

Joint Meetings

LIBRARY OF CONGRESS

Joint Committee on the Library: Committee held oversight hearings to examine collection security and financial management activities of the Library of Congress, receiving testimony from James Billington, Librarian of Congress, John Rensbarger, Inspector General, and Ken Keeler, Assistant Inspector General for Investigations, all of the Library of Congress; William Gadsby, Director, Government Business Operations Issues, General Government Division, and Robert Gramling, Director, Corporate Audits and Standards, and Rosemary Jellish, Assistant Director, Financial Management Policies and Issues, both of the Accounting and Information Management Division, all of the General Accounting Office; and Robert Featheringham and Michael Kenney, both of Computer Sciences Corporation, Falls Church, Virginia.

Committee recessed subject to call.

EMERGENCY SALVAGE TIMBER SALE PROGRAM

Joint Hearing: Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources' Subcommittee on Forests and Public Land Management held joint oversight hearings with the Timber Salvage Task Force of the House Resources Committee on the implementation of section 2001 (relating to emergency salvage of diseased dead timber on Federal forest lands) of the Fiscal Year 1995 Emergency Appropriations Supplemental and Rescissions bill (P.L. 104-19), receiving testimony from James Meissner, Associate Director, Natural Resources Management Issues, and Robert B. Arthur, Senior Evaluator, both of the General Accounting Office; Jack Ward Thomas, Chief, and Dave Hessel, Director of Timber Management, both of the Forest Service, Department of Agriculture; Rolland Schmitten, Assistant Administrator for Fisheries, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Department of Commerce; Donald Barry, Counselor to the Assistant Secretary for Fish, Wildlife and Parks, and Nancy Hayes, Chief of Staff, Bureau of Land Management, both of the Department of the Interior; Peter Coppelman, Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Department of Justice; and Robert Sanderson, Director, Office of Federal Activities, Environmental Protection Agency.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

APPROPRIATIONS—COMMERCE/JUSTICE/STATE

Conferees agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H.R. 2076, making appropriations for the

Departments of Commerce, Justice, and State, the Judiciary, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1996.

SECURITIES LITIGATION REFORM

Conferees on Tuesday, November 28, agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H.R. 1058, to amend the Federal securities laws to curb certain abusive practices in private securities litigation.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D1384)

S. 395, to authorize and direct the Secretary of the Department of Energy to sell the Alaska Power Administration, and to authorize the export of Alaska North Slope crude oil. Signed November 28, 1995. (P.L. 104-58)

S. 440, to amend title 23, United States Code, to provide for the designation of the National Highway System. Signed November 28, 1995. (P.L. 104-59)

S. 1328, to amend the commencement dates of certain temporary Federal judgeships. Signed November 28, 1995. (P.L. 104-60)

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 30, 1995

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, business meeting, to consider pending calendar business, 9:30 a.m., SD-366.

Committee on Finance, to hold hearings on the nominations of Joseph H. Gale, of Virginia, to be a Judge of the United States Tax Court, Melissa T. Skolfield, of Louisiana, to be an Assistant Secretary of Health and Human Services, Darcy E. Bradbury, of New York, to be an Assistant Secretary, David A. Lipton, of Massachusetts, to be a Deputy Under Secretary, and Jeffrey R. Shafer, of New Jersey, to be an Under Secretary, all of the Department of the Treasury, and David C. Williams, of Illinois, to be Inspector General, Social Security Administration, 10 a.m., SD-215.

Committee on Foreign Relations, to hold hearings on Bilateral Treaties Concerning the Encouragement and Reciprocal Protection of Investment (Treaty Docs. 104-19, 103-36, 103-38, 104-13, 103-35, 104-12, 104-10, 104-14, and 104-11), 10 a.m., SD-419.

Committee on the Judiciary, business meeting, to consider pending calendar business, 10 a.m., SD-226.

Full Committee, to hold hearings on pending nominations, 2 p.m., SD-226.

Select Committee on Intelligence, to hold closed hearings on intelligence matters, 9:30 a.m., SH-219.