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WASHINGTON -

All six members of the Federal Election Commission are expected to be in attendance today at a House Administration Committee multi-subject hearing on election-related legislation.

FEC Vice Chairman Robert O. Tiernan will testify before the Committee on behalf of the Commission's budget authorization request for fiscal year 1980.

In another segment of the hearing, FEC Chairman Joan Aikens has been invited to respond to questions relating to H.R. 1, the House bill on public financing of Congressional elections.

A third area of Committee interest to which the Commissioners have been asked to respond, concerns proposed regulations pertaining to the administration of the Presidential Primary Matching Payment Account Act. The proposed regulations were sent to the House of Representatives and to the Senate on February 16. The Congress has 30 legislative days from date of receipt to disapprove of the proposal, after which the FEC may, by law, formally prescribe them.

Expected to appear and testify with the Chairman and Vice Chairman are Commissioners Max L. Friedersdorf, Thomas Harris, John W. McGarry and Vernon W. Thompson.