

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Ordered reported the following measures: H.R. 3983, amended, Maritime Transportation Antiterrorism Act of 2002; H.R. 3930, amended, Water Quality Financing Act of 2002; H. Con. Res. 347, authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds for the National Peace Officers' Memorial Service; H. Con. Res. 348, authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds for the National Book Festival; H. Con. Res. 356, authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds for the Greater Washington Soap Box Derby; H. Con. Res. 354, authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds for the District of Columbia Special Olympics Law Enforcement Torch Run; H.R. 2672, to designate the United States courthouse to be constructed at 8th Avenue and Mill Street in Eugene, Oregon as the "Wayne Lyman Morse United States Courthouse;" and H.R. 2911, to designate the Federal building located at 5100 Paint Branch Parkway in College Park, Maryland, as the "Harvey W. Wiley Federal Building."

MARITIME TRANSPORTATION AND ANTITERRORISM ACT

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation approved for full Committee action, as amended, H.R. 3983, Maritime Transportation and Antiterrorism Act of 2002.

HIGHWAY TRUST FUND—ENSURING INTEGRITY

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Highways and Transit held a hearing on Ensuring the Integrity of the Highway Trust Fund. Testimony was heard from Jayetta Z. Hecker, Director, Physical Infrastructure Team, GAO; Donna McLean, Assistant Secretary, Budget and Programs, Department of Transportation; Andrew Lyon, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Tax Analysis, Department of the Treasury; and Kim P. Cawley, Chief, Natural and Physical Resources Cost Estimates Unit, CBO.

TAXPAYER PROTECTION AND IRS ACCOUNTABILITY ACT

Committee on Ways and Means: Ordered reported, as amended, H.R. 3991, Taxpayer Protection and IRS Accountability Act of 2002.

NATIONAL FOREIGN INTELLIGENCE PROGRAM OVERVIEW

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Met in executive session to hold a hearing on National Foreign Intelligence Program Overview of Fiscal Year 2003. Testimony was heard from departmental witnesses.

Joint Meetings**VETERANS PROGRAMS**

Joint Hearing: Senate Committee on Veterans' Affairs concluded joint hearings with the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs to examine the legislative recommendations of certain veterans organizations, after receiving testimony from John W. Klumpp, American Ex-Prisoners of War, Washington, D.C.; Thomas H. Corey, Vietnam Veterans of America, Silver Spring, Maryland; Col. Robert F. Norton, USA, (Ret.), Retired Officers Association, Alexandria, Virginia; Raymond G. Boland, National Association of State Directors of Veterans Affairs, Sun Prairie, Wisconsin; and Joseph W. Lipowski, American Veterans, Lanham, Maryland.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST of March 15, 2002, p. D243)

S. 1857, to encourage the negotiated settlement of tribal claims. Signed on March 19, 2002. (Public Law 107-153)

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, MARCH 21, 2002

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Special Committee on Aging: to hold hearings to examine pressures of long term care services and Medicaid costs on state budgets, 9 a.m., SD-628.

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Transportation, to hold hearings to examine security challenges presented by transportation of cargo, 10 a.m., SD-138.

Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2003 for the National Institutes of Health of the Department of Health and Human Services, 11 a.m., SD-192.

Subcommittee on District of Columbia, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2003 for the District of Columbia Courts, Court Services, and Offender Supervision Agency, 2:30 p.m., SD-192.

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Readiness and Management Support, to hold hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 2003 for the Department of Defense and the Future Years Defense Program, focusing on the readiness of U.S. Armed Forces for all assigned missions, 10 a.m., SR-232A.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: to continue oversight hearings to examine accounting and investor protection issues raised by the fall of the Enron Corporation and by other public companies, 10 a.m., SH-216.

Committee on the Budget: business meeting to continue markup of a proposed concurrent resolution setting forth the fiscal year 2003 budget for the Federal Government, 9 a.m., SD-608.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: to hold hearings to examine airport capacity expansion plans in the Chicago area, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

Committee on Finance: to hold hearings on the nomination of Randal Quarles, of Utah, to be Deputy Under Secretary of the Treasury for International Affairs, 9:30 a.m., SD-215.

Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine corporate tax shelters, 10 a.m., SD-215.

Committee on Governmental Affairs: business meeting to consider issuance of various subpoenas to employees of Enron, 9 a.m., SD-342.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: business meeting to continue markup of S. 1992, to amend the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 to improve diversification of plan assets for participants in individual account plans, to improve disclosure, account access, and accountability under individual account plans; and begin markup of S. 1335, to support business incubation in academic settings, 9 a.m., SD-406.

Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the Individuals With Disabilities Act, as it applies to children and schools, 10:30 a.m., SD-430.

Committee on Indian Affairs: business meeting to consider pending calendar business, 9:45 a.m., SR-485.

Full Committee, to hold hearings on S. 958, to provide for the use and distribution of the funds awarded to the Western Shoshone identifiable group under Indian Claims Commission Docket Numbers 326-A-1, 326-A-3, 326-K, 10 a.m., SR-485.

Committee on the Judiciary: to hold hearings to examine reform of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, focusing on lessons learned from the Oklahoma City bombing, 9:30 a.m., SD-226.

Subcommittee on Crime and Drugs, to hold hearings to examine homeland defense, focusing on assessing the needs of local law enforcement, 2 p.m., SD-226.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: business meeting to consider the nomination of Robert H. Roswell, of Florida, to be Under Secretary for Health, and Daniel L. Cooper, of Pennsylvania, to be Under Secretary for Benefits, both of the Department of Veterans Affairs, time to be announced, S-216 Capitol.

House

Committee on Appropriations. Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies, on FDA, 9:30 a.m., 2362A Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, Center for Disease Control and Prevention, 9:45 a.m., 2358 Rayburn.

Committee on Armed Services, Special Oversight Panel on Department of Energy Reorganization, hearing on the findings and recommendations of the report of the Panel to Assess the Reliability, Safety, and Security of the United States Stockpile, 11 a.m., 2212 Rayburn.

Committee on Education and the Workforce, Subcommittee on 21st Century Competitiveness, hearing on "Assessing the Assistive Technology Act of 1998," 10:30 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled "The Effects of the Global Crossing Bankruptcy on Investors, Markets, and Employees," 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Government Reform, Subcommittee on Energy Policy, Natural Resources and Regulatory Affairs, hearing on "EPA Cabinet Elevation-Federal and State Agency Views," 9:30 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on National Security, Veterans' Affairs, and International Relations, hearing on "Combating Terrorism: Protecting the United States—Part II," 1 p.m., 2247 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Technology and Procurement Policy, hearing on "Turning the Tortoise Into the Hare: How The Federal Government Can Transition From Old Economy Speed to Become a Model for Electronic Government," 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on Immigration and Claims, oversight hearing on "The INS and Office of Special Counsel for Immigration Related Unfair Employment Practices," 9 a.m.; and to mark up the following: H.R. 3214, to amend the charter of the AMVETS organization; H.R. 3988, to amend title 36, United States Code to clarify the requirements for eligibility in the American Legion; H.R. 2623, Posthumous Citizenship Restoration Act of 2001; H.R. 3838, to amend the charter of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States organization to make members of the armed forces who receive special pay for duty subject to hostile fire or imminent danger eligible for membership in the organization; and a private relief measure, 10 a.m., 2237 Rayburn.

Committee on Resources, Subcommittee on National Parks, Recreation, and Public Lands, oversight hearing on the Status of the Future Visitor Center and Associated Fund-raising Efforts at the Gettysburg National Military Park, 2 p.m., 1334 Longworth.

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, Subcommittee on Human Intelligence, Analysis and Counterintelligence and the Subcommittee on Intelligence Policy and National Security, executive, hearing on Southeast Asia Issues, 9 a.m., H-405 Capitol.