

international agreements, after agreeing to the following amendments proposed thereto: **Pages S7284–85**

Burns (for Smith-NH) Amendment No. 3941, to make certain improvements to the resolution.

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Burns (for Smith-NH) Amendment No. 3942, to amend the preamble.

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Burns (for Smith-NH) Amendment No. 3943, to amend the title.

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Small Business Innovation Research Program Reauthorization Act: Senate passed H.R. 2392, to amend the Small Business Act to extend the authorization for the Small Business Innovation Research Program, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, and the following amendment proposed thereto:

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Burns (for Bond) Amendment No. 3944, in the nature of a substitute.

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Timbisha Shoshone Homeland Act: Senate passed S. 2101, to provide to the Timbisha Shoshone Tribe a permanent land base within its aboriginal homeland, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, and the following amendment proposed thereto:

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Burns (for Inouye) Amendment No. 3945, to make certain improvements to the bill.

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Reports Consolidation Act: Senate passed S. 2712, to amend chapter 35 of title 31, United States Code, to authorize the consolidation of certain financial and performance management reports required of Federal agencies.

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Federal Law Enforcement Animal Protection Act: Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 1791, to amend title 18, United States Code, to provide penalties for harming animals used in Federal law enforcement, and the bill was then passed, clearing the measure for the President.

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Disaster Mitigation and Cost Reduction Act: Senate passed 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, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto:

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Burns (for Smith-NH) Amendment No. 3946, in the nature of a substitute.

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Agriculture Appropriations: Senate continued consideration of H.R. 4461, making appropriations for Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration and Related Agencies programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2001, as amended, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto:

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Adopted:

By a unanimous vote of 96 yeas (Vote No. 216), Cochran/Kohl Amendment No. 3927 (to Amendment No. 3925), to modify amendment relating to Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies Appropriations Bill, 2001.

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By 74 yeas to 21 nays (Vote No. 217), Jeffords Amendment No. 3925, to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to allow importation of covered products.

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Pending:

Reid (for Harkin) Amendment No. 3938, to prohibit the use of appropriated funds to label, mark, stamp, or tag as “inspected and passed” meat, meat products, poultry, or poultry products that do not meet microbiological performance standards established by the Secretary of Agriculture.

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A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill on Thursday, July 20, 2000.

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Record Votes: Two record votes were taken today. (Total—217)

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 7:08 p.m., until 9:45 a.m. Thursday, July 20, 2000. (For Senate’s program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today’s Record on page S7301.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

APPROPRIATIONS—TREASURY/POSTAL SERVICE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Treasury and General Government approved for full committee consideration an original bill making appropriations for the Treasury Department, the United States Postal Service, the Executive Office of the President, and certain Independent Agencies, for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2001.

FINANCIAL REPORTING MODEL ADAPTATION

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Subcommittee on Securities concluded hearings to examine issues related to adapting a financial reporting model that would ensure the relevance, timeliness, reliability, consistency and comparability of information and have the ability to truly measure the value of an enterprise in the New Economy, after receiving testimony from Steve M. Samek, Arthur Andersen, Chicago, Illinois; Robert K. Elliott, American Institute of Certified Public Accountants, and Baruch Lev, New York University, both of New York, New York; Peter J. Wallison, American Enterprise Institute, and Michael R. Young, Willkie Farr and Gallagher, both of Washington, D.C.

NOMINATION

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee concluded hearings on the nomination of Norman Y. Mineta, of California, to be Secretary of Commerce, after the nominee, who was introduced by Senators Boxer, Feinstein, and Inouye, testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee began markup of H.R. 701, to provide Outer Continental Shelf Impact Assistance to State and local governments, to amend the Land and Water Conservation Fund Act of 1965, the Urban Park and Recreation Recovery Act of 1978, and the Federal Aid in Wildlife Restoration Act (commonly referred to as the Pittman-Robertson Act) to establish a fund to meet the outdoor conservation and recreation needs of the American people, but did not complete action thereon, and recessed subject to call.

FEDERAL AID PROGRAM

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Subcommittee on Fisheries, Wildlife, and Drinking Water concluded oversight hearings to examine concerns raised by the General Accounting Office investigation of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Services ad-

ministration of the Federal Aid Program, including controls over funds, expenditures, and grants, the use administrative funds among regional offices, and limited auditing, after receiving testimony from Barry T. Hill, Associate Director, Energy, Resources, and Science Issues, Resources, Community, and Economic Development Division, General Accounting Office; Jamie Rappaport Clark, Director, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior; R. Max Peterson, International Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies, and Terry Z. Riley, Wildlife Management Institute, both of Washington, D.C.; Susan R. Lamson, National Rifle Association of America, Fairfax, Virginia; and Mike Nussman, American Sportfishing Association, Alexandria, Virginia.

PERMANENT CHINA TRADE RELATIONS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded hearings to examine giving Permanent Normal Trade Relations status to Communist China, focusing on human rights, labor, trade and economic implications, after receiving testimony from Gary L. Bauer, American Values, Arlington, Virginia; George F. Becker, United Steelworkers of America, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; and Dai Qing, Beijing, People's Republic of China.

INSPECTOR GENERAL

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Committee concluded hearings on certain legislative proposals and issues relevant to the operations of Inspectors General, including S. 870, to amend the Inspector General Act of 1978 (5 U.S.C. App.) to increase the efficiency and accountability of Offices of Inspector General within Federal departments, after receiving testimony from Joshua Gotbaum, Executive Associate Director and Controller, Acting Deputy Director for Management, Office of Management and Budget; Gaston L. Gianni, Jr., Inspector General, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, on behalf of the President's Council on Integrity and Efficiency; and Nicholas M. Gess, Associate Deputy Attorney General, Department of Justice.

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Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 14 public bills, H.R. 4884–4897; and 2 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 377 and H. Res. 558, were introduced. **Pages H6598–99**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows.

Committee on Appropriations Report on the Revised Suballocation of Budget Allocations for Fiscal Year 2001 (H. Rept. 106–761);

H.R. 3919, to provide assistance for the conservation of coral reefs, to coordinate Federal coral reef conservation activities, amended (H. Rept. 106–762);

H.R. 3182, to provide for a land conveyance to the city of Craig, Alaska (H. Rept. 106–763);

H.R. 2958, to provide for the continuation of higher education through the conveyance of certain public lands in the State of Alaska to the University of Alaska (H. Rept. 106–764);