

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S9171-S9314

Measures Introduced: Nine bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1429-1437, S. Res. 162-163, and S. Con. Res. 48. **Pages S9223-24**

Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 1429, to provide for reconciliation pursuant to section 104 of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2000. (S. Rept. No. 106-120)

Report to accompany S. 692, to prohibit Internet gambling. (S. Rept. No. 106-121) **Page S9223**

Measures Passed:

Enforcement of Senate Rule 16: By 53 yeas to 45 nays (Vote No. 222), Senate agreed to S. Res. 160, to restore enforcement of Rule 16, after taking action on the following amendment proposed thereto:

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Rejected:

By 47 yeas to 51 nays (Vote No. 221), Daschle Amendment No. 1343, to provide that the presiding officer of the Senate shall apply all precedents of the Senate under Rule XXVIII in effect at the conclusion of the 103rd Congress. **Pages S9207-09**

Senate Legal Counsel: Senate agreed to S. Res. 162, to authorize testimony of employee of the Senate in *State of New Mexico v. Felix Lucero Chavez*.

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Federal Research Investment: Senate passed S. 296, to provide for continuation of the Federal research investment in a fiscally sustainable way, after agreeing to committee amendments, and the following amendment proposed thereto: **Pages S9304-09**

Gorton (for Frist) Amendment No. 1349, to provide certain technical changes. **Page S9307**

Veterans Benefits Improvement Act: Committee on Veterans' Affairs was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 2280, to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide a cost-of-living adjustment in rates of compensation paid for service-connected disabilities, to enhance the compensation, memorial affairs, and housing programs of the Department of Veterans Affairs, to improve retirement authorities applicable to judges of the United States

Court of Appeals for Veterans Claims, and the bill was then passed, after striking all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the text of S. 1393, Senate companion measure. **Page S9311**

Subsequently, S. 1393 was placed back on the Senate calendar. **Page S9311**

Educational Assistance Improvement: Senate passed S. 1402, to amend title 38, United States Code, to enhance programs providing education benefits for veterans. **Page S9311**

Juvenile Justice: Senate began 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, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto: **Pages S9209-11**

Pending:

Lott Amendment No. 1344, in the nature of a substitute. **Pages S9209-11**

Lott Amendment No. 1345 (to Amendment No. 1344), to provide that the bill will become effective one day after enactment. **Pages S9209-11**

Lott Amendment No. 1346 (to Amendment No. 1345), to provide that the bill will become effective two days after enactment. **Pages S9209-11**

Lott Amendment No. 1347 (to the language proposed to be stricken), to provide that the bill will become effective three days after enactment. **Pages S9210-11**

Lott Amendment No. 1348 (to Amendment No. 1347), to provide that the bill will become effective four days after enactment. **Pages S9210-11**

A motion was entered to close further debate on Amendment No. 1344 (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 at 9:45 a.m., on Wednesday, July 28, 1999. **Page S9209**

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 at a time to be determined. **Page S9209**

Subsequently, the vote on the motion to close further debate on the motion to proceed to the bill was vitiated.

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Commerce/Justice/State Appropriations Amendments: By unanimous-consent, the following amendments to 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 (passed by the Senate on Thursday, July 22, 1999) were agreed to:

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Gorton (for Gregg) Amendment No. 1350, to make certain technical corrections.

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Gorton (for Leahy) Amendment No. 1351, to restore funding for United States Sentencing Commission.

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Gorton (for Nickles) Amendment No. 1352, to modify the circumstances under which attorney's fees in Federal capital cases can be disclosed.

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Gorton (for Durbin) Amendment No. 1353, to ensure that current Federal family violence prevention programs are sensitive to the needs of all Americans including seniors and the disabled.

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Messages From the President: Senate received the following messages from the President of the United States:

Transmitting a report on progress toward achieving benchmarks in Bosnia; referred to the Committee on Armed Services. (PM–51).

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Transmitting reports entitled "Motor Vehicle Safety" and "Highway Safety" for calendar years 1996; referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation. (PM–52).

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Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

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Record Votes: Two record votes were taken today. (Total—222)

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 11 a.m., and adjourned at 7:10 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Tuesday, July 27, 1999. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S9313.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Foreign Relations: On Friday, July 23, Committee concluded hearings on the nomination of Michael A. Sheehan, of New Jersey, to be Coordinator for Counterterrorism, Department of State, with the rank and status of Ambassador at Large, after the nominee testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

NOMINATION

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded hearings on the nomination of Evelyn Simonowitz Lieberman, of New York, to be Under Secretary of State for Public Diplomacy, after the nominee, who was introduced by Senator Biden, testified and answered questions in her own behalf.

House of Representatives

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Bills Introduced: 6 public bills, H.R. 2607–2612, were introduced.

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed as follows:

Filed on July 23, H.R. 850, to amend title 18, United States Code, to affirm the rights of United States persons to use and sell encryption and to relax

export controls on encryption, amended (H. Rept. 106–117, Part 4);

Filed on July 23, H.R. 850, to amend title 18, United States Code, to affirm the rights of United States persons to use and sell encryption and to relax export controls on encryption, amended (H. Rept. 106–117, Part 5);

Filed on July 23, H.R. 2605, making appropriations for energy and water development for the fiscal