

and reduce welfare dependence. Consideration of amendments will begin on Wednesday, March 22.

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H. Res. 117, the rule which provided for general debate on the bill, was agreed to earlier by a voice vote.

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Senate Messages: Messages received from the Senate today appear on page H3341.

Quorum Calls—Votes: No quorum calls or votes developed during the proceedings of the House today.

Adjournment: Met at 12:30 p.m. and adjourned at 11:54 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 held a hearing on Foreign Agricultural Service. Testimony was heard from August Schumacher, Jr., Administrator, Foreign Agricultural Service, USDA.

ENERGY AND WATER DEVELOPMENT APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development continued appropriation hearings. Testimony was heard from Members of Congress and public witnesses.

INTERIOR APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Interior (and Related Agencies) held a hearing on the Institute of Museum Services and on the National Endowment for the Humanities. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the National Foundation on the Arts and the Humanities: Diane B. Frankel, Director, Institute of Museum Services; and Sheldon Hackney, Chairman, National Endowment for the Humanities.

LABOR—HHS—EDUCATION APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education (and Related Agencies) held a hearing on National Institute of General Medical Sciences and National Institute of Aging, National Institute of Arthritis and Musculoskeletal and Skin Diseases, and on National Institute on Deafness and Other Communication Disorders. Testimony was heard from the following officials of NIH, Department of Health and Human Services: Marvin Cassman, M.D., Acting Director,

National Institute of General Medical Sciences; Richard J. Hodes, M.D., Director, National Institute on Aging; Michael D. Lockshin, M.D., Acting Director, National Institute of Arthritis and Musculoskeletal and Skin Diseases; and James B. Snow, M.D., Director, National Institute on Deafness and other Communication Disorders.

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Military Construction held a hearing on Base Closure. Testimony was heard from Robert E. Bayer, Deputy Assistant Secretary (Installations), Department of Defense.

TRANSPORTATION APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Transportation (and Related Agencies) continued appropriation hearings. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

TREASURY, POSTAL SERVICE, GENERAL GOVERNMENT APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Treasury, Postal Service, and General Government continued appropriation hearings. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

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 FEMA. Testimony was heard from James Lee Witt, Director, FEMA.

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.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

PRIVATE SECTOR SOLUTIONS TO MEDICARE

Committee on the Budget: Held a hearing on Private Sector Solutions to Medicare. Testimony was heard from William Roper, M.D., former Administrator, Health Care Financing Administration, Department of Health and Human Services; and public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Energy and Power held an oversight hearing on the status of the international global climate change negotiations and

their impact on the U.S. economy. Testimony was heard from Rafe Pomerance, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Environment and Development, Department of State; Susan Tierney, Assistant Secretary, Policy, Department of Energy; Karl Hausker, Deputy Assistant Administrator, Office of Policy, Planning and Evaluation, EPA; and public witnesses.

TRAINING ISSUES

Committee on Economic and Educational Opportunities: Subcommittee on Postsecondary Education, Training and Life-Long Learning continued hearings on training issues. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

Hearings continue March 23.

OVERSIGHT

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on Government Management, Information, and Technology held an oversight hearing on Post Federal Telecommunications System Acquisition Strategy. Testimony was heard from Jack Brock, Director, Information Resources Management, GAO; and public witnesses.

Hearings continue March 28.

PERSONAL RESPONSIBILITY ACT OF 1995

Committee on Rules: Granted, by a recorded vote of 7 to 5, a modified closed rule which provides for the further consideration of H.R. 4, the "Personal Responsibility Act of 1995." The rule provides for the adoption in the House and Committee of the Whole of an amendment in the nature of a substitute consisting of the text of H.R. 1214, for the bill as so amended to be considered an original bill for the purpose of amendment, and for the bill as so amended to be considered as read. Only amendments printed in the Rules Committee report or specified in the rule are in order, and the amendments are considered as read. Except as otherwise specified in the rule, amendments printed in the rule may only be offered in the order specified, by the Member designated, and debatable for 20 minutes each, equally divided between the proponent and an opponent, except that the chairman and ranking minority member of the Ways and Means Committee, or their designees, may offer one pro forma amendment each per amendment for debate purposes. All points of order are waived against the amendments made in order by the rule.

The Committee on Ways and Means or a designee may offer amendments en bloc consisting of amendments not previously disposed of which are printed in the Rules Committee report or germane modifications thereof. The amendments offered en bloc shall be considered as read (except that modifications shall be reported), shall be debatable for 20 minutes equally divided between the chairman and ranking

minority member of the Ways and Means Committee.

The rule permits the original proponent of an amendment included in an en bloc amendment to insert a statement in the Congressional Record immediately prior to the disposition of the amendments en bloc.

The rule permits the Chairman of the Committee of the Whole to postpone until a time during further consideration in the Committee of the Whole a request for a recorded vote on any amendment made in order by the rule, and to reduce to five minutes the time for voting on any such postponed question following the first such vote if there is no intervening business. The Chairman of the Committee of the Whole may recognize out of the order printed the consideration of any amendment made in order by the rule, provided it is not sooner than one hour after the chairman of the Ways and Means Committee or a designee announces from the floor a request to that effect.

Following the disposition of the amendments printed in the Rules Committee report and any en bloc combinations thereof, it shall be in order to consider three amendments in the nature of a substitute if offered by the named proponent or a designee, if offered in the following order, debatable for one hour each: (1) an amendment in the nature of a substitute consisting of the text of H.R. 1267 if offered by Representative Deal of Georgia; (2) an amendment in the nature of a substitute consisting of the text H.R. 1250 if offered by Representative Mink of Hawaii; and (3) an amendment in the nature of a substitute consisting of the text of the bill as amended prior to the consideration of the three substitutes if offered by the chairman of the Committee on Ways and Means or a designee. The amendments shall not be subject to further amendment except for the third amendment which may be amended by any amendment printed in the report not yet offered, but subject to the same conditions for debate and consideration out of order, including the one-hour notice requirement.

If more than one amendment in the nature of a substitute is adopted, the one receiving the most affirmative votes shall be considered as finally adopted and reported to the House. In the case of a tie, the last such amendment adopted receiving the most votes shall be reported.

It shall be in order in the House to demand a separate vote to any amendment adopted to the bill or incorporated in the third amendment in the nature of a substitute made in order unless it is replaced by another amendment in the nature of a substitute.

Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommend, with or without instructions.

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

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

MEDICARE AND PRIVATE SECTOR HEALTH CARE

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Health held a hearing on Medicare and Private Sector Health Care Quality Measurement, Assurance and Improvement. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Health and Human Services: Bruce C. Vladeck, Administrator, Health Care Financing Administration; and Philip R. Lee, M.D., Assistant Secretary, Health; and public witnesses.

ANALYSIS AND PRODUCTION; MARITIME

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

The Committee also met in executive session to hold a hearing on Maritime. Testimony was heard from departmental witnesses.

**COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 22, 1995**

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1996 for the Natural Resources Conservation Service, Department of Agriculture, 10 a.m., SD-138.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs, Subcommittee on Securities, to hold hearings to examine securities litigation reform proposals, 10 a.m., SD-538.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, to hold oversight hearings to review a report prepared for the committee on the cleanup of Hanford Nuclear Reservation, 9:30 a.m., SD-366.

Committee on Environment and Public Works, to hold hearings to examine the impact of regulatory reform proposals on environmental and other laws within the jurisdiction of the committee, 9:30 a.m., SD-406.

Committee on Finance, Subcommittee on Social Security and Family Policy, to hold hearings to examine the rising costs of the Supplemental Security Income and Social Security Disability Insurance Programs, 10 a.m., SD-215.

Committee on Foreign Relations, business meeting, to consider S. Con. Res. 6, to express the sense of the Senate concerning compliance by the Government of Mexico regarding certain loans; S. 384, to require a report on United States support for Mexico during its debt crisis; S. Con. Res. 3, relating to Taiwan and the United States; S. Con. Res. 4, expressing the sense of Congress with respect to the North-South Korea Agreed Framework; S.

Con. Res. 9, expressing the sense of the Congress regarding a private visit by President Lee Teng-hui of the Republic of China on Taiwan to the United States; Treaty Doc. 103-25, with respect to restrictions on the use of certain conventional weapons, and pending nominations, 10 a.m., SD-419.

Committee on Indian Affairs, to hold hearings on S. 441, to authorize funds for certain programs under the Indian Child Protection and Family Violence Prevention Act, and S. 510, to extend the authorization for certain programs under the Native American Programs Act of 1974, 2:30 p.m., SR-485.

House

Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies, on Cooperative States Research and Education and Extension Service, 1 p.m., and on Congressional and Public Witnesses, 4 p.m., 2362A Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, State, and Judiciary (and Related Agencies), on Telecommunications Issues, 2:30 p.m., H-309 Capitol.

Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development, on Congressional and Public Witnesses, 10 a.m. and 2 p.m., 2362B Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Interior (and Related Agencies), on Forest Service, 10 a.m. and 1:30 p.m., B-308 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education (and Related Agencies), on National Institute of Nursing Research, National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism, and on Fogarty International Center, 10 a.m., and on National Institute of Mental Health, National Institute of Drug Abuse and on National Library of Medicine, 2 p.m., 2358 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on National Security, executive, on Ballistic and Cruise Missile Threat, 10 a.m., executive, on ABM Treaty, 11 a.m., and executive, on BMDO Programs and Budget, 1:30 p.m., H-140 Capitol.

Subcommittee on Transportation (and Related Agencies), on Public Witnesses, 10 a.m., HC-6 Capitol.

Subcommittee on Treasury, Postal Service, and General Government, on OMB, 10 a.m., B-307 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Veterans Affairs, Housing and Urban Development and Independent Agencies, on Office of Science and Technology Policy, 2 p.m., H-143 Capitol.

Committee on Banking and Financial Services, to continue hearings on the following: H.R. 1062, Financial Services Competitiveness Act of 1995; Glass-Steagall Reform; and related issues, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on the Budget, hearing on the Fall of Medicare Trust Fund, 10 a.m. and 2 p.m., 210 Cannon.

Committee on Commerce, Subcommittee on Health and Environment, to mark up H.R. 483, to amend title XVII of the Social Security Act to permit Medicare select policies to be offered in all States, 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Economic and Educational Opportunities, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing on Education Standards, 10 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight, Subcommittee on Government Management, Information,