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Hearings were recessed subject to call.

### INS REFORM

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on Immigration concluded oversight hearings to examine the structure of the law enforcement activities of the Immigration and Naturalization Service, after receiving testimony from Doris Meissner, Commissioner, and Ron Sanders, Chief Patrol Agent, United States Border Patrol (Tucson, Arizona), on behalf of the Chief Patrol Agents' Association, both of the Immigration and Naturalization Service, Department of Justice; and Richard J. Gallo, Federal Law Enforcement Officers Association, East Northport, New York.

### BUSINESS MEETING

*Committee on Labor and Human Resources:* Committee ordered favorably reported S. 1380, to authorize funds for titles VI and X of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act to expand the implementation of public charter schools, with an amendment.

Also, committee resumed markup of S. 2213, to allow all States to participate in activities under the Education Flexibility Partnership Demonstration Act, but did not complete action thereon, and will meet again tomorrow.

### WENDELL H. FORD GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS REFORM ACT

*Committee on Rules and Administration:* Committee concluded hearings on S. 2288, to provide for the reform and continuing legislative oversight of the production, procurement, dissemination, and permanent public access of the Government's publications, after receiving testimony from Michael F. DiMario, Public Printer, and George E. Lord, Chairman, Joint Council of GPO Unions, both of the Government Printing Office; Barbara J. Ford, Virginia Commonwealth University, Richmond, on behalf of the American Li-

brary Association; Daniel P. O'Mahony, Brown University, Providence, Rhode Island, on behalf of the Inter-Association Working Group on Government Information Policy; Benjamin Y. Cooper, Printing Industries of America, Inc., Alexandria, Virginia; and Robert L. Oakley, Georgetown University Law Center, on behalf of the American Association of Law Libraries, Daniel C. Duncan, Information Industry Association, Patrice McDermott, OMB Watch, and William J. Boarman, Communications Workers of America/AFL-CIO, all of Washington, D.C.

### BUSINESS MEETING

*Committee on Indian Affairs:* Committee ordered favorably reported the following bills:

S. 1905, to provide for equitable compensation for the Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

H.R. 3069, to extend the Advisory Council on California Indian Policy to allow the Advisory Council one year to advise Congress on the implementation of its recommendations, with an amendment;

S. 1770, to elevate the position of Director of the Indian Health Service to Assistant Secretary of Health and Human Services, and to provide for the organizational independence of the Indian Health Service within the Department of Health and Human Services, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 391, to provide for the disposition of certain funds appropriated to pay judgment in favor of the Mississippi Sioux Indians, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute; and

S. 1419, to deem the activities of the Miccosukee Tribe on the Tamiami Indian Reserve to be consistent with the purposes of the Everglades National Park, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

### INTELLIGENCE

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

Committee recessed subject to call.

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# House of Representatives

## Chamber Action

**Bills Introduced:** 11 public bills, H.R. 4342-4352; and 1 resolution, H. Res. 512, were introduced.

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

H.J. Res. 120, disapproving the extension of the waiver authority contained in section 402(c) of the Trade Act of 1974 with respect to Vietnam (H. Rept. 105-653);

H.R. 3482, to designate the Federal building located at 11000 Wilshire Boulevard in Los Angeles, California, as the "Abraham Lincoln Federal Building" (H. Rept. 105-654);

H.R. 3598, to designate the Federal building located at 700 East San Antonio Street in El Paso, Texas, as the "Richard C. White Federal Building" (H. Rept. 105-655);

S. 2032, to designate the Federal building in Juneau, Alaska, as the "Hurff A. Saunders Federal Building", amended (H. Rept. 105-656);

H.R. 3736, to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to make changes relating to H-B non-immigrants, amended (H. Rept. 105-657);

H. Res. 507, providing special investigative authority for the Committee on Education and the Workforce (H. Rept. 105-658); and

Conference report on H.R. 1385, to consolidate, coordinate, and improve employment, training, literacy, and vocational rehabilitation programs in the United States (H. Rept. 105-659).

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**Order of Proceedings:** Agreed by unanimous consent that it be in order at any time on the legislative day of Thursday, July 30, 1998, to consider in the House the joint resolution, H.J. Res.120, disapproving the extension of the waiver authority contained in section 402(c) of the Trade Act of 1974 with respect to Vietnam; that the joint resolution be considered as read for amendment; that all points of order against the joint resolution and against its consideration be waived; and that the joint resolution be debatable for one hour equally divided and controlled.

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**Texas Low-Level Radioactive Waste Disposal Compact:** The House agreed to the conference report on H.R. 629, to grant the consent of the Congress to the Texas Low-Level Radioactive Waste Disposal Compact by yeas and nays vote of 305 yeas to 117 nays, Roll No. 344.

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H. Res. 511, the rule waiving points of order against the conference report was agreed to by yeas and nays vote of 313 yeas to 108 nays, Roll No. 343.

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**VA, HUD, Appropriations:** The House passed H.R. 4194, making appropriations for the Departments of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development, and for sundry independent agencies, boards, commissions, corporations, and offices for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999 by a yeas and nays vote of 259 yeas to 164 nays, Roll No. 352.

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Rejected the Obey motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Appropriations with instructions to report it back with an amendment that strikes

language prohibiting rulemaking by the Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) on chemical treatment of upholstery fabrics and strikes Section 425, adopted by the rule, that requires the CPSC to conduct a study on the toxicity of flame retardant chemicals and establish a Chronic Hazard Advisory Panel by a recorded vote of 164 yeas to 261 noes, Roll No. 351.

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On a demand for a separate vote, agreed to the Coburn amendment, numbered 33 and printed in the Congressional Record to, increase VA medical care funding by \$304 million with the offset from FHA mortgage administrative expense funding by a recorded vote of 351 yeas to 73 noes, Roll No. 350.

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Agreed To:

The Obey amendment that reduces Veterans Health Administration medical equipment, land and structures object classifications funding by \$69 million and increases medical care activities by the same amount;

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The DeLauro amendment that prohibits funding by the Consumer Product Safety Commission to be used to develop and enforce the standard for the flammability of children's sleepware sizes 0 through 6x and 7 through 14 (contained in regulations published at 16 CFR part 1615 and part 1616) as the standard was amended effective January 1, 1997;

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The Coburn amendment, numbered 33 and printed in the Congressional Record, that increases VA medical care funding by \$304 million with the offset from FHA mortgage administrative expense funding;

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The Berman amendment that prohibits FEMA from transferring funding from the Kaiser Permanente Hospital in Panorama City, California under the Seismic Hazard Mitigation Program for Hospitals or to relocate the hospital to a site more than 3 miles from the current site;

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The Neumann amendment that prohibits any funds to be used for researching methods to reduce methane emissions from cows, sheep, or any other ruminant livestock;

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The Scarborough amendment, numbered 29 and printed in the Congressional Record, that prohibit funds to carry out Executive Order 13083;

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The Hilleary amendment, numbered 32 and printed in the Congressional Record, that increases VA grants to construct state extended care facilities by \$21 million and decreases the Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS program funding accordingly (agreed to by a recorded vote of 231 yeas to 200 noes, Roll No. 247);

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The Riggs amendment, numbered 31 and printed in the Congressional Record, that prohibits any funds to be used to implement section 12B.2(b) of the Administrative Code of San Francisco, California (agreed to by a recorded vote of 214 ayes to 212 noes, Roll No. 349). **Pages H6578–88**

Rejected:

The Royce amendment, numbered 26 and printed in the Congressional Record that sought to maintain National Science Foundation funding for research at the fiscal year 1998 level of \$2.5 billion;

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The Roemer amendment, numbered 5 and printed in the Congressional Record that sought to cancel funding for the space station. The amendment was debated on July 23 (rejected by a recorded vote of 109 ayes to 323 noes, Roll No. 345); **Pages H6575–76**

The Hinchey amendment, numbered 22 and printed in the Congressional Record that sought to prohibit the use of Veterans Affairs funding to implement the Veterans Equitable Resource Allocation (VERA) system (rejected by a recorded vote of 146 ayes to 285 noes, Roll No. 346);

**Pages H6551–63, H6576**

Withdrawn:

The Nadler amendment to the Hilleary amendment was offered and subsequently withdrawn that sought to offset the \$21 million increase for VA extended care facilities with a decrease in Space Station funding.

**Pages H6564–65**

Points of Order sustained against:

Sec. 423, that sought to require the CPSC to issue a final rule amending its Flammable Fabrics Act standards;

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The Bereuter amendment that sought to require the EPA, in consultation with the National Academy of Sciences, to expedite a study on the health effects of copper in drinking water.

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**Congressional Gold Medal to Gerald and Betty Ford:** The House passed H.R. 3506, to award a congressional gold medal to Gerald R. and Betty Ford.

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**Military Construction Conference Report:** The House agreed to the conference report on H.R. 4059, making appropriations for military construction, family housing, and base realignment and closure for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999 by yeas and nays vote of 417 yeas to 1 nays, Roll No. 353. Earlier, agreed to consider the conference report by unanimous consent.

**Pages H6593–97**

**Energy and Water Appropriations:** The House disagreed to the Senate amendment to H.R. 4060, making appropriations for energy and water development for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999,

and agreed to a conference. Appointed as conferees: Representatives McDade, Rogers, Knollenberg, Frelinghuysen, Parker, Callahan, Dickey, Livingston, Fazio, Visclosky, Edwards, Pastor, and Obey.

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Agreed to the Vento motion to instruct conferees to disagree with the provision in Title IV of the Senate amendment, providing funding for the Denali Commission, and the provision in Title VI of the Senate amendment, the authorization for such Commission.

**Pages H6598–H6600**

**Presidential Messages:** Read the following messages from the President:

**National Emergency with Iraq:** Message wherein he transmitted his report concerning the national emergency with respect to Iraq—referred to the Committee on International Relations and ordered printed (H. Doc. 105–291);

**Page H6602**

**Corporation for Public Broadcasting:** Message wherein he transmitted the annual report of the Corporation for Public Broadcasting for FY 1997 and the Inventory of the Federal Funds Distributed to Public Telecommunications Entities by Federal Departments and Agencies for FY 1997—referred to the Committee on Commerce;

**Page H6602**

**Dayton Accords:** Message wherein he transmitted his report concerning the benchmarks under which Dayton implementation can continue without the support of a major NATO-led military force—referred to the Committee on International Relations and ordered printed (H. Doc. 105–292);

**Page H6705**

**Weapons of Mass Destruction Proliferation Activities:** Message wherein he reported that he has exercised his statutory authority to issue an Executive order to amend Executive Order 12938 in order to more effectively respond to the worldwide threat of weapons of mass destruction proliferation activities—referred to the Committee on International Relations and ordered printed (H. Doc. 105–293); and

**Pages H6602–03**

**District of Columbia Budget Request Act:** Message wherein he transmitted the District of Columbia FY 1999 Budget Request Act—referred to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered printed (H. Doc. 105–294).

**Pages H6705–06**

**Integration of the Armed Forces:** The House agreed to H. Con. Res. 294, recognizing the 50th Anniversary of the integration of the Armed Forces. Agreed to amend the preamble and the title.

**Pages H6603–04**

**Transportation and Related Agencies Appropriations:** The House passed H.R. 4328, making appropriations for the Department of Transportation and

related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999 by ye and nay vote of 391 yeas to 25 nays, Roll No. 355. **Pages H6706–39**

Agreed To:

The Wolf amendment that provides FAA operating funds from the Airport and Airway Trust Fund; **Page H6728**

The Wolf amendment that makes a technical change to insure that specified funding is available to AMTRAK; **Page H6728**

The Andrews amendment that prohibits any funding by the Amtrak Reform Council for outside consultants; **Pages H6731–32**

The Nadler amendment that provides that only funds from obligations pursuant to sections 1601 and 1602 of the Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century (P.L. 105–178) may be used for improvements to the Miller Highway in New York City; and **Pages H6732–35**

The Roukema amendment that waives the repayment of funds expended on the construction of high occupancy lanes on I–287 in the State of New Jersey under certain conditions. **Pages H6735–36**

Points of Order sustained against:

Language on page 11, line 19; page 16, line 20 through 24; page 18, line 2 through 5, and Section 339. **Pages H6728, H6731**

The Nadler amendment that sought to prohibit the use of any funds for improvements or replacement of the Miller Highway in New York City. **Page H6732**

Withdrawn:

The Ackerman amendment was offered but subsequently withdrawn that sought to prohibit any funds to be obligated or expended for closing a Coast Guard station in fiscal year 1999 unless such closure has been specifically authorized by law; and **Page H6731**

The Barr amendment was offered but subsequently withdrawn that sought to prohibit the National Transportation Highway Traffic Safety Administration from implementing a rule dealing with a national identification card. The rule implements section 656(b) of the Illegal Immigration Reform and Responsibility Act of 1996. **Pages H6735, H6736–37**

Earlier, the House agreed to H. Res. 510, the rule providing for consideration of the bill by a voice vote. **Pages H6601–02**

**Biomaterials Access Assurance Act of 1998:** The House passed H.R. 872, to establish rules governing product liability actions against raw materials and bulk component suppliers to medical device manufacturers. Earlier, agreed to the Gekas amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Pages H6740–48**

**Terry Sanford Federal Building:** The House passed H.R. 3982, to designate the Federal building located at 310 New Bern Avenue in Raleigh, North Carolina, as the “Terry Sanford Federal Building”. Earlier, agreed to the amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Pages H6748–49**

**American Luge Association Races:** The House agreed to H. Con. Res. 305, authorizing the use of the Capitol grounds for the American Luge Association Races. Earlier, agreed to the amendment in the nature of a substitute; and agreed to amend the title. **Pages H6749–50**

**Meeting Hour—July 30:** Agreed that when the House adjourns on the legislative day of July 29, it adjourn to meet at 1:00 p.m. on Thursday, July 30. **Page H6750**

**Meeting Hour—July 31:** Agreed that when the House adjourns On Thursday, July 30, it adjourn to meet at 1:00 p.m. on Friday, July 31. **Page H6750**

**Senate Message:** Message received from the Senate appears on page H6513.

**Amendments:** Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on pages H6697–H6704.

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** Two quorum calls (Roll No. 348, Roll No. 354), five ye and nay votes and six recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H6522, H6534, H6575–76, H6576, H6576–77, H6587, H6587–88, H6590, H6591–92, H6592, H6597, H6600, and H6739.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 10:00 and adjourned at 1:03 a.m. on Thursday, July 30.

## Committee Meetings

### FOREST SERVICE COST REDUCTION AND FISCAL ACCOUNTABILITY ACT

*Committee on Agriculture:* Held a hearing on H.R. 4149, Forest Service Cost Reduction and Fiscal Accountability Act of 1998. Testimony was heard from Francis Pandolfi, Chief Operating Officer, Forest Service, USDA; and public witnesses.

### ELECTRONIC COMMERCE

*Committee on Commerce:* Held a hearing on Electronic Commerce: The Global Electronic Marketplace. Testimony was heard from William M. Daley, Secretary of Commerce; and public witnesses.

### MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

*Committee on Education and the Workforce:* Ordered reported amended the following bills: H.R. 4241, Head Start Amendments of 1998; H.R. 4271, Community Services Authorization Act of 1998; and