

Wednesday, January 18, 1995

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S1017-S1128

Measures Introduced: Ten bills and four resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 233-242, S.J. Res. 20, and S. Res. 62-64. **Page S1070**

Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows: Special Report entitled "Committee Activities of the Select Committee on Intelligence for the period January 4, 1993, through December 1, 1994." (S. Rept. No. 104-4).

S. Res. 62, authorizing expenditures by the Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

S. Res. 64, authorizing expenditures by the Committee on Veterans' Affairs. **Page S1069**

Unfunded Mandates: Senate continued consideration of S. 1, to curb the practice of imposing unfunded Federal mandates on States and local governments; to strengthen the partnership between the Federal Government and State, local, and tribal governments; to end the imposition, in the absence of full consideration by Congress, of Federal mandates on State, local, and tribal governments without adequate funding, in a manner that may displace other essential governmental priorities; and to ensure that the Federal Government pays the costs incurred by those governments in complying with certain requirements under Federal statutes and regulations, with certain excepted committee amendments, taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows: **Pages S1024-69**

Adopted:

(1) By 99 yeas to 1 nay (Vote No. 23), Dole Modified Amendment No. 139 (to Amendment No. 31), in the nature of a substitute. **Pages S1028-40**

(2) By 93 yeas to 5 nays (Vote No. 24), Bradley Amendment No. 141 (to Amendment No. 31), to express the sense of the Senate that States should not shift costs to local governments. **Pages S1047-49, S1058-59, S1060**

(3) By a unanimous vote of 99 yeas (Vote No. 25), Boxer Amendment No. 142 (to Amendment No. 31), to express the sense of the Senate that the Attorney General should act immediately to protect reproductive health care clinics. **Pages S1049-58, S1060-61**

Pending:

Committee amendment number 11, beginning on page 25, line 11, pertaining to committee jurisdiction. **Pages S1024-25**

Gorton Amendment No. 31 (to committee amendment number 11), to prohibit the approval or certification of certain national history standards proposed by the National Center for History in Schools. **Pages S1025-69**

Levin/Kempthorne/Glenn Amendment No. 143, to provide for the infeasibility of the Congressional Budget Office making a cost estimate for Federal intergovernmental mandates. **Pages S1059-60**

Bumpers Amendment No. 144 (to Amendment No. 31), to authorize collection of certain State and local taxes with respect to the sale, delivery, and use of tangible personal property. **Pages S1061-69**

During consideration of this measure today, by unanimous-consent, committee amendment number 11, beginning on page 25, line 11, pertaining to committee jurisdiction, was modified. **Page S1063**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill and Levin Amendment No. 143, listed above, on Thursday, January 19, with a vote to occur thereon at 11:30 a.m., following which Senate will vote on a motion to close further debate on the bill.

A second motion was entered to close further debate on the bill and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on the cloture motion could occur on Friday, January 20. **Pages S1064-65**

Senate will resume consideration of the bill on Thursday, January 19.

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

S. David Fineman, of Pennsylvania, to be a Governor of the United States Postal Service for the term expiring December 8, 2003. **Page S1128**

Communications: **Pages S1069-70**

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Record Votes: Three record votes were taken today. (Total—25) Pages S1040, S1060–61

Recess: Senate convened at 11:30 a.m., and recessed at 9:17 p.m., until 9 a.m., on Thursday, January 19, 1995. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's RECORD on page S1128.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

LINE-ITEM VETO

Committee on the Budget: Committee concluded hearings on S. 4, to grant the power to the President to reduce budget authority, and S. 14, to provide for the expedited consideration of certain proposed cancellations of budget items, after receiving testimony from Senators McCain, Coats, and Bradley; and Alice M. Rivlin, Director, Office of Management and Budget.

BALANCED BUDGET AMENDMENT

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee ordered favorably reported S.J. Res. 1, proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States to require a balanced budget.

ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

Committee on Labor and Human Resources: Committee ordered favorably reported an original resolution (S. Res. 62), requesting \$4,018,405 for operating expenses for the period from March 1, 1995 through February 29, 1996, and \$4,111,256 for operating expenses for the period from March 1, 1996 through February 28, 1997.

Also, committee adopted its rules of procedure for the 104th Congress, and announced the following subcommittee assignments:

Subcommittee on Aging: Senators Gregg (Chairman), Kassebaum, Coats, Ashcroft, Mikulski, Simon, Wellstone, and Kennedy (ex officio).

Subcommittee on Children and Families: Senators Coats (Chairman), Jeffords, DeWine, Ashcroft, Abraham, Kassebaum (ex officio), Dodd, Pell, Harkin, Wellstone, and Kennedy (ex officio).

Subcommittee on Disability Policy: Senators Frist (Chairman), Jeffords, DeWine, Gorton, Kassebaum (ex officio), Harkin, Kennedy, and Simon.

Subcommittee on Education, Arts, and Humanities: Senators Jeffords (Chairman), Kassebaum, Coats, Gregg, Frist, DeWine, Ashcroft, Abraham, Gorton, Pell, Kennedy, Dodd, Simon, Harkin, Mikulski, and Wellstone.

JOB CORPS PROGRAM

Committee on Labor and Human Resources: Committee held oversight hearings to examine performance, accountability, and the incidence of violence at Job Corps sites, receiving testimony from Gerald W. Peterson, Millersville, Maryland, former Assistant Inspector General for Audit, Department of Labor; Ron Stallworth, Utah Department of Public Safety, Salt Lake City; Fred Freeman, Jr., Carlisle, Pennsylvania; Rhonda Wheeler, Ventura, California; Randall B. Godinet, San Diego, California; Shirley D. Sakos, Piscataway, New Jersey; Karen Anderson, St. Paul, Minnesota; and Luis Melendez, New York, New York.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

COMMITTEE BUDGET REQUESTS

Committee on Rules and Administration: Committee held hearings to receive testimony from Senators, as indicated, in support of resolutions requesting funds for operating expenses of their respective committees for periods from March 1, 1995, through February 29, 1996, and from March 1, 1996, through February 28, 1997, as follows:

Committee on the Budget: (S. Res. 50), Senators Domenici and Exon;

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: (S. Res. 39), Senators Murkowski and Johnston;

Committee on Finance: (S. Res. 36), Senators Packwood and Moynihan;

Special Committee on Aging: (S. Res. 55), Senators Cohen and Pryor;

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: (S. Res. 53), Senators Lugar and Leahy;

Committee on the Judiciary: (S. Res. 54), Senators Hatch and Biden;

Committee on Foreign Relations: (S. Res. 41), Senators Helms and Pell; and

Committee on Small Business: (S. Res. 51), Senators Bond and Bumpers.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

COMMITTEE BUDGET

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Committee approved for reporting an original resolution (S. Res. 64), requesting \$1,036,481 for operating expenses for the period from March 1, 1995 through February 29, 1996, and \$1,060,341 for operating expenses for the period from March 1, 1996 through February 28, 1997.

INTELLIGENCE

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee held closed hearings on intelligence matters, receiving testimony from officials of the intelligence community.

Committee will meet again on Wednesday, January 25.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Fourteen public bills, H.R. 552–565; and one resolution, H.J. Res. 55, were introduced. Page H325

Reports Filed: The following reports were filed as follows:

H. Res. 38, providing for the consideration of H.R. 5, the Unfunded Mandate Reform Act of 1995 (H. Rept. 104–2); and

H. Res. 1, proposing a balanced budget amendment to the Constitution of the United States, amended (H. Rept. 104–3). Page H325

Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designates Representative Stearns to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. Page H299

Ruling of the Chair: By a yea-and-nay vote of 214 yeas to 169 nays, Roll No. 17, agreed to the Linder motion to table the Volkmer motion to appeal a ruling of the Chair. Pages H301–02

Subsequently agreed to strike certain words from the RECORD (agreed to by a yea-and-nay vote of 217 yeas to 178 nays, Roll No. 18). Pages H302–03

Motion to Adjourn: By a yea-and-nay vote of 152 yeas to 247 nays, Roll No. 19, rejected the Mfume motion to adjourn. Pages H305–06

Quorum Calls—Votes: Two yea-and-nay votes and one recorded vote developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H301–02, H302–03, and H305–06.

Adjournment: Met at 11:00 a.m. and adjourned at 3:05 p.m.

Committee Meetings

ENERGY AND WATER DEVELOPMENT APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development held a hearing on Downsizing Government. Testimony was heard from Vic Rezendes, Director, Energy Issues, GAO; and public witnesses.

INTERIOR APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Interior (and Related Agencies) held a hearing on the Secretary of the Interior. Testimony was heard from Bruce Babbitt, Secretary of the Interior.

LABOR—HHS—EDUCATION AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor—Health and Human Services—Education (and Related Agencies) held a hearing on Secretary of Education/Downsizing/GAO, and on Secretary of Labor/Downsizing/GAO. Testimony was heard from Richard W. Riley, Secretary of Education; Robert B. Reich, Secretary of Labor; officials of GAO; and public witnesses.

TREASURY—POSTAL SERVICE—GENERAL GOVERNMENT APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Treasury—Postal Service—General Government held a hearing on Downsizing Government/Federal Personnel. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

CONTRACT WITH AMERICA: WELFARE REFORM

Committee on Economic and Educational Opportunities: Held a hearing on Contract With America: Welfare Reform. Testimony was heard from Gerald Miller, Director, Department of Social Services, State of Michigan; and public witnesses.

CURRENT INTELLIGENCE AND OPERATIONS

Committee on National Security: Met in executive session to receive a briefing on current intelligence and operations. The Committee was briefed by the following officials of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, Department of Defense: Maj. Gen. Patrick M. Hughes, USA, Director, Intelligence (J–2); and Maj. Gen. Jared Bates, USA, Deputy Director, Operations (J–3).

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Resources: Ordered reported the following measures: H.R. 101, amended, to transfer a parcel of land to the Taos Indians of New Mexico; H.R. 256, to withdraw and reserve certain public lands and minerals within the State of Colorado for military use; H.R. 400, to provide for the exchange of lands within the Gates of the Arctic National Wildlife Park and Preserve; H.R. 440, to provide for the conveyance of lands to certain individuals in Butte County, CA; and H.J. Res. 50, designate the visitors center at the Channel Islands National Park, CA, as the “Robert J. Lagomarsino Visitors Center.”

UNFUNDED MANDATE REFORM ACT

Committee on Rules: By a record vote of 8 to 3, granted an open rule with two hours of debate, divided

between the Committees on Government Reform and Oversight and Rules, on H.R. 5, Unfunded Mandate Reform Act of 1995. The rule makes in order an amendment in the nature of a substitute printed in the Rules Committee report as original text for amendment purposes, to be considered by title rather than section. The rule also gives priority in recognition to Members who have pre-printed amendments in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD prior to their consideration. The rule provides one motion to recommit, with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Chairman Clinger and Representatives Collins of Illinois, Moran, and Sabo.

CONTRACT WITH AMERICA—SMALL BUSINESS TAX PROPOSALS

Committee on Small Business: Held a hearing on Tax Policy and Small Business (overview of small business tax proposals as contained in the Contract With America and beyond). Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

COMMITTEE ORGANIZATION

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation met for organizational purposes.

CONTRACT WITH AMERICA

Committee on Ways and Means: Continued hearings on proposals contained in the Contract With America, with emphasis on provisions to strengthen the American family. Testimony was heard from Representatives Dornan, Smith of New Jersey, Vucanovich, Buyer, and Weller; and public witnesses.

Hearings continued tomorrow.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, JANUARY 19, 1995

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on VA, HUD, and Independent Agencies, to hold hearings to examine the management and budget process at the Department of Housing and Urban Development, 9:30 a.m., SD-192.

Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, to hold hearings to examine charter schools, 2 p.m., SD-192.

Committee on Armed Services, to hold hearings on the condition of the Armed Forces and future trends, 9:30 a.m., SR-222.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, to hold hearings on the nomination of Robert Pitofsky, of Maryland, to be a Federal Trade Commissioner, 2 p.m., SR-253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, to hold hearings to review the implications of the North Korean nuclear framework agreement, 2 p.m., SD-366.

Committee on Labor and Human Resources, to continue oversight hearings on the activities of the Job Corps, 10 a.m., SD-430.

Committee on Rules and Administration, to continue hearings on proposed committee resolutions requesting funds for operating expenses for 1995 and 1996, 9:15 a.m., SR-301.

NOTICE

For a listing of Senate Committee Meetings scheduled ahead, see pages E126 in today's RECORD.

House

Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Interior (and Related Agencies), on Secretary of Energy, 10 a.m., and on Chief of Forest Service, 1:30 p.m., B-308 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Labor—Health and Human Service—Education (and Related Agencies), on Corporation for Public Broadcasting, 9:30 a.m., 2358 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Treasury—Postal Service—General Government, on Downsizing Government/GSA Construction and Leasing, 10 a.m., H-163 Capitol.

Committee on Commerce, Subcommittee on Telecommunications and Finance, hearing on Title II, Reform of Private Securities Litigation, of H.R. 10, Common Sense Legal Reforms Act of 1995, 9:30 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Economic and Educational Opportunities, Subcommittee on Postsecondary Education, Training and Life-Long Learning, hearing on Contract With America: Welfare Reform/JOBS Program, 9:30 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight, Subcommittee on National Economic Growth, National Resources and Regulatory Affairs, hearing on H.R. 450, Regulatory Transition Act of 1995, 9:30 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on International Relations, to continue hearings on Evaluating U.S. Foreign Policy, Part II, 9:30 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on Crime, hearing on issues related to H.R. 3, Taking Back our Streets Act of 1995, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on National Security, hearing on the adequacy of the Administration's defense funding plan, 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Committee on Small Business, hearing on Tax—Home Office Deduction, 10 a.m., and Tax—Independent Contractor Status, 2 p.m., 2359 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, Subcommittee on Surface Transportation, to hold an organizational meeting, 10:15 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment, to hold an organizational meeting, 9 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Committee on Ways and Means, to continue hearing on proposals contained in the Contract With America, with emphasis on provisions to strengthen the American family, 10 a.m., 1100 Rayburn.

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, hearing on Intelligence Support to the United Nations, 2 p.m., H-405 Capitol.

Joint Meetings

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe, to hold hearings to examine the continued Russian assault on the

self-proclaimed Chechen Republic, focusing on its impact on Russian domestic policy and implications for international relations in the post-cold-war period, 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn Building.

Next Meeting of the SENATE
9 a.m., Thursday, January 19

Senate Chamber

Program for Thursday: After the recognition of nine Senators for speeches and the transaction of any morning business (not to extend beyond 11 a.m.), Senate will resume consideration of S. 1, Unfunded Mandates.

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
10 a.m., Thursday, January 19

House Chamber

Program For Thursday: Consideration of H.R. 5, the Unfunded Mandate Reform Act of 1995 (modified rule, two hours of general debate).

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