

Committee Meetings

FINANCIAL SERVICES ACT

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Finance and Hazardous Materials approved for full Committee action amended H.R. 10, Financial Services Act of 1997.

DORNAN V. SANCHEZ—CONTESTED ELECTION

Committee on House Oversight: Task Force for the Contested Election in California's 46th Congressional District approved the following: a Memorandum of Understanding between the Task Force and the California Secretary of State; and a resolution requesting that the Chairman of the Committee issue Committee subpoenas to Nativo Lopez and Michael Farber.

IRAN MISSILE PROLIFERATION SANCTIONS ACT

Committee on International Relations: Ordered reported amended H.R. 2709, Iran Missile Proliferation Sanctions Act of 1997.

NUCLEAR WASTE POLICY ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a structured rule on H.R. 1270, Nuclear Waste Policy Act of 1997, providing one hour of general debate equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Commerce and twenty minutes of general debate equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Resources. The rule waives points of order against consideration of the bill for failure to comply with section 306 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 (requiring provisions in the jurisdiction of the Committee on the Budget to be referred to or reported by the Committee on the Budget). The rule provides for consideration of the bill for amendment under the five minute rule. The rule provides for the consideration of the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Commerce as an original bill for the purpose of amendment. The rule waives points of order against the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute for failure to comply with clause 5(a) of rule XXI (prohibiting appropriations in authorization measures) and section 306 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 (requiring provisions in the jurisdiction of the Committee on the Budget to be referred to or reported by the Committee on the Budget). The rule also provides that, notwithstanding clause 5(c) of rule XXIII (relating to motions to strike unfunded mandates), for consideration of only those amendments printed in the report of the Committee on Rules and that these amendments may only be offered in the order listed

in the report and only by the Member designated in the report, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by a proponent and an opponent, shall not be subject to amendment and shall not be subject to a demand for a division of the question in the House or in the Committee of the Whole. The rule waives points of order against the last amendment printed in the Rules Committee report for failure to comply with clause 5(a) of rule XXI (prohibiting appropriations in authorization measures) and section 306 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 (requiring provisions in the jurisdiction of the Committee on the Budget to be referred to or reported by the Committee on the Budget). The rule allows the Chairman of the Committee of the Whole to reduce the voting time on any postponed question to five minutes provided that that vote follows a fifteen minute vote. The rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Further, the rule waives points of order against consideration in the House of S. 104 for failure to comply with section 306 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 (requiring provisions in the jurisdiction of the Committee on the Budget to be referred to or reported by the Committee on the Budget). The rule provides for the consideration of a motion to strike all after the enacting clause of S. 104 and to insert in lieu thereof the provisions of H.R. 1270, as passed by the House. Finally, the rule provides that upon the adoption of the Motion and the Senate bill as amended, it is in order to move that the House insist on its amendment to S. 104 and request a conference thereon. Testimony was heard from Representatives Dan Schaefer of Colorado, Hastert, Crapo, Upton, Ensign, Gibbons, Hall of Texas, Markey, Engel, McCarthy of Missouri, DeGette, Kildee, and Kucinich.

SPACE SOLAR POWER

Committee on Science: Subcommittee on Space and Aeronautics held a hearing on Space Solar Power: A Fresh Look. Testimony was heard from John Mankins, Manager, Advanced Concepts Studies, Office of Space Flight, NASA; and public witnesses.

CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of October 27 through November 1, 1997

Senate Chamber

On *Monday*, Senate will consider the nomination of Algenon L. Marbley, of Ohio, to be U.S. District Judge for the Southern District of Ohio, with a vote to occur thereon.