

Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget; Stephen H. Kaplan, General Counsel, Department of Transportation; William B. Schultz, Deputy Commissioner for Policy, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services; C. Boyden Gray, Wilmer, Cutler & Pickering, on behalf of Citizens for a Sound Economy, Thomas J. Donohue, American Trucking Associations, Inc., David G. Hawkins, Natural Resources Defense Council, and C. Dean McGrath, Jr., American Automobile Manufacturers Association, all of Washington, D.C.; Sal Risalvato, Riverdale Texaco, Riverdale, New Jersey, on behalf of the National Federation of Independent Business; and Rainer Mueller, Safe Tables Our Priority, Oceanside, California.

REGULATORY REFORM

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Administrative Oversight and the Courts held hearings on S. 343, to reform the Federal regulatory process, receiving testimony from Thomasina V. Rogers, Chair, Administrative Conference of the United States; Rick Keith, West Bend Elevator Company, Mallard, Iowa; Sal Risalvato, Riverdale Texaco, Riverdale, New Jersey, on behalf of the National Federation of Independent Business; and Marshall J. Breger, Heritage Foundation, Peter J. Ferrara, National Center for Policy Analysis, and Tom O'Conner, National Grain and Feed Association, all of Washington, D.C.

Hearings continue on Friday, February 24.

AUTHORIZATION—RYAN WHITE CARE ACT

Committee on Labor and Human Services: Committee concluded hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for programs of the Ryan White CARE Act of 1990, after receiving testimony from Senator Hatch; Philip R. Lee, Assistant Secretary of Health and Human Services for Health; William J. Scanlon, Associate Director, Health Financing and Policy Issues, Health, Education, and Human Services Division, General Accounting Office; Mayor Wellington Webb, Denver, Colorado; David W. Curtis, Burlington, Vermont, on behalf of the Vermont Coalition for AIDS Research, Education and Services; Donna E. Sweet, University of Kansas School of Medicine, Wichita; Douglas Nelson, Campaign for Fairness, Milwaukee, Wisconsin; June E. Osborn, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor; Alexander Robinson, National Organizations Responding to AIDS, Washington, D.C.; Erle Blake, Columbiana, Ohio; and Anna Wyman, Miami, Florida.

INTELLIGENCE

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee held closed hearings on intelligence matters, receiving testimony from officials of the intelligence community.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Eight public bills, H.R. 1010–1017; and one resolution, H. Con. Res. 32, were introduced. Page H2063

Report Filed: The following report was filed as follows: H. Res. 93, providing for the consideration of H.R. 450, to ensure economy and efficiency of Federal Government operations by establishing a moratorium on regulatory rulemaking actions (H. Rept. 104–45). Page H1984

Defense Department Supplemental Appropriation: By a yea-and-nay vote of 262 yeas to 165 nays, Roll No. 154, the House passed H.R. 889, making emergency supplemental appropriations and rescissions to preserve and enhance the military readiness of the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1995. Pages H1979–84, H1985–H2010

Rejected the Obey motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Appropriations with instructions to report it back forthwith containing amendments so as to ensure that discretionary outlays for fiscal year 1995 that are made pursuant to new budget authority do not cause discretionary outlays for fiscal year 1995 (computed without regard to any emergency designations) to exceed the amount currently allocated to the Committee on Appropriations pursuant to section 602(a) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 (rejected by a recorded vote of 163 yeas to 264 noes, Roll No. 153). Pages H2008–10

Agreed to the amendment in the nature of a substitute made in order by the rule. Page H2008

Rejected the Obey amendment in the nature of a substitute that sought to provide the \$2.5 billion in supplemental defense appropriations requested by the Administration, rescind \$2.2 billion in previously appropriated defense funds; and require the Secretary

of Defense to make those cuts according to the Secretary's own determination of the lowest priority defense programs, while providing for 30 days notice by the Secretary to, but not approval of, the Congress for such cuts (rejected by a recorded vote of 167 ayes to 260 noes, Roll No. 152).

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H. Res. 92, the rule under which the bill was considered, was agreed to earlier by a year-and-nay vote of 282 yeas to 144 nays, Roll No. 151.

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Paperwork Reduction: By a recorded vote of 418 ayes, with 6 voting "present", Roll No. 157, the House passed H.R. 830, to amend chapter 35 of title 44, United States Code, to further the goals of the Paperwork Reduction Act to have Federal agencies become more responsible and publicly accountable for reducing the burden of Federal paperwork on the public.

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Agreed To:

The committee amendments en bloc; Page H2021

The Meyers of Kansas amendment that provides that all provisions requiring information collection must include how long records on such information must be kept;

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The Sanders amendment that requires that, in acting to reduce Federal paperwork and reporting requirements on small businesses, OMB and Federal agencies establish as a priority the reduction of such requirements on those "smaller" small businesses for whom Federal paperwork costs impose the greatest burden; and

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The Crapo amendment that provides that private citizens have a right to a complete defense or bar to an action taken by Federal agency information collection activities that have not been cleared by OMB, which do not display a current OMB control number on the information request form, or which fail to state that the request for information is not subject to clearance under provisions. Pages H2028–29

Rejected:

The Collins of Illinois amendment that sought to omit provisions amending the definition of "collection of information" and "the disclosure to third parties or the public of information", effectively preserving the 1990 Supreme Court decision regarding OMB's regulatory oversight authority (rejected by a recorded vote of 170 ayes to 254 noes, Roll No. 155); and

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The Maloney amendment that sought to "sunset" the measure after five years (rejected by a recorded vote of 156 ayes to 265 noes, Roll No. 156).

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The Clerk was authorized to make such technical and conforming changes as may be necessary in the engrossment of the bill.

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H. Res. 91, the rule under which the bill was considered, was agreed to earlier by a voice vote.

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Committees to Sit: It was made in order that the following committees and their subcommittees be permitted to sit on Thursday, February 23, during proceedings of the House under the five-minute rule: Committees on Agriculture, Banking and Financial Services, Commerce, Government Reform and Oversight, International Relations, Judiciary, National Security, Resources, Transportation and Infrastructure, and Select Intelligence.

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Presidential Message—Budget Deferrals and Rescissions: Read a message from the President wherein he transmits one revised deferral, totaling \$7.3 million, and two revised rescission proposals, totaling \$106.7 million—referred to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered printed (H. Doc. 104–40).

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Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe: The Speaker appointed to the Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe the following Members on the part of the House: Representatives Porter, Wolf, Funderbunk, Salmon, Hoyer, Markey, Richardson, and Cardin.

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North Atlantic Assembly: The Speaker appointed to the United States Group of the North Atlantic Assembly the following Members on the part of the House: Representatives Rose, Hamilton, Coleman, and Rush.

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Amendments Ordered Printed: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on pages H2064–67.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Two yea-and-nay votes and five recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H1984, H2008, H2009–10, H2010, H2023–24, H2027–28, and H2029. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: Met at 11 a.m. and adjourned at 10:18 p.m.

RESCISSION; AGRICULTURE, FDA, RURAL DEVELOPMENT AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies approved for full Committee action a supplemental/rescission measure for Fiscal Year 1995.

The Subcommittee also continued appropriation hearings. Testimony was heard from Members of Congress and public witnesses.

COMMERCE, JUSTICE, STATE AND JUDICIARY APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, State and the Judiciary, and Related Agencies held a hearing on the Attorney General. Testimony was heard from Janet Reno, Attorney General.

RESCISSION; ENERGY AND WATER DEVELOPMENT APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development approved for full Committee action a rescission measure for Fiscal Year 1995.

The Subcommittee also held a hearing on Corps of Engineers: Southwestern Division, North Pacific Division, South Atlantic Division, and on Lower Mississippi Valley Division. Testimony was heard from the following Division Engineers, Corps of Engineers, Department of the Army: Col. James Paul King, USA, Southwestern Division; Maj. Gen. Ernest J. Harrell, USA, North Pacific Division; Brig. Gen. Ralph V. Locurcio, USA, South Atlantic Division; and Brig. Gen. Eugene S. Witherspoon, USA, Commander, Lower Mississippi Valley Division and President, Mississippi River Commission.

RESCISSION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Foreign Operations, Export Financing and Related Programs approved for full Committee action a rescission measure for Fiscal Year 1995.

RESCISSION; INTERIOR APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Interior and Related Agencies approved for full Committee action a rescission measure for Fiscal Year 1995.

The Subcommittee also held a hearing on Indian Education and on the Bureau of Mines. Testimony was heard from Thomas W. Payzant, Assistant Secretary, elementary and Secondary Education, Department of Education; and Rhea L. Graham, Director, U.S. Bureau of Mines, Department of the Interior.

RESCISSION; LABOR, HHS AND EDUCATION APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education and Related Agencies began consideration of a rescission measure for Fiscal Year 1995.

The Subcommittee also held a hearing on the Secretary of Labor and on the Employment and Training Administration. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Labor: Robert B. Reich, Secretary; and Doug Ross, Assistant Secretary, Employment and Training, Employment and Training Administration.

LEGISLATIVE APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Legislative held a hearing on the Joint Committee on Printing, GPO, and on the Library of Congress. Testimony was heard from Representatives Thomas and Hoyer; Michael F. DiMario, Public Printer, GPO; and James H. Billington, Librarian of Congress.

TREASURY, POSTAL SERVICE, AND GENERAL GOVERNMENT APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Treasury, Postal Service, and General Government held a hearing on the Secret Service. Testimony was heard from Eljay B. Bowron, Director, U.S. Secret Service, Department of the Treasury.

VA, HUD AND INDEPENDENT AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on veterans' Affairs and Housing and Urban Development, and Independent Agencies held a hearing on the American Battle Monuments Commission and Cemeterial Expenses, and on the National Credit Union Administration. Testimony was heard from Gen. Fred Woerner, USA (Ret), American Battle Monuments Commission; John Zirschky, Acting Assistant Secretary, Civil Works, Cemeterial Expenses, Department of the Army; and Norman E. D'Amours, Chairman, National Credit Union Administration.

LOCAL NEIGHBORHOOD SOLUTION FOR HOUSING AND ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITIES

Committee on Banking, Finance, and Urban Affairs: Subcommittee on Housing and Community Opportunity held a hearing on "Local Neighborhood solutions for Housing and Economic Opportunities." Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

ADMINISTRATION'S HUD BUDGET

Committee on the Budget: Held a hearing on the Administration's HUD Budget: Reform or Retrenchment? Testimony was heard from the following officials of the GAO: Paul L. Posner, Director, Budget Issues; and James E. Wells, Associate Director, Housing and Community Development Issues.

Hearing continue tomorrow.

COMMON SENSE PRODUCT LIABILITY REFORM ACT; OVERSIGHT PLANS

Committee on Commerce: Began consideration of H.R. 917, Common Sense Product Liability Reform Act. Will continue tomorrow.

The Committee approved oversight plan for the 104th Congress for submission to the Committee on

Government Reform and Oversight and the Committee on House Oversight.

WELFARE REFORM CONSOLIDATION ACT

Committee on Economic and Education Opportunities: Began markup of H.R. 999, Welfare Reform Consolidation Act of 1995.

Will continue tomorrow.

OVERSIGHT

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on District of Columbia and the Subcommittee on District of Columbia of the Committee on Appropriations held a joint oversight hearing to review the Financial Condition of the District of Columbia. Testimony was heard from the following officials of Audit Support and Analysis, GAO: John W. Hill, Jr., Director; Terry L. Carnahan, Assistant Director; Edward H. Stephenson, Assistant Director; and Laura B. Triggs; and the following officials of the District of Columbia: Marion Barry, Jr., Mayor; David A. Clarke, Chairman, Council; and Robert Pohlman, Acting Chief Financial Officer.

OVERSIGHT

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on Human Resources and Intergovernmental Relations held an oversight hearing on Efforts to Reduce Costs and Increase Efficiency of HUD. Testimony was heard from Susan Gaffney, Inspector General, Department of Housing and Urban Development; Judy England-Joseph, Director, Housing and Community Development Issues, GAO; and public witnesses.

AFRICA—HUMAN RIGHTS SITUATION

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on Africa held a hearing on Human Rights Situation in Africa. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of State: John Shattuck, Assistant Secretary for Democracy, Human Rights and Labor; and Edward Brynn, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary, African Affairs; and public witnesses.

FOREIGN RELATIONS AUTHORIZATION

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on International Operations and Human Rights held a hearing on Foreign Relations Authorization: Refugees. Testimony was heard from Ambassador Brunson McKinley, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Population, Refugees, and Migration, Department of State.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

MEXICAN PESO BAILOUT

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on Western Hemisphere and the Subcommittee on

International Economic Policy and Trade held a joint hearing on the Mexican Peso Bailout. Testimony was heard from Representative Kaptur; Jeffrey R. Shafer, Assistant Secretary, International Affairs, Department of the Treasury; and public witnesses.

COMMON SENSE PRODUCT LIABILITY REFORM ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Began markup of H.R. 956, Common Sense Product Liability Reform Act of 1995.

Will continue tomorrow.

DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION

Committee on National Security: Continued hearings on the Fiscal Year 1996 National Defense authorization request. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Defense: Gen. Gordon Sullivan, USA, Chief of Staff, Army; Adm. J. M. Boorda, USN, Chief of Naval Operations; Gen. Ronald R. Fogelman, USAF, Chief of Staff, Air Force; and Gen. Carl Mundy, Jr., USMC, Commandant, Marine Corps.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

REGULATORY TRANSITION ACT

Committee on Rules: By a record vote of 8 to 4, granted a modified open rule providing 1 hour of debate of H.R. 450, Regulatory Transition Act of 1995. The rule makes in order the Government Report and Oversight Committee amendment in the nature of a substitute as an original bill for amendment purposes which shall be considered as read. The rule provides a 10-hour time limit on the amendment process. Priority in recognition may be accorded to Members who have pre-printed their amendments in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD prior to their consideration. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit, with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Chairman Clinger and Representatives McIntosh, Collins of Illinois, and Slaughter.

NSF BUDGET

Committee on Science: Subcommittee on Basic Research held a hearing on the NSF budget. Testimony was heard from Neal F. Lane, Director, NSF.

Hearings continue March 2.

CAPITOL GAINS TAX REFORM

Committee on Small Business: Held a hearing on Capital Gains Tax Reform. Testimony was heard from Jane Gravelle, Senior Specialist in Economic Policy, CRS, Library of Congress; and public witnesses.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION AND APPALACHIAN REGIONAL COMMISSION

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Public Buildings and Economic Development concluded hearings on Economic Development Administration and Appalachian Regional Commission. Testimony was heard from Casper Taylor, Speaker, House of Delegates, State of Maryland; and public witnesses.

DISPOSITION OF ICC'S NON-MERGER AUTHORITY

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Railroads held a hearing on the Disposition of the ICC's Non-Merger Rail Authority. Testimony was heard from Barry Hill, Associate Director, Transportation Issues, GAO; Gail McDonald, Chairman, ICC; Joseph Canny, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Transportation Policy, Department of Transportation; and public witnesses.

Joint Meetings

MINIMUM WAGE

Joint Economic Committee: Committee concluded hearings to examine the Administration proposal to raise the minimum wage, after receiving testimony from Representatives Longley and Owens; Robert B. Reich, Secretary, and Alan Krueger, Economist, both of the Department of Labor; Lowell Taylor, Carnegie-Mellon University, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; Peter Brandon, University of Wisconsin, Madison; Finis Welch, Texas A&M University, College Station; Bill Rogers, College of William and Mary, Williamsburg, Virginia; Herman Cain, Godfather's Pizza, Omaha, Nebraska; Grant Maloy, Gabrielle Growers, Oviedo, Florida; Charles Fuller, Off Campus Bookstore, Athens, Georgia; and Audrey Haynes, Frankfort, Kentucky.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 1995

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Armed Services, to resume hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 1996 for the Department of Defense and the future years defense program, focusing on the military strategies and operational requirements of the unified commands, 9:30 a.m., SR-222.

Committee on the Budget, to hold hearings on the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 1996 for the Department of Health and Human Services, 10 a.m., SD-608.

Committee on Environment and Public Works, Subcommittee on Transportation and Infrastructure, to hold hearings on S. 440, to revise title 23, United States Code, to provide for the designation of the National Highway System, and to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 1996 for the Department of Transportation's Federal-aid highway program 2 p.m., SD-406.

Committee on Governmental Affairs, to hold hearings on S. 4, to grant the power to the President to reduce budget authority, and S. 14, to amend the Congressional Budget and Impoundment Control Act of 1974 to provide for the expedited consideration of certain proposed cancellations of budget items, 10 a.m., SD-342.

Committee on the Judiciary, business meeting, to consider pending nominations, time and room to be announced.

Committee on Labor and Human Resources, Subcommittee on Education, Arts and Humanities, to hold hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for programs of the National Foundation on the Arts and Humanities Act of 1965, 9:30 a.m., SD-430.

NOTICE

For a listing of Senate Committee Meetings scheduled ahead, see pages E408-11 in today's RECORD.

House

Committee on Agriculture, Subcommittee on General Farm Commodities, hearing on the Effects of the Federal Tax Code on Farmers, Ranchers, and Rural Communities, 9:30 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies, on Food Safety and Inspection Service, 1:30 p.m., 2362A Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, and State and the Judiciary, and Related Agencies, on the Secretary of Commerce, 9:30 a.m., 2360 Rayburn, and to mark up Fiscal Year 1995 Rescissions, 12:30 p.m., H-309 Capitol.

Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development, on Corps of Engineers: North Central Division, New England Division, and on Pacific Ocean Division, 10 a.m., and on Corps of Engineers: South Pacific Division, and North Atlantic Division, 2 p.m., 2362B Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Interior and Related Agencies, on Fish and Wildlife Service, 10 a.m. and 1:30 p.m., B-308 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education and Related Agencies, on OSHA, 10 a.m., and on Mine Safety and Health Administration, Employment Standards Administration, Office of the American Workplace, Pension and Welfare Benefits Administration, and on Bureau of Labor Statistics, 2 p.m., 2358 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Legislative, on OTA and the GAO, 9:30 a.m., and on GAO and Public Witnesses, 1:30 p.m., H-144 Capitol.

Subcommittee on Military Construction, overview hearing, 9:30 a.m., B-300 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Transportation and Related Agencies, to mark up Fiscal Year 1995 Rescissions, 3:30 p.m., 2358 Rayburn.