

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on the Judiciary: Ordered reported, as amended, H.R. 1701, Consumer Rental Purchase Agreement.

The Committee also began markup of H.R. 4689, Fairness in Sentencing Act of 2002.

**ADMINISTRATION'S HEALTHY FORESTS—
MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES**

Committee on Resources: Met to discuss the Administration's Healthy Forests: An Initiative for Wildlife Prevention and Stronger Communities and to hold a hearing on the following measures: H.R. 5214, National Forest Fire Prevention Act; H.R. 5309, Wildlife Prevention and Forest Health Protection Act of 2002; and H.R. 5319, Healthy Forests Reform Act of 2002. Testimony was heard from Representatives McInnis, Shadegg and Rehberg; Ann Veneman, Secretary of Agriculture; Gale A. Norton, Secretary of the Interior; and public witnesses.

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Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on National Parks, Recreation and Public Lands held a hearing on the following bills: H.R. 282, to authorize the Pyramid of Remembrance Foundation to establish a memorial in the District of Columbia or its environs to soldiers who have lost their lives during peace-keeping operations, humanitarian efforts, training, terrorist attacks, or covert operations; H.R. 3747, Bainbridge Island Japanese-American Memorial Study Act of 2002; H.R. 4692, to amend the Act entitled 'An Act to authorize the Establishment of the Andersonville National Historic Site in the State of Georgia, and for other purposes', to provide for the addition of certain donated lands to the Andersonville National Historic Site; and H.R. 5318, to provide for an exchange of certain private property in Colorado and certain Federal property in Utah. Testimony was heard from Representatives LaTourette, Inslee and Bishop; the following officials of the Department of the Interior: John Parsons, Associate Regional Director, National Capital Region, National Park Service; and Jim Hughes, Deputy Director, Bureau of Land Management; Darlene Kordonowy, Mayor, Bainbridge Island, State of Washington; and public witnesses.

DRIVER'S LICENSE SECURITY ISSUES

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Highways and Transit held a hearing on Driver's License Security Issues. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

BACK TO SCHOOL TAX RELIEF ACT

Committee on Ways and Means: Ordered reported, as amended, H.R. 5193, Back to School Tax Relief Act of 2002.

Joint Meetings**NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION**

Conferees met to resolve the differences between the Senate and House passed versions of H.R. 4546, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2003 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, and to prescribe personnel strengths for such fiscal year for the Armed Forces, focusing on personnel and strategic provisions, but did not complete action thereon, and will meet again on Wednesday, September 11.

**COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY,
SEPTEMBER 6, 2002**

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

House

No meetings are scheduled.

CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

**Week of September 9 through September 14,
2002**

Senate Chamber

On *Monday*, at 1 p.m., Senate will consider the nomination of Kenneth A. Marra, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Florida, with a vote to occur thereon; following which, Senate will resume consideration of H.R. 5005, Homeland Security Act.

On *Tuesday*, Senate will continue consideration of H.R. 5093, Department of the Interior Appropriations Act, and resume consideration of H.R. 5005, Homeland Security Act.

During the balance of the week, Senate will also consider any other cleared legislative and executive business, including appropriations bills and conference reports, when available.

Senate Committees

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: September 9, Subcommittee on Surface Transportation and Merchant Marine, with the Committee on Environment

and Public Works, Subcommittee on Transportation, Infrastructure, and Nuclear Safety, to hold joint hearings to examine freight transportation issues, 2:30 p.m., SR-253.

September 10, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the status of aviation security one year after September 11, 2001, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

September 12, Subcommittee on Science, Technology, and Space, to hold hearings to examine S. 2537 and H.R. 3833, bills to facilitate the creation of a new, second-level Internet domain within the United States country code domain that will be a haven for material that promotes positive experiences for children and families using the Internet, provides a safe online environment for children, and helps to prevent children from being exposed to harmful material on the Internet, 2:30 p.m., SR-253.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: September 9, Subcommittee on Transportation, Infrastructure, and Nuclear Safety, with the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, Subcommittee on Surface Transportation and Merchant Marine, to hold joint hearings to examine freight transportation issues, 2:30 p.m., SR-253.

September 13, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the Everglades, 9:30 a.m., SD-406.

Committee on Foreign Relations: September 12, Subcommittee on International Economic Policy, Export and Trade Promotion, to hold hearings to examine replenishment authorizations for the World Bank's International Development Association, the Asian Development Fund, and the African Development Fund, 10:15 a.m., SD-419.

September 12, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the Treaty Between the United States of America and the Russian Federation on Strategic Offensive Reductions, Signed at Moscow on May 24, 2002 (Treaty Doc. 107-08), 2:30 p.m., SD-419.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: September 10, to hold hearings to examine the implementation of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act, focusing on Title 1, 10 a.m., SD-430.

September 12, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine restoring economic security for workers in the nation one year after September 11, 2001, 10 a.m., SD-106.

Committee on Indian Affairs: September 12, to hold oversight hearings to examine successful strategies for Indian reservation development, 10 a.m., SR-485.

Select Committee on Intelligence: September 10, to hold closed hearings to examine intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

September 12, Full Committee, to hold joint closed hearings with the House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence to examine events surrounding September 11, 2001, 10 a.m., S-407, Capitol.

Committee on the Judiciary: September 10, to hold hearings to examine the implementation of the USA PATRIOT Act, focusing on the expansion of the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act (FISA), in which the standards for courts to approve surveillance of foreign intelligence gathering are far less demanding than those required for approval of a criminal wiretap, 10 a.m., SD-226.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: September 10, to hold joint hearings with the House Committee on Veterans'

Affairs to examine the legislative presentation of the American Legion, 10 a.m., 345 Cannon Building.

House Chamber

To be announced.

House Committees

Committee on the Budget, September 12, hearing on Economic Outlook, 10 a.m., 210 Cannon.

Committee on Education and the Workforce, September 10, Subcommittee on Employer-Employee Relations, hearing entitled "Retirement Security for American Workers: Examining Pension Enforcement and Accountability," 10:30 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, September 10, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled "America's Blood Supply in the Aftermath of September 11, 2001," 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Government Reform, September 10, Subcommittee on Government Efficiency, Financial Management and Intergovernmental Relations, hearing on H.R. 5215, Confidential Information Protection and Statistical Efficiency Act of 2002, 2 p.m., 2247 Rayburn.

September 12, full Committee, hearing entitled "Conflict With Iraq-An Israeli Perspective," 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on International Relations, September 12, Subcommittee on the Middle East and South Asia, hearing on U.S. Policy Toward Syria and on H.R. 4483, Syria Accountability Act, 10:15 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary, September 12, Subcommittee on the Constitution, oversight hearing on Privacy Concerns Raised by the Collection and Use of Genetic Information by Employers and Insurers, 10 a.m., 2237 Rayburn.

Committee on Rules, September 12, hearing on proposed changes to House rules, 1:30 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, September 10, Subcommittee on Highways and Transit, hearing on Intelligent Transportation Systems, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

September 12, Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings and Emergency Management, hearing on Delta Regional Authority and Southeast Crescent Authority: Progress and Prospects for Regional Development Authorities, 9 a.m., 2253 Rayburn.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs, September 12, hearing on the Department of Veterans Affairs homeless veterans programs, 1:30 p.m., 340 Cannon.

Committee on Ways and Means, September 10, Subcommittee on Health, hearing on legislation to Reduce Medical Errors, 10 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

Joint Meetings

Conference: September 11, meeting of conferees, in closed session, on H.R. 4546, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2003 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, focusing on readiness provisions, 1:30 p.m., S-211, Capitol.

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personnel strengths for such fiscal year for the Armed Forces, focusing on strategic provisions, 5:30 p.m., HC-8, Capitol.

Conference: September 13, meeting of conferees, in closed session, on H.R. 4546, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2003 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, focusing on general provisions, 9:30 a.m., S-207, Capitol.

Joint Meetings: September 10, Senate Committee on Veterans' Affairs, to hold joint hearings with the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs to examine the legislative presentation of the American Legion, 10 a.m., 345, Cannon Building.

Joint Meetings: September 12, Senate Select Committee on Intelligence, to hold joint closed hearings with the House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence to examine events surrounding September 11, 2001, 10 a.m., S-407, Capitol.