

(8) Gramm Amendment No. 2825, to provide for the relocation of the Office of Cuba Broadcasting.

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(9) Gramm (for Hatfield/Hollings) Amendment No. 2826, providing that the Eisenhower Exchange Fellowships, Inc., may use any earned but unused trust income from the period 1992–1995 for Fellowship purposes.

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(10) Gramm (for Helms) Amendment No. 2827, to waive until December 1, 1995, the requirement for authorizations of appropriations for Department of State funding.

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(11) Gramm (for Helms/Pell) Amendment No. 2828, to make available for diplomatic and consular programs funds collected from new fees charged for the expedited processing of certain visas and border crossing cards.

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Pending:

Biden Amendment No. 2815, to restore funding for grants to combat violence against women.

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McCain/Dorgan Amendment No. 2816, to ensure competitive bidding for DBS spectrum.

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Kerrey Amendment No. 2817, to decrease the amount of funding for Federal Bureau of Investigation construction and increase the amount of funding for the National Information Infrastructure.

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Biden/Bryan Amendment No. 2818, to restore funding for residential substance abuse treatment for State prisoners, rural drug enforcement assistance, the Public Safety Partnership and Community Policing Act of 1994, drug courts, grants or contracts to the Boys and Girls Clubs of America to establish Boys and Girls Clubs in public housing, and law enforcement family support programs, to restore the authority of the Office of National Drug Control Policy, to strike the State and Local Law Enforcement Assistance Block Grant Program, and to restore the option of States to use prison block grant funds for boot camps.

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Domenici Amendment No. 2819 (to committee amendment on page 26, line 18), to improve provisions relating to appropriations for legal assistance.

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A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill on Friday, September 30, 1995.

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Small Business Lending Enhancement Act—Conference Report: Senate agreed to the conference report on S. 895, to amend the Small Business Act to reduce the level of participation by the Small Business Administration in certain loans guaranteed by the Administration.

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Appointments:

North Atlantic Assembly Fall Meeting: The Chair, on behalf of the Vice President, in accordance with 22 U.S.C. 1928a–1928d, as amended, appointed the following Senators as members of the Senate Delegation to the North Atlantic Assembly Fall Meeting during the First Session of the 104th Congress, to be held in Turin, Italy, October 5–9, 1995: Senators Cochran, Grassley, Murkowski, Gorton, and Akaka.

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Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations: James L. Dennis, of Louisiana, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Fifth Circuit.

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

By 46 yeas to 54 nays (Vote No. 473), Senate rejected a motion to recommit the nomination to the Committee on the Judiciary.

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Messages From the House:

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Measures Referred:

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Communications:

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Statements on Introduced Bills:

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Authority for Committees:

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Additional Statements:

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Record Votes: Three record votes were taken today. (Total—473)

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Recess: Senate convened at 9 a.m., and recessed at 9:52 p.m., until 9 a.m., on Friday, September 29, 1995. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's RECORD on page S14571.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

BUDGET RECONCILIATION

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: Committee completed its review of certain spending reductions and revenue increases to meet reconciliation expenditures as imposed by H. Con. Res. 67, setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal years 1996, 1997, 1998, 1999, 2000, 2001, and 2002, and agreed on recommendations which it will make thereon to the Committee on the Budget.

ETHANOL PRODUCTION

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: Committee concluded hearings to examine the effects of the ethanol industry on farm income, deficiency payments, energy efficiency, and economic activity in rural America, after receiving testimony from Dan Glickman, Secretary of Agriculture; Carol M. Browner, Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency; Eric Vaughn, Renewable Fuels Association, Washington, D.C.; Douglas A. Durante, Clean Fuels Development Coalition, Bethesda, Maryland; and Merlin Plagge, Iowa Farm Bureau, Des Moines.

PUBLIC HOUSING REFORM

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee concluded hearings on S. 1260, to reform and consolidate the public and assisted housing programs of the United States, and to redirect primary responsibility for these programs from the Federal Government to States and localities, after receiving testimony from Henry G. Cisneros, Secretary of Housing and Urban Development; Joseph G. Schiff, The Schiff Group, Inc., Bethesda, Maryland, former Assistant Secretary of Housing and Urban Development for Public and Indian Housing; Richard C. Gentry, Richmond Redevelopment and Housing Authority, Richmond, Virginia, on behalf of the National Association of Housing and Redevelopment Officials; John H. Hiscox, Macon, Georgia Housing Authority, on behalf of the Public Housing Authorities Directors Association; Gregory Byrne, Dade County Department of Housing and Urban Development, Miami, Florida, on behalf of the Council of Large Public Housing Authorities; Paul Graziano, New York City Housing Authority, New York, New York, on behalf of the National Leased Housing Association; Thomas R. Shuler, Insignia Management Corporation, Greenville, South Carolina, on behalf of the National Apartment Association and the National Multi Housing Council; Karen V. Hill, Fair Housing Implementation Office, Yonkers, New York, on behalf of the National Low Income Housing Coalition; Nancy Bernstine, National Housing Law Project, and Othello W. Poulard, Center for Community Change, both of Washington, D.C.; Ann O'Hara, Boston, Massachusetts, on behalf of the Consortium for Citizens with Disabilities; Helen Boosalis, Lincoln, Nebraska, on behalf of the American Association of Retired Persons; Rosemary Rittenberg, Massachusetts Union of Public Housing Tenants, Dorchester; and Sharron D. Lipscomb, Empowerment Network Foundation, Alexandria, Virginia.

BUDGET RECONCILIATION

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee completed its review of certain spending reductions and revenue increases to meet reconciliation expenditures as imposed by H. Con. Res. 67, setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal years 1996, 1997, 1998, 1999, 2000, 2001, and 2002, and agreed on recommendations which it will make thereon to the Committee on the Budget.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of Patricia J. Beneke, of Iowa, to be Assistant Secretary for Water and Science, and Eluid L. Martinez, of New Mexico, to be Commissioner of the Bureau of Reclamation, both of the Department of the Interior, Derrick L. Forrister, of Tennessee, to be Assistant Secretary of Energy for Congressional and Intergovernmental Affairs, and Charles William Burton, of Texas, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the United States Enrichment Corporation, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

BUDGET RECONCILIATION

Committee on Finance: Committee continued its review of certain spending reductions and revenue increases to meet reconciliation expenditures as imposed by H. Con. Res. 67, setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal years 1996, 1997, 1998, 1999, 2000, 2001, and 2002, but did not complete action thereon, and will meet again tomorrow.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of Joan M. Plaisted, of California, to be Ambassador to the Republic of the Marshall Islands and to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador to the Republic of Kiribati, and Don Lee Gevirtz, of California, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Fiji, and to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador to the Republic of Nauru, Ambassador to the Kingdom of Tonga, and Ambassador to Tuvalu, after the nominees, who were introduced by Senator Feinstein, testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of Ned R. McWherter, of Tennessee, to be Governor of the United States Postal Service, and Donald S. Wasserman, of the District of Columbia, to be a Member of the Federal Labor Relations Authority,

after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf. Mr. McWherter was introduced by Senator Frist.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of R. Guy Cole, Jr., of Ohio, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Sixth Circuit, Susan J. Dlott, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Ohio, Stephen Murray Orlofsky, to be United States District Judge for the District of New Jersey, Barry Ted Moskowitz, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of California, and John R. Tunheim, to be United States District Judge for the District of Minnesota, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf. Mr. Cole and Ms. Dlott were introduced by Senator Glenn and Representative Stokes; Mr. Orlofsky was introduced by Senators Bradley and Lautenberg, Mr. Moskowitz was introduced by Senator Boxer, and Mr. Tunheim was introduced by Senators Grams and Wellstone.

NON-IMMIGRANT ISSUES

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded hearings to examine non-immigrant immigration issues, after receiving testimony from Robert B. Reich, Secretary of Labor; Doris Meissner, Commissioner, Immigration and Naturalization Service, Department of Justice; Austin T. Fragomen, Fragomen, Del Rey & Bernsen, New York, New York, on behalf of the American Council on International Personnel; Grace

Gentry, Gentry, Incorporated, Oakland, California, on behalf of the National Association of Computer Consultant Businesses; Lawrence Richards, Software Professionals' Political Action Committee, Austin, Texas; David Auston, Rice University, Houston, Texas, on behalf of the Association of American Universities; Philip P. Martin, University of California, Davis; Bob L. Vice, California Farm Bureau Federation, Sacramento; John Young, New England Apple Council, New Boston, New Hampshire; James S. Holt, McGuiness & Williams, and David North, both of Washington, D.C.; Dolores Huerta, United Farm Workers of America (AFL-CIO), Keene, California; Robert A. Williams, Florida Rural Legal Services, Tallahassee; and Wallace Huffman, Iowa State University, Ames.

PRIVATE EFFORTS TO RESHAPE AMERICA

Committee on Labor and Human Resources: Subcommittee on Children and Families concluded hearings to examine the effectiveness of private organizations in providing social services, after receiving testimony from Robert L. Woodson, Sr., National Center for Neighborhood Enterprise, and John Woods, Gospel Mission of Washington, D.C., both of Washington, D.C.; Freddie Garcia, Victory Home, San Antonio, Texas; James Heurich, San Antonio Teen Challenge, San Antonio, Texas; Jerry Hayes, Sunshine Mission, St. Louis, Missouri; Janet W. Evans, Person-to-Person, Darien, Connecticut; Joan Smith, St. Elizabeth's Regional Maternity Center, New Albany, Indiana; and John Booy, The Potter's House, Grand Rapids, Michigan.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 11 public bills, H.R. 2413–2423, and 1 private bill, H.R. 2424; and 2 resolutions, H.J. Res. 109 and H. Res. 223 were introduced.

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed as follows:

Conference report on H.R. 1976, making appropriations for Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1995 (H. Rept. 104–268); and

Conference report on S. 895, to amend the Small Business Act to reduce the level of participation by the Small Business Administration (H. Rept. 104–269).

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Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designates Representative Hefley to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. Page H9593

Middle East Peace Facilitation: House passed H.R. 2404, to extend authorities under the Middle East Peace Facilitation Act of 1994 until November 1, 1995. Pages H9600–01

Continuing Appropriations: House passed H.J. Res. 108, making continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 1996. Pages H9601–06

Agreed to the Rogers technical amendment.

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H. Res. 230, the rule under which the joint resolution was considered, was agreed to earlier by a voice vote. Pages H9601–04