

Thursday, June 10, 1999

# Daily Digest

## Highlights

House passed H.R. 1401, Defense Authorization Act.

House passed H.R. 1905, Legislative Branch Appropriations.

## Senate

### Chamber Action

*Routine Proceedings, pages S6815–S6919*

**Measures Introduced:** Eighteen bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1199–1216, and S. Res. 115–117. Pages S6856–57

**Measures Reported:** Reports were made as follows:

Special Report entitled “Further Revised Allocation to Subcommittees of Budget Totals, Fiscal Year 2000.” (S. Rept. No. 106–73)

S. 1205, making appropriations for military construction, family housing, and base realignment and closure for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2000. (S. Rept. No. 106–74)

S. 1206, making appropriations for the legislative branch excluding House items for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2000. (S. Rept. No. 106–75)

S. Res. 34, designating the week beginning April 30, 1999, as “National Youth Fitness Week”, with an amendment.

S. Res. 81, designating the year of 1999 as “The Year of Safe Drinking Water” and commemorating the 25th anniversary of the enactment of the Safe Drinking Water Act.

S. Res. 98, designating the week beginning October 17, 1999, and the week beginning October 15, 2000, as “National Character Counts Week”.

S. Res. 114, designating June 22, 1999, as “National Pediatric AIDS Awareness Day”.

S. 606, for the relief of Global Exploration and Development Corporation, Kerr-Mcgee Corporation, and Kerr-Mcgee Chemical, LLC (successor to Kerr-McGee Chemical Corporation), with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

S.J. Res. 21, to designate September 29, 1999, as “Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States Day”. Page S6856

### Measures Passed:

**National Youth Fitness Week:** Senate agreed to S. Res. 34, designating the week beginning April 30, 1999, as “National Youth Fitness Week”, after agreeing to a committee amendment. Page S6914

**Year of Safe Drinking Water:** Senate agreed to S. Res. 81, designating the year of 1999 as “The Year of Safe Drinking Water” and commemorating the 25th anniversary of the enactment of the Safe Drinking Water Act. Page S6914

**National Pediatric AIDS Awareness Day:** Senate agreed to S. Res. 114, designating June 22, 1999, as “National Pediatric AIDS Awareness Day”. Pages S6914–15

**Use of Capitol Rotunda:** Senate agreed to H. Con. Res. 127, permitting the use of the rotunda of the Capitol for a ceremony to present a gold medal on behalf of Congress to Rosa Parks. Page S6915

**Y2K Act:** Senate continued consideration of 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, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto:

Pages S6815–35, S6837–53

### Adopted:

Bennett (for Murkowski) Modified Amendment No. 612 (to Amendment No. 608), to require manufacturers receiving notice of a Y2K failure to give priority to notices that involve health and safety related failures. Page S6817

Gorton (for Inhofe) Amendment No. 622 (to Amendment No. 608), to provide regulatory amnesty for defendants, including States and local governments, that are unable to comply with a federally enforceable measurement or reporting requirement because of factors related to a Y2K system failure.

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**Rejected:**

By 41 yeas to 57 nays (Vote No. 161), Edwards Amendment No. 619 (to Amendment No. 608), to provide that a party to a Y2K action making a tort claim may only recover for economic losses to the extent allowed under applicable state or federal law in effect on January 1, 1999. **Pages S6822–28, S6830**

By 36 yeas to 62 nays (Vote No. 162), Edwards Amendment No. 620 (to Amendment No. 608), to provide that certain companies, selling non-Y2K-compliant products beginning in 1999, not be included under the protections as outlined in Amendment No. 608. **Pages S6828–30**

**Pending:**

McCain Amendment No. 608, in the nature of a substitute. **Pages S6817–35, S6837–55**

Sessions Amendment No. 623 (to Amendment No. 608), to permit evidence of communications with state and federal regulators to be admissible in class action lawsuits. **Pages S6851–52**

Gregg/Bond Amendment No. 624 (to Amendment No. 608), to provide for the suspension of penalties for certain year 2000 failures by small business concerns. **Pages S6852–53**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill and pending amendments, with a vote to occur on final passage of H.R. 775, House companion measure, on Tuesday, June 15, 1999. **Page S6850**

**Budget Process Reform:** Senate began consideration of S. 557, to provide guidance for the designation of emergencies as a part of the budget process, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto: **Page S6913**

**Pending:**

Lott (for Abraham) Amendment No. 254, to preserve and protect the surpluses of the social security trust funds by reaffirming the exclusion of receipts and disbursement from the budget, by setting a limit on the debt held by the public, and by amending the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 to provide a process to reduce the limit on the debt held by the public.

Abraham Amendment No. 255 (to Amendment No. 254), in the nature of a substitute.

Lott motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Governmental Affairs, with instructions to report back forthwith.

Lott Amendment No. 296 (to the instructions of the Lott motion to recommit), to provide for Social Security surplus preservation and debt reduction.

Lott Amendment No. 297 (to Amendment No. 296), in the nature of a substitute.

A motion was entered to close further debate on Amendment No. 297 (listed above) and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Stand-

ing Rules of the Senate, a vote on the cloture motion will occur on Tuesday, June 15, 1999. **Page S6913**

**Steel, Oil and Gas Loan Guarantee Program:** Senate began consideration of the motion to proceed to the consideration of H.R. 1664, making emergency supplemental appropriations for military operations, refugee relief, and humanitarian assistance relating to the conflict in Kosovo, and for military operations in Southwest Asia for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999. **Pages S6913–14**

A motion was entered to close further debate on the motion to proceed to the consideration of the bill and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on the cloture motion will occur on Tuesday, June 15, 1999. **Pages S6913–14**

Subsequently, the motion to proceed was withdrawn. **Page S6914**

**State Department Authorization—Agreement:** A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for the consideration of S. 886, to authorize appropriations for the Department of State for fiscal years 2000 and 2001; to provide for enhanced security at United States diplomatic facilities; to provide for certain arms control, nonproliferation, and other national security measures; to provide for the reform of the United Nations, with certain amendments to be proposed thereto, at a time to be determined by the Majority and Minority Leaders. **Page S6821**

**Energy and Water Development Appropriations, 2000—Agreement:** A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for the consideration of S. 1186, making appropriations for energy and water development for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2000, on Monday, June 14, 1999. **Page S6821**

**Nominations Received:** Senate received the following nominations:

Ann Brown, of Florida, to be a Commissioner of the Consumer Product Safety Commission for a term of seven years from October 27, 1999.

Ann Brown, of Florida, to be Chairman of the Consumer Product Safety Commission.

James Catherwood Hormel, of California, to be Ambassador to Luxembourg, to which position he was appointed during the last recess of the Senate.

David W. Ogden, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Attorney General. **Pages S6915–19**

**Messages From the House:** **Page S6855**

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**Record Votes:** Three record votes were taken today. (Total—163) **Pages S6830, S6850**

**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 6:41 p.m., until 12 noon on Monday, June 14, 1999. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S6915.)

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

### BUSINESS MEETING

*Committee on Appropriations:* Committee ordered favorably reported the following bills:

An original bill (S. 1205) making appropriations for military construction, family housing, and base realignment and closure for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2000;

An original bill (S. 1206) making appropriations for the Legislative Branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2000; and

An original bill making appropriations for the Departments of Commerce, Justice, and State, the Judiciary, and related agencies for fiscal year ending September 30, 2000.

### ESPIONAGE AND EXPORT CONTROLS

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* Committee concluded oversight hearings on espionage and export control issues in the House Cox Report, after receiving testimony from Representatives Cox and Dicks.

### INTERSTATE COMMERCE ENCRYPTION

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* Committee concluded hearings on S. 798, to promote electronic commerce by encouraging and facilitating the use of encryption in interstate commerce consistent with the protection of national security, after receiving testimony from Representative Goodlatte; William A. Reinsch, Under Secretary of Commerce for Export Administration; James K. Robinson, Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division, Department of Justice; Barbara A. McNamara, Deputy Director, National Security Agency, Department of Defense; David Aucsmith, Intel Corporation, and Lance J. Hoffman, George Washington University School of Engineering and Applied Science, both of

Washington, D.C.; and D. James Bizdos, Security Dynamics Technologies, Inc., Vienna, Virginia.

### NATIONAL RECREATION LAKES STUDY

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* Committee concluded oversight hearings on the report and recommendations of the National Recreation Lakes Study Commission, after receiving testimony from Richard W. Davies, Arkansas Department of Parks and Tourism, Little Rock, on behalf of the National Recreation Lakes Study Commission; and William W. Anderson, Westrec Marina Management, Inc., Encino, California, on behalf of the Recreation Roundtable.

### MEDICARE REFORM

*Committee on Finance:* Committee held hearings on the impact of the 1997 Balanced Budget Act provisions on the Medicare fee-for-service beneficiaries and providers program, receiving testimony from Robert A. Berenson, Director, Center for Health Plans and Providers, Health Care Financing Administration, Department of Health and Human Services; Paul N. Van de Water, Assistant Director for Budget Analysis, Congressional Budget Office; William J. Scanlon, Director, Health Financing and Public Health Issues, Health, Education and Human Services Division, General Accounting Office; Gail R. Wilensky, Medicare Payment Advisory Commission, and Thomas A. Scully, Federation of American Health Systems, both of Washington, D.C.; Charles M. Smith, Christiana Care Corporation, Wilmington, Delaware, on behalf of the American Hospital Association; D. Ted Lewers, Easton, Maryland, on behalf of the American Medical Association; Susan S. Bailis, Solomont Bailis Ventures, Boston, Massachusetts, on behalf of the American Health Care Association; and Mary Suther, Visiting Nurse Association of Texas, Dallas, on behalf of the National Association for Home Care.

Hearings recessed subject to call.

### ENERGY DEPARTMENT EXPORT CONTROL

*Committee on Governmental Affairs:* Committee concluded hearings on national security and economic issues related to the dual-use and munitions list export control processes and implementation at the Department of Energy, after receiving testimony from Gregory H. Friedman, Inspector General, Sandra L. Schneider, Assistant Inspector General for Inspections, and Alfred K. Walter, Director, Office of Management Operations, Office of the Inspector General, all of the Department of Energy.

**MEDICARE INTERIM PAYMENT SYSTEM**

*Committee on Governmental Affairs:* Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations held hearings to examine the impact of the new Medicare Interim Payment System on certain home health agencies, receiving testimony from Kathleen A. Buto, Deputy Director, Center for Health Plans and Providers, and Mary R. Vienna, Director, Clinical Standards Group, both of the Health Care Financing Administration, Department of Health and Human Services; Maryanna Arsenault, Visiting Nurse Service, Saco, Maine, on behalf of the Visiting Nurse Associations of America; Mary Suther, Visiting Nurse Association of Texas, Dallas, on behalf of the National Association of Home Care; Rosalind L. Stock, Home Health Outreach, Rochester Hills, Michigan; Barbara Markham Smith, George Washington University Center for Health Services Research and Policy, Washington, D.C.

Hearings recessed subject to call.

**BUSINESS MEETING**

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Committee ordered favorably reported the following measures:

S. 606, for the relief of Global Exploration and Development Corporation, Kerr-McGee Corporation, and Kerr-McGee Chemical, LLC (successor to Kerr-McGee Chemical Corporation), with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. Res. 98, designating the week beginning October 17, 1999, and the week beginning October 15, 2000, as "National Character Counts Week";

S.J. Res. 21, to designate September 29, 1999, as "Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States Day";

S. Res. 114, designating June 22, 1999, as "National Pediatric AIDS Awareness Day";

S. Res. 81, designating the year of 1999 as "The Year of Safe Drinking Water" and commemorating the 25th anniversary of the enactment of the Safe Drinking Water Act; and

S. Res. 34, designating the week beginning April 30, 1999, as "National Youth Fitness Week", with an amendment.

**B.F. GOODRICH/COLTEC MERGER**

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on Antitrust, Business Rights, and Competition concluded hearings to examine the competitive and national security implications of the proposed merger between B.F. Goodrich/Coltec Industries, after receiving testimony from Representatives Kucinich and McIntosh;

David R. Oliver, Principal Deputy Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisitions and Technology; Einer Elhauge, Harvard Law School, Boston, Massachusetts; Terrence G. Linnert, B.F. Goodrich, Cleveland, Ohio; Carl R. Montalbino, AlliedSignal Aerospace, South Bend, Indiana; Alan Reuther, United Automobile, Aerospace and Agricultural Implement Workers of America Union, Washington, D.C.

**AUTHORIZATION—ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION ACT**

*Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:* Committee resumed hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for programs of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act, focusing on special populations, and S.505, to give gifted and talented students the opportunity to develop their capabilities, receiving testimony from Senator Grassley; John W. Cheek, National Indian Education Association, Alexandria, Virginia; Melody McCoy, Native American Rights Fund, Boulder, Colorado; Nancy Croce, New York State Department of Education, Albany; Joel Gomez, George Washington University Institute for Education Policy Studies, and Nancy Zirkin, American Association of University Women and the National Coalition for Women and Girls in Education, both of Washington, D.C.; and Hisela Perez, Orrtanna, Pennsylvania.

Hearings recessed subject to call.

**INTELLIGENCE**

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

Committee will meet again on Thursday, June 17.

**Y2K AND HEALTHCARE**

*Special Committee on the Year 2000 Technology Problem:* Committee concluded hearings to examine Y2K compliance issues within the health care industry, after receiving testimony from Kevin Thurm, Deputy Secretary of Health and Human Services; Joel C. Willemsen, Director, Civil Agencies Information Systems, Accounting and Information Management Division, General Accounting Office; Philip L. Roberts, Utah Physicians Care Center, Sandy; Randy S. Musick, Integrated Health Services, Inc., Moore, Oklahoma; Mark R. Stoddard, Rural Health Management Corporation, Nephi, Utah; and Karen Bolin, Atlanta Medical Center, Atlanta, Georgia, on behalf of the Federation of American Health Systems.

# House of Representatives

## *Chamber Action*

**Bills Introduced:** 63 public bills, H.R. 2119–2181; 1 private bill, H.R. 2182; and 3 resolutions, H. Con Res. 130–131 and H. Res. 205, were introduced.

Pages H4126–29

**Reports Filed:** One report was filed today as follows:

Supplemental report on H.R. 10, to enhance competition in the financial services industry by providing a prudential framework for the affiliation of banks, securities firms, and other financial service providers (H. Rept. 106–74 Pt. 2). Page H4126

**Congressional Gold Medal for Rosa Parks:** The House agreed to H. Con. Res. 127, permitting the use of the rotunda of the Capitol on June 15, 1999 for a ceremony to present a gold medal on behalf of Congress to Rosa Parks. Pages H4030–31

**Defense Authorization Act:** The House passed H.R. 1401, to authorize for fiscal years 2000 and 2001 for military activities of the Department of Defense, to prescribe military personnel strengths for fiscal years 2000 and 2001 by a recorded vote of 365 ayes to 58 noes, Roll No. 191. The House completed general debate and considered amendments on June 9. Agreed to amend the title. Pages H4031–94

Agreed to the Committee amendment in the nature of a substitute made in order by the rule.

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Agreed to:

The Buyer amendment that authorizes members of the armed forces to participate in the Thrift Savings Plan available to Federal civil service employees (agreed to by a recorded vote of 425 ayes with none voting “no”, Roll No. 185); Pages H4031–36, H4038–39

The Traficant amendment that allows the Secretary of Defense, with the permission of the Secretary of the Treasury and the Attorney General, to assign military personnel to assist the Border Patrol and Customs Service in drug interdiction and counter terrorism activities along our borders (agreed to by a recorded vote of 242 ayes to 181 noes, Roll No. 186); Pages H4036–38, H4039–40

The Taylor of Mississippi amendment, as modified, that specifies the Congressional goals of the United States in the conflict with the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia including the cessation of all military action against the people of Kosovo and the termination of the violence against the people of Kosovo; Pages H4048–52

The Spence en bloc amendment consisting of amendments numbered 22 through 46 with amend-

ments 38, 42, and 45 as modified that authorizes Air Force firefighting equipment; Navy cooperative engagement capability equipment; reiterates science and technology funding goals; authorizes Army 82nd Airborne nonsecure tactical radio replacement; authorizes the Medal of Honor for Alfred Rascon; mandates support of honor guard activities by service Secretaries; provides active and reserve member disability qualification for medical conditions not incurred in the line of duty; requires report on the Korean Peninsula; modifies TRICARE health system requirements and procedures; provides assurances for compliance with the Buy American Act; codifies Asia Pacific Center for Security Studies waivers for certain costs and donations; requires reports on capabilities to deal with contingencies in Korea and Southwest Asia; causes of recent space launch failures; and study of America’s power projection system that describes the airlift requirements necessary to execute the National Military Strategy; clarifies outlease issues related to U.S. Naval Academy dairy farm; requires Inspector General study on the compliance of free weight purchases with the Buy American Act; establishes threat and risk assessment process for terrorist weapons of mass destruction; creates pilot program to expand authority for early retirement; extends until September 2003 the authority to pay health insurance for civilian employees involuntarily separated; requires a report on the military power of the People’s Republic of China; authorizes funding at the Air Force Research Laboratory Research Site in Rome, New York to consolidate research and technology development; allows the Air Force to convey a nuclear radiation center to the University of California, Davis for research activities; increases early retirement agency contribution from 15 percent of basic pay to 26 percent; establishes technology transfer process with expedited dispute resolution at DOE national laboratories; and specifies that the Congressional notice relating to the compromise of classified information within nuclear energy defense programs shall include the House and Senate Select Committees on Intelligence.

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The Weldon of Florida amendment that provides \$7.3 million for the operation and maintenance of space launch facilities and requires a study of launch ranges and requirements (agreed to by a recorded vote of 303 ayes to 118 noes, Roll No. 188);

Pages H4088–90

The Skelton amendment that strikes section 1006 (a) prohibiting any funding for combat or peace-keeping operations in the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia (agreed to by a recorded vote of 270 ayes to 155 noes, Roll No. 189); **Pages H4057–65, H4091**

Rejected:

The Souder amendment that sought to prohibit any fiscal year 2000 funding for military operations in the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia (rejected by a recorded vote of 97 ayes to 328 noes, Roll No. 187); **Pages H4052–57**

The Shays amendment that sought to reduce troop levels in Europe from 100,000 to 25,000 by fiscal year 2002; exclude troops assigned to Greenland, Iceland, Azores, and those serving for more than 179 days under a military-to-military contact program; and does not apply in the event of war or an attack on a NATO member nation (agreed to by a recorded vote of 116 ayes to 307 noes, Roll No. 190); **Pages H4065–71, H4091–92**

Earlier, the Obey motion to strike the enacting clause was withdrawn. Subsequently, the Hunter motion to strike the enacting clause was rejected by voice vote. **Pages H4061, H4062–64**

The Clerk was authorized in the engrossment of H.R. 1401, or a House amendment to the text of S. 1059, to make technical and conforming corrections to reflect the actions of the House. **Page H4094**

H. Res. 200, the rule that provided for consideration of the bill was agreed to on June 9. Pursuant to the rule, the House completed one hour of general debate on the United States policy relating to the conflict in Kosovo.

**Motions to Adjourn:** Rejected the Obey motions to adjourn by a recorded vote of 104 ayes to 302 noes with 1 voting “present” Roll No. 192; a yea and nay vote of 96 yeas to 298 nays with 1 voting “present” Roll No. 193; and a recorded vote of 90 ayes to 325 noes with 1 voting “present”, Roll No. 200. **Pages H4094–95, H4106–07**

**Legislative Branch Appropriations:** The House passed H.R. 1905, making appropriations for the Legislative Branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2000 by a yea and nay vote of 214 yeas to 197 nays, Roll No. 203. **Pages H4107–25**

Rejected the Obey motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Appropriations, with instructions that it not be reported back if it does not reduce the bill by an amount at least equal to the average reduction required pursuant to the budget 302(b) allocation process for all domestic discretionary programs, including veterans medical care, elementary and secondary education, student financial assistance, biomedical research, law enforcement, transportation, safety, and environmental protection; and shall make

equal reductions in accounts for Members’ offices, leadership offices, and committees by a yea and nay vote of 198 yeas to 214 nays, Roll No. 202. **Pages H4123–24**

Agreed to:

The Camp amendment that requires the amounts remaining in Members’ representational allowances to be used for deficit reduction or to reduce the Federal debt; and **Pages H4120–22**

The Young of Florida amendment, that reduces funding by \$54 million. **Pages H4122–23**

A point of order was sustained against Section 107 dealing with a Waste Recycling Program for the House of Representatives. **Page H4120**

Rejected the Obey motion that the Committee rise by a recorded vote of 130 ayes to 263 noes with 1 voting “present”, Roll No. 201. **Pages H4111–12**

Agreed H. Res. 190, the rule that provided for consideration of the bill by a recorded vote of 216 ayes to 194 noes, Roll No. 198. Agreed to table the motion to reconsider the vote by a recorded vote of 218 ayes to 197 noes, Roll No. 199. **Pages H4095–H4106**

Agreed to the Pryce amendment in the nature of a substitute by a recorded vote of 232 ayes to 182 noes, Roll No. 196. Agreed to table the motion to reconsider the vote by a recorded vote of 230 ayes to 180 noes, Roll No. 197. **Pages H4103–05**

Agreed to order the previous question on the rule and the amendment by a recorded vote of 213 ayes to 198 noes, Roll No. 194. Agreed to table the motion to reconsider the vote by a recorded vote of 218 ayes to 194 noes, Roll No. 195. **Pages H4102–03**

**Advisory Committee on the Records of Congress:** The Chair announced the Speaker’s appointment of Mr. Timothy J. Johnson of Minnetonka, Minnesota to the Advisory Committee on the Records of Congress; and read a letter from the Clerk wherein he announced his appointment of Ms. Susan Palmer to the advisory committee. **Page H4125**

**Meeting Hour—Monday, June 14:** Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 12:30 p.m. on Monday, June 14 for morning-hour debates. **Page H4125**

**Calendar Wednesday:** Agreed to dispense with the Calendar Wednesday business on Wednesday, June 16. **Page H4125**

**Re-referral:** H.R. 915 was re-referred to the Committee on Government Reform. **Page H4027**

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** Four yea and nay votes and fifteen recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H4038–39, H4039–40, H4056–57, H4090, H4091, H4091–92, H4093, H4094, H4095, H4102–03,

H4103, H4103-04, H4104-05, H4105, H4105-06, H4106-07, H4111-12, H4124, and H4125. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 10:00 a.m. and adjourned at 11:59 p.m.

## *Committee Meetings*

### **RUSSIA ECONOMIC TURMOIL**

*Committee on Banking and Financial Services:* Held a hearing on Russia Economic Turmoil. Testimony was heard from Ted Truman, Assistant Secretary, International Affairs, Department of the Treasury; William Taylor, Ambassador at Large and Senior Coordinator for the New Independent States, Department of State; and public witnesses.

### **MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES**

*Committee on Commerce:* Ordered reported the following bills: H.R. 2035, to correct errors in the authorizations of certain programs administered by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration; and H.R. 10, amended, Financial Services Act of 1999.

### **AUTHORIZATION—TITLE I—ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION ACT**

*Committee on Education and the Workforce:* Held a hearing on Key Issues in the Authorization of Title I of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act. Testimony was heard from Cheri Yecke, Deputy Secretary, Department of Education, State of Virginia; and public witnesses.

### **WOMEN'S CANCERS**

*Committee on Government Reform:* Held a hearing on the Role of Early Detection and Complementary and Alternative Medicine in Women's Cancers. Testimony was heard from Edward Trimble, M.D., National Cancer Institute, Department of Health and Human Services; and public witnesses.

### **MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES**

*Committee on International Relations:* Ordered reported H.R. 17, Selective Agricultural Embargoes Act of 1999.

The Committee also favorably considered and amended the following measures and adopted a motion urging the Chairman to request that they be considered on the Suspension Calendar: H.R. 1175, to locate and secure the return of Zachary Baumel, an American citizen, and other Israeli soldiers missing in action; H. Res. 62, expressing concern over the escalating violence, the gross violations of human rights, and the ongoing attempts to overthrow a democratically elected government in Sierra Leone; and H. Con. Res. 75, condemning the National Is-

lamic Front (NIF) government for its genocidal war in southern Sudan, support for terrorism, and continued human rights violations.

### **OVERSIGHT—ILLEGAL IMMIGRATION ISSUES**

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on Immigration and Claims held an oversight hearing on illegal immigration issues. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### **MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES**

*Committee on Resources:* Subcommittee on Fisheries Conservation, Wildlife and Oceans held a hearing on the following bills: H.R. 529, to require the United States Fish and Wildlife Service to approve a permit required for importation of certain wildlife items taken in Tajikistan; and H.R. 1934, to amend the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972 to establish the John H. Prescott Marine Mammal Rescue Assistance Grant Program. Testimony was heard from Representative Barcia; Penelope Dalton, Assistant Administrator, Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, NOAA, Department of Commerce; Marshall Jones, Assistant Director, International Affairs, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior; and public witnesses.

### **MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES**

*Committee on Resources:* Subcommittee on National Parks and Public Lands held a hearing on the following bills: H.R. 940, Lackawanna Valley Heritage Area Act of 1999; and H.R. 1619, Quinebaug and Shetucket Rivers Valley National Heritage Corridor Reauthorization Act of 1999. Testimony was heard from Representatives Gejdenson and Neal of Massachusetts; Katherine Stevenson, Assistant Director, Cultural, Resource, Stewardship and Partnership, National Park Service, Department of the Interior; and public witnesses.

### **K-12 MATH AND SCIENCE EDUCATION**

*Committee on Science* and the Subcommittee on Post-secondary Education, Training, and Life-Long Learning of the Committee on Education and the Workforce held a joint hearing on K-12 Math and Science Education—Finding, Training and Keeping Good Teachers. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### **COMMERCIAL SPACE LAUNCH BARRIERS**

*Committee on Science:* Subcommittee on Space and Aeronautics held a hearing on Barriers to Commercial Space Launch. Testimony was heard from Laura Montgomery, Attorney-Advisor, Office of the Chief Counsel, FAA, Department of Transportation; and public witnesses.

**ASSOCIATION HEALTH PLANS**

*Committee on Small Business:* Held a hearing on Association Health Plans: Giving Small Businesses the Benefits They Need. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

**RECYCLE AMERICA'S LAND ACT**

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure:* Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment approved for full Committee action amended H.R. 1300, Recycle America's Land Act of 1999.

**VETERAN'S MEASURES**

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs:* Subcommittee on Benefits held a hearing on the following bills: H.R. 605, Court of Appeals For Veterans Claims Act of 1999; H.R. 690, to amend title 38, United States Code, to add bronchiolo-alveolar carcinoma to the list of diseases presumed to be service-connected for certain radiation-exposed veterans; H.R. 708, to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for reinstatement of certain benefits administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs for remarried surviving spouses of veterans upon termination of their remarriage; H.R. 784, to amend title 38, United States Code, to authorize the payment of dependency and indemnity compensation to the surviving spouses of certain former prisoners of war dying with a service-connected disability rated totally disabling at the time of death; H.R. 1214, Veterans' Claims Adjudication Improvement Act of 1999; and H.R. 1765, Veterans' Compensation Cost-of-Living Adjustment Act of 1999. Testimony was heard from Representatives Bilirakis and Smith of New Jersey; Joseph Thompson, Under Secretary, Benefits, Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs; and representatives of veterans organizations.

**CARIBBEAN AND CENTRAL AMERICA RELIEF AND STABILIZATION ACT; AFRICAN GROWTH AND OPPORTUNITY ACT**

*Committee on Ways and Means:* Ordered reported amended the following bills: H.R. 984, Caribbean and Central America Relief and Economic Stabilization Act; and H.R. 434, African Growth and Opportunity Act.

**SOCIAL SECURITY—PROPOSALS TO STRENGTHEN**

*Committee on Ways and Means:* Concluded hearings on proposals to strengthen Social Security. Testimony was heard from Representatives Archer and Shaw; and Stephen C. Goss, Deputy Chief Actuary, SSA.

**INTELLIGENCE ISSUES BRIEFING**

*Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence:* Met in executive session to hold a briefing on pending Intelligence issues. The Committee was briefed by departmental witnesses.

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**COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY, JUNE 11, 1999****Senate**

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

**House**

*Committee on Education and the Workforce,* Subcommittee on Employer-Employee Relations, hearing on the Relationship Between Health Care Costs and America's Uninsured, 9:30 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

*Committee on the Judiciary,* Subcommittee on Commercial and Administrative Law, hearing on the reauthorization of the Independent Counsel Statute, 11 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

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**CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD****Week of June 14 through June 19, 1999****Senate Chamber**

On *Monday*, Senate will begin consideration of S. 1186, Energy and Water Development Appropriations, 2000.

On *Tuesday*, Senate will resume consideration of S. 96 Y2K Act, with a vote to occur on final passage of H.R. 775, House companion measure. Also, Senate will vote on a motion to close further debate on Amendment No. 297 to S. 557, Budget Process Reform, and vote on a motion to close further debate on a motion to proceed to the consideration of H.R. 1664, Steel, Oil and Gas Loan Guarantee Program.

During the balance of the week, Senate will consider any other cleared legislative and executive business.

(On *Tuesday*, Senate will recess from 12:30 p.m. until 2:15 p.m., for their respective party conferences.)

**Senate Committees**

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

*Special Committee on Aging:* June 17, to hold hearings on issues relating to income security, 2 p.m., SD-106.

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* June 15, Subcommittee on Forests and Public Land Management, to hold oversight hearings on issues related to vacating the record of decision and denial of a plan of operations for the Crown Jewel Mine in Okanogan County, Washington, 2:30 p.m., SD-366.

June 16, Full Committee, business meeting to consider pending calendar business, 9:30 a.m., SD-366.

*Committee on Environment and Public Works:* June 17, to hold hearings on S. 533, to amend the Solid Waste Disposal Act to authorize local governments and Governors to restrict receipt of out-of-State municipal solid waste; and S. 872, to impose certain limits on the receipt of out-of-State municipal solid waste, to authorize State and local controls over the flow of municipal solid waste, 9:30 a.m., SD-406.

*Committee on Finance:* June 16, business meeting to mark up H.R. 1833, to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 2000 and 2001 for the United States Customs Service for drug interdiction and other operations, for the Office of the United States Trade Representative, for the United States International Trade Commission, the proposed Generalized System of Preferences Extension Act, the proposed Trade Adjustment Assistance Reauthorization Act, the proposed United States Caribbean Basin Trade Enhancement Act, and the proposed Steel Trade Enforcement Act, 10 a.m., SD-215.

June 17, Full Committee, to hold hearings on the nomination of Lawrence H. Summers, of Maryland, to be Secretary of the Treasury, 10 a.m., SH-216.

June 17, Full Committee, to hold hearings on Medicaid and school-based services, 2 p.m., SD-215.

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* June 16, to hold hearings on the nomination of David B. Dunn, of California, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Zambia; the nomination of Mark Wylea Erwin, of North Carolina, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Mauritius, and Ambassador to the Federal Islamic Republic of the Comoros and as Ambassador to the Republic of Seychelles; the nomination of Christopher E. Goldthwait, of Florida, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Chad; and the nomination of Joyce E. Leader, of the District of Columbia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Guinea, 2:30 p.m., SD-562.

June 17, Full Committee, to hold hearings on the nomination of Richard Holbrooke, of New York, to be the Representative of the United States of America to the United Nations with the rank and status of Ambassador, and the Representative of the United States of America in the Security Council of the United Nations, 10 a.m., Room to be announced.

*Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:* June 15, business meeting to consider pending calendar business, 9:30 a.m., SD-628.

June 17, Full Committee, to hold joint hearings with the House Committee on Education and Work Force on proposed legislation authorizing funds for programs of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act, focusing on research and evaluation, 10 a.m., SD-106.

*Committee on Indian Affairs:* June 16, business meeting to mark up S. 28, to authorize an interpretive center and related visitor facilities within the Four Corners Monument Tribal Park; S. 400, to provide technical corrections to the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act of 1996, to improve the delivery of housing assistance to Indian tribes in a manner that recognizes the right of tribal self-governance; S. 401, to provide for business development and trade promotion for native Americans, and for other purposes; S. 613, to encourage Indian economic development, to provide for the

disclosure of Indian tribal sovereign immunity in contracts involving Indian tribes, and for other purposes; S. 614, to provide for regulatory reform in order to encourage investment, business, and economic development with respect to activities conducted on Indian lands; and S. 944, to amend Public Law 105-188 to provide for the mineral leasing of certain Indian lands in Oklahoma, 2:30 p.m., SR-485.

*Committee on the Judiciary:* June 15, to hold hearings on S. 952, to expand an antitrust exemption applicable to professional sports leagues and to require, as a condition of such an exemption, participation by professional football and major league baseball sports leagues in the financing of certain stadium construction activities, 2 p.m., SD-226.

June 16, Full Committee, to hold hearings on pending nominations, 2 p.m., SD-226.

June 17, Full Committee, business meeting to mark up S. 467, to restate and improve section 7A of the Clayton Act; S. 692, to prohibit Internet gambling; and S. 768, to establish court-martial jurisdiction over civilians serving with the Armed Forces during contingency operations, and to establish Federal jurisdiction over crimes committed outside the United States by former members of the Armed Forces and civilians accompanying the Armed Forces outside the United States, 10 a.m., SD-226.

June 17, Full Committee, to resume closed oversight hearings on certain activities of the Department of Justice, 2 p.m., S-407, Capitol.

## House Chamber

To be announced.

## House Committees

*Committee on Agriculture,* June 16, hearing to review the structure and policies of the Loan Deficiency Payment Program, 1:30 p.m., 1300 Longworth.

June 17, Subcommittee on Department Operations, Oversight, Nutrition, and Forestry, hearing on H.R. 852, Freedom to E-File Act, 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

*Committee on Appropriations,* June 15, Subcommittee on the District of Columbia, on DC Health Initiatives, 10 a.m., H-144 Capitol.

June 17, Subcommittee on the District of Columbia, on DC Public Schools, 1 p.m., H-144 Capitol.

*Committee on Banking and Financial Services,* June 15, hearing on Debt Relief, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

June 16, Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Credit, hearing on loan loss reserves, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

*Committee on the Budget,* June 15, Social Security Task Force, hearing on Secure Investment Strategies for Personal Retirement Accounts and Annuities, 12 p.m., 210 Cannon.

*Committee on Commerce,* June 15, Subcommittee on Telecommunications, Trade, and Consumer Protection, hearing on H.R. 1858, Consumer and Investor Access to Information Act of 1999, 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

June 16, Subcommittee on Health and Environment, to continue hearings on America's Health 10 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

June 17, Subcommittee on Energy and Power, hearing on H.R. 1828, Comprehensive Electricity Competition Act, 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

*Committee on Government Reform*, June 15, Subcommittee on Government Management, Information, and Technology, hearing on "What is the Federal Government Doing to Collect the Billions of Dollars in Delinquent Debts it is Owed?" 10 a.m., 2247 Rayburn.

June 16, Subcommittee on Criminal Justice, Drug Policy, and Human Resources, hearing on the Pros and Cons of Drug Legalization, Decriminalization and Harm Reduction, 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

June 16, Subcommittee on National Security, Veterans' Affairs, and International Relations, oversight hearing on the Department of Defense's Application of the Prompt Payment Act, 10 a.m., 2147 Rayburn.

June 17, Subcommittee on Criminal Justice, Drug Policy, and Human Resources, hearing on Department of Education's Student Loan Programs: Are Tax Dollars at Risk? 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

*Committee on House Administration*, June 15, hearing on Campaign Reform, 2 p.m., 1310 Longworth.

*Committee on International Relations*, June 15, hearing on the Future of Our Economic Partnership with Europe, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

June 16, Subcommittee on Asia and the Pacific, hearing on Malaysia: Assessing the Mahathir Agenda, 2:30 p.m., 2200 Rayburn.

June 16, Subcommittee on Western Hemisphere, hearing on Democracy in the Western Hemisphere: Achievements and Challenges, 1:30 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

*Committee on the Judiciary*, June 16, Subcommittee on Courts and Intellectual Property, hearing on the following bills: H.R. 1752, Federal Courts Improvement Act of 1999; and H.R. 2112, Multidistrict, Multiparty, Multiforum Jurisdiction Act of 1999, 2 p.m., 2226 Rayburn.

June 17, Subcommittee on Commercial and Administrative Law, hearing on the following bills: H.R. 744, to rescind the consent of Congress to the Northeast Dairy Compact; and H.R. 1604, Dairy Consumers and Producers Protection Act, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

*Committee on Resources*, June 17, Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources, hearing and markup of H.R. 1528, National Geologic Mapping Reauthorization Act of 1999, 2 p.m., 1324 Longworth.

June 17, Subcommittee on Forests and Forest Health, hearing on the following bills: H.R. 1231, to direct the Secretary of Agriculture to convey certain National Forest lands to Elko County, Nevada, for continued use as a cemetery; and H.R. 2079, to provide for the conveyance of certain National Forest System lands in the State of South Dakota; and to hold an oversight hearing on the Role of the National Forests in the Lewis and Clark Bicentennial (Part II), 10 a.m., 1334 Longworth.

June 17, Subcommittee on National Parks and Public Lands, hearing on H.R. 1487, National Monument NEPA Compliance Act, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

*Committee on Rules*, June 14, to consider H.R. 1501, Consequences for Juvenile Offenders Act of 1999, 2 p.m., and to consider H.R. 1000, Aviation Investment and Reform Act for the 21st Century, 6 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

*Committee on Science*, June 16, Subcommittee on Energy and Environment and the Subcommittee on Basic Research, joint hearing on Tornadoes: Understanding, Modeling and Forecasting Supercell Storms, 3 p.m., 2318 Rayburn.

June 17, Subcommittee on Energy and Environment, hearing on EPA's High Production Volume (HPV) Chemical Testing Program, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

June 17, Subcommittee on Technology, hearing on Federal Research and Small Business Innovation Research Program, 1 p.m., 2318 Rayburn.

*Committee on Small Business*, June 15, Subcommittee on Empowerment, hearing on the American Community Renewal Act of 1999 and the tax incentives it provides for small businesses that operate in Renewal Communities, 2 p.m., 2360 Rayburn.

June 17, Subcommittee, hearing on OSHA's Draft Safety and Health Program Rule, 10:30 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs*, June 16, Subcommittee on Benefits, hearing on the following bills: H.R. 1247, World War II Memorial Completion Act; H.R. 1476, National Cemetery Act of 1999; H.R. 1484, to authorize appropriations for homeless veterans reintegration projects under the Stewart B. McKinney Homeless Assistance Act; H.R. 1603, Selected Reserve Housing Loan Fairness Act of 1999; and H.R. 1663, National Medal of Honor Memorial Act, 9:30 a.m., 334 Cannon.

June 17, Subcommittee on Benefits, to mark up pending business, 10 a.m., 334 Cannon.

*Committee on Ways and Means*, June 15, Subcommittee on Health, hearing on those individuals without health insurance, 11 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

June 16, full Committee, hearing on proposals to reduce the tax burden on individuals and businesses, 10 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

June 17, Subcommittee on Trade, hearing on U.S.-Vietnam Trade Relations, including the President's renewal of Vietnam's waiver under the Jackson-Vanik amendment to the Trade Act of 1974, 10 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

### Joint Meetings

*Joint Meetings*: June 17, Senate Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions, to hold joint hearings with the House Committee on Education and Work Force on proposed legislation authorizing funds for programs of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act, focusing on research and evaluation, 10 a.m., SD-106.

*Joint Economic Committee*: June 14, to hold hearings on issues relating to the High-Technology National Summit, 9:30 a.m., SH-216.

June 15, Full Committee, to continue hearings on issues relating to the High-Technology National Summit, 9:30 a.m., SH-216.

June 16, Full Committee, to continue hearings on issues relating to the High-Technology National Summit, 10 a.m., SH-216.

June 17, Full Committee, to hold hearings on monetary policy and the economic outlook, 10 a.m., 311 Cannon Building.

*Next Meeting of the SENATE*

12 noon, Monday, June 14

*Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES*

12:30 p.m., Monday, June 14

## Senate Chamber

**Program for Monday:** After the transaction of any morning business (not to extend beyond 1 p.m.), Senate will begin consideration of S. 1186, Energy and Water Development Appropriations, 2000.

## House Chamber

**Program for Monday:** To be announced.

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