

Friday, October 2, 1998

# Daily Digest

## HIGHLIGHTS

The House agreed to the conference report on H.R. 4101, Agriculture Appropriations for FY 1999.

## Senate

### Chamber Action

*Routine Proceedings, pages S11305–S11399*

**Measures Introduced:** Seven bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 2541–2547 and S. Res. 284.

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**Measures Reported:** Reports were made as follows:

S. 1419, to deem the activities of the Miccosukee Tribe on the Tamiami Indian Reserve to be consistent with the purposes of the Everglades National Park, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 105–361)

S. 2358, to provide for the establishment of a service-connection for illnesses associated with service in the Persian Gulf War, to extend and enhance certain health care authorities relating to such service, with amendments. (S. Rept. No. 105–362)

S. 1905, to provide for equitable compensation for the Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 105–363)

S. 2217, to provide for continuation of the Federal research investment in a fiscally sustainable way, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 105–364)

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### Measures Passed:

**Dutch John Federal Property Disposition and Assistance Act:** Senate passed S. 890, to dispose of certain Federal properties located in Dutch John, Utah, to assist the local government in the interim delivery of basic services to the Dutch John community, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute.

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**Irrigation Project Contract Extension Act:** Senate passed S. 1398, to extend certain contracts between the Bureau of Reclamation and irrigation water contractors in Wyoming and Nebraska that receive water from Glenda Reservoir, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute.

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**Arkansas Hydroelectric Project Extension:** Senate passed S. 2171, to extend the deadline under the Federal Power Act applicable to the construction of a hydroelectric project in the State of Arkansas.

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**Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act:** Senate passed H.R. 449, to provide for the orderly disposal of certain Federal lands in Clark County,

Nevada, and to provide for the acquisition of environmentally sensitive lands in the State of Nevada, clearing the measure for the President.

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**Granite Watershed Enhancement and Protection Act:** Senate passed H.R. 2886, A bill to provide for a demonstration project in the Stanislaus National Forest, California, under which a private contractor will perform multiple resource management activities for that unit of the National Forest System, after agreeing to a committee amendment.

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**Rogue River National Forest Conveyance:** Senate passed H.R. 3796, A bill to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to convey the administrative site for the Rogue River National Forest and use the proceeds for the construction or improvement of offices and support buildings for the Rogue River National Forest and the Bureau of Land Management, after agreeing to a committee amendment.

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**Coastal Heritage Trail Route:** Senate passed S. 1016, to authorize appropriations for the Coastal Heritage Trail Route in New Jersey.

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**Lower East Side Tenement National Historic Site Act:** Senate passed S. 1408, to establish the Lower East Side Tenement National Historic Site.

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**Fort Davis National Historic Site Expansion:** Senate passed S. 1990, to authorize expansion of Fort Davis National Historic Site in Fort Davis, Texas.

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**Little Rock Central High School National Historic Site:** Senate passed S. 2232, to establish the Little Rock Central High School National Historic Site in the State of Arkansas, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute.

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**National Park Fees:** Senate passed S. 1333, to amend the Land and Water Conservation Fund Act of 1965 to allow national park units that cannot charge an entrance or admission fee to retain other fees and charges, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute.

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**Delaware and Lehigh National Heritage Corridor Act Amendments:** Senate passed S. 1665, to reauthorize the Delaware and Lehigh Navigation Canal National Heritage Corridor Act, after agreeing to committee amendments.

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**Hawaii Volcanoes National Park Adjustment Act:** Senate passed S. 2129, to eliminate restrictions

on the acquisition of certain land contiguous to Hawaii Volcanoes National Park. Pages S11368, S11376

**Sudbury, Assabet, and Concord Wild and Scenic Rivers Act:** Senate passed S. 469, to designate a portion of the Sudbury, Assabet, and Concord Rivers as a component of the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System, after agreeing to a committee amendment.

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**Grant-Kohrs Ranch National Historic Site:** Senate passed S. 2272, to amend the boundaries of Grant-Kohrs Ranch National Historic Site in the State of Montana.

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**Weir Farm National Historic Site:** Senate passed S. 1718, to amend the Weir Farm National Historic Site Establishment Act of 1990 to authorize the acquisition of additional acreage for the historic site to permit the development of visitor and administrative facilities and to authorize the appropriation of additional amounts for the acquisition of real and personal property, after agreeing to a committee amendment.

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**Arches National Park Expansion Act:** Senate passed S. 2106, to expand the boundaries of Arches National Park, Utah, to include portions of certain drainages that are under the jurisdiction of the Bureau of Land Management, and to include a portion of Fish Seep Draw owned by the State of Utah, after agreeing to a committee amendment.

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**Glacier Bay National Park Boundary Adjustment Act:** Senate passed H.R. 3903, to provide for an exchange of lands located near Gustavus, Alaska, clearing the measure for the President.

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**Gallatin Land Consolidation Act:** Senate passed H.R. 3381, to direct the Secretary of Agriculture and the Secretary of the Interior to exchange land and other assets with Big Sky Lumber Co.

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**National Historic Trails Interpretive Center—Wyoming:** Senate passed H.R. 2186, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to provide assistance to the National Historic Trails Interpretive Center in Casper, Wyoming, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto:

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Hagel (for Thomas) Amendment No. 3680, to delete concession provisions.

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**Land Exchange:** Senate passed S. 1719, to direct the Secretary of Agriculture and the Secretary of the Interior to exchange land and other assets with Big Sky Lumber Co, after agreeing to a committee

amendment in the nature of a substitute, and the following amendment proposed thereto:

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Hagel (for Baucus/Burns) amendment No. 3681, in the nature of a substitute. Page S11381

**Great Lakes Fish and Wildlife Restoration Act:** Senate passed H.R. 1481, to amend the Great Lakes Fish and Wildlife Restoration Act of 1990 to provide for implementation of recommendations of the United States Fish and Wildlife Service contained in the Great Lakes Fishery Resources Restoration Study, clearing the measure for the President.

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**Technical Corrections:** Senate passed S. 2469, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to make technical corrections to a map relating to the Coastal Barrier Resources System, after agreeing to committee amendments. Page S11384

**Technical Corrections:** Senate passed S. 2470, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to make technical corrections to a map relating to the Coastal Barrier Resources System, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. Page S11385

**Coastal Barrier Resources System—Map Corrections:** Senate passed S. 2474, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to make corrections to certain maps relating to the Coastal Barrier Resources System, after agreeing to a committee amendment.

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**Coastal Barrier Resources System—Map Corrections:** Senate passed S. 2351, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to make corrections to a map relating to the Coastal Barrier Resources System, after agreeing to a committee amendment. Pages S11385–86

**National Motor Vehicle Safety, Anti-theft, Title Reform, and Consumer Protection:** Senate passed S. 852, to establish nationally uniform requirements regarding the titling and registration of salvage, non-repairable, and rebuilt vehicles, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, and the following amendments proposed thereto:

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Sessions (for Gorton) Amendment No. 3683, in the nature of a substitute. Pages S11393–94

Sessions (for Levin/Feinstein/Bryan) Amendment No. 3684 (to Amendment No. 3683), to modify certain terms to clarify that certain Federal laws requiring labeling and titling of salvage vehicles do not preempt more stringent State laws. Pages S11393–94

**Internet Tax Freedom Act:** Senate began consideration of S. 442, to establish a national policy against State and local government interference with interstate commerce on the Internet or interactive computer services, and to exercise Congressional jurisdiction

over interstate commerce by establishing a moratorium on the imposition of exactions that would interfere with the free flow of commerce via the Internet, taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows: Pages S11305–20, S11324–25

Adopted:

McCain (for Abraham) Amendment No. 3678, to enhance electronic commerce by promoting the reliability and integrity of commercial transactions through establishing authentication standards for electronic communications. Pages S11324–25

McCain (for Bryan) Amendment No. 3679, to require the Federal Trade Commission to prescribe regulations to protect the privacy of personal information collected from and about children on the Internet, and to provide greater parental control over the collection and use of that information. Page S11325

Rejected:

Bumpers Amendment No. 3677, to authorize collection of certain State and local taxes with respect to the sale, delivery, and use of tangible personal property. (By 66 yeas to 29 nays (Vote No. 296), Senate tabled the amendment.) Pages S11308–18

A motion was entered to close further debate on the bill 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 Tuesday, October 6, 1998. Page S11307

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

By 68 yeas to 28 nays (Vote No. 295 EX), Sonia Sotomayor, of New York, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Second Circuit. Pages S11310–11, S11399

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

Maria Borrero, of the District of Columbia, to be Director of the Office for Victims of Crime.

Dana Bruce Covington, Sr., of Mississippi, to be a Commissioner of the Postal Rate Commission for a term expiring October 14, 2004.

Edward Jay Gleiman, of Maryland, to be a Commissioner of the Postal Rate Commission for a term expiring October 14, 2004. Page S11399

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**Amendments Submitted:** Pages S11347–57

**Authority for Committees:** Page S11357

**Additional Statements:** Pages S11357-68

**Record Votes:** Two record votes were taken today.  
(Total—296) Pages S11311, S11318

**Recess:** Senate convened at 9:29 a.m., and recessed at 4:57 p.m., until 11 a.m., on Monday, October 5, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S11386.)

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

### BALLISTIC MISSILE DEFENSE

*Committee on Armed Services:* Committee concluded hearings to examine the Department of Defense ballistic missile defense programs and policies, after receiving testimony from John J. Hamre, Deputy Secretary of Defense; and Gen. Joseph W. Ralston, USAF, Vice Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff.

### BUSINESS MEETING

*Committee on Environment and Public Works:* Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

The nominations of Greta Joy Dicus, of New Hampshire, and Jeffrey S. Merrifield, of New Hampshire, each to be a Member of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission;

H.R. 81, to designate the United States courthouse located at 401 South Michigan Street in South Bend, Indiana, as the "Robert K. Rodibaugh United States Bankruptcy Courthouse";

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H.R. 2863, to amend the Migratory Bird Treaty Act to clarify restrictions under that Act on baiting, to facilitate acquisition of migratory bird habitat, with amendments.

### NOMINATIONS

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of C. Donald Johnson, Jr., of Georgia, for the rank of Ambassador during his tenure of service as Chief Textile Negotiator, and Frank E. Loy, of the District of Columbia, to be Under Secretary for Global Affairs, both of the Department of State, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf. Mr. Johnson was introduced by Senator Cleland, and Mr. Loy was introduced by Senator Chafee.

### CAMBODIA

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* Subcommittee on East Asian and Pacific Affairs concluded hearings to examine recent developments in Cambodia, focusing on United States policy options during the post-election situation, after receiving testimony from Stanley O. Roth, Assistant Secretary of State for East Asian and Pacific Affairs; and Naranhkiri Tith, World Cambodian Congress, Lorne W. Craner, International Republican Institute, and Frederick Z. Brown, School of Advanced International Studies/Johns Hopkins University, all of Washington, D.C.

### NOMINATIONS

*Committee on Governmental Affairs:* Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of John U. Sepulveda, of New York, to be Deputy Director of the Office of Personnel Management, and Joseph Swerdzewski, of Colorado, to be General Counsel of the Federal Labor Relations Authority, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf. Mr. Sepulveda was introduced by Senators Dodd and Lieberman and Representative DeLauro, and Mr. Swerdzewski was introduced by Representative Forbes.

### INTERNATIONAL ANTITRUST ENFORCEMENT

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on Antitrust, Business Rights, and Competition concluded hearings to examine the state of international antitrust cooperation and enforcement, and certain United States agreements designed to increase cooperation among international antitrust authorities to help offset anti-competitive business practices abroad which make it difficult for American industries to succeed in foreign markets, and a related