

Friday, September 11, 1998

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

The House agreed to H. Res. 525, providing for review by the Committee on the Judiciary of a Communication from an Independent Counsel, and for the release thereof.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S10227–S10268

Measures Introduced: Two bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 2461–2462 and S. Con. Res. 117. Page S10240

Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:
S. 2361, to amend the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act to authorize programs for predisaster mitigation, to streamline the administration of disaster relief, to control the Federal costs of disaster assistance, with amendments. (S. Rept. No. 105–326) Page S10240

Measures Passed:

Volunteers for Wildlife Act: Senate passed H.R. 1856, to amend the Fish and Wildlife Act of 1956 to promote volunteer programs and community partnerships for the benefit of national wildlife refuges. Pages S10248–50

Lott (for Chafee) Amendment No. 3578, to make technical corrections. Page S10250

Fish and Wildlife Revenue Enhancement Act: Senate passed S. 2094, to amend the Fish and Wildlife Improvement Act of 1978 to enable the Secretary of the Interior to more effectively use the proceeds of sales of certain items, after agreeing to committee amendments, and the following amendment proposed thereto: Pages S10250–52

Lott (for Chafee) Amendment No. 3579, to make technical corrections. Page S10251

Child Custody Protection Act—Cloture Vote: By a unanimous vote of 97 yeas (Vote No. 265), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn having voted in the affirmative, Senate agreed to a motion to close further debate on the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 1645, to amend title 18, United States Code, to prohibit taking minors across

State lines to avoid laws requiring the involvement of parents in abortion decisions.

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Consumer Bankruptcy Reform Act—Cloture Vote Vitiating: By unanimous-consent agreement, the cloture vote scheduled to occur on the pending Lott (for Grassley/Hatch) Amendment No. 3559, in the nature of a substitute, to S. 1301, to amend title 11, United States Code, to provide for consumer bankruptcy protection, was vitiated. Page S10236

Subsequently, a unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill and certain amendments to be proposed thereto, and that following disposition of the listed amendments and the committee substitute, the Senate proceed to consideration of H.R. 3150, House companion measure, that all after the enacting clause be stricken and the text of S. 1301, as amended, be inserted in lieu thereof, and passage occur thereon. Also, that the Senate insist on its amendment, request a conference with the House and the Chair be authorized to appoint conferees on the part of the Senate, as follows: Senators Hatch, Grassley, Sessions, Leahy, and Durbin. Page S10236

Truth in Employment Act—Cloture Vote Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 1981, to preserve the balance of rights between employers, employees, and labor organizations which is fundamental to our system of collective bargaining while preserving the rights of workers to organize, or otherwise engage in concerted activities protected under the National Labor Relations Act, on Monday, September 14, 1998, with a vote on the cloture motion to occur at 5:30 p.m. Page S10252

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Craig Gordon Dunkerly, of Massachusetts, a Career Member of the Senior Foreign Service, Class of Minister-Counselor, for the Rank of Ambassador during his tenure of Service as Special Envoy for Conventional Forces in Europe.

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Record Votes: One record vote was taken today. (Total—265)	Page S10231

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 2:44 p.m., until 11 a.m., on Monday, September 14, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S10252.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee ordered favorably reported H.R. 10, to enhance competition in the financial services industry by providing a prudential framework for the affiliation of banks, securities firms, and other financial service providers, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 7 public bills, H.R. 4550–4556; 1 private bill, H.R. 4557; and 4 resolutions, H. Res. 530–533 were introduced. **Page H7617**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 1659, to provide for the expeditious completion of the acquisition of private mineral interests within the Mount St. Helens National Volcanic Monument mandated by the 1982 Act that established the Monument, amended (H. Rept. 105–704);

H.R. 4166, to amend the Idaho Admission Act regarding the sale or lease of school land (H. Rept. 105–705);

H.R. 3903, to provide for an exchange of lands located near Gustavus, Alaska, amended (H. Rept. 105–706);

H.R. 2314, to restore Federal Indian services to members of the Kickapoo Tribe of Oklahoma residing in Maverick County, Texas, to clarify United States citizenship status of such members, to provide trust land for the benefit of the Tribe (H. Rept. 105–707 part 1); and

H.R. 3055, to deem the activities of the Miccosukee Tribe on the Tamiami Indian Reservation to be consistent with the purposes of the Everglades National Park, amended (H. Rept. 105–708 part 1). **Pages H7616–17**

Review of Communication from Independent Counsel: The House agreed to H. Res. 525, providing for a deliberative review by the Committee on the Judiciary of a communication from an independent counsel, and for the release thereof, by a yeas and nays vote of 363 yeas to 63 nays, Roll No. 425.

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Committee Election: Agreed to H. Res. 530, electing Representative Barrett of Wisconsin to the Committee on the Judiciary. **Page H7608**

Legislative Program: The Majority Leader discussed the legislative program for the week of September 14. **Pages H7608–09**

Meeting Hour—September 14: Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 10:30 a.m. on September 14, 1998. **Page H7609**

Calendar Wednesday: Agreed to dispense with Calendar Wednesday business of Wednesday, September 16, 1998. **Page H7609**

Senate Messages: Message received from the Senate appears on page H7587.

Quorum Calls—Votes: One yeas and nays vote developed during the proceedings of the House today and appears on page H7607. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 9:00 a.m. and adjourned at 1:02 p.m.