

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Twelve public bills, H.R. 1109–1120, and one resolution, H.J. Res. 73, were introduced. Pages H2583–84

Report Filed: The following report was filed as follows:

H.R. 956, to establish legal standards and procedures for product liability litigation, amended (H. Rept. 104–64, Part I). Page H2583

Franklin Delano Roosevelt Memorial Commission: The Speaker appointed Representative Lewis of California to serve as a member of the Franklin Delano Roosevelt Memorial Commission on the part of the House. Page H2490

Private Property Protection: House began consideration of amendments on H.R. 925, to compensate owners of private property for the effect of certain regulatory restrictions; but came to no resolution thereon. Consideration of amendments will resume on Friday, March 3. Pages H2495–H2566

Pending when the Committee of the Whole rose was the Mineta amendment to the Canady substitute that seeks to increase the threshold for payment of compensation from a 10 percent to a 20 percent loss in property value. Pages H2562–66

Agreed to the Canady amendment in the nature of a substitute, as amended by the Tauzin amendment, that specifies that compensation would be required in cases where the affected portion of a private owner's property loses at least 10 percent of its value; states that it is Federal policy that no law or agency action should limit the use of privately owned property so as to diminish its value; directs Federal agencies to ensure that their action will not have such results; requires the Federal Government to purchase the portion of a property affected by an agency action, at fair market value, if the loss in value exceeds 50 percent and the owner so requests; and limits the scope of the bill's compensation requirements (agreed to by a recorded vote of 301 ayes to 128 noes, Roll No. 190). Pages H2502–30

Rejected:

The Porter amendment to the Canady substitute that sought to require that compensation not be paid to any Federal agency that has performed a private property impact analysis for the particular regulation or other agency action (rejected by a 186 ayes to 241 noes, Roll No. 191); Pages H2530–49

The Schroeder amendment to the Canady substitute that sought to require that any compensation paid to property owners be reduced by an amount

equal to any increase in the value of the same property that resulted from other agency action; Pages H2549–51

The Goss amendment to the Canady substitute that sought to increase the threshold for payment of compensation from a 10 percent to a 30 percent loss in property value (rejected by a recorded vote of 210 ayes to 211 noes, Roll No. 192); and Page H2551–56

The Wyden amendment to the Canady substitute that sought to restrict any activity likely to diminish the fair market value of any private homes and clarify the meaning of "private home" (rejected by a recorded vote 165 ayes to 260 noes, Roll No. 193). Pages H2556–61

H. Res. 101, the rule under which the bill is being considered, was agreed to by a yea-and-nay vote of 271 yeas to 151 nays, Roll No. 189. This rule was debated on Wednesday, March 1. Pages H2494–95

Committees to Sit: It was made in order that the following committees and their subcommittees be permitted to sit on Friday, March 3, during the proceedings of the House under the five-minute rule: Committees on Commerce, Economic and Educational Opportunities, Judiciary, and Transportation and Infrastructure. Page H2567

Senate Messages: Messages received from the Senate today appear on page H2489.

Quorum Calls—Votes: One yea-and-nay vote and four recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H2494–95, H2529–30, H2548–49, H2555–56, and H2561. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: Met at 10:00 a.m. and adjourned at 11:44 p.m.

Committee Meetings

EMERGENCY SUPPLEMENTAL/RESCISSION APPROPRIATIONS; AND SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Began markup of the following: Emergency Supplemental/Rescission, Fiscal Year 1995; and Supplemental Appropriations for Fiscal Year 1995.

COMMERCE, JUSTICE, STATE AND JUDICIARY APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, and State and the Judiciary, and Related Agencies held a hearing on the Secretary of

State. Testimony was heard from Warren M. Christopher, Secretary of State.

LABOR, HHS, EDUCATION APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education and Related Agencies held a hearing on Postsecondary Education. Testimony was heard from David Longanecker, Assistant Secretary, Postsecondary Education, Department of Education.

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Military Construction held a hearing on Navy/Marine Corps Military Construction. Testimony was heard from Robert B. Pirie, Jr., Assistant Secretary of the Navy (Installations and Environment), Department of Defense.

TRANSPORTATION APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Transportation, and Related Agencies held a hearing on Amtrak. Testimony was heard from Jolene M. Molitoris, Administrator, Federal Railroad Administration, Department of Transportation; and Thomas M. Downs, President and Chairman of the Board, National Railroad Passenger Corporation (Amtrak).

TREASURY, POSTAL SERVICE, GENERAL GOVERNMENT APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Treasury, Postal Service, and General Government held a hearing on Federal Labor Relations Authority, Merit Systems Protection Board, Mo Udall Foundation, Office of Government Ethics and on U.S. Tax Court. Testimony was heard from Phyllis N. Segal, Chair, Federal Labor Relations Authority; Ben Erdreich, Chairman, Merit Systems Protection Board; Terrence L. Bracy, Chairman, Morris K. Udall Scholarship and Excellence in National Environmental Policy Foundation; Stephen D. Potts, Director, Office of Government Ethics; and Lapsley W. Hamblen, Chief Judge, U.S. Tax Court.

VA, HUD AND INDEPENDENT AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Veterans' Affairs and Housing and Urban Development, and Independent Agencies held a hearing on Court of Veterans Appeals. Testimony was heard from Frank Q. Nebeker, Chief Judge, U.S. Court of Veterans Appeals.

FINANCIAL SERVICES MARKETS— CURRENT STATE AND FUTURE

Committee on Banking and Financial Service: Subcommittee on Capital Markets, Securities and Government-Sponsored Enterprises held a hearing on the Current State and Future of the Financial Services Markets. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

HUD SECURITY CONTRACTS AND COMPANIES AFFILIATED WITH NATION OF ISLAM

Committee on Banking and Financial Service: Subcommittee on General Oversight and Investigations held a hearing regarding security contracts between the HUD and HUD related entities, and companies affiliated with the Nation of Islam. Testimony was heard from Henry Cisneros, Secretary of Housing and Urban Development; Jules Polonetsky, member, Assembly, State of New York; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Economic and Educational Opportunities: Subcommittee on Workforce Protection approved for full Committee action amended the following bills: H.R. 246, to repeal the Service Contract Act of 1965; and H.R. 500, to repeal the Davis-Bacon Act.

FEDERAL WORKFORCE RESTRUCTURING STATISTICS

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on Civil Service held a hearing on Federal Workforce Restructuring Statistics. Testimony was heard from Nancy R. Kingsbury, Director, Federal Human Resource Management Issues, GAO; James B. King, Director, OPM; and Alice M. Rivlin, Director, OMB.

CITIES—FINANCIAL CRISIS

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on the District of Columbia held a hearing on other cities in financial crisis. Testimony was heard from Johnny C. Finch, Assistant Comptroller General, General Government Division, GAO.

CAPITAL BUDGETING

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on Government Management, Information and Technology held a hearing on Capital Budgeting. Testimony was heard from Representatives Mineta and Thornton; the following officials of the County of Fairfax, Virginia: Katherine Hanley, Chairwoman, Board of Supervisors; and William Leidinger, Executive; Thomas McMahon, Director of Finance Division, New York City Council; and public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT—U.S. POSTAL SERVICE

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on Postal Service continued hearings on general oversight of the U.S. Postal Service. Testimony was heard from Edward J. Gleiman, Chairman, Postal Rate Commission.

Hearings continue March 8.

UNITED STATES-CHINA IPR AGREEMENT

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on Asia and the Pacific and the Subcommittee on International Economic Policy and Trade held a joint hearing on the United States-China IPR Agreement: Implications for United States-Sino Commercial Relations. Testimony was heard from Charlene Barshefsky, Deputy U.S. Trade Representative; Peter Tomsen, Acting Assistant Secretary, East Asian and Pacific Affairs, Department of State; and public witnesses.

DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION

Committee on National Security: Continued hearings on fiscal year 1996 national defense authorization. Testimony was heard from Gen. George A. Joulwan, USA, Commander in Chief, U.S. European Command, Department of Defense.

Hearings continue March 8.

TRENDS IN FEDERAL LAND OWNERSHIP AND MANAGEMENT

Committee on Resources: Held an oversight hearing on "Trends in Federal Land Ownership and Management." Testimony was heard from John Anderson, Associate Director, Natural Resources Management Issues, Resources, Community, and Economic Development Division, GAO.

NSF BUDGET

Committee on Science: Subcommittee on Basic Research continued hearings on the NSF Fiscal Year Budget, Part II. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

SBA'S PROCUREMENT PROGRAM REVIEW

Committee on Small Business: Held a hearing to review the SBA's Procurement Program. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the SBA: Philip Lader, Administrator; and Robert Neal, Associate Deputy Administrator; Anthony DeLuca, Small and Disadvantaged Business, Department of the Air Force; and public witnesses.

GSA CAPITAL INVESTMENT PROGRAM REFORM AND RELATED MATTERS

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Public Building and Economic Development held a hearing on GSA Capital Investment Program Reform legislation and related matters. Testimony was heard from Roger Johnson, Administrator, GSA; Gaston Gianni, Jr., Associate Director, GAO; and public witnesses.

Hearings continue March 6.

IMPROVE THE NATIONAL HIGHWAY SYSTEM AND ANCILLARY ISSUES RELATING TO HIGHWAY AND TRANSIT PROGRAMS

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Surface Transportation continued hearings on legislation to Improve the National Highway System and Ancillary Issues Relating to Highway and Transit Programs. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Transportation: Federico Peña, Secretary; and Rodney Slater, Federal Highway Administration; Lt. Gen. Kenneth R. Wykle, USAF, Deputy Commander in Chief, U.S. Transportation Command, Department of Defense; and public witnesses.

WELFARE REFORM

Committee on Ways and Means: Continued markup of welfare reform legislation.

Will continue tomorrow.

SIGNALS INTELLIGENCE

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Met in executive session to hold a hearing on Signals Intelligence. Testimony was heard from departmental witnesses.

**COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY,
MARCH 3, 1995**

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on VA, HUD, and Independent Agencies, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1996 for the National Credit Union Administration, the Neighborhood Reinvestment Corporation, the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, and the Resolution Trust Corporation—Inspector General, 9:30 a.m., SD-138.

Subcommittee on Foreign Operations, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1996 for foreign assistance programs, focusing on security cooperation in Europe, 10 a.m., SD-192.

House

Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies, on National Agricultural Statistics Service, 10:30 a.m., 2362A Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, and State and the Judiciary, and Related Agencies, on Review of Departmental Management with Chief Financial Officers, 9:30 a.m., H-309 Capitol.