

Monday, June 14, 1999

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S6921–S6973

Measures Introduced: Four bills and six resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1217–1220, S. Res. 118–122, and S. Con. Res. 39. **Pages S6944–45**

Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows: S. 1217, making appropriations for the Departments of Commerce, Justice, and State, the Judiciary, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2000. (S. Rept. No. 106–76)

Measures Passed:

Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday: Senate passed S. 322, to amend title 4, United States Code, to add the Martin Luther King Jr. holiday to the list of days on which the flag should especially be displayed. **Pages S6971–72**

Agricultural Biotechnology: Senate agreed to S. Res. 120, requesting that the President raise the issue of agricultural biotechnology at the June G–8 Summit meeting. **Page S6972**

Legal Representation: Senate agreed to S. Res. 121, to authorize testimony and legal representation in *C. William Kaiser v. Department of Veterans Affairs*. **Page S6972**

Committee Funding Resolutions: Senate agreed to S. Res. 122, authorizing the reporting of committee funding resolutions for the period October 1, 1999 through February 28, 2001. **Pages S6972–73**

Energy and Water Development Appropriations, FY 2000: Senate began consideration of S. 1186, making appropriations for energy and water development for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2000, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto: **Pages S6923–29, S6939–40, S6942**

Adopted:

Domenici Amendment No. 625, of a technical nature. **Page S6924**

Domenici (for Schumer) Amendment No. 651, to provide that \$100,000 of the funding appropriated herein for section 107 navigation projects may be used by the Corps of Engineers to produce a decision document, and, if favorable, signing a project cost sharing agreement with a non-Federal project spon-

sor for the Rochester Harbor, New York (CSX Swing Bridge), project. **Page S6940**

Domenici (for Reid) Amendment No. 652, to provide that \$500,000 of the funding appropriated herein is provided for the Walker River Basin, Nevada project, including not to exceed \$200,000 for the Federal assessment team for the purpose of conducting a comprehensive study of Walker River Basin issues. **Page S6940**

Domenici (for Sarbanes/Mikulski) Amendment No. 653, to provide that the Secretary of the Army, acting through the Chief of Engineers, may use \$1,500,000 of funding appropriated herein to initiate construction of shoreline protection measures at Assateague Island, Maryland. **Page S6940**

Domenici (for Inouye) Amendment No. 654, to provide \$2,000,000 for the Natural Energy Laboratory of Hawaii, for the purpose of monitoring ocean climate change indicators. **Page S6940**

Domenici Amendment No. 655, to provide that \$15,000,000, of which \$10,000,000 shall be derived from reductions in contractor travel balances, shall be available for civilian research and development. **Page S6940**

Domenici Amendment No. 656, to provide that \$10,000,000 of the amount provided for stockpile stewardship shall be available to provide laboratory and facility capabilities in partnership with small businesses for either direct benefit to Weapons Activities or regional economic development. **Page S6940**

Domenici (for Hutchison) Amendment No. 657, to provide that the Secretary of the Army, acting through the Chief of Engineers, shall use \$100,000 of available funds to study the economic justification and environmental acceptability, in accordance with section 509(a) of Public Law 104–303, of maintaining the Matagorda Ship Channel, Point Comfort Turning Basin, Texas, project, and to use available funds to perform any required maintenance in fiscal year 2000 once the Secretary determines such maintenance is justified and acceptable as required by Public Law 104–303. **Page S6940**

Domenici (for Mack/Graham) Amendment No. 658, to reallocate funding of certain water resource projects in the State of Florida. **Page S6940**

Domenici (for McConnell) Amendment No. 659, to modify provisions relating to funds of the United States Enrichment Corporation. **Page S6940**

Domenici (for Conrad/Dorgan) Amendment No. 660, to require the Corps of Engineers to conduct a general reevaluation report on the project for flood control, Park River, Grafton, North Dakota. **Page S6940**

Pending:

Domenici Amendment No. 628, of a technical nature. **Page S6928**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that when the Senate receives the House companion measure, the Senate strike all after the enacting clause and insert in lieu thereof the text of S. 1186, as passed, and the House bill, as amended, be read for a third time and passed, that the Senate insist on its amendment, request a conference with the House thereon, and the Chair be authorized to appoint conferees on the part of the Senate. Further, that upon passage of the House bill, passage of S. 1186 be vitiated and then be indefinitely postponed. **Page S6928**

Social Security and Medicare Safe Deposit Box Act: Senate began consideration of H.R. 1259, to amend the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 to protect Social Security surpluses through strengthened budgetary enforcement mechanisms. **Page S6971**

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 Wednesday, June 16, 1999. **Page S6971**

Work Incentives Improvement Act—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for the consideration of S. 331, to amend the

Social Security Act to expand the availability of health care coverage for working individuals with disabilities, to establish a Ticket to Work and Self-Sufficiency Program in the Social Security Administration to provide such individuals with meaningful opportunities to work, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute to be proposed thereto and agreed to, and the Senate proceed to a vote on final passage at a time to be determined, on Tuesday, June 15, 1999. Further, that it not be in order for the Senate to consider any conference report or House amendment to S. 331, or its House companion if it contains a net increase in direct spending in fiscal year 2000, the period fiscal years 2000 through 2004, or the period fiscal years 2005 through 2009, as estimated by the Congressional Budget Office. **Page S6971**

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 12 noon, and adjourned at 6:48 p.m., until 11:00 a.m. on Tuesday, June 15, 1999. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S6973.)

Committee Meetings

No Committee hearings were held.

House of Representatives

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Bills Introduced: 19 public bills, H.R. 2183–2201; and 1 resolution, H. Con. Res. 132, were introduced. **Page H4222**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed as follows:

Filed on June 10, H.R. 1802, to amend part E of title IV of the Social Security Act to provide States with more funding and greater flexibility in carrying out programs designed to help children make the transition from foster care to self-sufficiency, amended (H. Rept. 106–182 Part 1);

H.R. 17, to amend the Agricultural Trade Act of 1978 to require the President to report to Congress on any selective embargo on agricultural commodities, to provide a termination date for the embargo, and to provide greater assurances for contract sanctity (H. Rept. 106–154 Part 2);

H.R. 629, to amend the Community Development Banking and Financial Institutions Act of 1994 to reauthorize the Community Development Financial Institutions Fund and to more efficiently and effectively promote economic revitalization community development, and community development financial institutions (H. Rept. 106–183);