

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills introduced: Fifteen public bills, H.R. 1344–1358; one private bill, H.R. 1359; and six resolutions, H.J. Res. 81–82; H. Con. Res. 53, and H. Res. 120, 122–123, were introduced. **Pages H3974–75**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed as follows:

Conference report on H.R. 831, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to permanently extend the deduction for the health insurance costs of self-employed individuals, and to repeal the provision permitting nonrecognition of gain on sales and exchanges effectuating policies of the Federal Communications Commission (H. Rept. 104–92);

H. Res. 121, waiving points of order against the conference report to accompanying H.R. 831, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to permanently extend the deduction for the health insurance costs of self-employed individuals, and to repeal the provision permitting nonrecognition of gain on sales and exchanges effectuating policies of the Federal Communications Commission (H. Rept. 104–93); and

H.R. 1271, to provide protection for family privacy, amended (H. Rept. 104–94).

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Term Limits: By a recorded vote of 227 ayes to 204 noes with 1 voting “present”, Roll No. 277 (two-thirds of those present not voting in the affirmative), the House failed to pass 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.

Pages H3888–H3909, H3915–65

Permission To Proceed: By a yea-and-nay vote of 212 yeas to 197 nays with 2 voting “present”, Roll No. 273, the House agreed to permit Representative Hoke to proceed in order with general debate on H.J. Res. 73, speech after the Chair held that certain words be taken down as unparliamentary.

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Rejected:

The Peterson of Florida amendment in the nature of a substitute that sought to make term limits retroactive taking into consideration service occurring before the amendment, limits lifetime service of the members of the House to six terms (12 years) and Members of the Senate to two terms (12 years), and that protects State laws limiting congressional terms of service if the State laws are shorter (rejected by a recorded vote of 135 ayes to 297 noes, Roll No. 274);

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The Inglis of South Carolina amendment in the nature of a substitute that sought to limit lifetime service of Members of the House to three terms (6 years) and Members of the Senate to two terms (12 years), and that provides language that states a full term is considered as served if a Member serves more than 50 percent of that term (rejected by a recorded vote of 114 ayes to 316 noes, Roll No. 276); and

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The Hilleary amendment in the nature of a substitute that sought to limit lifetime service of Members of the House to six terms (12 years) and Members of the Senate to two terms (12 years) and to provide that State law could preempt the legislation if the State limits are shorter (rejected by a recorded vote of 164 ayes to 265 noes with 1 voting “present”, Roll No. 276).

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The McCollum amendment in the nature of a substitute was offered, but subsequently withdrawn, that sought to limit lifetime service to twelve (12) years in either body and provides language that states a full term is considered as served if a Member serves more than 50 percent of that term.

Pages H3959–65

Presidential Message—Science and Technology: Read a message from the President wherein he transmits the Administration’s policy to make sound investments in science and technology—referred to the Committee on Science.

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Amendments Ordered Printed: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on pages H3975–78.

Quorum Calls—Votes: One yea-and-nay vote and four recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the house today and appear on pages H3896–97, H3940–41, H3949, H3958–59, and H3965. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: Met at 11:00 a.m. and adjourned at 10:31 p.m.

Committee Meetings

GOVERNMENT ACREAGE IDLING PROVISIONS—IMPACT ON PROGRAM COMMODITY CROPS

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on General Farm Commodities held a hearing to review Government acreage idling provisions and their impact on program commodity crops. Testimony was heard from Keith Collins, Acting Chief Economist, USDA; and public witnesses.

**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 Immigration and Border Security. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Justice: Doris Meissner, Commissioner, Immigration and Naturalization Service; Anthony Mascato, Director, Executive Office for Immigration Renewal; and Allen Bursen, U.S. Attorney, Southern District, State of California; Mary A. Ryan, Assistant Secretary, Consular Affairs, Department of State; and Barbara Jordan, Chairman, Commission on Immigration Reform.

**ENERGY AND WATER DEVELOPMENT
APPROPRIATIONS**

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

INTERIOR APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Interior (and Related Agencies) continued appropriation hearings. Testimony was heard from Members of Congress.

**LABOR—HHS—EDUCATION
APPROPRIATIONS**

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education (and Related Agencies) held a hearing on Administration on Aging, Inspector General, HHS, Vocational and Adult Education, and on Special Education and Rehabilitation Services. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Health and Human Services: Ferndo Torres-Gil, Assistant Secretary, Administration on Aging; and June Gibbs Brown, Inspector General; the following officials of the Department of Education: Augusta Souza Kappner, Assistant Secretary, Vocational and Adult Education; and Judith Heumann, Assistant Secretary, Special Education and Rehabilitation Services.

**TREASURY, POSTAL SERVICE, GENERAL
GOVERNMENT APPROPRIATIONS**

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Treasury, Postal Service, and General Government held a hearing on GSA/Federal Construction and on the GAO. Testimony was heard from Roger W. Johnson, Administrator, GSA; Gaston L. Gianni, Jr., Associate Director, Government Business Operations Issues, General Government, GAO.

**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.

ADMINISTRATION'S BUDGET

Committee on the Budget: Continued hearings on the Administration's Fiscal Year 1996 Budget, with emphasis on the Perspective of State and Local Governments. Testimony was heard from the following State Legislators: Senator Dick Finan, State of Ohio; Representative George Cunningham, State of Arizona; Representative Ann Rest, State of Minnesota; Representative David Ennis, State of Delaware; Representative Brad Gorham, State of Rhode Island; Representative Susan Wagle, State of Kansas; Delegate Kirk Cox, State of Virginia; and Representative Steve Grubbs, State of Iowa; and public witnesses.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

TRAINING ISSUES

Committee on Economic and Educational Opportunities: Subcommittee on Postsecondary Education, Training and Life-Long Learning concluded hearings on training issues, Vocational Rehabilitation. Testimony was heard from Frederick Schroeder, Commissioner, Rehabilitation Services Administration, Department of Education; and public witnesses.

CONTRACTING OUT

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on Civil Service held a hearing on Contracting Out: Part I. Testimony was heard from L. Nye Stevens, Director, Planning and Reporting, General Government Division, GAO; and John Koskinen, Deputy Director, Management, OMB.

Hearings continue April 5.

**DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA FINANCIAL
RESPONSIBILITY AND MANAGEMENT
ASSISTANCE ACT**

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on District of Columbia approved for full Committee action H.R. 1345, District of Columbia

Financial Responsibility and Management Assistance Act of 1995.

UNITED STATES-EAST ASIAN ECONOMIC RELATIONS: A FOCUS ON SOUTH KOREA

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on International Economic Policy and Trade and the Subcommittee on Asia and the Pacific held a joint hearing on United States-East Asian Economic Relations: A Focus on South Korea. Testimony was heard from Lawrence S. Eagleburger, former Secretary of State; and public witnesses.

CERTIFICATION PROGRAM FOR NARCOTICS PRODUCING AND TRANSIT COUNTRIES IN LATIN AMERICA

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on Western Hemisphere Affairs held a hearing to review the Administration's Certification Program for Narcotics Producing and Transit Countries in Latin America. Testimony was heard from Robert S. Gelbard, Assistant Secretary, International Narcotics Matters, Department of State; Thomas A. Constantine, Administrator, DEA, Department of Justice; William J. Olson, Former Deputy Assistant Secretary, International Narcotics Matters, Department of State; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Courts and Intellectual Property held a hearing on the following: H.R. 587, to amend title 35, United States Code, with respect to patents on biotechnological processes; and H.R. 1269, to amend the act of June 22, 1974, to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to prescribe by regulation the representation of "Woodsy Owl." Testimony was heard from H. Dieter Hoinkes, Senior Counsel, Office of Legislative and International Affairs, Patent and Trademark Office, Department of Commerce; and a public witness.

DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION

Committee on National Security: Subcommittee on Military Procurement continued hearings on the fiscal year 1996 national defense authorization request, with emphasis on the Department of Energy budget request. Testimony was heard from Harold Smith, Jr., Assistant to the Secretary (Atomic Energy), Department of Defense; the following officials of the Department of Energy: Kenneth E. Baker, Acting Director, Office of Nonproliferation and National Security; Victor H. Reis, Assistant Secretary, Defense Programs; and Charles B. Curtis, Under Secretary; Sigfried S. Hecker, Director, Los Alamos National Laboratory; Bruce C. Tarter, Director, Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory; and Albert Narath, Director, Sandia National Laboratories.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION

Committee on National Security: Special Oversight Panel on Morale, Welfare and Recreation held a hearing on the fiscal year 1996 national defense authorization request, with emphasis on the effect of force structure drawdown on morale, welfare and recreation programs. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Defense: Fred Pang, Assistant Secretary, Force Management; Brig. Gen. John G. Meyer, USA, Commander, U.S. Army Community and Family Support Center; Rear Adm. Larry R. Marsh, USN, Assistant Chief of Naval Personnel, Personnel Readiness and Community Support, Bureau of Naval Personnel; Col. Stevan Richards, USAF, Director, Directorate of Services, U.S. Air Force; and Brig. Gen. J. R. Joy, USMC (Ret.), Director, Morale, Welfare and Recreation Support Activity, U.S. Marine Corps.

Hearings continue April 6.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Lands approved for full Committee action amended the following bills: H.R. 260, National Park System Reform Act of 1995; H.R. 1077, to authorize the Bureau of Land Management; and H.R. 1091, to improve the National Park System in the Commonwealth of Virginia.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Native American and Insular Affairs held a hearing on the following bills: H.R. 1306, American Samoa Economic Development Act; and H.R. 1332, Rongelap Recovery and Community Self-Reliance Act. Testimony was heard from Allen P. Stayman, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Territorial and International Affairs, Department of the Interior; and the following officials of the Republic of the Marshall Islands: Banny De Brun, Deputy Chief of Mission; Johnsay Riklon, member of the Nitijela; and Billiet Edmond, Mayor, Rongelap.

CONTRACT WITH AMERICA TAX RELIEF ACT

Committee on Rules: Heard testimony but took no action on H.R. 1215, Contract With America Tax Relief Act of 1995. Testimony was heard from Chairman Archer and Representatives Bunning of Kentucky, Collins of Georgia, Upton, Ganske, Kasich, Kolbe, Allard, Bass, Burton of Indiana, Morella, Zeff, McIntosh, Tate, Martini, Goodling, Porter, Houghton, Roberts, Wolf, Pryce, Doolittle, Castle, Hutchinson, Istook, Knollenberg, Salmon, Gibbons, Wyden, Sabo, Orton, Pomeroy, Browder, Collins of

Illinois, Moran, Gephardt, Obey, Foglietta, Evans, Kennedy of Massachusetts, Lowey, Nadler, and Stupak.

CONFERENCE REPORT—SELF-EMPLOYED HEALTH INSURANCE PERMANENT REDUCTION RESTORATION

Committee on Rules: Granted, by a voice vote, a rule waiving all points of order against the conference report on H.R. 831, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to permanently extend the deduction for the health insurance costs of self-employed individuals, to repeal the provisions permitting nonrecognition of gain on sales and exchanges effectuating policies of the Federal Communications Commission, and against its consideration. The rule dispenses with the reading of the conference report. Testimony was heard from Chairman Archer and Representatives Gibbons, Matsui, and Levin.

APPROPRIATE ROLE OF GOVERNMENT PROGRAMS—HELPING SMALL BUSINESSES FIND EXPORT OPPORTUNITIES

Committee on Small Business: Subcommittee on Procurement, Exports, and Business Opportunities held a hearing on the appropriate role and the effectiveness of various Federal Government programs in helping small businesses find export opportunities around the world. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Commerce; Lauri Fitz-Pegado, Director General, U.S. Foreign and Commercial Service; Raymond Vickery, Jr., Assistant Secretary, Trade Development; and Charles Meissner, Assistant Secretary, International Economic Policy; Joseph Grandmaison, Director, Trade and Development Agency; Mary Jean Ryan, Associate Deputy Administrator, Economic Development, SBA; Maria Louisa Haley, member, Board of Directors, Export-Import Bank; and Christopher Finn, Executive Vice-President, Overseas Private Investment Corporation, U.S. International Development Cooperation Agency.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

FEDERAL WATER POLLUTION CONTROL ACT AMENDMENTS AND AUTHORIZATION

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment approved for full Committee action amended H.R. 961, Clean Water Amendments of 1995.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Trade approved for full Committee action the following: H.R. 553, amended, Caribbean Basin Trade Security Act; and proposed legislation providing Fiscal year 1996 Budget Authorizations for the Cus-

toms Service, the International Trade Commission, and the Office of the U.S. Trade Representative.

Joint Meetings

SELF-EMPLOYED HEALTH INSURANCE TAX CREDIT

Conferees on Tuesday, March 28, agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H.R. 831, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to permanently extend the deduction for the health insurance costs of self-employed individuals, and to repeal the provisions permitting nonrecognition of gain on sales and exchanges effectuating policies of the Federal Communications Commission.

EMERGENCY SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS

Conferees met to resolve the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H.R. 889, making emergency supplemental appropriations and rescissions to preserve and enhance the military readiness of the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1995, but did not complete action thereon, and recessed subject to call.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, MARCH 30, 1995

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Armed Services, Subcommittee on Personnel, to resume hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 1996 for the Department of Defense and the future years defense program, focusing on Reserve component programs, 2 p.m., SR-222.

Subcommittee on Acquisition and Technology, to resume open and closed hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 1996 for the Department of Defense and the future years defense program, focusing on the Counterproliferation Support Program, 2 p.m., SR-232A.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, Subcommittee on Science, Technology, and Space, to hold oversight hearings on the implementation of the science programs of the National Science Foundation and activities of the Office of Science and Technology Policy (Executive Office of the President), 10 a.m., SR-253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, Subcommittee on Forests and Public Land Management, to hold hearings on S. 506, to reform Federal mining laws, and S. 504, to modify the requirements applicable to locatable minerals on public domain lands, consistent with the principles of self-initiation of mining claims, 9:30 a.m., SD-366.