

# Daily Digest

## Senate

### Chamber Action

*Routine Proceedings, pages S3957–S4029*

**Measures Introduced:** Sixteen bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 2557–2572, and S. Con. Res. 113. **Pages S4013–14**

**Measures Reported:** Reports were made as follows: S. 1691, to amend the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act to authorize programs for predisaster mitigation, to streamline the administration of disaster relief, to control the Federal costs of disaster assistance, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 106–295)

H.R. 707, to amend the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act to authorize a program for predisaster mitigation, to streamline the administration of disaster relief, to control the Federal costs of disaster assistance. **Page S4013**

**Military Construction Appropriations:** Senate continued consideration of S. 2521, making appropriations for military construction, family housing, and base realignment and closure for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2001, taking action on the following amendment proposed thereto: **Pages S3974–75, S3981–S4003**

Pending:

Daschle Amendment No. 3148, to express the sense of the Senate with regard to the Million Mom March and gun safety legislation. **Pages S3981–S4003**

Lott Amendment No. 3150, to express the sense of the Senate with regard to the Second Amendment of the U.S. Constitution, the enforcement of Federal firearms laws, and the juvenile crime conference. **Pages S3983–S4003**

During consideration of this measure, the Senate also took the following action:

By 42 yeas to 54 nays (Vote No. 100), Senate failed to table the question of germaneness with respect to Daschle Amendment No. 3148 (listed above) to the bill. **Page S3983**

A unanimous-consent-time agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill and

pending amendments on Wednesday, May 17, 2000, with votes to occur on the pending amendments beginning at 1:30 p.m. Further, that the pending Lott point of order with respect to the Daschle Amendment No. 3148 (listed above), be vitiated. **Page S3983**

**Motion To Request Attendance:** During today's proceedings, by 94 yeas to 2 nays (Vote No. 99), Senate agreed to the motion to instruct the Sergeant at Arms to request the attendance of absent Senators. **Page S3982**

**Nomination—Motion To Proceed:** By 41 yeas to 54 nays (Vote No. 101), Senate failed to agree to the motion to proceed to the consideration of E. Douglas Hamilton, of Kentucky, to be United States Marshal for the Western District of Kentucky. **Page S3983**

**Messages From the House:** **Pages S4011–12**

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**Record Votes:** Three record votes were taken today. (Total—101) **Pages S3982–83**

**Quorum Calls:** Four quorum calls were taken today. (Total—5) **Pages S3982–83**

**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 9:31 a.m., and adjourned at 10:02 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Wednesday, May 17, 2000. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S4029.)

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

### NOMINATION

*Committee on Armed Services:* Committee concluded hearings on the nomination of Adm. Vernon E. Clark, to be Chief of Naval Operations, United States Navy, and appointment to the grade of Admiral, after the nominee, who was introduced by Senator Warner, testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

### HUD SINGLE FAMILY PROPERTY DISPOSITION

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* Subcommittee on Housing and Transportation concluded oversight hearings on the Department of Housing and Urban Development's implementation of its single family management and marketing contracts, focusing on property maintenance and security, evaluation and monitoring efforts, property inventory, and contractor incentives, after receiving testimony from William C. Apgar, Assistant Secretary of Housing and Urban Development for Housing and Federal Housing Commissioner; Stanley J. Czerwinski, Associate Director, Housing and Community Development Issues, Resources, Community, and Economic Development Division, General Accounting Office; and Irene H. Facha, Department of Housing and Urban Development Council of Locals 222, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, on behalf of the American Federation of Government Employees, Local 2032, AFL-CIO.

### MARITIME ADMINISTRATION

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* Committee held hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 2001 for the Maritime Administration, receiving testimony from Clyde J. Hart, Jr., Maritime Administrator, and Raymond J. DeCarli, Deputy Inspector General, both of the Department of Transportation; and Vice Adm. Gordon S. Holder, USN, Commander, Military Sealift Command.

Hearings recessed subject to call.

### FOREST SERVICE ROAD MANAGEMENT POLICY

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* Subcommittee on Forests and Public Land Management concluded oversight hearings on the United States Forest Service's proposed road management policy, focusing on safety, public and agency needs, environmental soundness, cost, and management efficiency, after receiving testimony from Dale Bosworth, Re-

gional Forester, Northern Region, Forest Service, Department of Agriculture.

### ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS PROJECTS

*Committee on Environment and Public Works:* Subcommittee on Transportation and Infrastructure held hearings on the Army Corps of Engineers backlog of authorized projects and the future of the Army Corps of Engineers mission, focusing on the Civil Works program, construction backlog, navigational and water resources, flood control, the Mississippi Valley, and the nation's coastline, receiving testimony from Claudia L. Tornblom, Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Army (Civil Works) for Management and Budget; J. Ron Brinson, New Orleans Port Authority, New Orleans, Louisiana, on behalf of the National Waterways Conference, Inc. and the American Association of Port Authorities; Scott Faber, American Rivers, and Tony B. MacDonald, Coastal States Organization, both of Washington, D.C.; and Bill Parrish, Maryland Department of the Environment, Baltimore, on behalf of the Association of Flood Plain Managers.

Hearings recessed subject to call.

### INTERNATIONAL RELIGIOUS FREEDOM

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* Committee concluded hearings to examine the Annual Report of the United States Commission on International Religious Freedom, focusing on Russia, China, and Sudan, after receiving testimony from Robert A. Seiple, Ambassador at Large, Rabbi David Saperstein, Religious Action Center of Reform Judaism, Elliott Abrams, Ethics and Public Policy Center, and Nina Shea, Freedom House, all of Washington, D.C., and Firuz Kazemzadeh, National Spiritual Assembly of the Baha'is of the United States, Alta Loma, California, all on behalf of the United States Commission on International Religious Freedom.

### LONG-TERM CARE SECURITY

*Committee on Governmental Affairs:* Subcommittee on International Security, Proliferation and Federal Services concluded hearings on S. 2420, to amend title 5, United States Code, to provide for the establishment of a program under which long-term care insurance is made available to Federal employees, members of the uniformed services, and civilian and military retirees, after receiving testimony from Senators Grassley and Mikulski; and Janice R. Lachance, Director, Office of Personnel Management.

### FEDERAL LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER THREAT

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on Criminal Justice Oversight concluded hearings to examine