

close further debate on the motion to proceed to the consideration of the bill. **Pages S4768–69**

Department of Defense Authorizations: Senate began consideration of S. 2057, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 1999 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, and to prescribe personnel strengths for such fiscal year for the Armed Forces. **Pages S4817–18**

Senate will continue consideration of the bill on Thursday, May 14, 1998. **Page S4843**

IRS Reform—Conferees: Pursuant to the order of May 6, 1998, the Chair appointed conferees on H.R. 2676, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to restructure and reform the Internal Revenue Service, as follows: from the Committee on Finance: Senators Roth, Chafee, Grassley, Hatch, Murkowski, Nickles, Gramm, Moynihan, Baucus, Graham, Breaux, and Kerrey; and from the Committee on Governmental Affairs: Senators Thompson, Brownback, Cochran, Durbin, and Cleland.

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Removal of Injunction of Secrecy: The injunction of secrecy was removed from the following treaty:

Treaty with St. Vincent and the Grenadines on Mutual Legal Assistance in Criminal Matters (Treaty Doc. 105–44).

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. **Pages S4841–42**

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

Transmitting the report concerning the Indian nuclear tests on May 11, 1998; referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations. (PM–125). **Page S4820**

Transmitting the report concerning the national emergency with respect to Iran; referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. (PM–126). **Page S4820**

Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

Arthur J. Tarnow, of Michigan, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Michigan.

George Caram Steeh, III, of Michigan, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Michigan. **Page S4843**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nomination:

Jacob Joseph Lew, of New York, to be Director of the Office of Management and Budget. **Page S4843**

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Messages From the House: **Pages S4820–21**

Measures Placed on Calendar: **Page S4821**

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Additional Statements: **Pages S4837–41**

Notice of Proposed Rulemaking: **Pages S4818–19**

Record Votes: Five record votes were taken today. (Total—135) **Pages S4768–69, S4772, S4810–11, S4815**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 7:37 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Thursday, May 14, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S4843.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

APPROPRIATIONS—DEFENSE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Defense held hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1999 for the Department of Defense, receiving testimony from William S. Cohen, Secretary of Defense.

Subcommittee will meet again on Wednesday, May 20.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FUND

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Regulatory Relief concluded hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 1999 for the Community Development Financial Institutions Fund to expand access to credit and financial services in low income urban, rural, and Native American communities, after receiving testimony from former Representative Floyd Flake; John D. Hawke, Jr., Under Secretary for Domestic Finance, and Ellen W. Lazar, Director, CDFI Fund, both of the Department of the Treasury; Judy A. England-Joseph, Director, Housing and Community Development Issues, Resources, Community, and Economic Development Division, General Accounting Office; Martin Eakes, Self-Help, Durham, North Carolina; and Mark Pinsky, National Community Capital Association, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

WIRELESS BUREAU

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Communications held oversight hearings on the Federal Communications Commission, focusing on activities of the Wireless Telecommunications Bureau, receiving testimony from Daniel B. Phythyon, Chief, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau, FCC.

Subcommittee will meet again on Tuesday, May 19.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee ordered favorably reported the following measures:

S. 1403, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior and Administration of the General Services Administration to identify and convey historic light stations to appropriate Federal and non-Federal entities for historic preservation, recreation, park and cultural purposes, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

H.R. 1460, to allow for election of the Delegate from Guam by other than separate ballot, and to provide a five-year extension to the supplemental food assistance program for Enewetak and adjust the program to reflect population changes;

H.R. 1779, to make a minor adjustment in the exterior boundary of the Devils Backbone Wilderness in the Mark Twain National Forest, Missouri, to exclude a small parcel of land containing improvements;

S. 1468, to provide for the conveyance of one acre of land from Santa Fe National Forest to the Village of Jemez Springs New Mexico, as the site of a fire sub-station, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 1510, to direct the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture to convey certain land known as the Old Coyote Administrative Site to the county of Rio Arriba, New Mexico, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 1683, to transfer administrative jurisdiction over part of the Lake Chelan National Recreation Area from the Secretary of the Interior to the Secretary of Agriculture for inclusion in the Wenatchee National Forest in the State of Washington, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 1807, to transfer administrative jurisdiction over certain parcels of public domain land in Lake County, Oregon, to facilitate management of the land, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

H.R. 1439, to facilitate the sale of certain land in Tahoe National Forest in the State of California to Placer County, California;

S. 1752, to convey certain administrative sites and use the proceeds for the acquisition of office sites and the acquisition, construction, or improvement of offices and support buildings for the Coconino National Forest, Kaibab National Forest, Prescott National Forest, and Tonto National Forest in the State of Arizona, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S.J. Res. 41, to approve the location of a proposed memorial to Martin Luther King Jr., in the District of Columbia;

S. 638, to provide for the expeditious completion of the previously mandated Federal acquisition of private mineral and geothermal interests within Mount St. Helens National Volcanic Monument in the State of Washington, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute; and

S. 887, to establish the National Underground Railroad Network to Freedom program within the National Park Service to produce and designate educational materials and to enter into cooperative agreements to further the interpretation and understanding of the Underground Railroad.

TREATIES

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded hearings on the Montreal Protocol No. 4 to Amend the Convention for the Unification of Certain Rules Relating to International Carriage by Air signed at Warsaw on October 12, 1929, as amended by the Protocol done at The Hague on September 8, 1955 (Treaty Doc. 95-2 B), the International Convention for the Protection of New Varieties of Plants of December 2, 1961, as Revised at Geneva on November 10, 1972, on October 23, 1978, and on March 19, 1991, and signed by the United States on October 25, 1991 (Treaty Doc. 104-17), the Grains Trade Convention and Food Aid Convention Constituting the International Grains Agreement, 1995 signed by the United States on June 26, 1995 (Treaty Doc. 105-4), Convention on the International Maritime Organization signed at Geneva, March 6, 1948 (the IMO Convention) (Treaty Doc. 104-36), and Trademark Law Treaty done at Geneva on October 27, 1994, with Regulations and signed by the United States on October 28, 1994 (Treaty Doc. 105-35), after receiving testimony from Alan P. Larson, Assistant Secretary of State for Economic and Business Affairs.

INDIA

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on Near Eastern and South Asian Affairs held hearings to examine India's nuclear weapons potential, focusing on United States and India relations after India's recent series of underground nuclear weapons tests, including the President's proposed economic sanctions

against India for conducting these tests, receiving testimony from former Representative Stephen Solarz; Karl F. Inderfurth, Assistant Secretary for South Asian Affairs, and Robert J. Einhorn, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Political-Military Affairs, both of the Department of State; R. James Woolsey, former Director of the Central Intelligence Agency; and Fred C. Ikle, former Director of the Arms Control and Disarmament Agency.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

RETIREMENT COVERAGE ERROR CORRECTION ACT

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Subcommittee on International Security, Proliferation and Federal Services concluded hearings on S. 1710, to provide for the correction of certain Federal retirement coverage errors (with the exception of errors in effect for a period of less than three years of employee service after December 31, 1986) concerning: (1) Social Security-only covered employees who were erroneously CSRS (Civil Service Retirement System) covered or CSRS Offset covered; (2) Social Security-only covered employees not eligible to elect FERS (Federal Employees Retirement System) who were erroneously FERS covered; (3) CSRS covered, CSRS Offset covered, and FERS eligible Social Security-only covered employees who were erroneously FERS covered without an election; (4) FERS covered current and former employees who were erroneously CSRS covered or CSRS Offset covered; and (5) annuitants and survivors in cases where FERS covered employees were erroneously CSRS covered or CSRS Offset covered, after receiving testimony from William E. Flynn, III, Associate Director for Retirement and Insurance, Office of Personnel Management; Roger W. Mehle, Executive Director, Federal Retirement Thrift Investment Board; and Dallas L. Salisbury, Employee Benefit Research Institute, and Daniel F. Geisler, American Foreign Service Association, both of Washington, D.C.

TOBACCO SETTLEMENT

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded hearings to examine the constitutionality of proposed legislation to reform and restructure the process by which tobacco products are manufactured, marketed, and distributed, to prevent the use of tobacco prod-

ucts by minors, and to redress the adverse health effects of tobacco use, after receiving testimony from David W. Ogden, Counselor to the Attorney General, Department of Justice; Colorado Attorney General Gale Norton, Denver; David C. Vladeck, Public Citizen Litigation Group, Washington, D.C.; and Burt Neuborne, New York University School of Law, New York, New York, on behalf of the Association of National Advertisers, Inc.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Labor and Human Resources: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

H.R. 2614, to improve the reading and literacy skills of children and families by improving in-service instructional practices for teachers who teach reading, to stimulate the development of more high-quality family literacy programs, to support extended learning-time opportunities for children, and to ensure that children can read well and independently not later than third grade, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute; and

The nominations of Douglas S. Eakeley, of New Jersey, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Legal Services Corporation, Robert H. Beatty, Jr., of West Virginia, to be a Member of the Federal Mine Safety and Health Review Commission, Raymond L. Bramucci, of New Jersey, to be Assistant Secretary of Labor for Employment and Training, Rita R. Colwell, of Maryland, to be Director of the National Science Foundation, Thomas Ehrlich, of California, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for National and Community Service, Seth D. Harris, of New York, to be Administrator of the Wage and Hour Division, Department of Labor, William James Ivey, of Tennessee, to be Chairperson of the National Endowment for the Arts, Dorothy A. Johnson, of Michigan, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for National and Community Service, Cyril Kent McGuire, of New Jersey, to be Assistant Secretary of Education for Educational Research and Improvement, and Jeanne Hurley Simon, of Illinois, to be a Member of the National Commission on Libraries and Information Science.