd, Jr., Wyoming Mining Association; David Cole, Colorado Mining Association; Jim Richard

son, Arizona Mining Association; Koehler Stout, Montana Mining Association; John H. LaGrange, Utah Mining Association; and Russell Chadwick, Northwest Mining Association.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

VIETNAM VETERANS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Committee began hearings on S. 2784, the proposed Vietnam Era Veterans Readjustment Assistance Act of 1974, receiving testimony from Odell W. Vaughn, Chief Benefits Director; Andrew H. Thornton, Assistant Deputy Director for Policy Program and Administration; and John H. Kerby, Assistant General Counsel, all of the Veterans' Administration; Michael Dempsey, Veterans Club of Richmond College, Staten Island, N.Y.; Warren Nagel, Hunter College Veterans Association, New York City; Michael Hays, Washington, D.C.; and John Petell, University of Massachusetts Veterans Affairs Office, Amherst.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

House of Representatives

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The House was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held at noon on Monday, April 1.

Committee Meetings

TRANSPORTATION APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Transportation and Related Agencies held a hearing on National Transportation Safety Board.

ENVIRONMENTAL APPROPRIATION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Agriculture-Environmental and Consumer Protection held a hearing on Environmental Financing Authority.

LABOR-HEW APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor-HEW continued hearings on NIH budget estimates for fiscal year 1975.

DOD AUTHORIZATION—RESEARCH

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee No. 1 continued executive hearings on title II, research, of H.R. 12564, Department of Defense Appropriation

Authorization, 1975, with testimony from Navy and Marine Corps witnesses.

Hearings continue Monday, April 1.

MINERAL SCARCITY

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Subcommittee on Mines and Mining held an oversight hearing on mineral scarcity. Testimony was heard from Fred Bergsten, Brookings Institute, and John Morgan, Bureau of Mines.

Hearings continue Monday, April 1.

CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY COMMISSION

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee on Commerce and Finance continued oversight hearings on the Consumer Product Safety Commission. Testimony was heard from Representative Landgrebe; and Richard Simpson, Chairman of the Commission.

FEDERAL OCEAN PROGRAMS

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Subcommittee on Oceanography continued oversight hearings on Federal ocean programs and the coordination of ocean activities among the various departments and agencies. Testimony was heard from Robert White and other NOAA officials.

Hearings were adjourned subject to call.

Monday, April 1, 1974

Senate

Chamber Action

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Bills Introduced: Six bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 3278-3283; S.J. Res. 201; and S. Con. Res. 78 and 79.

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Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H.R. 11385, to revise programs of health services research and to extend the program of assistance for medical libraries, with an amendment, together with additional views (S. Rept. 93-764); and

S. 411, authorizing the Postal Rate Commission to make recommended decisions for changes in postal rates and fees and in mail classification matters to the Postal Service Board of Governors, with amendments (S. Rept. 93-765).

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