

# Daily Digest

## HIGHLIGHTS

See Résumé of Congressional Activity.

House agreed to the conference report on H.R. 2084, Department of Transportation and Related Agencies Appropriations Act.

House agreed to the conference report on H.R. 1906, Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act.

## Senate

### Chamber Action

*Routine Proceedings, pages S11757–S11822*

**Measures Introduced:** Five bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 1678–1682, and S. Res. 194. Page S11803

#### Measures Passed:

**National Stamp Collecting Month:** Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 182, designating October, 1999, as “National Stamp Collecting Month”, and the resolution was then agreed to. Page S11815

**Taiwan Earthquake Victims:** Committee agreed to S. Res. 194, expressing sympathy for the victims of the devastating earthquake that struck Taiwan on September 21, 1999. Page S11817

**Hurricane Floyd Victims:** Committee on Environment and Public Works was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 188, expressing the sense of the Senate that additional assistance should be provided to the victims of Hurricane Floyd, and the resolution was then agreed to, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto: Pages S11817–18

Lott (for Edwards/Helms) Amendment No. 1890, to add the Governor of Delaware to the list of commended Governors. Page S11818

**Labor/HHS/Education:** Senate continued consideration of S. 1650, making appropriations for the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2000, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto: Pages S11757–61, S11774–80

#### Adopted:

By a unanimous vote of 93 yeas (Vote No. 305), Collins Amendment No. 1824, to express the sense of the Senate that diabetes and its resulting complications have had a devastating impact on Americans of all ages in both human and economic terms, and that increased support for research, education, early detection, and treatment efforts is necessary to take advantage of unprecedented opportunities for progress toward better treatments, prevention, and ultimately a cure. Pages S11757–61

#### Pending:

Nickles Amendment No. 1851, to protect Social Security surpluses. Pages S11774–80

Nickles Amendment No. 1889 (to Amendment No. 1851), to protect Social Security surpluses. Pages S11775–80

**Black Canyon National Park and Gunnison Gorge National Conservation Area Act:** Senate concurred in the amendment of the House to S. 323, to redesignate the Black Canyon of the Gunnison National Monument as a national park and establish the Gunnison Gorge National Conservation Area, clearing the measure for the President. Pages S11815–17

**Nominations—Agreement:** A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for the consideration of the nominations of Ronnie L. White, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Missouri, Brian Theadore Stewart, to be United States District Judge for the District of Utah, and Raymond C. Fisher, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit, on Monday, October 4, 1999, with votes to occur on the nominations of

Messrs. White, Stewart, and Fisher to occur on Tuesday, October 5, 1999 at 2:15 p.m. **Pages S11788–89**

**Transportation Appropriations Conference Report—Agreement:** A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for the consideration of the conference report on H.R. 2084, making appropriations for the Department of Transportation and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2000, on Monday, October 4, 1999, at 5:30 p.m., with a vote on adoption to immediately occur thereon. **Page S11790**

**Comprehensive Nuclear Test Ban Treaty Agreement:** A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for the consideration of the Comprehensive Nuclear Test Ban Treaty (Treat Doc. 105–28), on Friday, October 8, 1999. **Pages S11820–21**

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

Harry J. Bowie, of Mississippi, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the National Consumer Cooperative Bank for a term of three years.

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

Victor Marrero, of New York, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of New York.

Paul L. Hill, Jr., of West Virginia, to be Chairperson of the Chemical Safety and Hazard Investigation Board for a term of five years. (Reappointment)

Paul L. Hill, Jr., of West Virginia, to be a Member of the Chemical Safety and Hazard Investigation Board for a term of five years. (Reappointment)

Richard A. Meserve, of Virginia, to be a Member of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission for a term of five years expiring June 30, 2004.

Routine lists in the Coast Guard, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.

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**Nominations Received:** Senate received the following nominations:

Alan Craig Kessler, of Pennsylvania, to be a Governor of the United States Postal Service for a term expiring December 8, 2008.

LaGree Sylvia Daniels, of Pennsylvania, to be a Governor of the United States Postal Service for a term expiring December 8, 2007.

William A. Halter, of Arkansas, to be Deputy Commissioner of Social Security for the term expiring January 19, 2001.

Greta Joy Dicus, of Arkansas, to be an Alternate Representative of the United States of America to the Forty-third Session of the General Conference of the International Atomic Energy Agency.

Norman A. Wulf, of Virginia, to be an Alternate Representative of the United States of America to the Forty-third Session of the General Conference of the International Atomic Energy Agency.

J. Stapleton Roy, of Pennsylvania, to be an Assistant Secretary of State (Intelligence and Research).

Joseph R. Crapa, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Administrator of the United States Agency for International Development.

Avis Thayer Bohlen, of the District of Columbia, to be an Assistant Secretary of State (Arms Control).

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**Record Votes:** One record vote was taken today. (Total—305) **Page S11761**

**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 9 a.m., and adjourned at 3:09 p.m., until 12 noon, on Monday, October 4, 1999. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on pages S11819–20.)

## *Committee Meetings*

No committee meetings were held.