

Thursday, January 29, 1998

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S189–S244

Measures Introduced: Ten bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 1583–1592 and S. Res. 170. Page S226

Measures Passed:

U.S. Institute for Environmental Conflict Resolution: Senate passed H.R. 3042, to amend Morris K. Udall Scholarship and Excellence in National Environmental and Native American Public Policy Act of 1992 to establish the United States Institute for Environmental Conflict Resolution to conduct environmental conflict resolution and training, clearing the measure for the President. Page S241

Removal of Injunction of Secrecy: The injunction of secrecy was removed from the Landmark Law Treaty (Treaty Doc. No. 105–35). The treaty was transmitted to the Senate today, considered as having been read for the first time, and referred, with accompanying papers, to the Committee on Foreign Relations and was ordered to be printed. Page S241

Appointments:

National Council on the Arts: The Majority Leader was authorized to appoint two Senators to the National Council on the Arts as amended by Public Law 105–83. Page S241

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Rebecca T. Bingham, of Kentucky, to be a Member of the National Commission on Libraries and Information Science for a term expiring July 19, 2001.

Charles H. Dolan, Jr., of Virginia, to be a Member of the United States Advisory Commission on Public Diplomacy for a term expiring July 1, 2000.

Stuart E. Eizenstat, of Maryland, to be United States Alternate Governor of the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development for a term of five years; United States Alternate Governor of the Inter-American Development Bank for a term of five years; United States Alternate Governor of the African Development Bank for a term of five years; United States Alternate Governor of the African Development Fund; United States Alternate Governor

of the Asian Development Bank; and United States Alternate Governor of the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development.

Richard W. Fisher, of Texas, to be Deputy United States Trade Representative, with the rank of Ambassador.

Scott Snyder Fleming, of Virginia, to be Assistant Secretary for Legislation and Congressional Affairs, Department of Education.

Martha B. Gould, of Nevada, to be a Member of the National Commission on Libraries and Information Science for a term expiring July 19, 2002.

Margaret Hornbeck Greene, of Kentucky, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the United States Enrichment Corporation for a term expiring February 24, 2003.

Paul M. Igasaki, of California, to be a Member of the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission for a term expiring July 1, 2002.

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

Kevin Emanuel Marchman, of Colorado, to be an Assistant Secretary of Housing and Urban Development.

Christine O. C. Miller, of the District of Columbia, to be a Judge of the United States Court of Federal Claims for a term of fifteen years.

David R. Oliver, of Indiana, to be Deputy Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Technology.

Paul L. Seave, of California, to be United States Attorney for the Eastern District of California for a term of four years.

Nancy E. Soderberg, of the District of Columbia, to be Alternate Representative of the United States of America for Special Political Affairs in the United Nations, with the rank of Ambassador.

Nancy E. Soderbert, of the District of Columbia, to be an Alternate Representative of the United States of America to the Sessions of the General Assembly of the United Nations during her tenure of service as Alternate Representative of the United States of America for Special Political Affairs in the United Nations.

Orson Swindle, of Hawaii, to be a Federal Trade Commissioner for the term of seven years from September 26, 1997.

Cherryl T. Thomas, of Illinois, to be a Member of the Railroad Retirement Board for a term expiring August 28, 2002.

Moxelle Willmont Thompson, of New York, to be a Federal Trade Commissioner for the term of seven years from September 26, 1996.

15 Air Force nominations in the rank of general.
2 Navy nominations in the rank of admiral.

Routine lists in the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps, Coast Guard, and National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.

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Nominations Withdrawn: Senate received notification of the withdrawal of the following nominations:

James Hudson Bailey, of Wisconsin, to be Deputy Director of the Federal Emergency Management Agency, which was sent to the Senate on October 8, 1997.

Ronald Kent Burton, of Virginia, to be a Member of the Board of Trustees of the Morris K. Udall Scholarship and Excellence in National Environmental Policy Foundation for a term expiring October 6, 2002, which was sent to the Senate on January 9, 1997.

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m., and adjourned at 6:20 p.m., until 12 noon, on Monday, February 2, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Assistant Majority Leader in today's Record on page S241.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

NATIONAL DEFENSE REPORT

Committee on Armed Services: Committee concluded hearings to examine certain national security requirements of the United States, including the force structure necessary to meet those requirements, after receiving testimony from James R. Schlesinger, former Secretary of Defense.

NATIONAL SECURITY: NATO

Committee on Armed Services: Committee concluded hearings to examine national security implications of enlarging NATO and the continued deployment of United States forces in Bosnia, after receiving testimony from Henry Kissinger, former Secretary of State and former National Security Advisor.

FINANCIAL MARKET CIRCUIT BREAKERS

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Subcommittee on Securities concluded oversight hearings to examine the Department of Treasury's views on "circuit breakers" in United States financial markets, the name commonly given to coordinated trading halts in the equity and equity-derivative markets that are required when large price moves of predetermined magnitude occur, after receiving testimony from John D. Hawke, Jr., Under Secretary of the Treasury for Domestic Finance; Susan M. Phillips, Member, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System; Arthur Levitt, Chairman, Securities and Exchange Commission; Brooksley Born, Chairperson, Commodity Futures Trading Commission; James L. Cochrane, New York Stock Exchange, Inc., and James F. Duffy, American Stock Exchange, Inc., both of New York, New York; M. Scott Gordon and Jack Sandner, both of the Chicago Mercantile Exchange, and Edward J. Joyce, Chicago Board Options Exchange, all of Chicago, Illinois; and Richard G. Ketchum, National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc., Washington, D.C.

ECONOMIC OUTLOOK

Committee on the Budget: Committee concluded hearings to examine the current outlook for the United States economy and the implications for monetary policy, after receiving testimony from Alan Greenspan, Chairman, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System.

EDUCATION FUNDING REFORM

Committee on the Budget: Committee held hearings to examine the impact of research and technology on elementary and secondary education, receiving testimony from Senator Bingaman; Eleanor Johnson, Assistant Director for Education and Employment Issues, General Accounting Office; Steven H. Goldman, Ball Foundation, Glen Ellyn, Illinois; Robert E. Slavin, Center for Research on the Education of Students Placed at Risk/Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, Maryland; Harold Hodgkinson, Institute for Educational Leadership, and Thomas K. Glennan, Jr., RAND, both of Washington, D.C.; Michael Moe, Montgomery Securities, San Francisco, California; and James S. Lanich, Technology For Learning/Los Angeles County Office of Education, Downey, California.

Committee recessed subject to call.

IRS REFORM

Committee on Finance: Committee held hearings on proposals and recommendations to restructure and