

Wednesday, March 3, 1999

# Daily Digest

## HIGHLIGHTS

House Committees ordered reported six sundry measures.

## Senate

### Chamber Action

*Routine Proceedings, pages S2159–S2236*

**Measures Introduced:** Sixteen bills were introduced, as follows: S. 513–528. **Pages S2208–09**

**Education Flexibility Partnership Act:** Senate began consideration of S. 280, to provide for education flexibility partnerships, agreeing to the committee amendment, and taking action on the following amendment: **Pages S2177–S2201**

Adopted:

Wellstone Amendment No. 33 (to Amendment No. 31), to prohibit waivers with respect to serving eligible school attendance areas in rank order. **Page S2201**

Kennedy Amendment No. 34 (to Amendment No. 31), to ensure that increased flexibility leads to improved student achievement. **Page S2201**

Rejected:

Wellstone/Kennedy Amendment No. 32 (to Amendment No. 31), to preserve accountability for funds under title I of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965. (By 55 yeas to 42 nays (Vote No. 30), Senate tabled the amendment.) **Pages S2197–S2201**

Pending:

Jeffords Amendment No. 31, in the nature of a substitute. **Pages S2177–S2201**

During consideration of this measure today, the following also occurred:

By voice vote, Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to the consideration of the bill. **Pages S2160–77**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill and an amendment to be proposed thereto, on Thursday, March 4, 1999. **Page S2234**

### Appointments:

**Commission on Online Child Protection:** The Chair, on behalf of the Democratic Leader, pursuant to Public Law 105–277, announced the appointment

of the following individuals to serve as members of the Commission on Online Child Protection: Jerry Berman, of Washington, D.C.—Representative of a business making content available over the Internet; Srinija Srinivasan, of California—Representative of a business providing Internet portal or search services; and Donald N. Telage, of Massachusetts—Representative of a business providing domain name registration services. **Page S2235**

**Board of Visitors of the U.S. Coast Guard Academy:** The Chair, on behalf of the Vice President, pursuant to 14 U.S.C. 194(a), as amended by Public Law 101–595, appointed the following Senators to the Board of Visitors of the U.S. Coast Guard Academy: Senator McCain, ex officio, as Chairman of the Committee on Commerce, Science and Transportation; and Senator Ashcroft, Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation. **Page S2235**

**Board of Visitors of the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy:** The Chair, on behalf of the Vice President, pursuant to Title 46, Section 1295(b), of the U.S. Code, as amended by Public Law 101–595, appointed the following Senators to the Board of Visitors of the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy: Senator McCain, ex officio, as Chairman of the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation; and Senator Snowe, Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation. **Page S2235**

**Twenty-first Century Workforce Commission:** The Chair, on behalf of the Majority Leader, pursuant to Public Law 105–220, announced the appointment of the following individuals to serve as members of the Twenty-first Century Workforce Commission: Susan Auld, of Vermont, Katherine K. Clark, of Virginia, Bobby S. Garvin, of Mississippi, and Randel K. Johnson, of Maryland. **Page S2235**

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

73 Air Force nominations in the rank of general.  
1 Marine Corps nomination in the rank of general.

Routine lists in the Air Force, Army, Marine Corps, Navy.

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Record Votes: One record vote was taken today. (Total—30) Page S2200–01

**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 9:30 a.m. and adjourned at 6:37 p.m., until 9:30 a.m. on Thursday, March 4, 1999. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on pages S2234–35.)

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

### APPROPRIATIONS—EDUCATION

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education and Related Agencies concluded hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2000 for the Department of Education, after receiving testimony from Richard W. Riley, Secretary of Education.

### NATIONAL DEFENSE BUDGET

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Defense concluded hearings on the President's proposed budget for fiscal year 2000 for the Department of Defense, after receiving testimony from John J. Hamre, Deputy Secretary, and William J. Lynn, III, Under Secretary (Comptroller)/Chief Financial Officer, both of the Department of Defense.

### APPROPRIATIONS—CAPITOL POLICE BOARD/ARCHITECT OF THE CAPITOL

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Legislative Branch concluded hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2000 for the U.S. Capitol Police Board, after receiving testimony from James W. Ziglar, Senate Sergeant at Arms, Alan M. Hantman, Architect of the Capitol, and Gray L. Abrecht, Chief, U.S. Capitol Police, all on behalf of the Capitol Police Board.

Also, Subcommittee held hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2000 for the Office

of the Architect of the Capitol, receiving testimony from Alan M. Hantman, Architect of the Capitol, who was accompanied by several of his associates.

### APPROPRIATION—DEFENSE

*Committee on Armed Services:* Subcommittee on Personnel concluded hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 2000 for the Department of Defense, focusing on recommendations pertaining to military retirement, pay and compensation, and the Future Years Defense Program, and certain provisions of S. 4, to improve pay and retirement equity for members of the Armed Forces (passed Senate on 2–24–99), after receiving testimony from Christopher Jehn, Assistant Director, National Security Division, Congressional Budget Office; Rudy deLeon, Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness; Patrick T. Henry, Assistant Secretary of the Army for Manpower and Reserve Affairs; Carolyn H. Becraft, Assistant Secretary of the Navy for Manpower and Reserve Affairs; Ruby B. DeMesme, Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for Manpower, Reserve Affairs, Installations, and Environment; James R. Hosek and Beth J. Asch, both of the Rand Corporation, Washington D.C.; and MCPO Joseph Barnes, USN (Ret), Fleet Reserve Association, COL Steven P. Strobridge, USAF (Ret), Retired Officers Association, and Sydney T. Hickey, National Military Family Association, all of Alexandria, Virginia.

### AUTHORIZATION—DEFENSE

*Subcommittee on Armed Services:* Subcommittee on Airland concluded hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 2000 for the Department of Defense, focusing on Army modernization, and the future years defense programs, after receiving testimony from Richard Armitage, and Gen. Robert W. Riscassi, USA (Ret.), both former Members, National Defense Panel; Lt. Gen. Paul J. Kern, USA, Military Deputy, Office of the Assistant Secretary of the Army for Acquisition, Logistics, and Technology; Lt. Gen. Randall L. Rigby, Jr., USA, Deputy Commanding General, Army Training and Doctrine Command; Brig. Gen. Michael J. Squires, USA, Deputy Director of the Army National Guard; Thomas W. Rabaut, United Defense LP, Arlington, Virginia; and Arthur J. Veitch, General Dynamics Land Systems, Warren, Michigan.

### SEAPOWERS OVERVIEW

*Committee on the Armed Services:* Subcommittee on Seapower concluded hearings on the 21st century seapower vision overview and maritime implications of 21st century threats, after receiving testimony from Richard Danzig, Secretary of the Navy; Paul M. Lowell, Deputy Director of Naval Intelligence;