

Dawson, Southern Electric International, Atlanta, Georgia, on behalf of the Alliance for Power Privatization.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

PROPERTY OWNERS COMPENSATION

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Committee held oversight hearings on the effects of certain proposals to statutorily redefine the constitutional right to compensation for property owners, including related provisions of S. 605, H.R. 9, H.R. 925, and H.R. 961, receiving testimony from former Senator Paul Tsongas; Alice M. Rivlin, Director, Office of Management and Budget; Michael L. Davis, Chief, Regulatory Branch, United States Army Corps of Engineers; Gary S. Guzy, Deputy General Counsel, Environmental Protection Agency; John Shanahan, Heritage Foundation, Dean Kleckner, American Farm Bureau Federation, and Jonathan H. Adler, Competitive Enterprise Institute, all of Washington, D.C.; C. Ford Runge, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis; Richard J. Lazarus, Washington University School of Law, St. Louis, Missouri; and Steven J. Eagle, George Mason University School of Law, Arlington.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

MEDICAID

Committee on Finance: Committee resumed hearings to examine ways to control the cost of the Medicaid program, focusing on the flexibility States have under the current program, including the extent of Federal waiver requests and the program experience of States granted such waivers, receiving testimony from Bruce C. Vladeck, Administrator, Health Care Finance Administration, Department of Health and Human Services; William J. Scanlon, Associate Director, Health Financing, General Accounting Office; Donna Checkett, Missouri Division of Medical Services, Jefferson City, on behalf of the American Public Welfare Association; Robert E. Hurley, Medical College of Virginia/Virginia Commonwealth University, Richmond; Richard C. Ladd, Ladd and Associates, Austin, Texas; and Nelda McCall, Laguna Research Associates, San Francisco, California.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

HAITI ELECTIONS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on Western Hemisphere and Peace Corps Affairs concluded hearings to examine certain aspects of the legislative and municipal election process in Haiti, after receiving testimony from Senators McCain and Graham; Representatives Goss, Rangel, Oberstar, Donald Payne, and Hastings; James Dobbins, Coordinator, Haiti Working Group, Department of State; Mark Schneider, Assistant Administrator for Latin America and the Caribbean, Agency for International Development; and R. Bruce McColm, International Republican Institute, Jeff Fischer, International Foundation for Electoral Systems, and Gay McDougall, International Law Group, all of Washington, D.C.

STUDENT GRANT PROGRAM ABUSE

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations held hearings to examine problems of abuse and fraud within the management and oversight of Federal student financial aid programs, receiving testimony from Alan Edelman, Counsel to the Minority, and R. Mark Webster, Staff Investigator to the Minority, both of the Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations; Cornelia Blanchette, Associate Director, Education and Employment Issues, Health, Education, and Human Services Division, General Accounting Office; John P. Higgins, Jr., Acting Inspector General, Department of Education; and David A. Longanecker, Assistant Secretary of Education for Postsecondary Education.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

INTELLIGENCE

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee held closed hearings on intelligence matters, receiving testimony from officials of the intelligence community.

Committee will meet again on Wednesday, July 19.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Eight public bills, H.R. 2017–2022, 2024–2025; and one private bill, H.R. 2023, were introduced.

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed as follows:

H.R. 2020, making appropriations for the Treasury Department, the United States Postal Service, the Executive Office of the President, and certain

Independent Agencies, for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1996 (H. Rept. 104-183);

H. Res. 187, providing for consideration of H.R. 1977, making appropriations for the Department of the Interior and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1996 (H. Rept. 104-184; and

H. Res. 188, providing for consideration of H.R. 1976, making appropriations for Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1996 (H. Rept. 104-185).

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Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designates Representative Quinn to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. Page H6835

Energy and Water Appropriations: By a yea-and-nay vote of 400 yeas to 27 nays, Roll No. 494, the House passed H.R. 1905, making appropriations for energy and water development for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1996. Pages H6838-83

Agreed To:

The Klug amendment that earmarks \$45 million from the energy supply research and development funds for the implementation of the Innovative Renewable Energy Technology Transfer Program as authorized by the Energy Policy Act of 1992 (agreed to by a recorded vote of 214 yeas to 208 noes, Roll No. 488); Pages H6840-47

The Ward amendment that strikes \$1 million in funding from energy supply, research and development activities (agreed to by a recorded vote of 276 yeas to 141 noes, Roll No. 489); Pages H6847-49

The Traficant amendment that expresses the sense of Congress that to the greatest extent practicable, equipment and products purchased with funds in this bill should be American-made; Pages H6878-79

The Bereuter amendment that prohibits the use of funds to revise the Missouri River Master Water Control Manual when it is made known that the revision provides an increase in the springtime water release program during heavy spring rainfall and snowmelt periods, in States that have rivers draining into the Missouri River below the Gavins Point Dam; Pages H6880-82

The Pallone amendment that reduces by \$1,000 the amount provided for the Nuclear Waste Disposal Fund; and Pages H6882-83

The Gunderson amendment that provides that none of the funds used for the Army Corps of Engineers Upper Mississippi River-Illinois Waterway System Navigation Study may be used to study any portion of the Upper Mississippi River located above Lock and Dam 14 at Moline, Illinois, and Bettendorf, Iowa. Page H6883

Rejected:

The Obey amendment that sought to reduce by \$40 million funding for energy supply, research and development activities (rejected by a recorded vote of 191 yeas to 227 noes, Roll No. 487); Pages H6838-40

The Volkmer amendment that sought to reduce by \$8 million funding for energy supply, research and development activities (rejected by a recorded vote of 148 yeas to 275 noes, Roll No. 490);

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The Klug amendment that sought to eliminate funding for the Appalachian Regional Commission (rejected by a recorded vote of 108 yeas to 319 noes, Roll No. 491); Pages H6855-70

The Klug amendment that sought to eliminate funding for the Tennessee Valley Authority (rejected by a recorded vote of 144 yeas to 284 noes, Roll No. 492); and Pages H6870-78

The Markey appeal of a ruling of the Chair (rejected by a recorded vote of 255 yeas to 167 noes, Roll No. 493). Previously, the Chair sustained a point of order against the Markey amendment that sought to reduce by \$211 million the funding for energy supply, research and development activities and increase its funding for the Nuclear Waste Disposal Fund and Nuclear Regulatory Commission by \$200 million and \$11 million, respectively.

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The Sanders amendment was offered but subsequently withdrawn that sought to strike language that provided funding for nuclear weapon activities.

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Committee Resignation: Read and accepted a letter from Representative Mascara, wherein he resigned from the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight effective July 11. Page H6884

Committee Elections: House agreed to H. Res. 186, electing Representative Mascara of Pennsylvania to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure; and Representative Holden of Pennsylvania to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight. Pages H6884-85

Select Committee on Intelligence: The Speaker appointed Representative Skaggs as a member of the Select Committee on Intelligence to fill the existing vacancy thereon and to rank after Representative Coleman of Texas. Page H6885

Interior Appropriations: By a recorded vote of 192 yeas to 238 noes, Roll No. 496, the House failed to agree to H. Res. 185, providing for consideration of H.R. 1977, making appropriations for the Department of the Interior and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1996. Agreed to order the previous question on the resolution by a

yea-and-nay vote of 235 yeas to 193 nays, Roll No. 495.

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Motion To Adjourn: By a yea-and-nay vote of 177 yeas to 238 nays, Roll No. 497, the House failed to agree to the Volkmer motion to adjourn.

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Presidential Message—National Emergency in Libya: Read a message from the President wherein he transmits a report on the developments concerning the national emergency with respect to Libya—referred to the Committee on International Relations and ordered printed (H. Rept. 104-95).

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Recess: House recessed at 11:31 p.m. and reconvened at 12:30 a.m.

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Amendments Ordered Printed: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on pages H6913-15.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Three yea-and-nay votes and eight recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H6840, H6846-47, H6849, H6854-55, H6869-70, H6877-78, H6880, H6883, H6893-94, H6894, and H6894-95. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: Met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 12:31 a.m., Thursday, July 13.

Committee Meetings

TREASURY, POSTAL SERVICE, AND GENERAL GOVERNMENT APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Ordered reported the Treasury, Postal Service and General Government appropriations for fiscal year 1996.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on the District of Columbia held a hearing on Procurement and Contracting Practices. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the District of Columbia: Russell A. Smith, Auditor; Thomas E. Brown, Jr., Acting Inspector General; Cellerino Bernardino, Deputy Director, Public Works; Jill Lane, Procurement Officer, Public Schools; and James Gaston, Director, Department of Administrative Services; and a public witness.

NATIONAL SECURITY APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on National Security met in executive session and continued markup of appropriations for National Security for fiscal year 1996.

Will continue tomorrow.

COMMEMORATIVE COIN ISSUE

Committee on Banking and Financial Services: Subcommittee on Domestic and International Monetary Affairs held a hearing dealing with the Commemorative Coin issue. Testimony was heard from Philip N. Diehl, Director, U.S. Mint, Department of the Treasury; and public witnesses.

HIGH-LEVEL NUCLEAR WASTE DISPOSAL LEGISLATION

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Energy and Power held a hearing on the following bills: H.R. 1020, Integrated Spent Nuclear Fuel Management Act of 1995; H.R. 496, Nuclear Waste Policy Reassessment Act of 1995; H.R. 1032, Electric Consumers and Environmental Protection Act of 1995; H.R. 1174, Nuclear Waste Disposal Funding Act; and H.R. 1924, Interim Waste Act. Testimony was heard from Daniel Dreyfus, Director, Office of Civilian Radioactive Waste Management, Department of Energy; Dennis Bechtel, Commissioner, Board of County Commissioners, County of Clark, State of Nevada; Emmet J. George, Jr., Commissioner, Utilities Board, State of Iowa; and public witnesses.

MEDICARE PROGRAM FUTURE

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Health and Environment continued hearings on the Future of the Medicare Program. Testimony was heard from Gail Wilensky, Chair, Board of Directors, Physician Payment Review Commission; Stuart Altman, Chairman, Prospective Payment Assessment Commission; Rodney Armstead, Director, Office of Managed Care, Health Care Financing Administration, Department of Health and Human Services; Jonathan Ratner, Associate Director, Health Financing and Policy Issues, Health, Education and Human Services Division, GAO; and public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT—NLRB REFORM

Committee on Economic and Educational Opportunities: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held an oversight hearing on National Labor Relations Board Reform. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the NLRB: William B. Gould, IV, Chairman; and Fred Feinstein, General Counsel; and public witnesses.

INTELLIGENCE AUTHORIZATION ACT

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on Civil Service approved for full Committee action amended H.R. 1655, Intelligence Authorization Act for fiscal year 1996.