MEASURE INDEFINITELY POSTPONED—S. RES. 19

Mr. LOTT. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that S. Res. 19, a resolution regarding committee funding, submitted earlier today be indefinitely postponed.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

ORDERS FOR TOMORROW

Mr. LOTT. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today it stand adjourned until 10 a.m., Thursday, January 5, and that when the Senate reconvenes the Journal of proceedings be deemed to have been approved to date, that the call of the calendar be waived, that no motions or resolutions come over under the rule, that the morning hour be deemed to have expired, and that the time until 10:15 a.m. be reserved for the two leaders. I further ask unanimous consent that at 10:15 the Senate resume consideration of Senate Resolution 14 under the terms of the previous agreement.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

Mr. LOTT. Mr. President, if there are no further Senators seeking recognition, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate stand in adjournment under the previous order.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Will the Senator withhold for a moment?

APPOINTMENTS BY THE DEMOCRATIC LEADER

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Chair announces the following two appointments made by the Democratic leader, the Senator from Maine [Mr. MITCHELL], during the sine die adjournment:

Pursuant to provisions of Public Law 103–236, the appointment of Senator MOYNIHAN and Samuel P. Huntington, of New York, as members of the Commission on Protecting and Reducing Government Secrecy.

Pursuant to provisions of Public Law 100–458, Sec. 114(b)(1)(2), the reappointment of William Winter to a 6-year term on the Board of Trustees of the John C. Stennis Center for Public Training and Development, effective Oct. 11, 1994.

APPOINTMENT BY THE REPUBLICAN LEADER

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Chair announces the following appointment made by the Republican leader, the Senator from Kansas [Mr. DOLE], during the sine die adjournment:

Pursuant to provisions of Public Law 103-359, the appointment of Senator JOHN WARNER of Virginia, and David H. Dewhurst of Texas, as members of the Commission on the Roles and Capabilities of the United States Intelligence Community.

APPOINTMENT BY THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Chair announces the following appointment made by the President pro tempore, Senator BYRD of West Virginia, during the sine die adjournment:

Pursuant to provisions of Public Law 103–394, and upon the recommendation of the Republican leader, the appointment of James I. Shepard, of California, as a member of the National Bankruptcy Review Commission.

MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Messages from the President of the United States were communicated to the Senate by one of his secretaries.

EXECUTIVE MESSAGES REFERRED

As in executive session the Presiding Officer laid before the Senate messages from the President of the United States submitting sundry nominations which were referred to the appropriate committees.

(The nominations received today are printed at the end of the Senate proceedings.)

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

At 3:03 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Hays, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has agreed to the following resolutions:

H. Res. 2. Resolution informing the Senate that a quorum of the House of Representatives has assembled.

H. Res. 3. Resolution notifying the President of the United States that a quorum of each House has assembled and Congress is ready to receive any communication that he may be pleased to make.

MEASURE PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The following bill was read the first and second times by unanimous consent, and placed on the calendar:

S. 2. A bill to make certain laws applicable to the legislative branch of the Federal Government.

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with accompanying papers, reports, and documents, which were referred as indicated:

EC-1. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting, consistent with the War Powers Resolution, a report on deployment of a U.S. Army peacekeeping contingent as part of the United Nations Protection Force in the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia (received on December 22, 1994); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-2. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting, consistent with the Use of Military Force Against Iraq Resolution, a report on the status of efforts to obtain Iraq's compliance with the resolutions adopted by the U.N. Security Council (received on January 3, 1995); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-3. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, the third monthly report on the situation in Haiti (received on January 3, 1995); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS

The following petitions and memorials were laid before the Senate and were referred or ordered to lie on the table as indicated:

POM-1. A petition from a citizen of the State of California; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

PETITION FOR ELECTION CONTEST

INTRODUCTION

Now comes Petitioner and contestant Michael Huffington before the Senate of the United States. Petitioner prays that the Senate deny Dianne Feinstein a seat in the 104th Congress of the United States on the grounds that she has not been "duly elected" by a majority of legal ballots cast in the State of California in the election held on November 8, 1994. In the alternative, Petitioner asks that if the Senate seats Feinstein, it do so without prejudice because the misconduct, irregularities and fraud in the California election system were so widespread that the true results of the election cannot be known. Furthermore, Petitioner is informed and believes that additional investigation by the Senate before her seating becomes final will make clear that the serious systemic problems in California's and the nation's voter registration and verification system are so pervasive as to render the results of the 1994 California Senate election invalid.

JURISDICTION

1. The Senate of the United States, pursuant to Article 1, Section 5, clause 1 of the Constitution of the United States, is "the Judge of the Elections, Returns, and Qualifications of its own Members" and has final jurisdiction over election contests concerning its Members.

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2. The Petitioner and contestant, Republican Party candidate for the Office of United States Senator from the State of California in the November 8, 1994 general election, is an elector and citizen of the State of California and the United States and a legal voter in the State of California in the November 8, 1994 general election. He is qualified to bring this petition, and brings this action as a contestant and on behalf of the almost 4,000,000 voters of the State who cast legal ballots on his behalf.

3. Dianne Feinstein, the Democrat candidate for the office of United States Senator from the State of California in the November 8, 1994 general election, was certified as the winner of the election by approximately 160,000 votes by the California Secretary of State on December 16, 1994, prior to numerous of the facts alleged herein being known.

FACTUAL ALLEGATIONS

4. Article I, Section 4, clause 2 of the Constitution of the United States grants the states the power to prescribe the time, places, and manner of holding elections for United States Senators and Representatives, subject to the congressional power to preempt state law on this subject.

5. The State of California has adopted a comprehensive California State Elections