

The Murtha amendment that requires the net budget authority savings to be used for deficit reduction (agreed to by a recorded vote of 421 ayes to 1 no, Roll No. 241);

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The DeLay amendment that increases the amount rescinded from the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) salaries and expenses by \$3.5 million (agreed to by a recorded vote of 254 ayes to 168 noes, Roll No. 242);

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The Obey amendment that requires all the net savings to be used for deficit reduction by creating a deficit reduction “lockbox” into which such savings would be deposited (agreed to by a recorded vote of 418 ayes to 5 noes, Roll No. 243);

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The Rogers amendment, as modified, that transfers \$3 million from the acquisition and maintenance of buildings abroad account of the Department of State to the scientific and technical research and services account of the Department of Commerce (agreed to by a recorded vote of 419 ayes to 8 noes, Roll No. 244); and

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Rejected:

The Yates amendment that sought to strike the provision mandating specified levels of timber salvage sales on Federal lands in fiscal years 1995 and 1996 (rejected by a recorded vote of 150 ayes to 275 noes, with 1 voting “present,” Roll No. 240);

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The Crane amendment that sought to rescind an additional \$65 million from the Corporation for Public Broadcasting in fiscal year 1996 and an additional \$121 million in fiscal year 1997; and to restore \$50 million of the rescinded from the “Tech Prep” Vocational Education Program (rejected by a recorded vote of 72 ayes to 350 noes, Roll No. 245); and

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The Rohrabacher amendment that sought to rescind an additional \$5 million from the Department of Energy fossil energy research and development activities (rejected by a recorded vote of 142 ayes to 274 noes, Roll No. 246).

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A point of order was sustained against the Obey amendment that sought to strike the provision rescinding \$50 million in Veterans Administration (VA) medical care funding, and \$156 million in VA hospital construction funding, and offset these amounts by increasing the amount rescinded from the NASA science, aeronautics and technology account from \$38 million to \$244 million.

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H. Res. 115, the rule under which the bill is being considered, was agreed to earlier by a recorded vote of 242 ayes to 190 noes, Roll No. 238. Agreed

to the Dreier technical amendment by a ye-and-nay vote of 226 yeas to 204 nays, Roll No. 237.

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Committees To Sit: The following committees and their subcommittees received permission to sit on Thursday, March 16, during proceedings of the House under 5-minute rule: Committees on Agriculture, Banking and Financial Services, Commerce, Economic and Educational Opportunities, International relations, National Security, Resources, Science, Small Business, Transportation and Infrastructure, and Veterans Affairs.

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Unfunded Mandates: It was made in order that when the House considers the conference report on S. 1, the Unfunded Mandate Reform Act of 1995, that all points of order against the conference report be waived.

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Presidential Message—National Emergency With Respect To Iran: Read a message from the President wherein he reports that he has exercised his statutory authority to declare a national emergency to respond to the actions and policies of the Government of Iran—referred to the Committee on International Relations and ordered printed (H. Doc. No. 104–46).

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Amendments Ordered Printed: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on pages H3276–77.

Senate Messages: Messages received from the Senate today appear on page H3189.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Three ye-and nay votes and nine recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H3163, H3171–72, H3192, H3193, H3229–30, H3241–42, H3249–50, H3254–55, H3258, H3262–63, H3268, and H3271–72. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: Met at 10:00 a.m., and adjourned at 11:53 p.m.

Committee Meetings

AGRICULTURE, RURAL DEVELOPMENT, FDA, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies continued appropriation hearings. Testimony was heard from Members of Congress and public witnesses.

COMMERCE, JUSTICE, STATE AND JUDICIARY APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, State and the Judiciary, and Related Agencies held a hearing on Commerce Department Technology Programs. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Commerce: Mary Good, Under Secretary, Technology; Arati Prabhakar, Director, National Institute of Standards and Technology; and Bruce A. Lehman, Assistant Secretary and Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks.

ENERGY AND WATER DEVELOPMENT APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development met in executive session to hold a hearing on Atomic Energy Defense Activities. Testimony was heard from Harold Smith, Assistant to the Secretary (Atomic Energy), Department of Defense; and the following officials of the Department of Energy: Victor H. Reis, Assistant Secretary, Defense Programs; Kenneth E. Baker, Acting Director, Office of Nonproliferation and National Security; Adm. Bruce Demars, USN, Deputy Assistant Director, Naval Reactors; Gregory P. Rudy, Acting Director, Office of Fissile Materials Disposition; and Robert W. DeGrasse, Jr., Director, Office of Worker and Community Transition.

FOREIGN OPERATIONS APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Foreign Operations, Export Financing, and Related Agencies held a hearing on the United Nations/Madeleine Albright. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of State: Ambassador Madeleine K. Albright, Permanent Representative to the United Nations; and Douglas J. Bennet, Assistant Secretary, International Organization Affairs.

LABOR—HHS—EDUCATION APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education and Related Agencies held a hearing on the National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute, and the National Institute of Dental Research. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Health and Human Services: Claude J. M. Lenfant, Director, National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute; and Dushanka Kleinman, Acting Director and Deputy Director, National Institute of Dental Research.

NATIONAL SECURITY APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on National Security held a hearing on Fiscal Year 1996/1997 Army Budget Overview, and on Army Acquisition Programs.

Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of the Army: Togo D. West, Jr., Secretary; Gen. Gordon R. Sullivan, USA, Chief of Staff; Gilbert F. Decker, Assistant Secretary (Research, Development and Acquisition); Lt. Gen. Otto J. Guenther, USA, Director, Information Systems for C4, Office of the Assistant Secretary (RDA); Maj. Gen. Ronald V. Hite, USA, Deputy for Systems Management, Office of the Assistant Secretary (RDA); and Maj. Gen. Edward G. Anderson III, USA Assistant Deputy Chief of Staff, Operations and Plans for Force Development.

TRANSPORTATION APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Transportation, and Related Agencies held a hearing on Air Traffic Control Privatization. Testimony was heard from Representative Oberstar; the following officials of the Department of Transportation: Federico Peña, Secretary; and David R. Hinson, Administrator, FAA; Kenneth M. Mead, Director, Transportation Issues, GAO; and public witnesses.

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 Arthur Levitt, Jr., Chairman, SEC; and James L. Bothwell, Director, Financial Institutions and Markets Issues, General Government Division, GAO.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Commerce: Ordered reported the following bills: H.R. 1218, to extend the authority of the Federal Communications Commission to use competitive bidding in granting licenses and permits; H.R. 1217, Medicare Parts B and C Administration Budget Savings Extension Act of 1995; and H.R. 1216, amended, USEC Privatization Act.

AGE DISCRIMINATION IN EMPLOYMENT AMENDMENTS

Committee on Economic and Educational Opportunities: Ordered reported H.R. 849, Age Discrimination in Employment Amendments of 1995.

FEDERAL RETIREMENT REFORM ACT

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Began consideration of H.R. 1185, Federal Retirement Reform Act of 1995.

Committee recessed subject to call.

HAAS VERSUS BASS DISMISSED

Committee on House Oversight: Task Force on Contested Election assigned to the Second Congressional District of New Hampshire met and approved a motion to dismiss *Joseph Haas v. Charles Bass* case.

NORTHERN IRELAND

Committee on International Relations: Held a hearing on Northern Ireland. Testimony was heard from Representatives Manton, King, Neal, Walsh, and Kennedy of Massachusetts; Richard Holbrooke, Assistant Secretary, European and Canadian Affairs, Department of State; Alan G. Hevesi, Comptroller, City of New York; and public witnesses.

HOUSING FOR OLDER PERSONS ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on the Constitution approved for full Committee action H.R. 660, Housing for Older Persons Act of 1995.

**DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION;
PROLIFERATION THREAT**

Committee on National Security: Subcommittee on Military Procurement and the Subcommittee on Research and Development continued joint hearings on fiscal year 1996 national defense authorization request, with emphasis on ballistic missile defense. Testimony was heard from Kathleen Bailey, Senior Fellow, Center for Security and Technology Studies, Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory; and public witnesses.

The Subcommittees also met in executive session to receive a classified briefing on the proliferation threat. The Subcommittee was briefed by the following officials of the CIA: Gordon Oehler, Director, Nonproliferation Center; David Ossias, National Intelligence Officer, Strategic Programs; and James Meditz, Chief, Strategic Systems Division, Office of Science and Weapons Research; and Chuck Munson, Deputy Defense Intelligence Officer, Acquisition Support, Counterproliferation, and Arms Control, Defense Intelligence Agency, Department of Defense.

**ALASKA POWER ADMINISTRATION SALE
ACT**

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Water and Power Resources held a hearing on H.R. 1122, Alaska Power Administration Sale Act. Testimony was heard from John Riggs, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary, Office of Policy, Planning and Program Evaluation, Department of Energy; Dennis McCrohan, Deputy Director, Department of Industrial Development and Export Authority, State of Alaska; and a public witness.

**CONFERENCE REPORT—UNFUNDED
MANDATE REFORM ACT**

Committee on Rules: Granted, by a voice vote, a rule waiving clause 3 of rule XXVIII (prohibiting conference reports from exceeding the scope of legislation committed to conference) against the conference report to accompany S. 1, Unfunded Mandate Reform Act of 1995. Testimony was heard from Representatives Dreier and Portman.

**TERM LIMITS CONSTITUTIONAL
AMENDMENT**

Committee on Rules: Granted, by a recorded vote of 9 to 3, a modified closed rule providing for 3 hours of debate on H.J. Res. 73, proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States with respect to the number of terms of office of Members of the Senate and the House of Representatives. The rule makes in order only those amendments in the nature of a substitute printed in the report of the Committee on Rules. The rule provides that the amendments are considered as read, may only be considered in the order specified, may only be offered by the Member specified, are debatable for 1 hour equally divided between the proponent and an opponent, and may be offered notwithstanding the adoption of a previous amendment. The rule provides that if more than one amendment is adopted, the amendment adopted receiving the most affirmative votes is considered as adopted and reported to the House; in the case of a tie, the last such amendment adopted is reported. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit, with or without instructions.

Joint Meetings**IFES/FREE TRADE UNIONS—FORMER
SOVIET UNION**

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe: Commission met to receive a briefing on activities of the International Foundation for Electoral Systems (IFES) from Juliana Geran Pilon, Gwenn Hofmann, Linda Edgeworth, Hank Valentino, Daniel Blessington, and Catherine Barnes, all on behalf of the International Foundation for Electoral Systems, Washington, D.C.

Also, Commission met to receive a briefing on free trade unions with regard to the New Independent States of the former Soviet Union from Semyon Karikov, Association of Free Trade Unions of Ukrainian Railway Workers; and Gennady Nikitin, Association of Independent Trade Unions of Kentau, Kazakhstan.

Commission recessed subject to call.