

**LABOR—HHS—EDUCATION
APPROPRIATIONS**

Committee on Rules: Granted an open rule providing one hour of general debate 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. The rule provides first for the consideration of two (manager's) amendments printed in part 1 of the Rules Committee report, which are considered as read, are not subject to amendment or to a division of the question, and are debatable for 10 minutes each divided between the proponent and an opponent. If adopted, the amendments are considered as part of the base text for further amendment purposes. The rule provides for the reading of the bill by title rather than by paragraph, with each title considered as read. The rule waives clause 2 of rule XXI (prohibiting unauthorized and legislative provisions) and clause 6 of rule XXI (prohibiting reappropriations) against provisions in the bill. The rule provides for consideration at any time during the reading of the bill for amendment of amendments printed in part 2 of the report on the rule if offered by the Member designated. The amendment shall be considered as read, debatable for the time specified, and shall not be subject to amendment, except as specified in the report, or to a division. The rule waives all points of order against amendments printed in the report. 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.

ETHICS INVESTIGATION

Committee on Standards of Official Conduct: Met in executive session to continue to take testimony regarding the ethics investigation of Speaker Gingrich. Testimony was heard from Rupert Murdoch, Chief Executive, News Corporation; and James Fox, General Counsel, Harper/Collins Publishers, Inc.

**OCEAN SHIPPING REFORM ACT; COAST
GUARD DRUG INTERDICTION MISSION**

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation approved for full Committee approved for full Committee action amended the Ocean Shipping Reform Act of 1995.

The Subcommittee also held a hearing on the Coast Guard Drug Interdiction Mission. Testimony was heard from Lee Brown, Director, Office of National Drug Control Policy; Adm. Robert Kramek, USCG, Commandant, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Transportation; Robert Nieves, Chief, For-

eign Operations, DEA, Department of Justice; Joseph Kelly, Director, International Affairs Issues, GAO; Harvey G. Pothier, Deputy Assistant Commissioner, Office of Aviation Operations, U.S. Customs Service, Department of the Treasury; Brian E. Sheridan, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Enforcement Policy and Support, Department of Defense; John Walters, former Deputy Director, Supply Reduction, Office of National Drug Control Policy; and William Olson, former Deputy Assistant Secretary, Department of State.

**COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 2, 1995**

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Transportation, business meeting, to mark up H.R. 2002, making appropriations for the Department of Transportation and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1996, 3:30 p.m., S-128, Capitol.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, 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, 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 a.m., SD-366.

Committee on Environment and Public Works, business meeting, to consider pending calendar business, 10 a.m., SD-406.

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.

Committee on Finance, Subcommittee on Social Security and Family Policy, to hold hearings on the impact of privatization proposals on the Social Security Old Age and Survivors Insurance Trust Fund, 9:30 a.m., SD-215.

Committee on Governmental Affairs, to hold hearings on the nominations of Jacob J. Lew, of New York, to be Deputy Director of the Office of Management and Budget, Jerome A. Stricker, of Kentucky, and Sheryl R. Marshall, of Massachusetts, each to be a Member of the Federal Retirement Thrift Investment Board, William H. LeBlanc III, of Louisiana, to be a Commissioner of the Postal Rate Commission, and Beth Susan Slavet, of Massachusetts, to be a Member of the Merit Systems Protection Board., 9 a.m., SD-342.

Subcommittee on Post Office and Civil Service, to hold hearings to review the annual report of the Postmaster General, 9:30 a.m., SD-342.

Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on Administrative Oversight and the Courts, to hold hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for the Administrative Conference, 9:30 a.m., SD-226.

Subcommittee on Constitution, Federalism, and Property Rights, business meeting, to mark up H.R. 660, to amend the Fair Housing Act to modify the exemption from certain familial status discrimination prohibitions granted to housing for older persons, 2 p.m., SD-226.

Committee on Labor and Human Resources, business meeting, to mark up S. 1028, to provide increased access to health care benefits, to provide increased portability of health care benefits, to provide increased security of health care benefits, and to increase the purchasing power of individuals and small employers, S. 593, to authorize the export of new drugs, and proposed legislation to authorize funds for programs of the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Act, 9:30 a.m., SD-430.

Committee on Indian Affairs, to hold oversight hearings on the implementation of the Indian Tribal Justice Act (P.L. 103-176), 9:30 a.m., SR-485.

Select Committee on Intelligence, to hold closed hearings on intelligence matters, 2 p.m., SH-219.

Special Committee To Investigate Whitewater Development Corporation and Related Matters, to continue 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, 9:30 a.m., SH-216.

House

Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Interior, on Fish and Wildlife Service Law Enforcement, 9:30 a.m., B-308 Rayburn.

Committee on Banking and Financial Services, Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Credit, hearing on the financial condition of the Bank Insurance Fund (BIF) and the Savings Association Insurance Fund (SAIF) and proposals to merge the banking thrift industries, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Commerce, to mark up H.R. 1020, Integrated Spent Nuclear Fuel Management Act of 1995, 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on International Relations, hearing on overview of U.S. Policy in the Middle East, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on International Operations and Human Rights, hearing on the Beijing conference on Women, 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on National Security, hearing on acquisition reform, 9:30 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Committee on Resources, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 1743, to amend the Water Resources Research Act of 1964 to extend the authorization of appropriations through fiscal year 2000; H.R. 238, Ozark Wild Horses Protection Act; H.R. 1745, Utah Public Lands Management Act of 1995; and H.R. 1508, to require the transfer of title to the District of Columbia of certain real property in Anacostia Park to facilitate the construction of National Children's Island, a cultural, educational, and family-oriented park, 11 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Committee on Small Business, Subcommittee on Government Programs, hearing to review the efforts of some to promote "sole source" bid requirements in government contracts, 10 a.m., 2359 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Taxation and Finance, to continue hearings on the need to clarify the status of independent contractors, with discussion of the following bills: H.R. 1972, Independent Contractors Tax Simplification Act of 1995; and H.R. 582, Independent Contractors Tax Fairness Act of 1995, 2 p.m., 2359 Rayburn.

Committee on Standards of Official Conduct, executive, to consider pending business, 10:30 a.m., HT-2M Capitol.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, to mark up the following: H.R. 2145, Economic Development Partnership Act of 1995; Ocean Shipping Act of 1995; and H.R. 1788, Amtrak Reform and Privatization Act of 1995, 1 p.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs, Subcommittee on Education, Training, Employment and Housing, hearing on the following: H.R. 1941, to amend title 38, United States Code, to make clarifying and technical amendments to further clarify the employment and reemployment rights and responsibilities of members of the uniformed services, as well as those of the employer community; legislation on the Housing Loan Programs and Veterans Small Business, and a discussion on LVER/DVOP (Local Veterans Employment Representative/Disabled Veterans Outreach Program Specialist), 9 a.m., 334 Cannon.

Committee on Ways and Means, Subcommittee on Trade, to mark up the following: Trade Agreements Authority Act; and technical corrections and miscellaneous trade proposals legislation, 10 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, executive, briefing on the Department of Justice Inspector General Report on Guatemala, 2 p.m., H-405 Capitol.

Résumé of Congressional Activity

FIRST SESSION OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH CONGRESS

The first table gives a comprehensive résumé of all legislative business transacted by the Senate and House.
The second table accounts for all nominations submitted to the Senate by the President for Senate confirmation.

DATA ON LEGISLATIVE ACTIVITY

January 4 through July 31, 1995

	<i>Senate</i>	<i>House</i>	<i>Total</i>
Days in session	124	105	..
Time in session	1109 hrs., 20'	944 hrs., 10'	..
Congressional Record:			
Pages of proceedings	11,042	8,068	..
Extensions of Remarks .....	..	1,569	..
Public bills enacted into law	11	9	..
Private bills enacted into law	0	..	..
Bills in conference	7	2	..
Measures passed, total	172	221	..
Senate bills	33	14	..
House bills	19	84	..
Senate joint resolutions	2	..	..
House joint resolutions	0	3	..
Senate concurrent resolutions	5	2	..
House concurrent resolutions	12	16	..
Simple resolutions	101	102	..
Measures reported, total	*141	*206	..
Senate bills	97	4	..
House bills	14	120	..
Senate joint resolutions	3	..	..
House joint resolutions	2	5	..
Senate concurrent resolutions	3	..	..
House concurrent resolutions	0	3	..
Simple resolutions	22	74	..
Special reports	13	4	..
Conference reports	0	8	..
Measures pending on calendar	108	37	..
Measures introduced, total	1,315	2,546	..
Bills	1,098	2,147	..
Joint resolutions	37	105	..
Concurrent resolutions	22	89	..
Simple resolutions	158	205	..
Quorum calls	3	14	..
Yea-and-nay votes	344	144	..
Recorded votes .....	..	449	..
Bills vetoed	0	1	..
Veto overridden	0	..	..

DISPOSITION OF EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS

January 4 through July 31, 1995

Civilian nominations, totaling 312, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	157
Unconfirmed	153
Withdrawn	2
Civilian nominations (FS, PHS, CG, NOAA), totaling 1,006, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	805
Unconfirmed	201
Air Force nominations, totaling 10,235, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	10,202
Unconfirmed	33
Army nominations, totaling 8,110, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	8,076
Unconfirmed	34
Navy nominations, totaling 7,233, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	6,265
Unconfirmed	968
Marine Corps nominations, totaling 2,766, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	2,557
Unconfirmed	208
Withdrawn	1
<i>Summary</i>	
Total nominations received this session	29,662
Total confirmed	28,062
Total unconfirmed	1,597
Total withdrawn	3

*These figures include all measures reported, even if there was no accompanying report. A total of 125 reports has been filed in the Senate; a total of 218 reports has been filed in the House.