

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 44 public bills, H.R. 4, 570–612; and 6 resolutions, H.J. Res. 23–24, H. Con. Res. 25, and H. Res. 39–41, were introduced.

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Reports Filed: No reports were filed today.

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

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Director of the CBO: The Chair announced that Speaker of the House and the President Pro Tempore of the Senate jointly appointed Mr. Dan L. Crippin as Director of the Congressional Budget Office, effective February 3, 1999 for the term of office expiring on January 3, 2003.

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Mandates Information Act: The House completed general debate on H.R. 350, to improve congressional deliberation on proposed Federal private sector mandates. Earlier, the House agreed to H. Res. 36, the rule that is providing for consideration of the bill by voice vote.

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Meeting Hour—Monday, February 8: Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 2 p.m. on Monday, February 8.

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Meeting Hour—Tuesday, February 9: Agreed that when the House adjourns on Monday, it adjourn to meet at 12:30 p.m. on Tuesday, February 9, for morning hour debate.

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Calendar Wednesday: Agreed that the business in order under the calendar Wednesday rule be dispensed with on Wednesday, February 10.

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Quorum Calls—Votes: No recorded votes or quorum calls developed during the proceedings of the House today.

Adjournment: The House met at 10:00 a.m. and adjourned at 11:40 p.m.

Committee Meetings

U.S. NATIONAL SECURITY THREATS

Committee on Armed Services: Met in executive session to conclude hearings on threats to U.S. national security. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the CIA: John Gannon, Chairman, National Intelligence Council; and the following National Intelligence Officers: Robert Walpole, Strategic and Nuclear Programs; Ben Bonk, Near East and South

Asia; Barry Lowenkron, Europe; and Mary Tighe, East Asia.

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT— ESTABLISH OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT

Committee on Government Reform: Subcommittee on Government Management, Information, and Technology held a hearing on a proposal to establish an Office of Management in the Executive Office of the President. Testimony was heard from G. Edward DeSeve, Acting Deputy Director, Management, OMB; the following officials of the Congressional Research Service, Library of Congress: Virginia McMurty, Specialist, American National Government; and Ronald C. Moe, Specialist, Government Organization and Management; Paul Posner, Director, Budget Issues, Accounting and Information Management, GAO; and public witnesses.

COMMITTEE ORGANIZATION

Committee on International Relations: Continued to meet for organizational purposes.

COMMITTEE ORGANIZATION; OVERSIGHT PLAN

Committee on the Judiciary: Met for organizational purposes.

The Committee approved an Oversight Plan for the 106th Congress.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on National Parks and Public Lands held a hearing on the following bills: H.R. 15, Otay Mountain Wilderness Act of 1999; H.R. 150, Education Land Grant Act; and H.R. 154, to provide for the collection of fees for the making of motion pictures, television productions, and sound tracks in National Park System and National Wildlife Refuge System units. Testimony was heard from Representatives Bilbray, Hayworth and Hefley; the following officials of the Department of the Interior: Tom Fry, Acting Director, Bureau of Land Management; and Stephen Saunders, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Fish, Wildlife and Parks; Paul Brouha, Associate Deputy Chief, Forest Service, USDA; and public witnesses.

COMMITTEE ORGANIZATION

Committee on Science: Met for organizational purposes.

FINANCIAL NEEDS OF AIRPORTS, FAA, AND AVIATION SYSTEM

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Aviation held a hearing on the financial needs of airports, the FAA, and the aviation system, focusing on the financial commitment needed to enhance the safety of our airports and air traffic control systems. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

Hearings continue February 10.

OVERSIGHT—COAST GUARD EXPENDITURES; COMMITTEE ORGANIZATION

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation held a hearing on oversight of U.S. Coast Guard Expenditures. Testimony was heard from Rear Adm. Thad Allen, USCG, Director of Resources, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Transportation.

Prior to this action, the Subcommittee met for organizational purpose.

PRESIDENT'S FISCAL YEAR 2000 BUDGET

Committee on Ways and Means: Held a hearing on the President's Fiscal Year 2000 Budget. Testimony was heard from Robert E. Rubin, Secretary of the Treasury.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 1999

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Small Business: business meeting to consider pending committee business; S. 314, to provide for a loan guarantee program to address the Year 2000 computer problems of small business concerns; the proposed Small Business Investment Company Technical Corrections Act of 1999; and the nomination of Phyllis K. Fong, of Maryland, to be Inspector General, Small Business Administration, 9 a.m., SR-428A.

Special Committee on the Year 2000 Technology Problem: to hold hearings to examine information technology as it applies to the food sector in the Year 2000, 8:30 a.m., SD-192.

House

No Committee meetings are scheduled.

CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of February 8 through February 13, 1999

Senate Chamber

On *Monday*, Senate will continue to sit as a Court of Impeachment to consider the articles of impeachment against President Clinton.

During the balance of the week, Senate expects to continue to sit as a Court of Impeachment.

Senate Committees

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Committee on Appropriations: February 9, Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2000 for the Department of Agriculture, 10 a.m., SD-138.

Committee on Armed Services: February 9, to resume hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 2000 for the Department of Defense, and the future years defense program, 9:30 a.m., SH-216.

February 11, Full Committee, to resume hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 2000 for the Department of Defense, and the future years defense program, 9:30 a.m., SH-216.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: February 11, business Meeting to markup S. 313, to repeal the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935, and to enact the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1999, and the proposed Financial Regulatory Relief and Economic Efficiency Act of 1999, 9:30 a.m., SD-538.

Committee on the Budget: February 9, to resume hearings on the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2000, 9:30 a.m., SD-608.

February 11, Full Committee, to resume hearings on the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2000, 1 p.m., SD-608.

February 12, Full Committee, to hold hearings on national defense budget issues, 9:30 a.m., SD-608.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: February 9, to hold hearings on the nomination of Wayne O. Burkes, of Mississippi, to be a Member of the Surface Transportation Board, Department of Transportation; to be followed by a hearing on S. 96, to regulate commerce between and among the several States by providing for the orderly resolution of disputes arising out of computer-based problems related to processing data that includes a 2-digit expression of that year's date, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

February 10, Full Committee, business Meeting to markup S. 82, to authorize appropriations for Federal Aviation Administration, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: February 10, business meeting to consider pending calendar business, 9:30 a.m., SD-366.

February 11, Full Committee, with the Committee on Foreign Relations, to hold joint hearings to examine United States policy toward Iraq, focusing on proposals to expand oil for food, Time to be announced, SD-419.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: February 11, to hold hearings to examine the President's proposed