Young of Florida, McDade, Livingston, Lewis of California, Skeen, Hobson, Bonilla, Nethercutt, Neumann, Murtha, Dicks, Wilson, Hefner, Sabo, and Obey.

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Agreed to the Obey motion to instruct House conferees on insist on section 8075 of the House bill, limiting the allowable cost charged to the Government for individual compensation to not more than \$200,000 per year.

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Earlier, agreed to a unanimous-consent request that the House vacate the proceedings of September 13, 1995, in which the House disagreed to the Senate amendment to H.R. 2126, and agreed to the conference asked by the Senate; except that the order of the House of the same day enabling closed meetings of the conference remain in effect. Page H8915

Late Report: Conferees received permission to have until midnight tonight to file a conference report on H.R. 1817, making appropriations for military construction, family housing, and base realignment and closure for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1996.

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Federal Acquisition Reform: By a recorded vote of 423 ayes, Roll No. 663, the House passed H.R. 1670, to revise and streamline the acquisition laws of the Federal Government, and to reorganize the mechanisms for resolving Federal procurement disputes.

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Agreed To:

The Spratt amendment that provides for the establishment of a demonstration project to determine the feasibility or desirability of one or more proposals for improving the personnel management policies or procedures that apply with respect to the acquisition workforce of the Department of Defense;

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The Chambliss amendment that revises the provisions relating to protest resolution (title IV) to include new language that clarifies the standard of review in protest cases; ensures that board judges permit the use of discovery only where necessary; increases the use of special simplified procedures for the speedy resolution of protests in certain cases; provides for the selection of judges by the Secretary of Defense for the Defense Board and by the Administrator of General Services for the Civilian Board; simplifies and clarifies the transition process from the current protest resolution system to the new consolidated boards; and provides the Postal Service to maintain its own board for contract disputes; and

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The Zeliff amendment that places a moratorium on a provision of current law that permits State and local governments to purchase goods and services directly from the General Services Administration's Federal supply schedule. Pages H8923–25

Rejected the Maloney amendment that sought to strike provisions lifting the current law requirement that a fee or tax must be paid to the United States Government on foreign sales of products developed under Government contract in order to recoup these development costs (rejected by a recorded vote of 164 ayes to 259 noes, Roll No. 662). Pages H8925–30

The Clerk was authorized to make technical corrections and conforming changes in the engrossment of the bill.

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Legislative Program: The Acting Majority Leader announced the legislative program for the week of September 18. Agreed to adjourn from Thursday to Monday.

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Calendar Wednesday: Agreed to dispense with Calendar Wednesday business of September 20.

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Senate Messages: Message received from the Senate today appears on page H8911.

Amendments Ordered Printed: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on pages H8994–H9033.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Two recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H8930 and H8936–37. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: Met at 1 p.m. and adjourned at 6:24 p.m.

Committee Meetings

RECONCILIATION ISSUES

Committee on Commerce: Began consideration of Department of Commerce Abolition for transmittal to the Committee on the Budget for inclusion in the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act for fiscal year 1996.

Will continue September 19.

FDA'S ENFORCEMENT STANDARDS FOR MEDICAL DEVICES

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on Human Resources and Intergovernmental Relations and the Subcommittee on National Economic Growth, Natural Resources, and Regulatory Affairs held a joint hearing on FDA's Enforcement Standards for Medical Devices. Testimony was heard from William Schultz, Deputy Commissioner, Policy, FDA, Department of Health and Human Services; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Commercial and Administrative Law approved for full Committee action the following bills: H.R. 234, Boating and Aviation Operation Safety Act; 1802, Reorganization of the Federal Administrative Judiciary Act; and H.R. 2291, to extend the Administrative Conference of the United States.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Courts and Intellectual Property held a hearing on the following: H.R. 1649, Patent and Trademark Office Corporation Act of 1995; H.R. 1756, Department of Commerce Dismantling Act; and the Patent and Trademark Corporation Act of 1995. Testimony was heard from Bruce A. Lehman, Assistant Secretary and Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks, Patent and Trademark Office, Department of Commerce; and public witnesses.

SERIAL KILLERS AND CHILD ABDUCTIONS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Crime held a hearing on Serial Killers and Child Abductions. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the FBI, Department of Justice: Robin L. Montgomery, Special Agent in Charge, Critical Incident Response Group; William Hagmaier, Supervisory Special Agent and Unit Chief, Child Abduction and Serial Killer Unit; and Kenneth V. Lanning, Supervisory Special Agent, Behavioral Science Unit; and public witnesses.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE DISMANTLING ACT

Committee on Science: Ordered reported amended H.R. 1756, Department of Commerce Dismantling Act.

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Committee on Standards of Official Conduct: Met in executive session to consider pending business.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE DISMANTLING ACT; WATER SURVEY AND PROJECT RESOLUTIONS

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Ordered reported amended H.R. 1756, Department of Commerce Dismantling Act.

The Committee also approved the following: 14 water resources survey resolutions; and 1 section 201 water project resolution.

RAIL SAFETY USER FEES

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Railroads held a hearing on the proposed renewal and expansion of Rail Safety User Fees. Testimony was heard from Don Itzkoff, Deputy Administrator, Federal Railroad Administration, Department of Transportation; and public witnesses.

Joint Meetings

APPROPRIATIONS—TREASURY/POSTAL SERVICE

Conferees met to continue to resolve the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H.R. 2020, making appropriations for the Treasury Department, the United States Postal Service, the Executive Office of the President, and certain Independent Agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1996, but did not complete action thereon, and will meet again on Tuesday, September 19.

APPROPRIATIONS—MILITARY CONSTRUCTION

Conferees continued in evening session to resolve the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H.R. 1817, making appropriations for military construction, family housing, and base realignment and closure for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1996.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 1995

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Appropriations, business meeting, to mark up H.R. 2127, making appropriations for the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1996, 9 a.m., SD–192.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, to hold hearings on S. 1144, to reform and enhance the management of the National Park Service, S. 309, to reform the concession policies of the National Park Service, and S. 964, to amend the Land and Water Conservation Fund Act of 1965 with respect to fees for admission into units of the National Park System, 9 a.m., SD–366.

Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on Terrorism, Technology, and Government Information, to continue hearings on matters relating to the incident in Ruby Ridge, Idaho, 10 a.m., SD–G50.

House

No committee meetings are scheduled.