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Record Votes: Seven record votes were taken today. (Total-137) Pages S6396-97, S6399, S6401, S6434, S6437, S6447, S6455

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 11:22 p.m., until 9 a.m., on Friday, June 27, 1997. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S6667.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

SOCIAL SECURITY REFORM

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Subcommittee on Securities resumed hearings on proposals to reform the Social Security system, focusing on the impact of Social Security privatization, receiving testimony from Jose Pinera and Mark M. Klugmann, both of the International Center for Pension Reform, Santiago, Chile.

Subcommittee recessed subject to call.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee ordered favorably reported the following bills:

S. 738, to reform the statutes relating to Amtrak, and to authorize funds for Amtrak, with amendments. (As approved by the committee, the bill authorizes \$1,138,000,000 for fiscal year 1998, \$1,058,000,000 for fiscal year 1999, \$1,023,000,000 for fiscal year 2000, \$989,000,000 for fiscal year 2001, and \$955,000,000 for fiscal year 2002.); and

S. 39, to support the International Dolphin Conservation Program in the eastern tropical Pacific Ocean, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

Also, committee began mark up of S. 442, to establish a national policy against State and local gov-

ernment interference with interstate commerce on the Internet or interactive computer services, and to exercise Congressional jurisdiction over interstate commerce by establishing a moratorium on the imposition of exactions that would interfere with the free flow of commerce via the Internet, but did not complete action thereon, and recessed subject to call.

RECREATION AREAS ACCESSIBILITY

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Forests and Public Land Management concluded hearings on S. 783, to provide for improved access to and use of the Boundary Waters Canoe Area Wilderness in Minnesota, after receiving testimony from Senators Feingold and Wellstone; Lyle Laverty, Director, Recreation, Wilderness and Heritage Programs, Forest Service, Department of Agriculture; Guy Holmes, Wilderness Disability Project, Virginia, Minnesota; David E. Jenkins, American Canoe Association, Springfield, Virginia; Greg Lais, Wilderness Inquiry, Minneapolis, Minnesota; Robert D. LaTourell, Jr., Ely Outfitter's Association, and former Mayor Frank Salerno, both of Ely, Minnesota; and Bill Reffalt, Wilderness Society, Washington, D.C.

NATIONAL PARKS

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on National Parks, Historic Preservation, and Recreation concluded hearings on S. 308, to require the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a study concerning grazing use of certain land within and adjacent to Grand Teton National Park, Wyoming, and to extend temporarily certain grazing privileges, and S. 360, to require adoption of a management plan for the Hells Canyon National Recreation Area that allows appropriate use of motorized and non-motorized river craft in the recreation area, after receiving testimony from Michael Soukup, Associate Director, Natural Resource Stewardship and Science, National Park Service, Department of the Interior; Lyle Laverty, Director, Recreation, Wilderness and Heritage Programs, Forest Service, Department of Agriculture; Carole Finley, Hughes River Expeditions, Inc., Cambridge, Idaho; Darrell Bentz, Inter-mountain Excursions and Bentz Boats, Lewiston, Idaho; Peter Grubb, River Odysseys West, Coeur d'Alene, Idaho; Richard G. Sherwin, River Access for Tomorrow, Clarkston, Washington; Jack Sterne, Hells Canyon Preservation Council, Sisters, Oregon; and Sandra F. Mitchell, Hells Canyon Alliance, Boise, Idaho.

HOWARD M. METZENBAUM COURTHOUSE

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Committee ordered favorably reported S. 833, to designate the Federal building courthouse at Public Square and

Superior Avenue in Cleveland, Ohio, as the "Howard M. Metzenbaum United States Courthouse".

WETLANDS PROTECTION

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Subcommittee on Clean Air, Wetlands, Private Property, and Nuclear Safety concluded oversight hearings on recent administrative changes and judicial decisions relating to Section 404 of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, focusing on litigation concerning activities subject to Clean Water Act permitting, mitigation banking, and the Environmental Protection Agency's Alaska wetlands initiative, after receiving testimony from Robert H. Wayland, III, Director, Office of Wetlands, Oceans, and Watersheds, Office of Water, Environmental Protection Agency; Michael L. Davis, Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Army for Civil Works; Darrel Seibert, Seibert Development Corporation, Hudson, Ohio, on behalf of the National Association of Home Builders; James Noyes, Los Angeles County Department of Public Works, Los Angeles, California, on behalf of the National Association of Flood and Stormwater Management Agencies; Donald I. Siegel, Syracuse University, Syracuse, New York; Donald F. McKenzie, Wildlife Management Institute, Washington, D.C.; Derb S. Carter, Jr., Southern Environmental Law Center, Chapel Hill, North Carolina; and Thomas W. Winter, Winter Brothers Material Company, St. Louis, Missouri, on behalf of the National Aggregates Association.

GLOBAL CLIMATE NEGOTIATIONS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on International Economic Policy, Export and Trade Promotion resumed hearings to examine current international negotiations intended to curb global greenhouse gas emissions, focusing on United States economic and science considerations, receiving testimony from Jerry J. Jasinowski, National Association of Manufacturers, William J. Cunningham, Jr., AFL-CIO, W. David Montgomery, Charles River Associates, and Robert Repetto, World Resources Institute, all of Washington, D.C.; Patrick J. Michaels, University of Virginia, Charlottesville; and Alan Robock, University of Maryland, College Park.

Subcommittee recessed subject to call.

MEDICARE FRAUD

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations held hearings to examine Federal efforts to expose waste, fraud and abuse in the Medicare program, receiving testimony from Senators Grassley and Harkin; Michael F. Mangano, Principal Deputy Inspector General, and Bruce C. Vladeck, Administrator, Health Care Financing Administration, Department of Health and Human Services; Charles L. Owens, Chief, Financial Crimes Section, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Department of Justice; Leslie G. Aronovitz, Associate Director, Health Financing and Systems Issues, Health, Education, and Human Services Division, General Accounting Office; and Pamela H. Bucy, University of Alabama School of Law, Tuscaloosa.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

GLOBAL TOBACCO SETTLEMENT

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee met to receive a briefing on the terms and parameters of the proposed Global Tobacco Settlement which will mandate a total reformation and restructuring of how tobacco products are manufactured, marketed and distributed in America, focusing on its long-term impact on children and the public health, and its legal and constitutional ramifications from Mississippi Attorney General Michael Moore, Jackson; Meyer G. Koplrow, Wachtell, Lipton, Rosen & Katz, New York, New York; and Matthew L. Myers, National Center for Tobacco-Free Kids, Washington, D.C.

Committee recessed subject to call.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Small Business: Committee ordered favorably reported the following bills:

S. 208, to provide Federal contracting opportunities for small business concerns located in historically underutilized business zones, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute; and

An original bill authorizing funds for fiscal years 1998, 1999, and 2000 for programs of the Small Business Administration.