

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S837–S898

Measures Introduced: Six bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 2107–2112, and S. Res. 263. **Page S867**

Measures Passed:

Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act Amendments: Senate passed S. 400, to provide technical corrections to the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act of 1996, to improve the delivery of housing assistance to Indian tribes in a manner that recognizes the right of tribal self-governance, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, and the following amendment proposed thereto: **Pages S895–98**

Coverdell (for Campbell) Amendment No. 2855, to ensure that laws or regulations relating to the payment of prevailing wages that are adopted by Indian tribes are not superseded by certain provisions of Federal law. **Pages S896–97**

Affordable Education Act: Senate resumed consideration of S. 1134, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow tax-free expenditures from education individual retirement accounts for elementary and secondary school expenses, and to increase the maximum annual amount of contributions to such accounts, taking action on the following amendment proposed thereto: **Pages S847–62**

Pending:

Collins Amendment No. 2854, to eliminate the 2-percent floor on miscellaneous itemized deductions for qualified professional development expenses of elementary and secondary school teachers and to allow a credit against income tax to elementary and secondary school teachers who provide classroom materials. **Pages S860–62**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that all amendments be relevant to the subject matter of education and/or related to education taxes with the exception of a Wellstone amendment regarding a report on a TANF program. **Page S853**

A further unanimous consent agreement was reached providing that the cloture vote, scheduled for 3:30 p.m., on Tuesday, February 29, 2000, be vitiated. **Page S853**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill on Tuesday, February 29, 2000. **Page S898**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Nicholas G. Garaufis, of New York, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of New York vice Charles P. Sifton, retired.

Gerard E. Lynch, of New York, to be a United States District Judge for the Southern District of New York vice John E. Sprizzo, retired.

Daniel Marcus, of Maryland, to be Associate Attorney General. **Page S898**

Communications: **Pages S865–67**

Statements on Introduced Bills: **Pages S867–70**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages S870–71**

Amendments Submitted: **Pages S872–92**

Authority for Committees: **Page S892**

Additional Statements: **Pages S892–95**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 12:04 p.m., and adjourned at 5:01 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Tuesday, February 29, 2000. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S898.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION

Committee on Armed Services: On Friday, February 25, Subcommittee on Strategic concluded open and closed hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 2001 for the Department of Defense and the Future Years Defense Program, focusing on the Department of Energy's National Nuclear Security programs, after receiving testimony from Rose E. Gottemoeller, Assistant Secretary for Non-proliferation and National Security, Laura S. H.

Holgate, Director, Office of Fissile Materials Disposition, and Brig. Gen. Thomas F. Gioconda, USAF, Acting Assistant Secretary for Defense Programs, all of the Department of Energy; and Adm. Frank L. Bowman, USN, Director, Naval Nuclear Propulsion Program.

DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Strategic concluded hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 2001 for the Department of Defense and the Future Years Defense Program, focusing on Ballistic Missile Defense programs, after receiving testimony from Lt. Gen. Ronald T. Kadish, USAF, Director, and Maj. Gen. Willie B. Nance, Jr., USA, National Missile Defense Program Manager, both of the Ballistic Missile Defense Organization.

EXPORT CONTROLS

Committee on Armed Services: Committee concluded hearings to examine national security implications of export controls and related provisions of S. 1712, to provide authority to control exports, after receiving testimony from Senators Enzi and Johnson; and John J. Hamre, Deputy Secretary, and James Bodner, Principle Deputy Under Secretary for Policy, both of the Department of Defense.

ANTI-DRUG ASSISTANCE TO COLOMBIA

Committee on Foreign Relations: On Friday, February 25, Subcommittee on Western Hemisphere, Peace

Corps, Narcotics and Terrorism concluded hearings on proposed emergency anti-drug assistance to Colombia, after receiving testimony from R. Rand Beers, Assistant Secretary of State, Bureau for International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Affairs; Brian E. Sheridan, Assistant Secretary of Defense for Special Operations and Low Intensity Conflict; William E. Ledwith, Chief of International Operations, Drug Enforcement Administration, Department of Justice; and Jose Miguel Vivanco, Human Rights Watch, and Michael Skol, Skol and Associates, both of Washington, D.C.

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Committee on Governmental Affairs: On Friday, February 25, Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations concluded hearings to examine the practices of the day trading industry and its risks to investors, after receiving testimony from Lori A. Richards, Director, Office of Compliance Inspections and Examinations, United States Securities and Exchange Commission; Deborah R. Bortner, Washington State Department of Financial Institutions, Olympia; Barry R. Goldsmith, National Association of Securities Dealers Regulation, Inc., Washington, D.C.; Harvey I. Houtkin, All-Tech Direct, Montvale, New Jersey; Henry D. Fahman, Providential Securities, Fountain Valley, California; and James H. Lee, TRADESCAPE.com Securities, LLC, (Momentum Securities), Houston, Texas.