

# Daily Digest

## HIGHLIGHTS

Senate agreed to Defense Appropriations Conference Report.

The House passed H.R. 4865, Social Security Benefits Tax Relief Act.

House committees ordered reported 10 sundry measurements.

## Senate

### Chamber Action

*Routine Proceedings, pages S7723–S7958*

**Measures Introduced:** Fifty-nine bills and four resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2942–3000, S. Res. 345–346, and S. Con. Res. 132–133.

**Pages S7839–41**

**Measures Reported:** Reports were made as follows:

S. 2796, to provide for the conservation and development of water and related resources, to authorize the Secretary of the Army to construct various projects for improvements to rivers and harbors of the United States, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 106–362)

S. 2797, to authorize a comprehensive Everglades restoration plan, with amendments. (S. Rept. No. 106–363)

Special Report entitled “Day Trading: Case Studies and Conclusions.” (S. Rept. No. 106–364)

S. Res. 334, expressing appreciation to the people of Okinawa for hosting United States defense facilities, commending the Government of Japan for choosing Okinawa as the site for hosting the summit meeting of the G–8 countries, with an amendment and with an amended preamble.

S. 113, to increase the criminal penalties for assaulting or threatening Federal judges, their family members, and other public servants.

S. 353, to provide for class action reform, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

S. 783, to limit access to body armor by violent felons and to facilitate the donation of Federal surplus body armor to State and local law enforcement agencies, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

S. 1865, to provide grants to establish demonstration mental health courts, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

S. 2000, for the relief of Guy Taylor.

S. 2002, for the relief of Tony Lara, with an amendment.

S. 2272, to improve the administrative efficiency and effectiveness of the Nation’s abuse and neglect

courts and for other purposes consistent with the Adoption and Safe Families Act of 1997.

S. 2279, to authorize the addition of land to Sequoia National Park, with an amendment.

S. 2289, for the relief of Jose Guadalupe Tellez Pinales.

S. 2943, to authorize additional assistance for international malaria control, and to provide for coordination and consultation in providing assistance under the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 with respect to malaria, HIV, and tuberculosis.

S. Con. Res. 131, commemorating the 20th anniversary of the workers’ strikes in Poland that lead to the creation of the independent trade union Solidarnose, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute and with an amended preamble.

**Pages S7837–38**

### Measures Passed:

**Intercountry Adoption Act:** Senate passed H.R. 2909, to provide for implementation by the United States of the Hague Convention on Protection of Children and Co-operation in Respect of Intercountry Adoption, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto: **Pages S7751–52**

Campbell (for Helms) Amendment No. 4023, in the nature of a substitute. **Pages S7751–52**

**Coast Guard Authorization Act:** Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 820, to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 2000 and 2001 for the United States Coast Guard, and the bill was then passed, after striking all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the text of S. 1089, Senate companion measure, and after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, and the following amendment proposed thereto: **Pages S7752–57**

Campbell (for Snowe/Kerry) Amendment No. 4022, in the nature of a substitute. **Pages S7755–56**

Senate insisted on its amendment, requested a conference with the House thereon, and the Chair was authorized to appoint the following conferees on

the part of the Senate: Senators McCain, Stevens, Snowe, Hollings, and Kerry. **Page S7757**

Subsequently, S. 1089 was placed back on the Senate calendar. **Page S7757**

**Adjournment Resolution:** Senate agreed to S. Con. Res. 132, providing for a conditional adjournment or recess of the Senate and a conditional adjournment of the House of Representatives. **Pages S7773–74**

**Religious Land Use and Institutionalized Persons Act:** Senate passed S. 2869, to protect religious liberty. **Pages S7774–81**

**Trafficking Victims Protection Act:** Senate passed H.R. 3244, to combat trafficking of persons, especially into the sex trade, slavery, and slavery-like conditions in the United States and countries around the world through prevention, through prosecution and enforcement against traffickers, and through protection and assistance to victims of trafficking, after agreeing to the following amendments proposed thereto: **Page S7781**

Hatch (for Brownback/Wellstone) Amendment No. 4027, in the nature of a substitute. **Page S7781**

Hatch Amendment No. 4028 (to Amendment No. 4027), to make technical changes in the section relating to strengthening the prosecution and punishment of traffickers. **Page S7781**

Senate insisted on its amendment, requested a conference with the House thereon, and the Chair was authorized to appoint the following conferees on the part of the Senate: from the Committee on the Judiciary: Senators Hatch, Thurmond, and Leahy; and from the Committee on Foreign Relations: Senators Helms, Brownback, Biden, and Wellstone. **Page S7781**

**Bend Pine Nursery Land Conveyance Act:** Senate passed S. 1936, to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to sell or exchange all or part of certain administrative sites and other National Forest System land in the State of Oregon and use the proceeds derived from the sale or exchange for National Forest System purposes, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Pages S7794–95**

**Wyoming Land Conveyance:** Senate passed S. 1894, to provide for the conveyance of certain land to Park County, Wyoming, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Page S7795**

**Upper Housatonic Valley National Heritage Area Study Act:** Senate passed S. 2421, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a study of the suitability and feasibility of establishing an Upper Housatonic Valley National Heritage Area in Connecticut and Massachusetts. **Pages S7795–96**

**National Wild and Scenic Rivers System:** Senate passed H.R. 1749, to designate Wilson Creek in Avery and Caldwell Counties, North Carolina, as a

component of the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System, clearing the measure for the President. **Page S7796**

**Washakie County and Big Horn County, Wyoming Land Conveyance:** Senate passed S. 610, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain land under the jurisdiction of the Bureau of Land Management in Washakie County and Big Horn County, Wyoming, to the Westside Irrigation District, Wyoming, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Page S7796**

**Sequoia National Park Land Addition:** Senate passed S. 2279, to authorize the addition of land to Sequoia National Park, after agreeing to a committee amendment. **Pages S7796–97**

**Wekiva Wild and Scenic River Designation Act:** Senate passed S. 2352, to amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to designate the Wekiva River and its tributaries of Wekiwa Springs Run, Rock Springs Run, and Black Water Creek in the State of Florida as components of the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Pages S7797–98**

**Natchez Trace Parkway:** Senate passed S. 2020, to adjust the boundary of the Natchez Trace Parkway, Mississippi. **Page S7798**

**Lackawanna Heritage Area:** Senate passed H.R. 940, an act to designate the Lackawanna Heritage Valley American Heritage Area, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Pages S7798, S7799–S7802**

Subsequently, passage of H.R. 940 was vitiated. **Page S7808**

**Wheeling National Heritage Area:** Senate passed S. 2247, to establish the Wheeling National Heritage Area in the State of West Virginia, after agreeing to committee amendments. **Pages S7798–99**

Subsequently, passage of S. 2247 was vitiated. **Page S7808**

**Stamp Out Breast Cancer Act:** Senate passed S. 2386, to authorize the United States Postal Service to issue semipostals, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto: **Pages S7802–03**

Smith (of Oregon) (for Levin) Amendment No. 4029, in the nature of a substitute. **Page S7803**

**Enrollment Correction:** Senate agreed to S. Con. Res. 133, to correct the enrollment of S. 1809. **Page S7803**

**Paul D. Coverdell Fellowship Program:** Senate passed S. 2998, to designate a fellowship program of the Peace Corps promoting the work of returning Peace Corps volunteers in undeserved American communities as the “Paul D. Coverdell Fellowship Program”. **Page S7803**

**Paiute Indian Tribe Water Rights:** Senate passed H.R. 3291, to provide for the settlement of the water rights claims of the Shivwits Band of the

Paiute Indian Tribe of Utah, clearing the measure for the President. **Pages S7803–04**

**Donald J. Mitchell Department of Veterans Affairs Outpatient Clinic:** Committee on Veterans Affairs was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 1982, to name the Department of Veterans Affairs outpatient clinic located at 125 Brookley Drive, Rome, New York, as the Donald J. Mitchell Department of Veterans Affairs Outpatient Clinic, and the bill was then passed, clearing the measure for the President. **Page S7804**

**Helsinki Final Act Anniversary:** Senate agreed to S.J. Res. 48, calling upon the President to issue a proclamation recognizing the 25th anniversary of the Helsinki Final Act. **Pages S7804–05**

**Condemning Prejudice Against Asian/Pacific Island Individuals:** Senate agreed to S. Con. Res. 53, condemning all prejudice against individuals of Asian and Pacific Island ancestry in the United States, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Page S7805**

**National Airborne Day:** Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 301, designating August 16, 2000, as “National Airborne Day”, and the resolution was then agreed to. **Pages S7805–06**

**National Relatives as Parents Day:** Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 212, to designate August 1, 2000, as “National Relatives as Parents Day”, and the resolution was then agreed to. **Page S7806**

**Religious Tolerance:** Senate agreed to S. Res. 133, supporting religious tolerance toward Muslims. **Page S7806**

**Foreign Personal Exemption Allowance:** Committee on Finance was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 333, expressing the sense of the Senate that there should be parity among the countries that are parties to the North American Free Trade Agreement with respect to the personal exemption allowance for merchandise purchased abroad by returning residents, and the resolution was then agreed to. **Pages S7806–07**

**Recognizing Achievements of 1951 University of San Francisco Dons Football Team:** Senate agreed to S. Res. 346, recognizing the achievements of the 1951 University of San Francisco Dons football team and acknowledging the wrongful treatment endured by the team. **Pages S7807–08**

**Swearing in of Senator Miller:** Senator Zell Miller, of Georgia, was sworn in to fill the unexpired term, until the vacancy of that term, caused by the death of Senator Paul Coverdell, is filled by election as provided by law. **Page S7730**

**Intelligence Authorization:** Senate began consideration of 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. **Page S7831**

Earlier, Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to the consideration of the bill. **Page S7731**

**Energy/Water Development Appropriations:** Senate began consideration of H.R. 4733, making appropriations for energy and water development for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2001. **Pages S7731–32**

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

By a unanimous vote of 100 yeas (Vote No. 229), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, having voted in the affirmative, Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill, listed above. **Pages S7731–32**

Earlier, Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to the consideration of the bill. **Page S7768**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill on Tuesday, September 5, 2000. **Page SS7766–68**

**PNTR for China:** Senate began consideration of H.R. 4444, to authorize extension of nondiscriminatory treatment (normal trade relations treatment) to the People’s Republic of China, and to establish a framework for relations between the United States and the People’s Republic of China. **Pages S7768–73**

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

By 86 yeas to 12 nays (Vote No. 231), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, having voted in the affirmative, Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill. **Pages S7768–69**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill on Tuesday, September 5, 2000. **Pages S7766–68**

**Defense Appropriations Conference Report:** By 91 yeas to 9 nays (Vote No. 230), Senate agreed to the conference report to H.R. 4576, making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2001, clearing the measure for the President. **Pages S7732–44, S7766**

**Justice for Victims of Terrorism Act:** A unanimous-consent-time agreement was reached providing for consideration of S. 1796, to modify the enforcement of certain anti-terrorism judgments, and a substitute amendment to be proposed thereto, with a vote on final passage to occur thereon. **Page S7729**

**Long-Term Care Security Act:** Senate agreed to the amendments of the House to the Senate amendments to H.R. 4040, 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,

provide for the correction of retirement coverage errors under chapters 83 and 84 of such title, clearing the measure for the President. **Page S7802**

**Treaty Approved:** The following treaty having passed through its various parliamentary stages, up to and including the presentation of the resolution of ratification, upon division, two-thirds of the Senators present and having voted in the affirmative, the resolution of ratification was agreed to:

Inter-American Convention Against Corruption (Treaty Doc. 105–39) **Page S7809**

**Removal of Injunction of Secrecy:** The injunction of secrecy was removed from the following treaties:

Extradition Treaty with Belize (Treaty Doc. No. 106–38); and

Treaty with Mexico on Delimitation of Continental Shelf (Treaty Doc. No. 106–39).

The treaties were transmitted to the Senate today, considered as having been read for the first time, and referred, with accompanying papers, to the Committee on Foreign Relations and were ordered to be printed. **Pages S7809–10**

**Nominations—Committee Agreement:** Committee on Governmental Affairs requests that its deadlines for making determinations on certain nominations be extended to September 7, 2000 at which time the nominations shall be discharged from the Committee. **Page S7808**

**Nominations—Agreement:** A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that all nominations received by the Senate during the 106th Congress, remain in status quo, notwithstanding the July 27, 2000, adjournment of the Senate, and the provisions of Rule XXXI, paragraph 6, of the Standing Rules of the Senate. **Page S7808**

**Authority to Make Appointments:** A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that notwithstanding the upcoming recess or adjournment of the Senate, the President of the Senate, the President of the Senate pro tempore, and the majority and minority leaders be authorized to make appointments to commissions, committees, boards, conferences, or interparliamentary conferences authorized by law, by concurrent action of the two Houses, or by order of the Senate. **Page S7952**

**Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act—Agreement:** A unanimous-consent-time agreement was reached providing for consideration of S. 1608, to provide annual payments to the States and counties from National Forest System lands managed by the Forest Service, and the re-vested Oregon and California Railroad and reconveyed Coos Bay Wagon Road grant lands managed predominately by the Bureau of Land Management, for use by the counties in which the lands are situated for the benefit of the public schools, roads, emergency and other public purposes; to encourage and provide new mechanisms for cooperation between counties and the Forest Service and the Bu-

reau of Land Management to make necessary investments in Federal lands, and reaffirm the positive connection between Federal Lands counties and Federal Lands, and certain amendments to be proposed thereto, with a vote on final passage of the bill, to occur on or before September 15, 2000. **Page S7953**

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

Transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on the progress towards achieving benchmarks in Bosnia; to the Committee on Armed Services. (PM–123)

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Transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on the National Institute of Building Sciences for fiscal year 1998; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. (PM–124)

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Transmitting, pursuant to law, the report on the National Emergency with Respect to Libya; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. (PM–125)

**Page S7834**

Transmitting, pursuant to law, the report on the National Emergency with Respect to Terrorists Who Threatened to Disrupt the Middle East Peace Process; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. (PM–126)

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**Nominations Confirmed:** Senate confirmed the following nominations:

2 Air Force nominations in the rank of general.

4 Army nominations in the rank of general.

14 Navy nominations in the rank of admiral.

Routine lists in the Air Force, Army, Coast Guard, Marine Corps, Navy. **Pages S7808, S7957–58**

**Nominations Received:** Senate received the following nominations:

Jose Collado, of Florida, to be a Member of the Advisory Board for Cuba Broadcasting for a term expiring December 20, 2003. (Reappointment)

Jose Collado, of Florida, to be a Member of the Advisory Board for Cuba Broadcasting for a term expiring December 20, 2000.

James H. Atkins, of Arkansas, to be a Member of the Federal Retirement Thrift Investment Board for a term expiring September 25, 2004. (Reappointment)

Christine M. Arguello, of Colorado, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Tenth Circuit.

Paula M. Junghans, of Maryland, to be an Assistant Attorney General.

Robert N. Shamansky, of Ohio, to be a Member of the National Security Education Board for a term of four years. (Reappointment)

Troy Hamilton Cribb, of the District of Columbia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Commerce.

David Stewart Cercone, of Pennsylvania, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Pennsylvania.

Harry Peter Litman, of Pennsylvania, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Pennsylvania.

Routine lists in the Army, Marine Corps, Navy.	Pages S7953–57
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<b>Privileges of the Floor:</b>	Page S7948
<b>Record Votes:</b> Three record votes were taken today. (Total—231)	Pages S7732, S7766, S7769

**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and in accordance with the provisions of S. Con. Res. 132, adjourned at 9:53 p.m., until 12 noon, on Tuesday, September 5, 2000. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S7953.)

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

### SCHOOL FEEDING PROGRAM

*Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry:* Committee concluded hearings on proposals to establish an international school feeding program, after receiving testimony from Senator Durbin; former Senators Dole and McGovern; Representative McGovern; Dan Glickman, Secretary of Agriculture; Catherine Bertini, World Food Programme, Rome, Italy; Beryl Levinger, Monterey Institute of International Studies, Monterey, California, on behalf of the Education Development Center; Kenneth Hackett, Catholic Relief Services, Baltimore, Maryland; and Ellen S. Levinson, Cadwalader, Wickersham and Taft, on behalf of the Coalition for Food Aid, and Carole Brookins, World Perspectives, Inc., both of Washington, D.C.

### NOMINATIONS

*Committee on Armed Services:* Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Donald Mancuso, of Virginia, to be Inspector General, Department of Defense, Roger W. Kallock, of Ohio, to be Deputy Under Secretary of Defense for Logistics and Material Readiness, James Edgar Baker, of Virginia, to be a Judge of the United States Court of Appeals for the

Armed Forces, and 2,147 military nominations in the Air Force, Navy, Army, and Marine Corps.

### ANTITRUST LAWS IN AIRLINE INDUSTRY

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* Committee concluded hearings to examine the current state of competition in the airline industry, and the role that antitrust laws play in assuring that consumers receive the benefits of competition, after receiving testimony from Joel I. Klein, Assistant Attorney General, Antitrust Division, Department of Justice; and Alfred Kahn, Cornell University, Ithaca, New York.

### CERRO GRANDE FIRE

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* Committee concluded oversight hearings on the United States General Accounting Office's investigation of the Cerro Grande Fire in the State of New Mexico, and from Federal agencies on the Cerro Grande Fire and their fire policies in general, after receiving testimony from Barry T. Hill, Associate Director, Energy, Resources, and Science Issues, Resources, Community, and Economic Development Division, General Accounting Office; Robert G. Stanton, Director, National Park Service, and Nina Hatfield, Deputy Director, Bureau of Land Management, both of the Department of the Interior; and Michael T. Rains, Area Director, Northeastern Area State and Private Forestry, Forest Service, Department of Agriculture.

### NATIONAL PARKS

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* Subcommittee on National Parks, Historic Preservation, and Recreation concluded hearings on S. 1734, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to contribute funds for the establishment of an interpretative center on the life and contributions of President Abraham Lincoln, H.R. 3084, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to contribute funds for the establishment of an interpretative center on the life and contributions of President Abraham Lincoln, S. 2345, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a special resource study concerning the preservation and public use of sites associated with Harriet Tubman located in Auburn, New York, S. 2638, to adjust the boundaries of the Gulf Islands National Seashore to include Cat Island, Mississippi, H.R. 2541, to adjust the boundaries of the Gulf Islands National Seashore to include Cat Island, Mississippi, and S. 2848, to provide for a land exchange to benefit the Pecos National Historical Park in New Mexico, after receiving testimony from Senators Lott, Cochran, Fitzgerald, and Durbin; Denis P. Galvin, Deputy Director, National Park Service, Department of the Interior; Bridget Lamont, Office of the Governor of Illinois, Springfield; and Vijay K. Mital, Auburn, New York.

### NOMINATIONS

*Committee on Finance:* Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Robert S. LaRussa, of

Maryland, to be Under Secretary of Commerce for International Trade, Jonathan Talisman, of Maryland, to be Assistant Secretary of the Treasury for Tax Policy, Ruth Martha Thomas, of the District of Columbia, to be a Deputy Under Secretary of the Treasury, and Lisa Gayle Ross, of the District of Columbia, to be Assistant Secretary for Management and Chief Financial Officer, Department of the Treasury.

#### BUSINESS MEETING

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 113, to increase the criminal penalties for assaulting or threatening Federal judges, their family members, and other public servants;

S. 783, to limit access to body armor by violent felons and to facilitate the donation of Federal surplus body armor to State and local law enforcement agencies, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 2272, to improve the administrative efficiency and effectiveness of the Nation's abuse and neglect courts and for other purposes consistent with the Adoption and Safe Families Act of 1997;

S. 1865, to provide grants to establish demonstration mental health courts, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 2289, for the relief of Jose Guadalupe Tellez Pinales;

S. 2000, for the relief of Guy Taylor;

S. 2002, for the relief of Tony Lara, with an amendment; and

The nominations of Susan Ritchie Bolton, Mary H. Murguia, and James A. Teilborg, each to be a United States District Judge for the District of Arizona, Michael J. Reagan, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Illinois, Norman C. Bay, to be United States Attorney for the District of New Mexico, and Marie F. Raghianti, of Tennessee, and Janie L. Jeffers, of Maryland, each to be a Commissioner of the United States Parole Commission.

#### BUSINESS MEETING

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on Antitrust, Business Rights, and Competition approved for full committee consideration S. 2778, to amend the Sherman Act to make oil-producing and exporting cartels illegal.

#### EXECUTIVE BRANCH OFFICIALS PROTECTION

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

lack of standardization and training in security protection of Executive Branch officials, after receiving testimony from Bernard L. Ungar, Director, Government Business Operations Issues, General Government Division, and Robert H. Hast, Acting Assistant Comptroller General for Special Investigations, both of the General Accounting Office.

#### BUSINESS MEETING

*Committee on Veterans Affairs:* Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

An original bill to increase, effective as of December 1, 2000, the rates of compensation for veterans with service-connected disabilities and the rates of dependency and indemnity compensation for the survivors of certain disabled veterans;

S. 1810, to amend title 38, United States Code, to amend title 38, United States Code, to expand and improve compensation and pension, education, housing loan, insurance, and other benefits for veterans, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute; and

The nominations of Thomas L. Garthwaite, of Pennsylvania, to be Under Secretary of Veterans Affairs for Health, and Robert M. Walker, of West Virginia, to be Under Secretary of Veterans Affairs for Memorial Affairs.

#### NOMINATION

*Select Committee on Intelligence:* Committee ordered favorably reported the nomination of John E. McLaughlin, of Pennsylvania, to be Deputy Director of Central Intelligence.

Prior to this action, committee concluded closed hearings on the nomination of Mr. McLaughlin, after the nominee testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

#### NURSING HOME CARE

*Special Committee on Aging:* Committee continued hearings to examine the preliminary findings of a new government report on the correlation between inadequate staffing and deficient quality care in nursing homes, and the dangerous consequences which may result from these shortages, receiving testimony from Nancy-Ann DeParle, Administrator, Health Care Financing Administration, Department of Health and Human Services; Andrew Kramer, University of Colorado Health Sciences Center, Denver; and John F. Schnelle, University of California Los Angeles School of Medicine, on behalf of the Los Angeles Jewish Home for the Aging Borun Center for Gerontological Research.

Hearings recessed subject to call.

# House of Representatives

## Chamber Action

**Bills Introduced:** 116 public bills, H.R. 4986–5101; 4 private bills, H.R. 5102–5105; and 9 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 383–389 and H. Res. 568–569, were introduced. **Pages H7205–11**

**Reports Filed:** Reports were filed today as follows.

H.R. 4678, to provide more child support money to families leaving welfare, to simplify the rules governing the assignment and distribution of child support collected by States on behalf of children, to improve the collection of child support, to promote marriage, amended (H. Rept. 106–793, Pt. 1);

H. Res. 564, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 4865) to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to repeal the 1993 income tax increase on Social Security benefits (H. Rept. 106–795);

Conference report on H.R. 4516, making appropriations for the Legislative Branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2001 (H. Rept. 106–796);

H. Res. 565, waiving points of order against the conference report to accompany H.R. 4516, making appropriations for the Legislative Branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2001 (H. Rept. 106–797);

H. Res. 566, providing for consideration of H.R. 4678, to provide more child support money to families leaving welfare, to simplify the rules governing the assignment and distribution of child support collected by States on behalf of children, to improve the collection of child support, to promote marriage (H. Rept. 106–798);

H. Res. 567, providing for consideration of a concurrent resolution providing for adjournment of the House and Senate for the summer district work period (H. Rept. 106–799);

H.R. 2059, to amend the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 to extend the retroactive eligibility dates for financial assistance for higher education for spouses and dependent children of Federal, State, and local law enforcement officers who are killed in the line of duty, amended (H. Rept. 106–800);

Contempt of Congress report on the refusals of Mr. Henry M. Banta, Mr. Robert A. Berman, Mr. Keith Rutter, Ms. Danielle Brian Stockton, and the project on Government Oversight to comply with subpoenas issued by the Committee on Resources (H. Rept. 106–801).

Making the Federal Government Accountable: Enforcing the Mandate for Effective Financial Management (H. Rept. 106–802); and

H.R. 3673, to provide certain benefits to Panama if Panama agrees to permit the United States to maintain a presence there sufficient to carry out counternarcotics and related missions (H. Rept. 106–803, Pt. 1). **Pages H7205**

**Journal:** Agreed to the Speaker's approval of the Journal of Wednesday, July 26 by a yea and nay vote of 344 yeas to 55 nays, Roll No. 443.

**Pages H7131–32**

**DOD Authorization—Conferees:** The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of conferees for consideration of H.R. 4205, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2001 for military activities of the Department of Defense and for military construction, to prescribe military personnel strengths for fiscal year 2001, the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference. **Pages H7134–35**

From the Committee on Armed Services for consideration of the House bill and the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Chairman Spence and Representatives Stump, Hunter, Kasich, Bateman, Hansen, Weldon of Pennsylvania, Hefley, Saxton, Buyer, Fowler, McHugh, Talent, Everett, Bartlett of Maryland, McKeon, Watts of Oklahoma, Thornberry, Hostettler, Chambliss, Skelton, Sisisky, Spratt, Ortiz, Pickett, Evans, Taylor of Mississippi, Abercrombie, Meehan, Underwood, Allen, Snyder, Maloney of Connecticut, McIntyre, Tauscher, Thompson of California. Provided that Representative Kuykendall is appointed in lieu of Representative Kasich for consideration of section 2863 of the House bill, and section 2862 of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference. **Page H7134**

From the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence for consideration of matters within the jurisdiction of that committee under clause 11 or rule X: Chairman Goss and Representatives Goss, Lewis of California, and Dixon. **Page H7134**

From the Committee on Commerce for consideration of sections 601, 725, and 1501 of the House bill and sections 342, 601, 618, 701, 1073, 1402, 2812, 3131, 3133, 3134, 3138, 3152, 3154, 3155, 3167–3169, 3171, 3201, and 3301–3303 of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Chairman Bliley and Representatives Barton of Texas and Dingell. Provided that Representative Bilirakis is appointed in lieu of Barton of Texas for consideration of sections 601 and 725 of the House bill, and sections 601, 618, 701, and 1073 of the Senate amendment Representative Oxley is appointed in lieu of Representative Barton of Texas for consideration of section 1501 of the House bill, and sections 342 and 2812 of the Senate amendment. **Pages H7134–35**

From the Committee on Education and the Workforce for consideration of sections 341, 342, 504, and 1106 of the House bill, and sections 311, 379, 553, 669 1053, and Title XXXV of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Chairman Goodling and Representatives Hilleary and Mink. **Page H7135**

From the Committee on Government Reform for consideration of sections 518, 651, 723, 801, 906, 1101–1104, 1106, 1107, and 3137 of the House bill, and sections 643, 651, 801, 806, 810, 814–816, 1010A, 1044, 1045, 1057, 1063, 1069, 1073, 1101, 1102, 1104, 1106–1118, Title XIV, sections 2871, 2881, 3155, and 3171 of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Chairman Burton and Representatives Scarborough, and Waxman. Provided that Representative Horn is appointed in lieu of Representative Scarborough for consideration of section 801 of the House bill and sections 801, 806, 810, 814–816, 1010A, 1044, 1045, 1057, 1063, 1101, Title XIV, sections 2871, and 2881 of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference. Provided that Representative McHugh is appointed in lieu of Representative Scarborough for consideration of section 1073 of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference. **Page H7135**

From the Committee on House Administration for consideration of sections 561–563 of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Chairman Thomas and Representatives Boehner and Hoyer. **Page H7134**

From the Committee on International Relations for consideration of sections 1201, 1205, 1209, 1210, Title XIII, and section 3136 of the House bill, and sections 1011, 1201–1203, 1206, 1208, 1209, 1212, 1214, 3178, and 3193 of the Senate amendment: Chairman Gilman and Representatives Goodling and Gejdenson. **Page H7134**

From the Committee on the Judiciary for consideration of sections 543 and 906 of the House bill and sections 506, 645, 663, 668, 909, 1068, 1106, Title XV, and Title XXXV of the Senate amendment: Chairman Hyde and Representatives Canady and Conyers. **Page H7134**

From the Committee on Resources for consideration of sections 312, 601, 1501, 2853, 2883, and 3402 of the House bill, and sections 601, 1059, Title XIII, sections 2871, 2893, and 3303 of the Senate amendment: Chairman Young of Alaska and Representatives Tauzin, and George Miller of California. **Page H7134**

From the Committee on Science for consideration of sections 1402, 1403, 3161–3167, 3169, and 3176 of the Senate amendment; Chairman Sensenbrenner and Representatives Calvert, and Gordon. Provided that Representative Morella is appointed in lieu of Representative Calvert for consideration of sections 1402, 1403, and 3176 of the Senate amendment. **Page H7135**

From the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure for consideration of sections 535, 738, and 2831 of the House bill, and sections 502, 601, and 1072 of the Senate amendment Chairman Shuster and Representatives Gilchrest and Baird. Provided that Representative Pascrell is appointed in lieu of Representative for consideration of section 1072 of the Senate amendment. **Page H7135**

From the Committee on Veterans' Affairs for consideration of sections 535, 738, and 2831 of the House bill, and sections 561–563, 648, 664–666, 671, 672, 682–684, 721, 722, and 1067 of the Senate amendment: Representatives Bilirakis, Quinn, and Brown of Florida. **Page H7135**

From the Committee on Ways and Means for consideration of section 725 of the House bill, and section 701 of the Senate amendment: Chairman Archer and Representatives Thomas and Stark. **Page H7135**

Agreed to the Taylor of Mississippi motion to instruct conferees to insist upon the provisions contained in section 725, relating to the Medicare subvention project for military retirees and dependents of the House bill by a ye and nay vote of 416 yeas to 2 nays with 1 voting "present", Roll No. 444. The motion was debated on July 26. **Page H7133**

Agreed to the Spence motion to close portions of the conference when classified national security information is discussed by a ye and nay vote of 411 yeas to 9 nays, Roll No. 445. **Pages H7133–34**

**Question of Privilege Re Legislative Branch Appropriations Conference Report:** The House agreed to table H. Res. 568, raising a question of the House pursuant to Article I, Section 7 of the U.S. Constitution by a recorded vote of 213 yeas to 212 noes, Roll No. 446. **Pages H7135–36**

**Legislative Branch Appropriations Conference Report Rule:** The House agreed to H. Res. 565, the rule waiving points of order against the conference report to accompany H.R. 4516, making appropriations for the Legislative Branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2001 by a recorded vote of 214 yeas to 210 noes with 1 voting "present", Roll No. 448. **Pages H7143–50, H7151–52**

**Social Security Benefits Tax Relief Act:** The House passed H.R. 4865, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to repeal the 1993 income tax increase on Social Security benefits by a recorded vote of 265 yeas to 159 noes, Roll No. 450. **Pages H7153–76**

The Committee on Ways and Means amendment in the nature of a substitute now printed in the bill H. Rept. 106–780 and made in order by the rule was considered as adopted. **Pages H7153–54**

Rejected the Pomeroy amendment in the nature of a substitute printed in H. Rept. 106–795 that sought to increase the income level at which the tax on Social Security benefits would apply to \$100,000 for a joint return and \$80,000 for a single return and would be subject to annual certifications by the Secretary of the Treasury that there are sufficient surpluses for Medicare Trust Fund requirements by a ye and nay vote of 169 yeas to 256 nays, Roll No. 449. **Pages H7166–75**

Agreed to H. Res. 564, the rule that provided for consideration of the bill by a ye and nay vote of 232 yeas to 194 nays, Roll No. 447. **Pages H7136–43, H7150–51**

**Committee Election:** Read a letter from Representative Ewing wherein he resigned from the Committee on House Administration. Subsequently, the House agreed to H. Res. 569, electing Representative Linder to the Committee on House Administration.

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**Engrossment Correction:** Agreed that the Clerk be authorized to engross H.R. 4920, to improve service systems for individuals with developmental disabilities, in the form of the introduced bill.

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**World Bank AIDS Trust Fund:** Agreed to the Senate amendment to H.R. 3519, to provide for negotiations for the creation of a trust fund to be administered by the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development of the International Development Association to combat the AIDS epidemic—clearing the measure for the President.

Pages H7177–81

**Federal Employees Long Term Care Insurance:** Agreed to the Senate amendments with House amendments to H.R. 4040, 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.

Pages H7181–88

**Late Report:** The Committee on Science received permission to have until midnight on Thursday, August 31 to file a report on H.R. 4271, Ehler's national science Education Act.

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**National Health Center Week to Recognize Community Health Centers:** Agreed to H. Con. Res. 381, expressing the sense of the Congress that there should be established a National Health Center Week to raise awareness of health services provided by community, migrant, and homeless health centers.

Pages H7188–89

**Summer District Work Period:** Agreed to S. Con. Res. 132, providing for a conditional adjournment or recess of the Senate and a conditional adjournment of the House of Representatives. Earlier, agreed to H. Res. 567, the rule that provided for consideration of a concurrent resolution providing for adjournment of the House and Senate for Summer District Work Period.

Pages H7189–90

**National Night Out to Promote Crime Prevention:** Agreed to H. Res. 561, expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that the President should focus appropriate attention on the issue of neighborhood crime prevention, community policing and reduction of school crime by delivering speeches, convening meetings, and directing his Administration to make reducing crime an important priority.

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**Protecting Religious Liberty:** The House passed S. 2869, to protect religious liberty—clearing the measure for the President.

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**Texas Land Exchange:** The House passed H.R. 4285, to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to

convey certain administrative sites for National Forest System lands in the State of Texas and to convey certain National Forest System land to the New Waverly Gulf Coast Trades Center.

Pages H7192–93

**Speaker Pro Tempore:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representatives Gilchrest and Morella to act as Speaker pro tempore to sign enrolled bills and joint resolutions through September 6.

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**Resignations-Appointments:** Agreed that notwithstanding any adjournment of the House until Wednesday, September 6, 2000, the Speaker, Majority Leader and Minority Leader be authorized to accept resignations and to make appointments authorized by law or by the House.

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**Calendar Wednesday:** Agreed that business in order under the Calendar Wednesday rule be dispensed with on Wednesday, September 6, 2000.

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**Presidential Messages:** Read the following messages from the President:

*National Emergency re Libya:* Message wherein he transmitted his periodic report on the national emergency with respect to Libya—referred to the Committee on International Relations and ordered printed (H. Doc. 106–275);

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*Middle East Peace Process:* Message wherein he transmitted his report on terrorists who threaten to disrupt the Middle East peace process referred to the Committee on International Relations and ordered printed (H. Doc. 106–276);

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*National Institute for Building Sciences:* Message wherein he transmitted his fiscal year 1998 annual report of the National Institute of Building Sciences—referred to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services; and

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*Benchmarks for a Sustainable Peace Process:* Message wherein he transmitted his report on progress made toward achieving Benchmarks for a Sustainable Peace Process—referred to the Committees on International Relations, Appropriations, Armed Services, and ordered printed (H. Doc. 106–277).

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**Senate Messages:** Messages received from the Senate today appear on pages H7176 and H7188.

**Referrals:** S. 1586 was referred to the Committee on Resources and S. 2516 was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

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**Quorum Calls—Votes:** Five yea and nay votes and three recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H7131–32, H7133, H7134, H7135–36, H7151, H7151–52, H7174–75, and H7175–76. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 10 a.m. and pursuant to S. Con. Res. 132, it stands adjourned at 7:24 p.m. until 2 p.m. on Wednesday, September 6.

## Committee Meetings

### HUNTS POINT MARKETING TERMINAL— REVIEW ILLEGAL ACTIVITIES

*Committee on Agriculture:* Subcommittee on Livestock and Horticulture held a hearing to review illegal activities at the Hunts Point Marketing Terminal. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the USDA: Roger Viadero, Inspector General; and Kathleen A. Merrigan, Administrator, Agriculture Marketing Service; and public witnesses.

### MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

*Committee on Banking and Financial Services:* Ordered reported the following bills: H.R. 1161, amended, Financial Contract Netting Improvement Act of 1999; H.R. 4541, amended, Commodity Futures Modernization Act of 2000; and H.R. 4096, Bureau of Engraving and Printing Security Printing Amendments Act of 2000.

### UNDERSTANDING INTERGENERATIONAL ECONOMIC ISSUES

*Committee on the Budget:* Held a hearing on Understanding Intergenerational Economic Issues. Testimony was heard from Senator Kerrey; Dan L. Crippen, Director, CBO; former Governor Pete Du Pont, State of Delaware; former Representative Tim Penny, State of Minnesota; and public witnesses.

### INTERNET FREEDOM AND BROADBAND DEPLOYMENT ACT

*Committee on Commerce:* Subcommittee on Telecommunications, Trade, and Consumer Protection held a hearing on H.R. 2420, Internet Freedom and Broadband Deployment Act of 1999. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### FELONIES AND FAVORS

*Committee on Government Reform:* Held a hearing on "Felonies and Favors: A Friend of the Attorney General Gathers Information from the Justice Department." Testimony was heard from Richard L. Huff, Co-Director, Office of Information and Privacy, Department of Justice; from the following former officials of the Department of Justice: John R. Schmidt, Associate Attorney General; and John Hogan, Chief of Staff to Attorney General Janet Reno; Rebekah Poston; and public witnesses.

### SUDAN PEACE ACT

*Committee on International Relations:* Subcommittee on Africa approved for full Committee action S. 1453, Sudan Peace Act.

### FAIR JUSTICE ACT

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on Commercial and Administrative Law held a hearing on H.R. 4105, Fair Justice Act of 2000. Testimony was heard from Representative Traficant; the following officials of the Department of Justice: Matthew Fogg, Chief Deputy U.S. Marshall, United States

Marshals Service; David Margolis, Associate Deputy Attorney General; John Keeney Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division; H. Marshall Jarrett, Counsel, Office of Professional Responsibility; and Howard Scribnick, General Counsel; Michael Shaheen, Senior Counselor, Commissioner, IRS, Department of the Treasury; and public witnesses.

### OVERSIGHT—CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS AND THE GRAND JURY

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on the Constitution held an oversight hearing on Constitutional Rights and the Grand Jury. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Justice: James K. Robinson, Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division; and Loretta Lynch, U.S. Attorney, Eastern District of New York; and public witnesses.

### OVERSIGHT—STATE SOVEREIGN IMMUNITY AND PROTECTION OF INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on Courts and Intellectual Property held an oversight hearing on State Sovereign Immunity and Protection of Intellectual Property. Testimony was heard from Marybeth Peters, Register of Copyrights, Library of Congress; Todd Dickinson, Under Secretary, Intellectual Property and Director, Patent and Trademark Office, Department of Commerce; and public witnesses.

### MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on Immigration and Claims approved for full Committee action, as amended, H.R. 4548, Agricultural Opportunities Act.

The Subcommittee also approved private immigration bills.

### OVERSIGHT—HYDROGRAPHIC SERVICES IMPROVEMENT ACT

*Committee on Resources:* Subcommittee on Fisheries Conservation, Wildlife and Oceans held an oversight hearing on implementation of the Hydrographic Services Improvement Act of 1998. Testimony was heard from Scott Gudes, Deputy Under Secretary, NOAA, Department of Commerce; Richard Larrabee, Deputy Director, Port Commerce Department, The Port Authority of New York and New Jersey; and public witnesses.

### MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

*Committee on Resources:* Subcommittee on Water and Power held a hearing on the following measures: H.R. 2820, to provide for the ownership and operation of the irrigation works on the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community's reservation in Maricopa County, Arizona, by the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community; H.R. 2988, Lower Rio Grande Valley Water Resources Conservation and

Improvement Act of 1999; H.R. 4013, Upper Mississippi River Basin Conservation Act of 2000; and S. 1778, to provide for equal exchanges of land around the Cascade. Testimony was heard from Lino Gutierrez, Principal Deputy Assistant, Western Hemisphere Affairs, Department of State; the following officials of the Department of the Interior: Larry Todd, Acting Director, Operations, Bureau of Reclamation; Michael J. Anderson, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Indian Affairs; and Dennis B. Fenn, Associate Director, Biology, U.S. Geological Survey; John Bernal, U. S. Commissioner, International Boundary and Water Commission, United States and Mexico; Linda K. Levy, Assistant Secretary, Department of Environmental Quality, State of Louisiana; and public witnesses.

#### OCEAN AND MARINE SCIENCE

*Committee on Science:* Subcommittee on Basic Research and the Subcommittee on Energy and Environment held a joint hearing on The State of Ocean and Marine Science. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

#### MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

*Committee on Small Business:* Ordered reported the following bills: H.R. 4890, Small Business Contract Equity Act of 2000; H.R. 4897, Equity in Contracting for Women Act of 2000; H.R. 4944, Export Working Capital Loan Improvement Act of 2000; H.R. 4943, Small Business Federal Acquisition Simplification Act of 2000; H.R. 4946, amended, National Small Business Regulatory Assistance Act of 2000; and H.R. 4945, Small Business Competition Preservation Act of 2000.

#### AIRCRAFT ACCIDENTS—TREND TOWARDS CRIMINALIZATION

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure:* Subcommittee on Aviation held a hearing on the Trend Towards Criminalization of Aircraft Accidents. Testimony was heard from Daniel Campbell, Managing Director, National Transportation Safety Board; Guy Lewis, U.S. Attorney, Southern District of Florida; and public witnesses.

#### OVERSIGHT—TOTAL MAXIMUM DAILY LOADS INITIATIVES

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure:* Subcommittee on Oversight, Investigations, and Emergency Management held a hearing on Oversight of Total Maximum Daily Loads (TMDL) Initiatives. Testimony was heard from Members of Congress; J. Charles Fox, Assistant Administrator, Office of Water, EPA; and James Lyons, Under Secretary, Natural Resources and Environment, USDA.

#### FSC REPEAL AND EXTRATERRITORIAL INCOME EXCLUSION ACT

*Committee on Ways and Means:* Ordered reported H.R. 4986, FSC Repeal and Extraterritorial Income Exclusion Act of 2000.

#### LOS ALAMOS UPDATE; INTELLIGENCE COLLECTION ISSUES

*Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence:* Met in executive session to hold a hearing on Department of Energy/Los Alamos Update. Testimony was heard from departmental witnesses.

The Committee also met in executive session to hold a briefing on Intelligence Collection Issues. The Committee was briefed by departmental witnesses.

### Joint Meetings

#### APPROPRIATIONS—LABOR, HEALTH, HUMAN SERVICES, AND EDUCATION

*Conferees* continued to meet to resolve the differences between the Senate and House passed versions of H.R. 4577, making appropriations for the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2001, but did not complete action thereon, and recessed subject to call.

#### MILOSEVIC THREAT TO SERBIA AND MONTENEGRO

*Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe:* Commission completed hearings to examine Yugoslavia President Slobodan Milosevic's recent efforts to perpetuate his power by forcing changes to the Yugoslav constitution, cracking down on opposition and independent forces in Serbia, and threatening to usurp authority in Montenegro, after receiving testimony from Bogdan Ivanisevic, Human Rights Watch, New York, New York; Stojan Cerovic, Vreme (Time), on behalf of the United States Institute for Peace, and David Dasic, Republic of Montenegro Trade Mission to the United States of America, both of Washington, D.C.; and Branislav Canak, Nezavisnost (Independence), Belgrade, Serbia.

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#### NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D834)

S. 986, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey the Griffith Project to the Southern Nevada Water Authority. Signed July 26, 2000. (P.L. 106-249)

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#### COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY, JULY 28, 2000

##### Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

##### House

No Committee meetings are scheduled.

*Next Meeting of the SENATE*

12 noon, Tuesday, September 5

*Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES*

2 p.m. Wednesday, September 6

## Senate Chamber

**Program for Tuesday:** After the transaction of any morning business (not to extend beyond 12:30 p.m.), Senate will recess for their respective party conferences until 2:15 p.m.; following which, Senate will resume consideration of H.R. 4444, PNTR for China.

Also, at 6 p.m., Senate will resume consideration of H.R. 4733, Energy and Water Development Appropriations.

## House Chamber

**Program for Wednesday:** To be announced.

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