

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S3453–S3568

Measures Introduced: Thirteen bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2503–2515, S. Res. 303, and S. Con. Res. 108–109. **Pages S3513–14**

Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 2507, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2001 for intelligence and intelligence-related activities of the United States Government, the Community Management Account, and the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement and Disability System. (S. Rept. No. 106–279) **Page S3513**

Measures Passed:

Daniel Patrick Moynihan U.S. Courthouse: Senate passed S. 2370, to designate the Federal building located at 500 Pearl Street in New York City, New York, as the “Daniel Patrick Moynihan United States Courthouse”. **Pages S3555–57**

E. Ross Adair Federal Building/U.S. Courthouse: Senate passed H.R. 2412, to designate the Federal building and United States courthouse located at 1300 South Harrison Street in Fort Wayne, Indiana, as the “E. Ross Adair Federal Building and United States Courthouse”, clearing the measure for the President. **Page S3557**

National Correctional Officers and Employees Week: Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 248, to designate the week of May 7, 2000, as “National Correctional Officers and Employees Week”, and the resolution was then agreed to. **Page S3557**

Honoring Members of the Armed Forces/Federal Civilian Employees: Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of S. Con. Res. 103, honoring the members of the Armed Forces and Federal civilian employees who served the Nation during the Vietnam era and the families of those individuals who lost their lives or remain unaccounted for or were injured during that era in Southeast Asia or elsewhere in the world in defense of United States national security interests, and the resolution was then agreed to. **Page S3557**

National Charter Schools Week: Senate agreed to S. Con. Res. 108, designating the week beginning on April 30, 2000 and ending on May 6, 2000, as “National Charter Schools Week”. **Pages S3557–58**

Persecution of Iran’s Jewish Community: Senate agreed to S. Con. Res. 109, expressing the sense of Congress regarding the ongoing persecution of 13 members of Iran’s Jewish community. **Pages S3558–59**

Manufactured Housing Improvement Act: Senate passed 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, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, and the following amendment proposed thereto: **Pages S3559–67**

Gorton (for Gramm/Sarbanes) Amendment No. 3124, to make certain revisions to the bill. **Page S3563**

Elementary and Secondary Reauthorization: Senate continued consideration of S. 2, to extend programs and activities under the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto: **Pages S3453–96**

Adopted:

By 54 yeas to 42 nays (Vote No. 92), Abraham Amendment No. 3117, to reform certain State requirements relating to the use of funds to improve student academic achievement and student performance and to coordinate professional development activities. **Pages S3453–81, S3495**

Rejected:

By 43 yeas to 54 nays (Vote No. 91), Kennedy/Murray Amendment No. 3118 (to Amendment No. 3117), to provide for merit school programs for rewarding all teachers in schools that improve student achievement for all students. **Pages S3460–81, S3495**

By 44 yeas to 53 nays (Vote No. 93), Murray Amendment No. 3122, to provide for class size reduction programs. **Pages S3481–95**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill and certain amendments to be proposed thereto, on Monday, May 8, 2000. **Page S3496**

Messages From the House: **Pages S3509–10**

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Enrolled Bills Presented: **Page S3510**

Record Votes: Three record votes were taken today. (Total—93) **Page S3495**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:45 a.m., and adjourned at 6:43 p.m., until 1 p.m., on Monday, May 8, 2000. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S3567.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

CARBON CYCLE RESEARCH AND CLIMATE CHANGE

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: Subcommittee on Production and Price Competitiveness concluded hearings to examine carbon cycle research and agriculture's role in mitigating greenhouse gases and reducing climate changes, after receiving testimony from David J. Hofmann, Director, Climate Monitoring and Diagnostics Laboratory, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Department of Commerce; Keith Collins, Chief Economist, and John M. Kimble, Research Soil Scientist, Natural Resources Conservation Service, both of the Department of Agriculture; Richard E. Stuckey, Council for Agricultural Science and Technology, Ames, Iowa; Charles W. Rice, Kansas State University Department of Agronomy, Lincoln, Nebraska, on behalf of the Soil Science Society of America and American Society of Agronomy; William Richards, Circleville, Ohio, former Chief of the Soil Conservation Service; and John C. Haas, Larned, Kansas, on behalf of the Kansas and the National Grain Sorghum Producers Association and Council for Agricultural Research, Extension and Teaching.

APPROPRIATIONS—SUBCOMMITTEE ALLOCATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Committee completed its review of subcommittee allocations of budget outlays and new budget authority allocated to the committee in H. Con. Res. 290, establishing the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2001, revising the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2000, and setting forth appropriate budgetary levels for each of fiscal years 2002 through 2005.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, and Related Agencies approved for full committee consideration an original bill making appropriations for Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2001.

APPROPRIATIONS—NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on VA, HUD, and Independent Agencies concluded hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2001, after receiving testimony in behalf of funds for their respective activities from Eamon M. Kelly, Chairman, and Rita Colwell, Director, both of the National Science Foundation; and Neil Lane, Director, Office of Science and Technology Policy.

AUTHORIZATION—DEFENSE

Committee on Armed Services: Committee met in closed session to continue markup of proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 2001 for military activities of the Department of Defense, but did not complete action thereon, and will meet again on Tuesday, May 9.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee concluded hearing on the nominations of J. Randolph Babbitt, of Virginia, Robert W. Baker, of Texas, Edward M. Bolen, of Maryland, Phil Boyer, of Maryland, Debbie D. Branson, of Texas, Geoffrey T. Crowley, of Wisconsin, Robert A. Davis, of Washington, and Kendall W. Wilson, of the District of Columbia, each to be a Member of the Federal Aviation Management Advisory Council, Department of Transportation, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf. Mr. Baker was introduced by Senator Hutchison, and Ms. Branson was introduced by Senators Hutchison and Hollings.