Recess: House recessed at 1:59 p.m. and reconvened at 3:02 p.m. Page H9625

International Space Station Authorization: House passed H.R. 1601, to authorize appropriations to the National Aeronautics and Space Administration to develop, assemble, and operate the International Space Station.

Pages H9606–08

Agreed to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. Page H9608

Three-Judge State Referenda Review: H.R. 1170, to provide that cases challenging the constitutionality of measures passed by State referendum be heard by a 3-judge court.

Pages H9608-28

Agreed to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. Page H9627

Rejected:

The Schroeder amendment that sought to limit the application of the bill to court districts which have either only one sitting judge or that have multiple judges who can receive cases in any other way other than a random assignment basis (rejected by a recorded vote of 177 ayes to 248 noes, Roll No. 692); and

Pages H9619–26

The Watt amendment that sought to make the provisions of the bill applicable only to the State of California.

Pages H9626–27

Agreed to amend the title. Page H9628

H. Res. 227, the rule under which the bill was considered, was agreed to earlier by a voice vote.

Pages H9608-11

Interior Appropriations: By a recorded vote of 251 ayes to 171 noes, Roll No. 695, the House agreed to H. Res. 231, waiving points of order against the conference report on H.R. 1977, making appropriations for the Department of the Interior and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1995.

Pages H9639-43, H9645-46

Defense Appropriations: by a yea-and-nay vote of 284 yeas to 139 nays, Roll No. 694, the House agreed to H. Res. 232, waiving points of order against the conference report on H.R. 2126, making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1996.

Pages H9643-45

British-American Interparliamentary Group: The Speaker appointed Representative Bereuter, Chairman, to the British-American Interparliamentary Group on the part of the House.

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Quorum Calls—Votes: One yea-and-nay vote and three recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H9625–26, H9627–28, H9644–45, and H9645–46. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: Met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Committee Meetings

BUDGET RECONCILIATION

Committee on Agriculture: On September 27, the Committee concluded consideration of Budget Reconciliation recommendations, but came to no resolution thereon.

OVERSIGHT—FEDERAL HOME LOAN BANK SYSTEM

Committee on Banking and Financial Services: Subcommittee on Capital Markets, Securities and Government Sponsored Enterprises concluded oversight hearings on the Federal Home Loan Bank System. Testimony was heard from the following officials of Federal Home Loan Bank System: Alex J. Pollock, President and CEO, Chicago; Alfred A. DelliBovi, President, New York; and John K. Darr, Managing Director, Office of Finance; and public witnesses.

BUDGET RECONCILIATION

Committee on Economic and Education Opportunities: Approved Budget Reconciliation recommendations.

HEALTH FRAUD AND ABUSE

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on Human Resources and Intergovernmental Relations held a hearing on the following bills: H.R. 2326, Health Care Fraud and Abuse Prevention Act of 1995; and H.R. 1850, Health Fraud and Abuse Act. Testimony was heard from Gerald Stern, Special Counsel, Financial Institution Fraud, Department of Justice; and public witnesses.

TAXPAYER-FUNDED POLITICAL ADVOCACY

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on National Economic Growth, Natural Resources, and Regulatory Affairs held a hearing on Taxpayer-funded Political Advocacy. Testimony was heard from Representative Longley; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on House Oversight: Ordered reported the following resolutions: S. Con. Res. 21, amended, directing that the "Portrait Monument" carved in the likeness of Lucretia Mott, Susan B. Anthony, and Elizabeth Cady Stanton, now in the Crypt of the Capitol, be restored to its original state and be placed in the Capitol Rotunda; and H. Con. Res. 94, authorizing the use of the rotunda of the Capitol for a dedication ceremony incident to the placement of a bust of Raoul Wallenberg in the Capitol.

TERRORISM IN LATIN AMERICA

Committee on International Relations: Held a hearing on Terrorism in Latin America/AMIA Bombing in Argentina. Testimony was heard from Phillip Wilcox, Coordinator for Counterterrorism, Department of State; Robert Bryant, Assistant Director, National Security Division, FBI, Department of Justice; and public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT—U.S. OVERSEAS PROGRAMS EFFECTIVENESS

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on International Economic Policy and Trade held an oversight hearing on the Effectiveness of U.S. Overseas Programs to Promote International Tourism and Travel to the United States. Testimony was heard from Senator Pressler; Greg Farmer, Under secretary, Travel and Tourism, Department of Commerce; Richard Speros, Director, Division of Tourism, State of Wisconsin; and public witnesses.

BOSNIAN REFUGEES

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on International Operations and Human Rights held a hearing on Bosnian Refugees, Testimony was heard from Brunson McKinley, Under Secretary, Department of State, and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Crime held a hearing on the following bills: H.R. 1241, DNA Identification Grants Improvement Act; H.R. 1533, to amend title 18, United States Code, to increase the penalty for escaping from a Federal prison; H.R. 1552, False Identification Act of 1995; H.R. 2359, to clarify the method of execution of Federal prisoners; and H.R. 2360, to amend title 18, United States Code, to permit Federal prisoners to engage in community service projects. Testimony was heard from Representatives Chabot, Wynn, and Bryant of Tennessee; the following officials of the Department of Justice: Kevin Di Gregory, Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division; Thomas R. Kane, Assistant Director, Information, Policy and Public Affairs, Federal Bureau of Prisons; and Milton Aehlrich, Assistant Director, FBI; and public wit-

OVERSIGHT—WILD BIRD CONSERVATION ACT

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Fisheries, Wildlife and Oceans held an oversight hearing on the Wild Bird Conservation Act of 1992 (P.L. 102–440). Testimony was heard from Representative Ewing: Marshall Jones, Assistant Director, International Affairs, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior; Lawrence Herrighty, Super-

vising Wildlife Biologist, Division of Fish, Game and Wildlife, Department of Environmental Protection, State of New Jersey; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Lands held a hearing on the following bills: H.R. 194, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to make matching contributions toward the purchase of the Sterling Forest in the State of New York; H.R. 1256, Sterling Forest Protection Act of 1995; and the Snow Basin Land Exchange Act of 1995. Testimony was heard from Senators Bradley and Lautenberg; Representatives Gilman, Roukema, Torricelli, Martini and Frelinghuysen; Marie Rust, Northeast Director, National Park Service, Department of the Interior; Gray Reynolds, Deputy Chief, Forest Service, USDA; Bernadette Castro, Commissioner, Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation, State of New York; James F. Hall, Assistant Commissioner, Department of Environmental Protection, Office of Natural and Historic Resources, State of New Jersey; and public witnesses.

IMPACT OF GOVERNMENT REGULATORY, TAX AND LEGAL POLICY ON TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT

Committee on Science: Subcommittee on Technology held a hearing on Impact of Government Regulatory, Tax and Legal Policy on Technology Development and Competitiveness. Testimony was heard from Allan I. Mendelowitz, Managing Director, International Trade, Finance and Competitiveness, GAO; Andrew W. Wyckoff, Program Director, Industry, Telecommunications and Commerce, OTA; and public witnesses.

SBA's VENTURE CAPITAL PROGRAMS

Committee on Small Business: Held a hearing on SBA's Venture Capital Programs. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the GAO: Donald Wheeler, Deputy Director, Office of Special Investigations; and Judy England-Joseph, Director, Housing and Community Development Issues; and Patricia Forbes, Acting Associate Deputy Administrator, Economic Development, SBA.

BUDGET RECONCILIATION RECOMMENDATIONS

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Approved Budget Reconciliation recommendations.

FAA REVITALIZATION ACT

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Aviation held a hearing on H.R. 2276, Federal Aviation Administration Revitalization Act of 1995. Testimony was heard from Representative Lightfoot; and public witnesses.

VETERANS' COMPENSATION COST-OF-LIVING ADJUSTMENT ACT; BUDGET RECONCILIATION

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Ordered reported H.R. 2394, Veterans' Compensation Cost-of-Living Adjustment Act of 1995.

The Committee also approved Budget Reconciliation recommendations.

Joint Meetings

AUTHORIZATION—DEFENSE

Conferees met in closed session on the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H.R. 1530, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 1996 for military activities of the Department of Defense, and to prescribe military personnel strengths for fiscal year 1996, but did not complete action thereon and recessed subject to call.

APPROPRIATIONS—AGRICULTURE

Conferees on Wednesday, September 27, agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H.R. 1976, making appropriations for Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1996.

SMALL BUSINESS LENDING ENHANCEMENT ACT

Conferees agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of 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.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 1995

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Armed Services, hold hearings on the nomination of John Wade Douglass, of Virginia, to be Assist-

ant Secretary of the Navy for Research, Development and Acquisition, 10 a.m., SR-222.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs, to hold hearings on the nominations of Dwight P. Robinson, of Michigan, to be Deputy Secretary, John A. Knubel, of Maryland, to be Chief Financial Officer, Hal C. Decell, III, of Mississippi, and Elizabeth K. Julian, of Texas, each to be an Assistant Secretary, Kevin G. Chavers, of Pennsylvania, to be President, Government National Mortgage Association, all of the Department of Housing and Urban Development, Joseph H. Neely, of Mississippi, to be Member of the Board of Directors of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, Alicia Haydock Munnell, of Massachusetts, to be a Member of the Council of Economic Advisers, and Norman S. Johnson, of Utah, and Isaac C. Hunt Jr., of Ohio, each to be a Member of the Securities and Exchange Commission, 10 a.m., SD-538.

Committee on Finance, business meeting, to continue to consider recommendations which it will make to the Committee on the Budget with 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, 10 a.m., SH–216. Select Committee on Intelligence, to hold closed hearings on intelligence matters, 9:30 a.m., SH–219.

House

Committee on Banking and Financial Services, Subcommittee on Housing and Community Development, hearing on the proposed United States Housing Act of 1995, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary, hearing on H.R. 497, National Gambling Impact and Policy Commission Act, 10 a.m., 2131 Rayburn.

Committee on Rules, to consider the following: H.R. 2405, Omnibus Civilian Science Research Authorization Act of 1995, and the Conference Report to accompany H.R. 1976, making appropriations for Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies Programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1996, 10 a.m., H–313 Capitol.

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, executive, briefing on Guatemala, 1 p.m., H-405 Capitol.

Joint Meetings

Conferees, on S. 395, to authorize and direct the Secretary of Energy to sell the Alaska Power Administration, and to authorize the export of Alaska North Slope crude oil, 10 a.m., H–137, Capitol.