

Record Votes: Two record votes were taken today. (Total—311)

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Recess: Senate convened at 9 a.m., and recessed at 8:23 p.m., until 9 a.m., on Wednesday, July 19, 1995. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's RECORD on page S10257).

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

1995 FARM BILL

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: Committee began markup of proposed legislation to strengthen and improve United States agricultural programs, but did not complete action thereon, and recessed subject to call.

APPROPRIATIONS—LEGISLATIVE BRANCH

Committee on Appropriations: Committee ordered favorably reported, with amendments, H.R. 1854, making appropriations for the Legislative Branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1996.

Also, committee completed its review of subcommittee allocations of budget outlays and new budget authority allocated to the committee in H. Con. Res. 67, setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal years 1996, 1997, 1998, 1999, 2000, 2001, and 2002.

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 numerous public witnesses.

Subcommittee recessed subject to call.

ALASKA OIL RESERVES

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee held oversight hearings to review estimated oil reserves on the North Slope of Alaska and drilling and operating technology in the Arctic, receiving testimony from Mark D. Myers, Alaska Department of Natural Resources, Juneau; William L. Fisher, University of Texas, Austin; and Scott I. Kerr, ARCO Alaska, Inc., Eric Luttrell, BP Exploration, Inc., and Randy Ruedrich, Doyon Drilling, Inc., all of Anchorage, Alaska.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

FIRST AMENDMENT ACTIVITIES ON PUBLIC LANDS

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations concluded oversight hearings to review efforts of the National Park Service and the Forest Service to con-

trol and regulate activities occurring within national parks and forests under the guise of the First Amendment, after receiving testimony from Robert Stanton, Field Director, National Capital Area, and Denis P. Galvin, Associate Director, Planning and Development, both of the National Park Service, and John D. Leshy, Solicitor, all of the Department of the Interior; Kathleen Connelly, Deputy Chief, Forest Service, Department of Agriculture; Robert M. O'Neil, Thomas Jefferson Center for the Protection of Free Expression/University of Virginia, Charlottesville; and Robert Teir, American Alliance for Rights and Responsibilities, and Arthur B. Spitzer, American Civil Liberties Union of the National Capital Area, both of Washington, D.C.

FUEL TAXES

Committee on Finance: Committee held hearings on proposals to provide for a transportation fuels tax exemption for fuels used in commercial aviation, to provide for a diesel fuel excise tax on rail transportation and recreational motorboats, and to discuss certain diesel fuel dyeing requirements, including related measures S. 304, and S. 1034, receiving testimony from Senator Santorum; Cynthia G. Beerbower, Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Treasury for Tax Policy; W. Gene Burden, Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation, Juneau; John J. Collins, American Trucking Associations, Inc., Carol Hallett, Air Transport Association of America, Edwin L. Harper, Association of American Railroads, and Susan Perry, American Bus Association, all of Washington, D.C.; Phillip R. Chisholm, Petroleum Marketers Association of America, Arlington, Virginia; and Michael Sciulla, Boat Owners Association of the United States, Alexandria, Virginia.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of A. Wallace Tashima, of California, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit, Catherine C. Blake and Andre M. Davis, each to be a United States District Judge for the District of Maryland, Joseph H. McKinley, Jr., to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Kentucky, B. Lynn Winnmill, to be United States District Judge for the District of Idaho, and Evan J. Wallach, of Nevada, to be a Judge of the United States Court of International Trade, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf. Ms. Black and Mr. Davis were introduced by Senators Sarbanes and Mikulski, Mr. McKinley was introduced by Senators Ford and McConnell, Mr. Winnmill was introduced by Senators Craig and Kempthorne, and Mr. Wallach was introduced by Senators Reid and Bryan.

GUNS IN SCHOOLS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Youth Violence held hearings on S. 890, to revise certain provisions of the Gun-Free School Zones Act of 1990 to enable the Federal Government to assist States in their efforts to ensure the safe environment of American schools, receiving testimony from Walter Dellinger, Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legal Counsel, Department of Justice; Virginia Secretary of Public Safety Jerry Kilgore, Richmond; Charles E. Shoffner, Union County School District, Tazwell, Tennessee; Robert M.A. Johnson, Anoka, Minnesota, on behalf of the National District Attorneys Association; Henry E. Hudson, Mays and Valentine, Alexandria, Virginia; Bob Wortham, Reaud, Morgan, and Quinn, Beaumont, Texas; Robert Nelson, Washington High School, Milwaukee, Wisconsin; Don Cahill, Fraternal Order of Police, Washington, D.C.; Barry Friedman, Vanderbilt University, Nashville, Tennessee; Larry Kramer, New York University School of Law, New York, New York; and David Strauss, University of Chicago Law School, Chicago, Illinois.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

HEALTH INSURANCE REFORM ACT

Committee on Labor and Human Resources: Committee held hearings on S. 1028, to provide increased access to health care benefits, to provide increased port-

ability of health care benefits, to provide increased security of health care benefits, and to increase the purchasing power of individuals and small employers, receiving testimony from Mark V. Nadel, Associate Director for National and Public Health Issues, Health, Education, and Human Services Division, General Accounting Office; Kevin Haugh, Institute for Health Policy Solutions, and Mary Nell Lehnhard, Blue Cross and Blue Shield Association, both of Washington, D.C.; Gary Kushner, National Small Business United, Kalamazoo, Michigan; David R. Astar, EMPHESYS-Employers Health Insurance, Green Bay, Wisconsin; Josephine W. Musser, Madison, Wisconsin, on behalf of the National Association of Insurance Commissioners; Susan M. Rogan, Herndon, Virginia; and Tom Hall, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

WHITEWATER MATTERS

Special Committee to Investigate the Whitewater Development Corporation and Related Matters: Committee held hearings to examine issues relative to the President's involvement with the Whitewater Development Corporation, focusing on certain events following the death of Deputy White House Counsel Vincent Foster, receiving testimony from Webster Hubbell, former Associate Attorney General.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Eight public bills, H.R. 2049–2056; and two resolutions, H.J. Res. 102 and H. Res. 192 were introduced. **Pages H7178–79**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed as follows:

H.R. 714, to establish the Midewin National Tallgrass Prairie in the State of Illinois, amended (H. Rept. 104–191, Part 1);

H.R. 1943, to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to deem certain municipal wastewater treatment facilities discharging into ocean waters as the equivalent of secondary treatment facilities (H. Rept. 104–192); and

H.R. 1858, to reduce paperwork and additional regulatory burdens for depository institutions, amended (H. Rept. 104–193). **Page H7178**

Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designates Representative Shaw to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H7073**

Recess: House recessed at 9:49 a.m. and reconvened at 10 a.m. **Page H7079**

Committees to Sit: The following committees and their subcommittees received permission to sit today during the proceedings of the House under the 5-minute rule: Committees on Agriculture, Commerce, Government Reform and Oversight, House Oversight, International Relations, Judiciary, Resources, and Small Business. **Page H7099**

Presidential Message—National Security: Read a message from the President wherein he reports the Administration's actions and expenses directly related to the exercise of powers and authorities conferred by the declaration of a national emergency and expanded sanctions against the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia (Serbia and Montenegro)—referred to the Committee on International Relations and ordered printed (H. Doc. 104–101). **Pages H7100–02**