

Wednesday, February 1, 1995

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

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Senate

Chamber Action

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Measures Introduced: Twenty-four bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 308–331, and S. Res. 75 and 76. Page S1920

Measures Passed:

National Women and Girls in Sports Day: Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 37, designating February 2, 1995, and February 1, 1996, as “National Women and Girls in Sports Day”, and the resolution was then agreed to. Pages S1919–20

Balanced Budget Constitutional Amendment: Senate continued consideration of H.J. Res. 1, proposing a balanced budget amendment to the Constitution of the United States. Pages S1880–S1919

Senate will resume consideration of the resolution on Thursday, February 2.

Measures Referred: Page S1920

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Recess: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and recessed at 5:31 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Thursday, February 2, 1995. (For Senate’s program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today’s RECORD on page S1968.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

AUTHORIZATION—CFTC

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: Committee ordered favorably reported S. 178, authorizing

funds for fiscal years 1995 through 2000 for the Commodity Futures Trading Commission.

FEDERAL ENTITLEMENTS

Committee on the Budget: Committee held hearings to examine issues relative to restructuring the Federal budget process, focusing on baseline projections for Federal entitlements, including health and farm programs, receiving testimony from Paul Van de Water, Assistant Director for Budget Affairs, Congressional Budget Office; Kevin B. Piper, Wisconsin Bureau of Health Care Financing, Madison; Bruce Gardner, University of Maryland, College Park; and Marilyn Moon, Urban Institute, Washington, DC.

Committee will meet again tomorrow.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Committee ordered favorably reported, with an amendment, S. 244, authorizing funds for fiscal years 1996–2000 for the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs of the Office of Management and Budget to strengthen the goals of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1980 by having Federal agencies become more responsible and accountable for reducing the burden of Federal paperwork on the public.

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

Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations: Senators Roth (Chairman), Stevens, Cohen, Thompson, Cochran, Grassley, McCain, Smith, Nunn, Glenn, Levin, Pryor, Lieberman, Akaka, and Dorgan.

Subcommittee on Post Office and Civil Service: Senators Stevens (Chairman), Cochran, McCain, Smith, Pryor, Akaka, and Dorgan.

Subcommittee on Oversight of Government Management and the District of Columbia: Senators Cohen (Chairman), Thompson, Cochran, Grassley, McCain, Levin, Pryor, Lieberman, and Akaka.

CONGRESSIONAL TERM LIMITS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Constitution, Federalism and Property Rights approved for full committee consideration, with amendments, S.J. Res. 21, proposing a constitutional amendment to limit congressional terms.

ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

Committee on Veterans Affairs: Committee met and adopted its rules of procedure for the 104th Congress.

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, February 8.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Twenty-five public bills, H.R. 766–790; and two resolutions, H. Con. Res. 21 and H. Res. 56, were introduced. **Pages H1050–51**

Report Filed: One Report was filed as follows: H. Res. 55, providing for the consideration of H.R. 2, to give the President item veto authority over appropriation Acts and targeted tax benefits in revenue Acts (H. Rept. 104–15). **Page H1012**

Unfunded Mandate Reform: By a recorded vote of 360 ayes to 74 noes, Roll No. 83, the House passed H.R. 5, to curb the practice of imposing unfunded Federal mandates on States and local governments, to ensure that the Federal Government pays the costs incurred by those governments in complying with certain requirements under Federal statutes and regulations, and to provide information on the cost of Federal mandates in the private sector.

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Rejected the Collins of Illinois motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight. **Page H1006**

Agreed to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Page H1006**

Rejected:

The Sanders amendment that sought to require the Congressional Budget Office [CBO] to prepare a health care impact statement which would provide an estimate of the health care costs that would result if the particular mandate is not enacted or enforced; and a quantitative assessment of mandate benefits including benefits to human health, welfare, and the environment (rejected by a recorded vote of 145 ayes to 283 noes, Roll No. 80); **Page H986**

The Doggett amendment that sought to provide that the bill would cease to be effective on January 3, 2000, and would then require congressional reau-

thorization in order for its provisions to remain in effect (rejected by a recorded vote of 145 ayes to 283 noes, Roll No. 81); and **Pages H991–92**

The Moran amendment, in the nature of the substitute, that sought to insert the text of H.R. 1295, Fiscal Accountability and Intergovernmental Reform Act (rejected by a recorded vote of 152 ayes to 278 noes, Roll No. 82). **Page H1001**

The following amendments were offered but subsequently withdrawn:

The Mineta amendment that sought to clarify the definition that a “Federal intergovernmental mandate” does not include any provision that preempts State, local, or tribal governments from engaging in economic regulation; and ensure that legislation deregulating various industries would not be subject to points of order; and **Page H982**

The Volkmer amendment that sought to provide that legislation establishing conditions for receipts of Federal assistance, or duties arising from participation in the voluntary program, would be considered as imposing a Federal intergovernmental mandate. **Page H988**

Subsequently, S. 1, a similar Senate-passed measure, was passed, after being amended to contain the language of the House bill as passed. Agreed to amend the title of the Senate bill. **Page H1012**

House then insisted on its amendments to S. 1 and asked a conference. Appointed as conferees: Representatives Clinger, Dreier, Portman, Davis, Condit, Collins of Illinois, Towns, and Moakley. **Page H1012**

The Clerk was authorized to make technical corrections in the engrossment of the House amendment to the Senate bill, to include corrections in spelling, punctuation, section numbering, and cross-referencing and the insertion of appropriate headings. **Page H1012**

Arctic National Park and Preserve Land Exchange: By a yea-and-nay vote of 427 yeas with 1 voting "present", Roll No. 84, the House passed H.R. 400, to provide for the exchange of lands within Gates of the Arctic National Park and Preserve.

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H. Res. 52, the rule under which the bill was considered, was agreed to earlier by voice vote.

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Butte County, California Land Transfer: House passed H.R. 440, to provide for the conveyance of lands to certain individuals in Butte County, California.

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H. Res. 53, the rule under which the bill was considered, was agreed to earlier by voice vote.

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New Mexico Land Transfer: House passed H.R. 101, to transfer a parcel of land to the Taos Pueblo Indians of New Mexico.

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Agreed to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute.

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H. Res. 51, the rule under which the bill was considered, was agreed to earlier by voice vote.

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Agreed to the Waldholtz technical amendment to the rule.

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Committee To Sit: It was made in order that the following committees and their subcommittees be permitted to sit on Thursday, February 2, during the proceedings of the House under the five-minute rule: Economic and Educational Opportunities, Transportation and Infrastructure, Judiciary, Resources, Commerce, and International Relations.

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Robert Lagomarsino Visitors Center: House passed H.J. Res. 50, to designate the visitors center at the Channel Islands National Park California, as the "Robert J. Lagomarsino Visitors Center".

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Agreed to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute.

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Agreed to amend the title.

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Amendments Ordered Printed: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on pages H1052-73.

Quorum Calls—Votes: One yea-and-nay vote and four recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H986, H991-92, H1001, H1006, and H1019. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: Met at 11:00 a.m. and adjourned at 9:01 p.m.

Committee Meetings

FOOD STAMP PROGRAM—ENFORCEMENT AND RESPONSIBLE MANAGEMENT

Committee on Agriculture: Held a hearing on enforcement and responsible management of the Food Stamp Program. Testimony was heard from Representative Wyden; Roger A. Viadero, Inspector General, USDA; Robert H. Rasor, U.S. Secret Service, Department of the Treasury; and Robert Robinson, Associate Director, Food and Agriculture Issues, GAO.

LABOR—HHS—EDUCATION APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education and Related Agencies continued appropriation hearings. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

TREASURY, POSTAL SERVICE, AND GENERAL GOVERNMENT APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Treasury, Postal Service, and General Government held a hearing on Downsizing Government/Tax Compliance and Collections. Testimony was heard from Margaret Richardson, Commissioner, IRS, Department of the Treasury; Jennie Stathis, Director, Tax Policy and Administration Issues, General Government Division, GAO; and public witnesses.

JOB CREATION AND WAGE ENHANCEMENT ACT

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Commerce, Trade and Hazardous Materials and the Subcommittee on Health and the Environment held a joint hearing on Title III, Risk and Assessment and Cost/Benefit Analysis for New Regulations of H.R. 9, Job Creation and Wage Enhancement Act of 1995. Testimony was heard from Ben Nelson, Governor, State of Nebraska; Peter D. Venturini, Chief, Stationary Source Division, Environmental Protection Agency, State of California; Donald R. Schregardus, Director, Environmental Protection Agency, State of Ohio; and public witnesses.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

CONTRACT WITH AMERICA: NUTRITION

Committee on Economic and Educational Opportunities: Held a hearing on the Contract With America: Nutrition. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

MEXICO ECONOMIC CRISIS

Committee on International Affairs: Held a hearing on the Mexico Economic Crisis. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

**VIOLENT CRIMINAL INCARCERATION ACT;
EFFECTIVE DEATH PENALTY ACT**

Committee on the Judiciary: Ordered reported amended the following bills: H.R. 667, Violent Criminal Incarceration Act of 1995; and H.R. 729, Effective Death Penalty Act of 1995.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Fisheries, Wildlife and Oceans approved for full Committee action the following bills: H.R. 715, Sea of Okhotsk Fisheries Enforcement Act; H.R. 716, to extend authorization of the Fishermen's Protective Act until the year 1998; H.R. 541, amended, to reauthorize the Atlantic Tunas Convention Act of 1975; H.R. 622, to implement the Convention on Future Multilateral Cooperation in the Northwest Atlantic Fisheries; H.R. 535, amended, Corning National Fish Hatchery Conveyance Act; H.R. 584, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey the Corning National Fish Hatchery to the State of Arkansas; and H.R. 614, amended, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey the New London Fish Hatchery to the State of Iowa.

LINE-ITEM VETO ACT

Committee on Rules: By a non-recorded vote, granted an open rule providing 2 hours of debate on H.R. 2, Line-Item Veto Act of 1995. The rule makes in order an amendment in the nature of a substitute printed in the Rules Committee report as original bill for amendment purposes, which shall be considered as read. The rule waives clause 7, rule XVI (prohibiting non-germane amendments) against the amendment in the nature of a substitute. Priority in recognition will be given to Members who have pre-printed their amendments in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD prior to their consideration. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit, with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Chairman Clinger and Representatives Blute, Neumann, Collins of Illinois, Wise, Slaughter, Barrett of Wisconsin, and Obey.

UNFUNDED MANDATE REFORM ACT

Committee on Rules: By a non-recorded vote, granted a rule which provides for taking S. 1, Unfunded Mandate Reform Act of 1995, from the Speaker's table and considering it in the House. All points of order are waived against the Senate bill and against its consideration. The rule provides for a motion by the Chairman of the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight or a designee to strike all after the enacting clause and insert the text of H.R. 5, as passed by the House, and waives points of order against the motion. The rule provides 1 hour of de-

bate of the motion. The rule provides for one motion to commit. Finally, the rule makes in order a motion to insist on the House amendment and request a conference with the Senate.

HYDROGEN FUTURE ACT

Committee on Science: Held a hearing on H.R. 655, Hydrogen Future Act of 1995. Testimony was heard from Christine A. Ervin, Assistant Secretary, Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, Department of Energy; and public witnesses.

COMMITTEE OVERSIGHT PLANS

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Approved oversight plans for the 104th Congress for submission to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight and to the Committee on Oversight.

**UNFUNDED MANDATES AND
REGULATORY BURDENS ON AVIATION
INDUSTRY WITHOUT AFFECTING THE
SAFETY OF TRAVELING PUBLIC**

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Aviation held a hearing on ways to Reduce Unfunded Federal Mandates and Regulatory Burdens on the Aviation Industry without affecting the Safety of the Traveling Public. Testimony was heard from David Hinson, Administrator, FAA, Department of Transportation; and public witnesses.

CONTRACT WITH AMERICA

Committee on Ways and Means: Concluded hearings on the Contract With America, with emphasis on provisions designed to encourage savings and investment. Testimony was heard from Senator Smith; Representatives Allard, Barrett of Nebraska, and Walker; and public witnesses.

**COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 1995**

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

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

Subcommittee on Legislative Branch, to hold joint hearings with the House Committee on Appropriations' Subcommittee on the Legislative on downsizing Legislative Branch support agencies, 10 a.m., H-144, Capitol.

Committee on Armed Services, to hold hearings on the foundations of United States national strategy, 10 a.m., SH-216.

Committee on the Budget, to hold hearings to examine block grants and opportunities for devolution of Federal programs, 9:30 a.m., SD-608.

Committee on Finance, to hold hearings on the potential for targeted incentives to increase domestic savings, 9:30 a.m., SD-215.

Committee on Foreign Relations, to hold hearings on the nomination of Martin S. Indyk, of the District of Columbia, to be Ambassador to Israel, 2 p.m., SD-419.

Committee on Governmental Affairs, to continue hearings to examine Federal Government reform issues, focusing on information management systems, 9:30 a.m., SD-342.

Committee on Labor and Human Resources, Subcommittee on Education, Arts and Humanities, to hold hearings to examine education's impact on economic competitiveness, 9:30 a.m., SD-430.

NOTICE

For a listing of Senate Committee Meetings scheduled ahead, see pages E249 in today's RECORD.

House

Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development, executive, on Department of Energy's Reprogramming in Support of the North Korean Accord, 2 p.m., 2362B Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education and Related Agencies, on Public Witnesses, 10 a.m., 2358 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Military Construction, Quality of Life, 10 a.m., B-300 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Transportation, and Related Agencies, on Inspector General/Department of Transportation Programs, 11 a.m., 2358 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Veterans' Affairs, Housing and Urban Development, and Independent Agencies, on Restructuring Government, 10 a.m., and 2 p.m., H-143 Capitol.

Committee on Commerce, Subcommittee on Commerce, Trade and Hazardous Materials and the Subcommittee on Health and the Environment, to continue joint hearings on Title III, Risk and Assessment and Cost/Benefit Analysis for New Regulations, of H.R. 9, Job Creation and

Wage Enhancement Act of 1995, 9:30 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Economic and Educational Opportunities, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations and the Subcommittee on Regulation and Paperwork of the Committee on Small Business, joint hearing on "The Impact of Workplace and Employment Regulation on Business," 10 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on International Relations, Subcommittee on Asia and the Pacific, hearing on U.S. Economic Opportunities and Barriers in Asia and the Pacific, 2 p.m., 2200 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on International Operations and Human Rights, hearing on Country Reports on Human Rights Practices for 1994, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary, to mark up H.R. 728, Local Government Law Enforcement Block Grants Act of 1995, 9:30 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Resources, Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Lands, hearing on the following bills: H.R. 694, Minor Boundary Adjustments and Miscellaneous Park Amendments Act of 1995; H.R. 606, to amend the Dayton Aviation Heritage Preservation Act of 1992; and H.R. 621, to amend the act of January 26, 1915, establishing Rocky Mountain National Park, to provide for the protection of certain lands in Rocky Mountain National Park and along North St. Vrain Creek, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation, hearing on the Shipping Act of 1984, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Committee on Ways and Means, Subcommittee on Human Resources, to continue hearings on H.R. 4, Personal Responsibility Act, 9 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

Joint Meetings

Joint Hearing: Senate Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Legislative Branch, to hold joint hearings with the House Committee on Appropriations' Subcommittee on the Legislative on downsizing Legislative Branch support agencies, 10 a.m., H-144, Capitol.

Résumé of Congressional Activity

FIRST SESSION OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH CONGRESS

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

DATA ON LEGISLATIVE ACTIVITY

January 4 through January 31, 1995

	<i>Senate</i>	<i>House</i>	<i>Total</i>
Days in session	19	16	..
Time in session	169 hrs., 00'	115 hrs., 07'	..
Congressional Record:			
Pages of proceedings	S 1862	H 937	..
Extensions of Remarks .....	..	237	..
Public bills enacted into law	1	..	1
Private bills enacted into law .....	..	..	..
Bills in conference .....	..	..	..
Measures passed, total	48	31	79
Senate bills	3	2	..
House bills	1	1	..
Senate joint resolutions .....	..	..	..
House joint resolutions .....	..	1	..
Senate concurrent resolutions .....	..	..	..
House concurrent resolutions	1	3	..
Simple resolutions	43	24	..
Measures reported, total	*21	*14	35
Senate bills	1	..	..
House bills .....	..	5	..
Senate joint resolutions	1	..	..
House joint resolutions .....	..	2	..
Senate concurrent resolutions .....	..	..	..
House concurrent resolutions .....	..	..	..
Simple resolutions	19	7	..
Special reports	1	..	..
Conference reports .....	..	..	..
Measures pending on calendar	16	8	..
Measures introduced, total	409	905	1,314
Bills	307	765	..
Joint resolutions	26	66	..
Concurrent resolutions	4	10	..
Simple resolutions	72	54	..
Quorum calls	2	5	..
Yea-and-nay votes	61	22	..
Recorded votes .....	..	52	..
Bills vetoed .....	..	..	..
Vetoes overridden .....	..	..	..

DISPOSITION OF EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS

January 4 through January 31, 1995

Civilian nominations, totaling 122, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	1
Unconfirmed	121
Civilian nominations (FS, PHS, CG, NOAA), totaling 436, disposed of as follows:	
Unconfirmed	436
Air Force nominations, totaling 9,490, disposed of as follows:	
Unconfirmed	9,490
Army nominations, totaling 2,627, disposed of as follows:	
Unconfirmed	2,627
Navy nominations, totaling 921, disposed of as follows:	
Unconfirmed	921
Marine Corps nominations, totaling 109, disposed of as follows:	
Unconfirmed	109
<i>Summary</i>	
Total nominations received this session	13,705
Total confirmed	1
Total unconfirmed	13,704

*These figures include all measures reported, even if there was no accompanying report. A total of 6 reports has been filed in the Senate; a total of 14 reports has been filed in the House.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

9:30 a.m., Thursday, February 2

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

10 a.m., Thursday, February 2

Senate Chamber

Program for Thursday: After the recognition of four Senators for speeches and the transaction of any morning business (not to extend beyond 10:30 a.m.), Senate will continue consideration of H.J. Res. 1, Balanced Budget Constitutional Amendment.

House Chamber

Program for Thursday and Friday: Consideration of H.R. 2, Line-Item Veto Legislation (open rule, two hours of general debate).

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