

Monday March 8, 1999

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S2381-S2439

Measures Introduced: Ten bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 557-566, S.J. Res. 13, and S. Res. 59. Pages S2411-12

Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows: S. 82, to authorize appropriations for Federal Aviation Administration, with amendments. (S. Rept. No. 106-9).

S. 557, to provide guidance for the designation of emergencies as a part of the budget process.

S. 558, to prevent the shutdown of the Government at the beginning of a fiscal year if a new budget is not yet enacted.

Measures Passed:

Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act Guaranteed Loans: Senate passed H.R. 882, to nullify any reservation of funds during fiscal year 1999 for guaranteed loans under the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act for qualified beginning farmers or ranchers. Page S2434

Honoring Morris King Udall: Senate agreed to H. Con. Res. 40, honoring Morris King Udall, former United States Representative from Arizona, and extending the condolences of the Congress on his death. Page S2434

Education Flexibility Partnership Act: Senate resumed consideration of S. 280, to provide for education flexibility partnerships, taking action on the following amendments/motions: Pages S2392-S2409

Pending:

Jeffords Amendment No. 31, in the nature of a substitute. Pages S2392-S2409

Bingaman Amendment No. 35 (to Amendment No. 31), to provide for a national school dropout prevention program. Page S2392

Lott (for Jeffords) Modified Amendment No. 37 (to Amendment No. 35), to provide all local educational agencies with the option to use the funds received under section 307 of the Department of Education Appropriations Act, 1999, for activities under part B of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act. Pages S2392, S2408

Gramm (for Allard) Amendment No. 40 (to Amendment No. 31), to prohibit implementation of "Know Your Customer" regulations by the Federal banking agencies. (By 0 yeas to 88 nays, 1 voting present (Vote No. 33), Senate failed to table the amendment.) Page S2392

Jeffords Amendment No. 55 (to Amendment No. 40), to require local educational agencies to use the funds received under section 307 of the Department of Education Appropriations Act, 1999, for activities under part B of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act. Pages S2394-95

Kennedy/Daschle motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions with instructions to report back forthwith with the following amendment: Kennedy (for Murray/Kennedy) Amendment No. 56, to reduce class size. Pages S2395-96

Lott (for Jeffords) Amendment No. 58 (to the instructions of the motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions), to provide all local educational agencies with the option to use the funds received under section 307 of the Department of Education Appropriations Act, 1999, for activities under part B of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act. Pages S2408-09

Lott (for Jeffords) Amendment No. 59 (to Amendment No. 58), to provide all local educational agencies with the option to use the funds received under section 307 of the Department of Education Appropriations Act, 1999, for activities under part B of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act. Page S2409

A motion was entered to close further debate on Kennedy/Daschle motion to recommit 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 Wednesday, March 10, 1999. Page S2398

A motion was entered to close further debate on Lott (for Jeffords) Modified Amendment No. 37 (listed above) 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 Wednesday, March 10, 1999. Page S2408

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

By 54 yeas to 41 nays (Vote No. 34), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn not having voted in the affirmative, Senate failed to agree to close further debate on Jeffords Amendment No. 31, in the nature of a substitute. **Page S2408**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill on Tuesday, March 9, 1999, with a vote on the second motion to close further debate on the Jeffords Amendment No. 31 (listed above) to occur at 4 p.m. **Page S2435**

Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

Montie R. Deer, of Kansas, to be Chairman of the National Indian Gaming Commission for the term of three years. **Pages S2434, S2439**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations: Julio M. Fuentes, of New Jersey, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Third Circuit.

Robert A. Katzmann, of New York, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Second Circuit.

M. James Lorenz, of California, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of California.

W. Allen Pepper, Jr., of Mississippi, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Mississippi.

Karen E. Schreier, of South Dakota, to be United States District Judge for the District of South Dakota.

Routine lists in the Army, Coast Guard, Marine Corps, Navy. **Pages S2437-39**

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Record Votes: One record vote was taken today. (Total—34) **Page S2408**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 12 noon and adjourned at 6:59 p.m., until 10:30 a.m. on Tuesday, March 9, 1999. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S2435.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

DECEPTIVE MAILINGS

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations held hearings to examine the nature and impact of sweepstakes run by certain major companies, focusing on their increasingly deceptive and aggressive marketing techniques, receiving testimony from Maryland Attorney General J. Joseph Curran, Jr., Annapolis; Virginia L. Tierney, American Association of Retired Persons, Washington, D.C.; Eustace A. Hall, Brandon, Florida; Angela Hall, Tallahassee, Florida; Carol Gelinias, Bangor, Maine; Karol Carter, Troy, Michigan; Patti McElligott, Tyler, Texas; Stephanie Beukema, Cambridge, Massachusetts; and Charles Doolittle, Inverness, Florida.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 3 public bills, H.R. 1027–1029; and 3 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 42–44, were introduced. Page H1019

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

Filed on March 5: H.R. 416, to provide for the rectification of certain retirement coverage errors affecting Federal employees (H. Rept. 106–29 Part 2);

H.R. 800, to provide for education flexibility partnerships, amended (H. Rept. 106–43); and

H.R. 540, to amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to prohibit transfers or discharges of residents of nursing facilities as a result of a voluntary withdrawal from participation in the Medicaid Program (H. Rept. 106–44). Page H1019

Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Upton to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. Page H1017

Parents Advisory Council on Young Drug Abuse: Read a letter from the Minority Leader wherein he announced his appointment of Ms. Marilyn Bader of St. Louis, Missouri for a one year term and Mr. J. Tracy Wiecking of Farmington, Missouri. Page H1017

Quorum Calls—Votes: No quorum calls or recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today.

Adjournment: The House met at 2:00 p.m. and adjourned at 2:06 p.m.

Committee Meetings

No Committee meetings were held.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY, MARCH 9, 1999

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2000 for the Bureau of Reclamation, Department of the Interior, 9:30 a.m., SD–124.

Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, State, and the Judiciary, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2000 for the Department of Justice, 10 a.m., SD–192.

Subcommittee on Foreign Operations, to hold hearings on United States-Afghanistan Policy, focusing on security, refugees and women, 2 p.m., SD–192.

Committee on Armed Services: to hold a closed briefing on United States Government policies and programs to combat terrorism, 9:30 a.m., SH–219.

Full Committee, to hold hearings on United States Government policies and programs to combat terrorism, 10:45 a.m., SH–216.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Subcommittee on International Trade and Finance, to hold oversight hearings on the International Monetary Fund, 10:30 a.m., SD–538.

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on East Asian and Pacific Affairs, to hold hearings on issues relating to post election Cambodia, 10 a.m., SD–419.

Subcommittee on Near Eastern and South Asian Affairs, to hold hearings to examine current United States policy toward Iraq, 2 p.m., SD–419.

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations, to continue hearings to examine the nature and impact of sweepstakes run by certain major companies, focusing on their increasingly deceptive and aggressive marketing techniques, 9:30 a.m., SD–342.

Committee on the Judiciary: to hold hearings to examine interstate alcohol sales, 10 a.m., SD–226.

House

Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, FDA, and Related Agencies, on the Food Safety and Inspection Service, 1 p.m., 2362–A Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, State, and Judiciary, on the FCC, 2 p.m., H–309 Capitol.

Subcommittee on Interior, on the Fish and Wildlife Service, 10 a.m., B–308 Capitol.

Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, on the Secretary of Education, 10 a.m., on Elementary and Secondary Education, Bilingual Education and Minority Language Affairs, 2 p.m., 2358 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Transportation, on Aviation Financing, 10 a.m., and on Air Traffic Control Modernization, 2 p.m., 2358 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Treasury, Postal Service, and General Government, on FEC, 10 a.m., 2359 Rayburn.

Committee on Armed Services, Subcommittee on Military Installations and Facilities, hearing on the Military Housing Privatization Initiative and the privatization of military utility systems, 1 p.m., 2212 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Military Procurement, hearing on littoral warfare protection and ship recapitalization, 12 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Committee on Education and the Workforce, Subcommittee on Early Childhood, Youth, and Families, hearing on School Discipline: What's Happening in the Classroom, 1 p.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on International Relations, Subcommittee on International Operations and Human Rights, hearing on Foreign Relations Authorization for fiscal year 2000–2001: Refugees and Migration, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on Resources, hearing on the following bills: H.R. 701, Conservation Reinvestment Act of 1999 and H.R. 798, to provide for the permanent protection of the resources of the United States in the year 2000 and beyond, 11 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Committee on Rules, to consider H.R. 800, Education Flexibility Partnership Act of 1999, 1 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

Committee on Science, Subcommittee on Technology and the Subcommittee on Government Management, Information, and Technology of the Committee on Government Reform, joint hearing on The Impact of Litigation on Fixing the Year 2000 Problem, 2 p.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Aviation, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 717, National Parks Air Tour Management Act of 1999; and H.R. 1000, Aviation Investment and Reform Act for the 21st Century, 1 p.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Committee on Ways and Means, Subcommittee on Human Resources, hearing on Challenges Confronting Older Children Leaving Foster Care, 2 p.m., B-318 Rayburn.

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, executive, to consider the Committee's Budget Views and Estimates for Fiscal year 2000 for submission to the Committee on the Budget, 2 p.m., and, executive, to hold a hearing on Support to Military Operations and the Role and Performance of Intelligence in Desert Fox, 2:15 p.m., H-405 Capitol.

Next Meeting of the SENATE
10:30 a.m., Tuesday, March 9

Senate Chamber

Program for Tuesday: After the recognition of two Senators for speeches and the transaction of any morning business (not to extend beyond 12:30 p.m.), Senate will recess until 2:15 for their respective party conferences.

At 2:15 p.m., Senate will continue consideration of S. 280, Education Flexibility Partnership Act, with a vote to close further debate on Jeffords Amendment No. 31, in the nature of a substitute, to occur at 4 p.m.

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
10:30 a.m., Tuesday, March 9

House Chamber

Program for Tuesday: Consideration of 6 suspensions:

- (1) H.R. 808, Bankruptcy Relief Extension for Certain Family Farmers;
- (2) H.R. 819, Federal Maritime Commission Authorization Act of 1999;
- (3) H.R. 540, Nursing Home Resident Protection Amendments of 1999;
- (4) H.R. 31, Leif Ericson Millennium Commemorative Coin Act;
- (5) H. Res. 32, Expressing Support for Free, Fair, and Transparent Elections in Indonesia; and
- (6) H. Con. Res. 28, Expressing Support for a U.N. Commission on Human Rights Resolution Criticizing the People's Republic of China for its Human Rights Abuses in China and Tibet.

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