

Programs and Chief Financial Officer, Department of Transportation; and public witnesses.

### TAX INCENTIVES—ASSIST DISTRESSED COMMUNITIES

*Committee on Ways and Means:* Subcommittee on Oversight held a hearing on Tax Incentives to Assist Distressed Communities. Testimony was heard from Jonathan Talisman, Acting Assistant Secretary, Tax Policy, Department of the Treasury; Xavier Romeu, Secretary, Department of Economic Development, Puerto Rico; and public witnesses.

### NATIONAL IMAGERY AND MAPPING PROGRAM BUDGET

*Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence:* Met in executive session to hold a hearing on Fiscal Year 2001 National Imagery and Mapping Program Budget. Testimony was heard from departmental witnesses.

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## NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D221)

S. 376, to amend the Communications Satellite Act of 1962 to promote competition and privatization in satellite communications. Signed March 17, 2000. (P.L. 106-180)

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## COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, MARCH 22, 2000

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

### Senate

*Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry:* Subcommittee on Forestry, Conservation, and Rural Revitalization, to hold hearings on issues relating to cabin fees, 3 p.m., SR-328A.

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Interior, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2001 for the Forest Service, Department of Agriculture, 9:30 a.m., SD-124.

*Committee on Armed Services:* Subcommittee on Airland, to hold hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 2001 for the Department of Defense and the Future Years Defense Program, focusing on tactical aviation, 2 p.m., SR-222.

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* Subcommittee on Securities, to hold hearings to examine electronic communications networks and brokerage firms efforts to meet investors' needs in the financial marketplace of the future, 10 a.m., SD-628.

*Committee on the Budget:* business meeting to mark up a proposed concurrent resolution setting forth the fiscal year 2001 budget for the Federal Government, 2 p.m., SD-608.

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* to hold hearings on the nomination of Susan Ness, of Mary-

land, to be a Member of the Federal Communications Commission, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

Subcommittee on Science, Technology, and Space, to hold hearings to examine recent program and management issues at NASA, 2:30 p.m., SR-253.

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* Subcommittee on Water and Power, to hold hearings on H.R. 862, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to implement the provisions of the Agreement conveying title to a Distribution System from the United States to the Clear Creek Community Services District; H.R. 992, to convey the Sly Park Dam and Reservoir to the El Dorado Irrigation District; H.R. 1235, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to enter into contracts with the Solano County Water Agency, California, to use Solano Project facilities for impounding, storage, and carriage of nonproject water for domestic, municipal, industrial, and other beneficial purposes; H.R. 3077, to amend the Act that authorized construction of the San Luis Unit of the Central Valley Project, California, to facilitate water transfers in the Central Valley Project; S. 1659, to convey the Lower Yellowstone Irrigation Project, the Savage Unit of the Pick-Sloan Missouri Basin Program, and the Intake Irrigation Project to the appurtenant irrigation districts; S. 1836, to extend the deadline for commencement of construction of a hydroelectric project in the State of Alabama; and S. 2091, to amend the Act that authorized construction of the San Luis Unit of the Central Valley Project, California, to facilitate water transfers in the Central Valley Project, 2:30 p.m., SD-366.

*Committee on Finance:* to hold hearings to examine the inclusion of a prescription drug benefit in the Medicare program, 10 a.m., SD-215.

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* Subcommittee on Near Eastern and South Asian Affairs, to hold hearings to examine issues dealing with Iraq, focusing on sanctions and U.S. policy, 10:15 a.m., SD-419.

*Committee on Governmental Affairs:* to hold hearings on Department of Energy's management of health and safety issues surrounding the DOE's gaseous diffusion plants at Oak Ridge, Tennessee, and Piketon, Ohio, 10 a.m., SD-342.

*Committee on Indian Affairs:* business meeting, to consider pending calendar business; to be followed by hearings on the nomination of Thomas N. Slonaker, of Arizona, to be Special Trustee, Office of Special Trustee for American Indians, Department of the Interior, 9:30 a.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 Antitrust, Business Rights, and Competition, to hold oversight hearings on certain antitrust issues, 2 p.m., SD-226.

*Committee on Rules and Administration:* to hold hearings on the Constitution and campaign reform, 9 a.m., SR-301.

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs:* to hold joint hearings with the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs on the legislative recommendations of the Vietnam Veterans of America, the Retired Officers Association, American Ex-Prisoners of War, AMVETS, and the National Association