

Wednesday, September 16, 1998

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S10393–S10449

Measures Introduced: Twelve bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2477–2488, S. Res. 278, and S. Con. Res. 118. **Pages S10422–23**

Interior Appropriations, 1999: Senate resumed consideration of S. 2237, making appropriations for the Department of the Interior and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows: **Page S10393**

Pending:

Daschle Amendment No. 3581, to provide emergency assistance to agricultural producers. **Pages S10393, S10415**

Boxer Amendment No. 3594, to strike provisions delaying issuance of a notice of final rulemaking with respect to the valuation of crude oil for royalty purposes. **Pages S10393–S10415**

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

By 94 yeas to 1 nay (Vote No. 270), Senate agreed to a motion to instruct the Sergeant at Arms to request the attendance of absent Senators. **Page S10415**

Child Custody Protection Act: Senate began consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 1645, to amend title 18, United States Code, to prohibit taking minors across State lines to avoid laws requiring the involvement of parents in abortion decisions. **Page S10416**

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

By 97 yeas to 1 nay (Vote No. 271), Senate agreed to a motion to instruct the Sergeant at Arms to request the attendance of absent Senators. **Page S10416**

Motion to Adjourn: By 55 yeas to 43 nays (Vote No. 272), Senate agreed to a motion to adjourn. **Pages S10448–49**

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

Transmitting the report of the Commodity Credit Corporation for fiscal year 1996; referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry. (PM–157). **Page S10419**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

William J. Hibbler, of Illinois, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Illinois.

Matthew F. Kennelly, of Illinois, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Illinois.

3 Army nominations in the rank of general.

Routine lists in the Coast Guard, Navy. **Page S10449**

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Record Votes: Three record votes were taken today. (Total—272) **Pages S10415–16, S10449**

Quorum Calls: Two quorum calls were taken today. (Total—4) **Pages S10415–16**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m. and, by 55 yeas to 43 nays, agreed to a motion to adjourn at 6:27 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Thursday, September 17, 1998.

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

TRANSPORTATION SAFETY

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Surface Transportation and Merchant

Marine concluded hearings to examine the effects of fatigue on operators of trucks and rail equipment, and proposed legislation to establish a comprehensive, system-wide fatigue management plan on Class I and II freight railroads and carriers providing commuter or intercity passenger service by the year 2000, after receiving testimony from Jolene M. Molitoris, Administrator, Federal Railroad Administration, and George L. Reagle, Associate Administrator for Motor Carriers, Federal Highway Administration, both of the Department of Transportation; Vernon S. Ellingstad, Director, Office of Research and Engineering, National Transportation Safety Board; Daphne Izer, Parents Against Tired Truckers, Lisbon Falls, Maine; Mark R. Rosekind, Alertness Solutions, Cupertino, California; Susan M. Coughlin, ATA Foundation, Alexandria, Virginia; and Charles E. Dettmann, Association of American Railroads, Clarence V. Monin, Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, on behalf of the Transportation Trades Department (AFL-CIO), and LaMont Byrd, International Brotherhood of Teamsters, all of Washington, D.C.

REFORMULATED GASOLINE

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Committee concluded hearings to examine the use of methyl tertiary-butyl ether (MTBE) in gasoline and S. 1576, to amend the Clean Air Act to permit the exclusive application of California State regulations regarding reformulated gasoline in certain areas within the State, after receiving testimony from Senator Feinstein; Representative Bilbray; John D. Dunlap III, California Environmental Protection Agency Air Resources Board, Sacramento; Edward O. Sullivan, Maine Department of Environmental Protection, Augusta; Daniel S. Greenbaum, Health Effects Institute, Cambridge, Massachusetts; Al Jessel, Chevron Products Company, San Francisco, California; and Douglas A. Durante, Clean Fuels Development Coalition, Arlington, Virginia.

U.S. ANTI-DRUG INTERDICTION

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on Western Hemisphere, Peace Corps, Narcotics and Terrorism concluded joint hearings with the United States Senate Caucus on International Narcotics Control to examine United States anti-drug interdiction efforts and S. 2341, authorizing funds for fiscal years 1999 through 2001 to support enhanced drug interdiction efforts in the major transit countries and support a comprehensive supply eradication and crop substitution program in source countries, after receiving testimony from Barry R. McCaffrey, Director, Office of National Drug Control Policy; Brian E. Sheridan, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Special Operations and Low-Intensity

Conflict; Donnie R. Marshall, Acting Deputy Administrator, Drug Enforcement Administration, Department of Justice; William R. Brownfield, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Affairs; Samuel H. Banks, Deputy Commissioner, United States Customs Service, Department of the Treasury; Adm. James M. Loy, Commandant, United States Coast Guard, Department of Transportation; Henry L. Hinton, Jr., Assistant Comptroller General, National Security and International Affairs Division, General Accounting Office; and Barry D. Crane and A. Rex Rivolo, both of the Institute for Defense Analyses, Washington, D.C.

RADIATION FALLOUT MANAGEMENT

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations concluded hearings to examine the National Cancer Institute's management of a scientific study which assessed the radiation effects of nuclear weapons tests, after receiving testimony from Senator Harkin; Barry L. Johnson, Assistant Surgeon General/Assistant Administrator, Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry, William F. Raub, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Science Policy, and Richard D. Klausner, Director, and Bruce Wachholz, Chief, Radiation Effects Branch, both of the National Cancer Institute, all of the Department of Health and Human Services; and F. Owen Hoffman, SENES Oak Ridge, Inc., Oak Ridge, Tennessee, former Consultant, National Cancer Institute.

COMPUTER EXPORT CONTROL

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Subcommittee on International Security, Proliferation, and Federal Services concluded hearings to examine a General Accounting Office report on the Administration's 1995 decision to revise United States export controls on high performance computers, after receiving testimony from Harold J. Johnson, Associate Director, International Relations and Trade Issues, National Security and International Affairs Division, General Accounting Office; and William Reinsch, Under Secretary of Commerce for Export Administration.

IMMIGRATION DETENTION

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Immigration concluded oversight hearings on the structure and management of the Immigration and Naturalization Service detention system and the implementation of the mandatory criminal alien detention provisions that were included in the Illegal Immigration Reform Act of 1996, after receiving testimony from Doris Meissner, Commissioner, Immigration and Naturalization Service, Department of Justice; Wendy A. Young, Washington, D.C., on behalf

of the Women's Commission for Refugee Women and Children; Eleanor Acer, Lawyers Committee for Human Rights, and Sam Waterston, both of New York, New York; Police Chief David Lon Walker, Marshalltown, Iowa; Fauziya Kassindja, Arlington, Virginia.

GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS REFORM

Committee on Rules and Administration: Committee resumed 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, receiving testimony from J. Michael Farren, Xerox Corporation, Washington, D.C., on behalf of the Information Technology Industry Council; Leonard Pomata, Litton/PRC, Inc., McLean, Virginia, representing the Professional Services Council; and William A. Gindlesperger, ABC Advisors, Inc., Chambersburg, Pennsylvania.

Also, committee held hearings to examine issues with regard to the proposed renovation of the Dirksen Senate Office Building and United States Capitol dome, receiving testimony from Alan M. Hantman, Architect of the Capitol.

Committee recessed subject to call.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Indian Affairs: Committee ordered favorably reported S. 1771, to provide for a final settlement of the claims of the Colorado Ute Indian Tribes, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (As approved by the committee, the substitute amendment incorporated the text of S. 1899, to ratify a Water Rights Compact entered into by the Chippewa Cree Tribe of the Rocky Boy's Reservation and the State of Montana, as Title II of the bill.)

NOMINATION

Committee on Indian Affairs: Committee ordered favorably reported the nomination of Montie R. Deer, of Kansas, to be Chairman of the National Indian Gaming Commission, Department of the Interior.

Prior to this action, the committee concluded hearings on the nomination of Mr. Deer, after the nominee testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 11 public bills, H.R. 4577-4587; 2 private bills, H.R. 4588-4589; and 3 resolutions, H.J. Res. 128-129 and H. Res. 540, were introduced.

Pages H7914-15

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

Report on Revised Suballocation of Budget totals for Fiscal Year 1999 (H. Rept. 105-722);

H.R. 3381, to direct the Secretary of Agriculture and the Secretary of the Interior to exchange land and other assets with Big Sky Lumber Co., amended (H. Rept. 105-723 Part 1);

H. Res. 541, providing for consideration of H.J. Res. 128, making continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 1999 (H. Rept. 105-724);

H. Res. 542, providing for consideration of H.R. 4569, making appropriations for foreign operations, export financing, and related programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999 (H. Rept. 105-725); and

H. Res. 543, providing for consideration of H.R. 3248, to provide dollars to the classroom (H. Rept. 105-726).

Page H7914

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

Page H7811

Treasury, Postal Appropriations: The House disagreed to the Senate amendment to H.R. 4104, making appropriations for the Treasury Department, the United States Postal Service, the Executive Office of the President, and certain Independent Agencies, for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, and agreed to a conference. Appointed as conferees: Representatives Kolbe, Wolf, Istook, Northup, Aderholt, Livingston, McDade, Hoyer, Meek of Florida, Price of North Carolina, and Obey.

Pages H7814-17

Agreed to the Hoyer motion to instruct conferees to insist on the Senate position providing \$3,250,000,000 for emergency expenses relating to Year 2000 conversion of Federal information technology systems.

Pages H7815-17

Western Hemisphere Drug Elimination Act: The House passed H.R. 4300, to support enhanced drug interdiction efforts in the major transit countries and support a comprehensive supply eradication and crop substitution program in source countries, by a recorded vote of 384 ayes to 39 noes, Roll No. 442.

Pages H7819–57

Agreed To:

The Hastert amendment numbered 2 printed in the Congressional Record that requires the Director of the Office of National Drug Control Policy to develop a 10-year master plan for the use of mycoherbicides to control narcotic crops; Page H7835

The Shaw amendment numbered 6 printed in the Congressional Record that allows a State, county, port authority or other local jurisdiction to conduct criminal background checks on employees or applicants for employment; Pages H7844–48

The McCollum amendment numbered 4 printed in the Congressional Record that expresses the sense of Congress that the Secretary of Defense and Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff should revise the priority for counter drug activity, making it second only to war-fighting (agreed to by a recorded vote of 362 ayes to 61 noes, Roll No. 438);

Pages H7831–35, H7854–55

The Traficant amendment that specifies that the Secretary of Defense shall assist in keeping illegal drugs out of the U.S. by assigning members of the Armed Forces to assist the Immigration and Naturalization Service and the Customs Service (agreed to by a recorded vote of 291 ayes to 133 noes, Roll No. 440);

Pages H7835–44, H7855–56

Rejected:

The Reyes amendment, as modified, to the Traficant amendment that sought to clarify that nothing shall be construed as authorizing the deployment of the Armed Forces in contravention of United States law (rejected by a recorded vote of 167 ayes to 256 noes, Roll No. 439);

Pages H7838–44, H7855

The Waters amendment that sought to strike sections providing additional eradication resources for Colombia and Mexico, and to strike the sense of Congress provision to accord U.S. law enforcement personnel serving in Mexico and Mexican law enforcement personnel serving in the United States the same status as their respective diplomatic and consular personnel (rejected by a recorded vote of 67 ayes to 354 noes, Roll No. 441).

Pages H7848–54, H7856–57

H. Res. 537, the rule that provided for consideration of the bill, was agreed to by voice vote.

Pages H7817–19

Drug Demand Reduction Act: The House passed H.R. 4550, to provide for programs to facilitate a significant reduction in the incidence and prevalence

of substance abuse through reducing the demand for illegal drugs and the inappropriate use of legal drugs, by a recorded vote of 396 ayes to 9 noes, Roll No. 444.

Pages H7863–88

Agreed To:

The Portman amendment that clarifies that Employee Assistance Programs may offer treatment; specifies that the program for drug free teenage drivers does not place a mandate on the States and authorizes appropriations; requires a study regarding the development of anti-addiction drugs; and specifies a quorum for Commission on the Role of Medical Education in Reducing Substance Abuse.

Pages H7869–70

The Ros-Lehtinen amendment that increases the drug-free parents empowerment grant amount from \$20,000 to \$50,000;

Pages H7875–76

The Barrett of Wisconsin amendment that specifies that any drug-free workplace demonstration program shall include employee drug testing by a drug testing laboratory certified by the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration or the College of American Pathologists, and each positive test result shall be reviewed by a Licensed Medical Review Officer;

Page H7876

The Souder amendment that specifies that quality rating, criteria, quality program designation, and public notification decisions are the responsibility of each State; and

Pages H7876–77

The Portman amendment that specifies that members of the Commission on Role of Medical Education in Reducing Substance Abuse shall include representatives of the American Psychiatric Association, American Academy of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry, and American Academy of Addiction Psychiatry, and establishes a quorum of 7 members.

Page H7886

Rejected:

The Taylor of Mississippi amendment that requires that each individual appointed to an employment position with the Federal Government after enactment shall be subject to random, unannounced drug testing (rejected by a recorded vote of 123 ayes to 281 noes, Roll No. 443);

Pages H7877–80, H7886–87

Point of Order sustained against:

The Latham amendment numbered 1 printed in the Congressional Record that specifies that any person who manufactures or distributes a controlled substance shall be liable in a civil action to any party harmed, directly or indirectly, by the use of that controlled substance.

Pages H7884–85

Withdrawn:

The Ramstad amendment numbered 2 printed in the Congressional Record that sought to require parity in the application of treatment limitations and financial requirements to substance abuse treatment

benefits with those for medical and surgical benefits; and

Pages H7880–82

The Kennedy of Massachusetts amendment that includes alcohol abuse in the national media campaign by the Director of the Office of National Drug Control Policy for the purpose of reducing and preventing alcohol abuse among young people.

Pages H7882–84

The Clerk was authorized in the engrossment of the bill to make technical and conforming changes to reflect the actions of the House.

Page H7888

H. Res. 538, the rule that provided for consideration of the bill, was agreed to by a voice vote.

Pages H7858–63

Securities Litigation Uniform Standards Act: The House insisted on its amendment to S. 1260, to amend the Securities Act of 1933 and the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 to limit the conduct of securities class actions under State law, and agreed to a conference. Appointed as conferees: Representatives Bliley, Oxley, Tauzin, Cox, White, Dingell, Stupak, and Eshoo.

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Presidential Message—Commodity Credit Corporation: Read a message from the President wherein he transmitted his annual report of the Commodity Credit Corporation for FY 1996—referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

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Committee Election: Agreed to H. Res. 540, electing Representative Sherman to the Committee on Science.

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Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on pages H7915–23.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Seven recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H7854–55, H7855, H7855–56, H7856–57, H7857, H7886–87, and H7887–88. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10:00 a.m. and adjourned at 11:30 p.m.

Committee Meetings

INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC TURMOIL

Committee on Banking and Financial Services: Concluded hearings on International Economic Turmoil. Testimony was heard from Robert E. Rubin, Secretary of the Treasury; and Alan Greenspan, Chairman, Board of Governors, Federal Reserve System.

REAL ESTATE SETTLEMENT PROCEDURES ACT, THE TRUTH IN LENDING ACT AND REFORMS TO MORTGAGE LENDING DISCLOSURE REQUIREMENTS

Committee on Banking and Financial Services: Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Credit and the Subcommittee on Housing and Community Development held a joint hearing on the Real Estate Settlement Procedures Act and the Truth in Lending Act, and reforms to mortgage lending disclosure requirements. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

EDUCATION AND TECHNOLOGY INITIATIVES

Committee on Commerce, and the Committee on Education and the Workforce: Held a joint hearing on Education and Technology Initiatives. Testimony was heard from Linda Roberts, Director, Office of Education Technology and Special Advisor to the Secretary on Technology, Department of Education; Carlotta C. Joyner, Director, Education and Employment Issues, GAO; and public witnesses.

INTERNATIONAL ANTI-BRIBERY AND FAIR COMPETITION ACT

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Finance and Hazardous Materials approved for full Committee action amended H.R. 4353, International Anti-Bribery and Fair Competition Act of 1998.

KYOTO PROTOCOL

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight, Subcommittee on National Economic Growth, Natural Resources, and Regulatory Affairs continued hearings on “The Kyoto Protocol: Is the Clinton-Gore Administration Selling Out Americans? Part VI” Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

DEVELOPING WORLD-SPREAD OF AIDS

Committee on International Relations: Held a hearing on the Spread of AIDS in the Developing World. Testimony was heard from Anthony Fauci, M.D., Director, National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases, Department of Health and Human Services; Col. Deborah Birx, M.D., USA, Director, U.S. Military HIV Research Program, Walter Reed Hospital; Paul DeLay, M.D., Chief, HIV/AIDS Division, AID, U.S. International Development Cooperation Agency; and public witnesses.

U.S. POLICY ON IRAQ

Committee on National Security: Held a hearing on the U.S. policy on Iraq. Testimony was heard from William Scott Ritter, Jr., former Chief Weapons Inspector, United Nations Special Commission on Iraq; Paul Wolfowitz, former Under Secretary, Policy, Department of Defense; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Resources: Ordered reported the following bills: H.R. 1608, to authorize the Pyramid of Remembrance Foundation to establish a memorial in the District of Columbia or its environs to soldiers who have died in foreign conflicts other than declared wars; H.R. 3088, to amend the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act, regarding Huna Totem Corporation public interest land exchange; and H.R. 4223, Colusa Basin Watershed Integrated Resources Management Act.

DOLLARS TO THE CLASSROOM ACT

Committee on Rules: The Committee granted, by voice vote, a structured rule on H.R. 3248, Dollars to the Classroom Act, providing one hour of general debate equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Education and the Workforce. The rule makes in order the Committee on Education and the Workforce amendment in the nature of a substitute now printed in the bill as an original bill for amendment purposes, which shall be considered as read. The rule waives clause 7 of rule XVI (prohibiting nongermane amendments) against the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. The rule makes in order only those amendments printed in the Rules Committee report accompanying this resolution. The rule provides that the amendments made in order shall be considered only in the order specified, may be offered only by a 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 the proponent and an opponent, and shall not be subject to amendment. 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 for one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Representatives Goodling, Pitts, Martinez, Mink, and Abercrombie.

FOREIGN OPERATIONS, EXPORT FINANCING AND RELATED PROGRAMS APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Rules: The Committee granted, by voice vote, a modified open rule on H.R. 4569, making appropriations for foreign operations, export financing and related programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, providing one hour of general debate equally divided between the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropriations. The rule waives clause 1(b) of rule X

(requiring a detailed explanation in the report on any rescissions or transfers of unexpected balances), clause 2(l)(6) of rule XI (relating to the three day availability of the report), and clause 7 of rule XXI (relating to the three day availability of printed hearings) against consideration of the bill. The rule provides for a five hour time limit on the amendment process and that the bill shall be considered as read through page 141, line 18. The rule waives clause 2 of rule XXI (prohibiting unauthorized or legislative provisions in an appropriations bill) and clause 6 of rule XXI (prohibiting reappropriations in an appropriations bill) against provisions in the bill. The rule makes in order only: pro forma amendments for the purpose of debate; amendments preprinted in the Congressional Record; and amendments printed in the report of the Committee on Rules. The rule provides that each of the amendments printed in the report accompanying this resolution may be offered only by a Member designated in the report, may be offered only at the appropriate point in the reading of the bill, 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 waives all points of order against the amendments printed in the report of the Committee on Rules. 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 for one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Representatives Callahan, Wolf, Tiahrt, Gilman, Bereuter, Smith of New Jersey, Weldon of Pennsylvania, Royce, Bob Schaffer of Colorado, Pelosi, Hamilton, Pallone, McKinney, McGovern, and Sherman.

CONTINUING APPROPRIATIONS FOR FY 1999

Committee on Rules: The Committee granted, by voice vote, a closed rule on H.J. Res. 128, Making Continuing Appropriations for FY 1999, providing that the joint resolution be considered as read for amendment. The rule provides one hour of debate in the House equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropriations. The rule provides one motion to recommit.

FARM AND RANCH RISK MANAGEMENT ACT

Committee on Small Business: Held a hearing on H.R. 3659, Farm and Ranch Risk Management Act. Testimony was heard from Senator Grassley; Representatives Thurman and Hulshof; and public witnesses.

SMALL BUSINESSES—PENSION REFORM

Committee on Small Business: Subcommittee on Tax, Finance, and Exports held a hearing on pension reform for small businesses. Testimony was heard from Representatives Blunt and Bentsen; and public witnesses.

BRIEFING—UPDATE ON NORTH KOREAN TAEPO DONG MISSILE LAUNCH

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Met in executive session to hold a briefing on Update on North Korean Taepo Dong Missile Launch. The Committee was briefed by departmental witnesses.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 1998

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on the Budget, to hold joint hearings with the Committee on Foreign Relations' Subcommittee on International Operations, to examine Department of State management and budget issues, 10 a.m., SD-419.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, to hold hearings to examine the Department of Commerce involvement in the transfer of satellite technology to China, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, to hold hearings on the nominations of Gregory H. Friedman, of Colorado, to be Inspector General, Department of Energy, Charles G. Groat, of Texas, to be Director of the United States Geological Survey, Department of the Interior, and T.J. Glauthier, of California, to be Deputy Secretary of Energy, 9:30 a.m., SD-366.

Subcommittee on National Parks, Historic Preservation, and Recreation, to hold hearings on miscellaneous bills, including S. 1175, S. 1641, S. 1960, S. 2086, S. 2133, S. 2239, S. 2240, S. 2241, S. 2246, S. 2247, S. 2248, S. 2285, S. 2297, S. 2309, S. 2401, and H.R. 2411, 2 p.m., SD-366.

Committee on Environment and Public Works, to hold hearings on the General Services Administration's fiscal year 1999 capital investment and leasing programs, the fiscal year 1999 courthouse construction requests of the Administrative Office of the United States Courts, and S. 2481, proposed Public Buildings Reform Act, 9 a.m., SD-406.

Committee on Foreign Relations, Subcommittee on International Operations to hold joint hearings with the Committee on the Budget, to examine Department of State management and budget issues, 10 a.m., SD-419.

Committee on Governmental Affairs, to hold hearings on the nominations of Kenneth Prewitt, of New York, to be Director of the Census, Department of Commerce, and Robert M. Walker, of Tennessee, to be Deputy Director of the Federal Emergency Management Agency, 10:30 a.m., SD-342.

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

Committee on Labor and Human Resources, to hold hearings to examine professional developments incorporating advances and teaching, 10 a.m., SD-430.

Special Committee on the Year 2000 Technology Problem, to hold hearings to examine the potential threat of the millennium bug on the solvency of America's pension plans and mutual funds, and to review internal and external activities of fund managers to protect the investments of Americans as they prepare for Y2K, 9:30 a.m., SD-192.

NOTICE

For a listing of Senate committee meetings scheduled ahead, see page E1741 in today's Record.

House

Committee on Banking and Financial Services, hearing on Preparing for the Year 2000: Financial Institutions, Customers, Telecommunications, and Power, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Commerce, Subcommittee on Energy and Power, to mark up the following bills; H.R. 3610, National Oilheat Research Alliance Act of 1998; and H.R. 4081, to extend the deadline under the Federal Power Act applicable to the construction of a hydroelectric project in the State of Arkansas, 3 p.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, to continue hearings on the circumstances surrounding the FCC's planned relocation to the Portals, including the efforts of Franklin L. Haney and his representatives with respect to this matter and the circumstances surrounding the payments of fees to those representatives, 10 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Telecommunications, Trade, and Consumer Protection, to mark up H.R. 3783, Child Online Protection Act, 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Education and the Workforce, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing on the Review of the Management of the Year 2000 Problem by the Department of Labor and the Department of Education, 10 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight, Subcommittee on Census, hearing on "Oversight of the 2000 Census: Serious Problems with Statistical Adjustment Remain", 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on National Economic Growth, Natural Resources, and Regulatory Affairs, hearing on "A National ID Card: Big Government at its Worst or Technological Efficiency?" 10 a.m., 2247 Rayburn.

Committee on International Relations, hearing on the United States and Russia, Part II: Russia in Crisis, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary, executive, to consider the release of certain documents, records, and materials received

by the Committee from the Independent Counsel on September 9th, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Commercial and Administrative Law, hearing and mark up of S.J.Res. 51, granting the consent of Congress to the Potomac Highlands Airport Authority Compact entered into between the States of Maryland and West Virginia; and to mark up the following bills: H.R. 4049, Regulatory Fair Warning Act of 1998; H.R. 4096, Taxpayers Defense Act; and H.R. 4572, to clarify that governmental pension plans of the possessions of the United States shall be treated in the same manner as State pension plans for purposes of the limitation on the State income taxation of pension income, 2 p.m., 2226 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Crime, hearing on H.R. 4258, No Second Chances for Murderers, Rapists, or Child Molesters Act of 1998, 1 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Resources, Subcommittee on Fisheries Conservation, Wildlife and Oceans, to mark up H.R. 4337, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to provide financial assistance to the State of Maryland for a pilot program to develop measures to eradicate or control nutria and restore marshland damaged by nutria; followed by a hearing on the following bills: H.R. 2304, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to make technical corrections to a map relating to the Coastal Barrier Resources System; and H.R. 4248, Migratory Bird Hunting and Conserva-

tion Stamp Promotion Act; and H.R. 4517, Neotropical Migratory Bird Habitat Enhancement Act, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Subcommittee on Forests and Forest Health, oversight hearing on Forest Service—Backcountry Airstrip Management, 10 a.m., 1334 Longworth.

Committee on Rules, hearing on proposals to amend the standing rules of the House, 10 a.m., H-313 Capitol.

Committee on Science, Subcommittee on Technology, oversight hearing on Industrial Biotechnology: A Solution for the Future? 1 p.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, Subcommittee on Railroads, hearing on H.Con.Res. 52, urging that the railroad industry, including rail labor, management and retiree organizations, open discussions for adequately funding an amendment to the Railroad Retirement Act of 1974 to modify the guaranteed minimum benefit for widows and widowers whose annuities are converted from a spouse to a widow or widower annuity, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Committee on Ways and Means, to mark up the Taxpayer Relief Act of 1998, 10 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

Joint Meetings

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe, to hold hearings to examine the current situation in Kosovo, 3 p.m., 2200 Rayburn Building.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

9:30 a.m., Thursday, September 17

Senate Chamber

Program for Thursday: Senate may resume consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 1645, Child Custody Protection Act.

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

10 a.m., Thursday, September 17

House Chamber

Program for Thursday: Consideration of H.J. Res. 128, making continuing appropriations for FY 1999 (closed rule, one hour of debate);

Consideration of H.R. 4569, Foreign Operations Appropriations Act, 1999 (modified open rule, one hour of debate);

Consideration of H.R. 3736, Workforce Improvement and Protection Act (modified closed rule, one hour of debate);

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