

Wednesday, October 25, 1995

# Daily Digest

## Senate

### Chamber Action

*Routine Proceedings, pages S15595–S15705*

**Measures Introduced:** Three bills were introduced, as follows: S. 1361–1363. **Page S15686**

**Measures Reported:** Reports were made as follows: S. 1097, to designate the Federal building located at 1550 Dewey Avenue, Baker City, Oregon, as the "David J. Wheeler Federal Building".

**Budget Reconciliation:** Senate began consideration of S. 1357, to provide for reconciliation pursuant to section 105 of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 1996, with the following motions/amendments pending thereto:

**Pages S15599–S15606, S15615–83**

(1) Rockefeller motion to commit the bill to the Committee on Finance with instructions.

**Pages S15616–51**

(2) Brown Modified Amendment No. 2949 (to instructions of motion to commit), instructions that the committee should consider the findings of the trustees of the Federal Insurance Trust Fund.

**Pages S15631–51**

(3) Abraham Amendment No. 2950, to establish beneficiary incentive programs to collect information on fraud and abuse against the medicare program and to collect information on program efficiency.

**Pages S15651–75**

(4) Harkin Amendment No. 2957 (to Amendment No. 2950), to strengthen efforts to combat Medicare waste, fraud and abuse.

**Pages S15670–75**

(5) Bradley motion to commit the bill to the Committee on Finance with instructions.

**Pages S15676–83**

(6) Nickles/Brown Amendment No. 2958 (to Bradley motion to commit the bill), to increase the Earned Income Tax Credit for families.

**Pages S15681–83**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for consideration of certain amendments/motions to be proposed to the bill.

**Pages S15682–83, S15705**

Senate will continue consideration of the bill on Thursday, October 26, 1995.

### Appointments:

*Advisory Commission on Intergovernmental Relations:* The Chair, on behalf of the Vice President, pursuant to Public Law 86–380, appointed Senator Thomas to the Advisory Commission on Intergovernmental Relations, vice Senator Dorgan.

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**Messages From the House:** **Pages S15685–86**

**Measures Referred:** **Page S15686**

**Statements on Introduced Bills:** **Pages S15686–87**

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**Amendments Submitted:** **Pages S15687–99**

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**Additional Statements:** **Pages S15699–S15704**

**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 10 a.m., and adjourned at 11:58 p.m., until 9 a.m., on Thursday, October 26, 1995. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's RECORD on page S15705.)

### Committee Meetings

*(Committees not listed did not meet)*

### NOMINATIONS

*Committee on Armed Services:* Committee met in closed session to consider pending military nominations, but did not take final action thereon, and recessed subject to call.

### RELIGIOUS LIBERTY

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Committee concluded hearings to examine the status of religious liberty in the United States and whether there is a need for further legal protection, after receiving testimony from Walter E. Dellinger, Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legal Counsel, Department of Justice; Cathleen A. Cleaver, Family Research Council, David Saperstein, Religious Action Center of Reform Judaism, J. Brent Walker, Baptist Joint Committee, Louis P. Sheldon, Traditional Values Coalition, and Kevin J. Hasson, The Becket Fund for Religious Liberty, all of Washington, D.C.