

Hackbarth, Chairman, Medicare Payments Advisory Commission; and public witnesses.

SOCIAL SECURITY PROVISIONS AFFECTING PUBLIC EMPLOYEES

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Social Security held a hearing on Social Security Provisions Affecting Public Employees. Testimony was heard from Robert M. Wilson, Deputy Commissioner, Legislation and Congressional Affairs, SSA; Barbara Bovbjerg, Director, Education, Workforce, and Income Security, GAO; and public witnesses.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D410)

H.R. 1770, to provide benefits and other compensation for certain individuals with injuries resulting from administration of smallpox countermeasures. Signed on April 30, 2003. (Public Law 108-20)

S. 151, to prevent child abduction and the sexual exploitation of children. Signed on April 30, 2003. (Public Law 108-21)

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY, MAY 2, 2003

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

House

Committee on Armed Services, to continue hearings on the Defense Transformation for the 21st Century Act, 9 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of May 5 through May 10, 2003

Senate Chamber

On *Monday*, at 12:45 p.m., Senate will consider the nomination of Deborah L. Cook, of Ohio, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Sixth Circuit, with a vote on confirmation of the nomination to occur at 4:45 p.m.; following which, Senate will resume consideration of Miguel A. Estrada, of Virginia, to be United States Circuit Judge for the District of Columbia Circuit, with a vote on the fifth motion to close further debate on the nomination to occur at 6 p.m.

On *Tuesday*, Senate will begin consideration of S. 14, Energy Policy Act.

During the balance of the week, Senate may also consider the proposed NATO Expansion bill; S. 15, Project BioShield Act; S. 925, Foreign Relations Authorization Act; S. 113, Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act, and any other cleared legislative and executive business.

Senate Committees

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Committee on Appropriations: May 6, Subcommittee on Homeland Security, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2004 for border and transportation security, 10 a.m., SD-124.

May 7, Subcommittee on Defense, to hold hearings to examine the National Guard and Reserve, 10:15 a.m., SD-192.

May 8, Subcommittee on Legislative Branch, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2004 for the Secretary of the Senate and the Architect of the Capitol, 1:30 p.m., SD-124.

Committee on Armed Services: May 6, Subcommittee on Emerging Threats and Capabilities, closed business meeting to mark up those provisions, which fall within the jurisdiction of the subcommittee, of proposed legislation authorizing appropriations for fiscal year 2004 for military activities of the Department of Defense, 2:30 p.m., SR-222.

May 6, Subcommittee on SeaPower, closed business meeting to mark up those provisions, which fall within the jurisdiction of the subcommittee, of proposed legislation authorizing appropriations for fiscal year 2004 for military activities of the Department of Defense, 3:30 p.m., SR-232A.

May 6, Subcommittee on Personnel, closed business meeting to mark up those provisions, which fall within the jurisdiction of the subcommittee, of proposed legislation authorizing appropriations for fiscal year 2004 for military activities of the Department of Defense, 4:30 p.m., SR-222.

May 7, Subcommittee on Airland, closed business meeting to mark up those provisions, which fall within the jurisdiction of the subcommittee, of proposed legislation authorizing appropriations for fiscal year 2004 for military activities of the Department of Defense, 9 a.m., SR-232A.

May 7, Subcommittee on Readiness and Management Support, closed business meeting to mark up those provisions, which fall within the jurisdiction of the subcommittee, of proposed legislation authorizing appropriations for fiscal year 2004 for military activities of the Department of Defense, 10 a.m., SR-222.

May 7, Subcommittee on Strategic Forces, closed business meeting to mark up those provisions, which fall within the jurisdiction of the subcommittee, of proposed legislation authorizing appropriations for fiscal year 2004 for military activities of the Department of Defense, 11:30 a.m., SR-232A.

May 7, Full Committee, closed business meeting to mark up proposed legislation authorizing appropriations

for fiscal year 2004 for military activities of the Department of Defense, 2:30 p.m., SR-222.

May 8, Full Committee, closed business meeting to mark up proposed legislation authorizing appropriations for fiscal year 2004 for military activities of the Department of Defense, 9:30 a.m., SR-222.

May 9, Full Committee, closed business meeting to mark up proposed legislation authorizing appropriations for fiscal year 2004 for military activities of the Department of Defense, 9:30 a.m., SR-222.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: May 7, business meeting to consider S. 709, to be immediately followed by oversight hearings to examine the impact of the global settlement, 10 a.m., SD-538.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: May 6, to hold hearings to examine media ownership, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

May 7, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine climate change, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

May 7, Subcommittee on Science, Technology, and Space, to hold hearings to examine Hydrogen, 2:30 p.m., SR-253.

May 8, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Annette Sandberg, of Washington, to be Administrator of the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration, to be immediately followed by hearings to examine the reauthorization of National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: May 6, Subcommittee on National Parks, to hold hearings to examine S. 324, to amend the National Trails System Act to clarify Federal authority relating to land acquisition from willing sellers for certain trails in the National Trails System, S. 634, to amend the National Trails System Act to direct the Secretary of the Interior to carry out a study on the feasibility of designating the Trail of the Ancients as a national historic trail, S. 635, to amend the National Trails System Act to require the Secretary of the Interior to update the feasibility and suitability studies of four national historic trails, and S. 651, to amend the National Trails System Act to clarify Federal authority relating to land acquisition from willing sellers for the majority of the trails in the System, 10 a.m., SD-366.

May 6, Full Committee, to hold oversight hearings to examine the Department of the Interior program's addressing western water issues, 2:30 p.m., SD-366.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: May 8, Subcommittee on Clean Air, Climate Change, and Nuclear Safety, to hold hearings to examine S. 485, to amend the Clean Air Act to reduce air pollution through expansion of cap and trade programs, to provide an alternative regulatory classification for units subject to the cap and trade program, 9:30 a.m., SD-406.

Committee on Foreign Relations: May 7, Subcommittee on International Economic Policy, Export and Trade Promotion, to hold hearings to examine U.S. energy security, focusing on Latin America and West Africa, 2:30 p.m., SD-419.

Committee on Indian Affairs: May 7, to hold hearings to examine S. 550, to amend the Indian Land Consolidation

Act to improve provisions relating to probate of trust and restricted land, 10 a.m., SR-485.

Committee on the Judiciary: May 6, Subcommittee on Constitution, Civil Rights and Property Rights, to hold hearings to examine judicial nominations, filibusters, and the Constitution, focusing on when a majority is denied its right to consent, 2:30 p.m., SD-226.

May 7, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Consuelo Maria Callahan, of California, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit, and Michael Chertoff, of New Jersey, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Third Circuit, 9:30 a.m., SD-226.

May 8, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Robert D. McCallum, Jr., of Georgia, to be Associate Attorney General, and Peter D. Keisler, of Maryland, to be an Assistant Attorney General, both of the Department of Justice, 2 p.m., SD-226.

Special Committee on Aging: May 6, to hold hearings to examine Medicare reform and competition, 10 a.m., SD-562.

House Chamber

To be announced.

House Committees

Committee on Appropriations, May 6, Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education and Related Agencies, on Members of Congress, 9:45 a.m., 2358 Rayburn.

May 6, Subcommittee on Transportation and Treasury, and Independent Agencies, on Secretary of Transportation, 2 p.m., 2358 Rayburn.

May 7, Subcommittee on Foreign Operations, Export Financing, and Related Programs, on Global Health Issues, 2 p.m., 2359 Rayburn.

May 7, Subcommittee on Homeland Security, on Bureau of Customs and Border Protection, 10 a.m., 2358 Rayburn.

May 7 and 8, Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies, on public witnesses, 9:45 a.m., and 2 p.m., 2358 Rayburn.

May 7, Subcommittee on Transportation, and Treasury, and Related Agencies, on IRS Fiscal Year 2004 Compliance Proposals, 2 p.m., 2358 Rayburn.

May 8, Subcommittee on Homeland Security, on Bureau of Immigration and Customs Enforcement, 2 p.m., 2359 Rayburn.

May 8, Subcommittee on Transportation and Treasury, and Independent Agencies, on Management and Cost Oversight of Federal Highway Funding, 10 a.m., and on Secretary of Treasury, 2 p.m., 2358 Rayburn.

Committee on Education and the Workforce, May 6, Subcommittee on Education Reform, hearing on "Protecting Children: The use of Medication in our Nation's Schools, 2 p.m., 2176 Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, May 7, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled "SARS: Assessment, Outlook, and Lessons Learned," 2 p.m., 2123 Rayburn.

May 8, Subcommittee on Commerce, Trade and Consumer Protection, hearing entitled "Trade in Services and E-Commerce: The Significance of the Singapore and Chile Free Trade Agreements," 9:30 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, May 6, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled "Increasing the Effectiveness of State Consumer Protections," 3 p.m., 2128 Rayburn.

May 8, Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Credit, hearing entitled "The Importance of the National Credit Reporting System to Consumers and the U.S. Economy," 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Government Reform, May 5, Subcommittee on National Security, Emerging Threats and International Relations, hearing on Homeland Security: Improving Public Health Surveillance, 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

May 6, full Committee, oversight hearing on "Instilling Agility, Flexibility and a Culture of Achievement in Critical Federal Agencies: A review of H.R. 1836, Civil Service and National Security Personnel Improvement Act of 2003," 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

May 6, Subcommittee on Technology, Information Policy, Intergovernmental Relations and the Census, hearing entitled "Can Factual Data Analysis Strengthen National Security," Part 1, 3 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

May 7, Subcommittee on Human Rights and Wellness, hearing on "Consumer Choice and Implementing Full Disclosure in Dentistry," 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

May 8, full Committee, hearing entitled "Out of Many, One: Assessing Barriers to Information Sharing in the Department of Homeland Security," 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on House Administration, May 6, to mark up Omnibus Committee Funding resolution, 5 p.m., 1334 Longworth.

Committee on International Relations, May 7, full Committee, to mark up the following: the Foreign Relations Authorization Act for Fiscal Years 2004 and 2005; and the Millennium Challenge Account Act of 2003, 10:15 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

May 8, Subcommittee on Europe and the Subcommittee on International Terrorism, Nonproliferation and Human Rights, joint hearing on U.S. Cooperative Threat Reduction and Nonproliferation Programs, Part I, 1:30 p.m., 2165 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary, May 6, Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security, oversight hearing on Reauthorization of the U.S. Department of Justice: Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms; FBI and DEA, 2 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

May 6, Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism and Homeland Security, to mark up H.R. 21, Unlawful Internet Gambling Funding Prohibition Act, 4 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

May 6, Subcommittee on Immigration, Border Security and Claims, hearing on the following bills: H.R. 1685, to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act relating to posthumous citizenship through death while on active-duty service during periods of military hostilities to eliminate the prohibition on immigration benefits for surviving family members and to provide such benefits for

spouses and children; H.R. 1714, Armed Forces Citizenship Act of 2003; H.R. 1799, Fallen Heroes Immigrant Spouse Fairness Act of 2003; H.R. 1275, to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to change the requirements for naturalization to citizenship through service in the Armed Forces of the United States; and H.R. 1814, Nationalization and Family Protection for Military Members Act of 2003, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

May 7, full Committee, to mark up the following measures: H.R. 1086, Standards Development Organization Advancement Act of 2003; H.R. 1437, to improve the United States Code; H.R. 1529, Involuntary Bankruptcy Improvement Act of 2003; S. 330, Veterans Memorial Preservation and Recognition Act of 2003; H.R. 1302, Federal Courts Improvement Act of 2003; H.R. 1303, to amend the E-Government Act of 2002 with respect to rulemaking authority of the Judiciary Conference; H.R. 982, to clarify the tax treatment of bonds and other obligations issued by the Government of American Samoa; H. Res. 180, supporting the goals and ideals of "National Correctional Officers and Employees Week" and honoring the service of correctional officers and employees; and S.J. Res. 8, expressing the sense of Congress with respect to raising awareness and encouraging prevention of sexual assault in the United States and supporting the goals and ideals of National Sexual Assault Awareness and Prevention Month; and to consider Rules for consideration of Private Claims and Private Immigration bills, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

May 7, Subcommittee on the Constitution, hearing and markup of H.J. Res. 4, proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States authorizing the Congress to prohibit the physical desecration of the flag of the United States, 3 p.m., 2237 Rayburn.

May 8, full Committee, oversight hearing on "Direct Broadcasting Satellite Service in the Multichannel Video Distribution Market," 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

May 8, Subcommittee on Immigration, Border Security and Claims, oversight hearing on War on Terrorism: Immigration Enforcement Since September 11, 2001, 2 p.m., 2237 Rayburn.

Committee on Resources, May 6, hearing on H.R. 1835, National Security Readiness Act of 2003, 2 p.m., 1324 Longworth.

Committee on Science, May 8, Subcommittee on Research, hearing on the National Earthquake Reduction Program: Past, Present, and Future, 2 p.m., 2318 Rayburn.

May 8, Subcommittee on Space and Aeronautics, hearing on NASA's Integrated Space Transportation Plan and Orbital Space Plan Program, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Small Business, May 6, Subcommittee on Workforce, Empowerment and Government Programs, hearing on the Current and Future States of the SBIR, FAST and MEP Program, 10 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

May 7, full Committee, hearing entitled "Are Big Businesses Being Awarded Contracts Intended for Small Businesses?" 2 p.m., 2360 Rayburn.

May 8, Subcommittee on Tax, Finance, and Exports, hearing on Overcoming Obstacles Facing the Uninsured: How the Use of Medical Savings Accounts, Flexible

Spending Accounts and Tax Credits Can Help, 2 p.m., 2360 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, May 7, Subcommittee on Highways, Transit and Pipelines, hearing on Highway and Transit Needs: The State and Local Perspective, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

May 7, Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment, hearing on H.R. 135, Twenty-First Century Water Commission Act of 2003, 2 p.m., 2167 Rayburn.

May 8, Subcommittee on Aviation, hearing on the Status of the Federal Flight Deck Officer Program, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

May 8, Subcommittee on Aviation, to mark up H.R. 765, to amend title 49, United States Code, to allow cargo pilots to participate in the Federal flight deck officer program, 2 p.m., 2167 Rayburn.

May 8, Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings and Emergency Management, oversight hearing on the Administration's Proposal to Reauthorize the Economic Development Administration, 10 a.m., 253 Rayburn.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs, May 6, Subcommittee on Health, to mark up pending business; followed by a hearing on the status of homeless-assistance programs for veterans conducted by the Department of Veterans Affairs, including its coordination with community based providers and other agencies, 1 p.m., 334 Cannon.

May 7, Subcommittee on Benefits, to mark up pending business, 11:30 a.m., 334 Cannon.

May 7, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing to review the progress of the Department of Veterans Affairs concerning the collections of its Medical Care Collection Fund, 2 p.m., 334 Cannon.

May 8, full Committee, hearing on past and present efforts to identify and eliminate fraud, waste, abuse and mismanagement in programs administered by the Department of Veterans Affairs, 10 a.m., 334 Cannon.

Joint Meetings

Joint Economic Committee: May 6, to hold joint hearings to examine financing the nation's roads, 10 a.m., SD-628.