

A motion was entered to close further debate on Amendment No. 1130, listed above and, by unanimous-consent agreement, a vote on the cloture motion will occur on Tuesday, September 16, 1997.

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Interior Appropriations, 1998: Senate began consideration of H.R. 2107, making appropriations for the Department of the Interior and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998, agreeing to committee amendments with certain exceptions, and taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows:

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Adopted:

Gorton (for Gregg) Amendment No. 1132, to make technical corrections.

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Senate will continue consideration of the bill on Monday, September 15, 1997.

Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

By unanimous vote of 100 yeas (Vote No. 236 EX), Joseph F. Bataillon, of Nebraska, to be United States District Judge for the District of Nebraska.

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By unanimous vote of 100 yeas (Vote No. 237 EX), Christopher Droney, of Connecticut, to be United States District Judge for the District of Connecticut.

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By 98 yeas to 1 nay (Vote No. 238 EX), Janet C. Hall, of Connecticut, to be United States District Judge for the District of Connecticut.

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Heidi H. Schulman, of California, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for Public Broadcasting for a term expiring January 31, 2002.

James Allan Hurd, Jr., of the Virgin Islands, to be United States Attorney for the District of the Virgin Islands for the term of four years.

Sharon J. Zealey, of Ohio, to be United States Attorney for the Southern District of Ohio for the term of four years.

Katherine Milner Anderson, of Virginia, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for Public Broadcasting for a term expiring January 31, 2000.

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Record Votes: Seven record votes were taken today. (Total—238)

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 9 a.m., and adjourned at 6:14 p.m., until 10 a.m., Friday, September 12, 1997. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S9240.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

GLOBAL TOBACCO SETTLEMENT

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: Committee held hearings to examine the terms and parameters of the proposed settlement between State Attorneys General and tobacco companies to mandate a total reformation and restructuring of how tobacco products are manufactured, marketed and distributed in America, focusing on its long-term impact on farmers, children and the public health, receiving testimony from David A. Kessler, Yale University, New Haven, Connecticut, former U.S. Commissioner of Food and Drugs; C. Everett Koop, Dartmouth College, Hanover, New Hampshire, former U.S. Surgeon General; Colorado Attorney General Gale Norton, Denver; J. Phil Carlton, Raleigh, North Carolina, former North Carolina Supreme Court Associate Justice; J. Walter Sinclair, Twin Falls, Idaho, on behalf of the American Heart Association; Scott D. Ballin, National Center for Tobacco-Free Kids, Washington, D.C.; and Jeffrey E. Harris, Massachusetts General Hospital, Boston.

Hearings continue on Thursday, September 18.

ALASKAN LANDS

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee concluded hearings on the following bills:

S. 660, to provide for the continuation of higher education through the conveyance of certain public lands in the State of Alaska to the University of Alaska, after receiving testimony from Tom Fry, Deputy Director, Bureau of Land Management, Department of the Interior; Jerome B. Komisar, University of Alaska, Fairbanks; Bart Koehler, Southeast Alaska Conservation Council, Juneau; and Kevin Tritt, University of Alaska, Anchorage; and

S. 1092, to provide for a transfer of land interests in order to facilitate surface transportation between the cities of Cold Bay, Alaska, and King Cove, Alaska, after receiving testimony from John Rogers,

Deputy Director, United States Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior; City Manager Gary Hennigh, King Cove, Alaska; and Jack Hession, Sierra Club, Marvin Hoff, Agdaagux Tribal Council, and Della Trumble, King Cove Corporation, all of Anchorage, Alaska.

AMERICAN BATTLE MONUMENTS

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on National Parks, Historic Preservation and Recreation concluded hearings on the implementation of the Commemorative Works Act (P.L. 99-652) and the administrative and public processes involved in the site selection of the World War II Memorial and the recently announced Air Force Memorial, after receiving testimony from John G. Parsons, Associate Superintendent, Stewardship and Partnership, National Capitol Region, National Park Service, Department of the Interior, on behalf of the National Capital Memorial Commission; Patricia Elwood, National Capitol Planning Commission, Charles Atherton, Commission of Fine Arts, Roger K. Lewis, Friends of the Mall, and Gen. Carl Mundy, USMC (Ret.), on behalf of World USO, all of Washington, D.C.; Maj. Gen. John P. Herrling, USA (Ret.), on behalf of the American Battle Monuments Commission, Edward S. Grandis, on behalf of the Friends of Iwo Jima, Gen. Robert Springer, USAF (Ret.), on behalf of the Air Force Memorial Foundation, and Gen. John A. Shaud, USAF (Ret.), on behalf of the Air Force Association, all of Arlington, Virginia.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Finance: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

An original bill to approve and implement the Agreement Respecting Normal Competitive Conditions in the Commercial Shipbuilding and Repair Industry (Shipbuilding Agreement), negotiated under the auspices of the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development.

S. 343, to authorize the extension of permanent nondiscriminatory treatment (most-favored-nation treatment) to the products of Mongolia;

S. 1093, to authorize the extension of permanent nondiscriminatory treatment (most-favored-nation treatment) to the products of the Lao People's Democratic Republic; and

S. 747, to amend trade laws and related provisions to clarify the designation of normal trade relations; and

The nominations of Kenneth S. Apfel, of Maryland, to be Commissioner of Social Security, Social Security Administration, Nancy-Ann Minn Deparle, of Tennessee, to be Administrator of the Health Care Financing Administration, and Olivia A. Golden, of the District of Columbia, to be Assistant Secretary for Family Support, both of the Department of Health and Human Services, and David A. Lipton, of Massachusetts, to be Under Secretary for International Affairs, Timothy F. Geithner, of New York, to be Deputy Under Secretary, Gary Gensler, of Maryland, to be Assistant Secretary for Financial Markets, and Nancy Killefer, of Florida, to be Assistant Secretary and Chief Financial Officer, all of the Department of the Treasury.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of Susan E. Rice, of the District of Columbia, to be Assistant Secretary of State for African Affairs, Brian Dean Curran, of Florida, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Mozambique, Timberlake Foster, of California, to be Ambassador to the Islamic Republic of Mauritania, Tom McDonald, of Ohio, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Zimbabwe, Nancy Jo Powell, of Iowa, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Uganda, and Amelia Ellen Shippy, of Washington, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Malawi, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf. Mr. McDonald was introduced by Senators DeWine and Glenn.

CAMPAIGN FINANCING INVESTIGATION

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Committee continued hearings to examine certain matters with regard to the committee's special investigation on campaign financing, receiving testimony from Samuel R. Berger, Assistant to the President for National Security Affairs.

Hearings continue on Tuesday, September 16.

MEDICAL INFORMATION PRIVACY

Committee on Labor and Human Resources: Committee held hearings to examine an Administration study on the confidentiality of medical information and recommendations on ways to protect the privacy of individually identifiable information and to establish strong penalties for those who disclose such information, receiving testimony from Donna E. Shalala, Secretary of Health and Human Services.

Hearings continue on Thursday, September 25.