

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

The House passed H.R. 4576, DOD Appropriations for FY 2001.

House Committees ordered reported 13 sundry measures, including the VA, HUD and Independent Agencies appropriations for fiscal year 2001.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S4607–S4719

Measures Introduced: Eight bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2685–2692, S. Res. 317–318, and S. Con. Res. 120. **Page S4669**

Measures Passed:

National Opera: Senate passed H.R. 4542, to designate the Washington Opera in Washington, D.C., as the National Opera, clearing the measure for the President. **Pages S4717–18**

Honoring U.S.S. Thresher Casualties: Senate agreed to S. Res. 318, honoring the 129 sailors and civilians lost aboard the U.S.S. Thresher (SSN 593) on April 10, 1963; extending the gratitude of the Nation for their last, full measure of devotion; and acknowledging the contributions of the Naval Submarine Service and the Portsmouth Naval Shipyard to the defense of this Nation. **Page S4718**

Organ Procurement Organization Certification Act: Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions was discharged from further consideration of S. 2625, to amend the Public Health Service Act to revise the performance standards and certification process for organ procurement organizations, and the bill was then passed. **Pages S4718–19**

National Defense Authorization: Senate continued consideration of S. 2549, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2001 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe personnel strengths for such fiscal year for the Armed Forces, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto:

Pages S4607–35, S4637–61

Adopted:

By 96 yeas to 1 nay (Vote No. 117), Warner further Modified Amendment No. 3173, to extend eligibility for medical care under CHAMPUS and TRICARE to persons over age 64.

Pages S4607, S4627, S4631

By 51 yeas to 47 nays (Vote No. 119), Warner Amendment No. 3184 (to Amendment No. 3183), to provide for correction of scope of waiver authority for limitation on retirement or dismantlement of strategic nuclear delivery systems, and authority to waive limitation.

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Kerrey Amendment No. 3183, to repeal a limitation on retirement or dismantlement of strategic nuclear delivery systems in excess of military requirements.

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Reid Amendment No. 3198, to permit retired members of the Armed Forces who have a service-connected disability to receive military retired pay concurrently with veterans' disability compensation.

Pages S4634–35

Wellstone Amendment No. 3211, to express the sense of Congress condemning the use of children as soldiers in current foreign armed conflicts and expressing the belief that the United States should support and, where possible, lead efforts to end this abuse of human rights.

Pages S4650–51

Rejected:

By 35 yeas to 63 nays (Vote No. 120), McCain/Levin Amendment No. 3197, to authorize additional rounds of base closures and realignments under the Defense Base Closure and Realignment Act of 1990 in 2003 and 2005.

Pages S4638–49

Pending:

Smith (of NH) Amendment No. 3210, to prohibit granting security clearances to felons. **Pages S4651–60**

McCain Amendment No. 3214 (to Amendment No. 3210), to require the disclosure of expenditures and contributions by certain political organizations.

Pages S4656–60

During consideration of this measure today, the Senate also took the following action:

A point of order was made that Johnson Amendment No. 3191, to restore health care coverage to retired members of the uniformed services, was in violation of Section 302(f) of the Congressional Budget Act and, by 52 yeas to 46 nays (Vote No. 118), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn not having voted in the affirmative, Senate rejected a motion to waive the aforementioned section with respect to consideration of the amendment. Subsequently, the point of order was sustained and the amendment thus fell.

Pages S4620–33

A unanimous-consent-time agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill and a certain amendment to be proposed thereto, on Thursday, June 8, 2000.

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A unanimous-consent-time agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the McCain Amendment No. 3214 (to Amendment No. 3210), listed above, on Thursday, June 8, 2000, with a vote to occur thereon.

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Appointment:

First Flight Centennial Federal Advisory Board: The Chair, on behalf of the Majority Leader, in consultation with the Democratic Leader, pursuant to Public Law 105–389, announced the appointment of Robert R. Ferguson III of North Carolina to serve as a member of the First Flight Centennial Federal Advisory Board.

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Messages From the House: **Pages S4667–68**

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Additional Statements: **Pages S4665–67**

Privileges of the Floor: **Page S4717**

Record Votes: Four record votes were taken today. (Total—120) **Pages S4631–33, S4649**

Recess: Senate convened at 9:31 a.m., and recessed at 8:05 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Thursday, June 8, 2000. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the

Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S4719.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 1474, providing conveyance of the Palmetto Bend project to the State of Texas, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 1612, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain irrigation project property to certain irrigation and reclamation districts in the State of Nebraska, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 1894, to provide for the conveyance of certain land to Park County, Wyoming, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 1950, to amend the Mineral Leasing Act of 1920 to ensure the orderly development of coal, coalbed methane, natural gas, and oil in the Powder River Basin, Wyoming and Montana, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 729, to ensure that Congress and the public have the right to participate in the declaration of national monuments on federal land;

S. 2239, to authorize the Bureau of Reclamation to provide cost sharing for the endangered fish recovery implementation programs for the Upper Colorado River and San Juan River basins, with an amendment;

S. 1438, to establish the National Law Enforcement Museum on Federal land in the District of Columbia, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

H.R. 2879, to provide for the placement at the Lincoln Memorial of a plaque commemorating the speech of Martin Luther King, Jr., known as the "I Have A Dream" speech, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

S. 2343, to amend the National Historic Preservation Act for the purposes of establishing a national historic lighthouse preservation program, with amendments;

S. 2352, to designate portions of the Wekiva River and associated tributaries as a component of the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

H.R. 1749, to designate Wilson Creek in Avery and Caldwell Counties, North Carolina, as a component of the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System;

H.R. 3201, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to study the suitability and feasibility of designating the Carter G. Woodson Home in the District of Columbia as a National Historic Site;

S. 1367, to amend the Act which established the Saint-Gaudens Historic Site, in the State of New Hampshire, by modifying the boundary, with an amendment;

S. 1670, to revise the boundary of Fort Matanzas National Monument;

S. 2020, to adjust the boundary of the Natchez Trace Parkway, Mississippi;

S. 2478, to require the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a theme study on the peopling of America, with amendments;

S. 2485, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to provide assistance in planning and constructing a regional heritage center in Calais, Maine, with an amendment;

H.R. 940, to establish the Lackawanna Heritage Valley American Heritage Area, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

H.R. 2932, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a study of the Golden Spike/Crossroads of the West National Heritage Area Study Area and to establish the Crossroads of the West Historic District in the State of Utah;

S. 1998, to establish the Yuma Crossing National Heritage Area, with an amendment;

S. 2247, to establish the Wheeling National Heritage Area in the State of West Virginia, with amendments;

S. 2421, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a study of the suitability and feasibility of establishing an Upper Housatonic Valley National Heritage Area in Connecticut and Massachusetts;

S. 2511, to establish the Kenai Mountains-Turnagain Arm National Heritage Area in the State of Alaska, with amendments;

S. 2439, to authorize the appropriation of funds for the construction of the Southeastern Alaska Intertie system;

S. 610, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain land under the jurisdiction of the Bureau of Land Management in Washakie County and Big Horn County, Wyoming, to the Westside Irrigation District, Wyoming, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute; and

S. 2425, to authorize the Bureau of Reclamation to participate in the planning, design, and construction of the Bend Feed Canal Pipeline Project, Oregon, with an amendment.

PUBLIC LAND MANAGEMENT

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Forests and Public Land Management

concluded hearings on S. 2300, to amend the Mineral Leasing Act to increase the maximum acreage of Federal leases for coal that may be held by an entity in any one State, S. 2069, to permit the conveyance of certain land in Powell, Wyoming, and S. 1331, to give Lincoln County, Nevada, the right to purchase at fair market value certain public land in the county, after receiving testimony from Representative Gibbons; Pete Culp, Assistant Director, Minerals and Realty, Bureau of Land Management, Department of the Interior; Tom Sansonetti, Holland and Hart, Cheyenne, Wyoming, on behalf of the National Mining Association; Greg Schaefer, Arch Coal, Inc., Wright, Wyoming; Dan Frehner, Lincoln County Commission, Pioche, Nevada; and Vaughn Higbee, Lincoln County School District, Panaca, Nevada.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 2677, to restrict assistance until certain conditions are satisfied and to support democratic and economic transition in Zimbabwe;

S. 2682, to authorize the Broadcasting Board of Governors to make available to the Institute for Media Development certain materials of the Voice of America;

S. 2460, to authorize the payment of rewards to individuals furnishing information relating to persons subject to indictment for serious violations of international humanitarian law in Rwanda;

S. Res. 303, expressing the sense of the Senate regarding the treatment by the Russian Federation of Andrei Babitsky, a Russian journalist working for Radio Free Europe/Radio Liberty, with an amendment;

S. Con. Res. 117, commending the Republic of Slovenia for its partnership with the United States and NATO, and expressing the sense of Congress that Slovenia's accession to NATO would enhance NATO's security;

S. Con. Res. 118, commemorating the 60th anniversary of the execution of Polish captives by Soviet authorities in April and May 1940;

H. Con. Res. 304, expressing the condemnation of the continued egregious violations of human rights in the Republic of Belarus, the lack of progress toward the establishment of democracy and the rule of law in Belarus, calling on President Alyaksandr Lukashenka's regime to engage in negotiations with the representatives of the opposition and to restore the constitutional rights of the Belarussian people, and calling on the Russian Federation to respect the sovereignty of Belarus;

H. Con. Res. 251, commending the Republic of Croatia for the conduct of its parliamentary and presidential elections, with an amendment;

Inter-American Convention Against Corruptions (“the Convention”), adopted and opened for signature at the Specialized Conference of the Organization of American States (OAS) at Caracas, Venezuela, on March 29, 1996. The Convention was signed by the United States on June 27, 1996, at the twenty-seventh regular session of the OAS General Assembly meeting in Panama City, Panama (Treaty Doc.105-39); and

The nominations of John R. Dinger, of Florida, to be Ambassador to Mongolia; Edward William Gnehm, Jr., of Georgia, to be Ambassador to Australia; David N. Greenlee, of Maryland, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Paraguay; Marc Grossman, of Virginia, to be Director General of the Foreign Service; Donna Jean Hrinak, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Venezuela; Susan S. Jacobs, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to Papua New Guinea and to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador to Solomon Islands, and as Ambassador to the Republic of Vanuatu; Daniel A. Johnson, of Florida, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Suriname; Edward E. Kaufman, of Delaware, to be a Member of the Broadcasting Board of Governors; Rose M. Likins, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of El Salvador; Alberto J. Mora, of Florida, to be a Member of the Broadcasting Board of Governors; John Martin O’Keefe, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Kyrgyz Republic; Anne Woods Patterson, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Colombia; W. Robert Pearson, of Tennessee, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Turkey; V. Manuel Rocha, of California, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Bolivia; John F. Tefft, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Lithuania; James Donald Walsh, of California, to be Ambassador to Argentina; and certain Foreign Service Officer promotion lists.

SATELLITE EXPORT CONTROLS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on International Economic Policy, Export and Trade Promotion concluded oversight hearings to examine progress made in improving the system of satellite export controls since the Congress transferred responsibility for licensing commercial satellites from the Commerce Department to the State Department, after receiving testimony from John D. Holum, Sen-

ior Adviser for Arms Control and International Security Affairs, Department of State; William A. Reinsch, Under Secretary of Commerce for Export Administration; James M. Bodner, Principal Deputy Under Secretary of Defense for Policy; and Clayton Mowry, Satellite Industry Association, Alexandria, Virginia.

ANESTHESIA SERVICES

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Antitrust, Business Rights, and Competition concluded hearings to examine the standards and rules that guide the delivery of anesthesia services to Medicare patients, and proposed legislation to require the Secretary of the Health and Human Services Department to conduct a “comparative outcomes” study on the impact of physician supervision on the mortality and adverse outcome rates of Medicare patients to the provision of anesthesia services, after receiving testimony from Michael D. Fallacaro, Virginia Commonwealth University, School of Allied Health Professions, Medical College of Virginia Campus, Richmond, and Jan Stewart, Seattle, Washington, both on behalf of the American Association of Nurse Anesthetists; Ellison C. Pierce, Jr., Anesthesia Patient Safety Foundation, Boston, Massachusetts; and Jeffrey H. Silber, Center for Outcomes Research, Children’s Hospital of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

COLORADO UTE INDIAN WATER SETTLEMENT ACT

Committee on Indian Affairs: Committee concluded joint hearings with Committee on Energy and Natural Resources’ Subcommittee on Water and Power on S. 2508, to amend the Colorado Ute Indian Water Rights Settlement Act of 1988 to provide for a final settlement of the claims of the Colorado Ute Indian Tribes, after receiving testimony from David J. Hayes, Deputy Secretary of the Interior; Kent Holsinger, Assistant Director, Colorado Department of Natural Resources, and Wendy Weiss, Colorado Office of the Attorney General, both of Denver; Thomas C. Turney, New Mexico Office of the State Engineer, Santa Fe; Ernest House, Ute Mountain Ute Tribe of Colorado, Towaoc; John Baker, Jr., Souther Ute Indian Tribe, Ignacio, Colorado; Robert Wiygul, Denver, Colorado, on behalf of the Sierra Club, Four Corners Action Coalition, Taxpayers for the Animas River and Earthjustice Legal Defense Fund; and Jill Lancelot, Taxpayers for Common Sense, Washington, D.C.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 7 public bills, H.R. 4592–4598; 1 private bill, H.R. 4599; and 3 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 347–348 and H. Res. 517, were introduced. **Page H4035**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 3125, to prohibit Internet gambling, amended, and referred sequentially to the House Committee on Commerce for a period ending not later than June 23, 2000 (H. Rept. 106–655, Pt. 1);

Report on the Revised Suballocation of Budget Allocations for Fiscal Year 2001 (H. Rept. 106–656);

H. Res. 518, providing for consideration of H.R. 4577, making appropriations for the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2001 (H. Rept. 106–657); and

H. Res. 519, providing for consideration of H.R. 8, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to phase out the estate and gift taxes over a 10-year period (H. Rept. 106–658). **Page H4034**

San Rafael Western Legacy District and National Conservation Act: The House completed general debate and considered amendments to H.R. 3605, to establish the San Rafael Western Legacy District in the State of Utah. The Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union rose leaving the bill as unfinished business. **Pages H3943–61**

Agreed To:

Hansen amendment printed in H. Rept. 106–654, as amended, that specifies the boundaries of the Legacy District. Earlier, agreed to Boehlert substitute to the Hansen amendment that expanded the boundaries of the Legacy District; **Pages H3943–44**

Udall of Colorado amendment, as amended, that provides protective status to each section of the Conservation Area pending the completion of the management plan. Earlier agreed to Boehlert substitute to the Udall of Colorado amendment (agreed to by recorded vote of 212 ayes to 211 noes, Roll No. 238). The underlying Udall amendment had sought to provide interim protection to lands not yet designated as Wilderness Study Areas; **Pages H3944–50, H3959–60**

Inslee amendment that defines the boundaries as the land depicted in the Bureau of Land Management map entitled “San Rafael Western Legacy District and National Conservation Area dated March 28, 2000 (agreed to by a recorded vote of 228 ayes to 194 noes, Roll No. 239); **Pages H3950–54, H3960**

Cook amendment that prohibits funding for commercial advertising or commercial billboards; and **Pages H3958–59**

Trafficant amendment that expresses the sense of Congress that entities should purchase only American-made equipment and products. **Page H3959**

Rejected:

Boehlert substitute to the Holt amendment that sought to allow the use of motorized vehicles where authorized by the Bureau of Land Management (rejected by a recorded vote of 210 ayes to 214 noes, Roll No. 240). **Pages H3955–58, H3960–61**

Postponed proceedings:

The Holt amendment was offered that seeks to restrict the use of motorized vehicles, except for those needed for administrative purposes or emergencies. **Pages H3954–58**

H. Res. 516, the rule that is providing for consideration of the bill was agreed to by voice vote. **Pages H3936–43**

DOD Appropriations: The House passed H.R. 4576, making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2001 by a ye and nay vote of 367 yeas to 58 nays, Roll No. 241. **Pages H3973–H4018**

Rejected:

DeFazio amendment no. 2 printed in the Congressional Record that sought to reduce F–22 procurement funding by \$930 million; **Pages H4016–17**

Tierney amendment that sought to cancel national missile defense procurement funding of \$74.5 million and increase funding for the tri-care senior pharmacy program and other military health programs accordingly; **Pages H3992–99**

Kucinich amendment no. 8 printed in the Congressional Record that sought to reduce national missile defense operational test and evaluation funding by \$174 million and increase defense health programs accordingly; and **Pages H4002–12**

DeFazio amendment that sought to suspend defense contractors who have been convicted of fraud. **Pages H4013–14**

Points of Order Sustained Against:

DeFazio amendment that sought to suspend defense contractors who have been convicted of fraud on a total of three or more occasions after the date of enactment. **Pages H4012–13**

Withdrawn:

Sanders amendment no. 11 printed in the Congressional Record, was offered but subsequently withdrawn, that sought to establish a research facility to support research on exposure to hazardous agents and materials by military personnel who

served in the Persian Gulf War and to study low-level chemical sensitivities. **Page H4016**

H. Res. 514, the rule that is providing for consideration of the bill was agreed to by a voice vote.

Pages H3961–73

Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures debated on June 6.

Carlsbad, New Mexico Irrigation District Land Transfer: S. 291, to convey certain real property within the Carlsbad Project in New Mexico to the Carlsbad Irrigation District (passed by a ye and nay vote of 422 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 242) clearing the measure for the President;

Pages H4018–19

Wellton-Mohawk Irrigation District, Arizona Land Transfer: S. 356, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain works, facilities, and titles of the Gila Project, and designated lands within or adjacent to the Gila Project, to the Wellton-Mohawk Irrigation and Drainage District (passed by a ye and nay vote of 423 yeas with none voting “nay” Roll No. 243) clearing the measure for the President;

Pages H4019–20

Pine Island Unit in Currituck and Dare Counties, North Carolina Boundary Adjustment: H.R. 4435, amended, to clarify certain boundaries on the map relating to Unit NC01 of the Coastal Barrier Resources System (passed by a ye and nay vote of 421 yeas to 1 nay, Roll No. 244); and **Page H4020**

Kealia Pond National Wildlife Refuge, Hawaii: H.R. 3176, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a study to determine ways of restoring the natural wetlands conditions in the Kealia Pond National Wildlife Refuge, Hawaii (passed by a ye and nay vote of 406 yeas to 14 nays, Roll No. 245).

Pages H4020–21

Recess: The House recessed at 10:05 p.m. and reconvened at 11:57 p.m. **Page H4033**

Senate Messages: Message received from the Senate appears on page H3931.

Referrals: S. 2311 was referred to the Committee on Commerce. **Page H4034**

Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on pages H4036–42.

Quorum Calls Votes: Five ye and nay votes and three recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H3959–60, H3960, H3960–61, H3961, H4018–19, H4019–20, H4020, and H4020–21. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10:00 a.m. and adjourned at 11:58 p.m.

Committee Meetings

VA, HUD, AND INDEPENDENT AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Ordered reported the VA, HUD and Independent Agencies appropriations for fiscal year 2001.

CAPITAL MARKETS AND THE NEW ECONOMY

Committee on Banking and Financial Services: Subcommittee on Capital Markets, Securities and Government Sponsored Enterprises held a hearing on Capital Markets and the New Economy. Testimony was heard from Gary Gensler, Under Secretary, Domestic Finance, Department of the Treasury; Laurence H. Meyer, member, Board of Governors, Federal Reserve System; and public witnesses.

CANCER CARE FOR THE NEW MILLENNIUM

Committee on Government Reform: Held a hearing on Cancer Care for the New Millennium-Integrative Oncology. Testimony was heard from Representative Pryce of Ohio; the following officials of the Department of Health and Human Services: Steven Strauss, M.D., Director, National Center for Complementary and Alternative Medicine; Robert Wittes, M.D., Deputy Director, Extramural Science, National Cancer Institute; Jeffery Kang, M.D., Director, Office of Clinical Standards and Quality, Health Care and Financing Administration; and Robert Pazdur, Director, Division of Oncology Drug Products, FDA; and public witnesses.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Resources: Ordered reported the following bills: S. 439, to amend the National Forest and Public Lands of Nevada Enhancement Act of 1988, to adjust the boundary of the Toiyabe National Forest, Nevada; H.R. 946, Graton Rancheria Restoration Act; S. 1374, Jackson Multi-Agency Campus Act of 1999; H.R. 2773, amended, Wekiva Wild and Scenic River Act of 1999; H.R. 2778, amended, Taunton River Wild and Scenic River Study Act of 1999; H.R. 2833, amended, Yuma Crossing National Heritage Area Act of 1999; H.R. 3084, amended, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to contribute funds for the establishment of an interpretative center on the life and contributions of President Abraham Lincoln; H.R. 3236, amended, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to enter into contracts with the Weber Basin Water Conservancy District, Utah, to use Weber Basin Project facilities for the impounding, storage, and carriage of nonproject water for domestic, municipal, industrial, and other beneficial purposes; H.R. 3657, amended, to provide for

the conveyance of a small parcel of public domain land in the San Bernardino National Forest in the State of California; H.R. 3817, amended, to redesignate the Big South Trail in the Comanche Peak Wilderness Area of Roosevelt National Forest in Colorado as the "Jaryd Atadero Legacy Trail;" H.R. 4115, amended, to authorize appropriations for the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum; and H.R. 4408, to reauthorize the Atlantic Striped Bass Conservation Act.

FEDERAL LANDS—FIRE MANAGEMENT

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Forests and Forest Health and the Subcommittee on National Oaks and Public Lands held a joint oversight hearing on Fire Management on Federal Lands. Testimony was heard from Representatives Udall of New Mexico, Skeen, Wilson and Goodlatte; Bob Stanton, Director, National Park Service, Department of the Interior; the following officials of the Forest Service, USDA; Janice McDougal, Deputy Chief, State and Private Forestry; Jose Cruz, Director, Fire and Aviation Management; and Lyle Laverty, Regional Forester, Rocky Mountain Region; the following officials of the State of New Mexico: Gary Johnson, Governor; and David Venable, Mayor, Village of Cloudcroft; Richard Burick, Deputy Director, Operations, Los Alamos National Laboratory; and public witnesses.

DEATH TAX ELIMINATION ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted by voice vote, a modified closed rule on H.R. 8, Death Tax Elimination Act, providing one hour of debate equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Ways and Means. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule provides that the amendment recommended by the Committee on Ways and Means now printed in the bill shall be considered as adopted. The rule provides for consideration of the amendment in the nature of a substitute, printed in the report, if offered by Representative Rangel or his designee, which shall be considered as read and shall be separately debatable for one hour equally divided between the proponent and an opponent. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Chairman Archer and Representatives Rangel, Doggett and Sherman.

LABOR, HHS, EDUCATION AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS 2001

Committee on Rules: Granted by voice vote, an open rule providing one hour of general debate on H.R. 4577, making appropriations for the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education,

and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2001. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill and provides that the amendments printed in part A of the Rules Committee report accompanying the resolution shall be considered as adopted. The rule waives clause 2 of rule XXI (prohibiting unauthorized or legislative provisions in an appropriations bill) against provisions in the bill, as amended, except as otherwise specified in the rule. The rule provides that the amendment printed in part B of the Rules Committee report may be offered only by a Member designated in the report and only at the appropriate point in the reading of the bill, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, shall not be subject to amendment, and shall not be subject to a demand for a division of the question in the House or in the Committee of the Whole. The rule waives all points of order against the amendment printed in part B of the report. The rule also waives clause 2(e) of rule XXI (prohibiting non-emergency designated amendments to be offered to an appropriations bill containing an emergency designation) against amendments offered during consideration of the bill. The rule authorizes the Chair to accord priority in recognition to Members who have pre-printed their amendments in the Congressional Record. The rule allows the Chairman of the Committee of the Whole to postpone votes during consideration of the bill, and to reduce voting time to five minutes on a postponed question if the vote follows a fifteen minute vote. The rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Finally, the rule lays H. Res. 515 on the table.

REGULATORY REFORM INITIATIVES— IMPACT ON SMALL BUSINESS

Committee on Small Business: Held a hearing on Regulatory Reform Initiatives and Their Impact on Small Business. Testimony was heard from John T. Spotila, Administrator, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, OMB; and public witnesses.

ROUND II EMPOWERMENT ZONES FUTURE

Committee on Small Business: Subcommittee on Rural Enterprises, Business Opportunities and Special Small Business Problems held a hearing on the Future of Round II Empowerment Zones. Testimony was heard from Representatives Bono and Capuano; Maria Matthews, Deputy Administrator, Rural Development, Office of Community Development, USDA; and public witnesses.

COAST GUARD OPERATIONAL CUTS

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation held a hearing on Coast Guard Fiscal Year 2000 Operational Cuts. Testimony was heard from Adm. James M. Loy, USCG, Commandant, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Transportation.

Joint Meetings

HIGH-TECH SUMMIT

Joint Economic Committee: Committee concluded hearings on the High-Technology National Summit to examine issues that are related to ensuring the continuation of its robust role in our economic health, focusing on the necessity for education system changes, trade and deregulation issues, and what actions the government should take regarding these issues, after receiving testimony from Carly Fiorina, Hewlett-Packard Company, Palo Alto, California; Michael Eisner, The Walt Disney Company, Anaheim, California; J. Craig Venter, Celera Genomics, Bethesda, Maryland; Beth VanStory, iMotors.com, San Francisco, California; Gene Hoffman, Jr., EMusic.com, Inc., Redwood City, California; Judith Hamilton, Classroom Connect, Brisbane, California; and Anne L. Bryant, National School Boards Association, Alexandria, Virginia.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, JUNE 8, 2000

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Subcommittee on International Trade and Finance, to hold oversight hearings to examine multilateral development institutions, 9:30 a.m., SD-538.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Forests and Public Land Management, to hold hearings on H.R. 359, to clarify the intent of Congress in Public Law 93-632 to require the Secretary of Agriculture to continue to provide for the maintenance and operation of 18 concrete dams and weirs that were located in the Emigrant Wilderness at the time the wilderness area was designated in that Public Law; H.R. 468, to establish the Saint Helena Island National Scenic Area; H.R. 1680, to provide for the conveyance of Forest Service property in Kern County, California, in exchange for county lands suitable for inclusion in Sequoia National Forest; S. 1817, to validate a conveyance of certain lands located in Carlton County, Minnesota, and to provide for the compensation of certain original heirs; S. 1972, to direct the Secretary of Agriculture to convey to the town of Dolores, Colorado, the current site of the Joe Rowell Park; and S. 2111, to direct the Secretary of Agriculture to convey for fair market value 1.06 acres of land in the

San Bernardino National Forest, California, to KATY 101.3 FM, a California corporation, 9:30 a.m., SD-366. Subcommittee on National Parks, Historic Preservation, and Recreation, to hold oversight hearings to review the final rules and regulations issued by the National Park Service relating to Title IV of the National Parks Omnibus Management Act of 1998, 2:30 p.m., SD-366.

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on European Affairs, to hold hearings to examine Kosovo one year after the bombing, 10 a.m., SD-419.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: to hold hearings to examine gender-based wage discrimination, 10 a.m., SD-430.

Select Committee on Intelligence: to hold hearings on the report from the National Commission on Terrorism, 3 p.m., SH-216.

Committee on the Judiciary: business meeting to consider S. 2448, to enhance the protections of the Internet and the critical infrastructure of the United States; S. 353, to provide for class action reform; and S. 2406, to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to provide permanent authority for entry into the United States of certain religious workers, 10 a.m., SD-226.

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Committee on the Budget, hearing on the "Corporate Welfare Reform Commission Act, Unjustified Business Subsidies and Legislation Aimed at Addressing Them," 12 p.m., 210 Cannon.

Committee on Commerce, Subcommittee on Energy and Power, hearing entitled: "National Energy Policy: The Future of Nuclear and Coal Power in the United States," 1 p.m., 2123 Rayburn.

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Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on Commercial and Administrative Law, hearing on H.R. 534, Fairness and Voluntary Arbitration Act, 10:30 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Immigration and Claims, hearing on the following bills: H.R. 3295, CT-43A Federal Employee Settlement Act; and H.R. 1371, to amend the Federal tort claims provisions of title 28, United States Code, to repeal the exception for claims arising outside the United States, 10:45 a.m., 2226 Rayburn.

Committee on Resources, Subcommittee on Fisheries Conservation, Wildlife and Oceans, hearing on the following measures: H.R. 4286, to provide for the establishment of

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Subcommittee on National Parks and Public Lands, hearing on the following bills: H.R. 3520, White Clay Creek Wild and Scenic Rivers System Act; H.R. 3745, Effigy Mounds National Monument Additions Act; and H.R. 4404, to permit the payment of medical expenses incurred by the United States Park Police in the performance of duty to be made directly by the National Park Service, to allow for waiver and indemnification in mutual law enforcement agreements between the National Park Service and a State or political subdivision when required by State law, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

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Subcommittee on Regulatory Reform and Paperwork Reduction, hearing on the Quality of Regulatory Analyses, 10 a.m., 311 Cannon.

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Committee on Ways and Means, to mark up the following measures: H.J. Res. 90, withdrawing the approval of the United States from the Agreement establishing the World Trade Organization; and the Debt Reduction and Reconciliation Act of 2000, 2 p.m., 1100 Longworth.

Joint Meetings

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe: to hold hearings on the human rights situation of the Romani minority in the OSCE region where Roma face widespread discrimination in public places, education, housing, and employment, as well as other human rights violations, 2 p.m., SR-485.

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