

Thursday, March 5, 1998

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S1371–S1480

Measures Introduced: Ten bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1711–1720, S. Con. Res. 80, and S. Res. 192. **Pages S1435–36**

Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows: S. Res. 171, designating March 25, 1998, as “Greek Independence Day: A National Day of Celebration of Greek and American Democracy”.

S. 1379, to amend section 552 of title 5, United States Code, and the National Security Act of 1947 to require disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act regarding certain persons, disclose Nazi war criminal records without impairing any investigation or prosecution conducted by the Department of Justice or certain intelligence matters, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Page S1435**

Measures Passed: U.S./Mongolia Friendship: Senate agreed to S. Con. Res. 60, expressing the sense of the Congress in support of efforts to foster friendship and cooperation between the United States and Mongolia. **Page S1480**

ISTEA Authorization: Senate resumed consideration of S. 1173, to authorize funds for construction of highways, for highway safety programs, and for mass transit programs, with a modified committee amendment in the nature of a substitute (Amendment No. 1676), taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows: **Pages S1371–81, S1386–S1434**
Adopted:

Chafee Amendment No. 1684 (to Amendment No. 1676), to provide for the distribution of additional funds for the Federal-aid highway program. **Pages S1387–90**

By 52 yeas to 47 nays (Vote No. 21), Dorgan Amendment No. 1697 (to Amendment No. 1676), to encourage States to enact laws that ban the sale of alcohol through drive-up or drive through sales window. **Pages S1375–81, S1386–87**

Domenici/Bingaman Modified Amendment No. 1387 (to Amendment No. 1676), to encourage the Secretary of Transportation to use the national laboratories in carrying out the research and technology program. **Pages S1377–78**

Domenici/Bingaman Modified Amendment No. 1393 (to Amendment No. 1676), to require the Secretary to maximize the involvement of Federal laboratories in carrying out the intelligent transportation system program. **Page S1378**

Domenici/Bingaman Amendment No. 1698 (to Amendment No. 1676), to provide a definition of the term Federal laboratory. **Page S1378**

Bingaman/Domenici Amendment No. 1699 (to Amendment No. 1676), to clarify that Federal laboratories are eligible to receive grants or to enter into contracts, cooperative agreements, or other transactions. **Page S1386**

Bingaman/Domenici Amendment No. 1700 (to Amendment No. 1676), to clarify that information on transportation-related research and development activities at Federal laboratories shall be included in the general exchange of information being promoted by the Secretary of Transportation. **Page S1386**

Bingaman/Domenici Amendment No. 1701 (to Amendment No. 1676), to clarify that innovative research performed by Federal laboratories shall be identified and applied to the intermodal and multimodal transportation research, development, and deployments needs of the Department of Transportation enterprise of the United States. **Page S1386**

Chafee/Wyden/Graham Amendment No. 1702 (to Amendment No. 1676), to further clarify the integrated decision making process for surface transportation projects. **Pages S1390–92**

Hutchinson Amendment No. 1703 (to Amendment No. 1676), to provide for the continuation of partnership agreements to promote the integration of surface transportation management systems. **Pages S1392–93**

Abraham/Levin Amendment No. 1704 (to Amendment No. 1676), to make access to the Ambassador Bridge, Detroit, Michigan, eligible for funding. **Page S1393**

Chafee (for Inhofe) Amendment No. 1705 (to Amendment No. 1676), to improve the provisions relating to contracting for engineering and design services. **Page S1394**

Chafee (for Abraham/Levin) Amendment No. 1706 (to Amendment No. 1676), to allow funding under the surface transportation program for programs to reduce motor vehicle emissions caused by extreme cold start conditions. **Page S1394**

Rejected:

By 43 yeas to 56 nays, one responding present (Vote No. 22), Bingaman/Byrd Modified Amendment No. 1696 (to Amendment No. 1676), to encourage States to enact laws that ban the sale of alcohol through a drive-up or drive-through sales window. **Pages S1372-75, S1387**

Pending:

McConnell Amendment No. 1708 (to Amendment No. 1676), to require that Federal surface transportation funds be used to encourage development and outreach to emerging business enterprises, including those owned by minorities and women, and to prohibit discrimination and preferential treatment based on race, color, national origin, or sex, with respect to use of those funds, in compliance with the equal protection provisions of the fifth and 14th amendments to the Constitution. **Pages S1395-S1434**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill and the pending amendment on Friday, March 6, 1998. **Page S1480**

Messages From the House: **Page S1435**

Measures Referred: **Page S1435**

Executive Reports of Committees: **Page S1435**

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Additional Cosponsors: **Pages S1462-63**

Amendments Submitted: **Pages S1463-76**

Authority for Committees: **Pages S1476-77**

Additional Statements: **Pages S1477-79**

Record Votes: Two record votes were taken today. (Total-22) **Pages S1386-87**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9 a.m., and adjourned at 6:55 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Friday, March 6, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S1480.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

GLOBAL CLIMATE CHANGE

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition and Forestry: Committee concluded hearings to examine the impact of global climate change on United States agriculture and forests, focusing on an international agreement

reached in Kyoto, Japan in December 1997 to control greenhouse gas emissions (Kyoto Protocol), and the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 1999 for climate change programs, after receiving testimony from Senator Wyden; Stuart E. Eizenstat, Under Secretary of State for Economic, Business and Agricultural Affairs; Richard Rominger, Deputy Secretary of Agriculture; Janet Yellen, Chair, Council of Economic Advisers; Dean R. Kleckner, Rudd, Iowa, on behalf of the American Farm Bureau Federation; Fred Krupp, Environmental Defense Fund, New York, New York; Mary Novak, WEFA, Inc., Burlington, Massachusetts; and Marty Strange, Randolph, Vermont, on behalf of the Center for Rural Affairs.

APPROPRIATIONS—NOAA/SBA

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, State, and the Judiciary, and Related Agencies held hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1999, receiving testimony in behalf of funds for their respective activities from D. James Baker, Under Secretary of Commerce for Atmosphere and Oceans/National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration; and Aida Alvarez, Administrator, Small Business Administration.

Subcommittee will meet again on Tuesday, March 10.

APPROPRIATIONS—EDUCATION/CAMPUS SECURITY

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education and Related Agencies held hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1999 for the Department of Education, receiving testimony from Richard W. Riley, Secretary of Education.

Also, subcommittee concluded hearings to examine certain incidents of crime on college campuses and efforts to strengthen the campus crime reporting and disclosure provisions of the Higher Education Act of 1965 and the Campus Security Act of 1990, after receiving testimony from Senator Torricelli; David A. Longanecker, Assistant Secretary of Education for Postsecondary Education; Howard K. Clery, Jr., Security On Campus, Inc., King of Prussia, Pennsylvania; Jacob A. McKee, Lehigh University, Bethlehem, Pennsylvania; Stanley O. Ikenberry, American Council on Education, and Delores Stafford, George Washington University, both of Washington, D.C.; Michele Goldfarb, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia; and Barbara R. Prentice, Centerville, Massachusetts.

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