

Rejected:

Gramm/Santorum Amendment No. 2104, to establish that only that portion of budget authority provided in this Act that is obligated during fiscal year 1998 shall be designated as an emergency requirement pursuant to the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985. (By 76 yeas to 24 nays (Vote No. 40), Senate tabled the amendment.)

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Pending:

McConnell Modified Amendment No. 2100, to provide supplemental appropriations for the International Monetary Fund for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998.

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Faircloth Amendment No. 2103, to establish an Education Stabilization Fund to make loans to States for constructing and modernizing elementary and secondary schools.

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Stevens (for Nickles) Amendment No. 2120, to strike certain funding for the Health Care Financing Administration.

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Withdrawn:

Ashcroft Amendment No. 2080, to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 to provide to private sector employees the same opportunities for time-and-a-half compensatory time off and bi-weekly work programs as Federal employees currently enjoy to help balance the demands and needs of work and family, and to clarify the provisions relating to exemptions of certain professionals from the minimum wage and overtime requirements of the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938.

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Senate will continue consideration of the bill on Wednesday, March 25, 1998.

Education Savings Act for Public and Private Schools—Cloture Vote Postponed: By unanimous consent agreement, the cloture vote on the motion to close further debate on H.R. 2646, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow tax-free expenditures from education individual retirement accounts for elementary and secondary school expenses, and to increase the maximum annual amount of contributions to such accounts, scheduled to occur today, was postponed.

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Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

William Joseph Burns, of Pennsylvania, to be Ambassador to the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan.

Ryan Clark Crocker, of Washington, to be Ambassador to the Syrian Arab Republic.

1 Air Force nomination in the rank of general.

1 Army nomination in the rank of general.

1 Marine Corps nomination in the rank of general.

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Record Votes: One record vote was taken today. (Total—40)

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 7:48 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Wednesday, March 25, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record, on page S2503.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

APPROPRIATIONS—AGRICULTURE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, and Related Agencies held hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1999 for the Farm and Foreign Agricultural Service of the Department of Agriculture, receiving testimony from August Schumacher, Jr., Under Secretary for Farm and Foreign Agricultural Programs, Keith Kelly, Administrator, Farm Service Agency, Christopher E. Goldthwait, General Sales Manager, Lon S. Hatamiya, Administrator, Foreign Agricultural Service, and Kenneth D. Ackerman, Administrator, Risk Management Agency, all of the Department of Agriculture.

Subcommittee will meet again on Tuesday, March 31.

ALZHEIMERS DISEASE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education concluded hearings to examine issues with regard to Alzheimers disease, focusing on its impact on families and research and development programs, after receiving testimony from Steven DeKosky, University of Pittsburgh Medical Center, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; Donald Schmechel, Duke University Medical Center, Durham, North Carolina; Orien Reid, Laverock, Pennsylvania, on behalf of the Alzheimer's Association; Bob and Rosemary Cronin, Dubuque, Iowa; and Piper Laurie, Los Angeles, California.

DRUG ADDICTION AND RECOVERY

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education concluded hearings on proposals to provide for non-discriminatory coverage for substance abuse treatment services under private group and individual health coverage, after receiving testimony from Senator Wellstone; Representative Ramstad; Alan I. Leshner, Director, National Institute on Drug Abuse, Department of Health and Human Services; Fred D. Hafer, General Public Utilities, Inc., Morristown, New Jersey; William Cope Moyers, Hazelden Foundation, Center City, Minnesota; John T. Schwarzlose, Betty Ford Center, Indian Wells, California, on behalf of the Partnership for Recovery and the National Association of Addiction Treatment Providers; Buzz Aldrin, Santa Monica, California; Shawn Colvin and Bill Moyers, both of New York, New York; and Carroll O'Connor and Mackenzie Phillips, both of Los Angeles, California.

APPROPRIATIONS—AMTRAK

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Transportation and Related Agencies held hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1999 for the National Railroad Passenger Corporation (Amtrak), focusing on how to improve intercity passenger rail in the United States, receiving testimony from Senators Roth, Biden, and Baucus; Phyllis F. Scheinberg, Associate Director, Transportation Issues, Resources, Community, and Economic Development Division, General Accounting Office; Kenneth M. Mead, Inspector General, Department of Transportation; Jack Lew, Deputy Director, Office of Management and Budget; Mayor Ed Rendell, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; Robert Kiley, New York City Partnerships, New York, New York; Robert Poole, Reason Foundation, Los Angeles, California; and Jeff Ladd, Metra Commuter Rail, Chicago, Illinois.

Subcommittee will meet again on Thursday, April 2.

RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT REFORM

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Acquisition and Technology resumed hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 1999 for the Department of Defense and the future years defense program, focusing on the management of research, development, test and evaluation programs, receiving testimony from John W. Lyons, Director, Army Research Laboratory, Richard E. Metrey, Director, Carderock Division, Naval Surface Warfare Center, George T. Singley, III, Acting Director, Defense Research and Engineering, and Patricia A. Sanders, Director, Test, Systems Engineering and Evaluation, all of the Department of Defense.

Subcommittee recessed subject to call.

AUTHORIZATION—DEFENSE

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Strategic Forces resumed hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 1999 for the Department of Defense and the future years defense program, focusing on ballistic missile defense programs, receiving testimony from Lt. Gen. Lester L. Lyles, USAF, Director, Ballistic Missile Defense Organization, Department of Defense; Gen. Larry D. Welch, USAF (Ret.), Institute for Defense Analyses, Alexandria, Virginia; David J. Smith, Global Horizons, Inc., Annandale, Virginia; and William R. Graham, National Security Research, Inc., Fairfax, Virginia.

Subcommittee will meet again on Thursday, March 26.

PROFESSIONAL BOXING

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee concluded hearings to examine certain business practices within the professional boxing industry, focusing on the role and status of State regulation, contract issues, and the promotion of the athletes, after receiving testimony from Gregory P. Sirb, Pennsylvania State Athletic Commission, Harrisburg, on behalf of the Association of Boxing Commissions; Cedric Kushner, Cedric Kushner Promotions, Long Island, New York; James J. Binns, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, on behalf of the World Boxing Association and the World Boxing Association of North America; Patrick C. English, Clifton, New Jersey; and Fredric G. Levin, Pensacola, Florida.

GLOBAL TOBACCO SETTLEMENT

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee concluded hearings on proposed legislation to reform and restructure the process by which tobacco products are manufactured, marketed, and distributed, to prevent the use of tobacco products by minors, and to redress the adverse health effects of tobacco use, after receiving testimony from Lawrence H. Summers, Deputy Secretary, and Jonathan Gruber, Deputy Assistant Secretary, both of the Department of the Treasury; Scott R. Strand, Minnesota Office of Attorney General, St. Paul; Floyd Abrams, Cahill, Gordon & Reindel, Martin Feldman, Smith Barney, Inc., and Harvey R. Miller, Weil, Gotshal & Manges, all of New York, New York; and Harvey S. Rosen, Burke, Rosen & Associates, Cleveland, Ohio.

**NATIONAL PARKS/HISTORIC SITES/
MEMORIALS**

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on National Parks, Historic Preservation,

and Recreation concluded hearings on S. 887, to establish in the National Park Service the National Underground Railroad Network to Freedom Program, S. 991, to make technical corrections to the Omnibus Parks and Public Lands Management Act of 1996, S. 1695, to establish the Sand Creek Massacre National Historic Site in the State of Colorado, and S.J.Res. 41, approving the location of a Martin Luther King, Jr., Memorial in the Nation's Capital, after receiving testimony from Senators Warner, Sarbanes, DeWine, and Moseley-Braun; Katherine H. Stevenson, Associate Director, Cultural Resource Stewardship and Partnerships, National Park Service, Department of the Interior; Steve Brady, Northern Cheyenne Band of Sand Creek Descendants, Lame Deer, Montana; Laird Cometsevah, Clinton, Oklahoma; David Fridtjof Halaas, Colorado Historical Society, Denver; Iantha Gantt-Wright, National Parks and Conservation Association, Washington, D.C.; Cathy Nelson, Ohio Underground Railroad Association, Columbus; Ed Rigaud, National Underground Railroad Freedom Center, Cincinnati, Ohio; Glennette Tilley Turner, Wheaton, Illinois, on behalf of the Underground Railroad Advisory Committee; and John H. Carter, BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc., Atlanta, Georgia, on behalf of the Washington D.C. Martin Luther King, Jr. National Memorial Project Foundation, Inc.

AUTHORIZATION—SUPERFUND

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Committee began mark up of S. 8, to revise and authorize funds for fiscal years 1998 through 2002 for programs of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Liability, and Compensation Act (Superfund), but did not complete action thereon, and will meet again tomorrow.

INDONESIA

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on East Asian and Pacific Affairs concluded hearings to examine the current economic and political situation in Indonesia, after receiving testimony from Aurelia E. Brazeal, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for East Asian and Pacific Affairs; Arian Árdie, Deputy Secretary General of KIKAS (Kadin Indonesia Komite Amerika Serikat), Indonesian Chamber of Commerce and Industry, Jakarta, Indonesia; and Walter B. Lohman, U.S.-ASEAN Business Council, Edward E. Masters, U.S.-Indonesia Society, and Adam Schwarz, Council on Foreign Relations, all of Washington, D.C.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of Ivan L.R. Lemelle, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern Dis-

trict of Louisiana, A. Howard Matz, to be United States District Judge for the Central District of California, and George Caram Steeh III and Arthur J. Tarnow, each to be a United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Michigan, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf. Mr. Lemelle was introduced by Senators Breaux and Landrieu, Mr. Matz was introduced by Senator Boxer, and Messrs. Steeh and Tarnow were introduced by Senator Levin.

HEALTH CARE QUALITY

Committee on Labor and Human Resources: Committee concluded hearings on proposals to promote quality and fairness in employment-based group health plans and to improve consumer protections and the quality of health care in the employment-based system, including S. 1712, S. 644, S. 373, S. 353, S. 449, and S. 346, after receiving testimony from Senator Lieberman; Margaret A. Hamburg, Assistant Secretary of Health and Human Services for Planning and Evaluation; Meredith Miller, Deputy Assistant Secretary of Labor for Pension and Welfare Benefits; Colorado Commissioner of Insurance Jack Ehnes, Denver, on behalf of the National Association of Insurance Commissioners; Beau Carter, Integrated Healthcare Association, Pleasanton, California; Joanne L. Husted, National Partnership for Women and Families, Washington, D.C.; Mark S. Waskow, Waskow Group, Burlington, Vermont, on behalf of the National Federation of Independent Business; Thomas R. Reardon, Portland, Oregon, on behalf of the American Medical Association; Joe Laymon, Eastman Kodak Company, Rochester, New York, on behalf of the Business Roundtable; and Staci J. Froelich, Tacoma Park, Maryland.

VETERANS' EMPLOYMENT

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Committee concluded hearings on S. 1021, to provide that a veterans' preference eligible (PE) or an individual who has been separated from military service under honorable conditions after three or more years of active duty shall not be denied the opportunity to compete for a vacant position within a Federal agency, either in the competitive or excepted service, after receiving testimony from Senator Cleland; Representative Mica; Michael Brostek, Associate Director, Federal Management and Workforce Issues, General Government Division, General Accounting Office; Mary Lou Lindholm, Associate Director for Employment, Office of Personnel Management; Espiridion Borrego, Assistant Secretary of Labor for the Veterans' Employment and Training Service; Stephen A. Moe, Manager, Selection, Evaluation, and Recognition, United States Postal Service; Kimo S. Hollingsworth, American Legion, and Sidney Daniels, Veterans of

Foreign Wars of the United States, both of Washington, D.C.; Veronica A'zera, AMVETS, Lanham, Maryland; Larry D. Rhea, Non Commissioned Officers Association of the United States of America, Al-

exandria, Virginia; and Gary D. Miles, American Federation of Government Employees (AFL-CIO), and Kurt Vorndran, National Treasury Employees Union, both of Washington, D.C.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 15 public bills, H.R. 3530-3544; and 3 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 248-249, and H. Res. 392 were introduced. **Pages H1444-45**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed as follows:

H.R. 3211, to amend title 38, United States Code, to enact into law eligibility requirements for burial in Arlington National Cemetery, amended (H. Rept. 105-458);

H.R. 2186, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to provide assistance to the National Historic Trails Interpretive Center in Casper, Wyoming (H. Rept. 105-459);

H. Res. 390, providing for consideration of H.R. 2589, to amend the provisions of title 17, United States Code, with respect to the duration of copyright (H. Rept. 105-460);

H. Res. 391, providing for consideration of H.R. 2578, to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to extend the visa waiver pilot program, and to provide for the collection of data with respect to the number of non immigrants who remain in the United States after the expiration of the period of stay authorized by the Attorney General (H. Rept. 105-461); and

H.R. 3310, to amend chapter 35 of title 44, United States Code, for the purpose of facilitating compliance by small businesses with certain Federal paperwork requirements, and to establish a task force to examine the feasibility of streamlining paperwork requirements applicable to small businesses, amended (H. Rept. 105-462 Part 1). **Page H1444**

Guest Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the guest Chaplain, Bishop Eddie L. Long of Decatur, Georgia. **Page H1385**

Journal: The House agreed to the Speaker's approval of the Journal of Monday, March 24 by a yeas and nay vote of 368 yeas to 40 nays, Roll No. 64. **Pages H1385, H1406-07**

Recess: The House recessed at 1:07 p.m. and reconvened at 2:00 p.m. **Page H1385**

National Summit on Retirement Savings: The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of Mr.

Jack Ulrich of Pennsylvania to the National Summit on Retirement Savings. **Page H1385**

Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Traffic Stops Statistics Study Act: H.R. 118, amended, to provide for the collection of data on traffic stops; **Pages H1387-89**

Burial Eligibility In Arlington National Cemetery: H.R. 3211, amended, to amend title 38, United States Code, to enact into law eligibility requirements for burial in Arlington National Cemetery (passed by yeas and nays vote of 412 yeas with none voting "nay", Roll No. 65); **Pages H1389-95, H1407**

Enforcement of Veterans' Employment Rights: H.R. 3213, amended, to amend title 38, United States Code, to clarify enforcement of veterans' employment rights with respect to a State as an employer or a private employer and to extend veterans' employment and reemployment rights to members of the uniformed services employed abroad by United States companies; **Pages H1396-99**

Small Business Investment Company Technical Corrections: H.R. 3412, amended, to amend and make technical corrections in title III of the Small Business Investment Act (passed by yeas and nays vote of 407 yeas with none voting "nay", Roll No. 66. **Pages H1399-H1400, H1408**

Land Conveyance in Virginia: H.R. 3226, A bill to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to convey certain lands and improvements in the State of Virginia; and **Pages H1400-02**

Aviation Medical Assistance Act: H.R. 2843, amended, to direct the Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration to reevaluate the equipment in medical kits carried on, and to make a decision regarding requiring automatic external defibrillators to be carried on, aircraft operated by air carriers. **Pages H1403-06**

Corrections Calendar: On the call of the Corrections Calendar, the House passed H.R. 3096, to correct a provision relating to termination of benefits for convicted persons by a yeas and nays vote of 408