

Science, Department of the Interior; and public witnesses.

#### CONFERENCE REPORT—FAA AUTHORIZATION ACT

*Committee on Rules:* Granted, by a vote of 9 to 3, a rule waiving all points of order against the conference report on H.R. 3539, Federal Aviation Authorization Act of 1996, and against its consideration. The rule also provides that the conference report shall be considered as read. Testimony was heard from Representative Duncan.

#### IN THE MATTER OF REPRESENTATIVE NEWT GINGRICH

*Committee on Standards of Official Conduct:* The Committee met in executive session to unanimously approve an interim report unanimously adopted by the Investigative Subcommittee in the matter of Representative Gingrich.

#### ISTEA REAUTHORIZATION

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure:* Subcommittee on Surface Transportation continued hearings on ISTEA Reauthorization: The Efficient Delivery of Transportation Improvements and the Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Program. Testimony was heard from John N. Lieber, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Transportation Policy, Department of Transportation; Mary D. Nichols, Assistant Administrator, Air and Radiation, EPA; Shirley J. Ybarra, Deputy Secretary, Transportation, State of Virginia; Dennis E. Faulkenberg, Deputy Commissioner and Chief Financial Officer, Department of Transportation, State of Indiana; Frank Carlile, Assistant Secretary, Transportation Policy, Department of Transportation, State of Florida; Dick Smith, Office of Planning and Programming, Department of Transportation, State of Illinois; Sonia Hamel, Director, Air Policy, Executive Office of Environmental Affairs, State of Massachusetts; Larry S. Bonine, Director, Department of Transportation, State of Arizona; and public witnesses.

### *Joint Meetings*

#### ADMINISTRATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION ACT

*Conferees* on Tuesday, September 24, 1996, agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H.R. 2977, to authorize funds to provide for alternative means

of dispute resolution in the Federal administrative process.

#### WATER RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT ACT

*Conferees* on Wednesday, September 25, 1996, agreed to file a conference report on S. 640, to provide for the conservation and development of water and related resources, and to authorize the Secretary of the Army to construct various projects for improvements to rivers and harbors of the United States.

#### FAA AUTHORIZATION

*Conferees* agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H.R. 3539, to amend title 49, United States Code, to reauthorize programs of the Federal Aviation Administration.

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#### NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D994)

S. 1669, to name the Department of Veterans Affairs medical center in Jackson, Mississippi, as the "G.V. (Sonny) Montgomery Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center". Signed September 24, 1996. (P.L. 104-202)

H.R. 1642, to extend nondiscriminatory treatment (most-favored-nation treatment) to the products of Cambodia. Signed September 25, 1996. (P.L. 104-203)

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#### COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 1996

##### Senate

No meetings are scheduled.

##### House

*Committee on Commerce,* Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, to consider pending Subcommittee business, 9:30 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

*Committee on International Relations,* to continue hearings on Administration Actions and Political Murders in Haiti: Part II, 10:30 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

*Committee on National Security,* Subcommittee on Military Procurement and Subcommittee on Military Research and Development, joint hearing on Ballistic Missile Defense plans, programs, and policies, 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure,* to markup the following: pending GSA Construction and Lease Prospectuses; 11-b Resolutions; and other pending business, 9:30 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.