

# Daily Digest

## HIGHLIGHTS

The House agreed to the Conference Report on S. 1150, Agricultural Research, Extension, and Education Reform Act of 1997—Clearing the Measure.

The House passed H.R. 3433, Ticket to Work and Self-Sufficiency Act. House Committees ordered reported 7 sundry measures.

## Senate

### Chamber Action

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**Measures Introduced:** Five bills and six resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2130–2134, S.J. Res. 47–48, S. Con. Res. 101–102, and S. Res. 242–243.

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**Measures Reported:** Reports were made as follows: S. 2132, making appropriations for the Department of Defense for fiscal year ending September 30, 1999. (S. Rept. No. 200)

S. 1301, to amend title 11, United States Code, to provide for consumer bankruptcy protection, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

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### Measures Passed:

**Commending UNLV Men's Golf Team:** Senate agreed to S. Res. 243, to commend and congratulate the University of Nevada Las Vegas men's golf team on winning the team's first National Collegiate Athletic Association Championship.

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**Recognizing Disabled American Veterans:** Senate agreed to S. Con. Res. 102, recognizing disabled American veterans.

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**Universal Tobacco Settlement Act:** Senate resumed consideration of S. 1415, to reform and restructure the processes 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, with a modified committee amendment in the nature of a substitute (Amendment No. 2420), taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows:

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### Adopted:

Daschle (for Durbin) Amendment No. 2438 (to Amendment No. 2437, listed below), of a perfecting nature. (By 29 yeas to 66 nays, one responding present (Vote No. 149), Senate earlier failed to table the amendment.)

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### Pending:

Gregg/Leahy Amendment No. 2433 (to Amendment No. 2420), to modify the provisions relating to civil liability for tobacco manufacturers.

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Gregg/Leahy Amendment No. 2434 (to Amendment No. 2433), in the nature of a substitute.

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Gramm Motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Finance with instructions to report back forthwith, with Amendment No. 2436, to modify the provisions relating to civil liability for tobacco manufacturers, and to eliminate the marriage penalty reflected in the standard deduction and to ensure the earned income credit takes into account the elimination of such penalty.

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Daschle (for Durbin) Amendment No. 2437 (to Amendment No. 2436), relating to reductions in underage tobacco usage.

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Lott (for Coverdell) Modified Amendment No. 2451 (to Amendment No. 2437), to stop illegal drugs from entering the United States, to provide additional resources to combat illegal drugs, and to establish disincentives for teenagers to use illegal drugs.

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A motion was entered to close further debate on the modified committee amendment in the nature of a substitute (Amendment No. 2440) and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on the cloture motion will occur on Monday, June 11, 1998.

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Senate will resume consideration of the bill on Friday, June 5, 1998.

**Nominations Received:** Senate received the following nominations:

Yvette Kane, of Pennsylvania, to be United States District Judge for the Middle District of Pennsylvania.

James M. Munley, of Pennsylvania, to be United States District Judge for the Middle District of Pennsylvania.

Thomas J. Whelan, of California, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of California.

Edward L. Romero, of New Mexico, to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador to Andorra.

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**Record Votes:** One record vote was taken today. (Total—149) Page S5622

**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 7:45 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Friday, June 5, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S5663.)

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

## APPROPRIATIONS

*Committee on Appropriations:* Committee ordered favorably reported the following measures:

An original bill (S. 2132) making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999;

An original bill making appropriations for energy and water development for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999; and

An original bill making appropriations for the Legislative Branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999.

## NOMINATIONS

*Committee on Armed Services:* Committee ordered favorably reported 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.

## DOD INFORMATION SYSTEMS

*Committee on Armed Services:* Committee concluded hearings to examine the national security implications of the future threats to the Department of Defense information systems, including the Year 2000 computer compliance problems and the proposed sale of the electromagnetic spectrum that affects the operation of the communications and weapon systems of the Department of Defense, after receiving testimony from Senator Bennett; and John J. Hamre, Deputy Secretary, and Lt. Gen. Kenneth A. Minihan, USAF, Director, National Security Agency, both of the Department of Defense.

## BOSNIA: DAYTON AGREEMENT

*Committee on Armed Services:* Committee concluded hearings on United States forces participating in NATO operations in Bosnia and to examine progress in achieving benchmarks in the civil implementation of the Dayton Agreement, after receiving testimony from Robert S. Gelbard, Special Representative to the President and Secretary of State for Bosnia and Kosovo; and Gen. Wesley K. Clark, USA, Supreme Allied Commander, Europe, Commander-in-Chief, U.S. European Command.

## FHA

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* Subcommittee on Housing Opportunity and Community Development concluded oversight hearings to review the current status of the Federal Housing Administration, focusing on its role and mission, financial status, and reform efforts, after receiving testimony from Brian Chappelle, Mortgage Bankers Association of America, and Michael A. Quinn, Federal National Mortgage Association (Fannie Mae), both of Washington, D.C.; W. Roger Haughton, PMI Mortgage Insurance Company, San Francisco, California, on behalf of the Mortgage Insurance Companies of America; Charles J. Ruma, Davidson Phillips, Columbus, Ohio, on behalf of the National Association of Home Builders; Catherine B. Whatley, Jacksonville, Florida, on behalf of the National Association of Realtors; Robert R. McMillan, Long Island Housing Partnership, Inc., Hauppauge, New York; and