

Legislative Program: The Majority Leader announced the legislative program for the week of July 31. Agreed to adjourn from Friday to Monday.

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Calendar Wednesday: Agreed to dispense with Calendar Wednesday business of August 2. Page H7968

Perishable Agricultural Commodities Act: House passed H.R. 1103, entitled “Amendments to the Perishable Agricultural Commodities Act, 1930”.

Pages H7968–73

Agreed to the Committee amendment in the nature of a substitute.

Pages H7971–73

Agreed to amend the title.

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Presidential Messages: Read the following messages from the President:

Iraqi emergency: Message wherein he notifies Congress on the continuation of the national emergency in Iraq beyond the anniversary date—referred to the Committee on International Relations and ordered printed (H. Doc. 104–104); and

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Generalized System of Preferences (GSP): Message wherein he reports that Maldives should be suspended from the GSP program because of insufficient progress in protecting basic labor rights and designate Moldova as a beneficiary developing country for the purposes of the GSP program having satisfied the statutory criteria—referred to the Committee on Ways and Means and ordered printed (H. Doc. 104–105).

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Amendments Ordered Printed: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on pages H7990–91.

Senate Messages: Message received from the Senate today appears on page H7919.

Quorum Calls—Votes: One yea-and-nay vote and four recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H7931, H7932, H7932–33, H7954–55, and H7963. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: Met at 9 a.m. and adjourned at 5:20 p.m.

Committee Meetings

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Energy and Power approved for full Committee action the following: the Nuclear Regulatory Commission User Fees Reauthorization; H.R. 1020, amended, Integrated Spent Nuclear Fuel Management Act of 1995; and H.R. 1663, Waste Isolation Pilot Plant Land Withdrawal Amendment.

POLITICAL ADVOCACY WITH TAXPAYER DOLLARS

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on National Economic Growth, Natural Resources, and Regulatory Affairs held a hearing on Political Advocacy with Taxpayer Dollars. Testimony was heard from Representatives DeLay, Wicker, Skaggs and Sabo; and public witnesses.

UNITED STATES POLICY IN EUROPE

Committee on International Relations: Held a hearing on Overview of United States Policy in Europe. Testimony was heard from Richard C. Holbrooke, Assistant Secretary, European and Canadian Affairs, Department of State; and RAdm. W.H. Wright IV, (USN), Assistant Deputy Chief of Naval Operations, Plans, Policy and Operations, Department of the Navy.

OVERSIGHT—WACO

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Crime and the Subcommittee on National Security, International Affairs, and Criminal Justice of the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight continued oversight hearings on Federal Law Enforcement Actions in Relation to the Branch Davidian Compound in Waco, Texas. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Justice: Mark Richard, Deputy Assistant Attorney General; and Larry Potts, former Assistant Director, Criminal Investigations, FBI; Harry Salem, M.D., Toxicologist, Department of Defense; the following former officials of the Department of Justice: Webster Hubbell, Associate Attorney General; William Sessions, Director; and Floyd Clarke, Deputy Director, both with the FBI; and public witnesses.

Will continue July 31.

DEFENSE APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, an open rule providing 1 hour of debate on H.R. 2126, making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1996. The rule waives clause 2(l)(6) of rule XI (three-day availability for committee reports), clause 7 of rule XXI (three-day availability for committee hearings and reports on appropriation bills), and section 306 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 (prohibiting consideration of legislation in the jurisdiction of the Budget Committee unless reported by that committee) against consideration of the bill.

The rule provides for the reading of the bill by title, rather than by paragraph or numbered section, for amendment, and each title is considered as read. The rule waives clause 2 (prohibiting unauthorized and legislative provisions), and clause 6 (prohibiting

reappropriations) of rule XXI against provisions in the bill.

The rule provides that an amendment striking sections 8021 and 8024 is considered as adopted in the House and in the Committee of the Whole. The rule authorizes the Chair to accord priority in recognition to Members who have pre-printed their amendments in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Chairman Livingston and Representatives Young of Florida, Kingston, Neumann, Franks of Connecticut, Murtha, Schroeder and Orton.

BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA SELF-DEFENSE ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a modified closed rule providing 3 hours of debate on S. 21, Bosnia and Herzegovina Self-Defense Act of 1995. The rule makes in order an amendment in the nature of a substitute if offered by the Minority Leader or a designee, which is considered as read, is non-amendable, and is debatable for 1 hour equally divided between the proponent and an opponent. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit, which, if including instructions may only be offered by the Minority Leader or a designee. Testimony was heard from Chairman Gilman and Representatives Smith of New Jersey and Hoyer.

LABOR, HHS, EDUCATION APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Rules: Heard testimony from Representatives Porter, Kolbe, Riggs, Solomon, Sam Johnson of Texas, Cox of California, Morella, Deal of Georgia, Fowler, Ganske, Greenwood, Pryce, Obey, Skaggs, Lowey, Clay and Orton, but no action was taken on H.R. 2127, making appropriations for the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and related agencies, for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1996.

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

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

CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD Week of July 31 through August 5, 1995

Senate Chamber

On *Monday*, Senate will consider H.R. 1905, Energy and Water Development Appropriations, 1996, and resume consideration of S. 908, State Department Authorizations.

During the balance of the week, Senate may consider available appropriations bills, including:

H.R. 1977, Interior;
H.R. 2020, Treasury, Postal; and other legislation, including:

S. 1026, DOD Authorizations;

S. 961, Foreign Assistance Authorizations;

Conference reports, when available, and any cleared legislative and executive business.

(Senate will recess on Tuesday, August 1, 1995, from 12:30 p.m. until 2:15 p.m., for respective party conferences.)

Senate Committees

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: August 3, to hold hearings on the nomination of Jill L. Long, of Indiana, to be Under Secretary of Agriculture for Rural Economic and Community Development, and to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Commodity Credit Corporation, 9 a.m., SR-332.

Committee on the Budget: August 1, to hold hearings to review the Office of Management and Budget at mid-session, 10 a.m., SD-608.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: August 1, to hold hearings to examine the future of the Department of Commerce, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

August 2, Subcommittee on Aviation, to hold hearings to examine proposals to reform the operation of the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), 2:30 p.m., SR-253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: August 2, business meeting, to consider the nomination of John Raymond Garamendi, of California, to be Deputy Secretary of the Interior; to be followed by hearings to discuss leasing of the Arctic oil reserve located on the coastal plain of the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge for oil and gas exploration and production and the inclusion of the leasing revenues in the Budget Reconciliation, 9:30 a.m., SD-366.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: August 1, Subcommittee on Clean Air, Wetlands, Private Property, and Nuclear Safety, to hold oversight hearings on title V of the Clean Air Act (relating to permitting), 2 p.m., SD-406.

August 2, Full Committee, business meeting, to consider pending calendar business, 10 a.m., SD-406.

August 2, Subcommittee on Clean Air, Wetlands, Private Property, and Nuclear Safety, to resume oversight hearings on implementation of section 404 (relating to wetlands) of the Clean Water Act, 2 p.m., SD-406.

August 3, Drinking Water, Fisheries, and Wildlife, to resume hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for programs of the Endangered Species Act, focusing on incentives for the conservation of endangered species and the role of habitat, 9 a.m., SD-406.

Committee on Finance: July 31, to hold hearings to examine fraud and abuse in the Medicare program, 9:30 a.m., SD-215.

August 1, Subcommittee on International Trade, to hold hearings to examine various trade issues, including granting most-favored-nation (MFN) tariff status to Cambodia and the permanent extension of MFN tariff status