

Wednesday, March 6, 1996

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

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Measures Introduced: Five bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 1591–1595, and S. Con. Res. 43. **Page S1598**

Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 1594, making omnibus consolidated rescissions and appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1996. (S. Rept. No. 104–236)

S. 942, to promote increased understanding of Federal regulations and increased voluntary compliance with such regulations by small entities, to provide for the designation of regional ombudsmen and oversight boards to monitor the enforcement practices of certain Federal agencies with respect to small business concerns, to provide relief from excessive and arbitrary regulatory enforcement actions against small entities, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

Special report entitled "Revised Allocation to Subcommittees of Budget Totals from the Concurrent Resolution for Fiscal Year 1996". (S. Rept. No. 104–237) **Page S1597**

Measures Passed:

Armed Forces Benefits: Senate passed H.R. 2778, to provide that members of the Armed Forces performing services for the peacekeeping effort in the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina shall be entitled to certain tax benefits in the same manner as if such services were performed in a combat zone, clearing the measure for the President. **Pages S1608–09**

Greek Independence Day: Senate agreed to S. Res. 219, designating March 25, 1996 as "Greek Independence Day: A National Day of Celebration of Greek and American Democracy". **Page S1609**

Whitewater Investigation: Senate began consideration of a motion to proceed to the consideration of S. Res. 227, to authorize the use of additional funds for salaries and expenses of the Special Committee to Investigate Whitewater Development Corporation and Related Matters. **Pages S1552–95**

Senate will continue consideration of the motion to proceed on Thursday, March 7, 1996.

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Eric L. Clay, of Michigan, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Sixth Circuit.

Joseph F. Bataillon, of Nebraska, to be United States District Judge for the District of Nebraska.

Harold Walter Geisel, of Illinois, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Mauritius and to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Federal and Islamic Republic of The Comoros.

Aubrey Hooks, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of the Congo.

Robert Krueger, of Texas, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Botswana.

A routine list in the Foreign Service. **Page S1610**

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Recess: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and recessed at 7:04 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Thursday, March 7, 1996. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S1610.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

OMNIBUS APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Committee ordered favorably reported an original bill (S. 1594) making omnibus consolidated rescissions and appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1996.