

Tuesday, April 13, 1999

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S3613–S3665

Measures Introduced: Twenty-three bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 768–790, S.J. Res. 18, and S. Con. Res. 25. **Pages S3633–34**

Measures Reported:

Special Report on Legislative Activities of the Committee on Labor and Human Resources during the 105th Congress. (S. Rept. No. 106–40)

Special Report of the Committee on Rules and Administration United States Senate during the 105th Congress. (S. Rept. No. 106–41)

Report to accompany S. 247, to amend title 17, United States Code, to reform the copyright law with respect to satellite retransmissions of broadcast signals. (S. Rept. No. 106–42) **Page S3633**

Measures Passed:

Congressional Award Act Authorization: Senate passed S. 380, to reauthorize the Congressional Award Act. **Page S3660**

Neotropical Migratory Bird Conservation: Senate passed S. 148, to require the Secretary of the Interior to establish a program to provide assistance in the conservation of neotropical migratory birds. **Pages S3660–63**

Congressional Budget House Message: Senate received message on House action on H. Con. Res. 68, establishing the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2000 and setting forth appropriate budgetary levels for each of fiscal years 2001 through 2009, taking the following action: **Pages S3615–28**

Adopted:

By a unanimous vote of 98 yeas (Vote No. 82), Lautenberg motion to instruct conferees to include in the conference report provisions that would reserve all Social Security surpluses only for Social Security, and not for other programs (including other retirement programs) or tax cuts. **Pages S3615–18, S3626–27**

By 57 yeas to 42 nays (Vote No. 83), Domenici motion to instruct conferees to include in the conference report (1) Roth/Breaux Modified Amendment

No. 176 regarding Medicare reform (adopted March 25, 1999), and (2) section 209 of the Senate passed resolution regarding the use of non-budget surpluses for a prescription drug benefit. **Pages S3621, S3627**

By 66 yeas to 33 nays (Vote No. 85), Dodd motion to instruct conferees to include in the conference report the Dodd/Jeffords Modified Amendment No. 160 to provide for an increase in the mandatory spending in the Child Care and Development Block Grant (adopted on March 25, 1999). **Pages S3621–24, S3628**

Dorgan motion to instruct conferees to include in the conference report provisions that would provide additional funding for income assistance for family farmers above the level provided in the Senate passed resolution. **Pages S3624–26**

Rejected:

Kennedy motion to instruct conferees to include in the conference report provisions that would (1) allow targeted tax relief for low- and middle-income working families, and (2) reserve a sufficient portion of projected non-Social Security surpluses to extend significantly the solvency of the Medicare Hospital Insurance Trust fund and modernize and strengthen the program. (By 54 yeas to 45 nays (Vote No. 84), Senate tabled the motion.) **Pages S3618–21, S3627–28**

Withdrawn:

Domenici Amendment No. 252 (to Kennedy motion to instruct conferees-listed above), to instruct conferees to include in the conference report (1) Roth/Breaux Modified Amendment No. 176 regarding Medicare reform (adopted March 25, 1999), and (2) section 209 of the Senate passed resolution regarding the use of non-budget surpluses for a prescription drug benefit. **Page S3621**

The Chair was authorized to appoint the following conferees on the part of the Senate: Senators Domenici, Grassley, Nickles, Gramm, Gorton, Lautenberg, Conrad, Boxer, and Murray. **Page S3628**

Appointments:

Senate National Security Working Group: The Chair, on behalf of the Democratic Leader, pursuant to the provisions of S. Res. 105, adopted April 13, 1989, as amended by Public Law 105–275, adopted October 21, 1998, and further amended by S. Res.

75 adopted March 25, 1999, appointed the following Senators to serve as members of the Senate National Security Working Group: Senators Byrd (Minority Administrative Co-Chairman), Levin (Minority Co-Chairman), Biden (Minority Co-Chairman), Kennedy, Kerrey, Moynihan, Sarbanes, Kerry, and Durbin.

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President's Export Council: The Chair, pursuant to the provisions of Executive Order No. 12131, appointed the following Members of the Senate to the President's Export Council: Senators Burns, Ashcroft, Enzi, Baucus, and Johnson.

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Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

A routine list in the Foreign Service.

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Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Robert J. Einhorn, of the District of Columbia, to be an Assistant Secretary of State (Non-proliferation).

1 Air Force nomination in the rank of general.

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Messages From the House:

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Measures Referred:

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Statements on Introduced Bills:

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 11:30 a.m., and adjourned at 6:21 p.m., until 11:30 a.m., on Wednesday, April 14, 1999. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S3663.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

APPROPRIATIONS—ENERGY

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development concluded hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2000 for the Department of Energy, in behalf of funds for their respective activities, after receiving testimony from Martha Krebs, Director, Office of Science, Dan W. Reicher, Assistant Secretary for Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, and William D. Magwood, IV, Director, Office of Nuclear Energy, Science and Technology, all of the Department of Energy.

DEATHS FROM PSYCHIATRIC FACILITY RESTRAINTS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education concluded hearings to examine deaths caused from restraints used in psychiatric facilities, and proposed legislation to extend existing nursing home standards on the use of restraints on mental health patients and add a reporting requirement for deaths and serious injuries, after receiving testimony from Senators Lieberman and Dodd; Wanda K. Mohr, University of Pennsylvania School of Nursing, on behalf of the National Alliance for the Mentally Ill, and Joseph A. Rogers, Mental Health Association of Southeastern Pennsylvania, on behalf of the National Mental Health Association, both of Philadelphia; Dennis O'Leary, Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations, Oakbrook Terrace, Illinois; Thomas R. Harmon, New York State Commission on Quality of Care for the Mentally Disabled, Albany; and Catherine "Jean" Allen, Greensboro, North Carolina.

AUTHORIZATION—DEFENSE

Committee on Armed Services: Committee concluded hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 2000 for the Department of Defense, focusing on the military strategy and operational requirements of the unified commands and future years defense program, and issues regarding the current situation in Kosovo, after receiving testimony from Gen. Anthony C. Zinni, USMC, Commander-in-Chief, U.S. Central Command; Gen. Charles E. Wilhelm, USMC, Commander-in-Chief, U.S. Southern Command; and Adm. Charles S. Abbot, USN, Deputy Commander-in-Chief, U.S. European Command.

SUBMARINE WARFARE

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Seapower concluded open and closed hearings on submarine warfare in the 21st Century, after receiving testimony from Rear Adm. Lowell E. Jacoby, USN, Director of Naval Intelligence; Adm. Edmund P. Giambastiani, Jr., USN, Commander, Submarine Force Atlantic Fleet; and Rear Adm. Malcolm I. Fages, USN, Director, Submarine Warfare.

AUTHORIZATION—DEFENSE

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Readiness and Management Support concluded hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 2000 for the Department of Defense, focusing on land withdrawals and environmental programs, and the future years defense program, after receiving testimony from Sherri W. Goodman, Deputy Under

Secretary of Defense for Environmental Security; Elsie Munsell, Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Navy for Environment and Safety; Raymond J. Fatz, Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Army for Environment, Safety and Occupational Health; Thomas W. McCall, Jr., Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for Environment, Safety and Occupational Health; Sylvia V. Baca, Acting Assistant Secretary for Land and Minerals Management, and Donald J. Barry, Assistant Secretary for Fish and Wildlife and Parks, both of the Department of the Interior; Maj. Gen. Dennis D. Cavin, USA, Commanding General, Fort Bliss, Texas; Rear Adm. Timothy R. Beard, USN, Commander, Naval Strike and Air Warfare Center, Fallon Naval Air Station; Maj. Gen. Robert Magnus, USMC, Commanding General, Marine Corps Combat West; Brig. Gen. John L. Barry, USAF, Commander, 56th Fighter Wing, Luke Air Force Base, Arizona; and Col. Anthony M. Coroalles, USA, Alaska Garrison Commander.

INTERNET ACCESS

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee held hearings to examine how to facilitate the deployment of faster, high-speed Internet access services and how to ensure that these benefits are extended to all American consumers, and on proposed legislation to prevent the Federal Communications Commission from regulating or taxing Internet services, receiving testimony from Charles M. Brewer, MindSpring Enterprises, Inc., and James O. Robbins, Cox Communications, Inc., both of Atlanta, Georgia; Steve Case, America Online, Inc., Dulles, Virginia; William L. Schrader, PSINet, Inc., Herndon, Virginia; and Solomon D. Trujillo, U S West Communications, Inc., Denver, Colorado.

Hearings recessed subject to call.

CHINA APPLICATION TO WTO

Committee on Finance: Committee held hearings on issues related to China's application for accession to the World Trade Organization, focusing on agriculture, industrial goods, services, protocol, Pacific security, and human rights, receiving testimony from Charlene Barshefsky, United States Trade Representative.

Hearings recessed subject to call.

NAFTA REVIEW

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded hearings on a five year review of the effects of the North American Free Trade Agreement on United States jobs, wage rates, and industry, after receiving testimony from Richard W. Fisher, Deputy U.S. Trade Representative; Charles W. McMillion, MBG Information Services, and Patrick J. Buchanan, both of Washington, D.C.; and Vontella Dabbs, Catawba

Plant of Delta Mills Marketing Company, Maiden, North Carolina.

ANTITRUST MERGER REVIEW ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Antitrust, Business Rights, and Competition concluded hearings on S. 467, to restate and improve section 7A of the Clayton Act, which would impose time limits on the Federal Communications Commission review of mergers, after receiving testimony from Ronald J. Binz, Competition Policy Institute, H. Russell Frisby, Jr., Competitive Telecommunications Association, and Roy M. Neel, United States Telephone Association, all of Washington, D.C.; and Richard Weening, Cumulus Media, Inc., Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

OSHA REFORM: SAFE ACT

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: Subcommittee on Employment, Safety and Training concluded hearings on S. 385, to amend the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970 to further improve the safety and health of working environments, and other related OSHA reform issues, after receiving testimony from Ron Hayes, Fight Project, Fairhope, Alabama; Joanne Royce, Government Accountability Project, Washington, D.C.; William F. Alcarese, Baltimore, Maryland; and Charles LeCroy, Tallahassee, Florida.

VETERANS HEALTH ADMINISTRATION FORCE REDUCTION

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Committee concluded hearings on the reduction in force in the Veterans Health Administration of the Department of Veteran Affairs, after receiving testimony from Kenneth W. Kizer, Under Secretary of Veterans Affairs for Health.

MEDICARE MANAGED CARE MARKETING

Special Committee on Aging: Committee concluded hearings to examine the reliability of Medicare managed care plan information and the adequacy of the Health Care Financing Administration's review of that information, and whether the Medicare managed care appeals process adequately protects beneficiaries' rights, after receiving testimony from William J. Scanlon, Director, Health Financing and Public Health Issues, Health, Education, and Human Services Division, General Accounting Office; Carol Cronin, Director, Center for Beneficiary Services, Health Care Financing Administration, Department of Health and Human Services; Julie Schoen, Health Insurance Advocacy Program of Orange County, Santa Ana, California, on behalf of the California Health Advocates; Chris Mulholland, III, Marietta, Georgia, former Manager, Managed Care

Branch Manager (Atlanta Regional Office), Health Care Financing Administration, Department of Health and Human Services; William L. Stringer,

Beavercreek, Ohio; and Lois D. Watts, Laguna Hills, California.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 21 public bills, H.R. 1376–1396; and 1 resolution, H. Con. Res. 84, were introduced.

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 208, to amend title 5, United States Code, to allow for the contribution of certain rollover distributions to accounts in the Thrift Savings Plan, to eliminate certain waiting-period requirements for participating in the Thrift Savings Plan, amended (H. Rept. 106–87);

H.R. 928, to require that the 2000 decennial census include either a general or targeted follow up mailing of census questionnaires, whichever, in the judgment of the secretary of Commerce, will be more effective in securing the return of census information from the greatest number of households possible (H. Rept. 106–88);

H.R. 1009, to authorize the awarding of grants to cities, counties, tribal organizations, and certain other entities for the purpose of improving public participation in the 2000 decennial census (H. Rept. 106–89);

H.R. 1376, to extend the tax benefits available with respect to services performed in a combat zone to services performed in the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia (Serbia/Montenegro) and certain other areas, amended (H. Rept. 106–90);

Conference Report on H. Con. Res. 68, establishing the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2000 and setting forth appropriate budgetary levels for each of fiscal years 2001 through 2009 (H. Rept. 106–91);

H. Res. 137, waiving points of order against consideration of the conference report to accompany H. Con. Res. 68, establishing the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2000 and setting forth appropriate budgetary levels for each of fiscal years 2001 through 2009 (H. Rept. 106–92);

H. Res. 138, providing for consideration of H.R. 472, to amend title 13, United States Code, to require the use of postcensus local review as part of each decennial census (H. Rept. 106–93; and

H. Res. 139, providing for consideration of H.J. Res. 37, proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States with respect to tax limitations (H. Rept. 106–94). Pages H1936–68, H1970

Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Mica to act as Speaker Pro Tempore for today. Page H1869

Recess: The House recessed at 10:11 a.m. and reconvened at 11:00 a.m. Page H1874

Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Registration and Protection of Trademarks: H.R. 769, to amend the Trademark Act of 1946 to provide for the registration and protection of trademarks used in commerce, in order to carry out provisions of certain international conventions;

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Technical Corrections to Copyright Act: H.R. 1189, amended, to make technical corrections in title 17, United States Code; Pages H1878–79

Democratic Elections in the Republic of El Salvador: H. Res. 110, congratulating the Government and the people of the Republic of El Salvador on successfully completing free and democratic elections on March 7, 1999; Pages H1881–83

National Medal for Public Safety Officers: H.R. 46, to provide for a national medal for public safety officers who act with extraordinary valor above and beyond the call of duty (passed by a ye and nay vote of 412 yeas with 2 nays, Roll No. 81); and

Pages H1879–81, H1896

Elections in the State of Qatar: H. Con. Res. 35, congratulating the State of Qatar and its citizens for their commitment to democratic ideals and women's suffrage on the occasion of Qatar's historic elections of a central municipal council on March 8, 1999 (passed by a ye and nay vote of 418 yeas with none voting "nay," Roll No. 82). Pages H1883–85, H1896–97

Microenterprise Program in Developing Countries: The House passed H.R. 1143, to establish a program to provide assistance for programs of credit and other financial services for microenterprises in developing countries by a voice vote. Pages H1888–96

Agreed to the Smith of New Jersey amendment that makes several technical changes including limiting the principal amount of loans made to any single borrower to a maximum of \$30 million; prohibits the payment for any loss arising out of fraud or misrepresentation for which the party seeking payment is responsible; and makes available up to \$5 million for functions including subsidy cost and other expenses.

Pages H1895-96

H. Res. 136, the rule that provided for consideration of the bill was agreed to by a voice vote.

Pages H1885-88

Recess: The House recessed at 12:47 p.m. and reconvened at 1:37 p.m.

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Recess: The House recessed at 7:56 p.m. and reconvened at 12:18 a.m.

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Recess: The House recessed at 12:19 a.m. and reconvened at 01:02 a.m.

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Senate Messages: Messages received from the Senate appear on pages H1875 and H1919.

Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on page H1973.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Two yea and nay votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H1896 and H1897. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 9:30 a.m. and adjourned at 1:03 a.m. on Wednesday, April 14.

Committee Meetings

INTERIOR APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Interior continued appropriation hearings, with emphasis on Natural Resource Programs. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

LABOR-HHS-EDUCATION APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education continued appropriation hearings. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

VA-HUD-INDEPENDENT AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on VA, HUD and Independent Agencies held a hearing on the EPA. Testimony was heard from Carol Browner, Administrator, EPA.

FINALIZING BANK PREPAREDNESS FOR YEAR 2000

Committee on Banking and Financial Services: Held a hearing on Finalizing Bank Preparedness for the

Year 2000: Testing, Credit Risk, Contingency Planning and Liquidity, and Customer Confidence. Testimony was heard from Edward W. Kelley, Jr., member, Board of Governors, Federal Reserve System; from the following officials of the Department of the Treasury: John D. Hawke, Jr., Comptroller of the Currency; and Ellen Seidman, Director, Office of Thrift Supervision; Donna Tanoue, Chairman, FDIC; Norman D'Amours, Chairman, National Credit Union Administration; John P. Burke, Banking Commissioner, Department of Banking, State of Connecticut; and public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT—REGULATORY CLASSIFICATION OF LOW-POWER TV LICENSEES

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Telecommunications, Trade, and Consumer Protection held an oversight hearing on Regulatory Classification of Low-Power Television Licensees. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Mass Media Bureau, FCC: Roy J. Stewart, Chief; and Keith Larson, Associate Chief, Engineering; and public witnesses.

REWARDING PERFORMANCE IN COMPENSATION ACT

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Subcommittee on Workforce Protections held a hearing on Rewarding Performance in Compensation Act. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

YEAR 2000—ARE CRITICAL PROGRAMS READY?

Committee on Government Reform: Subcommittee on Government Management, Information, and Technology and the Subcommittee on Technology of the Committee on Science held a joint hearing on "Are the Federal Government's Critical Programs Ready for January 1st, 2000?" Testimony was heard from Deidre Lee, Acting Deputy Director, Management, OMB; Joel Willemsen, Director, Civil Agencies Information Systems, GAO; Anne Reed, Chief Information Officer, AID, U.S. Information Development Cooperation Agency; Fernando Burbano, Chief Information Officer, Department of State; and James Flyzik, Chief Information Officer, Department of the Treasury.

DEBT RELIEF FOR AFRICA

Committee on International Relations, Subcommittee on Africa held a hearing on Debt Relief for Africa. Testimony was heard from Representative Waters; William Schuerch, Deputy Assistant Secretary, International Development, Debt and Environmental Policy, Department of the Treasury; and public witnesses.

YEAR 2000 READINESS AND RESPONSIBILITY ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Held a hearing on H.R. 775, Year 2000 Readiness and Responsibility Act. Testimony was heard from Representatives Davis of Virginia, Dreier, Moran of Virginia, Cramer, Dooley of California and Sandlin; Walter K. Stapleton, Judge, U.S. Court of Appeals, Third Circuit; and public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT—NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY AND THE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY IMPROVEMENT ACT

Committee on Resources: Held an oversight hearing on the National Environmental Policy and the Environmental Quality Improvement Act. Testimony was heard from George Frampton, Acting Chair, Council on Environmental Quality.

Hearings continue April 21.

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT—TAX LIMITATION

Committee on Rules: Granted, by a recorded vote of 7 to 1, a structured rule providing 3 hours of debate on H. J. Res. 37, proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States with respect to tax limitations. The rule provides for one motion to amend if offered by the Minority Leader or his designee, which shall be considered as read and shall be separately debatable for 1 hour equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent. Finally, the rule provides for one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Representatives Scarborough, Barton of Texas and Watt of North Carolina.

LOCAL CENSUS QUALITY CHECK ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted by voice vote a structured rule providing for one hour of debate on H.R. 472, Local Census Quality Check Act, as amended, in the House, equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Government Reform. The rule considers the amendment printed in the Rules Committee report as adopted upon the adoption of the resolution. The rule provides for the consideration of the amendment numbered one printed in the Congressional Record, if offered by Representative Maloney of New York or her designee, which shall be debatable for one hour equally divided and controlled between the proponent and an opponent. Finally, the rule provides for one motion to recommit with or without instructions.

CONFERENCE REPORT—CONCURRENT BUDGET RESOLUTION

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a rule waiving all points of order against the conference report on H. Con. Res. 68, establishing the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2000 and setting forth appropriate budgetary levels for each of fiscal years 2001 through 2009, and against its consideration. The rule provides that the conference report shall be considered as read. The rule provides one hour of debate equally divided and controlled between the chairman and ranking minority of the Committee on the Budget. Testimony was heard from Chairman Kasich.

HAZARDOUS DUTY AREAS—TAX BENEFITS AVAILABLE

Committee on Ways and Means: Ordered reported H.R. 1376, to extend the tax benefits available with respect to services performed in a combat zone to services performed in the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia (Serbia/Montenegro) and certain other areas.

1999 TAX RETURN FILING—IRS BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2000

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Oversight held a hearing on the 1999 Tax Return Filing Season and the IRS Budget for Fiscal Year 2000. Testimony was heard from Charles O. Rossotti, Commissioner, IRS, Department of the Treasury; James R. White, Director, Tax Policy and Administration Issues, General Government Division, GAO; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS BUDGET AUTHORIZATIONS

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Trade held a hearing on budget authorizations for fiscal years 2000 and 2001 for the U.S. Customs Service, U.S. International Trade Commission, Office of the U.S. Trade Representative, and other Customs issues. Testimony was heard from Representative Rodriguez; the following officials of the Department of the Treasury: Raymond W. Kelly, Commissioner, U.S. Customs Service; John P. Simpson, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Regulatory, Tariff, and Trade Enforcement; and Dennis S. Schindel, Assistant Inspector General, Audit; Richard W. Fisher, Deputy U.S. Trade Representative; Lynn M. Bragg, Chairman, U.S. International Trade Commission; the following officials of the GAO: Norman J. Rabkin, Director, Administration of Justice Issues, General Government Division; and Randolph C. Hite, Associate Director, Governmentwide and Defense Information Systems, Accounting and Information Management Division; and public witnesses.

BUDGET: DCI WRAP-UP

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Met in executive session to hold a hearing on fiscal year 2000 Budget: DCI Wrap-up. Testimony was heard from departmental witnesses.

**COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY,
APRIL 14, 1999**

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Interior, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2000 for the Bureau of Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior, 9:30 a.m., SD-124.

Subcommittee on Defense, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2000 for the Department of Defense, focusing on ballistic missile defense, 11 a.m., SD-192.

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Strategic, to hold hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 2000 for the Department of Defense, focusing on strategic nuclear forces and policy and the future years defense program, 9:30 a.m., SR-222.

Subcommittee on Readiness and Management Support, to hold hearings on the status of financial management within the Department of Defense, 2 p.m., SR-222.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Subcommittee on International Trade and Finance, to hold hearings on the issues relating to the Export Control Process, 10 a.m., SD-538.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: to hold hearings to examine the published scandals plaguing the Olympics, 9:30 a.m., SD-106.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: to hold closed oversight hearings to examine damage to the national security from Chinese espionage at the Department of Energy nuclear weapons laboratories, 9:30 a.m., SH-219.

Committee on Finance: to hold oversight hearings on restructuring and reform of the internal revenue service, 10 a.m., SD-215.

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on Near Eastern and South Asian Affairs, to hold hearings on issues relating to the continuing crisis in Afghanistan, 10 a.m., SD-562.

Committee on Governmental Affairs: to resume hearings on the future of the Independent Counsel Act, 9:30 a.m., SH-216.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: to hold hearings on education research, 9:30 a.m., SD-628.

Committee on Indian Affairs: to hold oversight hearings on the implementation of welfare reform for Indians, 1:45 p.m., SR-485.

Select Committee on Intelligence: to hold closed hearings on pending intelligence matters, 2 p.m., SH-219.

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Immigration, to hold hearings on the Kosovo Refugee Crisis, 9 a.m., SD-226.

Subcommittee on Constitution, Federalism, and Property Rights, business meeting to consider S.J. Res.14, proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States authorizing Congress to prohibit the physical desecration of the flag of the United States, 2 p.m., SD-226.

Special Committee on the Year 2000 Technology Problem: to hold hearings on Federal Government Y2K preparedness, 9:30 a.m., SD-138.

House

Committee on Agriculture, Subcommittee on Department Operations, Oversight, Nutrition, and Forestry, hearing to review of the U.S. Forest Service's Forest Inventory and Analysis Program, 10:30 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, State, and Judiciary, on SEC and on FCC, 10 a.m., and on Administration of Foreign Affairs, 2 p.m., H-309 Capitol.

Subcommittee on Interior, on Public Witnesses-Energy and Other Programs, 10 a.m., and 1:30 p.m., B-308 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, on Public Witnesses, 10 a.m., and 2 p.m., 2358 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on VA, HUD and Independent Agencies, on EPA, 9:30 a.m., and 1:30 p.m., 2359 Rayburn.

Committee on Banking and Financial Services, hearing on The Department of HUD's Preparedness for the Year 2000: Testing, Contingency Planning, and Business Partner Outreach, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Commerce, Subcommittee on Energy and Power, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 45, Nuclear Waste Policy Act of 1999; H.R. 459, to extend the deadline under the Federal Power Act for FERC Project No. 9401, the Mt. Hope Waterpower Project; and a measure to authorize appropriations for carrying out pipeline safety activities under chapter 601 of title 49, United States Code, 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Education and the Workforce, hearing on Title I of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act: An Overview, 11:30 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Government Reform, hearing on Tax Reform in the States, Part 2, of a series on National Problems, Local Solution: Federalism at Work, 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on International Relations, to mark up the following: H.R. 1211, Foreign Relations Authorization Act, Fiscal Years 2000 and 2001; the Western Hemisphere Drug Elimination Technical Corrections Act; H. Res. 128, condemning the murder of human rights lawyer Rosemary Nelson and calling for the protection of defense attorneys in Northern Ireland; and H. Con. Res. 54, recognizing the historic significance of the first anniversary of the Good Friday Peace Agreement, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Asia and the Pacific, hearing to Review U.S.-Taiwan Relations on the 20th Anniversary of the Taiwan Relations Act, 1:30 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on International Economic Policy and Trade, hearing on Should We Reauthorize OPIC? 2 p.m., 2200 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on the Constitution, to mark up H.J. Res. 33, proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States authorizing the Congress to prohibit the physical desecration of the flag of the United States, 10 a.m., 2237 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Immigration and Claims, oversight hearing on law enforcement problems at the border between the United States and Canada, focusing on the issues of drug smuggling, illegal immigration, and terrorism, 10 a.m., 2226 Rayburn.

Committee on Resources, hearing on H.R. 1142, Landowners Equal Treatment Act of 1999, 11 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Committee on Rules, to consider H.R. 1376, to extend the tax benefits available with respect to services performed in a combat zone to services performed in the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia (Serbia/Montenegro) and certain other areas, 3 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

Committee on Science, Subcommittee on Energy and Environment, hearing on Fiscal Year 2000 Climate Change Budget Authorization Request, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

11:30 a.m., Wednesday, April 14

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

10 a.m., Wednesday, April 14

Senate Chamber

Program for Wednesday: After the recognition of six Senators for speeches and the transaction of any morning business (not to extend beyond 1 p.m.), Senate expects to consider S. 767, Uniformed Services Filing Fairness Act.

House Chamber

Program for Wednesday: Consideration of the conference report on H. Con. Res. 68, Congressional Budget Resolution (rule waiving all points of order, 1 hour of general debate); and
Consideration of H.R. 472, Local Census Quality Control Act (structured rule, one hour of general debate).

Extensions of Remarks, as inserted in this issue

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