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MEMORANDUM

August 3, 1995

TO: Honorable Leon Panetta

FROM: Bruce Babbitt
VIA: Cabinet Affairs
SUBJECT: Weekly Report Regarding Upcoming Activities
New York Natural Heritage Tour

Next week I will spend three days in New York beginning on Wednesday, August 9th. The trip will focus on the unique natural heritage of New York and the conservation legacy of Teddy Roosevelt, one of my personal role models. The tour will highlight local success stories resulting from the Clean Water Act, the Endangered Species Act and other long

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bipartisan conservation laws. The tour will begin in Buffalo with a boat tour of the Buffalo River and Lake Erie followed by a Town Hall Meeting at the Roosevelt Inaugural National Historic Site. I will then travel to Syracuse for a roundtable on the banks of the Genesee River which has seen a remarkable recovery and has become the focal point of downtown activity. Thursday I will visit Montezuma Natural Wildlife Refuge which played an important role in the recovery and restoration of the Bald Eagle. The afternoon will be spent in Troy on the banks of the Hudson River with a clean water roundtable. En route to Poughkeepsie, I will make additional stops along the Hudson. On Friday, I will participate in a roundtable discussion on the Hudson in Peekskill. My sixth Natural Heritage Tour will end on Long Island where I will make remarks at Sagamore Hill -- one of the residences of Teddy Roosevelt -- and then join local community leaders for a walk along Jones Beach on Long Island.

Interior Appropriations Update

This week I issued a press statement on the Senate Budget proposal to cut funds for Indian Tribes stating the budget proposal causes us to break trust and treaty responsibility with Indian Tribes. This proposal punishes thousands of America's poorest school children, elderly people in need of vital services, and American Indians and Alaska Natives needing protection from crime on their reservations to fund tax cuts for

the rich. Senator Domenici's proposal to restore \$280 million in funding for Indian Tribes, by reducing funding in virtually every other departmental program, has been deferred for floor debate.

To restore the BIA programs, the amendment (as proposed to the full committee) proposes equally unacceptable offsets to all DOI operating programs, except for the National Park Service. These offsets include: Bureau of Land Management (-\$60M); Minerals Management Service (-\$25M); Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement (-\$40M); Geological Survey (-\$60M); Fish and Wildlife Service (-\$30M); Natural Resources Science Agency (-\$20M); and Office of the Secretary/Solicitor (-\$20M), which would cause reductions

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country. I refuse to make a choice which requires that I cure devastating cuts to Indian Tribes by sacrificing other programs benefitting science and the environment. The dilemma it poses illustrates the total inadequacy of the 602b allocation for the Interior bill, which was targeted for deeper cuts in the Senate than any other appropriations bill. Interior faces a 13.3% cut from the President's budget in the Senate version of the bill.

Grazing Update

The Department is coordinating with various Western States on the announcement of the regional advisory councils which become effective with the new regulations on August 21, 1995. Governors Romer and Geringer are interested in making joint announcements of the regional advisory councils in their states. Other Governors may want to do the same.

Congressional Hearing Update

The Department spent a lot of time this week testifying in opposition to bad legislative proposals. Unfortunately, I was unable to testify at the ANWR hearings because I flew to California to attend the funeral of Duane Garrett. John Leshy, Solicitor, delivered my testimony to both the House and Senate Committees. While we will probably lose the congressional battle against leasing authority in the reconciliation legislation, the public continues to be strongly committed to protecting national parks and public lands. In a recent survey of voters by Lake Research, 57% are opposed to drilling for oil in ANWR. Even when the issue is framed with the argument that the oil fees would be used to reduce the deficit, 70% agreed that protecting the area should be our first priority. I also cannot state strongly enough the environmental community's vehement opposition to opening ANWR. I will continue to recommend to the President that he veto any legislation that would authorize it.

Roger Kennedy, Director of the Park Service, testified before the House National Parks, Forest and Lands Subcommittee on the fee reform proposal by Congressman Hansen. In effect, this proposal

would raise the price of admission to 5 times the current fee, which means it would cost the average family \$50 to \$60 per day to visit a park. While I support increasing revenues by raising fees, this would be an exorbitant increase. Roger Kennedy also stated that this proposal would destroy the local communities surrounding our national parks because fewer people could afford to visit.

Bonnie Cohen, Assistant Secretary for Policy, Management and Budget testified, in opposition to the proposal to transfer Bureau of Land Management lands to the states. She called it radical legislation that would transfer tremendous national assets and revenues to a small number of states. This measure would let individual states decide whether they wanted to restrict the uses of or access to land or even sell it to private purchasers. The land being discussed includes 170 million acres of rangeland, 48 acres of forests, 1.4 billion barrels of oil reserves, and a third of the nation's coal reserves.

OCS Announcement

Last Friday, this \$200 million settlement was filed in court. I issued a statement on Monday which has received some favorable local press coverage in Alaska and in parts of Florida. We are currently trying to schedule an event on Monday or Tuesday of next week in Tampa, Florida with Governor Chiles to increase national press coverage of this important settlement.

Upcoming Travel

Tomorrow I will travel to Greensboro, North Carolina to attend the Bass Masters Classic which is the "World Series of Bass Fishing." I will participate in a roundtable of the Natural Resources Committee which gives me an opportunity to find common ground with sports fisherman as we discuss the negative impact of proposed changes in the Clean Water Act on recreational sports

fishing. Given my recent unluckiness in the fishing arena, I will only be participating in the Bass Catch Weigh

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announcing the winner of the tournament.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR UPCOMING CONGRESSIONAL TESTIMONY

We currently have no Congressional testimony by the Secretary or sub

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR UPCOMING ASSISTANT SECRETARY TRAVEL

Sylvia Baca - Acting A/S Land and Minerals Management

8/08 Denver to attend an all employees meeting at the Denver Service Center.

8/09 Butte, Montana, to speak at the Fifth Annual Mine Waste Remediation
Technology Conference.

Bonnie Cohen - A/S Policy, Management and Budget
No travel currently scheduled.

Ada Deer - A/S Bureau of Indian Affairs

8/04 Boulder, Colorado, to address the Native American Rights Fund.

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-18 Fairbanks, Alaska, to attend an area directors meeting.
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-30 Wagoner, Oklahoma, to address the Governor's Interstate Indian Council.

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-08 Portland, Oregon, to address the Native American Rights Fund.

George Frampton - A/S Fish, Wildlife and Parks

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-11 Denali National Park, Alaska, to visit the park with Governor Knowles.

John Leshy - Solicitor

No travel currently scheduled.

Patty Beneke - Deputy A/S Water and Science

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-09 Phoenix, Arizona, to attend meetings with officials from the Bureau of Reclamation to discuss the Central Arizona Project.

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-16 Lincoln, Nebraska, to meet with officials from the Bureau of Reclamation, Governor Nelson, Senators Kerry and Exon, and Representatives Buerter and Barrett to

discuss the Platte River.

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-07 Park City, Utah, to attend the Bureau of Reclamation
Area Managers Workshop.

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-Lew, Griffin, Tyson, Angell, Foley, OMB/2d Floor,
DADs, LRD, Gibbons, Cabinet Affairs, CEQ
FROM: CHUCK KONIGSBERG
SUBJECT: STATUS REPORT ON PENDING LEGISLATION

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Congress on Thursday:

Senate today continued consideration of S 1026,
Defense Authorization. The House today continued
consideration of HR 2127, Labor/HHS Appropriations
and may complete action later tonight. The House
may also continue action on HR 1555, the
Telecommunications Bill tonight.

SENATE FLOOR SCHEDULE:

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Friday, August 4 - Saturday, August 12:

NOTE: A Saturday session is likely August 5.

- S 1026, FY 1996 Defense Authorization
[SAP sent 7/31 -- "The President will not support the bill
unless these concerns are addressed."]
- HR 4, Welfare Reform (possibly beginning Friday or Saturday)
[SAP being developed]
- Possible Appropriations Bills:

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-Treasury/Postal Appropriations;
[SAP sent 8/3: POTUS has stated he would not sign due
to
elimination of ONDCP; Treasury veto recommendation due
to other concerns.]

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- Interior Appropriations (possibly Saturday)
[SAP being developed]
- Defense Appropriations (possibly Saturday)
[SAP being developed]
- Override vote on Bosnia legislation (only if returned in time
for a Senate vote).
- Possible -- Conference Report on Legislative Branch Approps.
- Possibly return to S. 343, Reg. Reform (if Dole can get
additional votes for cloture)

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HOUSE FLOOR SCHEDULE:

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Friday, August 4:

- Leg. Branch Approps. Conference Report (if not done Thursday
night).
- Complete consideration of HR 1555, Telecommunications
[No SAP to be sent; 8/1 POTUS press statement "If HR 1555

with the managers' amendment is sent to me without deletion or revision...I will be compelled to veto it"]

- Complete consideration of HR 2126, National Security Appropriations

[SAP sent 7/31 -- "President will not support the bill unless ... concerns are addressed."]

Floor action between Sept. 6 and October 1:

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-Terrorism (conservative House Republican concern over increased gov't authority has slowed down the bill)

[A recess has been announced from October 3

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Other pending legislation:

HR 1332, the Omnibus Insular Areas Act.

[SAP being developed with a DOI veto recommendation.]

(If you have questions about the House or Senate legislative schedules, contact Lydia Muniz at OMB Legislative Affairs, 54790.)

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APPROPRIATIONS --

SUPPORT/OPPOSITION

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Agriculture (HR 1976)

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-House subcommittee reported-

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-OMB letter 6/21: serious objections.

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-House committee reported-

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-Floor SAP 7/18: Agriculture/OMB veto recommendation.

C/J/S (HR 2076)

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-House subcommittee reported-

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-OMB letter 7/18: Attorney General/Commerce/
OMB veto recommendation.

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-House committee reported-

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-Rules SAP 7/20: Attorney General/Commerce/
OMB veto recommendation.

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-House committee reported-

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-Floor SAP 7/24: Attorney General/Commerce/
OMB veto recommendation.

Defense

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-House subcommittee reported-
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-OMB letter 7/20: Administration does not support.
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-House committee reported-
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-Rules SAP 7/27: serious concerns and "the President will not support the bill unless those concerns are addressed."
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-House committee reported-
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-Floor SAP 7/31: serious concerns and "the President will not support the bill unless those concerns are addressed."
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Energy/Water (HR 1905)

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-House subcommittee reported-
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-OMB letter 6/20: strongly opposed.
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-House passed-
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-OMB letter 7/20: strongly opposed.
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-Senate committee reported-
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-Senate SAP 7/31: strongly opposed.

Foreign Ops (HR 1868)

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-House committee reported-
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-Floor SAP 6/22: difficulty supporting if improvements are not made.

Interior (HR 1977)

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-House subcommittee reported-
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-OMB letter 6/21: serious objections.
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-House committee reported-
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-Floor SAP 7/12: OMB/Interior veto recommendation.
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-House passed-
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-OMB letter 7/25: OMB/Interior veto recommendation.

Labor/HHS/Ed

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-Panetta, 7/11: if subcomm. chairman's mark reaches the President's desk

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-House subcommittee reported-
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-OMB letter 7/19: President would veto.
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-House committee reported-
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-Rules SAP 7/27: President would veto.
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-House committee reported-
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-Floor SAP 8/2: President would veto.
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Leg Branch (HR 1854)

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-Conference report-
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-POTUS said on 8/1: "If the congressional leadership follows through on its plan to send me its own funding bill before it finishes work on the rest of the budget, I will be compelled to veto it."

Mil Con (HR 1817)

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-House subcommittee reported-
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-OMB letter 6/13: would support if modified.
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-House committee reported-
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-Rules SAP 6/15: would support if modified.
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-House
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-passed-
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-OMB letter 7/18: strongly objects to certain provisions.
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-Senate committee reported-
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-Floor SAP 7/20: strongly objects to certain provisions.

Transportation (HR 2002)

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-House committee reported-
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-Rules SAP 7/19: serious objections.
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-House committee reported-
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-Floor SAP 7/21: serious objections.
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-House passed-
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-OMB letter 8/1: serious objections.

Treasury/Postal (HR 2020)

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-House subcommittee reported-
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-OMB letter 7/10: serious objections.
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-House committee reported-
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-Floor SAP 7/17: OMB/Sr.WH officials/OPM veto recommendation.
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-House
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-passed-
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-OMB letter 7/24: OMB/Sr.WH officials/Treasury/OPM veto recommendation.
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-Senate subcommittee reported-
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-POTUS STATEMENT on ONDCP 7/26: As this bill
is now constructed,
not sign it.
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-Senate subcommittee reported-
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-OMB letter 7/27: Treasury veto recommendation.
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-Senate committee reported-
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-Floor SAP 8/3: President has stated he would not sign due to elimination of ONDCP; Treasury veto recommendation due to other concerns.

VA/HUD/Independent Agencies

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-House subcommittee reported-
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-Panetta statement 7/11: President will veto.
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-House subcommittee reported-
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-OMB letter 7/17: senior advisors veto recommendation.
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-House committee reported-
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-Rules SAP 7/24: President would veto bill.
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-House committee reported-
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-Floor SAP 7/26: President would veto bill.
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-passed-
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-POTUS said on 8/1: "The minute this polluter's protection

act hits my desk, I will veto it."

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BUDGET RECONCILIATION STATUS REPORT

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House: (Sept. 22 reporting deadline)

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Agriculture -- Reconciliation instructions assume 7

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savings of \$30.374 billion from food stamps and \$13.386 billion from price support programs. Full committee mark

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scheduled for September 13, 14, and 15.

Banking -- Chairman Leach has indicated he may try to attach his bank overhaul bill (HR 1858).

Commerce --

Econ & Educational Opp--

Govt Reform--

Internat'l Rel--

Judiciary--

Nat'l Sec--Approved Reconciliation package Aug. 1, producing a net spending increase of \$2.2 billion over 7 years. The package, approved 31

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-21, includes: (1) sale of 6 naval

petroleum reserves (which produces a \$1.6 billion in savings in FY96 from the sale, but results in lost receipts each year thereafter) for a net loss of \$1 billion; (2) a requirement to calculate military retirement pay on a "high

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basis, which saves \$649 million over 7 years; and (3) a shift in military COLA dates to April from October which is a \$1.8 billion coster.

Resources--

Transportation--

Veterans--

Ways & Means-

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Archer is looking for ways to incorporate by reference the House

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-passed welfare reform and tax bills.

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Senate: (Sept. 22 reporting deadline for spending cuts, but 5 days following CBO certification for tax cuts)

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Agriculture--

Armed Services--

Banking--Chairman D'Amato may schedule a markup of legislation to recapitalize the Savings Association Insurance Fund (SAIF) on Friday 8/4 or Monday 8/7. D'Amato has previously signaled his intent to include such legislation in reconciliation. OMB has estimated an outlay savings of \$5 billion in 1996, \$4.3 billion for 1996

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SAIF proposal (assuming that no RTC money is used and that excess reserves are not rebated when BIF and SAIF merge). CBO's estimate of the savings is lower, due to differences in technical assumptions. CBO is currently estimating a savings of \$5 billion in the first year, \$2.6 billion in the first five years, and \$1.3 billion over the first seven years.

Commerce--

Energy--

*Environment & PW-

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-up delayed until after recess.

Finance--Not expected to mark

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-up until September. Finance has the heaviest load in the Congress, with all of Medicare, Medicaid, most of welfare, and all the tax cuts to report. Moreover, with an 11

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-9 split, the Republicans need every vote to report out a Reconciliation package; however, the Republicans may have trouble holding Chafee's vote. In addition, Pressler is up for election next year and D'Amato has the seniors vote to worry about.

Govt Affairs--Mark

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-up the week of Sept. 11.

Judiciary--

Labor--

Veterans--

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SUMMARY of ADMINISTRATION OPPOSITION

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-APPROPRIATIONS)

(Note: For details on the legislation listed below, including the basis for opposition, see the "STATUS OF MAJOR LEGISLATION" List that follows - note the item #; for appropriations items, see the "APPROPRIATIONS -- SUPPORT/OPPOSITION" file, above.)

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Vetoos:

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Rescissions/Supplemental - HR 1158

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Presidential Veto Threats:

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Americans with Disabilities Act Revisions - July 26, POTUS said he would veto "any substantive change to the ADA."

Assault Weapons Ban

Bosnia - S. 21 [Item 105]

Clean Water Amendments of 1995 - HR 961 [Item # 202]

Crime/100,000 cops - HR 728, Law Enforcement Block Grants [Item #4]

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-Bacon - S 141 [Item #303]

Dismantling Commerce Department - HR 1756 and S 929 [Item #22]

Foreign Affairs Authorization/Merge AID, ACDA, USIA into State - HR 1561, S. 908, S. 961 [Item #102]

Loser Pays - Civil Litigation - HR 988 [Item #9]

National Defense Authorization Act - S 1026 [Item #103]

National Security Bill - HR 872 [Item #101]

Product Liability/Civil Litigation - HR 956 [Item #8]

Student Loans

Takings/Private Property Protection - HR 925 and S 605 [Item #6]

Tax Fairness and Deficit Reduction Act - HR 1215 [Item #3]

Telecommunications Amendments - H.R. 1555 [Item #11]

Welfare Reform - HR 4 [Item #301]

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Multiple Agency Veto Threats:

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Comprehensive Regulatory Reform Act of 1995 - S 343 [Item #5]

Regulatory Moratorium - HR 450 [Item #7]

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Single Agency Veto Threats:

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Financial Institutions Regulatory Relief Act of 1995 - HR 1362 [Item #16]

Food Stamps - Block Grant, HR 4, HR 1997, and S 904 [Items #201, 301, & 310]

Jerusalem Embassy - S 770 and HR 1595 [Item #104]

Mining Law - S 506 [Item #207]

National Defense Authorization Act - HR 1530 [Item #103]

National Highway System Designation Act of 1995 - S 440 [Item #14]

Energy Exploration in the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge - [Item #211]
Service Contract Repeal Act - [Item #304]
Teamwork for Employees & Managers Act - HR 743 [Item #307]
Utah Wilderness - HR 1745 [Item #208]

OSHA Reform - HR 1834 [Item #311]

Transfer BLM Lands to States - HR 2032 [Item #210]

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Strongly Oppose:

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Federal Retirement Reform - HR 1215 and HR 1185 [Item #401]

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-Budget - HR 842 [Item #15]

HUD Elimination Act - S 435 [Item #13]

Livestock Grazing Act - S 852 [Item #209]

National Highway System Designation Act of 1995 - S 440 [Item #14]

Pipeline Safety Act - HR 1323 [Item #21]

Risk Assessment - HR 1022 [Item #5]

Telecommunications - S 652 [Item #11]

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Oppose:

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Lorton Closure - HR 461 [Item #17]

Regulatory Sunset and Review Act of 1995 - HR 994 [Item #20]

Service Contract Repeal Act - HR 246 [Item #304]

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Oppose Unless Amended:

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Securities Litigation Reform - HR 1058 [Item #10]

Violent Criminal Incarceration - HR 667 [Item #4]

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STATUS OF MAJOR (Non

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-Appropriations) LEGISLATION

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(Note: Parentheticals indicate who is tracking; bills
grouped by RMO)

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GENERAL GOVERNMENT & FINANCE:

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1. Budget Resolution: (Konigsberg)

House completed action on HConRes 67 on 5/18, passing the Kasich
budget plan 238

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-193. Senate completed action on 5/25, passing the Domenici budget 57

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-42. Budget Resolution conference agreement passed the House on 6/29 by a vote of 239

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-194, and passed the Senate the same day by a vote of 54

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-46 (party line).

2. Item Veto: (Konigsberg/J. Gibbons)

House passed HR 2 (enhanced rescission) on February 6, (294

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Senate passed S 4 (separate enrollment) on March 23, (69

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Conference: On June 20, the Senate requested a conference and appointed conferees.

3. Tax Fairness and Deficit Reduction Act: (R. Jones)

House passed HR 1215 on April 5, (246

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-188) including tax cuts (child credit, IRAs, repeal taxes on soc.sec., neutral cost recovery, corporate AMT, cap gains, expensing, adoptions, marriage penalty credit, long

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-term care incentives); raise soc. sec. earnings limit; spending caps; Medicare extenders; spectrum extender; uranium enrichment; Federal retirement reforms; and automatic sequester of amounts taxpayers dedicate to debt reduction. SAP--"If...presented ...in its current form, the Secretary of the Treasury and the Director of OMB would recommend a veto." Senate not expected to take up HR 1215, as passed by the House, however components of the bill may be considered in the context of Reconciliation. Basis for opposition: Bill is fiscally irresponsible and would provide disproportionate tax benefits to the wealthy at the expense of programs for average Americans.

4. Crime Bills: (R. Jones)

House split their original crime bill into 7 smaller pieces and passed 6 of them--

? HR 665, requiring restitution for victims of federal crimes, passed February 7 (431

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-0); SAP--"supports passage."

? HR 666, allowing federal prosecutors to use improperly obtained evidence if police officers acted in "good faith"; would apply with and w/o warrants. Passed February 8, (289

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-support only if amended to apply only where warrants have been obtained.

? HR 729, containing reforms affecting federal habeas corpus review of state criminal judgments and collateral review of federal judgements, and requiring federal juries to impose death sentences in certain cases. Passed February 8 (297

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-support if DOJ
concerns addressed.

? HR 667, would replace the prison funding program enacted in '94
Act with allocations based on sentencing criteria; and would limit
prisoner litigation. Passed February 10, (265

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-oppose

unless amended. Basis for opposition: Proposed distribution of
prison grants is inferior to current program; drug court program
would be repealed.

? HR 668, to expedite the deportation of aliens who commit serious
crimes and reimburse states for incarceration of criminal aliens.

Passed February 10, (380

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-support if amended to offset the
increased direct spending (\$600m/yr).

? HR 728, combining last year's grants for 100,000 cops and crime
prevention into block grants. Passed February 14, (238

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-Presidential veto threat. Basis for opposition: Bill repeals
police grants program, which provides for 100,000 cops. It also
eliminates many crime prevention programs.

Senate action on crime legislation not yet scheduled. However,
habeas corpus provisions related to those in HR 729 are included in
the Senate

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-terrorism bill (S 735, discussed below).

5. Reg Reform/Risk Assessment: (H. Fitter)

House passed HR 1022, Risk Benefit and Cost Benefit Act of 1995 on
February 28th (286

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-141), requiring Federal agencies to perform
highly detailed analyses of the risks that proposed health, safety
and environmental regulations seek to address. SAP sent to the
House on February 27, 1995, strongly oppose HR 1022. Basis for
opposition:

HR 1022 would impose overly broad, prescriptive, and costly
analytical requirements on the regulatory process, encourage
excessive litigation, and supersede the substantive requirements
of many existing health, safety, and environmental laws (i.e., the
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-called supermandate).

Senate - Senate Floor action on S 343 began on 6/28. A 7/17/95
cloture vote failed (48

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-46); a second cloture vote on 7/18/95 also
failed (53

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-47); a third cloture vote failed (58

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-40) on 7/20/95. A

SAP was transmitted on 7/10/95: veto threat by Secretaries of Labor, Agriculture, Health and Human Services, Housing and Urban Development, Transportation, the Treasury, and the Interior, and the Administrator of EPA, and the Director of OMB. In addition, in a 6/23/95 letter to Senators Dole and Daschle, OMB OIRA Administrator Katzen stated "we continue to have serious concerns with S 343, and I would recommend that the President veto it if it were presented to him in its current form." Basis for opposition: Would impair rather than improve the regulatory process by generating additional costs, paperwork, litigation, and delay.

6. Private Property Rights/Takings: (M. Goad)

On March 3rd, the House passed HR 925 (277

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-148), subsequently

incorporated the bill into HR 9, and then passed HR 9 (277

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HR 925 would require certain Federal agencies to compensate financially landowners if regulatory actions (taken under Endangered Species Act, and wetlands, farm, and water rights laws) cause a decrease of at least 20 percent in the fair market value of any portion of the landowners' properties. The agencies would be required to offer to purchase the property if the regulatory action causes a decrease of more than 50 percent in the property's value.

SAP on HR 925-

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-strongly oppose (3/1/95). On April 7th, POTUS said, "I will also veto the House

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requirement that government pay property owners billions of dollars every time we act to defend our national heritage of seashores or wetlands or open spaces." Basis for opposition: Undermines Federal authority to protect the general welfare; expands the traditional concept of Fifth Amendment "takings"; creates new direct spending; and imposes an unlimited fiscal burden in the form of an arbitrary, automatic compensation requirement for reductions in property values that are attributable to Federal actions.

The Senate Judiciary Committee held an April 6th hearing on S 605 (Dole/ Hatch). (S 605 has a 33 percent threshold, and would apply to all Federal agencies.) In testimony presented at the hearing, Justice threatened veto. In separate letters sent to Sen. Hatch in May and June, Agriculture, Army

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-Civil Works, Defense, EPA, GSA, HHS, Interior, Justice, Transportation, and Treasury advised that they would recommend veto. In a June 7th letter to Sens. Hatch, Biden, Dole, and Daschle, OMB Director Rivlin advised that, due to the significant increase in Federal spending that would result if S 605 were enacted, she would recommend veto. The Committee has not yet scheduled the mark up of S 605, but may do so at any time. The Senate Environment and Public Works (EPW) Committee held a June 27th hearing at which Interior and Justice advised that they would recommend veto of S 605 and HR 925. In an additional EPW hearing on

July 12th, EPA, Army (Corps), and OMB advised that they would recommend a veto of S.605 or similar legislation. Basis for opposition: Same as opposition to House bill.

7. Reg Moratorium/Waiting Period: (J. Weinberg)
House passed HR 450 on Feb. 24 by 276

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-146. The bill would establish a "moratorium period" -- Nov. 20, 1994 through Dec. 31, 1995 or enactment of reg reform, whichever is earlier -- during which a Federal agency may not take any "regulatory rulemaking action" unless it falls within a specified emergency exception (i.e. military or foreign affairs functions, international trade agreements, agency management, certain banking regulatory matters, implementation of the internal revenue laws; matters relating to loans, grants, benefits, or contracts). Also exempted: regs determined by OIRA to be necessary because of an imminent threat to health or safety or other emergency or necessary for the enforcement of criminal laws. SAP--"The President has stated that a moratorium on regulations, as provided for in H.R. 450, is not acceptable....the Secretaries of Agriculture, Energy, Health and Human Services, Housing and Urban Development, the Interior, Labor, Transportation, and the Treasury, the Attorney General, and the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency would recommend that it be vetoed." (In addition, POTUS said on 4/7/95, "if Republicans send me a bill that would let unsafe planes fly or contaminated water continue to find itself into city water systems, I will veto it." Veto threat reiterated in Earth Day speech, 4/21/95.) Basis for opposition: Would prevent the issuance of meritorious rules.

Senate passed S. 219 on March 29 by 100

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-0; under the Senate version, regs would not go into effect for 45 days, during which time Congress could enact a disapproval resolution. A March 29 statement by the President called the 45

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-day review period "the right way to reform regulation."

Conference: On June 16, the Senate requested a conference and appointed conferees.

8. Product Liability/Civil Litigation/Medical Malpractice: (I. Schroeder)
House passed HR 956 on March 10 (265

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-161). It would cap punitive damages in all civil cases and would cap non

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-economic (pain and suffering) damages in suits against health providers and insurers. Basis for opposition: Product liability reform should generally be left to the States; punitive damages shouldn't be arbitrarily

capped; and differential treatment of "economic" and "noneconomic" (e.g., "pain and suffering" damages is inappropriate. (March 6th Reno/Mikva letter.)

Senate passed HR 956 on May 10 (61

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-37). It would cap punitive damage awards by juries in product liability cases at \$250,000 or

twice compensatory damages (economic and non

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-economic damages),

whichever is greater. Judges could override those limits in "egregious" cases. Punitive damage awards in product liability cases could not exceed \$250,000 for small businesses. Basis for opposition: A May 10th White House statement said the Senate

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liability bill "in its present form does not go far enough toward balancing the interests of consumers with those of manufacturers and sellers." The statement also stated the Administration's concerns regarding the limits on punitive damages adopted by the Senate and reiterated the Administration's opposition to provisions which would abolish joint and several liability. (A provision limiting punitive damage awards in all civil lawsuits, which was the subject of a May 4th Presidential veto threat, was later limited to product liability cases only.)

Conference not scheduled and conferees have not been appointed.

Media reports indicate that Speaker Gingrich may defer conference until the fall.

According to press reports, the Senate may take action on a separate bill to curb medical liability late this summer.

9. Loser Pays - Civil Litigation: (I. Schroeder)

House passed HR 988 on March 7 (232

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-193). Basis for opposition: The

bill, which would affect only Federal civil suits involving parties from different States, would impose a modified "loser pays" rule, intended to encourage parties to settle out of court. The President said on 4/7/95 that he "will veto any bill with a 'loser pay' requirement such as that was in the House bill." In the Senate, provisions similar to those of HR 988 were added to -- and subsequently deleted from -- the product liability bill (HR 956) on the Senate floor.

10. Shareholder Suits: (I. Schroeder)

House passed HR 1058 on March 8 (325

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-99). Basis for opposition:

Could lead to inadequate deterrence against financial fraud. (March 6th Reno/Mikva letter.)

Senate passed HR 1058 on 6/28/95 (69

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6/23/95 states that the Senate version (previously S. 240) "is now a substantial improvement on [the House version of] H.R. 1058, which the Administration could not support." The statement recommended amendments to: (1) clarify that safe harbors should not protect purposefully misleading statements; (2) restore liability for aiding and abetting in private action that follow a SEC action; and (3) extend the statute of limitations for private securities fraud actions to five years after a violation occurs. The SAP opposed a provision in the bill that would establish proportionate liability for reckless defendants and recommends replacing it with an amendment that would require culpable solvent defendants to pay up to two times their proportionate share of the damages, when a portion of the award is uncollectible.

Conference not scheduled.

*11. Telecommunications Amendments: (J. Weinberg)

House Commerce Committee-

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-Reported HR 1555 on July 24th. House

Judiciary Committee-

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-Reported HR 1528 on July 24th. Statement by the President on August 1st threatening to veto HR 1555 with the managers' amendments.

House adopted rule 255

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-156 and began consideration of the bill on

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gust 2nd and is expected to complete action before the recess.
for opposition: Would harm competition and weaken benefits to the public.

Basis

Senate passed S. 652 on June 15th, 81

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-18. SAP strongly opposed

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-reported bill. White House Press Office issued an Administration statement on Senate passage of S 652 on June 16: "The Administration's position on the final legislation will depend on the extent to which the Administration's concerns have been addressed satisfactorily during the course of the entire legislative process." VP said on April 3 that he opposes the Senate Commerce Committee bill, and on April 4 the VP clarified in a letter, "I did not say that the President would veto the bill, since it is too early for such a decision..." Basis for opposition: Would result in higher phone and cable bills and decrease competition for phone and cable services.

12. Banking and Insurance Reform: (R. Jones)

House Banking Committee marked up Chairman Leach's HR 1062 on May 18. This bill would permit banks and securities firms to affiliate, allowing banks to underwrite securities and permitting securities firms to own banks. HR 1062 was reported by the House Commerce Committee on June 22. HR 1062 may move to the House floor in tandem with HR 1858, a banking regulatory relief bill. (See below for discussion of HR 1858 - Banking Deregulation.)

13. HUD Elimination Act: (A. Briatico)

Although no specific hearings have been held on S. 435, a number of Senate hearings have been held on "reinventing" HUD. HUD, Justice, and OMB have sent letters to the Senate Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs Committee strongly opposing Title II of S. 435. Title II would transfer to Justice all of the responsibilities currently assigned to HUD under the Fair Housing Act. Basis for opposition: The administration of these authorities is best accomplished by HUD, which has the infrastructure to handle these responsibilities.

14. National Highway System: (J. Brown)

Senate bill (S. 440) passed the Senate on June 22nd. It would designate routes for the new National Highway System (NHS). Absent designation of the NHS, DOT will be unable to obligate \$6.5 billion in highway funding in FY 1996. Basis for opposition: Repeal of national maximum speed limit law and motorcycle helmet requirements. (SAP to Senate, 6/15/95. A provision repealing Davis

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labor protections, which was the subject of a Secretary of Labor veto threat in the SAP, was deleted on the Senate floor.) House committee action not yet scheduled.

15. Highway Trust Fund Off

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-Budget Bill: (J. Brown)

House bill (HR 842) was ordered reported by House Transport. Cte. on May 3. Will be sequentially referred to Budget and Gov. Reform & Oversight Committees. (The Speaker has stated that he will appoint a task force to study issues raised by this bill.) Basis for opposition: Bill removes four trust funds from the Budget -- inconsistent with unified budget. (Rivlin letter to Chairman Shuster, 3/27/95.) Senate bill (S. 729) was introduced on April 27 by Sens. Baucus and Lott.

16. Banking Deregulation: (R. Jones)

House Banking Committee reported Chairman Leach's HR 1858 (successor to HR 1362) on July 18. This bill may go to the House floor in tandem with HR 1062 (listed above). Basis for opposition: Weakens important safeguards for assuring the safety and soundness of FDIC

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-insured depository institutions and would eviscerate the Community Reinvestment Act. (Secretary Rubin issued a veto threat in a 6/29/95 letter to Chairman Leach.) Senate bill (S 650) is pending in the Senate Banking Committee. The Senate bill contains some, but not all, of the troublesome provisions.

17. Lorton Closure: (M.Cook)

The House Government Reform and Oversight D.C. Subcommittee has held a couple of hearings this year on HR 461, the "Lorton Correctional Complex Closure Act." At these hearings, no Administration witnesses were asked to testify. Justice, however, expects Administration witnesses to be invited to testify at future Subcommittee hearings on this matter. On 3/16/95, Justice sent a letter to this Subcommittee opposing HR 461. Basis for opposition: The approach of HR 461 is "seriously flawed" but alternatives, which will be discussed with the Congress, exist to remedy the Lorton issue.

18. Housing for Older Persons Act: (M.Cook)

On April 6, 1995, HR 660 passed the House by a vote of 424 to 5. The Administration sent a SAP on 4/6/95 opposing H.R. 660. The Senate has not taken any action on this bill yet. Basis for opposition: Amends the Fair Housing Act in a way that would loosen the standards used to determine what housing qualifies for the "housing for older persons" exemption, potentially increasing discrimination against families. Therefore, the Administration prefers administrative action to clarify the application of the "housing for older persons" exemption. NOTE: The bill's provisions are identical to those of Title IV of HR 8, the "Senior Citizens' Equity Act," a Contract with America bill.

19. Counterterrorism: (R. Jones)

Senate passed S 735 on June 7 (81

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-8) The bill includes many

proposals similar or identical to Presidential proposals (e.g., establishes Federal jurisdiction for terrorist acts, expedites removal of alien terrorists from the U.S., implements the international agreement on marking plastic explosives, etc.). Does

not include the Administration's language for funding compliance with the 1994 digital telephony legislation. Includes habeas corpus reforms similar to that passed the House as a free standing bill (H.R. 729, listed under crime heading above). House Judiciary Committee reported H.R. 1710 on June 20 (23

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-12). The House bill also includes many of the President's proposals, including a funding mechanism for digital telephony. Justice does not expect House floor action until September.

20. Regulatory Sunset and Review: (J. Gibbons)
House bill (HR 994) was approved by a Gov. Reform & Oversight Cte. on 7/18/95 with significant amendments by a vote of 39

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opposition: Open

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-ended in scope, excessively rigid, and contradictory criteria for review of regulations; paperwork requirements are unworkable. (Katzen testimony of 3/28/95 before House Gov. Reform.) Senate action not scheduled, but could be folded into broader regulatory reform legislation.

21. Pipeline Safety: (J. Brown)
House bill (HR 1323) has been reported by Transportation and Commerce Ctes. Basis for opposition: (1) Authorizes less than 44 percent of the FY 1996 Budget request for pipeline safety activities; and (2) imposes burdensome and costly risk assessment procedures on the pipeline safety rulemaking process. (DOT letter, 5/12/95.)

22. Dismantling Commerce Department: (J. Weinberg)
House bill (HR 1756) hearing was held by two House Commerce Subcommittees on 7/24/95 at which Secretary Brown announced that the President will veto any legislation to dismantle the Commerce Department. Senate bill (S 929) hearing was held by Senate Governmental Affairs on 7/25/95 at which Secretary Brown repeated Presidential veto statement.

Basis for opposition: Commerce Department is working effectively to promote economic growth.

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101. National Security: (A. Rooney)
House passed HR 7 on February 16th (241

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-181) (star wars was deleted on the Floor but many objectionable provisions remain which would infringe upon the authority of the President to respond to international crises and conflicts; remove UN peacekeeping as an option for burdensharing; establish an unnecessary Nat'l Security Commission; and mandate policies on NATO membership). On 4/7/95, POTUS said that he would "refuse () to approve the so

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-called peacekeeping legislation passed by the House." SAP (Feb. 13th)-- State, Defense, and the U.S. Ambassador to the UN would recommend a veto. Basis for opposition: Infringes on President's constitutional authorities as Commander in Chief; and virtually eliminates U.S. participation in UN peacekeeping efforts.

Senate Foreign Relations Committee (SFRC) began hearings on March 21st on S 5, Peacekeeping Powers Act (introduced by Dole) and HR 7. Aspects of S 5 were considered on May 17th as part of the SFRC markup of Foreign Affairs Authorization and Consolidation proposal and deleted from the bill as reported. State advises that peacekeeping will be considered separately by the Committee at a later date.

102. Foreign Affairs Authorization and Consolidation: (A. Rooney) House passed HR 1561 on June 8th (222 - 192). On May 23rd, the President expressed serious concerns regarding congressional legislation that would "place new restrictions on how America conducts its foreign policy and slash our budget in foreign affairs." Further, the President advised that if HR 1561 passed in its present form, he would veto it. SAP (May 22nd) -- State, DOD, Treasury, the U.S. Ambassador to the UN, AID, USIA, and ACDA would recommend a veto of HR 1561. Basis for opposition: Imposes numerous, far

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-reaching restrictions on the conduct of American foreign policy; inappropriately consolidates three foreign affairs agencies (AID; ACDA; USIA) into a "super" State Department; and significantly reduces appropriation authorizations for international affairs programs.

Senate Foreign Relations Committee (SFRC) ordered reported Senator Helms' foreign relations authorization and consolidation proposal (S 908) on May 17th by a vote of 10

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-8. On June 7th, SFRC ordered reported Senator Helms' Foreign Aid Reduction Act (S 961) by a vote of 10

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-8. On July 26th, the President stated that S. 908 ?would undermine the President?s authority to conduct our nation?s foreign policy and deny us the resources we need to lead in the world.? (The statement also cited S. 961 as contributing to the "dangerous and shortsighted" cuts in the international affairs budget.) The President concluded that he would veto this legislation in its present form. On August 1st, the Senate failed to invoke cloture twice on identical votes of 55

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-45. The Senate may return to consideration of S. 908 in September. SAP (June 28th) -- State, the U.S. Ambassador to the UN, AID, USIA, and ACDA would recommend a veto of S 908. Basis for opposition: Same as opposition to House bill. SAP on S. 961 (July 27th) -- State, Defense, U.S. Ambassador to the UN, and AID would recommend a veto. Basis for opposition: unwise restrictions on Presidential authority, congressional micro

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-management, and inadequate appropriations authorizations.

103. National Defense Authorization Act: (M. Goad)

House passed HR 1530 (300

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-126) on June 15th. Sec. Perry, in a June 20th letter to Sen. Thurmond, stated that "[m]any of the provisions . . . are totally unacceptable. Unless they are

eliminated or radically modified, they threaten the prospects for the bill itself." SAP on HR 1530-

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-strongly opposes (6/13/95).

Basis for opposition: Raises serious constitutional, national security, budget, personnel, and management concerns.

Senate begin consideration of S 1026, the companion bill, on August 2nd. SAP on S 1026--"The President will not support the bill unless these concerns are addressed." Basis for opposition: Raises serious constitutional, national security, budget, and management concerns.

104. Jerusalem Embassy: (A. Rooney)

S 770/HR 1595 would require the United States to move its embassy to Jerusalem. On June 20th, Secretary Christopher sent a letter to Senator Dole and Speaker Gingrich stating that he would recommend a veto of the legislation. No action scheduled on either bill. Basis for opposition: Potentially very damaging to the success of the Middle East peace process and infringes on the President's constitutional prerogatives in foreign policy.

105. Bosnia: (A. Rooney)

On July 26th, the Senate passed S. 21, the Bosnia and Herzegovina Self

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-Defense Act, by 69

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-29. In July 25th letters to Senators Dole and Daschle, the President expressed strong opposition to S. 21. The President concluded that he would veto any resolution or bill that "may require the United States to lift unilaterally the arms embargo." A similar provision was added to H.R. 1561 during House consideration. (See above for status of H.R. 1561). On August 1st by a vote of 298 to 128, S. 21 was passed by the House and cleared for the President. Basis for opposition: Undermine efforts to achieve a negotiated settlement in Bosnia and could lead to an escalation of the conflict there, including the possible Americanization of the conflict.

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201. Farm Bill: (C. Crutchfield)

Traditionally a 5

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-year measure, this legislation will reauthorize a slew of farm, nutrition, rural development, and other USDA programs. The Administration's Farm Bill guidance assumes savings in farm programs of \$1.5 billion over 5 years. The 1996 Budget Resolution calls for cuts in farm programs of \$8.5 billion over 5 years and \$13.4 billion over 7 years. House and Senate Agriculture committees are currently drafting bill language. Although the Senate Agriculture Committee marked up some discretionary titles in July, committee action on mandatory provisions is not expected until September. (NOTE: In oral remarks before the House and Senate Agriculture committees, Secretary Glickman has stated that the President would veto legislation that block grants Food Stamps. On 7/11/95, a H. Agriculture Subcommittee ordered reported the food and nutrition title of the Farm Bill, HR 1997, which does not contain provisions to block grant Food Stamps.)

202. Clean Water Amendments of 1995: (H. Fitter)

House passed HR 961 on May 16th, by a vote of 240

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-185. The bill would ease, overhaul, or revoke a number of current law's anti

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-pollution requirements, allow States to continue to rely on voluntary measures to deal with certain water pollution problems, and restrict the ability of Federal agencies to declare wetlands off limits to development. On May 30, 1995, POTUS stated that the House

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-passed bill "will not get past my desk." SAP, sent on May 9, 1995, contained multiple agency veto threat (OMB, Justice, EPA, Interior). Basis for opposition: The bill would reduce water quality protection; eliminate fundamental wetlands protections; create enormous new costs (the bill includes a "mandatory compensation" takings provision similar to that contained in HR 925); fail to address effectively non

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-point source pollution; and

paralyze the Federal Government's ability to issue regulations and guidance to protect the Nation's waters. Senate Environment Chairman Chafee has indicated that Clean Water Act reauthorization is not one of his top priorities.

203. Endangered Species: (M. Goad)

At July 13th and 20th oversight hearings before the Senate Environment and Public Works Committee, the Departments of Commerce and the Interior testified on the Endangered Species Act (ESA). The Committee may hold additional oversight hearings. CEQ expects that, once the oversight hearings are concluded, Sen. Kempthorne (R) ID will introduce a bill to reauthorize the ESA.

On May 25th, the Departments of Agriculture, Commerce, and the Interior testified before the House Endangered Species Task Force on possible changes to the ESA. CEQ and Interior advise that the House Task Force will not complete drafting legislation to amend the ESA until after the August recess.

204. Safe Drinking Water: (H. Fitter)

Reauthorization of the 1974 law designed to keep contaminants out of the nation's water supply. State and local officials want a State revolving loan fund for water supply projects and relief from testing requirements. House Commerce staff and Senate Environment and Public Works staff, respectively, are attempting to complete draft bills.

205. Interstate Waste: (H. Fitter)

Senate passed S 534 on May 16th, by a vote of 94

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-6. S. 534 would give states more power to restrict both intra and interstate garbage dumping.

206. Superfund Reform: (H. Fitter)

The taxes which fund the hazardous waste clean

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-up program expire at the end of 1995. There is support among some Republicans to scale back retroactive liability (which would shift much of the costs to the government). Senate Environment Subcommittee Chair Bob Smith has circulated a "Superfund Reform Outline" containing principles for Superfund reform. A Senate bill may be introduced before the August recess. A July 11, 1995, EPA Administrator Browner letter to Senator Smith stated that the outline "incorporates proposals that are unfair, unworkable, or insufficiently protective of human health and the environment." (EPA is especially concerned about the

outline's repeal of strict, joint, and several retroactive liability.) Browner's letter further advised, "we do not believe this outline will establish a viable basis on which to attract the broad support that is needed if we are to achieve Superfund reform in the limited time left in this calendar year." House Transportation and Commerce subcommittee on Hazardous Material has held numerous subcommittee hearings on Superfund reform. On July 17th, Subcommittee Chairman Oxley unveiled his superfund reform proposal which is similar to the Smith outline.

207. Mining Law: (C. Crutchfield)

Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee is considering changes to Craig's bill (S 506) to win over committee members, such as Johnston, that have proposed a compromise version (S 639). Chairman Murkowski has postponed mark up of the bill indefinitely and indicated the issue would be dropped this session if a compromise is not reached soon. Interior Secretary Babbitt stated in a 5/22/95 letter to Chairman Murkowski that he would recommend a veto of S 506. Basis for opposition: S 506 does not provide for meaningful reform. It would (1) grant rights to purchase valuable Federal mineral lands at bargain

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-basement prices; (2) deprive Federal land managers of authority to protect the environment; and (3) result in

little or no return to Federal taxpayers for use of publicly

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mineral deposits. Justice also strongly opposed S 506 in a 6/12/95 letter because it would increase litigation over public liability for cleanup. House has not scheduled action.

*208. Utah Wilderness: (C. Crutchfield)

House Resources Committee on 8/2/95 ordered reported HR 1745, designating certain Federal lands in Utah as wilderness. Interior testified 6/29/95 before the Committee that the Secretary would recommend a veto of HR 1745. Basis for opposition: The bill would (1) fail to designate enough land as wilderness; (2) open up for development too much land currently protected as wilderness study areas; and (3) allow road construction and other activities that are incompatible with wilderness designation. Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee has begun consideration of identical legislation (S 884) introduced by Sens. Hatch and Bennett. Interior testified on 7/13/95 before the Committee that the Secretary would recommend a veto of S 884. Basis for opposition: Same as House.

209. Livestock Grazing: (C. Crutchfield)

Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee ordered reported S 852 on 7/19/95. Interior testified before the Committee on 6/22/95 that it strongly opposed S. 852, introduced by Sen. Domenici and 15 cosponsors to supersede Interior's new regulations for livestock grazing on Federal lands. In a 7/18/95 letter to the Committee, USDA Forest Service also strongly opposed amendments that apply provisions in S. 852 to National Forest System lands. Basis for opposition: S. 852 would (1) establish grazing as a dominant use for public lands over recreation, wildlife protection, and other concerns; (2) limit public involvement in the management of public lands; and (3) raise a number of questions over water rights, fee levels, and compliance with environmental statutes. In testimony on 7/11/95 before the House National Parks Subcommittee, Interior strongly opposed the companion bill (HR 1713). The subcommittee is scheduled to mark up H.R. 1713 on August 4th.

210. Transfer BLM Lands to States: (C. Crutchfield)
Interior testified before the House National Parks Subcommittee on 8/01/95 that the Secretary would recommend veto of HR 2032. Basis for opposition: HR 2032 would "transfer tremendous national assets and revenues to a small number of fortunate States. The bill is fiscally irresponsible and would squander much of our national heritage." No bill introduced in the Senate.

211. Energy Exploration in the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge: (M. Goad)

On 08/02/95, the Senate Energy and National Resources Committee held an oversight hearing on oil and gas exploration on the coastal plain of the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge. Interior Secretary Babbitt, in a statement presented before the Committee, stated that he would "recommend to the President that he veto any legislation" that would allow for such activity in the Refuge. Basis for opposition: Such legislation would allow industrial development in, thus placing at risk the wildlife resources of, the only area along on the Alaskan arctic coast that is dedicated to the protection of wildlife and wilderness resources.

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301. Welfare Reform: (M. Cook)

HR 4 (SAP, 3/21/95 said oppose, but in a 4/13/95 CNN interview, POTUS said "I'd be happy to veto"). Basis for opposition: denial of cash benefits to unwed parents under age 18; funding cuts to Food Stamp and other nutrition programs; funding cuts and removal of Federal oversight of State child protection systems; inadequate resources and requirements for States to move people from welfare to

work; and inadequate resources for States in times of recession.
House passed H.R. 4 on March 23 (234

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-199) which would replace current welfare programs with 5 block grants to States (cash welfare; child welfare; child care; school meals; family nutrition). House SAP opposed H.R. 4 because it would: fail to reform welfare by moving people from welfare to work; reduce Federal funding in ways that would impair the health and nutrition of children and families; and is not tough enough on parents who owe child support, and too tough on innocent children.

Senate Finance Committee reported its version of H.R. 4 on June 9. The bill block grants AFDC, imposes a five

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-year time limit on benefits, tightens eligibility for SSI, and strengthens child support enforcement. HHS cited concerns with the bill in a May 24 letter to the Committee. Senator Packwood indicated May 15 that the bill would be considered as a stand

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-alone bill unless it is filibustered. In that case, the bill would be considered as a component of the budget reconciliation bill. The Senate Labor and Human Resources Committee ordered reported S. 850 (Child Care and Development Block Grant amendments) on May 26. The measure is expected to be included in the final Senate welfare reform package. HHS supported S. 850 in a May 24 letter to the Committee, but cited concerns with potential cuts in other child care programs. The Senate Agriculture Committee marked up S. 904, a Food Stamp and nutrition programs bill on June 14. S. 904 also is expected to be

included in the final Senate welfare reform package. USDA commended the Committee for not block granting food and nutrition programs, but cited concerns with the bill's reduction in Food Stamp funding and repeal of Regulation E coverage for Electronic Benefit Transfers.

Senate floor action -- Could begin on Friday, August 4th and continue into the next week. According to press reports, Packwood and Dole have indicated that S. 143, Senator Kassebaum's employment, training, and retraining legislation, will be folded into welfare reform bill brought to the Senate floor. In addition, they will add provisions requiring unwed teenage mothers to live at home or in a supervised adult setting to qualify for welfare checks.

302. Social Security Earnings Test: (M. Cook)

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-increase in earnings limit to \$30,000 included in HR 1215, which passed on April 5, (246

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-188). Senate action unclear.

303. Davis

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-Bacon Repeal: (C. Bowers)

H.R. 500 and S. 141 would repeal the Davis

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-Bacon Act of 1931. The

act requires Federal contractors working on jobs valued at more than \$2000 to pay their workers the "local prevailing wage," which is often the union rate. A House Economic & Education Opportunities Subcommittee referred H.R. 500 to full committee on March 2. Senate Labor & Human Resources Committee reported S. 141 on May 12. A provision to repeal Davis

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-Bacon coverage of Federal Highway projects

was dropped from S. 440, the National Highway bill (see entry above). Basis for opposition: repeal of Davis

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-Bacon requirements

would depress workers' wages. President quoted on 4/6/95 as saying he would veto S. 141; Reich letter -- would recommend veto 3/18/95. (Also Reich letter and Senate SAP on S. 440 stated Labor would recommend veto.

304. Service Contract Repeal Act: (B. Pellicci)

Press reported that VP indicated on 2/20/95 that President would veto such legislation. Basis for opposition: repeal of Service Contract Act would depress workers' wages. HR 246 was marked up by a House EEO subcommittee on 3/03/95.

305. Minimum Wage Increase: (A. Briatico)

On 2/13/95, President transmitted to Congress a proposal to raise the minimum wage in two 45 cent steps -- raising the rate to \$4.70

per hour on July 4, 1995 and to \$5.15 per hour on July 4, 1996. President's proposal introduced as S. 413 and H.R. 940. Senator Kassebaum indicated on April 21 that the Senate Labor and Human Resources Committee will hold hearings on increasing the minimum wage. No date has been set.

306. Striker Replacement: (B. Pellicci)

On 3/8/95, President issued an Executive Order to deny Federal contracts to employers that permanently replace striking workers. H.R. 1176 and S. 603 would nullify the Executive Order. The House

Economic and Educational Opportunities Committee reported H.R. 1176 on June 27.

307. Teamwork for Employees and Managers Act: (B. Pellicci)
HR 743 and S295. (Reich letter: recommend veto, 3/6/95 and 6/21/95; press reported that VP said on 02/20/95 that President would veto such legislation.) Basis for opposition: would allow employers to establish company unions or alternative, company

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-dominated organizations where unions already exist. HR 743 was ordered reported on 6/22/95 by the House EEO Committee. No action has been taken to date on S 295.

308. Social Security Solvency: (M. Cook)

The "Strengthening Social Security Act of 1995" (S. 825), one of the "Simpson/Kerrey" bills, is designed to secure the long

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of the Social Security program. It would: (1) accelerate the currently scheduled increase of the normal retirement age; (2) limit COLAs to certain Social Security beneficiaries; (3) adjust, for a limited period, Social Security COLA estimates based on CPI; (4) modify the formula for determining the primary insurance amount (the basic monthly benefit payable to a worker) to make it more progressive; (5) allow future beneficiaries to divert up to 2 percentage points of their payroll taxes to place in their own personal investment plan; (6) reduce gradually spousal benefits starting in 2000; (7) redirect revenue obtained through the taxation of Social Security benefits from the HI Trust Fund to the OASDI Trust Fund; and (8) invest a portion of the OASDI Trust Fund assets in a stock fund index. On June 27, 1995, a Senate Finance Subcommittee held a hearing on the solvency of the Social Security system. To date, the Administration has not taken a position on S. 825. No comparable bill has been introduced in the House.

309. Employment, Training, and Retraining: (C. Bowers)

House Economic and Educational Opportunities (EEO) Committee reported H.R. 1617 (The Consolidated and Reformed Education, Employment and Rehabilitation Systems, or 'CAREERS' Act) on May 17, 1995.

Senate Labor and Human Resources Committee reported S. 143 (Workforce Development Act) on June 21, 1995.

Both bills would consolidate numerous Federal education and job training programs into four grants to States -- for youth development and career preparation, adult training, adult education and literacy, and vocational rehabilitation. These bills differ significantly from the President's proposal to restructure education and job training programs (the G.I. Bill for America's Workers), and they reduce substantially Federal resources for these functions.

It is expected that H.R. 1617 will be linked on the House Floor with H.R. 1720 (Privatization Act of 1995), which was reported by the House EEO Committee on June 22, 1995. H.R. 1720 would privatize Sallie Mae and Connie Lee and eliminate numerous higher education programs. The Administration proposes to privatize these GSEs and eliminate the higher education programs, but its privatization initiatives differ in certain respects from H.R. 1720.

Negotiations over possible amendments to all of these bills are ongoing. It is likely that Administration statements for Floor

consideration will support the objectives but either oppose specific

features or suggest further amendments to align with the President's proposal. S. 143 could be considered as an amendment to the welfare reform bill (H.R. 4), which could come to the Senate Floor as soon as August 4th. House action is not expected to occur in August.

310. Food Stamps - Block Grant: (M.Cook)

Sec. Glickman stated before S. Ag. Cte., 5/23/95, that he strongly opposes block granting food stamps and that the President has indicated his intention to veto such legislation. Basis for opposition: would jeopardize the health and nutrition of low

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-income families.

Any changes made to the Food Stamp program are expected to be done within the context of Welfare Reform. Neither HR 4 (the Welfare Reform bill), as passed by the House, nor S 904 (which is expected to be rolled into the Senate version of HR 4), as ordered reported by the Senate, contain provisions that would block grant Food Stamps. In addition, HR 1997 (the food and nutrition title of the Farm Bill), as approved by a H. Agriculture Subcommittee on 7/11/95, also does not contain provisions that would block grant Food Stamps. According to USDA, the Full H. Agriculture Committee is expected to take up HR 1997 in September.

311. OSHA Reform: (C. Bowers)

The House Economic and Educational Opportunities Committee, Subcommittee on Workforce Protections, held a hearing June 28, 1995, on H.R. 1834 (Ballenger), the "Safety and Health Improvement and Regulatory Reform Act of 1995." Labor testified against H.R. 1834. Basis for Opposition: Would redirect funding away from enforcement activities, jeopardize the health and safety of American workers by weakening enforcement and regulatory authority, and particularly threaten miners by revising Federal mine safety and enforcement. On July 12, 1995, Secretary Reich held a press conference on the House appropriation subcommittee actions affecting the Department of Labor. In response to a question, Secretary Reich stated that he "will strongly recommend a veto of the Ballenger bill . . . [which] amounts to a wrecking ball rather than reform." H.R. 1834 is pending in the subcommittee.

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401. Federal Retirement Reform Act: (M. Cook)

HR 1215 and HR 1185 both include Federal retirement reform provisions. The Administration's position on such reforms has been articulated in the President's 4/5/95 letter on HR 1215 to Speaker Gingrich and in OMB's 3/15/95 letter on HR 1185 to Speaker Gingrich. Basis for opposition: Reduces retirement benefits of Federal employees to finance a tax cut for the wealthy.

On 3/15/95, the full H. Government Reform and Oversight Committee began consideration of HR 1185. It, however, recessed before taking action on the bill. NOTE: Title IV of HR 1215, as passed by the House on 4/5/95 (246

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-188), contains provisions similar to those of HR 1185. To date, the Senate has taken no action on a stand

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-alone retirement bill. On June 19, 1995, however, the FBI and DEA testified before a S. Governmental Affairs subcommittee opposing changes in retirement benefits for Federal employees. Modifications

to Federal retirement programs are likely to be included in reconciliation legislation.

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-6). President signed
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-7). President signed 4/11/95.

? HR 1345, DC Financial Responsibility and Management Assistance Act of 1995

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-8). President signed 4/17/95.

? Paperwork Reduction (PL 104

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-13). President signed 5/22/95.

? Medicare SELECT (PL 104

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-18). President signed 7/7/95.

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CC: Philip A. DuSault (DUSAULT_P) (OMB)

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CC: Phebe N. Vickers (VICKERS_P) (OMB)

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CC: Kathleen Peroff (PEROFF_K) (OMB)

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CC: Ron Cogswell (COGSWELL_R) (OMB)

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CC: Barry White (WHITE_B) (OMB)

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CC: Richard P. Emery Jr. (EMERY_R) (OMB)

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CC: Barbara C. Chow (CHOW_B) (WHO)

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CC: Robert E. Barker (BARKER_R) (OMB)

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CC: Donald A. Baer (BAER_D) (WHO)

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CC: Ann F. Walker (WALKER_A) (WHO)

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CC: Todd Stern (STERN_T) (WHO)

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CC: Kelly Musick (MUSICK_K) (OMB)

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CC: Nancy L. Brandel (BRANDEL_N) (OMB)

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CC: Christopher F. Walker (WALKER_C) (WHO)

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CC: Deborah L. Shaw (SHAW_D) (OMB)

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CC: Gene B. Sperling (SPERLING_G) Autoforward to: Elena R. Mcc

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CC: Timothy J. Keating (KEATING_T) (WHO)

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CC: Kathryn Higgins (HIGGINS_K) (WHO)

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CC: Stephen B. Silverman (SILVERMAN_S) (WHO)

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CC: Bruce N. Reed (REED_B) (OPD)

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CC: Jeremy D. Benami (BENAMI_J) (OPD)

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CC: Douglas B. Sosnik (SOSNIK_D) (WHO)

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CC: Karen L. Hancox (HANCOX_K) (WHO)

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CC: Shelley N. Fidler (FIDLER_S) (CEQ)

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CC: Janet L. Himler (HIMLER_J) (OMB)

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CC: Daniel Tate (TATE_D) (WHO)

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CC: John C. Angell (ANGELL_J) (WHO)

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CC: Emily Kim (KIM_E) (OMB)

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CC: Eva Sheibar (SHEIBAR_E) (OMB)

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-Lew, Griffin, Tyson, Angell, Foley, OMB/2d Floor,
DADs, LRD, Gibbons, Cabinet Affairs, CEQ

FROM: CHUCK KONIGSBERG

SUBJECT: STATUS REPORT ON PENDING LEGISLATION

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Congress on Friday and Saturday:

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FRIDAY-

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-House passed the Telecommunications Bill 305

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-117. Senate continued
consideration of the DOD Authorization Bill.

SATURDAY-

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-Senate passed Treasury/Postal Appropriations by voice vote. House
is in recess.

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Rivlin/Rubin Debt Ceiling Letter to 31 House Republicans:

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The Rivlin/Rubin response to the debt ceiling letter to POTUS from 31 House
Republicans was delivered Friday morning, 8/4, prior to the House adjournment.

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SENATE FLOOR SCHEDULE:

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Week of Monday, August 7:

NOTE: Senate may stay in session until Aug. 14 or 15, but no session expected
on Saturday August 12.

- HR 4, Welfare Reform (Dole Substitute); consideration will continue
on Monday

[SAP sent 8/5 -- Administration opposes Dole substitute; strongly
support the Daschle/Breaux/Mikulski substitute]

- S 1026, FY 1996 Defense Authorization; cloture vote to occur at a time
to be determined by Dole in consultation with Daschle

[SAP sent 7/31 -- "The President will not support the bill unless these
concerns are addressed."]

- Interior Appropriations

[SAP sent 8/4 -- OMB/Interior veto recommendation]

- Defense Appropriations

[SAP being developed]

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HOUSE FLOOR SCHEDULE:
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August 7 - September 5:
Not in session.

Floor action between Sept. 6 and October 1:

- Leg. Branch Approps. Conference Report
- Complete consideration of HR 2126, National Security

Appropriations

[SAP sent 7/31 -- "President will not support the bill unless ...
concerns are addressed."]

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-Terrorism (conservative House Republican concern over increased
gov't authority has slowed down the bill)

[A recess has been announced from October 3

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Other pending legislation:

HR 1332, the Omnibus Insular Areas Act.

[SAP being developed with a DOI veto recommendation.]

(If you have questions about the House or Senate legislative schedules,
contact Lydia Muniz at OMB Legislative Affairs, 54790.)

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APPROPRIATIONS --

SUPPORT/OPPOSITION

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Agriculture (HR 1976)

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-House subcommittee reported-

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-OMB letter 6/21: serious objections.

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-House committee reported-

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-Floor SAP 7/18: Agriculture/OMB veto recommendation.

C/J/S (HR 2076)

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-House subcommittee reported-

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-OMB letter 7/18: Attorney General/ Commerce/OMB veto
recommendation.

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-House committee reported-

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-Rules SAP 7/20: Attorney General/ Commerce/OMB veto
recommendation.

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-House committee reported-

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-Floor SAP 7/24: Attorney General/ Commerce/OMB veto
recommendation.

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-House committee reported-

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-POTUS letter 7/25: "I would veto it because it would eliminate the Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) program."

Defense

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-House subcommittee reported-

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-OMB letter 7/20: Administration does not support.

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-House committee reported-

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-Rules SAP 7/27: serious concerns and "the President will not support the bill unless those concerns are addressed."

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-House committee reported-

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-Floor SAP 7/31: serious concerns and "the President will not support the bill unless those concerns are addressed."

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Energy/Water (HR 1905)

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-House subcommittee reported-

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-OMB letter 6/20: strongly opposed.

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-House passed-

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-OMB letter 7/20: strongly opposed.

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-Senate committee reported-

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-Senate SAP 7/31: strongly opposed.

Foreign Ops (HR 1868)

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-House committee reported-

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-Floor SAP 6/22: difficulty supporting if improvements are not made.

Interior (HR 1977)

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-House subcommittee reported-

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-OMB letter 6/21: serious objections.

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-House committee reported-

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-Floor SAP 7/12: OMB/Interior veto recommendation.

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-House passed-

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-OMB letter 7/25: OMB/Interior veto recommendation.

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-House passed-

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-Senate Floor SAP 8/4: OMB/Interior veto recommendation.

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Labor/HHS/Ed

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-Panetta, 7/11: if subcomm. chairman's mark reaches the President's desk in its current form, "he will veto."

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-House subcommittee reported-

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-OMB letter 7/19: President would veto.

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-House committee reported-

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-Rules SAP 7/27: President would veto.

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-House committee reported-

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-Floor SAP 8/2: President would veto.

Leg Branch (HR 1854)

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-Conference report-

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-POTUS said on 8/1: "If the congressional leadership follows through on its plan to send me its own funding bill before it finishes work on the rest of the budget, I will be compelled to veto it."

Mil Con (HR 1817)

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-House subcommittee reported-

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-OMB letter 6/13: would support if modified.

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-House committee reported-

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-Rules SAP 6/15: would support if modified.

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-OMB letter 7/18: strongly objects to certain provisions.

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-Senate committee reported-

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-Floor SAP 7/20: strongly objects to certain provisions.

Transportation (HR 2002)

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-House committee reported-

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-Rules SAP 7/19: serious objections.

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-House committee reported-

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-Floor SAP 7/21: serious objections.

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-House passed-

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-OMB letter 8/1: serious objections.

Treasury/Postal (HR 2020)

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-House subcommittee reported-

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-OMB letter 7/10: serious objections.

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-House committee reported-

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-Floor SAP 7/17: OMB/Sr.WH officials/OPM veto recommendation.

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-OMB letter 7/24: OMB/Sr.WH officials/Treasury/OPM veto recommendation.

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-Senate subcommittee reported-

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-POTUS STATEMENT on ONDCP 7/26: As this bill is now constructed, I will not sign it.

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-Senate subcommittee reported-

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-OMB letter 7/27: Treasury veto recommendation.

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-Senate committee reported-

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-Floor SAP 8/3: President has stated he would not sign due to elimination of ONDCP; Treasury veto recommendation due to other concerns. VA/HUD/Independent Agencies

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-House subcommittee reported-

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-Panetta statement 7/11: President will veto.

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-House subcommittee reported-

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-OMB letter 7/17: senior advisors veto recommendation.

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-House committee reported-

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-Rules SAP 7/24: President would veto bill.

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-House committee reported-

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-Floor SAP 7/26: President would veto bill.

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-POTUS said on 8/1: "The minute this polluter's protection act hits my desk, I will veto it."

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BUDGET RECONCILIATION STATUS REPORT

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House: (Sept. 22 reporting deadline)

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Agriculture -- Reconciliation instructions assume 7

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-year savings of \$30.374

billion from food stamps and \$13.386 billion from price support programs.

Full committee mark

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-up scheduled for September 13, 14, and 15.

Banking -- Chairman Leach has indicated he may try to attach his bank
overhaul bill (HR 1858).

Commerce --

Econ & Educational Opp--

Govt Reform--

Internat'l Rel--

Judiciary--

Nat'l Sec--Approved Reconciliation package Aug. 1, producing a net spending
increase of \$2.2 billion over 7 years. The package, approved 31

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includes: (1) sale of 6 naval petroleum reserves (which produces a \$1.6
billion in savings in FY96 from the sale, but results in lost receipts each
year thereafter) for a net loss of \$1 billion; (2) a requirement to calculate
military retirement pay on a "high

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-month" basis, which saves \$649 million

over 7 years; and (3) a shift in military COLA dates to April from October
which is a \$1.8 billion coster.

Resources--

Transportation--

Veterans--

Ways & Means-

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-Not expected to mark

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-up until September. Archer is looking
for ways to incorporate by reference the House

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-passed welfare reform and tax
bills.

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BUDGET RECONCILIATION STATUS REPORT

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Senate: (Sept. 22 reporting deadline for spending cuts,
but 5 days following CBO certification for tax cuts)

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Agriculture--

Armed Services--

Banking--Chairman D'Amato may schedule a markup of legislation to recapitalize the Savings Association Insurance Fund (SAIF) on Friday 8/4 or Monday 8/7. D'Amato has previously signaled his intent to include such legislation in reconciliation. OMB has estimated an outlay savings of \$5 billion in 1996, \$4.3 billion for 1996

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-2000, and \$3.5 billion for 1996

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-2002 for the SAIF

proposal (assuming that no RTC money is used and that excess reserves are not rebated when BIF and SAIF merge). CBO's estimate of the savings is lower, due to differences in technical assumptions. CBO is currently estimating a savings of \$5 billion in the first year, \$2.6 billion in the first five years, and \$1.3 billion over the first seven years.

Commerce--

Energy--

Environment & PW-

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-Mark

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-up delayed until after recess.

Finance--Not expected to mark

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-up until September. Finance has the heaviest load in the Congress, with all of Medicare, Medicaid, most of welfare, and all the tax cuts to report. Moreover, with an 11

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-9 split, the Republicans need

every vote to report out a Reconciliation package; however, the Republicans may have trouble holding Chafee's vote. In addition, Pressler is up for election next year and D'Amato has the seniors vote to worry about.

Govt Affairs--Mark

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-up the week of Sept. 11.

Judiciary--

Labor--

Veterans--

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SUMMARY of ADMINISTRATION OPPOSITION

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[Prepared by OMB/LRD and OMB/LA]

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-APPROPRIATIONS)

(Note: For details on the legislation listed below, including the basis for opposition, see the "STATUS OF MAJOR LEGISLATION" List that follows - note the item #; for appropriations items, see the "APPROPRIATIONS -- SUPPORT/OPPOSITION" file, above.)

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Vetoed:

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Rescissions/Supplemental - HR 1158

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Presidential Veto Threats:

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Americans with Disabilities Act Revisions - July 26, POTUS said he would veto
"any substantive change to the ADA."
Assault Weapons Ban

Bosnia - S. 21 [Item 105]
Clean Water Amendments of 1995 - HR 961 [Item # 202]
Crime/100,000 cops - HR 728, Law Enforcement Block Grants [Item #4]
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-Bacon - S 141 [Item #303]
Dismantling Commerce Department - HR 1756 and S 929 [Item #22]
Foreign Affairs Authorization/Merge AID, ACDA, USIA into State -
HR 1561, S. 908, S. 961 [Item #102]

Loser Pays - Civil Litigation - HR 988 [Item #9]
National Defense Authorization Act - S 1026 [Item #103]
National Security Bill - HR 872 [Item #101]
Product Liability/Civil Litigation - HR 956 [Item #8]

Student Loans

Takings/Private Property Protection - HR 925 and S 605 [Item #6]
Tax Fairness and Deficit Reduction Act - HR 1215 [Item #3]
Telecommunications Amendments - H.R. 1555 [Item #11]
Welfare Reform - HR 4 [Item #301]

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Multiple Agency Veto Threats:
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Comprehensive Regulatory Reform Act of 1995 - S 343 [Item #5]

Regulatory Moratorium - HR 450 [Item #7]

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Single Agency Veto Threats:
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Financial Institutions Regulatory Relief Act of 1995 - HR 1362 [Item #16]
Food Stamps - Block Grant, HR 4, HR 1997, and S 904 [Items #201, 301, & 310]
Jerusalem Embassy - S 770 and HR 1595 [Item #104]
Mining Law - S 506 [Item #207]
National Defense Authorization Act - HR 1530 [Item #103]
National Highway System Designation Act of 1995 - S 440 [Item #14]
Energy Exploration in the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge - [Item #211]
Service Contract Repeal Act - [Item #304]
Teamwork for Employees & Managers Act - HR 743 [Item #307]
Utah Wilderness - HR 1745 [Item #208]

OSHA Reform - HR 1834 [Item #311]

Transfer BLM Lands to States - HR 2032 [Item #210]

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Strongly Oppose:

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Federal Retirement Reform - HR 1215 and HR 1185 [Item #401]

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-Budget - HR 842 [Item #15]
HUD Elimination Act - S 435 [Item #13]
Livestock Grazing Act - S 852 [Item #209]
National Highway System Designation Act of 1995 - S 440 [Item #14]
Pipeline Safety Act - HR 1323 [Item #21]
Risk Assessment - HR 1022 [Item #5]
Telecommunications - S 652 [Item #11]

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Oppose:

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Lorton Closure - HR 461 [Item #17]
Regulatory Sunset and Review Act of 1995 - HR 994 [Item #20]
Service Contract Repeal Act - HR 246 [Item #304]

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Oppose Unless Amended:

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Securities Litigation Reform - HR 1058 [Item #10]
Violent Criminal Incarceration - HR 667 [Item #4]

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STATUS OF MAJOR (Non

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-Appropriations) LEGISLATION
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(Note: Parentheticals indicate who is tracking; bills grouped by RMO)

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GENERAL GOVERNMENT & FINANCE:

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1. Budget Resolution: (Konigsberg)
House completed action on HConRes 67 on 5/18, passing the Kasich budget plan 238

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-193. Senate completed action on 5/25, passing the Domenici budget 57

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-42. Budget Resolution conference agreement passed the House on 6/29 by a vote of 239

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-194, and passed the Senate the same day by a vote of 54

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-46 (party line).

2. Item Veto: (Konigsberg/J. Gibbons)

House passed HR 2 (enhanced rescission) on February 6, (294

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-134).

Senate passed S 4 (separate enrollment) on March 23, (69

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-29). Conference: On June 20, the Senate requested a conference and appointed conferees.

3. Tax Fairness and Deficit Reduction Act: (R. Jones)

House passed HR 1215 on April 5, (246

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-188) including tax cuts (child credit, IRAs, repeal taxes on soc.sec., neutral cost recovery, corporate AMT, cap gains, expensing, adoptions, marriage penalty credit, long

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care incentives); raise soc. sec. earnings limit; spending caps; Medicare extenders; spectrum extender; uranium enrichment; Federal retirement reforms; and automatic sequester of amounts taxpayers dedicate to debt reduction. SAP--"If...presented ...in its current form, the Secretary of the Treasury and the Director of OMB would recommend a veto." Senate not expected to take up HR 1215, as passed by the House, however components of the bill may be considered in the context of Reconciliation. Basis for opposition: Bill is fiscally irresponsible and would provide disproportionate tax benefits to the wealthy at the expense of programs for average Americans.

4. Crime Bills: (R. Jones)

House split their original crime bill into 7 smaller pieces and passed 6 of them--

? HR 665, requiring restitution for victims of federal crimes, passed February 7 (431

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-0); SAP--"supports passage."

? HR 666, allowing federal prosecutors to use improperly obtained evidence if police officers acted in "good faith"; would apply with and w/o warrants. Passed February 8, (289

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-142). SAP

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-support only if amended to apply only where warrants have been obtained.

? HR 729, containing reforms affecting federal habeas corpus review of state criminal judgments and collateral review of federal judgements, and requiring federal juries to impose death sentences in certain cases. Passed February 8 (297

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-support if DOJ concerns addressed.

? HR 667, would replace the prison funding program enacted in '94 Act with allocations based on sentencing criteria; and would limit prisoner litigation. Passed February 10, (265

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-oppose unless amended.

Basis for opposition: Proposed distribution of prison grants is inferior to current program; drug court program would be repealed.

? HR 668, to expedite the deportation of aliens who commit serious crimes and reimburse states for incarceration of criminal aliens. Passed February 10, (380

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-support if amended to offset the increased direct spending (\$600m/yr).

? HR 728, combining last year's grants for 100,000 cops and crime prevention into block grants. Passed February 14, (238

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-Presidential veto threat. Basis for opposition: Bill repeals police grants program, which provides for 100,000 cops. It also eliminates many crime prevention programs.

Senate action on crime legislation not yet scheduled. However, habeas

corpus provisions related to those in HR 729 are included in the Senate

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-passed anti

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-terrorism bill (S 735, discussed below).

5. Reg Reform/Risk Assessment: (H. Fitter)

House passed HR 1022, Risk Benefit and Cost Benefit Act of 1995 on February 28th (286

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-141), requiring Federal agencies to perform highly detailed analyses of the risks that proposed health, safety and environmental regulations seek to address. SAP sent to the House on February 27, 1995, strongly oppose HR 1022. Basis for opposition: HR 1022 would impose overly broad, prescriptive, and costly analytical requirements on the regulatory process, encourage excessive litigation, and supersede the substantive requirements of many existing health, safety, and environmental laws (i.e., the so

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-called supermandate).

Senate - Senate Floor action on S 343 began on 6/28. A 7/17/95 cloture vote failed (48

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-46); a second cloture vote on 7/18/95 also failed (53

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-47); a third cloture vote failed (58

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-40) on 7/20/95. A SAP was

transmitted on 7/10/95: veto threat by Secretaries of Labor, Agriculture, Health and Human Services, Housing and Urban Development, Transportation, the Treasury, and the Interior, and the Administrator of EPA, and the Director of OMB. In addition, in a 6/23/95 letter to Senators Dole and Daschle, OMB OIRA Administrator Katzen stated "we continue to have serious concerns with S 343, and I would recommend that the President veto it if it were presented to him in its current

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form." Basis for opposition: Would impair rather than improve the regulatory process by generating additional costs, paperwork, litigation, and delay.

6. Private Property Rights/Takings: (M. Goad)

On March 3rd, the House passed HR 925 (277

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-148), subsequently incorporated the bill into HR 9, and then passed HR 9 (277

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-141). HR 925 would require certain Federal agencies to compensate financially landowners if regulatory actions (taken under Endangered Species Act, and wetlands, farm, and water rights laws) cause a decrease of at least 20 percent in the fair market value of any portion of the landowners' properties. The agencies would be required to offer to purchase the property if the regulatory action causes a decrease of more than 50 percent in the property's value. SAP on HR 925-

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-strongly oppose (3/1/95). On April 7th, POTUS said, "I will also veto the House

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-passed requirement that government pay property owners billions of dollars every time we act to defend our national heritage of seashores or wetlands or open spaces." Basis for opposition: Undermines Federal authority to protect the general welfare; expands the traditional concept of Fifth Amendment "takings"; creates new direct spending; and imposes an unlimited fiscal burden in the form of an arbitrary, automatic compensation requirement for reductions in property values that are attributable to Federal actions.

The Senate Judiciary Committee held an April 6th hearing on S 605 (Dole/Hatch). (S 605 has a 33 percent threshold, and would apply to all Federal agencies.) In testimony presented at the hearing, Justice threatened veto. In separate letters sent to Sen. Hatch in May and June, Agriculture, Army

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-Civil Works, Defense, EPA, GSA, HHS, Interior, Justice, Transportation, and Treasury advised that they would recommend veto. In a June 7th letter to Sens. Hatch, Biden, Dole, and Daschle, OMB Director Rivlin advised that, due to the significant increase in Federal spending that would result if S 605 were enacted, she would recommend veto. The Committee has not yet scheduled the mark up of S 605, but may do so at any time. The Senate Environment and Public Works (EPW) Committee held a June 27th hearing at which Interior and Justice advised that they would recommend veto of S 605 and HR 925. In an additional EPW hearing on July 12th, EPA, Army (Corps), and OMB advised that they would recommend a veto of S.605 or similar legislation. Basis for opposition: Same as opposition to House bill.

7. Reg Moratorium/Waiting Period: (J. Weinberg)

House passed HR 450 on Feb. 24 by 276

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-146. The bill would establish a "moratorium period" -- Nov. 20, 1994 through Dec. 31, 1995 or enactment of reg reform, whichever is earlier -- during which a Federal agency may not take any "regulatory rulemaking action" unless it falls within a specified emergency exception (i.e. military or foreign affairs functions, international trade agreements, agency management, certain banking regulatory matters, implementation of the internal revenue laws; matters relating to loans, grants, benefits, or contracts). Also exempted: regs determined by OIRA to be necessary because of an imminent threat to health or safety or other emergency or necessary for the enforcement of criminal laws. SAP--"The President has stated that a moratorium on regulations,

as provided for in H.R. 450, is not acceptable....the Secretaries of Agriculture, Energy, Health and Human Services, Housing and Urban Development, the Interior, Labor, Transportation, and the Treasury, the Attorney General, and the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency would recommend that it be vetoed." (In addition, POTUS said on 4/7/95, "if Republicans send me a bill that would let unsafe planes fly or contaminated water continue to find itself into city water systems, I will veto it." Veto threat reiterated in Earth Day speech, 4/21/95.) Basis for opposition: Would prevent the issuance of meritorious rules. Senate passed S. 219 on March 29 by 100

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-0; under the Senate version, regs would not go into effect for 45 days, during which time Congress could enact a disapproval resolution. A March 29 statement by the President called the 45

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-day review period "the right way to reform regulation." Conference: On June 16, the Senate requested a conference and appointed conferees.

8. Product Liability/Civil Litigation/Medical Malpractice:
(I. Schroeder)

House passed HR 956 on March 10 (265

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-161). It would cap punitive damages in all civil cases and would cap non

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-economic (pain and suffering) damages in

suits against health providers and insurers. Basis for opposition: Product liability reform should generally be left to the States; punitive damages shouldn't be arbitrarily capped; and differential treatment of "economic" and "noneconomic" (e.g., "pain and suffering" damages is inappropriate. (March 6th Reno/Mikva letter.)

Senate passed HR 956 on May 10 (61

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-37). It would cap punitive damage awards by juries in product liability cases at \$250,000 or twice compensatory damages (economic and non

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-economic damages), whichever is greater. Judges could override those limits in "egregious" cases. Punitive damage awards in product liability cases could not exceed \$250,000 for small businesses. Basis for opposition: A May 10th White House statement said the Senate

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-passed liability bill "in its present form does not go far enough toward balancing the interests of consumers with those of manufacturers and sellers." The statement also stated the Administration's concerns regarding the limits on punitive damages adopted by the Senate and reiterated the Administration's opposition to provisions which would abolish joint and several liability. (A provision limiting punitive damage awards in all civil lawsuits, which was the subject of a May 4th Presidential veto threat, was later limited to product liability cases only.)

Conference not scheduled and conferees have not been appointed. Media reports indicate that Speaker Gingrich may defer conference until the fall.

According to press reports, the Senate may take action on a separate bill

to curb medical liability late this summer.

9. Loser Pays - Civil Litigation: (I. Schroeder)

House passed HR 988 on March 7 (232

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-193). Basis for opposition: The bill, which would affect only Federal civil suits involving parties from different States, would impose a modified "loser pays" rule, intended to encourage parties to settle out of court. The President said on 4/7/95 that he "will veto any bill with a 'loser pay' requirement such as that was in the House bill." In the Senate, provisions similar to those of HR 988 were added to -- and subsequently deleted from -- the product liability bill (HR 956) on the Senate floor.

10. Shareholder Suits: (I. Schroeder)

House passed HR 1058 on March 8 (325

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-99). Basis for opposition: Could lead to inadequate deterrence against financial fraud. (March 6th Reno/Mikva letter.)

Senate passed HR 1058 on 6/28/95 (69

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-30). SAP sent to Senate on 6/23/95 states that the Senate version (previously S. 240) "is now a substantial improvement on [the House version of] H.R. 1058, which the Administration could not support." The statement recommended amendments to: (1) clarify that safe harbors should not protect purposefully misleading statements; (2) restore liability for aiding and abetting in private action that follow a SEC action; and (3) extend the statute of limitations for private securities fraud actions to five years after a violation occurs. The SAP opposed a provision in the bill that would establish proportionate liability for reckless defendants and recommends replacing it with an amendment that would require culpable solvent defendants to pay up to two times their proportionate share of the damages, when a portion of the award is uncollectible.

Conference not scheduled.

*11. Telecommunications Amendments: (J. Weinberg)

House Commerce Committee-

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-Reported HR 1555 on July 24th. House Judiciary Committee-

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-Reported HR 1528 on July 24th. Statement by the President on August 1st threatening to veto HR 1555 with the managers' amendments.

House adopted rule 255

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-156 and began consideration of the bill on August 2nd and is expected to complete action before the recess. Basis for opposition: Would harm competition and weaken benefits to the public.

Senate passed S. 652 on June 15th, 81

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-18. SAP strongly opposed Commerce Committee

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-reported bill. White House Press Office issued an Administration statement on Senate passage of S 652 on June 16: "The Administration's position on the final legislation will depend on the extent to which the Administration's concerns have been addressed

satisfactorily during the course of the entire legislative process." VP said on April 3 that he

opposes the Senate Commerce Committee bill, and on April 4 the VP clarified in a letter, "I did not say that the President would veto the bill, since it is too early for such a decision...." Basis for opposition: Would result in higher phone and cable bills and decrease competition for phone and cable services.

12. Banking and Insurance Reform: (R. Jones)

House Banking Committee marked up Chairman Leach's HR 1062 on May 18. This bill would permit banks and securities firms to affiliate, allowing banks to underwrite securities and permitting securities firms to own banks. HR 1062 was reported by the House Commerce Committee on June 22. HR 1062 may move to the House floor in tandem with HR 1858, a banking regulatory relief bill. (See below for discussion of HR 1858 - Banking Deregulation.)

13. HUD Elimination Act: (A. Briatico)

Although no specific hearings have been held on S. 435, a number of Senate hearings have been held on "reinventing" HUD. HUD, Justice, and OMB have sent letters to the Senate Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs Committee strongly opposing Title II of S. 435. Title II would transfer to Justice all of the responsibilities currently assigned to HUD under the Fair Housing Act. Basis for opposition: The administration of these authorities is best accomplished by HUD, which has the infrastructure to handle these responsibilities.

14. National Highway System: (J. Brown)

Senate bill (S. 440) passed the Senate on June 22nd. It would designate routes for the new National Highway System (NHS). Absent designation of the NHS, DOT will be unable to obligate \$6.5 billion in highway funding in FY 1996. Basis for opposition: Repeal of national maximum speed limit law and motorcycle helmet requirements. (SAP to Senate, 6/15/95. A provision repealing Davis

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-type labor protections, which was the subject of a Secretary of Labor veto threat in the SAP, was deleted on the Senate floor.) House committee action not yet scheduled.

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-Budget Bill: (J. Brown)

House bill (HR 842) was ordered reported by House Transport. Cte. on May 3. Will be sequentially referred to Budget and Gov. Reform & Oversight Committees. (The Speaker has stated that he will appoint a task force to study issues raised by this bill.) Basis for opposition: Bill removes four trust funds from the Budget -- inconsistent with unified budget. (Rivlin letter to Chairman Shuster, 3/27/95.) Senate bill (S. 729) was introduced on April 27 by Sens. Baucus and Lott.

16. Banking Deregulation: (R. Jones)

House Banking Committee reported Chairman Leach's HR 1858 (successor to HR 1362) on July 18. This bill may go to the House floor in tandem with HR 1062 (listed above). Basis for opposition: Weakens important safeguards for assuring the safety and soundness of FDIC

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institutions and would eviscerate the Community Reinvestment Act.

(Secretary Rubin issued a veto threat in a 6/29/95 letter to Chairman Leach.) Senate bill (S 650) is pending in the Senate Banking Committee. The Senate bill contains some, but not all, of the troublesome provisions.

17. Lorton Closure: (M.Cook)

The House Government Reform and Oversight D.C. Subcommittee has held a couple of hearings this year on HR 461, the "Lorton Correctional Complex Closure Act." At these hearings, no Administration witnesses were asked to testify. Justice, however, expects Administration witnesses to be invited to testify at future Subcommittee hearings on this matter. On 3/16/95, Justice sent a letter to this Subcommittee opposing HR 461. Basis for opposition: The approach of HR 461 is "seriously flawed" but alternatives, which will be discussed with the Congress, exist to remedy the Lorton issue.

18. Housing for Older Persons Act: (M.Cook)

On April 6, 1995, HR 660 passed the House by a vote of 424 to 5. The Administration sent a SAP on 4/6/95 opposing H.R. 660. The Senate has not taken any action on this bill yet. Basis for opposition: Amends the Fair Housing Act in a way that would loosen the standards used to determine what housing qualifies for the "housing for older persons" exemption, potentially increasing discrimination against families. Therefore, the Administration prefers administrative action to clarify the application of the "housing for older persons" exemption. NOTE: The bill's provisions are identical to

those of Title IV of HR 8, the "Senior Citizens' Equity Act," a Contract with America bill.

19. Counterterrorism: (R. Jones)

Senate passed S 735 on June 7 (81

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-8) The bill includes many proposals

similar or identical to Presidential proposals (e.g., establishes Federal jurisdiction for terrorist acts, expedites removal of alien terrorists from the U.S., implements the international agreement on marking plastic explosives, etc.). Does not include the Administration's language for funding compliance with the 1994 digital telephony legislation. Includes habeas corpus reforms similar to that passed the House as a free standing bill (H.R. 729, listed under crime heading above). House Judiciary Committee reported H.R. 1710 on June 20 (23

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includes many of the President's proposals, including a funding mechanism for digital telephony. Justice does not expect House floor action until September.

20. Regulatory Sunset and Review: (J. Gibbons)

House bill (HR 994) was approved by a Gov. Reform & Oversight Cte. on 7/18/95 with significant amendments by a vote of 39

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opposition: Open

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-ended in scope, excessively rigid, and contradictory
criteria for review of regulations; paperwork requirements are unworkable. (Katzen testimony of 3/28/95 before House Gov. Reform.) Senate action not scheduled, but could be folded into broader regulatory reform legislation.

21. Pipeline Safety: (J. Brown)

House bill (HR 1323) has been reported by Transportation and Commerce Ctes. Basis for opposition: (1) Authorizes less than 44 percent of the FY 1996 Budget request for pipeline safety activities; and (2) imposes burdensome and costly risk assessment procedures on the pipeline safety rulemaking process. (DOT letter, 5/12/95.)

22. Dismantling Commerce Department: (J. Weinberg)

House bill (HR 1756) hearing was held by two House Commerce

Subcommittees on 7/24/95 at which Secretary Brown announced that the President will veto any legislation to dismantle the Commerce Department. Senate bill (S 929) hearing was held by Senate Governmental Affairs on 7/25/95 at which Secretary Brown repeated Presidential veto statement.
Basis for opposition: Commerce Department is working effectively to promote economic growth.

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101. National Security: (A. Rooney)

House passed HR 7 on February 16th (241

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Floor but many objectionable provisions remain which would infringe upon the authority of the President to respond to international crises and conflicts; remove UN peacekeeping as an option for burdensharing; establish an unnecessary Nat'l Security Commission; and mandate policies on NATO membership). On 4/7/95, POTUS said that he would "refuse () to approve the so

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-called peacekeeping legislation passed by the House." SAP

(Feb. 13th)-- State, Defense, and the U.S. Ambassador to the UN would recommend a veto. Basis for opposition: Infringes on President's constitutional authorities as Commander in Chief; and virtually eliminates U.S. participation in UN peacekeeping efforts.

Senate Foreign Relations Committee (SFRC) began hearings on March 21st on S 5, Peacekeeping Powers Act (introduced by Dole) and HR 7. Aspects of S 5 were considered on May 17th as part of the SFRC markup of Foreign Affairs Authorization and Consolidation proposal and deleted from the bill as reported. State advises that peacekeeping will be considered separately by the Committee at a later date.

102. Foreign Affairs Authorization and Consolidation:

(A. Rooney)

House passed HR 1561 on June 8th (222 - 192). On May 23rd, the President expressed serious concerns regarding congressional legislation that would "place new restrictions on how America conducts its foreign policy and slash our budget in foreign affairs." Further, the President advised that if

HR 1561 passed in its present form, he would veto it. SAP (May 22nd) -- State, DOD, Treasury, the U.S. Ambassador to the UN, AID, USIA, and ACDA would recommend a veto of HR 1561. Basis for opposition: Imposes numerous, far

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-reaching restrictions on the conduct of American foreign policy; inappropriately consolidates three foreign affairs agencies (AID; ACDA; USIA) into a "super" State Department; and significantly reduces appropriation authorizations for international affairs programs.

Senate Foreign Relations Committee (SFRC) ordered reported Senator Helms' foreign relations authorization and consolidation proposal (S 908) on May 17th by a vote of 10

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-8. On June 7th, SFRC ordered reported Senator Helms'

Foreign Aid Reduction Act (S 961) by a vote of 10

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-8. On July 26th, the

President stated that S. 908 would undermine the President's authority to conduct our nation's foreign policy and deny us the resources we need to

lead in the world.? (The statement also cited S. 961 as contributing to the "dangerous and shortsighted" cuts in the international affairs budget.) The President concluded that he would veto this legislation in its present form. On August 1st, the Senate failed to invoke cloture twice on identical votes of 55

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-45. The Senate may return to consideration of S. 908 in September. SAP (June 28th) -- State, the U.S. Ambassador to the UN, AID, USIA, and ACDA would recommend a veto of S 908. Basis for opposition: Same as opposition to House bill. SAP on S. 961 (July 27th) -- State, Defense, U.S. Ambassador to the UN, and AID would recommend a veto. Basis for opposition: unwise restrictions on Presidential authority, congressional micro

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-management, and inadequate appropriations authorizations.

103. National Defense Authorization Act: (M. Goad)
House passed HR 1530 (300

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-126) on June 15th. Sec. Perry, in a June 20th letter to Sen. Thurmond, stated that "[m]any of the provisions . . . are totally unacceptable. Unless they are eliminated or radically modified, they threaten the prospects for the bill itself." SAP on HR 1530-

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-strongly opposes (6/13/95). Basis for opposition: Raises serious constitutional, national security, budget, personnel, and management concerns.

Senate begin consideration of S 1026, the companion bill, on August 2nd. SAP on S 1026--"The President will not support the bill unless these concerns are addressed." Basis for opposition: Raises serious constitutional, national security, budget, and management concerns.

104. Jerusalem Embassy: (A. Rooney)

S 770/HR 1595 would require the United States to move its embassy to Jerusalem. On June 20th, Secretary Christopher sent a letter to Senator Dole and Speaker Gingrich stating that he would recommend a veto of the legislation. No action scheduled on either bill. Basis for opposition: Potentially very damaging to the success of the Middle East peace process and infringes on the President's constitutional prerogatives in foreign policy.

105. Bosnia: (A. Rooney)

On July 26th, the Senate passed S. 21, the Bosnia and Herzegovina Self

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-29. In July 25th letters to Senators Dole and Daschle, the President expressed strong opposition to S. 21. The President concluded that he would veto any resolution or bill that "may require the United States to lift unilaterally the arms embargo." A similar provision was added to H.R. 1561 during House consideration. (See above for status of H.R. 1561). On August 1st by a vote of 298 to 128, S. 21 was passed by the House and cleared for the President. Basis for opposition: Undermine efforts to achieve a negotiated settlement in Bosnia and could lead to an escalation of the conflict there, including the possible Americanization of the conflict.

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201. Farm Bill: (C. Crutchfield)

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-year measure, this legislation will reauthorize a slew of farm, nutrition, rural development, and other USDA programs. The Administration's Farm Bill guidance assumes savings in farm programs of \$1.5 billion over 5 years. The 1996 Budget Resolution calls for cuts in farm programs of \$8.5 billion over 5 years and \$13.4 billion over 7 years. House and Senate Agriculture committees are currently drafting bill language. Although the Senate Agriculture Committee marked up some discretionary titles in July, committee action on mandatory provisions is not expected

until September. (NOTE: In oral remarks before the House and Senate Agriculture committees, Secretary Glickman has stated that the President would veto legislation that block grants Food Stamps. On 7/11/95, a H. Agriculture Subcommittee ordered reported the food and nutrition title of the Farm Bill, HR 1997, which does not contain provisions to block grant Food Stamps.)

202. Clean Water Amendments of 1995: (H. Fitter)
House passed HR 961 on May 16th, by a vote of 240

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-185. The bill would ease, overhaul, or revoke a number of current law's anti

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-pollution requirements, allow States to continue to rely on voluntary measures to deal with certain water pollution problems, and restrict the ability of Federal agencies to declare wetlands off limits to development. On May 30, 1995, POTUS stated that the House

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-passed bill "will not get past my desk." SAP, sent on May 9, 1995, contained multiple agency veto threat (OMB, Justice, EPA, Interior). Basis for opposition: The bill would reduce water quality protection; eliminate fundamental wetlands protections; create enormous new costs (the bill includes a "mandatory compensation" takings provision similar to that contained in HR 925); fail to address effectively non

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-point source pollution; and paralyze the Federal Government's ability to issue regulations and guidance to protect the Nation's waters. Senate Environment Chairman Chafee has indicated that Clean Water Act reauthorization is not one of his top priorities.

203. Endangered Species: (M. Goad)

At July 13th and 20th oversight hearings before the Senate Environment and Public Works Committee, the Departments of Commerce and the Interior testified on the Endangered Species Act (ESA). The Committee may hold additional oversight hearings. CEQ expects that, once the oversight hearings are concluded, Sen. Kempthorne (R) ID will introduce a bill to reauthorize the ESA.

On May 25th, the Departments of Agriculture, Commerce, and the Interior testified before the House Endangered Species Task Force on possible changes to the ESA. CEQ and Interior advise that the House Task Force will not complete drafting legislation to amend the ESA until after the August recess.

204. Safe Drinking Water: (H. Fitter)

Reauthorization of the 1974 law designed to keep contaminants out of the nation's water supply. State and local officials want a State revolving loan fund for water supply projects and relief from testing requirements. House Commerce staff and Senate Environment and Public Works staff, respectively, are attempting to complete draft bills.

205. Interstate Waste: (H. Fitter)

Senate passed S 534 on May 16th, by a vote of 94

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-6. S. 534 would give

states more power to restrict both intra and interstate garbage dumping.

206. Superfund Reform: (H. Fitter)

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-up program expire at the

end of 1995. There is support among some Republicans to scale back retroactive liability (which would shift much of the costs to the government). Senate Environment Subcommittee Chair Bob Smith has circulated a "Superfund Reform Outline" containing principles for Superfund reform. A Senate bill may be introduced before the August recess. A July 11, 1995, EPA Administrator Browner letter to Senator Smith stated that the outline "incorporates proposals that are unfair, unworkable, or insufficiently protective of human health and the environment." (EPA is especially concerned about the outline's repeal of strict, joint, and several retroactive liability.) Browner's letter further advised, "we do not believe this outline will establish a viable basis on which to attract the broad support that is needed if we are to achieve Superfund reform in the limited time left in this calendar year." House Transportation and Commerce subcommittee on Hazardous Material has held numerous subcommittee hearings on Superfund reform. On July 17th, Subcommittee Chairman Oxley unveiled his superfund reform proposal which is similar to the Smith outline.

207. Mining Law: (C. Crutchfield)

Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee is considering changes to Craig's bill (S 506) to win over committee members, such as Johnston, that have proposed a compromise version (S 639). Chairman Murkowski has

postponed mark up of the bill indefinitely and indicated the issue would be dropped this session if a compromise is not reached soon. Interior Secretary Babbitt stated in a 5/22/95 letter to Chairman Murkowski that he would recommend a veto of S 506. Basis for opposition: S 506 does not provide for meaningful reform. It would (1) grant rights to purchase valuable Federal mineral lands at bargain

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-basement prices; (2) deprive

Federal land managers of authority to protect the environment; and (3) result in little or no return to Federal taxpayers for use of publicly

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-owned mineral deposits. Justice also strongly opposed S 506 in a 6/12/95 letter because it would increase litigation over public liability for cleanup. House has not scheduled action.

*208. Utah Wilderness: (C. Crutchfield)

House Resources Committee on 8/2/95 ordered reported HR 1745, designating certain Federal lands in Utah as wilderness. Interior testified 6/29/95 before the Committee that the Secretary would recommend a veto of HR 1745. Basis for opposition: The bill would (1) fail to designate enough land as wilderness; (2) open up for development too much land currently protected as wilderness study areas; and (3) allow road construction and other activities that are incompatible with wilderness designation. Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee has begun consideration of identical legislation (S 884) introduced by Sens. Hatch and Bennett. Interior testified on 7/13/95 before the Committee that the Secretary would recommend a veto of S 884. Basis for opposition: Same as House.

209. Livestock Grazing: (C. Crutchfield)

Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee ordered reported S 852 on 7/19/95. Interior testified before the Committee on 6/22/95 that it strongly opposed S. 852, introduced by Sen. Domenici and 15 cosponsors to supersede Interior's new regulations for livestock grazing on Federal lands. In a 7/18/95 letter to the Committee, USDA Forest Service also strongly opposed amendments that apply provisions in S. 852 to National Forest System lands. Basis for opposition: S. 852 would (1) establish grazing as a dominant use for public lands over recreation, wildlife protection, and other concerns; (2) limit public involvement in the management of public lands; and (3) raise a number of questions over water rights, fee levels, and compliance with environmental statutes. In testimony on 7/11/95 before the House National Parks Subcommittee, Interior strongly opposed the companion bill (HR 1713). The subcommittee is scheduled to mark up H.R. 1713 on August 4th.

210. Transfer BLM Lands to States: (C. Crutchfield)

Interior testified before the House National Parks Subcommittee on 8/01/95 that the Secretary would recommend veto of HR 2032. Basis for opposition: HR 2032 would "transfer tremendous national assets and revenues to a small number of fortunate States. The bill is fiscally irresponsible and would squander much of our national heritage." No bill introduced in the Senate.

211. Energy Exploration in the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge: (M. Goad)

On 08/02/95, the Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee held an oversight hearing on oil and gas exploration on the coastal plain of the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge. Interior Secretary Babbitt, in a statement presented before the Committee, stated that he would "recommend to the President that he veto any legislation" that would allow for such activity in the Refuge. Basis for opposition: Such legislation would allow industrial development in, thus placing at risk the wildlife resources of, the only area along on the Alaskan arctic coast that is dedicated to the protection of wildlife and wilderness resources.

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301. Welfare Reform: (M. Cook)

HR 4 (SAP, 3/21/95 said oppose, but in a 4/13/95 CNN interview, POTUS said "I'd be happy to veto"). Basis for opposition: denial of cash benefits to unwed parents under age 18; funding cuts to Food Stamp and other nutrition programs; funding cuts and removal of Federal oversight of State child protection systems; inadequate resources and requirements for States to move people from welfare to work; and inadequate resources for States in times of recession.

House passed H.R. 4 on March 23 (234

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-199) which would replace current welfare programs with 5 block grants to States (cash welfare; child welfare; child care; school meals; family nutrition). House SAP opposed H.R. 4

because it would: fail to reform welfare by moving people from welfare to work; reduce Federal funding in ways that would impair the health and nutrition of children and families; and is not tough enough on parents who owe child support, and too tough on innocent children.

Senate Finance Committee reported its version of H.R. 4 on June 9. The bill block grants AFDC, imposes a five

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-year time limit on benefits, tightens eligibility for SSI, and strengthens child support enforcement. HHS cited concerns with the bill in a May 24 letter to the Committee.

Senator Packwood indicated May 15 that the bill would be considered as a stand

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-alone bill unless it is filibustered. In that case, the bill would be considered as a component of the budget reconciliation bill. The Senate Labor and Human Resources Committee ordered reported S. 850 (Child Care and Development Block Grant amendments) on May 26. The measure is expected to be included in the final Senate welfare reform package. HHS supported S. 850 in a May 24 letter to the Committee, but cited concerns with potential cuts in other child care programs. The Senate Agriculture Committee marked up S. 904, a Food Stamp and nutrition programs bill on June 14. S. 904 also is expected to be included in the final Senate welfare reform package. USDA commended the Committee for not block granting food and nutrition programs, but cited concerns with the bill's reduction in Food Stamp funding and repeal of Regulation E coverage for Electronic Benefit Transfers.

Senate floor action -- Could begin on Friday, August 4th and continue into the next week. According to press reports, Packwood and Dole have indicated that S. 143, Senator Kassebaum's employment, training, and retraining legislation, will be folded into welfare reform bill brought to the Senate floor. In addition, they will add provisions requiring unwed teenage mothers to live at home or in a supervised adult setting to qualify for welfare checks.

302. Social Security Earnings Test: (M. Cook)

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-increase in earnings limit to \$30,000 included in HR 1215, which passed on April 5, (246

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-188). Senate action unclear.

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-Bacon Repeal: (C. Bowers)

H.R. 500 and S. 141 would repeal the Davis

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-Bacon Act of 1931. The act requires Federal contractors working on jobs valued at more than \$2000 to pay their workers the "local prevailing wage," which is often the union rate. A House Economic & Education Opportunities Subcommittee referred H.R. 500 to full committee on March 2. Senate Labor & Human Resources Committee reported S. 141 on May 12. A provision to repeal Davis

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coverage of Federal Highway projects was dropped from S. 440, the National Highway bill (see entry above). Basis for opposition: repeal of Davis

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-Bacon requirements would depress workers' wages. President quoted on 4/6/95 as saying he would veto S. 141; Reich letter -- would recommend veto 3/18/95. (Also Reich letter and Senate SAP on S. 440 stated Labor would recommend veto.

304. Service Contract Repeal Act: (B. Pellicci)

Press reported that VP indicated on 2/20/95 that President would veto such legislation. Basis for opposition: repeal of Service Contract Act would depress workers' wages. HR 246 was marked up by a House EEO subcommittee on 3/03/95.

305. Minimum Wage Increase: (A. Briatico)

On 2/13/95, President transmitted to Congress a proposal to raise the minimum wage in two 45 cent steps -- raising the rate to \$4.70 per hour on

July 4, 1995 and to \$5.15 per hour on July 4, 1996. President's proposal introduced as S. 413 and H.R. 940. Senator Kassebaum indicated on April 21 that the Senate Labor and Human Resources Committee will hold hearings on increasing the minimum wage. No date has been set.

306. Striker Replacement: (B. Pellicci)

On 3/8/95, President issued an Executive Order to deny Federal contracts to employers that permanently replace striking workers. H.R. 1176 and S. 603 would nullify the Executive Order. The House Economic and Educational Opportunities Committee reported H.R. 1176 on June 27.

307. Teamwork for Employees and Managers Act: (B. Pellicci)

HR 743 and S295. (Reich letter: recommend veto, 3/6/95 and 6/21/95; press reported that VP said on 02/20/95 that President would veto such legislation.) Basis for opposition: would allow employers to establish company unions or alternative, company

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already exist. HR 743 was ordered reported on 6/22/95 by the House EEO Committee. No action has been taken to date on S 295.

308. Social Security Solvency: (M. Cook)

The "Strengthening Social Security Act of 1995" (S. 825), one of the "Simpson/Kerrey" bills, is designed to secure the long

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the Social Security program. It would: (1) accelerate the currently scheduled increase of the normal retirement age; (2) limit COLAs to certain Social Security beneficiaries; (3) adjust, for a limited period, Social Security COLA estimates based on CPI; (4) modify the formula for determining the primary insurance amount (the basic monthly benefit payable to a worker) to make it more progressive; (5) allow future beneficiaries to divert up to 2 percentage points of their payroll taxes to place in their own personal investment plan; (6) reduce gradually spousal benefits starting in 2000; (7) redirect revenue obtained through the taxation of Social Security benefits from the HI Trust Fund to the OASDI Trust Fund; and (8) invest a portion of the OASDI Trust Fund assets in a stock fund index. On June 27, 1995, a Senate Finance Subcommittee held a hearing on the solvency of the Social Security system. To date, the Administration has not taken a position on S. 825. No comparable bill has been introduced in the House.

309. Employment, Training, and Retraining: (C. Bowers)

House Economic and Educational Opportunities (EEO) Committee reported H.R. 1617 (The Consolidated and Reformed Education, Employment and Rehabilitation Systems, or 'CAREERS' Act) on May 17, 1995.

Senate Labor and Human Resources Committee reported S. 143 (Workforce Development Act) on June 21, 1995.

Both bills would consolidate numerous Federal education and job training programs into four grants to States -- for youth development and career preparation, adult training, adult education and literacy, and vocational rehabilitation. These bills differ significantly from the President's proposal to restructure education and job training programs (the G.I. Bill for America's Workers), and they reduce substantially Federal resources for these functions.

It is expected that H.R. 1617 will be linked on the House Floor with H.R. 1720 (Privatization Act of 1995), which was reported by the House EEO Committee on June 22, 1995. H.R. 1720 would privatize Sallie Mae and Connie Lee and eliminate numerous higher education programs. The Administration proposes to privatize these GSEs and eliminate the higher

education programs, but its privatization initiatives differ in certain respects from H.R. 1720.

Negotiations over possible amendments to all of these bills are ongoing. It is likely that Administration statements for Floor consideration will support the objectives but either oppose specific features or suggest further amendments to align with the President's proposal. S. 143 could be considered as an amendment to the welfare reform bill (H.R. 4), which could come to the Senate Floor as soon as August 4th. House action is not expected to occur in August.

310. Food Stamps - Block Grant: (M.Cook)

Sec. Glickman stated before S. Ag. Cte., 5/23/95, that he strongly opposes block granting food stamps and that the President has indicated his intention to veto such legislation. Basis for opposition: would jeopardize the health and nutrition of low

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-income families.

Any changes made to the Food Stamp program are expected to be done within the context of Welfare Reform. Neither HR 4 (the Welfare Reform bill), as passed by the House, nor S 904 (which is expected to be rolled into the Senate version of HR 4), as ordered reported by the Senate, contain provisions that would block grant Food Stamps. In addition, HR 1997 (the food and nutrition title of the Farm Bill), as approved by a H.

Agriculture Subcommittee on 7/11/95, also does not contain provisions that would block grant Food Stamps. According to USDA, the Full H. Agriculture Committee is expected to take up HR 1997 in September.

311. OSHA Reform: (C. Bowers)

The House Economic and Educational Opportunities Committee, Subcommittee on Workforce Protections, held a hearing June 28, 1995, on H.R. 1834 (Ballenger), the "Safety and Health Improvement and Regulatory Reform Act of 1995." Labor testified against H.R. 1834. Basis for Opposition: Would redirect funding away from enforcement activities, jeopardize the health and safety of American workers by weakening enforcement and regulatory authority, and particularly threaten miners by revising Federal mine safety

and enforcement. On July 12, 1995, Secretary Reich held a press conference on the House appropriation subcommittee actions affecting the Department of Labor. In response to a question, Secretary Reich stated that he "will strongly recommend a veto of the Ballenger bill . . . [which] amounts to a wrecking ball rather than reform." H.R. 1834 is pending in the subcommittee.

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401. Federal Retirement Reform Act: (M. Cook)

HR 1215 and HR 1185 both include Federal retirement reform provisions. The Administration's position on such reforms has been articulated in the President's 4/5/95 letter on HR 1215 to Speaker Gingrich and in OMB's 3/15/95 letter on HR 1185 to Speaker Gingrich. Basis for opposition: Reduces retirement benefits of Federal employees to finance a tax cut for the wealthy.

On 3/15/95, the full H. Government Reform and Oversight Committee began consideration of HR 1185. It, however, recessed before taking action on the bill. NOTE: Title IV of HR 1215, as passed by the House on 4/5/95 (246

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-188), contains provisions similar to those of HR 1185. To date, the Senate has taken no action on a stand

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-alone retirement bill. On June 19, 1995, however, the FBI and DEA testified before a S. Governmental Affairs subcommittee opposing changes in retirement benefits for Federal employees. Modifications to Federal retirement programs are likely to be included in reconciliation legislation.

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? Unfunded Mandates Reform Act of 1995 (PL 104

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-4). President signed

3/22/95.

? Defense Supplemental Appropriations (PL 104

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-6). President signed

4/10/95.

? Permanently Extend the Tax Deductibility for Health Insurance Costs for Self

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-Employed Individuals (PL 104

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-7). President

signed 4/11/95.

? HR 1345, DC Financial Responsibility and Management Assistance Act of 1995 (PL 104

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-8). President signed 4/17/95.

? Paperwork Reduction (PL 104

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-13). President signed 5/22/95.

? Medicare SELECT (PL 104

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-18). President signed 7/7/95.

? Emergency Supplemental Appropriations for Additional Disaster Assistance, for Anti

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-terrorism Initiatives, for Assistance

in the Recovery from the Tragedy that Occurred at Oklahoma City, and Rescissions Act, 1995 (PL 104

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-19). President signed 7/27/95.

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SENATE FLOOR SCHEDULE:

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Week of Monday, August 7:

NOTE: Senate may stay in session until Aug. 14 or 15 (but that may consist only of Leadership disposal of UC items); no session currently expected on

Saturday August 12.

- HR 4, Welfare Reform (Dole Substitute); consideration will continue on Monday

[SAP sent 8/5 -- Administration opposes Dole substitute; strongly supports the Daschle/Breaux/Mikulski substitute]

- S 1026, FY 1996 Defense Authorization; cloture vote to occur at a time to be determined by Dole in consultation with Daschle (Dems threatening a filibuster over ABM and other issues; negotiations are ongoing to see if an agreement can be reached)

[SAP sent 7/31 -- "The President will not support the bill unless these concerns are addressed." Lake letter to Daschle sent 8/4 -- "Unless the unacceptable missile defense provisions are deleted or revised and other changes are made to the bill bringing it more in line with Administration policy, the President's advisors would recommend that he veto the bill."]

- Interior Appropriations (later in the week)

[SAP sent 8/4 -- OMB/Interior veto recommendation]

- Defense Appropriations (later in the week); this will be taken up even though the House hasn't completed action; Senate would act on the S.

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-bill, and hold it at the desk until the House sends the H.

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-bill over]

[SAP being developed]

- Still a slim possibility - S. 343 Reg Reform - if Dole can get additional votes for cloture

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-agency veto threat sent 7/10]

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ATT TO: ewg (ewg@igc.apc.org@INET@EOPMRX)

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>Date: Thu, 24 Aug 1995 20:49:07 -0700
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>To:
>Subject: Status Report - Anti-Environmental Bills in 104th Congress
>Precedence: bulk
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>in igc:sc.action */
>/* ----- "Status Report - Anti-Environmental" ----- */
>
> A STATUS REPORT ON THE WAR ON THE ENVIRONMENT
>
> The following document is a summary of the status of key
>anti-environmental bills that have been introduced and/or have
>been acted on by the 104th Congress. This status report contains
>some more details than the box score that appears in the Weekly.
>It also includes some bills that we do not regularly track in the
>Box Score. This information is up to date as of the August
>recess.
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> CONTRACT ON THE ENVIRONMENT
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>HR 9, "The Job Creation and Wage Enhancement Act" -- The House
>passed HR 9 on March 9, 1995, by a vote of 277-141. This
>omnibus bill included both the takings bill and the cost benefit
>and risk assessment bill. The Senate has not passed either of
>these measures. For details see below.
>
>RISK-YOUR-HEALTH BILLS -- These bills are a key part of a radical
>attempt modify the federal rulemaking process by making new
>public health, safety and environmental protection programs
>subject to the untested tools of risk assessment and cost-benefit
>analysis. This so-called "regulatory reform" was a top priority
>of conservatives in the House, and a cornerstone of the Contract
>with America.
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>HOUSE STATUS -- The House passed its version of risk assessment
>in HR 9 on March 3, 1995. The House version mandates new risk
>assessment and cost-benefit standards which would be applied to
>any rulemaking with a threshold of \$25 million or more, even
>those associated with existing laws. The Office of Management

>and Budget (OMB) would have to determine on a government-wide
>basis the severity of health risks addressed by federal programs,
>the number of individuals affected, incremental costs and
>benefits of regulations and the cost-effectiveness of regulations
>and other efforts to reduce public health risks.

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>SENATE STATUS -- Senators Robert Dole(R-KS) and Bennett
>Johnston(D-LA) negotiated a version of the risk bill, S. 343, but
>failed to gather sufficient support (60 votes) for their
>controversial deal to invoke cloture and force a vote. Sen. Dole
>pulled the bill from consideration after the third cloture
>attempt failed on July 20. While new deals and pressure on key
>Senators could revive the measure, for the moment it is
>considered dead. The Dole/Johnston version sets a threshold of
>\$100 million rather than the \$25 million in the House bill. The
>deal also includes language to repeal the Delaney clause which
>sets a zero-risk standard for carcinogenic additives in processed
>foods. It would also change the procedures for adding or
>removing chemicals form the Toxic Release Inventory (TRI), which
>is a list of toxins that companies release into the environment
>created by the Community Right to Know Act.

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>WHITE HOUSE -- Veto promised by President Clinton.

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>BAD NEIGHBOR BILLS -- "Takings" or "bad neighbor bills" would
>create a radical new taxpayer financed subsidy for polluters,
>land speculators and developers. subsidize losing money due to
>federal regulatory actions on private property. The scope of
>these bills has been so loosely defined that polluters would have
>to be paid to stop polluting, and Americans could easily stand to
>lose our last wetlands, as well as many endangered species if the
>federal government could not afford to buy all of the regulated
>private land.

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>HOUSE STATUS -- "Takings" legislation was incorporated into H.R.
>9 which passed the House on March 3, 1995. Under H.R. 9
>landowners would be compensated if their land loses its fair
>market value, by 20 percent under specific federal regulations,
>namely the Endangered Species Act and Section 404 of the Clean
>Water Act, which pertains to wetlands management.

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>SENATE STATUS -- Senator Dole introduced S. 605, the Omnibus
>Property Rights Act of 1995 on March 23. It has been referred to
>the Judiciary Committee and has not yet emerged, although a
>hearing was held on April 6. S. 605 would compensate land owners
>whose land is devalued by 33 percent or more because of any
>government regulation. Both the Senate and House bills allow for
>compensation even if only a portion of the land has been
>devalued.

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>WHITE HOUSE -- Veto recommended by OMB director Alice Rivlin.

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>UNFUNDED MANDATES -- This is the only Contract item to pass
>through the 104th Congress, and be signed into law thus far. The
>bill passed was far less radical than early proposals, but it
>still requires Congress to fully fund new programs, offset new
>costs in reauthorization bills, and take a separate vote to
>impose more than \$50 million in new unfunded mandates on state

>and local governments. Unfunded mandates are actions that
>require states to act under the threat of penalty or loss of
>federal assistance so that costs to state and local governments
>increase beyond existing levels.

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>HOUSE -- Passed the House on March 16 by a vote of 324-28.
>SENATE -- Passed the Senate on March 15 by a vote of 91-9.
>WHITE HOUSE -- Clinton signed into this into law on March 22.

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>REGULATORY MORATORIUM -- Both House and Senate have passed
>versions of HR 450 the so called regulatory moratorium. The
>House passed a bill which calls for a retroactive freeze on
>rulemaking from November 9, 1994 until December 31, 1995 or until
>comprehensive regulatory reform legislation is enacted. The
>Senate version would give Congress permanent veto power over
>federal regulations before they become final. The bills will
>need to be conferenced, and as of yet, the House has not
>responded to the Senate request for a conference.

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>WAR ON NATURE

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>ENDANGERED SPECIES ACT -- Substantially rolling back the ESA is a
>top priority of radicals in Senate.

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>HOUSE STATUS -- Rep. Don Young (R-AK), one of the ESA's most
>outspoken critics teamed up with Rep. Richard Pombo (R-CA) and
>circulated an outline of 10 broad concepts to be included in what
>they call the "Endangered Species Conservation and Management Act
>of 1995". They had planned to introduce a bill in late June, but
>it now looks like that bill will surface in September. According
>to Young, his bill will clearly define the definition of an
>illegal taking to not include habitat destruction. This revision
>is in direct opposition to the recent Supreme Court Ruling in
>Sweet Home v. Babbitt which stated exactly the opposite. This
>new bill is likely to the face opposition of a moderate faction
>led by Rep. Wayne Gilchrest (R-MD).

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>SENATE STATUS -- Sen. Slade Gorton (R-WA) unveiled his ESA
>reauthorization bill, S. 768, on May 9th. Directly after the
>bill's introduction a memo was leaked from his office that
>indicated that portions of the bill were drafted by attorneys
>representing the mining, timber and grazing industries. His bill
>would place virtually all power for species protection in the
>hands of the Sec. of the Interior, a political appointee. Again,
>illegal takings of a species would be limited to killing the
>animal, and not by habitat destruction. Sen. Dirk Kempthorne (R-ID) is
>also expected to introduce legislation which may
>incorporate much of the Gorton language, but include an
>incentives plan for encouraging conservation on private land.

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>UTAH WILDERNESS -- H.R. 1745, sponsored by Rep. James Hansen (R-UT) and S.
>884,
>by Senator Orrin Hatch (R-UT) would open 4
>million acres of wild lands in Utah to mining, oil and gas
>drilling, road building and industrial construction. Even the
>1.8 million acres the bill designates as wilderness would remain
>open to road construction, motorized vehicles and boats,

>transmission lines and even a natural gas pipeline. The Senate
>is expected to try to move the bill in the fall.
>Conservationists are organizing support for another Utah bill,
>H.R. 1500, sponsored by Rep. Maurice Hinchey (D-NY), which
>designates 5.7 million acres in the state as wilderness.
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>PUBLIC LAND DISPOSAL -- HR 2032 and a companion bill S 1031
>mandate that Interior offer to transfer ownership of BLM lands to
>the states. States would direct mining and grazing permits, and
>manage wilderness lands. to HR 1580, was introduced in the
>Senate on July 13. No action. Interior Department has
>recommended a veto.
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>MINING LAW REFORM -- H.R. 1580 and a companion bill S. 506 were
>was introduced by Reps. Ken Calvert (R-CA), William Orton (D-UT),
>and Barbara Vucanovich (R-NV) on May 9, and S. 506 was introduced
>by Sens. Frank Murkowski (R-AK), Larry Craig (R-ID), and Harry
>Reid (D-NV). This sham reform would require applicants to pay
>fair market value only for the surface land as well as a 3
>percent net royalty on profits from mining (one-third of which
>would be directed to states for abandoned mine cleanup). -- no
>action yet on either bill, but negotiations are going on with
>Senator Bennett Johnston(D-LA).
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>RIGHTS-OF-WAY -- Rep. James Hansen (R-UT) has held two hearings
>on this controversial topic that could allow states rights-of-way
>to build highways on public land not otherwise open to use
>(including wilderness areas). He has introduced a bill, H.R.
>2081, which would override pending Department of the Interior
>regulations. This bill could open the designated areas to oil
>exploration and mineral mining, and could imperil areas bordering
>on national parks and wilderness.
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>TIMBER "HEALTH" -- Senator Larry Craig (R-ID) introduced S. 391,
>a bill which he calls a long-term plan for forest health, but
>which in fact just makes it easier to log our national forests.
>The bill restricts judicial appeals and limits application of
>environmental laws, allows interested parties to petition to have
>a forest designated an emergency area and shortens the ESA
>consultation period from 90 to 45 days between agencies.
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>TONGASS -- S. 1054, drafted by Sen Frank Murkowski (R-AK) and
>Sen. Ted Stevens (R-AK), is called the "Alaska Jobs and
>Communities Protection Act of 1995". This bill instructs the
>Forest Service to supply enough timber to keep 2,400 people
>employed year-round (estimates say this would be around 400
>million board feet per year).
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>POLLUTION CONTROL PROGRAMS
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>CLEAN WATER ACT
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>HOUSE STATUS -- H.R. 961, sponsored by Rep. Bud Shuster (R-PA),
>passed the House on May 16 by a vote of 240 -185. This bill
>proposes to roll back many of the central standards of the

>original 1972 act including wetlands delineation, non-point
>source pollution programs, stormwater discharges, and
>pretreatment of waste.
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>SENATE STATUS -- Comprehensive Clean Water Act Reauthorization
>has not yet been introduced in the Senate, however, Senators
>Lauch Faircloth (R-NC) and Bennett Johnston (D-LA) have
>introduced the Wetlands Regulatory Reform Act of 1995 (S. 851),
>which revises Sec. 404 of the Clean Water Act. This bill
>contains much of the same language as H.R. 961, and includes the
>same detrimental wetlands delineation model used by Shuster. No
>action yet on the bill.
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>WHITE HOUSE -- President Clinton has vowed to veto H.R. 961, or
>any bill like it, if it reaches his desk.
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>SAFE DRINKING WATER ACT
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>HOUSE STATUS -- Rep. John Dingell (D-MI) introduced a bill in
>January that essentially includes the compromise reached in the
>103rd Congress. This bill has not yet received action in
>committee. Rep. Thomas Bliley (R-VA) will reportedly introduce a
>drinking water rewrite this fall. It would focus on giving more
>flexibility to the water industry, as well as state and local
>governments than the current bill allows.
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>SENATE STATUS -- Sen. Dirk Kempthorne (R-ID) has drafted a
>drinking water reauthorization bill which is currently being
>circulated for revision. It will likely be introduced this fall.
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>CLEAN AIR ACT -- Currently there are 19 bills in the House and
>nine in the Senate directly targeting the Clean Air Act. Thus
>far, the only legislation to pass was a part of H.R. 1944, the FY
>'95 supplemental spending and rescissions bill, which blocks EPA
>enforcement of part of the centralized vehicle emissions testing
>program and a commuter vehicle reduction program.
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>SUPERFUND -- No reauthorization bills have yet been introduced,
>but the issue has been the subject of oversight hearings in the
>House and there are plans to introduce legislation in both House
>and Senate.
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>PESTICIDE PROTECTION -- Lawmakers are currently gunning to amend
>the Delaney Clause which mandates a zero-risk standard for
>carcinogenic pesticide use in processed food has been in place
>since 1958. Senator Dole's reg. reform bill, and three other
>bills currently seek to repeal or substantially alter this rule.
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>THE BUDGET STEALTH ATTACK
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>EPA APPROPRIATIONS --Regulatory roll-back advocates have targeted
>the EPA funding process to ensure, in the event that Congress
>cannot successfully dismantle our Nation's major environmental
>laws through rewriting them, that they will do it through the
>back door of the budget process.

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>HOUSE STATUS -- In one of the most highly-charged anti-environmental
>attacks of
> the year, the House passed H.R. 2099 on
>July 31, 1995 which cut the Environmental Protection Agency's
>budget by one-third, to about \$4.9 billion in FY '96 (this is
>\$2.5 billion below the Clinton Administration's budget request).
>It also attempts to further restrict EPA enforcement and
>rulemaking activity through an additional 17 legislative riders
>(amendments) which attack water programs, Superfund, the Clean
>Air Act, the Delaney Clause, protections from lead, and the
>Community Right-to-Know Act of 1986. Reps. Sherwood Boehlert (R-NY) and
>Louis S
>tokens (D-OH) were able, with the help of 50
>Republicans to pass an amendment which deleted the riders.
>Unfortunately, the leadership forced a re-vote and the amendment
>failed in a tie vote.
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>SENATE STATUS -- The Senate Veterans Affairs, Housing & Urban
>Development and Independent Agencies Subcommittee will develop an
>appropriations bill in September. Senate Democratic leaders have
>already begun a campaign to ensure that the riders are excluded
>from the Senate bill.
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>WHITE HOUSE -- President Clinton has repeatedly threatened to
>veto what he calls a "polluter's protection act".
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>INTERIOR APPROPRIATIONS
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>HOUSE STATUS -- The House slashed millions from the FY '96
>budgets of the nation's Interior land management agencies. On
>July 18, 1995 the House passed its of H.R. 1977 by a vote of 244-181. The
>House
> did not choose to fund federal land acquisitions,
>but reinstated the mining patenting moratorium. Additionally, it
>gave only \$1 for the National Park Service to manage the newly
>created Mojave National Park, basically returning the area to the
>controversial control of to the Bureau of Land Management. The
>bill also prohibit the Forest Service from completing a new
>Tongass Land Management Plan and mandates instead a plan which
>allows for more timber to be harvested in the Tongass National
>Forest.
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>SENATE STATUS -- The Senate passed the \$12 billion spending bill,
>H.R. 1977, on August 10, 1995. The Senate did choose to fund
>some federal land acquisitions and restored funding for the
>Minerals Management Service and the Interior Columbia River Basin
>Ecosystem project which the House had terminated. Surprisingly,
>the Senate also gave \$4.5 million in funding for the Endangered
>Species Act, although they simultaneously implemented a one-year
>moratorium on listing new species until the act is reauthorized.
>The Senate also approved an amendment by Sen. Larry Craig (R-ID)
>allowing mining patents to be issued for the "fair market value"
>of the land, minus the subsurface mineral rights.
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>WHITE HOUSE -- Veto recommended by OMB and Interior Dept.
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>ARCTIC NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE -- The '96 budget resolution

>assumes there will be revenues from leasing the coastal plain of
>the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge, which includes two major
>Indian tribes, polar bear dens, a birthing ground for caribou,
>and musk ox and snow geese migratory paths. This puts pressure
>on the authorizing committee to approve drilling the Arctic or
>finding another source of \$1.3 billion in revenues.
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>HOUSE STATUS -- Reconciliation bill Scheduled for completion by
>authorizing committee on Sept. 29.
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>SENATE STATUS -- Still working on '96 budget resolution. An
>amendment offered by Sen. William Roth(R-DE) to the Budget
>Reconciliation bill to strip out the provision assuming Arctic
>drilling revenues was defeated. The Energy Committee is expected
>to take up the issue in September.
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>LOGGING WITHOUT LAWS -- The Budget Rescissions Act, Public Law
>104-19, was signed into law by President Clinton on July 27. It
>directs the Forest Service and Bureau of Land Management to begin
>the sale of salvage timber immediately, without regard to any
>environmental law. The Forest Service has promised to provide
>1.5 billion board feet for FY '95 and 3 billion board feet in FY
>'96, and has already prepared 800 million board feet.
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