

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Fourteen public bills, H.R. 813–826; three private bills, H.R. 827–829; and six resolutions, H.J. Res. 67, H. Con. Res. 22–23, and H. Res. 57–59, were introduced. **Pages H1207–08**

Presidential Message—Haiti: Read a message from the President wherein he transmits reports on United States activities with respect to Haiti—referred to the Committee on International Relations and ordered printed (H. Doc. No. 104–25). **Pages H1167–68**

Line-Item Veto: House continued consideration of H.R. 2, to give the President line-item veto authority over appropriation Acts and targeted tax benefits in revenue Acts; but came to no resolution thereon. Consideration of amendments will resume on Monday, February 6. **Pages H1168–91**

Agreed to the Obey amendment that allows the President to use the line-item veto authority established for items in fiscal year 1995 appropriations bills if the President notifies the Congress of such rescissions not later than ten calendar days after the enactment of the Line-Item Veto Act. **Pages H1190–91**
Rejected:

The Spratt amendment that sought to expand the types of provisions in tax bills that the President can propose be repealed under his new line-item veto authority (rejected by a recorded vote of 175 ayes to 243 noes, Roll No. 89); **Pages H1168–70**

The Wise amendment in the nature of a substitute that sought to provide that rescissions proposed by the President must be voted on by Congress under expedited consideration procedures, and that repeals of “targeted tax benefits” proposed by the President also must be voted on by Congress under expedited consideration procedures and would only become effective if approved by the House and Senate (rejected by a recorded vote of 167 ayes to 246 noes, Roll No. 90). **Pages H1171–87**

It was made in order that during further consideration of H.R. 2 that the Chairman of the Committee of the Whole may postpone until a time during further consideration a request for a recorded vote on any amendment, and that the Chairman may reduce to not less than five minutes the time for voting by electronic device without intervening business, provided that the time for voting by electronic device without intervening business on the first in any series of questions be not less than 15 minutes; and **Pages H1196–97**

It was made in order that when the Committee of the Whole meets under the five-minute rule on Monday, February 6, to consider amendments to H.R. 2 that four amendments, if offered will be considered; time to be divided equally between proponents and opponents of the amendment with debate not to exceed the time allotted: Amendment by Representative Orton, 1 hour; amendment by Representative Waters, 30 minutes; amendment by Representative Tauzin, 30 minutes, and amendment by Representative Traficant, 30 minutes. No amendments to the preceding amendments may be offered. Two substitutes, if offered, will also be considered, time to be equally divided between proponents and opponents and debate not to exceed one hour each: Substitute by Representative Slaughter; and substitute by Representative Stenholm. No amendments to the substitutes may be offered. **Page H1197**

Legislative Program: The Majority Leader announced the legislative program for the week of February 6. Agreed to adjourn from Friday to Monday. **Page H1187**

Calendar Wednesday: Agreed to dispense with Calendar Wednesday business of Wednesday, February 8. **Page H1193**

Amendments Ordered Printed: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on pages H1208–11.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Two recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H1169–70 and H1186–87. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: Met at 10:00 a.m. and adjourned at 4:13 p.m.

Committee Meetings

LABOR, HHS, EDUCATION AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education and Related Agencies continued appropriation hearings. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

JOB CREATION AND WAGE ENHANCEMENT ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Commercial and Administrative Law held a hearing on H.R. 9, Job Creation and Wage Enhancement Act of 1995, issues in the Contract With America dealing with Title VI: Strengthening Regulatory Flexibility; Title VII: Regulatory Impact Analysis; and

Title VIII: Protection Against Federal Regulatory Abuse. Testimony was heard from Representatives Skelton, Ewing, and DeLay; the following officials of the SBA: John Spotila, General Counsel; and Jere Glover, Chief Counsel for Advocacy; Jamie Gorelick, Deputy Attorney General, Department of Justice; and public witnesses.

Hearings continue on February 6.

TERM LIMITS—SENATE AND HOUSE MEMBERS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on the Constitution held a hearing on Term Limits for Members of the United States Senate and the House of Representatives. Testimony was heard from Senators Thompson and McConnell; Representatives Fowler, McCollum, Deal of Georgia, Peterson of Florida, and Payne of New Jersey; Thomas H. Fetzer, Mayor, Raleigh, North Carolina; former Senator Dennis DeConcini of Arizona; and public witnesses.

RISK ASSESSMENT AND COST-BENEFIT ANALYSIS

Committee on Science: Continued hearings on Risk Assessment and Cost-Benefit Analysis. Testimony was heard from Representatives Mica and Zimmer; Lynn Goldman, Assistant Administrator, Office of Prevention, Pesticides, and Toxic Substances, EPA; John H. Gibbons, Director, Office of Science and Technology Policy; Keith Collins, Chief Economist, Office of Risk Assessment, USDA; Bill Schultz, FDA, Department of Health and Human Services; and public witnesses.

CONTRACT WITH AMERICA; CHILD CARE/CHILD WELFARE

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Human Resources and the Subcommittee on Early Childhood, Youth and Families of the Committee on Economic and Educational Opportunities held a joint hearing on Contract With America: Child Care/Child Welfare. Testimony was heard from Mary Jo Bane, Assistant Secretary, Children and Families, Department of Health and Human Services; and public witnesses.

Joint Meetings

EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS

Joint Economic Committee: Committee held hearings to examine the employment-unemployment situation for January, receiving testimony from Katharine G. Abraham, Commissioner of Labor Statistics, Department of Labor.

Committee recessed subject to call.

CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of February 6 through 11, 1995

Senate Chamber

During the week, Senate will continue consideration of H.J. Res. 1, Balanced Budget Constitutional Amendment, and consider any cleared executive and legislative business.

(Senate will recess on Tuesday, February 7, 1995, from 12:30 p.m. until 2:15 p.m., for respective party conferences.)

Senate Committees

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: February 7, to hold hearings to examine what tax policy reforms will help strengthen agriculture and agribusiness, 9:30 a.m., SR-332.

Committee on Appropriations: February 9, Subcommittee on Foreign Operations, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1996 for foreign assistance programs, focusing on United States policy toward Russia and the New Independent States, 10 a.m., SD-192.

Committee on Armed Services: February 7, to hold hearings on United States national security strategy, 9:30 a.m., SR-325.

February 9, Full Committee, to hold hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 1996 for the Department of Defense and the future years defense program, 9:30 a.m., SH-216.

Committee on the Budget: February 7, to hold hearings on the President's economic plan, 9 a.m., SD-608.

February 8, Full Committee, to hold hearings on the President's fiscal year 1996 budget for the Federal Government, 9:30 a.m., SD-608.

February 10, Full Committee, to hold hearings on the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 1996 for the Department of Defense, 9:30 a.m., SD-608.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: February 9, to hold hearings on the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 1996 for the Department of Energy and the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 9:30 a.m., SD-366.

Committee on Finance: February 8, to hold hearings to examine proposed tax cuts contained in the President's fiscal year 1996 budget for the Federal Government, 9:30 a.m., SD-215.

Committee on Governmental Affairs: February 7 and 8, to hold hearings to examine regulatory reform issues, Tuesday at 10 a.m. and Wednesday at 9:30 a.m., SD-342.

Committee on the Judiciary: February 8, to hold hearings on pending nominations, 2 p.m., SD-226.

February 10, Full Committee, to hold hearings on the national drug control strategy, 9 a.m., SD-226.

Committee on Labor and Human Resources: February 9, to hold hearings to examine employee involvement and worker management cooperation, 9:30 a.m., SD-430.