

S. 291, to reform the regulatory process, to make Government more efficient and effective, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute; and

S. 343, to reform the regulatory process, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

## CIRCUIT JUDGE SERVICE

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Committee ordered favorably reported, with an amendment, S. 531, to authorize a circuit judge who has taken part in an en banc hearing of a case to continue to participate in that case after taking senior status.

# House of Representatives

## Chamber Action

**Bills Introduced:** Eleven public bills, H.R. 1304–1314; one private bill, H.R. 1315; and one resolution, H. Con. Res. 47, were introduced.

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**Reports Filed:** Reports were filed as follows:

H.R. 1216, to amend the Atomic Energy Act of 1954 to provide for the privatization of the United States Enrichment Corporation, amended (H. Rept. 104–86);

H.R. 1217, to amend parts B and C of title XVIII of the Social Security Act to extend certain savings provisions under the Medicare Program, as incorporated in the budget submitted by the President for fiscal year 1996 (H. Rept. 104–87, Part 1);

H.R. 1218, to extend the authority of the Federal Communications Commission to use competitive bidding in granting licenses and permits (H. Rept. 104–88); and

H.R. 1219, to amend the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 and the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985 to extend and reduce the discretionary spending limits, amended (H. Rept. 104–89, Part 1).

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**Personal Responsibility Act:** House continued consideration of H.R. 4, to restore the American family, reduce illegitimacy, control welfare spending and reduce welfare dependence; but came to no resolution thereon. Consideration of amendments will continue on Friday, March 24.

Pages H3581–H3700

Agreed To:

The Johnson of Connecticut amendment that increases the authorization level for child care block grants by \$150 million for fiscal years 1996–2000;

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The Roukema amendment that requires States to establish a cost containment system for the procurement of infant formulas under the Family Nutrition Block Grant Program;

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The Ros-Lehtinen amendment that exempts aliens who have been lawfully admitted for permanent residence and are unable to comply with naturalization

requirements of a physical or developmental disability or a mental impairment from being denied Federal public assistance;

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The Coburn amendment that encourages States to protect against fraud and abuse by using new and recent technologies to maximize the security of electronics benefits transfer (EBT) systems; and it requires States to incorporate within their EBT systems, within two years, measures that enable such systems to differentiate between allowable and non-allowable food items;

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The Upton amendment, as modified, that prohibits individuals who are delinquent in making court-ordered child support payments from receiving assistance under the food stamp program if the court is not allowing the payment to be delayed;

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The Traficant amendment that requires those States which use electronic benefit transfer cards to include a photograph of the members of the household to which the food stamp card is issued;

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The Blute amendment that prohibits temporary family assistance, food stamps, and SSI benefits to fugitive felons with fleeing prosecution or confinement or in violation of probation or parole;

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The Salmon amendment that requires States to adopt procedures to automatically put liens against property of persons for delinquent child support payments ordered by another State (agreed to by a recorded vote of 433 ayes, Roll No. 264); and

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The Roukema amendment that authorizes States to withhold or suspend the driver's license of individuals who owe back child support (agreed to by a recorded vote of 426 ayes to 5 noes, Roll No. 265).

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Rejected:

The Moran amendment that sought to give families that participate in required State welfare work programs a preference in obtaining Federal housing assistance, including public housing and Section 8

rental assistance (rejected by a recorded vote of 35 ayes to 395 noes, Roll No. 262); **Pages H3595–H3600**

The Hostettler amendment that sought to strike the Simplified Food Stamp Program provisions and replace them with block grants to States based on their number of economically disadvantaged residents (rejected by a recorded vote of 114 ayes to 316 noes, Roll No. 263); and **Pages H3609–16, H3617**

The Deal amendment in the nature of a substitute (text of H.R. 1267 that sought to transform the AFDC Program into a program that moves recipients from welfare to work within a certain time limit; increase the funding for education, job training, employment services, and child care for welfare recipients; create a new Work First Program and require States to have an increasing percentage of their AFDC caseload participate in Work First and Workfare over seven years; impose a time limit on eligibility for AFDC benefits; place certain restrictions on SSI eligibility for disabled children; provide certain cutbacks in the Food Stamp Program, and limit the eligibility of certain legal immigrants for Federal benefits (rejected by a recorded vote of 205 ayes to 228 noes, Roll No. 266). **Pages H3634–95**

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** Five recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H3599–H3600, H3617, H3633–34, H3634, and H3695. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** Met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 12 a.m. on Friday, March 24.

## *Committee Meetings*

### **OVERSIGHT—AMERICAN DAIRY INDUSTRY—STATUS OF THE DAIRY TITLE OF 1990 FARM BILL**

*Committee on Agriculture:* Subcommittee on Livestock, Dairy, and Poultry held a hearing on the state of the American Dairy Industry and the status of the Dairy Title of the 1990 Farm bill. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the USDA: Keith J. Collins, Acting Chief Economist; and Kenneth C. Clayton, Deputy Administrator (Marketing Programs), Agricultural Marketing Service.

### **AGRICULTURE, RURAL DEVELOPMENT, FDA, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS**

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies held a hearing on Food and Consumer Services. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the USDA: Ellen Haas, Under Secretary, Food, Nutrition and

Consumer Services; and William Ludwig, Administrator, Food and Consumer Services.

### **COMMERCE, JUSTICE, STATE, AND JUDICIARY APPROPRIATIONS**

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, State, and the Judiciary (and Related Agencies) held a hearing on International Organizations. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of State: Douglas J. Bennet, Assistant Secretary, International Organization Affairs; and David A. Colson, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Oceans and Fisheries Affairs, Bureau of Oceans and International Environmental and Scientific Affairs; and John M. Bernal, Commissioner, International Boundary and Water Commission, U.S. and Mexico; and a public witness.

### **DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA APPROPRIATIONS**

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on District of Columbia held a hearing on D.C.'s Financial Condition. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the District of Columbia: Russell A. Smith, Auditor; and Samuel McClendon, Inspector General; and Otis H. Troupe, former Auditor, District of Columbia.

### **ENERGY AND WATER DEVELOPMENT APPROPRIATIONS**

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development continued appropriation hearings. Testimony was heard from Members of Congress and public witnesses.

### **FOREIGN OPERATIONS APPROPRIATIONS**

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Foreign Operations, Export Financing and Related programs held a hearing on Export Financing. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### **INTERIOR APPROPRIATIONS**

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Interior (and Related Agencies) held a hearing on National Biological Survey, DOE: Energy Information Administration, Office of Hearings and Appeals, Economic Regulation, and on Emergency Preparedness. Testimony was heard from George T. Frampton, Jr., Assistant Secretary, Fish and Wildlife and Parks, Department of the Interior; the following officials of the Department of Energy: Jay E. Hakes, Administrator, Energy Information Administration; Susan F. Tierney, Assistant Secretary, Policy; Vincent J. McClelland, Deputy Director, Office of Energy Management Nonproliferation and National Security; Robert Nordhaus, General Counsel; and George Breznay, Director, Office of Hearings and Appeals.