

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S2781–S2878

Measures Introduced: Eleven bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1883–1893 and S. Res. 203–205. **Pages S2850–51**

Measures Passed:

Emergency Supplemental Appropriations: Pursuant to the order of March 26, 1998, Senate passed H.R. 3579, making emergency supplemental appropriations for recovery from natural disasters, and for overseas peacekeeping efforts, for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998, after striking all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the text of S. 1768, Senate companion measure, as passed by the Senate. **Page S2826**

The Senate insisted on its amendment, requested a conference with the House thereon, and the Chair appointed the following conferees on the part of the Senate: Senators Stevens, Cochran, Specter, Domenici, Bond, Gorton, McConnell, Burns, Shelby, Gregg, Bennett, Campbell, Craig, Faircloth, Hutchison, Byrd, Inouye, Hollings, Leahy, Bumpers, Lautenberg, Harkin, Mikulski, Reid, Kohl, Murray, Dorgan, and Boxer. **Page S2826**

Recognizing the Tennessee Lady Volunteers: Senate agreed to S. Res. 203, expressing the sense of the Senate that the University of Tennessee Lady Volunteers basketball team is the new dynasty in collegiate women's basketball. **Pages S2826–27**

Commending the University of Kentucky Basketball Team: Senate agreed to S. Res. 204, to commend and congratulate the University of Kentucky on its men's basketball team winning its seventh National Collegiate Athletic Association championship. **Pages S2827–28**

Congressional Budget: Senate resumed consideration of S. Con. Res. 86, setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal years 1999, 2000, 2001, 2002, and 2003 and revising the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 1998, taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows: **Pages S2781–S2826, S2828–47**

Adopted:

By a unanimous vote of 96 yeas (Vote No. 49), Sessions/Enzi Amendment No. 2166, to express the sense of Congress that the Federal Government should acknowledge the importance of at-home parents and should not discriminate against families who forego a second income in order for a mother or father to be at home with their children. **Pages S2782–86**

Gregg Amendment No. 2167, to express the sense of the Senate that this resolution assumes that no immunity from liability will be provided to any manufacturer of a tobacco product. **Pages S2809–11**

By 79 yeas to 19 nays (Vote No. 51), Gregg/Conrad Amendment No. 2168 (to Amendment No. 2167), of a perfecting nature. **Pages S2809–11**

Pending:

Kyl Amendment No. 2169, to express the sense of the Congress regarding freedom of health care choice for medicare seniors. **Pages S2813–25**

Conrad/Lautenberg/Bingaman/Reed Amendment No. 2174, to ensure that the tobacco reserve fund in the resolution protects public health. **Pages S2831–41**

Conrad (for Moseley-Braun) Amendment No. 2175, to express the sense of the Senate regarding elementary and secondary school modernization and construction. **Page S2781**

Conrad (for Boxer) Modified Amendment No. 2176, to increase Function 500 discretionary budget authority and outlays to accommodate an initiative promoting after-school education and safety. **Pages S2812–13**

Brownback Amendment No. 2177, to express the sense of the Senate regarding economic growth, Social Security, and Government efficiency. **Page S2782**

Burns Amendment No. 2178, to express the sense of the Senate regarding the use of agricultural trade programs to promote the export of United States agricultural commodities and products. **Page S2782**

Smith (Oregon) Amendment No. 2179, to express the sense of the Senate on Social Security taxes. **Pages S2785–86**

Smith (Oregon) Amendment No. 2180, to express the sense of the Senate with respect to the use of marijuana for medicinal purpose. **Pages S2786, S2814**

Smith (Oregon) Amendment No. 2181, to express the sense of the Senate concerning increases in the prices of tobacco products. **Page S2786**

Kennedy Amendment No. 2183, to express the sense of the Senate concerning the enactment of a patient's bill of rights. **Pages S2786-87**

Kennedy Amendment No. 2184, to increase Function 500 discretionary budget authority and outlays to support innovative education reform efforts in urban and rural school districts. **Pages S2786-87**

Kennedy Amendment No. 2185, to express the sense of the Congress regarding additional budget authority for the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission. **Pages S2786-87**

Wellstone Modified Amendment No. 2186, to provide a reserve fund to pay for increased Pell Grants by reducing or eliminating corporate welfare tax expenditures. **Pages S2799, S2813**

Wellstone/Moynihan Amendment No. 2187, to express the sense of the Senate regarding a report of the Secretary of Health and Human Services evaluating the outcomes of welfare reform. **Page S2799**

Wellstone Modified Amendment No. 2188, to provide additional funds for medical care for veterans. **Pages S2799-S2800, S2813**

Thurmond Amendment No. 2191, to clarify outlay levels for major functional categories. **Pages S2811-12**

Thurmond Amendment No. 2192, to clarify outlay levels for national defense. **Pages S2811-12**

Lautenberg (for Hollings) Amendment No. 2193, to provide a supermajority point of order against any change in the off-budget status of Social Security. **Page S2812**

Lautenberg Amendment No. 2194, to express the sense of the Senate to ensure that the tobacco reserve fund in the resolution may be used to protect the public health. **Page S2812**

Lautenberg Amendment No. 2195, to establish a deficit-neutral reserve fund for environmental and natural resources. **Page S2812**

Lautenberg (for Kohl/Reid) Amendment No. 2204, to express the sense of the Senate regarding the establishment of a national background check system for long-term care workers. **Pages S2825-26**

Lautenberg (for Durbin/Chafee) Amendment No. 2205, to express the sense of Congress regarding the right to affordable, high-quality health care for seniors. **Pages S2825-26**

Reid/Bryan Amendment No. 2206, to express the sense of the Senate that the landowner incentive program included in the Endangered Species Recovery Act should be financed from a dedicated source of funding and that public lands should not be sold to fund the landowner incentive program of the Endangered Species Recovery Act. **Pages S2828-31**

Domenici (for Roth) Amendment No. 2209, to express the sense of the Senate that the Committee on Finance shall consider and report a legislative proposal this year that would dedicate the Federal budget surplus to the establishment of a program of personal retirement accounts for working Americans. **Page S2841**

Lautenberg (for Johnson) Amendment No. 2210, to express the sense of the Senate regarding repair and construction of Indian schools. **Pages S2841-42**

Allard Amendment No. 2170, to require the reduction of the deficit, a balanced Federal budget, and the repayment of the national debt. **Pages S2842-44**

Craig Amendment No. 2211, to modify the pay-as-you-go requirement of the budget process to require that direct spending increases be offset only with direct spending decreases. **Pages S2844-47**

During consideration of this measure today, Senate also took the following action:

Three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn not having voted in the affirmative, Senate rejected motions to waive certain provisions of the Congressional Budget Act with respect to consideration of the following amendments:

By 46 yeas to 52 nays (Vote No. 50), Murray Amendment No. 2165, to establish a deficit-neutral reserve fund to reduce class size by hiring 100,000 teachers. **Pages S2787-99**

By 50 yeas to 48 nays (Vote No. 52), Conrad (for Dodd) Amendment No. 2173, to establish a deficit-neutral reserve fund for child care improvements. **Pages S2800-09, S2811**

Subsequently, a point of order that the amendments were violations of the Congressional Budget Act was sustained, and the amendments thus fell. **Page S2811**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for a vote to occur on Amendment No. 2169, at 12 noon, and on Amendment No. 2174, at 2 p.m., on Wednesday, April 1, 1998. **Page S2878**

Senate will continue consideration of the resolution on Wednesday, April 1, 1998.

Foreign Affairs Reform and Restructuring Act Conference Report—Agreement: A unanimous-consent time-agreement was reached providing for the consideration of the conference report on H.R. 1757, to consolidate international affairs agencies, and to authorize appropriations for the Department of State and related agencies for fiscal years 1998 and 1999. **Page S2878**

Messages From the President: Senate received the following messages from the President of the United States:

Transmitting a report concerning B-2 bombers; referred to the Committee on Armed Services. (PM-116). **Pages S2848-49**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations: Nora M. Manella, of California, to be United States District Judge for the Central District of California vice Mariana R. Pfaelzer, retired. **Page S2878**

Messages from the President: **Pages S2848-49**

Messages from the House: **Page S2849**

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Additional Statements: **Pages S2872-78**

Record Votes: Four record votes were taken today. (Total—52) **Pages S2786, S2799, S2811**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 10:02 p.m., until 10 a.m., on Wednesday, April 1, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record, on page S2878.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

APPROPRIATIONS—CFTC/FDA

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, and Related Agencies concluded hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1999, after receiving testimony in behalf of funds for their respective activities from Brooksley Born, Chairperson, Commodity Futures Trading Commission; and Michael A. Friedman, Lead Deputy Commissioner, Robert J. Byrd, Deputy Commissioner for Management and Systems, and William B. Schultz, Deputy Commissioner for Policy, all of the Food and Drug Administration, and Dennis P. Williams, Deputy Assistant Secretary for the Budget, all of the Department of Health and Human Services.

APPROPRIATIONS—FOREIGN ASSISTANCE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Foreign Operations held hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1999 for foreign assistance programs, focusing on certain economic and political issues, receiving testimony from Strobe Talbott, Deputy Secretary, and Stuart E. Eizenstat, Under

Secretary for Economic Business and Agricultural Affairs, both of the Department of State.

Subcommittee will meet again on Tuesday, April 21.

APPROPRIATIONS—JUSTICE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, State, and the Judiciary, and Related Agencies concluded hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1999 for the Department of Justice, focusing on counter terrorism programs, after receiving testimony from Janet Reno, Attorney General, and Louis J. Freeh, Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation, both of the Department of Justice.

AUTHORIZATION—DEFENSE

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Strategic Forces held hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 1999 for the Department of Defense and the future years defense program, focusing on strategic nuclear policy and related matters, receiving testimony from Edward L. Warner, III, Assistant Secretary of Defense for Strategy and Threat Reduction; Gen. Eugene E. Habiger, USAF, Commander-in-Chief, United States Strategic Command; Adm. Stansfield Turner, USN (Ret.), former Director of Central Intelligence; Kathleen C. Bailey, Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory/University of California, Berkeley; Keith B. Payne, National Institute for Public Policy, Fairfax, Virginia; and Bruce Blair, Brookings Institution, Washington, D.C.

Subcommittee recessed subject to call.

AUTHORIZATION—SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Surface Transportation and Merchant Marine concluded hearings on S. 1802, authorizing funds for fiscal years 1999 through 2001 for the Surface Transportation Board, after receiving testimony from Linda J. Morgan, Chairman, Surface Transportation Board, Department of Transportation; Ed Rastatter, National Industrial Transportation League, Arlington, Virginia; Jon M. Huntsman, Jr., Huntsman Corporation, Salt Lake City, Utah, on behalf of the Chemical Manufacturers Association and the Society of the Plastics Industry, Inc.; Kendell Keith, Washington, D.C., and Ed Lauer, Attebury Grain Inc., Amarillo, Texas, both on behalf of the National Grain and Feed Association; Robert G. Szabo, Consumers United for Rail Equity, Terry C. Whiteside, Alliance for Rail Competition, James A. Hagen, Association of American Railroads, and Edward Wytkind, Transportation Trades Department (AFL-CIO), all of Washington, D.C.; Robb Todd, City Council of Houston, Texas; K. Earl Durden,

Rail Management and Consulting Corporation, Panama City Beach, Florida, on behalf of the American Shortline and Regional Railroads Association; and Joseph M. Harrison, American Moving and Storage Association, Alexandria, Virginia.

NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee concluded hearings on S. 1100 and S. 1275, bills to make the United States Immigration and Nationality Act and the minimum wage provisions of the United States Fair Labor Standards Act applicable to the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, and to impose certain restrictions on textile products manufactured in the Commonwealth, after receiving testimony from Bruce Babbitt, Secretary of the Interior; Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands Governor Pedro P. Tenorio, Speaker of the House of Representatives Diego T. Benavente, and President of the Senate Paul A. Manglona, both of the Northern Marianas Commonwealth Legislature, Kerry McKinney, Saipan Chamber of Commerce, Eric Gregoire, Diocese of Chalan Kanoa, Ron Sablan, Hotel Association of the Northern Mariana Islands, all of Saipan, Northern Mariana Islands; and Carlos Moore, American Textile Manufacturers Institute, Washington, D.C.

BUSINESS MEETING: IRS REFORM

Committee on Finance: Committee ordered favorably reported an original bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to restructure and reform the Internal Revenue Service of the Department of the Treasury, in lieu of H.R. 2676.

CHARTER SCHOOLS

Committee on Labor and Human Resources: Committee concluded hearings to examine the role of charter schools in educational reform, State and Federal efforts to help charter schools access Federal funds, and S. 1380 and H.R. 2616, bills to extend the authorization of funds through fiscal year 2002 for titles VI and X of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act to expand the implementation of public charter schools, after receiving testimony from Senator Lieberman; Representative Roemer; Cornelia M. Blanchette, Associate Director for Education and Employment Issues, Health, Education, and Human Services Division, General Accounting Office; Joan Heffernan, Integrated Day Charter School, Norwich,

Connecticut; Raymond Jackson, ATOP Academy, and Lisa Graham Keegan, Arizona Department of Education, on behalf of the Education Leaders Council, both of Phoenix, Arizona; Tim Sindelar, Disability Law Center, Boston, Massachusetts; and Eric Rofes, University of California at Berkeley.

VA COMPENSATION FOR TOBACCO-RELATED ILLNESSES

Committee on Veterans Affairs: Committee concluded hearings on proposed legislation to limit the provision of veterans' benefits for tobacco-related disability and death, after receiving testimony from Togo D. West, Jr., Acting Secretary, Joseph Thompson, Under Secretary for Benefits, John Thompson, Associate General Counsel, Thomas Garthwaite, Deputy Under Secretary for Health, and Mary Lou Kenner and James Endicott, both a former General Counsel, all of the Department of Veterans Affairs; and Philip R. Wilkerson, American Legion, David W. Gorman, Disabled American Veterans, Gordon H. Mansfield, Paralyzed Veterans of America, Kenneth A. Steadman, Veterans of Foreign Wars, and William F. Russo, Vietnam Veterans of America, all of Washington, D.C.

HOME HEALTH CARE ACCESS

Special Committee on Aging: Committee concluded hearings to examine the effect on seniors of certain policy changes to the home health care provisions under Medicare as directed by the Balanced Budget Act of 1997, focusing on the interim payment system, venipuncture or the drawing of blood, and surety bonds requirements, after receiving testimony from Nancy-Ann Min DeParle, Administrator, Health Care Financing Administration, Department of Health and Human Services; Barbara Markham Smith, George Washington University Medical Center, and William Dombi, Center for Health Care Law, on behalf of the National Association for Home Care, both of Washington, D.C.; Cindi Slack, Sioux Valley Hospital Visiting Nurses Association, Sioux Falls, South Dakota; David J. Martin, Apple Home Healthcare, Inc., Metairie, Louisiana; Linda Fanton, Eastern Iowa Visiting Nurses and Home Health Care, Monticello; and James C. Pateidl, Lockton Companies, Kansas City, Missouri, on behalf of the National Association of Surety Bond Producers.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 13 public bills, H.R. 3602–3614; and 2 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 256, and H. Res. 404 were introduced. Pages H1853–54

Reports Filed: Reports were filed as follows:

Report on the Revised Suballocation of Budget Totals for fiscal year 1998 (H. Rept. 105–475); and

H. Res. 405, providing for consideration of H.R. 2400, to authorize funds for Federal-aid highways, highway safety programs, and transit programs (H. Rept. 105–476). Page H1853

Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Snowbarger to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. Page H1779

Recess: The House recessed at 9:56 a.m. and reconvened at 11:00 p.m. Page H1782

Secret Session: By a recorded vote of 194 yeas to 227 nays, Roll No. 86, rejected the Obey motion that the House resolve itself into secret session, that the galleries be cleared of all persons and that the House Chamber be cleared of all persons except the Members of the House and those officers and employees specified by the Speaker whose attendance on the floor is essential to the functioning of the House and who subscribe to the notarized oath of confidentiality. Page H1797

Emergency Supplemental Appropriations: The House passed H.R. 3579, making emergency supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998 by a yeas and nays vote of 212 yeas to 208 nays, Roll No. 88. Pages H1797–H1824

Rejected the Murtha motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Appropriations with instructions to report it back to the House forthwith with an amendment to strike Title II of the bill by a yeas and nays vote of 195 yeas to 224 nays, Roll No. 87. Pages H1822–23

Agreed to the Livingston amendment that provides \$20 million to the Community Development Block Grant Fund for use in states in the northeast impacted by the January 1998 ice storms and offset by a \$20 million rescission in the section 8 Housing Reserve Account. Pages H1820–22

H. Res. 402, the rule that provided for consideration of the bill was agreed to by a yeas and nays vote of 220 yeas to 199 nays, Roll No. 85. Pursuant to the rule, three amendments printed in part 1 of H. Rept. 105–473, the report accompanying the rule

were considered as adopted. These amendments prevent the Corps of Engineers from depositing fill on the site where the Kennewick Man remains were discovered in the State of Washington prior to the final disposition of a District Court lawsuit; express the Sense of the House concerning fiscal responsibility and reducing spending to offset supplemental appropriations; and replaces a \$243.6 million rescission of FAA Grants-In-Aid contract authority with an offsetting rescission from the Section 8 Housing Reserve Account. Pages H1786–97

Financial Services Act of 1997: H. Res. 403, the rule providing for consideration of H.R. 10, to enhance competition in the financial services industry by providing a prudential framework for the affiliation of banks, securities firms, and other financial service providers was called up for consideration and subsequently withdrawn. Pages H1824–31

Presidential Message—B-2 Bomber Procurement: Read a message from the President wherein he certifies to the Congress that no additional B-2 bombers should be procured during this fiscal year—referred to the Committees on Appropriations and National Security and ordered printed (H. Doc. 105–236). Page H1831

Order of Business—Credit Union Membership Access Act: It was made in order that notwithstanding clause 1 of rule XXVII, it be in order at any time on Wednesday, April 1, 1998, for the Speaker to entertain a motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill H.R. 1151, Credit Union Membership Access Act. Page H1850

Senate Messages: Message received from the Senate appears on page 1782.

Referral: S. 1751, to extend the deadline for submission of a report by the Commission to Assess the Organization of the Federal Government to Combat the Proliferation of Weapons of Mass Destruction, was referred to the Committee on International Relations and the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence. Page H1850

Quorum Calls—Votes: One quorum call (Roll No. 89), three yeas and nays votes and one recorded vote developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H1796–97, H1797, H1823, H1824, and H1827.

Adjournment: Met at 9:30 a.m. and adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Committee Meetings

COMMERCE, JUSTICE, STATE, AND JUDICIARY APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, State, and Judiciary held a hearing on the Immigration and Naturalization Service, the U.S. Trade Representative, and the International Trade Administration. Testimony was heard from Doris Meissner, Commissioner, Immigration and Naturalization Service, Department of Justice; Charlene Barshefsky, U.S. Trade Representative; and David Aaron, Ambassador, Under Secretary, International Trade, Department of Commerce.

FOREIGN OPERATIONS, EXPORT FINANCING AND RELATED PROGRAMS APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Foreign Operations, Export Financing and Related Programs continued appropriation hearings. Testimony was heard from Members of Congress and public witnesses.

INTERIOR APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Interior held a hearing on the National Park Service and the National Forest Service. Testimony was heard from Robert Stanton, Director, National Park Service, Department of the Interior; and Michael Dombeck, Chief, Forest Service, USDA.

LABOR-HHS-EDUCATION APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education held a hearing on Vocational and Adult Education, Special Education and Rehabilitative Services, Educational Research and Improvements and the Office of Inspector General. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Education: Patricia W. McNeil, Assistant Secretary, Vocational and Adult Education; Judith E. Heumann, Assistant Secretary, Special Education and Rehabilitative Services; Ricky T. Takai, Acting Assistant Secretary, Educational Research and Improvement; and Steven A. McNamara, Acting Inspector General.

VA-HUD-INDEPENDENT AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on VA-HUD and Independent Agencies held a hearing on NASA. Testimony was heard from Daniel S. Goldin, Administrator, NASA.

COUNTERFEITING INCREASE—PERSONAL COMPUTERS

Committee on Banking and Financial Services: Subcommittee on Domestic and International Monetary Policy held a hearing to examine the increase in counterfeiting using personal computers. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of the Treasury: Thomas Ferguson, Deputy Director, Bureau of Engraving and Printing; and Dennis F. Lynch, Special Agent in Charge, Counterfeit Division, U.S. Secret Service.

JOINT BUDGET RESOLUTION

Committee on the Budget: Task Force on Budget Process held a hearing on Joint Budget Resolution (Should the Budget be a Law?). Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

FCC REAUTHORIZATION

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Telecommunications, Trade, and Consumer Protection held a hearing on reauthorization of the FCC. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the FCC: William E. Kennard, Chairman, Susan Ness, Harold W. Furchtgott-Roth, Michael K. Powell and Gloria Tristani, all Commissioners; Robert P. Murphy, General Counsel, GAO; and a public witness.

WORKPLACE COMPETITIVE ISSUES

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing on American Work Project: Workplace Competitive Issues. Testimony was heard from Representative Goodling; John R. Fraser, Acting Administrator, Wage and Hour Division, Department of Labor; and public witnesses.

FOREIGN CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTIONS

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Held a hearing on FEC Enforcement Actions: Foreign Campaign Contributions and Other FECA Violations. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the FEC: Scott E. Thomas, Vice Chairman; Lawrence M. Noble, General Counsel; Lois Lerner, Associate General Counsel; and Jose Rodriguez, Staff Attorney.

COUNTER-NARCOTICS POLICY—COLOMBIA

Committee on International Relations: Held a hearing on U.S. Counter-Narcotics Policy Towards Colombia. Testimony was heard from Randy Beers, Acting Assistant Secretary, Bureau of International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Affairs, Department of State; Gen. Charles E. Wilhelm, USMC, Commander-in-Chief, U.S. Southern Command, Department of Defense; Gen. Jose Serrano, Director General, National Police, Colombia; and public witnesses.

BETRAYAL OF SREBRENICA

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on International Operations and Human Rights held a hearing on the Betrayal of Srebrenica: Why did the Massacre Happen? Will It Happen Again? Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

BUILDING EFFICIENT SURFACE TRANSPORTATION AND EQUITY ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a modified closed rule on H.R. 2400, Building Efficient Surface Transportation and Equity Act of 1998, providing two hours of general debate equally divided between the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure and thirty minutes equally divided between the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Ways and Means. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule makes in order the amendment in the nature of a substitute as recommended by the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, as modified by the amendment recommended by the Committee on Ways and Means now printed in the bill and as modified by the amendment printed in part 1 of the report of the Committee on Rules, as an original bill for the purpose of amendment which shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the amendment in the nature of a substitute, as modified. The rule makes in order only those amendments printed in part 2 of the report of the Committee on Rules and waives all points of order against the amendments. The rule provides that the amendments made in order under part 2 of the report shall be considered only in the order specified, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the 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 allows the Chairman of the Committee of the Whole to postpone votes during consideration of the bill, and to reduce voting time to five minutes on a postponed question if the vote follows a fifteen minute vote. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit, with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Representatives Shuster, Petri, Baker, Archer, Bilbray, Hunter, Roukema, Kasich, Morella, Shays, Parker, Canady, Castle, Inglis of South Carolina, McKeon, McIntosh, Graham, Hayworth, Barr of Georgia, Ryan, Largent, Oberstar, Obey, Spratt. DeLauro, Moran of Virginia, Norton and Minge.

DOMAIN NAMES SYSTEMS

Committee on Science: Subcommittee on Basic Research and the Subcommittee on Technology held a joint oversight hearing on Domain Names Systems: Where Do We Go From Here? Testimony was heard from Ira Magaziner, Senior Advisor to the President for Policy Development, Department of Commerce; and public witnesses.

ELECTRICITY DEREGULATION

Committee on Science: Subcommittee on Energy and Environment held an oversight hearing on Electricity Deregulation: Implications for Research and Development and Renewable Energy. Testimony was heard from Victor S. Rezendes, Director, Energy Resources and Science Issues, GAO; David Rohy, Vice Chair, Energy Commission, State of California; and public witnesses.

WATER RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT ACT—PROPOSAL

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment held a hearing on Proposals for a Water Resources Development Act of 1998. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

TAX RETURN FILING SEASON; IRS BUDGET

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Oversight held a hearing on the 1998 Tax Return Filing Season and the IRS Budget for Fiscal Year 1999. Testimony was heard from Charles O. Rossotti, Commissioner, IRS, Department of the Treasury; Lynda D. Willis, Director, Tax Policy and Administration Issues, GAO; and public witnesses.

AMERICAS FREE TRADE AREA

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Trade held a hearing on Free Trade Area of the Americas. Testimony was heard from Representative Farr; Richard Fisher, Deputy U.S. Trade Representative; and public witnesses.

HUMAN INTELLIGENCE AND COVERT ACTION

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Met in executive session to hold a hearing on Human Intelligence and Covert Action. Testimony was heard from departmental witnesses.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, APRIL 1, 1998

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Military Construction, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1999 for military construction, focusing on the Department of Defense's Base Realignment and Closure Commission's (BRAC) environmental programs, 9 a.m., SD-138.

Subcommittee on Interior, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1999 for the Department of the Interior, 9:30 a.m., SD-124.

Subcommittee on Defense, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1999 for Department of Defense medical programs, 10 a.m., SD-192.

Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1999 for the National Institutes of Health, Department of Health and Human Services, 2 p.m., SD-192.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs, Subcommittee on Financial Services and Technology, to hold hearings to examine how identity theft contributes to electronic crime, 10:30 a.m., SD-538.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, business meeting, to mark up proposed legislation to reform and restructure the process by which tobacco products are manufactured, marketed, and distributed, to prevent the use of tobacco products by minors, and to redress the adverse health effects of tobacco use, 9:30 a.m., SH-216.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, Subcommittee on National Parks, Historic Preservation, and Recreation, to hold hearings on titles I, II, III, and V of S. 1693, to renew, reform, reinvigorate, and protect the National Park System, 2 p.m., SD-366.

Committee on Environment and Public Works, to hold hearings to examine indoor air quality and involuntary exposure to environmental tobacco smoke or second-hand smoke in the workplace and in homes, 1:30 p.m., SD-406.

Committee on Governmental Affairs, to hold hearings on the nomination of Melvin R. Wright, to be an Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia, 9 a.m., SD-342.

Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the Year 2000 computer transition, 10 a.m., SD-342.

Full Committee, business meeting, to consider pending calendar business, 4 p.m., S-211, Capitol.

Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on Antitrust, Business Rights, and Competition, to hold hearings to examine airline competition and pricing, 10 a.m., SD-226.

Committee on Labor and Human Resources, business meeting, to mark up S. 1754, to consolidate and authorize funds for health professions and minority and disadvantaged health professions and disadvantaged health education programs, proposed legislation authorizing funds for programs of the Higher Education Act, and to consider pending nominations, 1:30 p.m., SD-430.

Committee on Indian Affairs, business meeting, to mark up S. 1797, to reduce tobacco use by Native Americans and to make the proposed tobacco settlement applicable to tobacco-related activities on Indian lands, and S. 1279, proposed Indian Employment Training and Related Services Demonstration Act, and to consider the nomination of Katherine L. Archuleta, of Colorado, to be a Member of the Institute of American Indian and Alaska Native Culture and Arts Development; to be followed by hearings on proposed legislation to revise the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act of 1988, 10:30 a.m., SD-106.

House

Committee on Agriculture, Subcommittee on Risk Management and Specialty Crops, hearing to review the 1999 World Trade Organization Multilateral Trade Negotiations, 9 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, State, and Judiciary, on the EEOC, 10 a.m., and public witnesses, 11 a.m., and 2 p.m., H-309 Capitol.

Subcommittee on Foreign Operations, Export Financing and Related Programs, on Human Rights, 10 a.m., H-140 Capitol.

Subcommittee on Interior, on Members on Congress, 10 a.m., B-308, Rayburn.

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Subcommittee on VA-HUD and Independent Agencies, on NSF, 9:30 a.m., 2359 Rayburn.

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Subcommittee on Telecommunications, Trade, and Consumer Protection, hearing on Video Competition: Multichannel Programming, focusing on the following bills; H.R. 2921, Multichannel Video Competition and Consumer Protection Act of 1997; and H.R. 3210, Copyright Compulsory License Improvement Act, 10:30 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Education and the Workforce, to markup the following: H.R. 2888, Sales Incentive Compensation Act; H.R. 2327, Drive for Teen Employment Act; and H. Res. 399, urging the Congress and the President to work to fully fund the Federal Government's obligation under

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Committee on Government Reform and Oversight, Subcommittee on Government Management, Information, and Technology, hearing on Federal Consolidated Financial Statements: Can the Federal Government Balance Its Books, 9:30 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on International Relations, to mark up the following: H. Res. 350, congratulating the people of Sri Lanka on the occasion of the fiftieth anniversary of their nation's independence; H. Con. Res. 218, concerning the urgent need to establish a cease fire in Afghanistan and begin the transition toward a broad-based multiethnic government that observes international norms of behavior; H. Res. 374, expressing the sense of the House of Representatives regarding the ongoing violence in Algeria; H. Con. Res. 222, expressing the sense of Congress, congratulating the former International Support and Verification Commission of the Organization of American States (OAS-CIAV) for successfully aiding in the transition of Nicaragua from a war-ridden state into a newly formed democracy and providing continued support through the recently created Technical Cooperation Mission (OAS-TCM) which is responsible for helping to stabilize Nicaraguan democracy by supplementing institution building; H. Con. Res. 215, congratulating the people of the Co-operative Republic of Guyana for holding multiparty elections; S. Con. Res. 37, expressing the sense of the Congress that Little League Baseball Incorporated was established to support and develop Little League baseball worldwide and that its international character and activities should be recognized; and H.J. Res. 102, expressing the sense of the Congress on the occasion

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Committee on the Judiciary, to markup the following: H.R. 872, Biomaterials Access Assurance Act of 1997; H.R. 2925, Deadbeat Parents Punishment Act of 1997; H.R. 3565, Care for Police Survivors Act of 1998; H.R. 2281, WIPO Copyright Implementation Act; H.R. 3209, On-Line Copyright Infringement Liability Limitation Act; and H.R. 3206, Fair Housing Amendments Act of 1998; and to consider private bills, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

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