

**Nuclear Waste Policy Act—Cloture Vote:** By 56 yeas to 39 nays (Vote No. 148), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn not having voted in the affirmative, Senate failed to close further debate on the motion to proceed to consideration of H.R. 1270, to amend the Nuclear Waste Policy Act of 1982. Pages S5551–64

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

Rosemary S. Pooler, of New York, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Second Circuit.

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**Record Votes:** One record vote was taken today. (Total—148) Page S5564

**Recess:** Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and as a further mark of respect to the memory of the late Senator Barry Goldwater, of Arizona, in accordance with S. Res. 241, recessed at 7:05 p.m. until 9:30 a.m., on Thursday, June 4, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S5581.)

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

### APPROPRIATIONS—DEFENSE

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Defense approved for full committee consideration an original bill making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999.

### APPROPRIATIONS—ENERGY AND WATER DEVELOPMENT

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development approved for full committee consideration an original bill making appropriations for energy and water development for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999.

### PREPAREDNESS FOR EPIDEMICS AND BIOTERRORISM

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education and Related Agencies concluded hearings to examine the public

health response to disease outbreaks caused by biological and chemical terrorism, focusing on the current system of public health surveillance and control at the State, local, and Federal levels, and certain terrorist incidents involving biological agents, after receiving testimony from James M. Hughes, Director, National Center for Infectious Diseases, and Richard J. Jackson, Director, National Center for Environmental Health, both of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, and Robert F. Knouss, Director, Office of Emergency Preparedness, all of the Department of Health and Human Services; Ralph D. Morris, Galveston County Health Department, LaMarque, Texas, on behalf of the National Association of County and City Health Officials; Michael T. Osterholm, Minneapolis, Minnesota, on behalf of the American Society for Microbiology; Edward Thompson, Association of State and Territorial Health Officials, Washington, D.C.; and Luther J. Fincher, Jr., Charlotte Fire Department, Charlotte, North Carolina, on behalf of the International Association of Fire Chiefs.

### NOMINATIONS

*Committee on Armed Services:* Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of Hans Mark, of Texas, to be Director of Defense Research and Engineering, Mahlon Apgar IV, of Maryland, to be Assistant Secretary of the Army for Installations, Logistics and Environment, and Joseph W. Westphal, of Virginia, to be Assistant Secretary of the Army for Civil Works, all of the Department of Defense, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf. Dr. Mark was introduced by Senator Hutchison, Mr. Apgar was introduced by Senator Sarbanes, and Mr. Westphal was introduced by Senator Cochran.

### FHA

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* Subcommittee on Housing Opportunity and Community Development held oversight hearings to review the current status of the Federal Housing Administration, focusing on its role and mission, financial status, and reform efforts, receiving testimony from Susan Gaffney, Inspector General, and Ira Peppercorn, General Deputy Assistant Secretary for Housing-Federal Housing Commissioner, both of the Department of Housing and Urban Development; and Judy A. England-Joseph, Director, Housing and Community Development Issues, Resources, Community, and Economic Development Division, General Accounting Office.

Hearings continue on Thursday, June 4.

**NOMINATIONS**

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of Clyde J. Hart, Jr., of New Jersey, to be Administrator of the Maritime Administration, Department of Transportation, and Neal F. Lane, of Oklahoma, to be Director, and Rosina M. Bierbaum, of Virginia, to be an Associate Director, both of the Office of Science and Technology Policy, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf. Mr. Hart was introduced by Senator Lautenberg, and Drs. Lane and Bierbaum were introduced by Senator Robb.

**INTERNATIONAL POSTAL SERVICES ACT**

*Committee on Governmental Affairs:* Subcommittee on International Security, Proliferation and Federal Services concluded hearings on S. 2082, to amend chapter 36 of title 39, United States Code, to provide authority to fix rates and fees for domestic and international postal services, after receiving testimony from William J. Henderson, Postmaster General/Chief Executive Officer, and Einar V. Dyhrkopp, Vice Chairman of the Board of Governors, both of the United States Postal Service; Christopher J.

McCormick, L.L. Bean, Inc., Freeport, Maine; Frederick W. Smith, FDX Corporation, Memphis, Tennessee; and James P. Kelly, United Parcel Service, Atlanta, Georgia.

**Y2K COMPUTER COMPLIANCE AND SMALL BUSINESS**

*Committee on Small Business:* Committee held hearings to examine the impact that the Year 2000 computer compliance problem will have on small business, receiving testimony from Thomas S. Luedtke, Deputy Associate Administrator for Procurement, National Aeronautics and Space Administration; James H. Yasso, Intel Corporation, Folsom, California; Harris N. Miller, Information Technology Association of America, Arlington, Virginia; David Eddy, Software Sales Group, Inc., Babson Park, Massachusetts; and David L. Schaefer, Armfield, Harrison & Thomas, Inc., Leesburg, Virginia.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

**INTELLIGENCE**

*Select Committee on Intelligence:* Committee met in closed session to consider pending intelligence matters, but made no announcements, and recessed subject to call.