

Monday, July 21, 1997

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S7743–S7784

Measures Introduced: Seven bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 1038–1044 and S.J. Res. 35. Pages S7767–68

Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows: S. Res. 98, expressing the sense of the Senate regarding the conditions for the United States becoming a signatory to any international agreement on greenhouse gas emissions under the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change. (S. Rept. No. 105–54) Page S7767

Treasury/Postal Service Appropriations, 1998: Senate resumed consideration of S. 1023, making appropriations for the Treasury Department, United States Postal Service, the Executive Office of the President, and certain Independent Agencies, for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998, taking action on further amendments proposed thereto, as follows: Pages S7763–65, S7783

Adopted:

Campbell (for Coverdell/Feinstein) Amendment No. 940, to provide that Federal employees convicted of certain bribery and drug-related crimes shall be separated from service. Page S7765

Campbell (for Coverdell) Amendment No. 941, to require a plan for the coordination and consolidation of the counterdrug intelligence centers and activities of the United States. Page S7765

Campbell (for Hatch) Modified Amendment No. 942, to provide for a national media campaign focused on preventing youth drug abuse. Page S7765

Hutchison Modified Amendment No. 943, to establish parity among the countries that are parties to the North American Free Trade Agreement with respect to the personal allowance for duty-free merchandise purchased abroad by returning residents. Pages S7764–65

Pending:

Campbell (for DeWine) Amendment No. 936, to prohibit the use of funds to pay for an abortion or pay for the administrative expenses in connection with certain health plans that provide coverage for abortions. Page S7763

Kohl (for Bingaman) Amendment No. 937, to strike provisions prohibiting the use of appropriated funds for the sole source procurement of energy conservation measures. Page S7763

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

By unanimous-consent agreement, Amendment No. 921, agreed to on Thursday, July 17, 1997, was modified. Pages S7764–65

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill and amendments pending thereto, on Tuesday, July 22, 1997, with final disposition to occur thereon. Page S7783

VA/HUD Appropriations, 1998: Senate began consideration of S. 1034, making appropriations for the Departments of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development, and for sundry independent agencies, commissions, corporations, and offices for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998. Pages S7752–63, S7765

Senate will continue consideration of the bill on Tuesday, July 22, 1997.

Intelligence Authorizations—Conferees: Senate disagreed to the amendment of the House to S. 858, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 1998 for intelligence and intelligence-related activities of the United States Government, the Community Management Account, and the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement and Disability System, agreed to the request of the House for a conference thereon, and the Chair appointed the following conferees: from the Select Committee on Intelligence: Senators Shelby, Chafee, Lugar, DeWine, Kyl, Inhofe, Hatch, Roberts, Allard, Coats, Kerrey, Glenn, Bryan, Graham, Kerry, Baucus, Robb, Lautenberg, and Levin; and from the Committee on Armed Services: Senator Thurmond. Pages S7780–83

Messages from the President: Senate received the following messages from the President of the United States:

Transmitting the report concerning the continuation of most-favored-nation status for Mongolia; referred to the Committee on Finance. (PM–54). Page S7767

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Raymond C. Fisher, of California, to be Associate Attorney General.

Bill Lann Lee, of California, to be an Assistant Attorney General.

Harold C. Pachios, of Maine, to be a Member of the United States Advisory Commission on Public Diplomacy for a term expiring July 1, 1999.

1 Air Force nomination in the rank of general.

1 Army nomination in the rank of general.

2 Marine Corps nominations in the rank of general.

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 12 noon, and adjourned at 5:53 p.m., until 9:45 a.m., on Tuesday, July 22, 1997. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on pages S7783–84.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

APPROPRIATIONS—INTERIOR

Committee on Appropriations: On Friday, July 18, Subcommittee on Interior approved for full committee consideration, with amendments, H.R. 2107, making appropriations for the Department of the Interior and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998.

ARMS CONTROL COMPLIANCE REVIEW PROCESS

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Subcommittee on International Security, Proliferation, and Federal Services concluded hearings to examine the Department of Defense arms control compliance review process by which the United States determines whether its missile defense systems, including both Theater Missile Defense and National Missile Defense, comply with the obligations of international agreements, including the Anti-Ballistic Missile Treaty, after receiving testimony from Kent G. Stansberry, Deputy Director, Arms Control Implementation and Compliance, Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Technology.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 1 public bill, H.R. 2204, and 1 resolution, H. Res. 191, were introduced. Page H5491

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 2203, making appropriations for energy and water development for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998 (H. Rept. 105–190);

H.R. 1127, to amend the Antiquities Act to require an Act of Congress and the concurrence of the Governor and State legislature for the establishment by the President of national monuments in excess of 5,000 acres, amended (H. Rept. 105–191);

H.R. 1663, to clarify the intent of the Congress in Public Law 93–632 to require the Secretary of Agriculture to continue to provide for the maintenance of 18 concrete dams and weirs that were located in the Emigrant Wilderness at the time the wilderness area was designated as wilderness in that Public Law, amended (H. Rept. 105–192);

H.R. 1944, to provide for a land exchange involving the Warner Canyon Ski Area and other land in the State of Oregon (H. Rept. 105–193); and

H.R. 1661, to implement the provisions of the Trademark Law Treaty, amended (H. Rept. 105–194).

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

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Presidential Message—MFN For Mongolia: Read a message from the President wherein he transmitted his report concerning the most-favored-nation status for Mongolia—referred to the Committee on Ways and Means and ordered printed—H. Doc. 105–108.

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Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on page H5491.

Quorum Calls—Votes: No quorum calls or recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today.

Adjournment: Met at 12 noon and adjourned at 12:10 p.m.

Committee Meetings

No Committee meetings were held.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D701)

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. Signed July 18, 1997. (P.L. 105-27)

H.R. 649, to amend sections of the Department of Energy Organization Act that are obsolete or inconsistent with other statutes and to repeal a related section of the Federal Energy Administration Act of 1974. Signed July 18, 1997. (P.L. 105-28)

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY, JULY 22, 1997

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry, to hold hearings to examine certain clean air issues with regard to agriculture, 9:30 a.m., SR-332.

Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, business meeting, to mark up proposed legislation making appropriations for the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998, 9 a.m., SD-192.

Full Committee, business meeting, to mark up proposed legislation making appropriations for the Department of Transportation and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998, and H.R. 2107, making appropriations for the Department of the Interior for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998, 2:30 p.m., SD-106.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs, to hold hearings on the Federal Mass Transit Program, and proposed legislation to authorize funds programs of the Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act, 10 a.m., SD-538.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, to hold hearings to review the Department of the Interior's handling of the Ward Valley land conveyance, S. 964, proposed War Valley Land Transfer Act, and related matters, 9 a.m., SD-366.

Committee on Foreign Relations, to hold hearings on the nomination of Stanley O. Roth, of Virginia, to be Assistant Secretary of State for East Asian and Pacific Affairs, 10 a.m., SD-419.

Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine U.S. foreign policy in the South Caucasus and Central Asia, 2 p.m., SD-419.

Committee on Governmental Affairs, business meeting, to consider certain immunity issues with regard to the special investigation on campaign financing, 10 a.m., SD-342.

Committee on the Judiciary, to hold hearings on pending judicial nominations, 2 p.m., SD-226.

Committee on Labor and Human Resources, to hold hearings to examine women's health issues, 10 a.m., SD-430.

Notice

For a listing of Senate Committee Meetings scheduled ahead, see pages E1460-61 in today's Record.

House

Committee on Agriculture, Subcommittee on Forestry, Resource Conservation, and Research, hearing on reauthorization proposals in agricultural research, 9:30 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

Committee on Appropriations, to mark up the following appropriations for fiscal year 1998: Defense; Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education; and Commerce, Justice, State, and Judiciary, 9:30 a.m., 2359 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Treasury, Postal Service, and General Government, to mark up appropriations for fiscal year 1998, 5 p.m., H-140 Capitol.

Committee on Banking and Financial Services, Subcommittee on Domestic and International Monetary Policy, hearing on the Conduct of Monetary Policy, 2 p.m., 2128 Rayburn.

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

Committee on International Relations, to mark up H.R. 695, Security and Freedom Through Encryption (SAFE) Act, 3:30 p.m., 2127 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on the Constitution, hearing on H.J. Res. 78, proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States restoring religious freedom, 9 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Crime, hearing on the following: H.R. 218, Community Protection Act of 1997; H.R. 339, to amend title 18, United States Code, to provide a national standard in accordance with which nonresidents of a State may carry certain concealed firearms in the State, and to exempt qualified current and former law enforcement officers from State laws prohibiting the carrying of concealed handguns; and the Law Enforcement and Community Protection Act of 1997, 1 p.m., 2237 Rayburn.

Committee on National Security, Subcommittee on Military Readiness, hearing on the operation and maintenance financial management, 2:00 p.m., 2212 Rayburn.

Committee on Resources, Subcommittee on Forests and Forest Health, hearing on the following bills: H.R. 1309, to provide for an exchange of lands within the city of Greeley, CO, and the Water Supply and Storage Co. to

eliminate private inholdings in wilderness areas; and H.R. 1843, Local Free Access Act, 2 p.m., 1334 Longworth.

Subcommittee on National Parks and Public Lands, hearing on the following bills: H.R. 1635, to establish within the United States National Park Service the National Underground Railroad Network to Freedom Program; H.R. 755, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow individuals to designate any portion of their income tax overpayments, and to make other contributions for the benefit of units of the National Park System; H.R. 1718, to provide for the conveyance of certain lands in Wyoming to the County of Park, WY; and H.R. 708, 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, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Committee on Rules, to consider H.R. 2003, Budget Enforcement Act of 1997, 5:30 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

Committee on Science, Subcommittee on Technology, hearing on the Prohibition of Federal Funding for Human Cloning Research, 2 p.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, Subcommittee on Public Grounds and Economic Development, to mark up the following: H.R. 29, to designate the Federal building located at 290 Broadway in New York, NY, as the "Ronald H. Brown Federal Building"; H.R. 81, to designate the U.S. courthouse located at 401 South Michigan Street in South Bend, IN, as the "Robert K. Rodibaugh United States Bankruptcy Courthouse"; H.R. 548, to designate the U.S. courthouse located at 500 Pearl Street in New York City, NY, as the "Ted Weiss United States Courthouse"; H.R. 595, to designate the Federal building and U.S. courthouse located at 475 Mulberry Street in Macon, GA, as the "William Augustus Bootle Federal Building and United States Courthouse"; H.R. 613, to designate the Federal building located at 100 Alabama Street NW, in Atlanta, GA, as the

"Sam Nunn Federal Center"; H.R. 643, to designate the U.S. courthouse to be constructed at the corner of Superior and Huron Roads, in Cleveland, OH, as the "Carl B. Stokes United States Courthouse"; H.R. 824, to redesignate the Federal building located at 717 Madison Place, NW., in the District of Columbia, as the "Howard T. Markey National Courts Building"; H.R. 892, to redesignate the Federal building located at 223 Sharkey Street in Clarksdale, MS, as the "Aaron Henry United States Post Office"; H.R. 962, to redesignate a Federal building in Suitland, MD, as the "W. Edwards Deming Federal Building"; H.R. 994, to designate the U.S. border station located in Pharr, TX, as the "Kika de la Garza United States Border Station"; H.R. 1479, to designate the Federal building and U.S. courthouse located at 300 Northeast First Avenue in Miami, FL, as the "David W. Dyer Federal Courthouse"; H.R. 1484, to redesignate the Dublin Federal courthouse building located in Dublin, GA, as the "J. Roy Rowland Federal Courthouse"; H.R. 1502, to designate the U.S. courthouse located at 301 West Main Street in Benton, IL, as the "James L. Foreman United States Courthouse"; H.R. 1804, to designate the Federal building located at 210 Seminary Street in Florence, AL, as the "John McKinley Federal Building"; and H.R. 1851, to designate the U.S. courthouse located at 200 South Washington Street in Alexandria, VA, as the "Martin V.B. Bostetter, Jr., U.S. Courthouse"; H. Con. Res. 98, authorizing the use of the Capitol grounds for the Safe Kids Buckle Up Car Seat Safety Check; miscellaneous pending prospectuses; and 11-b resolutions, 3 p.m., 2253 Rayburn.

Committee on Ways and Means, Subcommittee on Trade, hearing on Free Trade Area of the Americas, 10 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, executive, briefing on information operations, 2:00 p.m., H-405 U.S. Capitol.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

9:45 a.m., Tuesday, July 22

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

12:30 p.m., Tuesday, July 22

Senate Chamber

Program for Tuesday: Senate will resume consideration of S. 1023, Treasury/Postal Service Appropriations, 1998, with a vote on final passage to occur thereon, and resume consideration of S. 1034, VA/HUD Appropriations, 1998.

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

House Chamber

Program for Tuesday: Consideration of 9 measures under Suspension of the Rules:

1. H.R. 765, Shackleford Banks Wild Horses Protection Act;
2. H.R. 1663, Providing for the Maintenance of Dams and Weirs in the Emigrant Wilderness;
3. H.R. 1944, Warner Canyon Ski Hill Land Exchange Act of 1997;
4. H.R. 1661, Trademark Law Treaty Implementation Act;
5. H. Con. Res. 81, Resolution Regarding Cyprus;
6. H. Res. 175, Resolution Regarding the Congo;
7. H. Con. Res. 88, Resolution Regarding El Salvador;
8. H. Con. Res. 99, Resolution Regarding Sierra Leone; and
9. H.R. 1585, Stamp Out Breast Cancer Act.

Complete consideration of H.R. 1853, Carl D. Perkins Vocational-Technical Education Act (open rule); and

Complete consideration of H.R. 2160, Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration and Related Agencies Appropriations Act for Fiscal Year 1998 (open rule).

No recorded votes are expected before 5:00 p.m.

Extensions of Remarks, as inserted in this issue

HOUSE

Bonior, David E., Mich., E1459
Solomon, Gerald B.H., N.Y., E1459



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