

Monday, June 16, 1997

# Daily Digest

## Senate

### Chamber Action

*Routine Proceedings, pages S5651-S5715*

**Measures Introduced:** Eleven bills were introduced, as follows: S. 904-914. **Page S5694**

**Measures Reported:** Reports were made as follows: Reported on Friday, June 13, during the adjournment:

S. 903, to consolidate the foreign affairs agencies of the United States, to authorize appropriations for the Department of State for fiscal years 1998 and 1999, and to provide for reform of the United Nations, and for other purposes. (S. Rept. No. 105-28) **Page S5694**

**Foreign Affairs Reform and Restructuring Act:** Senate began consideration of S. 903, to consolidate the foreign affairs agencies of the United States, to authorize appropriations for the Department of State for the fiscal years 1998 and 1999, and to provide for reform of the United Nations, taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows:

**Pages S5655-62, S5666-88**

Adopted:

Sarbanes Amendment No. 380, to delete provisions limiting the remedial authority of the Foreign Service Grievance Board. **Pages S5670-71**

Sarbanes Amendment No. 381, to clarify which management officials are prohibited from participating in collective bargaining. **Pages S5671-72**

Gorton/Durbin Amendment No. 384, to express the sense of the Senate regarding the designation of Romania, Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, and Bulgaria as eligible for NATO enlargement assistance. **Pages S5686-87**

Helms (for Durbin) Amendment No. 385, to express the sense of the Senate regarding American citizens imprisoned in Peru for attempting to transport illicit drugs. **Pages S5687-88**

Pending:

Lugar Amendment No. 382, relating to the payment of United Nations arrearages without conditions. **Pages S5672-82, S5685-86**

DeWine/Graham Amendment No. 383, to deny entry to the United States to Haitians who have

been credibly alleged to have ordered, carried out, or sought to conceal extrajudicial killings. **Pages S5682-85, S5686**

Withdrawn:

Durbin Amendment No. 377, to express the sense of the Senate regarding American citizens imprisoned in Peru for attempting to transport illicit drugs. **Pages S5666-67, S5687**

Durbin/Gorton Amendment No. 378, to designate Lithuania, Latvia, Estonia, and Romania as eligible for NATO enlargement assistance. **Pages S5667-69, S5686**

Gorton/Durbin/D'Amato Amendment No. 379, to express the sense of Congress that Estonia, Latvia, and Lithuania should be integrated into the North Atlantic Treaty Organization. **Pages S5669-70, S5686**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill and amendments pending thereto, on Tuesday, June 17, 1997. **Page S5715**

**Messages From the House:** **Page S5691**

**Measures Referred:** **Pages S5691-92**

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**Amendments Submitted:** **Page S5703-09**

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**Authority for Committees:** **Page S5709**

**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 11 a.m., and adjourned at 7:05 p.m., until 10 a.m., on Tuesday, June 17, 1997. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S5715.)

### Committee Meetings

*(Committees not listed did not meet)*

#### STATE-SANCTIONED DISCRIMINATION

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Committee concluded hearings on proposals to prohibit the use of race and gender preferences by the Federal Government in employment, contracting and other programs, after

receiving testimony from Randy M. Pech, Adarand Constructors, Inc., Colorado Springs, Colorado; Charlene F. Loen, Kaiser Foundation Health Plan, San Francisco, California; Audrey Rice Oliver, Integrated Business Solutions, Inc., San Ramon, California; John Goode, Bones Barbecue Cedar Creek, Texas; Ron Daugherty, Myrtle Beach, South Carolina; and Lou Ann Mullen, Lexington, Texas.

#### NOMINATION

*Committee on the Judiciary:* On Friday, June 13, committee concluded hearings on the nomination of Eric H. Holder Jr., of the District of Columbia, to be Deputy Attorney General, Department of Justice, after the nominee, who was introduced by Senators D'Amato and Moynihan, and District of Columbia Delegate Eleanor Holmes Norton, testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

#### PENSION MISCALCULATIONS

*Special Committee on Aging:* Committee concluded hearings to examine ways to ensure retirement security for older Americans, focusing on the number of people being underpaid by their pension plans and proposals to reestablish funding for pension counseling projects, after receiving testimony from Edgar Pauk, Legal Services for the Elderly, New York, New York; Paul Holzman and Allen C. Engerman, both of the National Center for Retirement Benefits, Inc., Northbrook, Illinois; Karen Ferguson and Trip Reid, both of the Pension Rights Center, Washington, D.C.; Thomas C. Walker, Associated Benefits Corporation, West Des Moines, Iowa; and Edwin A. Witort, Hot Springs Village, Arkansas; and Paul Francione, Tucson, Arizona.

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## House of Representatives

### Chamber Action

**Bills Introduced:** 1 public bill, H.R. 1898; 1 private bill, H.R. 1899; and 1 resolution, H. Con. Res. 99, were introduced. Page H3804

**Reports Filed:** Reports were filed as follows:

H.R. 1119, to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 1998 and 1999 for military activities of the Department of Defense, to prescribe military personnel strengths for fiscal years 1998 and 1999, amended (H. Rept. 105-132). Page H3804

**Speaker Pro Tempore:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Petri to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. Page H3799

**Official Objectors:** The Chair announced that the Official Objectors for the Private Calendar for the 105th Congress are Representatives Sensenbrenner, Coble, and Goodlatte for the Majority and Representatives Boucher and DeLauro for the Minority. Page H3800

**Senate Messages:** Messages received today and on June 12 appear on pages H3799-H3800.

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** There were no quorum calls or recorded votes during the proceedings of the House today.

**Adjournment:** Met at 12:00 noon and adjourned at 12:41 p.m.

### Committee Meetings

No Committee meetings were held.

#### NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D576)

H.R. 1871, making emergency supplemental appropriations for recovery from natural disasters, and for overseas peacekeeping efforts, including those in Bosnia, for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1997. Signed June 12, 1997. (P.L. 105-18)

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#### COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY, JUNE 17, 1997

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

##### Senate

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs,* Subcommittee on Housing Opportunity and Community Development, to hold hearings on S. 513, to reform the multifamily rental assisted housing programs of the Federal Government, and maintain the affordability and availability of low-income housing, 9:30 a.m., SD-538.

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation,* business meeting, to consider recommendations which it will make to the Committee on the Budget with respect to spending reductions and revenue increases to meet reconciliation expenditures as imposed by H. Con. Res. 84, establishing the congressional budget for the United States Government for the fiscal year 1998 and setting forth appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 1999, 2000, 2001, and 2002, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

Subcommittee on Consumer Affairs, Foreign Commerce, and Tourism, to hold hearings to examine liability reform proposals for charitable organizations, 2:30 p.m., SR-253.

*Committee on Finance*, business meeting, to consider recommendations which it will make to the Committee on the Budget with respect to spending reductions and revenue increases to meet reconciliation expenditures as imposed by H. Con. Res. 84, establishing the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 1998 and setting forth appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 1999, 2000, 2001, and 2002, 10 a.m., SH-216.

*Committee on Governmental Affairs*, business meeting, to mark up H.R. 173, to amend the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949 to authorize donation of surplus Federal law enforcement canines to their handlers, and to consider recommendations which it will make to the Committee on the Budget with respect to spending reduction and revenue increases to meet reconciliation expenditures as imposed by H. Con. Res. 84, establishing the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 1998 and setting forth appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 1999, 2000, 2001, and 2002, 10 a.m., SD-342.

*Committee on the Judiciary*, to hold hearings on baseball antitrust reform issues, 10 a.m., SD-226.

*Committee on Labor and Human Resources*, Subcommittee on Public Health and Safety, to hold hearings to examine human cloning ethics and theology issues, 9:30 a.m., SD-430.

### NOTICE

For a listing of Senate committee meetings scheduled ahead, see pages E1219-20 in today's Record.

### House

*Committee on Agriculture*, Subcommittee on Forestry, Resource Conservation, and Research, hearing on the role of federal, state, and private agricultural research, 9:30 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

*Committee on Appropriations*, Subcommittee on Interior, to mark up fiscal year 1998 appropriations, 10 a.m., B-308 Rayburn.

*Committee on Banking and Financial Services*, to mark up Financial Modernization legislation, 2 p.m., 2128 Rayburn

*Committee on Education and the Workforce*, Subcommittee on Postsecondary Education, Training and Life-Long Learning, hearings on H.R. 6, Higher Education Act Amendments of 1998, 9:30 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

*Committee on Government Reform and Oversight*, to amend Committee rules, 5 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

*Committee on the Judiciary*, Subcommittee on Crime, hearing regarding gang-related witness intimidation and retaliation, 10 a.m., 2237 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Immigration and Claims, oversight hearing regarding the Visa Waiver Pilot Program, 9:30 a.m., 2226 Rayburn.

*Committee on National Security*, hearing on H.R. 1778, Defense Reform Act of 1997, 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

*Committee on Resources*, Subcommittee on Forest and Forest Health, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 799, to require the Secretary of Agriculture to make a minor adjustment in the exterior boundary of the Hells Canyon Wilderness in the States of Oregon and Idaho to exclude an established Forest Service road inadvertently included in the wilderness; and H.R. 838, to require adoption of a management plan for the Hells Canyon National Recreation Area that allows appropriate use of motorized and nonmotorized river craft in the recreation area, 2 p.m., 1334 Longworth.

Subcommittee on National Parks and Public Lands, hearing on the following bills: H.R. 1051, New Mexico Statehood and enabling Act Amendments of 1997; and H.R. 1567, to provide for the designation of additional wilderness lands in the eastern United States, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

*Committee on Ways and Means*, Subcommittee on Trade, hearing on U.S.-China Trade Relations, and renewal of China's Most-Favored-Nation Status, 10 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

### Joint Meetings

*Joint Economic Committee*, to hold hearings to examine the current technology transfer policy of the United States, and the issue of the recent removal of export restrictions and the expansion of foreign intelligence operations in the United States, 10 a.m., SD-138.

*Next Meeting of the SENATE*

10 a.m., Tuesday, June 17

## Senate Chamber

**Program for Tuesday:** After the recognition of two Senators for speeches and the transaction of any morning business (not to extend beyond 10:30 a.m.), Senate will continue consideration of S. 903, Affairs Reform and Restructuring Act.

*(Senate will recess from 12:30 p.m. until 2:15 p.m. for respective party conferences.)*

*Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES*

12:30 p.m., Tuesday, June 17

## House Chamber

**Program for Tuesday:** Consideration of S. 768, for the relief of Michel Christopher Meili, Giuseppina Meili, Mirjam Naomi Meili, and Davide Meili, from the Private Calendar; and

Consideration of 5 Suspensions:

1. H.J. Res. 56, Celebrating the End of Slavery in the United States;
2. H.R. 1057, Designating the Andrew Jacobs, Jr. Post Office Building;
3. H.R. 1058, Designating the John T. Myers Post Office Building;
4. H.R. 1747, John F. Kennedy Center Parking Improvement Act; and
5. H.R. 985, Eagles Nest Wilderness Expansion.

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