

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Armed Services: Committee ordered favorably reported 1,969 military nominations in the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, and Air Force.

AUTO INSURANCE REFORM

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee concluded hearings on S. 1860, to provide for legal reform and consumer compensation with regard to automobile insurance to allow individuals to purchase either no-fault coverage or traditional tort liability coverage, after receiving testimony from Senator McConnell; Jeffrey O'Connell, University of Virginia School of Law, Charlottesville; Kathy O'Donnell, Marcotte Law Firm, Lowell, Massachusetts; Peter Kinzler, Kinzler and Swab, Alexandria, Virginia, on behalf of the Committee for Comprehensive Automobile Accident Restitution and Rate Reduction; Jamie Court, Proposition 103 Enforcement Project, Santa Monica, California; and Andrew Tobias, New York, New York.

BALLISTIC MISSILE DEFENSE

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee held hearings to examine the threat of ballistic missile attacks on the United States, the need for missile defenses, and proposals for the United States' withdrawal from the Anti-Ballistic Missile Treaty arms control agreement, receiving testimony from R. James Woolsey, former Director, Central Intelligence Agency.

Hearings will resume on Thursday, September 26.

FREEDOM FROM GOVERNMENT COMPETITION ACT

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Committee held hearings on S. 1724, to require that the Federal Government procure from the private sector the goods and services necessary for the operations and management of certain Government agencies, receiving testimony from Senator Thomas; John A. Koskinen, Deputy Director for Management, Office of Management and Budget; L. Nye Stevens, Director, Federal Management and Workforce Issues, General Government Division, General Accounting Office; John M. Palatiello, Management Association for Private Photogrammetric Surveyors, Reston, Virginia; Marie Fath, Business Coalition for Fair Competition, Annandale, Virginia; Bert Concklin, Professional Services Council, Vienna, Virginia; and John N. Sturdivant, American Federation of Government Employees, Washington, D.C.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of Ann L. Aiken, to be United States District Judge for the District of Oregon, and Rose Ochi, of California, to be Director, Community Relations Service, Department of Justice, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf. Ms. Aiken was introduced by Senators Hatfield and Wyden.

TRIBAL SOVEREIGNTY

Committee on Indian Affairs: Committee concluded hearings to examine the principle of tribal sovereign immunity and the function which it serves in empowering Indian tribal governments and self-determination, after receiving testimony from Senator Pressler; Robert T. Anderson, Associate Solicitor, Division of Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior; South Dakota Chief Deputy Attorney General Lawrence Long, Pierre; Susan M. Williams, Gover, Stetson & Williams, Albuquerque, New Mexico; Douglas B.L. Endreson, Sonosky, Chambers, Sachse & Endreson, Washington, D.C.; Marlene Dawson, Whatcom County Council, and Henry Cagey, Lummi Indian Business Council, both of Bellingham, Washington; Rhonda R. Swaney, Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes of the Flathead Nation, Pablo, Montana; Bill Anotubby, Chickasaw Nation, Ada, Oklahoma; Jesse Taken Alive, Standing Rock Sioux Tribe, Ft. Yates, South Dakota; Herb Yazzie, Navajo Nation, Window Rock, Arizona; Donald C. Hatch, Jr., Tulalip Tribes of Washington, Marysville; W. Ron Allen, Jamestown S'Klallam Tribe, Sequim, Washington, on behalf of the National Congress of American Indians; Jennifer A. Coleman, Buffalo, New York; Lana E. Marcussen, Darrel Smith, Mobridge, South Dakota; and James M. Johnson, Olympia, Washington.

SOCIAL SECURITY REFORM

Special Committee on Aging: Committee concluded hearings to examine the future of the Social Security retirement system, focusing on proposals to reform the current structure, after receiving testimony from Senator Simpson; and Robert J. Myers, former Actuary, Social Security Administration, Michael Tanner, Cato Institute, Paul S. Hewitt, National Taxpayers Union Foundation, C. Eugene Steuerle, Urban Institute, Martha Phillips, Concord Coalition, Estelle James, World Bank, and Paul J. Yakoboski, Employee Benefit Research Institute, all of Washington, D.C.