

# Daily Digest

## Senate

### Chamber Action

*Routine Proceedings, pages S3601–S3664*

**Measures Introduced:** Four bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1989–1992 and S. Res. 217 and 218. **Page S3653**

#### Measures Passed:

**Authorizing Representation by Legal Counsel:** Senate agreed to S. Res. 218, to authorize testimony, production of Senate documents, and representation by Senate Legal Counsel in civil case. **Page S3663**

**Treaty Considered:** Senate began consideration of the Protocols to the North Atlantic Treaty of 1949 on Accession of Poland, Hungary, and the Czech Republic, with seven declarations and four conditions, taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows: **Pages S3603–45**

#### Pending:

Kyl Amendment No. 2310, to establish principles of policy of the United States toward the Strategic Concept of NATO. **Pages S3624–45**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the Treaty on Tuesday, April 28, 1998. **Page S3663**

**Job Training Partnership Act—Agreement:** A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for the consideration of S. 1186, to provide for education and training, and certain amendments to be proposed thereto. **Pages S3662–63**

#### Appointments:

**Air Force Academy Board of Visitors:** The Chair, on behalf of the Vice President, pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 9355(a), appointed the following Senators to the Board of Visitors of the U.S. Air Force Academy: Senator Kempthorne, from the Committee on Armed Services, and Senator Burns, from the Committee on Appropriations. **Page S3663**

**Military Academy Board of Visitors:** The Chair, on behalf of the Vice President, pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 4355(a), appointed the following Senators to the Board of Visitors of the U.S. Military Academy: Senator Coats, from the Committee on Armed Serv-

ices, and Senator Hutchison, from the Committee on Appropriations. **Page S3663**

**Naval Academy Board of Visitors:** The Chair, on behalf of the Vice President, pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 6968(a), appointed the following Senators to the Board of Visitors of the U.S. Naval Academy: Senator McCain, from the Committee on Armed Services, and Senator Cochran, from the Committee on Appropriations. **Page S3663**

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

Transmitting the report concerning the national emergency with respect to narcotics traffickers centered in Columbia; referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. (PM–117). **Pages S3652–53**

**Nominations Confirmed:** Senate confirmed the following nominations:

By unanimous vote of 92 yeas (Vote No. 104 EX), Scott Snyder Fleming, of Virginia, to be Assistant Secretary for Legislation and Congressional Affairs, Department of Education. **Pages S3646–48**

Garr M. King, of Oregon, to be United States District Judge for the District of Oregon.

Gregory Moneta Sleet, of Delaware, to be United States District Judge for the District of Delaware.

Cherryl T. Thomas, of Illinois, to be a Member of the Railroad Retirement Board for a term expiring August 28, 2002. **Page S3646**

**Messages From the President:** **Pages S3652–53**

**Statements on Introduced Bills:** **Pages S3654–55**

**Additional Cosponsors:** **Page S3656**

**Amendments Submitted:** **Pages S3657–58**

**Notices of Hearings:** **Page S3658**

**Additional Statements:** **Pages S3658–62**

**Record Votes:** One record vote was taken today. (Total—104) **Page S3646**

**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 11 a.m., and adjourned at 7:07 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Tuesday,

April 28, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S3663.)

## Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

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# House of Representatives

## Chamber Action

**Bills Introduced:** 1 public bill, H.R. 3733, was introduced. **Page H2331**

**Reports Filed:** One report was filed as follows:

H.R. 1872, to amend the Communications Satellite Act of 1962 to promote competition and privatization in satellite communications, and for other purposes.

Amended (H. Rept. 105-494). **Page H2331**

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

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**Mexico-United States Parliamentary Group:** The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of Representative Kolbe, Chairman, and Representative Gilman, Vice Chairman to the Mexico-United States Parliamentary Group.

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**Canada-United States Parliamentary Group:** The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of Representative Houghton, Chairman, to the Canada-United States Parliamentary Group.

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**Presidential Message—Re Narcotics Traffickers:** Read a message from the President concerning the national emergency with respect to significant narcotics traffickers centered in Colombia—referred to the Committee on International Relations and ordered printed (H. Doc. 105-241).

**Pages H2322-23**

**Senate Messages:** Message received from the Senate today appears on page H2321.

**Referral:** S. Con. Res. 90, to acknowledge the Historic Northern Ireland Peace Agreement, was referred to the Committee on International Relations.

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**Amendments:** Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on pages H2331-33.

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

**Adjournment:** Met at 2:00 p.m. and adjourned at 3:25 p.m.

## Committee Meetings

No Committee meetings were held.

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### COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY, APRIL 28, 1998

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

#### Senate

*Committee on the Budget*, to hold hearings to examine Japan's economic difficulties and their potential United States impact, 10 a.m., SD-608.

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation*, to hold hearings to examine possible problems relating to the Year 2000 computer conversion, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

Subcommittee on Science, Technology, and Space, to hold hearings to examine the Department of Commerce's Federal research and development needs, 2:30 p.m., SR-253.

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources*, Subcommittee on Forests and Public Land Management, to hold hearings on S. 326, to provide for the reclamation of abandoned hardrock mines, S. 327, to ensure that Federal taxpayers receive a fair return for the extraction of locatable minerals on public domain lands, and S. 1102, to provide a reasonable royalty from mineral activities on Federal lands, to specify reclamation requirements for mineral activities on Federal lands, and to create a State program for the reclamation of abandoned hard rock mining sites on Federal lands, 2:30 p.m., SD-366.

*Committee on Finance*, to hold oversight hearings to examine the operation of the Internal Revenue Service, 9 a.m., SH-216.

*Committee on the Judiciary*, to hold hearings on S.J. Res. 44, proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States to protect the rights of crime victims, 2 p.m., SD-226.

*Committee on Labor and Human Resources*, to hold hearings to examine reading and literacy initiatives, 10 a.m., SD-430.

*Committee on Small Business*, to hold hearings to examine environmental compliance tools for small business, 10 a.m., SR-428A.

#### NOTICE

For a listing of Senate committee meetings scheduled ahead, see pages E676-77 in today's Record.

### House

*Committee on Appropriations*, Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, on Occupational Safety and Health Review Commission and the National Mediation Board, 10 a.m., and on the National Commission on Libraries and the Armed Forces Retirement Home 2 p.m., 2358 Rayburn.

*Committee on Banking and Financial Services*, Subcommittee on Domestic and International Monetary Policy, hearing on European Monetary Union, 2 p.m., 2128 Rayburn.

*Committee on Education and the Workforce*, Subcommittee on Early Childhood, Youth, and Families, hearing on Understanding Violent Children, 2 p.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing on American Worker Project: Impact of Federal Workplace Agencies, Programs, and Laws on the American Worker, 2 p.m., 2261 Rayburn.

*Committee on Government Reform and Oversight*, Subcommittee on Civil Service, hearing on FEHB Program as a Complement to Military Health Care, 2:30 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

*Committee on the Judiciary*, Subcommittee on Immigration and Claims, oversight hearing on health care initiatives pursued under the False Claims Act that impact hospitals, 10 a.m., 2237 Rayburn.

*Committee on Resources*, Subcommittee on Forests and Forest Health, hearing on the following: H.R. 1865, Spanish Peaks Wilderness Act of 1997; H.R. 3186, Rogue River National Forest Interchange Act of 1998; H.R. 3187, to amend the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 to exempt not-for-profit entities that hold rights-of-way on public lands from certain strict liability requirements imposed in connection with such rights-of-way; H.R. 3520, to adjust the boundaries of the Lake Chelan National Recreation Area and the adjacent Wenatchee National Forest in the State of Washington; and a measure to permit the Forest Service to sell their office in Medford, OR in order to fund an add-on to the

Bureau of Land Management Medford District Office so they can co-locate, 2 p.m., 1334 Longworth.

Subcommittee on National Parks and Public Lands and Subcommittee on Fisheries Conservation, Wildlife and Oceans, joint hearing on H.R. 2800, Battle of Midway National Memorial Study Act, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Subcommittee on National Parks and Public Lands, hearing on H.R. 3220, to authorize the use of certain land in Merced County, California, for an elementary school, following joint Subcommittee meeting, 1324 Longworth.

*Committee on Rules*, to consider the following: H.R. 6, Higher Education Amendments of 1998; H.R. 3717, to prohibit the expenditure of Federal funds for the distribution of needles or syringes for the hypodermic injection of illegal drugs; and H.R. 3546, National Dialogue on Social Security Act of 1998; and H.R. 3546, National Dialogue on Social Security Act of 1998, 2 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

*Committee on Science*, Subcommittee on Technology, oversight hearing on International Standards: Technical Barriers to Free Trade, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure*, Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment, to continue hearings on proposals for a Water Resources Development Act of 1998, 2 p.m., 2167 Rayburn.

### Joint Meetings

*Joint Economic Committee*, to hold hearings to examine Chinese access to dual use and military technology, focusing on a GAO report on the effectiveness of Tianemen sanctions restricting technology transfer, 10 a.m., 2220 Rayburn Building.

*Conferees*, on H.R. 2400, to authorize funds for Federal-aid highways, highway safety programs, and transit programs, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn Building.

*Conferees*, on H.R. 3579, making emergency supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998, 2 p.m., S-5, Capitol.

*Next Meeting of the SENATE*

9:30 a.m., Tuesday, April 28

## Senate Chamber

**Program for Tuesday:** After the recognition of three Senators for speeches and the transaction of any morning business (not to extend beyond 10:45 a.m.), Senate will continue consideration of Treaty Doc. 105-36, NATO Enlargement Treaty.

At 2:25 p.m., Senate will vote on the conference report on H.R. 1757, State Department Reorganization.

(Senate will recess from 12:45 p.m. until 2:15 p.m. for respective party conferences.)

*Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES*

12:30 p.m., Tuesday, April 28

## House Chamber

**Program for Tuesday:** The House will meet at 12:30 p.m. for morning hour and at 2:00 p.m. for consideration of 8 Suspensions:

1. H.R. 2807—Rhino and Tiger Product Labeling Act;

2. H. Res. 350—Congratulating the People of Sri Lanka on the Occasion of the Fiftieth Anniversary of their Nation's Independence;

3. H. Con. Res. 218—Concerning the Need to Establish a Cease Fire in Afghanistan and Begin the Transition toward a Broad-based Multiethnic Government that Observes International Norms of Behavior;

4. S. Con. Res. 37—Expressing the Sense of the Congress that Little League Baseball Incorporated was Established to Support and Develop Little League Baseball Worldwide and Should be Entitled to all of the Benefits and Privileges Available to Nongovernmental International Organizations;

5. H. Res. 374—Expressing the Sense of the House of Representatives Regarding the Ongoing Violence in Algeria;

6. H. Con. Res. 222—Congratulating the Former International Support and Verification Commission of the Organization of American States for Successfully Aiding in the Transition of Nicaragua from a War-ridden State into a Newly Formed Democracy;

7. H. Con. Res. 215—Congratulating the People of the Cooperative Republic of Guyana for Holding Multiparty Elections; and

8. H.J. Res. 102—Expressing the Sense of the Congress on the Occasion of the 50th Anniversary of the Founding of the Modern State of Israel.

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

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