

Tuesday, June 9, 1998

# Daily Digest

## Senate

### Chamber Action

*Routine Proceedings, pages S5737-S5999*

**Measures Introduced:** Nine bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 2143-2151, and S. Res. 245. Page S5787

**Measures Passed:**

**Bass Harbor, Maine Navigation Project:** Senate passed S. 1531, to deauthorize certain portions of the project for navigation, Bass Harbor, Maine. Page S5997

**East Boothbay Harbor, Maine Project:** Senate passed S. 1532, to amend the Water Resources Development Act of 1996 to deauthorize the remainder of the project at East Boothbay Harbor, Maine. Page S5997

**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: Pages S5737-62, S5764-76

**Adopted:**

By 52 yeas to 46 nays (Vote No. 151), 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. Pages S5737-54, S5756-62, S5764-69, S5775

**Rejected:**

By 45 yeas to 53 nays (Vote No. 152), Kerry (for Daschle) Amendment No. 2634 (to Amendment No. 2437), of a perfecting nature. Pages S5769-76

**Pending:**

Gregg/Leahy Amendment No. 2433 (to Amendment No. 2420), to modify the provisions relating to civil liability for tobacco manufacturers. Page S5737

Gregg/Leahy Amendment No. 2434 (to Amendment No. 2433), in the nature of a substitute. Page S5737

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. Page S5737

Daschle (for Durbin) Amendment No. 2437 (to Amendment No. 2436), relating to reductions in underage tobacco usage. Page S5737

During consideration of this measure today, Senate also took the following action:

By 42 yeas to 56 nays (Vote No. 150), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn not having voted in the affirmative, Senate failed to agree to close further debate on the modified committee amendment in the nature of a substitute (Amendment No. 2440). Pages S5754-55

A third 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 would occur on Thursday, June 11, 1998. Pages S5740-41

A vote on a second cloture motion will occur Wednesday, June 10, 1998.

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

Inter-American Convention Against Illicit Manufacturing and Trafficking of Firearms, Ammunition, Explosives, and Other Related Materials (Treaty Doc. 105-49).

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. Page S5998

**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 weapons of mass destruction; referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. (PM-137). **Page S5782**

Transmitting the report entitled "International Crime Control Act of 1998"; to the Committee on the Judiciary. (PM-138). **Pages S5782-83**

**Nominations Confirmed:** Senate confirmed the following nominations: Joseph W. Westphal, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Army.

Mahlon Apgar, IV, of Maryland, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Army.

Hans Mark, of Texas, to be Director of Defense Research and Engineering. **Page S5997**

**Nominations Received:** Senate received the following nominations: William C. Apgar, Jr., of Massachusetts, to be an Assistant Secretary of Housing and Urban Development.

Michael H. Trujillo, of New Mexico, to be Director of the Indian Health Service, Department of Health and Human Services.

8 Air Force nominations in the rank of general.  
42 Army nominations in the rank of general.

1 Navy nomination in the rank of admiral.

Routine lists in the Army, Marine Corps.

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**Nomination Withdrawn:** Senate received notification of the withdrawal of the following nomination:

William C. Apgar, Jr., of Massachusetts, to be an Assistant Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, vice Michael A. Stegman, resigned, which was sent to the Senate on February 25, 1998. **Page S5999**

**Messages From the President:** **Pages S5782-83**

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**Record Votes:** Three record votes were taken today. (Total—152) **Pages S5754-55, S5775-76**

**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 7:10 p.m., until 11 a.m., on Wednesday, June 10, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S5998.)

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

### APPROPRIATIONS—FOREIGN OPERATIONS

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Foreign Operations held hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1999 for the U.S. Agency for International Development, receiving testimony from J. Brian Atwood, Administrator, Agency for International Development.

Subcommittee will meet again on Tuesday, June 16.

### APPROPRIATIONS—VA/HUD

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on VA, HUD, and Independent Agencies approved for full committee consideration an original bill making appropriations for the Departments of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development and for sundry independent agencies, boards, commissions, corporations, and offices for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999.

### NOMINATIONS

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of Rebecca M. Blank, of Illinois, to be a Member of the Council of Economic Advisers, and Michael J. Copps, of Virginia, to be Assistant Secretary for Trade Development, and Awilda R. Marquez, of Maryland, to be Assistant Secretary and Director General of the United States and Foreign Commercial Service, both of the Department of Commerce, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf. Mr. Copps was introduced by Senator Hollings and Ms. Marquez was introduced by Senator Sarbanes.

### TREATY—COMBATING BRIBERY OF FOREIGN OFFICIALS

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* Committee concluded hearings on the Convention on Combating Bribery of Foreign Public Officials in International Business Transactions, adopted at Paris on November 21, 1997, by a conference held under the auspices of the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development, signed in Paris on December 17, 1997, by the United States and 32 other nations (Treaty Doc. 105-43), after receiving testimony from Stuart E. Eizenstat, Under Secretary of State for Economic, Business and Agricultural Affairs; and Fritz F. Heimann, Transparency International USA, Washington, D.C.