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REPORT; RELEASE OF DOCUMENTS

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Approved the following draft report entitled: "Investigation of the White House Database".

The Committee also approved the release of Documents.

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Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on National Economic Growth, Natural Resources, and Regulatory Affairs held a hearing on Will the Administration Implement the Kyoto Protocol Through the Back Door? Testimony was heard from Kathleen A. McGinty, Chair, Council on Environmental Quality.

EXPEDITED PROCEDURES

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a rule waiving clause 4(b) of rule XI (requiring a two-thirds vote to consider a rule on the same day it is reported from the Rules Committee) against certain resolutions reported from the Rules Committee. The rule applies the waiver to a special rule reported, for the remainder of the second session of the 105th Congress, providing for consideration or disposition of a bill or joint resolution making general appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, any amendment thereto, any conference report thereon, or any amendment reported in disagreement from a conference thereon. The rule also applies the waiver to a special rule reported, for the remainder of the second session of the 105th Congress, providing for consideration or disposition of a bill or joint resolution making continuing appropriations for fiscal year 1999, any amendment thereto, any conference report thereon, or any amendment reported in disagreement from a conference thereon. The rule allows, for the remainder of the second session of the 105th Congress, for the Speaker to entertain motions to suspend the rules, provided that the object of any such motion to suspend the rules, provided that the object of any such motion is announced from the floor at least two hours before the motion is offered and that in the scheduling of legislation under this authority, the Speaker or his designee shall consult with the Minority Leader or his designee.

URUGUAY ROUND AGREEMENTS COMPLIANCE ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a closed rule providing for consideration in the House of H.R. 4761, Uruguay Round Agreements Compliance Act of 1998, without intervention of any point of order. The rule provides one hour of debate. The rule provides one motion to recommit. Testimony was heard from Representatives Crane and Waters.

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Committee on Science: Held an oversight hearing on The Road from Kyoto-Part 4: The Kyoto Protocol's Impacts on U.S. Energy Markets and Economic Activity. Testimony was heard from. Jay E. Hakes, Administrator, Energy Information Administration, Department of Energy; and public witnesses.

RESOLUTIONS

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Approved the following resolutions: 9 GSA lease; 4 Courthouse construction; 1 repair and alteration; 1 site acquisition and design; and 12 Corps of Engineers water resources survey.

EXPIRING TAX PROVISIONS

Committee on Ways and Means: Ordered reported amended H.R. 4738, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend certain expiring provisions, provide tax relief for farmers and small businesses.

TECHNOLOGY TRANSFERS TO CHINA

Select Committee on U.S. National Security and Military/Commercial Concerns with the People's Republic of China: Met in executive session to continue to receive briefings.

Will continue October 14.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D1123)

H.R. 6, to extend the authorization of programs under the Higher Education Act of 1965. Signed October 7, 1998. (P.L. 105-244)

H.R. 4060, making appropriations for energy and water development for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999. Signed October 7, 1998. (P.L. 105-245)

S. 1379, to amend section 552 of title 5, United States Code, and the National Security Act of 1947 to require disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act regarding certain persons, and disclose Nazi war criminal records without impairing any investigation or prosecution conducted by the Department of Justice or certain intelligence matters. Signed October 8, 1998. (P.L. 105-246)