

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate agreed to the FAA Authorization Conference Report.

The House passed H.J. Res 86, recognizing the 50th anniversary of the Korean War and the sacrifices of the members of the Armed Forces who served and fought in Korea to defeat the spread of communism.

The House passed H.R. 1827, Government Waste Corrections Act.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S1247–S1334

Measures Introduced: Eleven bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 2214–2224, and S. Con. Res. 92. **Pages S1315–16**

Export Administration Act: Senate began consideration of S. 1712, to provide authority to control exports, taking action on the following amendment proposed thereto: **Pages S1271–72**

Pending:

Reid Amendment No. 2883, to amend the National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 1998 with respect to export controls on high performance computers. **Page S1272**

Subsequently, the bill was returned to the Senate calendar. **Pages S1275–76**

FAA Authorization Conference Report: By 82 yeas to 17 nays (Vote No. 35), Senate agreed to the conference report on H.R. 1000, to amend title 49, United States Code, to reauthorize programs of the Federal Aviation Administration. **Pages S1247–67, S1300–01**

During today's proceedings, the Senate also took the following actions:

By 86 yeas to 13 nays (Vote No. 36), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn having voted in the affirmative, Senate agreed to close further debate on the nomination of Marsha L. Berzon, of California, to be a United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit. **Page S1301**

By 85 yeas to 14 nays (Vote No. 37), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn having voted in the affirmative, Senate agreed to close further debate on the nomination of Richard A. Paez,

of California, to be a United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit. **Pages S1301–02**

Nominations Agreement: A unanimous-consent-time agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the nominations of Marsha L. Berzon and Richard A. Paez, both of California, each to be a United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit, on Thursday, March 9, 2000, with votes to occur on or in relation to their confirmation to occur at 2 p.m. **Page S1302**

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

Transmitting, pursuant to the Trade Act of 1974, the report of normal trade relations with the People's Republic of China; to the Committee on Finance. (PM–90) **Pages S1313–14**

Transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "The National Money Laundering Strategy for 2000"; to the Committee on Judiciary. (PM–91) **Page S1314**

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Record Votes: Three record votes were taken today. (Total—37) Pages S1301–02

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 7:09 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Thursday, March 9, 2000. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S1330.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

NATIONAL RURAL DEVELOPMENT PARTNERSHIP

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: Subcommittee on Forestry, Conservation, and Rural Revitalization concluded hearings on issues relating to the National Rural Development Partnership and the State Rural Development Councils, focusing on the lack of consistency in funding and the lack of legislative foundation providing policy guidance and direction, after receiving testimony from Jill Long Thompson, Under Secretary of Agriculture for Rural Development; Eugene A. Conti, Jr., Assistant Secretary of Transportation for Transportation Policy; Claude E. Fox, Administrator, Health Resources and Services Administration, Department of Health and Human Services; Chuck Fluharty, Rural Policy Research Institute, Columbia, Missouri; Mayor Bill Graham, Scottsburg, Indiana, on behalf of the Indiana Rural Development Council and National Rural Development Partnership; Tom Hudson, Tom Hudson Company, Moscow, Idaho, on behalf of the Idaho Rural Partnership; Cornelius P. Grant, North Dakota Rural Development Council, Bismarck; David E. Black, Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development, Harrisburg; and Colleen Landkamer, Blue Earth Board of Commissioners, Mankato, Minnesota, on behalf of the National Association of Counties.

APPROPRIATIONS—DOD MEDICAL PROGRAMS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Defense concluded hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2001 for the Department of Defense, focusing on certain medical programs, after receiving testimony from Rudy de Leon, Under Secretary for Personnel and Readiness, and William J. Lynn III, Under Secretary (Comptroller), both of the Department of Defense; Adm. Donald L. Pilling, USN, Vice Chief of Naval Operations and Chair, Defense Medical Oversight Committee; Lt. Gen. Ronald R. Blanck, USA, Army Surgeon General and Commanding General, U.S. Army Medical Command;

Vice Adm. Richard A. Nelson, USN, Medical Corps, Navy Surgeon General and Chief, Bureau of Medicine and Surgery; Lt. Gen. Paul K. Carlton, Jr., USAF, Air Force Surgeon General; Col. Deborah Gustke, USA, Assistant Chief, Army Nurse Corps; Rear Adm. Karen A. Harmeyer, USN, Deputy Director, Navy Nurse Corps, Reserve Component, and Director, Naval Reserve Medical Program 32; and Brig. Gen. Barbara C. Brannon, USAF, Director of Medical Readiness and Nursing Services, Office of the Air Force Surgeon General.

AUTHORIZATION—DEFENSE

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Airland concluded hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 2001 for the Department of Defense and the Future Years Defense Program, focusing on Army transformation, Gen. Eric K. Shinseki, USA, Chief of Staff, United States Army.

AUTHORIZATION—DEFENSE

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 national security space programs, policies, and operations, after receiving testimony from Gen. Ralph E. Eberhart, USAF, Commander-in-Chief, North American Aerospace Defense Command/United States Space Command; and Keith R. Hall, Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for Space, and Director, National Reconnaissance Office.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 2097, to authorize loan guarantees in order to facilitate access to local television broadcast signals in unserved and underserved areas, with an amendment;

S. 1452, to modernize the requirements under the National Manufactured Housing Construction and Safety Standards of 1974 and to establish a balanced consensus process for the development, revision, and interpretation of Federal construction and safety standards for manufactured homes, with an amendment; and

The nominations of Kathryn Shaw, of Pennsylvania, to be a Member of the Council of Economic Advisers, and Jay Johnson, of Wisconsin, to be Director of the Mint, Department of the Treasury.

INTERNET SECURITY

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Communications concluded hearings to examine recent hacker attacks on popular