

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

1995 FARM BILL

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: Committee resumed hearings on proposed legislation to strengthen and improve United States agricultural programs, focusing on conservation, wetlands, and farm policy, receiving testimony from Paul W. Johnson, Chief, and Warren Lee, Co-leader, National Wetlands Team, both of the Natural Resources Conservation Service, Department of Agriculture; Michael Davis, United States Army Corps of Engineers; John Laurie, Michigan Farm Bureau, Cass City, on behalf of the American Farm Bureau Federation; William W. Howard, National Wildlife Federation, Washington, D.C.; J. Wendell Gilliam, North Carolina State University, Raleigh; Otto Doering, Purdue University, West Lafayette, Indiana; Bruce A. Babcock, Iowa State University, Ames; Donald D. Etler, Iowa Drainage District Association, Emmetsburg; and Charles Gunn, Jefferson, Iowa.

Hearings continue on Thursday, March 16.

APPROPRIATIONS—DEFENSE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Defense held hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1996 for the Department of Defense, receiving testimony from William J. Perry, Secretary of Defense.

Subcommittee will meet again on Tuesday, March 28.

APPROPRIATIONS—ENERGY RESEARCH

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development held hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1996 for energy research programs, receiving testimony from Martha Krebs, Director, Office of Energy Research, Department of Energy.

Subcommittee will meet again tomorrow.

APPROPRIATIONS—FOREIGN ASSISTANCE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Foreign Operations held hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1996 for foreign assistance programs, focusing on trade, democracy, and narcotics matters, receiving testimony from Winston Lord, Assistant Secretary of State for East Asian and Pacific Affairs; and Linda Morse, Deputy Assistant Administrator for Asia, Agency for International Development.

Subcommittee will meet again on Tuesday, March 28.

DOD TECHNOLOGY BASE PROGRAMS

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Acquisition and Technology held hearings to examine the status of technology base programs of the Department of Defense, receiving testimony from Paul Kaminski, Under Secretary for Acquisition and Technology, and Anita Jones, Director of Defense Research and Engineering, both of the Department of Defense; Gilbert F. Decker, Assistant Secretary of the Army for Research, Development and Acquisition; Nora Slatkin, Assistant Secretary of the Navy for Research, Development and Acquisition; and Clark G. Fiester, Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for Acquisition.

Subcommittee recessed subject to call.

HUD REORGANIZATION

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Subcommittee on Housing Opportunity and Community Development concluded joint hearings with the Subcommittee on HUD Oversight and Structure to examine the budget and management activities of the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), focusing on policy reform issues, after receiving testimony from Judy A. England-Joseph, Director, Housing and Community Development Issues, Resources, Community, and Economic Development Division, General Accounting Office; Susan Gaffney, Inspector General, Department of Housing and Urban Development; Jacqueline Rogers, University of Maryland, College Park, on behalf of the National Academy of Public Administration; and John C. Weicher, Hudson Institute, Anthony Downs, Brookings Institution, and Ronald D. Utt, Heritage Foundation, all of Washington, D.C.

ENDANGERED SPECIES LISTINGS

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Subcommittee on Drinking Water, Fisheries and Wildlife approved for full committee consideration, with amendments, S. 503, to impose a moratorium on the listing of species as endangered or threatened and the designation of critical habitat in order to ensure that constitutionally protected private property rights are not infringed.

WELFARE REFORM

Committee on Finance: Committee resumed hearings on proposals to reform the national welfare system, focusing on teen parenthood, receiving testimony from Douglas J. Besharov, American Enterprise Institute for Public Policy Research, and Kristin A. Moore, Child Trends, Inc., both of Washington, D.C.; Robert C. Granger, Manpower Demonstration Research Corporation, New York, New York; and

Rebecca A. Maynard, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of Jacquelyn L. Williams-Bridgers, of Maryland, to be Inspector General; Philip C. Wilcox, Jr., of Maryland, for the rank of Ambassador during his tenure of service as Coordinator for Counter Terrorism; and Ray L. Caldwell, of Virginia, for the rank of Ambassador during his tenure of service as Deputy Assistant Secretary for Burdensharing, all of the Department of State, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf. Ms. Williams-Bridgers was introduced by Senator Sarbanes.

NUCLEAR NON-PROLIFERATION

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Committee held hearings on proposed legislation to provide for the indefinite and unconditional extension of the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty to further the security interests of the United States and all the countries of the world, receiving testimony from Thomas Graham, Special Representative of the President for Arms Control, Nonproliferation and Disarmament; James R. Schlesinger, former Secretary of Defense and former Secretary of Energy, and Gen. Andrew J. Goodpaster, USA (Ret.), on behalf of the Atlantic Council of the United States, both of Washington, D.C.; and Kenneth L. Adelman, Institute for Contemporary Studies, former Director, U.S. Arms Control and Disarmament Agency, Arlington, Virginia.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

IMMIGRATION CONTROL

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee held hearings on S. 269 and a related proposal to reduce illegal immigration and control the cost of immigration to taxpayers, receiving testimony from Senators Kyl, Feinstein, Hutchison, and Bryan; Janet Reno, Attor-

ney General; and Doris Meissner, Commissioner, Immigration and Naturalization Service, both of the Department of Justice; Shirley S. Chater, Commissioner, Social Security Administration, Department of Health and Human Services; Susan Martin, Executive Director, U.S. Commission on Immigration Reform; Florida Governor Lawton Chiles, Tallahassee; Michael Fix, Urban Institute, Charles B. Keely, Georgetown University, Elizabeth G. Ferris, InterAction, Elisa C. Massimino, Lawyers Committee for Human Rights, Gregory T. Nojeim, American Civil Liberties Union, Daniel A. Stein, Negative Population Growth, Inc., and Cecilia Munoz, National Council of La Raza, all of Washington, D.C.; Lawrence H. Fuchs, Brandeis University, Waltham, Massachusetts; David Simcox, Negative Population Growth, Inc., Louisville, Kentucky; and Mark J. Miller, University of Delaware, Newark.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

REGULATORY REFORM

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Administrative Oversight and the Courts approved for full committee consideration, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute, without recommendation, S. 343, to reform the Federal regulatory process.

HEALTH CARE REFORM

Committee on Labor and Human Resources: Committee held hearings to examine health care reform issues in a changing marketplace, receiving testimony from Leonard D. Schaeffer, Blue Cross of California, Woodland Hills; William S. Custer, Custer Economic Research, Washington, D.C.; Kathleen Angel, Digital Equipment Corporation, Maynard, Massachusetts, on behalf of the Corporate Health Care Coalition; Cristie Upshaw Travis, Memphis Business Group on Health, Memphis, Tennessee; Glenn Potter, University of Kansas Medical Center, Kansas City; and James R. Kimmey, Saint Louis University Health Sciences Center, Saint Louis, Missouri.

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