

Committee Meetings

COMMODITY DISTRIBUTION PROGRAMS AND FOOD STAMP PROGRAM IMPROVEMENTS

Committee on Agriculture: Began markup of H.R. 1135, to improve the Commodity Distribution Programs of the Department of Agriculture, to reform and simplify the Food Stamp Program.

AGRICULTURE, RURAL DEVELOPMENT, FDA AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies held a hearing on Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the USDA: Patricia A. Jensen, Acting Assistant Secretary, Marketing and Regulatory Programs; and Lonnie J. King, Acting Administrator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service.

ENERGY AND WATER DEVELOPMENT APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development held a hearing on the Secretary of Energy. Testimony was heard from Hazel R. O'Leary, Secretary of Energy.

FOREIGN OPERATIONS APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Foreign Operations, Export Financing, and Related Agencies held a hearing on the Agency for International Development and the Peace Corps. Testimony was heard from J. Brian Atwood, Administrator, AID, U.S. International Development Cooperation Agency; and Carol Bellamy, Director, Peace Corps.

INTERIOR APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Interior and Related Agencies held a hearing on the Office of Surface Mining. Testimony was heard from Robert Uram, Director, Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement, Department of the Interior.

LABOR—HHS—EDUCATION APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education and Related Agencies held a hearing on Howard University, Special Institutions, and on Inspector General, Department of Education. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Education: Judith Heumann, Assistant Secretary, Special Education and Rehabilitative Services; Tuck Tinsley III, President, American Printing House for the Blind; I.

King Jordan, President, Gallaudet University; Joyce A. Ladner, Interim President, Howard University; James J. DeCaro, Dean and Interim Director, National Technical Institute for the Deaf; and Grechen C. Schwarz, Acting Inspector General.

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Military Construction held a hearing on Air Force Military Construction. Testimony was heard from Ronald A. Colman, Assistant Secretary, U.S. Air Force.

NATIONAL SECURITY APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on National Security held a hearing on Personnel/Quality of Life Issues. Testimony was heard from Fred F.Y. Pang, Assistant Secretary (Force Management), Department of Defense.

The Subcommittee also met in executive session to hold a hearing on the U.S. Atlantic Command. Testimony was heard from Gen. John J. Sheehan, USMC, Commander in Chief, U.S. Atlantic Command, Department of Defense.

TRANSPORTATION APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Transportation, and Related Agencies held a hearing on Research and Special Programs Administration. Testimony was heard from Dharmendra K. Sharma, Administrator, Department of Transportation.

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 the Department of Veterans Affairs. Testimony was heard from Jessie Brown, Secretary of Veterans Affairs.

FINANCIAL SERVICES COMPETITIVENESS ACT

Committee on Banking and Financial Services: Continued hearings on the following: H.R. 1062, Financial Services Competitiveness Act of 1995; Glass-Steagall Reform; and related issues. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

ECONOMIC FORECASTS—ROLES OF DEFICIT REDUCTION AND PRODUCTIVITY

Committee on the Budget: Held a hearing on Economic Forecasts and the Roles of Deficit reduction and Productivity. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

TEAMWORK FOR EMPLOYEES AND MANAGERS ACT

Committee on Economic and Educational Opportunities: Subcommittee on Employer-Employee Relations approved for full Committee action amended H.R. 743, Teamwork for Employees and Managers Act of 1995.

TRAINING ISSUES

Committee on Economic and Educational Opportunities: Subcommittee on Postsecondary Education and Training continued hearings on training issues. Testimony was heard from William Johnson, Mayor, Rochester, New York; and public witnesses.

Hearings continue March 9.

FEDERAL RETIREMENT SYSTEM

Committee Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on Civil Service held a hearing on the Federal Retirement System (H.R. 804, H.R. 165, H. Con. Res. 2 and H.R. 575). Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

Hearings continue March 10.

INTEGRITY OF GOVERNMENT DOCUMENTS

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on Government Management, Information, and Technology held a hearing on the Integrity of Government Documents. Testimony was heard from John Puleo, Executive Associate Commissioner, Programs, Immigration and Naturalization Service, Department of Justice; Shirley A. Chater, Commissioner, SSA, Department of Health and Human Services; the following officials of the Accounting and Information Management Division, GAO: Frank W. Reilly, Director; John Martin, Assistant Director; and Hazel Edwards, Director, Information Resource Management/General Government Issue Group; and public witnesses.

MEXICO ECONOMIC SUPPORT PROGRAM

Committee on International Relations: Held a hearing on Mexico Economic Support Program. Testimony was heard from Peter Tarnoff, Under Secretary, Political Affairs, Department of State; and Lawrence H. Summers, Under Secretary, International Affairs, Department of the Treasury.

DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION

Committee on National Security: Subcommittee on Military Personnel and the Subcommittee on Readiness held a joint hearing on fiscal year 1996 national defense authorization request, with emphasis on readiness and personnel issues related to the Department of Defense's high pace of operations. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department

of Defense: Adm. William J. Flanagan, Jr., USN, Commander in Chief, U.S. Atlantic Fleet; Lt. Gen. Paul E. Funk, USA, Commanding General, III Corps; Maj. Gen. James J. Jones, USMC, Commanding General, 2nd Marine Division, Marine Forces Atlantic; Brig. Gen. John R. Dallager, USAF, Commander, 52nd Fighter Wing; Sgt. Maj. Richard A. Kidd, U.S. Army; ETCH John Hagan, Master Chief Petty Officer, U.S. Navy; Sgt. Maj. Harold Overstreet, USMC; and CMSgt. David Campanale, USAF.

DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION

Committee on National Security: Subcommittee on Military Procurement and the Subcommittee on Military Research and Development held a joint hearing on the fiscal year 1996 national defense authorization request, with emphasis on the services' modernization requirements. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Defense: Gen. John M. Loh, USAF, Commander, U.S. Air Force Air Combat Command; Gen. William W. Hartzog, USA, Commanding General, U.S. Army Training and Doctrine Command; VAdm. Thomas J. Lopez, USN, Deputy Chief of Naval Operations, Resources, Warfare Requirements and Assessments; and Lt. Gen. Charles E. Wilhelm, USMC, Commanding General, U.S. Marine Corps Combat Development Command; and public witnesses.

Hearings continue March 9.

OVERSIGHT

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Native American and Insular Affairs held an oversight hearing on the Bureau of Indian Affairs and the Indian Health Service fiscal year 1996 budget requests. Testimony was heard from Ada E. Deer, Assistant Secretary, Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior; the following officials of the Indian Health Service, Department of Health and Human Services: Michael H. Trujillo, M.D., Director, Indian Health Service; Jim Crouch, Executive Director, California Rural Indian Health Board; Julia Davis, Chair, Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board; and Gail Schubert, General Counsel, Alaska Native Health Board; and public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Water and Power Resources held an oversight hearing on the Department of Energy and Bureau of Reclamation fiscal year 1996 budget requests. Testimony was heard from Daniel P. Beard, Commissioner, Bureau of Reclamation, Department of the Interior; and William H. White, Deputy Secretary, Department of Energy.

COMMON SENSE LEGAL STANDARDS REFORM ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by a voice vote, a rule providing for 2 hours of general debate only on H.R. 956, Common Sense Legal Standards Reform Act of 1995. The rule also provides that the Committee shall rise after general debate without motion and that there shall be no further consideration of the bill except by a subsequent order of the House. Testimony was heard from Chairmen Hyde and Bliley; and Representatives McCollum, Gekas, Schiff, Hoke, Bryant of Tennessee, Oxley, Cox of California, Coburn, Conyers, Schroeder, Frank of Massachusetts, Schumer, Bryant of Texas, Nadler, Watt of North Carolina, Jackson-Lee, Dingell, Gordon, Furse, Deutsch, Eshoo, Stupak, Collins of Illinois, Mink, Kaptur, Brewster, Waters and Doggett.

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

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

FEDERAL WATER POLLUTION CONTROL ACT REAUTHORIZATION

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment continued hearings on the reauthorization of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act. Testimony was heard from Robert Perciasepe, Assistant Administrator, Office of Water, EPA; John H. Zirschky, Acting Assistant Secretary (Civil Works), Corps of Engineers, Department of the Army; Tom Hebert, Deputy Under Secretary, Natural Resources and Environment, USDA; Robert P. Davison, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Fish, Wildlife and Parks, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior; and public witnesses.

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IMAGERY INTELLIGENCE

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

Joint Meetings

NATIONAL PARK SYSTEM

Joint Hearing: Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources' Subcommittee on Parks, Historic Preservation and Recreation concluded joint hearings with the House Committee on Resources' Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests, and Lands to examine the condition of the National Park System, after receiving testimony from James Duffus III, Director, Natural Resources Management Issues, Re-

sources, Community, and Economic Development Division, and Cliff Fowler, Assistant Director, Natural Resources Management Issues, both of the General Accounting Office.

VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS

Joint Hearing: Senate Committee on Veterans Affairs concluded joint hearings with the House Committee on Veterans Affairs to review the legislative recommendations of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States, after receiving testimony from Allen F. Kent, Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States, Washington, D.C.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, MARCH 8, 1995

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Interior, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1996 for the United States Geological Survey, Department of the Interior, 9:30 a.m., SD-116.

Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1996 for rural economic and community development services of the Department of Agriculture, 10 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 international organizations and programs, 10 a.m., SD-192.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs, to resume oversight hearings on the condition of credit unions, 10 a.m., SD-538.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, to hold oversight hearings on domestic petroleum production and international supply, 9:30 a.m., SD-366.

Subcommittee on Forests and Public Land Management, to hold oversight hearings on Forest Service appeals, 2 p.m., SD-366.

Committee on Finance, to hold hearings to examine welfare reform proposals, focusing on the views of the States, 10 a.m., SD-215.

Committee on Foreign Relations, Subcommittee on East Asian and Pacific Affairs, to hold hearings to examine intellectual property rights with regard to the People's Republic of China, 1:30 p.m., SD-419.

Committee on Governmental Affairs, to resume hearings on proposed legislation to reform the Federal regulatory process, to make government more efficient and effective, 9:30 a.m., SD-342.

Committee on Labor and Human Resources, to hold hearings on proposed legislation to authorize funds for and to consolidate health professions programs, 9:30 a.m., SD-430.

Committee on Small Business, to hold hearings on the proposed "Regulatory Flexibility Amendments Act", 9:30 a.m., SR-428A.