

Tuesday, March 26, 1996

# Daily Digest

## Senate

### Chamber Action

*Routine Proceedings, pages S2841–S2906*

**Measures Introduced:** Four bills were introduced, as follows: S. 1642–1645. **Pages S2859–60**

#### Measures Reported:

Reported on Monday, March 25, 1996:

Special Report entitled "Revised Allocation to Subcommittees of Budget Totals from the Concurrent Resolution for fiscal year 1996" (S. Rept. No. 104–243) **Page S2801**

**Administration of Presidio Properties:** Senate continued consideration of H.R. 1296, to provide for the administration of certain Presidio properties at minimal cost to the Federal taxpayer, agreeing to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, and taking action on the following amendments thereto: **Pages S2893–99**

Pending:

Murkowski Modified Amendment No. 3564, in the nature of a substitute. **Pages S2893–99**

Dole Amendment No. 3571 (to Amendment No. 3564), to provide for the exchange of certain land and interests in land located in the Lost Creek area and other areas of the Deerlodge National Forest, Montana. **Pages S2894–95**

Dole Amendment No. 3572 (to Amendment No. 3571), in the nature of a substitute. **Pages S2894–95**

Kennedy Amendment No. 3573 (to Amendment No. 3564), to provide for an increase in the minimum wage rate. **Pages S2895–98**

Kerry Amendment No. 3574 (to Amendment No. 3573), in the nature of a substitute. (By a unanimous vote of 97 nays (Vote No. 52), Senate failed to table the amendment.) **Pages S2895–98**

Dole motion to commit the bill to the Committee on Finance with instructions. **Page S2898**

Dole Amendment No. 3653 (to the instructions of the motion to commit), to strike the instructions and insert in lieu thereof "to report back by April 21, 1996 amendments to reform welfare and Medicaid effective one day after the effective date of the bill. **Page S2898**

Dole Amendment No. 3654 (to Amendment No. 3653), in the nature of a substitute. **Pages S2898–99**

Also, during consideration of this measure today, the following occurred:

A motion was entered to close further debate on Kennedy Amendment No. 3573, listed above and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on the cloture motion will occur on Thursday, March 28, 1996. **Page S2898**

Senate will continue consideration of the bill on Wednesday, March 27, 1996, with a vote on a motion to close further debate on the pending amendment to occur thereon.

#### Messages From the President:

Received on Monday, March 25, 1996:

Report on the National Emergency with Respect to Angola, to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. (PM–134) **Page S2800–01**

**Nominations Received:** Senate received the following nominations:

1 Marine Corps nomination in the rank of general.

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#### Messages From the House:

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#### Communications:

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#### Petitions:

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#### Statements on Introduced Bills:

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#### Additional Cosponsors:

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#### Amendments Submitted:

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#### Authority for Committees:

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#### Additional Statements:

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#### Text of S. 1459 as Previously Passed:

**Pages S2887–93**

**Record Votes:** Two record votes were taken today. (Total—53) **Pages S2898, S2899**

**Recess:** Senate convened at 10 a.m. and, by 50 yeas to 43 nays (Vote No. 53), agreed to recess at 6:31 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Wednesday, March 27, 1996.

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

### APPROPRIATIONS—AGRICULTURE

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, and Related Agencies held hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1997 for the Department of Agriculture, receiving testimony from Daniel R. Glickman, Secretary, Richard E. Rominger, Deputy Secretary, Keith Collins, Chief Economist, and Stephen B. Dewhurst, Director, Office of Budget and Program Analysis, all of the Department of Agriculture.

Subcommittee will meet again on Thursday, March 28.

### APPROPRIATIONS—ENERGY AND WATER DEVELOPMENT

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development held hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1997 for energy and water development programs, receiving testimony on behalf of funds for their respective activities from Patricia Beneke, Assistant Secretary for Land and Water, and Eluid Martinez, Commissioner, Bureau of Reclamation, both of the Department of the Interior; H. Martin Lancaster, Assistant Secretary of the Army for Civil Works; and Lt. Gen. Arthur Williams, Chief, and Maj. Gen. Stanley G. Genega, Director of Civil Works, both of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

Subcommittee recessed subject to call.

### ATOMIC ENERGY DEFENSE

*Committee on Armed Services:* Committee concluded hearings to examine Department of Energy atomic energy defense activities, after receiving testimony from Thomas P. Grumbly, Assistant Secretary of Energy for Environmental Management.

### AUTHORIZATION—DEFENSE

*Committee on Armed Services:* Subcommittee on Seapower resumed hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 1997 for the Department of Defense and the future years defense program, focusing on the Department of the Navy Marine Corps programs, receiving testimony from John W. Douglass, Assistant Secretary of the Navy for Research, Development and Acquisition; and Gen. Charles C. Krulak, USMC, Commandant of the Marine Corps.

Subcommittee will meet again tomorrow.

### NOMINATIONS

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* Committee concluded hearings on the nominations

of Alan Greenspan, of New York, to be Chairman, and Alice M. Rivlin, of Pennsylvania, and Laurence H. Meyer, of Missouri, both to be Members, all of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf. Testimony was also received from Ralph Nader, Washington, D.C.

### NASA BUDGET

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* Subcommittee on Science, Technology, and Space concluded hearings on the National Aeronautics and Space Administration budget request for fiscal year 1997 and on recent developments in the space station program, after receiving testimony from Daniel S. Goldin, Administrator, Malcolm Peterson, Comptroller, Franze Cordova, Chief Scientist, and Charles Kennell, Associate Administration, all of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration; Marcia Smith, Specialist in Aerospace and Telecommunications Policy, Congressional Research Service, Library of Congress; Lori Garver, National Space Society, Washington, D.C.; Nicholas L. Johnson, Kaman Sciences Corporation, Colorado Springs, Colorado; and Louis Friedman, Planetary Society, Pasadena, California.

### CHEMICAL WEAPONS TREATY VERIFIABILITY

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* Committee met in closed session to receive a briefing on the verifiability of the Convention on Chemical Weapons (Treaty Doc. 103-21) from John Lauder, Chief, Arms Control Intelligence Staff for the Director of Central Intelligence; and Maj. Gen. John Landry, National Intelligence Officer for General Purpose Forces, National Intelligence Council.

Committee recessed subject to call.

### NOMINATIONS

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of Henry McKoy, of North Carolina, and Ernest G. Green, of the District of Columbia, each to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the African Development Foundation, Lawrence Neal Benedict, of California, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Cape Verde, Harold Walter Geisel, of Illinois, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Mauritius and to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador 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, and David