

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed Commerce/Justice/State Appropriations bill.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S8975–S9170

Measures Introduced: Seventeen bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1412–1428, and S. Res. 159–161. **Pages S9072–73**

Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:

Special Report entitled "Further Revised Allocation To Subcommittees of Budget Totals for Fiscal Year 2000. (S. Rept. No. 106–118)

Report to accompany S. 1386, to amend the Trade Act of 1974 to extend the authorization for trade adjustment assistance. (S. Rept. No. 106–119)

S. Res. 159, authorizing expenditures by the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

S. 438, to provide for the settlement of the water rights claims of the Chippewa Cree Tribe of the Rocky Boy's Reservation. **Page S9072**

Measures Passed:

Commerce/Justice/State Appropriations: Senate passed 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, after taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto:

Pages S8980, S8982–85, S8988–S9069

Adopted:

Biden Amendment No. 1285, to provide additional funding for community oriented policing services. **Pages S8989–99**

Lugar Amendment No. 1289, to appropriate funds for the National Endowment for Democracy and to offset such appropriations with a reduction in the Capital Investment Fund. **Pages S9001–09**

Collins Amendment No. 1296, to express the sense of the Senate with regard to the Federal Communications Commission's report and order relating to numbering resource optimization to address the exhaustion of telephone area codes. **Pages S9014–15**

Hutchison Amendment No. 1297, to provide that any border patrol agent classified in a GS–1896 position who completes a 1-year period of service at a GS–9 grade and whose current rating of record is fully successful or higher shall be classified at a

GS–11 grade and receive pay at the minimum rate of basic pay for a GS–11 position. **Page S9016**

Hutchison Amendment No. 1300, to provide that the Commissioner shall within 90 days develop a plan for coordinating and linking all relevant Immigration and Naturalization Service data bases with those of the Justice Department and other federal law enforcement agencies, to determine criminal history, fingerprint identification, and record of prior deportation. **Page S9016**

Enzi Amendment No. 1301, to prohibit the Federal Communications Commission from requiring persons to use any accounting method that does not conform to Generally Accepted Accounting Principles. (By 45 yeas to 52 nays (Vote No. 218), Senate earlier failed to table the amendment.)

Pages S9020–24

Harkin Amendment No. 1304, to provide \$100,000,000 in Byrne grant funding offset by reducing funds for travel, supplies, and printing expenses in the bill by 5.8 percent and cutting funds for preliminary work on possible Supreme Court improvements. **Pages S9028–29**

Boxer Amendment No. 1305, to prohibit the transfer of a firearm or ammunition to an intoxicated person. **Pages S9029–30**

Boxer Amendment No. 1306, to ensure that parties to the tuna convention pay their fair share of the expenses of the Inter-American Tropical Tuna Commission before they are allowed to export tuna to the United States. (By 35 yeas to 61 nays (Vote No. 220), Senate earlier failed to table the amendment.)

Pages S9030–33, S9047

Gregg/Hollings Amendment No. 1308, to make certain improvements to the bill. **Pages S9033–34**

Gregg (for Domenici) Amendment No. 1309, to provide for security for certain federal personnel.

Pages S9033–34

Gregg (for Coverdell) Amendment No. 1310, to provide funds to carry out the drug-free workplace demonstration program. **Pages S9033–36**

Gregg (for Stevens), Amendment No. 1311, to amend provisions relating to the implementation of the June 3, 1999 Agreement of the United States and Canada on the Treaty Between the Government

of the United States of America and the Government of Canada Concerning Pacific Salmon.

Pages S9033, S9036

Gregg (for Stevens), Amendment No. 1312, to amend certain provisions for appropriations for costs associated with the implementation of the American Fisheries Act vessel documentation activities.

Pages S9033, S9036

Gregg (for Chafee), Amendment No. 1313, to provide funding for the Narragansett Bay cooperative study conducted by the Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management in cooperation with the Federal Government.

Pages S9033, S9037

Gregg (for Cochran), Amendment No. 1314, to provide funding for research in addictive disorders and their connection to youth violence.

Pages S9033, S9037

Gregg (for DeWine), Amendment No. 1315, to make an amendment with respect to the Crime Identification Technology Act of 1998.

Pages S9033, S9037

Gregg (for Grams), Amendment No. 1316, to credit reimbursements owed by the United Nations to the United States to reduce United States arrearages to the United Nations.

Pages S9033, S9037

Gregg Amendment No. 1317, to provide that none of the funds appropriated or otherwise made available in this Act for the United Nations may be used by the United Nations for the promulgation or enforcement of any treaty, resolution, or regulation authorizing the United Nations, or any of its specialized agencies or affiliated organizations, to tax any aspect of the Internet.

Pages S9033, S9037

Gregg/Hollings Amendment No. 1318, to revise certain provisions of the Immigration and Nationality Act of 1953.

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Gregg (for Ashcroft) Amendment No. 1319, expressing the sense of the Senate regarding Iran.

Pages S9033, S9037

Gregg (for Hatch) Amendment No. 1320, to provide additional funding for law enforcement programs regarding hate crimes.

Pages S9033, S9037-38

Gregg (for Snowe) Amendment No. 1321, to provide for the New England Fishery Management Council.

Pages S9033, S9038

Gregg (for Hatch) Amendment No. 1322, to authorize a place for holding court in New York, to authorize the consolidation of clerks offices in West Virginia, and to direct the provision of space for a senior judge's chambers in Utah.

Pages S9033, S9038

Hollings (for Kerry) Amendment No. 1323, to increase funding for Small Business Administration Microloan Technical Assistance.

Pages S9033, S9038

Hollings (for Kennedy) Amendment No. 1324, to enhance Federal enforcement of hate crimes.

Pages S9033, S9038-44

Hollings (for Graham) Amendment No. 1325, to provide for a study on older individuals and crime.

Pages S9033, S9044

Hollings (for Reed) Amendment No. 1326, to extend temporary protected status for certain nationals of Liberia.

Pages S9033, S9044

Hollings (for Bryan) Amendment No. 1327, to express the sense of the Senate with respect to promoting travel and tourism.

Pages S9033, S9044-45

Hollings (for Bingaman) Amendment No. 1228, to study the benefits of establishing an electronic commerce extension program at the Department of Commerce.

Pages S9033, S9045

Hollings (for Murray) Amendment No. 1329, to provide that, of the amounts provided, \$6,000,000 shall be made available to Pacific Coastal tribes (as defined by the Secretary of Commerce) through the Department of Commerce, which shall allocate the funds to tribes in California and Oregon, and to tribes in Washington after consultation with the Washington State Salmon Recovery Funding Board.

Pages S9033, S9045

Hollings (for Boxer) Amendment No. 1330, to improve the process for deporting criminal aliens.

Pages S9033, S9045

Hollings (for Dodd) Amendment No. 1331, to require Congressional notification prior to the sale of properties that have been used as U.S. embassies, U.S. Consulates or the residences of the U.S. Ambassador, Chief of Mission or Consuls General.

Pages S9033, S9045

Hollings (for Torricelli) Amendment No. 1332, to earmark funds for a new truck safety initiative.

Pages S9033, S9045

Hollings (for Torricelli) Amendment No. 1333, to allow the City of Camden to retain funding from a fiscal year 1996 law enforcement grant.

Pages S9033, S9045-46

Hollings (for Feinstein) Amendment No. 1334, to amend the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949 to continue and extend authority for transfers to State and local governments of certain property for law enforcement, public safety, and emergency response purposes.

Pages S9033, S9046

Hollings (for Feinstein) Amendment No. 1335, to provide for expenses necessary to establish and implement the High Intensity Interstate Gang Activity Areas Program (including grants, contracts, cooperative agreements and other assistance).

Pages S9033, S9046

Gregg (for DeWine) Amendment No. 1336, to provide funding to the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration to upgrade Great Lakes water gauging stations in order to ensure compliance with Year 2000 (Y2K) computer date processing requirements.

Pages S9033, S9046

Hollings (for Kerrey) Amendment No. 1337, to provide that the total amount appropriated not to exceed \$550,000 shall be available to the Lincoln Action Program's Youth Violence Alternative Project.

Pages S9033, S9046

Hollings (for Kerrey) Amendment No. 1338, to provide that the total amount appropriated, not to

exceed \$1,000,000 shall be available to the Team-Mates of Nebraska project. **Pages S9033, S9046**

Hollings (for Schumer) Amendment No. 1339, to provide for an analysis by the Securities Exchange Commission of the effects of electronic communications networks and night trading on securities markets. **Pages S9033, S9046**

Hollings (for Kohl) Amendment No. 1340, to provide funding for task forces coordinated by the United States Attorney's Office for the Eastern District of Wisconsin and the Western and Northern Districts of New York. **Pages S9033, S9046**

Gregg (for Jeffords/Leahy) Amendment No. 1341, to allocate funds for Tibetan Exchange Program. **Pages S9033, S9046**

Wellstone/Murray Amendment No. 1291, to amend title III of the Family Violence Prevention and Services Act and title IV of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 to limit the effects of domestic violence on the lives of children. **Pages S9009-11, S9048**

Gregg (for Gorton) Amendment No. 1342, to express the sense of the Senate regarding the European Council noise rule affecting hushkitted and reengineered aircraft. **Pages S9048-49**

Rejected:

By 43 yeas to 54 nays (Vote No. 217), Lautenberg Amendment No. 1302, to provide funds, from increases in the Department of Justice budget, for a media campaign to prevent alcohol consumption by individuals in the United States who have not attained the age of 21. **Pages S9019-20, S9024**

Wellstone Amendment No. 1303, to clarify the treatment of juveniles and the mentally ill by the Prison Litigation Reform Act of 1995. (By 56 yeas to 40 nays (Vote No. 219), Senate tabled the amendment.) **Pages S9025-28**

Withdrawn:

Graham Amendment No. 1292, to clarify that nothing in the Act shall be construed to prevent the use of funds to recover Federal tobacco-related health costs from responsible third parties. **Pages S9011-13**

Landrieu Amendment No. 1307, to reduce amounts appropriated by the bill and make available funds for the international criminal tribunals for the former Yugoslavia and Rwanda. **Page S9033**

Gregg Amendment No. 1272, to extend the Violent Crime Reduction Trust Fund through fiscal year 2005. **Pages S8980, S8982-83, S8988-89, S9013, S9048**

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

Senate agreed to a modification to Gregg/Hollings Amendment No. 1271, to make certain improvements to the bill, adopted on Wednesday, July 21, 1999. **Pages S9047-48**

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. 1217, 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. 1217 be vitiated and then be indefinitely postponed. **Pages S9046-47**

Printing Authorization: Senate agreed to S. Res. 161, authorizes the printing of "Memorial Tributes to John Fitzgerald Kennedy, Jr.". **Page S9112**

Water Resources Development Authorization: Senate passed H.R. 1480, to provide for the conservation and development of water and related resources, to authorize the United States Army Corps of Engineers to construct various projects for improvements to rivers and harbors of the United States, after striking all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the text of S. 507, Senate companion measure, as passed by the Senate on April 19, 1999. Senate insisted on its amendment, requested a conference with the House thereon, and the Chair was authorized to appoint the following conferees on the part of the Senate: Senators Chafee, Warner, Smith (of N.H.), Voinovich, Baucus, Moy-nihan, and Boxer. **Pages S9112-28**

Financial Services Modernization: Senate disagreed to the amendments of the House to S. 900, 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, requested a conference with the House thereon, and the Chair was authorized to appoint the following conferees on the part of the Senate: Senators Gramm, Shelby, Mack, Bennett, Grams, Allard, Enzi, Hagel, Santorum, Bunning, Crapo, Sarbanes, Dodd, Kerry, Bryan, Johnson, Reed, Schumer, Bayh, and Edwards. **Pages S9128-69**

Juvenile Justice Agreement: Senate began consideration of the motion to proceed to the consideration of H.R. 1501, to amend the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 to provide grants to ensure increased accountability for juvenile offenders; to amend the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act of 1974 to provide quality prevention programs and accountability programs relating to juvenile delinquency. **Page S9014**

A motion was entered to close further debate on the motion to proceed to the consideration of 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 Monday, July 26, 1999. **Page S9014**

Subsequently, the motion to proceed was withdrawn. **Page S9014**

Enforcement of Rule 16/Agriculture Appropriations Agreement: A unanimous-consent-time agreement was reached providing for the consideration of and final adoption of an original resolution (S. Res. 160) to restore enforcement of Rule 16, on Monday, July 26, 1999. **Page S9028**

A further unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that when the Senate considers the agricultural disaster relief amendment to S. 1233, making appropriations for Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2000, that no Rule 16 point of order lie against the amendment, or amendments thereto, relating to the same subject. **Page S9028**

Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations: Jeffrey Rush, Jr., of Virginia, to be Inspector General, Department of the Treasury. **Pages S9112, S9170**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations: my C. Achor, of Texas, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for National and Community Service for a term expiring October 6, 2003.

1 Army nomination in the rank of general. **Page S9170**

Messages From the House: **Pages S9071-72**

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Additional Statements: **Pages S9110-12**

Record Votes: Four record votes were taken today. (Total—220) **Pages S9024, S9028, S9047**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 10:26 p.m., until 11 a.m., on Monday, July 26, 1999. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S9170.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: On Wednesday, July 21, committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

The nomination of William J. Rainer, of New Mexico, to be Chairman of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission, and Commissioner of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission; and

An original resolution (S. Res. 159) authorizing expenditures by the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Curt Hebert, Jr., of Mississippi, to be a Member of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Department

of Energy, and Earl E. Devaney, of Massachusetts, to be Inspector General, Department of the Interior.

Prior to this action, Committee concluded hearings on the nominations (listed above), after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf. Mr. Hebert was introduced by Senators Lott and Cochran.

PUBLIC LANDS PLANNING AND MANAGEMENT IMPROVEMENT ACT

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Forests and Public Land Management concluded hearings on S. 1320, to provide to the Federal land management agencies the authority and capability to manage effectively the Federal lands, after receiving testimony from Barry T. Hill, Associate Director, Energy, Resources, and Science Issues, Resources, Community, and Economic Development Division, General Accounting Office, who was accompanied by several of his associates.

COASTAL RESTORATION AND PROTECTION

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Committee concluded hearings on S. 835, to encourage the restoration of estuary habitat through more efficient project financing and enhanced coordination of Federal and non-Federal restoration programs, S. 878, to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to permit grants for the national estuary program to be used for the development and implementation of a comprehensive conservation and management plan, to reauthorize appropriations to carry out the program, S. 492, to amend the Federal Water Pollution Act to assist in the restoration of the Chesapeake Bay, S. 1119, to amend the Act of August 9, 1950, to continue funding of the Coastal Wetlands Planning, Protection and Restoration Act, S. 522, to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to improve the quality of beaches and coastal recreation water, and H.R. 999, to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to improve the quality of coastal recreation waters, after receiving testimony from Senators Breaux, Sarbanes, and Torricelli; Representative Bilbray; J. Charles Fox, Assistant Administrator, Office of Water, Environmental Protection Agency; Michael L. Davis, Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Army for Civil Works; Mayor Martin L. Pagliughi, Avalon, New Jersey; Ted Danson, American Oceans Campaign, Santa Monica, California; Linda Shead, Galveston Bay Foundation, Galveston Bay, Texas, on behalf of the Restore America's Estuaries; Richard Ribb, Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management, Providence, on behalf of the Association of National Estuary Programs; Michael F. Hirshfield, Chesapeake Bay Foundation, Annapolis, Maryland; and Len Bahr, Office of the Governor, Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

MEDICARE REFORM

Committee on Finance: Committee held hearings on the President's proposal to reform Medicare and the