

Friday, November 17, 1995

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHT

House passed the conference report on the balanced budget and Bosnia deployment bill.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S17203–S17420

Measures Introduced: Six bills were introduced, as follows: S. 1418–1423. **Page 17336**

Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:
S. 755, to amend the Atomic Energy Act of 1954 to provide for the privatization of the United States Enrichment Corporation, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 104–173)

S. 1341, to provide for the transfer of certain lands to the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community and the city of Scottsdale, Arizona, with amendments. (S. Rept. No. 104–174) **Page 17336**

Measures Passed:

Coast Guard Authorizations: Senate passed S. 1004, to authorize appropriations for the United States Coast Guard, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, and agreeing to the following amendments proposed thereto:

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Adopted:

(1) Lott (for Stevens) Amendment No. 3058, to make technical corrections. **Pages S17393–94**

(2) Lott (for Stevens) Amendment No. 3059, to clarify the financial responsibility requirements for offshore facilities. **Pages S17394–97**

(3) Lott (for Kerry) Amendment No. 3060, to provide for the deauthorization of a navigation project in Cohasset Harbor, Massachusetts.

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National Family Week: Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 146, designating the week beginning November 19, 1995, and the week beginning on November 24, 1996, as "National Family Week", and the resolution was then agreed to. **Page S17420**

National Highway System Designation Act—Conference Report: By 80 yeas to 16 nays (Vote

No. 582), Senate agreed to the conference report on S. 440, to amend title 23, United States Code, to provide for the designation of the National Highway System. **Pages S17203–27**

Budget Reconciliation—Conference Report: By 52 yeas to 47 nays (Vote No. 584), Senate receded from its amendment to H.R. 2491, to provide for reconciliation pursuant to section 105 of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 1996, and concurred therein with a further amendment. (Pursuant to the Budget Act, that amendment is the text of the conference report (H. Rept. No. 104–350), excluding the provisions stricken on the point of order, listed below.)

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During consideration of this measure today, Senate also took the following action:

By 54 yeas to 45 nays (Vote No. 583), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, not having voted in the affirmative, Senate failed to waive the Congressional Budget Act with respect to consideration of Section 1853(f) of the Social Security Act as added by Section 8001 of the bill. Subsequently, a point of order that the bill was in violation of section 313(b)(1) (A) and (D) of the Congressional Budget Act was sustained, and the provisions were stricken from the bill. **Pages S17315–27**

Securities Litigation Reform Act: Senate insisted on its amendments to H.R. 1058, to amend the Federal securities laws to curb certain abusive practices in private securities litigation, agreed to the request of the House for a conference thereon, and the Chair appointed the following conferees: Senators D'Amato, Gramm, Bond, Grams, Domenici, Sarbanes, Dodd, Kerry, and Bryan. **Pages S17361–62**

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Record Votes: Three record votes were taken today. (Total—584) Page S17227, S17327, S17330

Recess: Senate convened at 10 a.m., and recessed at 10:07 p.m., until 9:15 a.m., on Saturday, November 18, 1995. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's RECORD on page S17245.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

PARTIAL-BIRTH ABORTION BAN

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded hearings on H.R. 1833, to ban partial-birth abor-

tions, after receiving testimony from Douglas W. Kmiec, University of Notre Dame, Notre Dame, Indiana, former Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legal Counsel, Department of Justice; Pamela Smith, Mount Sinai Hospital Medical Center, Chicago, Illinois; Mary Campbell, Planned Parenthood of Metropolitan Washington, Helen Alvare, National Conference of Catholic Bishops, and Louis Michael Seidman, Georgetown University Law Center, all of Washington, D.C.; J. Courtland Robinson, Johns Hopkins School of Medicine, Baltimore, Maryland; Norig Ellison, American Society of Anesthesiologists, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; Nancy G. Romer, Wright State University School of Medicine, Dayton, Ohio; Brenda Shafer, Franklin, Ohio; Coreen Costello, Agoura, California; Viki Wilson, Fresno, California; and Jeannie Wallace French, Oak Park, Illinois.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 6 public bills, H.R. 2657–2662; 1 private bill, H.R. 2663; and 7 resolutions, H.J. Res. 123–124, H. Con. Res. 114–115, and H. Res. 274, 277–278 were introduced. Pages H13273–74

Reports Filed: Reports were filed as follows:

Conference report on H.R. 2491, to provide for reconciliation pursuant to section 105 of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 1996 (H. Rept. 104–350);

H. Res. 275, providing for consideration of motions to suspend the rules (H. Rept. 104–351); and

H. Res. 276, waiving a requirement of clause 4(b) of rule XI with respect to consideration of certain resolutions reported from the Committee on Rules (H. Rept. 104–352); and

Conference report on H.R. 2099, making appropriations for the Departments of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development, and for sundry independent agencies, boards, commissions, corporations, and offices for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1996 (H. Rept. 104–353). Pages H13249–73

Committee To Sit: The Committee on Commerce and its subcommittees received permission to sit today during the proceedings of the House under the 5-minute rule. Page H13148

Balanced Budget Act: By a yea-and-nay vote of 237 yeas to 189 nays, Roll No. 812, the House agreed to the conference report on H.R. 2491, to

provide for reconciliation pursuant to section 105 of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 1996. Pages H13157–H13205

H. Res. 272, the rule which waived certain points of order against the conference report, was agreed to earlier by a yea-and-nay vote of 230 yeas to 193 nays, Roll No. 810. Pages H13148–57

Bosnia Deployment: By a recorded vote of 243 yeas to 171 noes, with 2 voting "present", Roll No. 814, the House passed H.R. 2606, to prohibit the use of funds appropriated to the Department of Defense from being used for the deployment on the ground of United States Armed Forces in the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina as part of any peacekeeping operation, or as part of any implementation force, unless funds for such deployment are specifically appropriated by law. Pages H13223–48

H. Res. 273, the rule under which the bill was considered, was agreed to earlier by a yea-and-nay vote of 239 yeas to 181 nays, Roll No. 813.

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Question of Privilege of the House: By a recorded vote of 219 yeas to 177 noes, with 10 voting "present", Roll No. 815, the House agreed to the Army motion to table H. Res. 277, a privileged resolution. Pages H13275–76

Meeting Hour: House agreed to meet at 9 a.m. on Saturday, November 18. Page H13276

Senate Messages: Messages received from the Senate today appear on pages H13206 and H13295.

Quorum Calls—Votes: One quorum call (Roll No. 811), three yea-and-nay votes, and two recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H13156–57, H13181–82, H13205, H13222, H13248, and H13275–76.

Adjournment: Met at 9:30 a.m. and adjourned at 11:59 p.m.

Committee Meetings

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY: MISUSE OF FEDERAL FUNDS

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Energy and Power and the Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a joint hearing on the Department of Energy: Misuse of Federal Funds. Testimony was heard from Hazel R. O'Leary, Secretary of Energy.

WAIVERS

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a resolution waiving clause 4(b) of rule XI (requiring two-thirds vote to consider a rule on the same day as it is reported from the Committee on Rules) against the same day consideration of resolutions reported from the Committee on or before the legislative day of November 23, 1995. The resolution covers special rules that provides for the consideration or disposition of the bill (H.R. 2491) providing for reconciliation pursuant to sec. 105 of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 1996, any amendment, any conference report or any amendment reported in disagreement from a conference report thereon; and to the consideration or disposition of any measure making general appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1996.

CONFERENCE REPORTS—CORRECTIONS IN ENROLLMENTS

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a rule providing for the adoption of a House Concurrent Resolution correcting the enrollment of the Conference Report to accompany H.R. 2020 (Treasury/

Postal Service Appropriations for fiscal year 1996) to include the enrolled copy of H.R. 2492 (Legislative Branch Appropriations for fiscal year 1996). Testimony was heard from Representative Hoyer.

MOTION TO SUSPEND THE RULES

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a resolution providing that suspensions will be in order on Saturday, November 18, 1995 and that the object of any motion to suspend the rules is announced from the House floor at least 1 hour prior to its consideration. The Speaker or his designee shall consult with the Minority Leader or his designee on any matter designated for consideration under this resolution.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST p. D1352)

H.R. 1103, entitled, "Amendments to the Perishable Agricultural Commodities Act, 1930." Signed November 15, 1995. (P.L. 104–48)

H.R. 1715, respecting the relationship between workers' compensation benefits and the benefits available under the Migrant and Seasonal Agricultural Worker Protection Act. Signed November 15, 1995. (P.L. 104–49)

H.R. 2002, making appropriations for the Department of Transportation and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1996. Signed November 15, 1995. (P.L. 104–50)

S. 457, to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to update references in the classification of children for purposes of United States immigration laws. Signed November 15, 1995. (P.L. 104–51)

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 1995

Senate

No committee meetings are scheduled.

House

No committee meetings are scheduled.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

9:15 a.m., Saturday, November 18

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

9 a.m., Saturday, November 18

Senate Chamber

Program for Saturday: Senate may consider further continuing appropriations.

House Chamber

Program for Saturday: Consideration of 1 Suspension:
1. H.J. Res. 123, Continuing Resolution; and
Further consideration of the conference report on H.R.
2491, Balanced Budget Act of 1995.

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