

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.

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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)

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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.

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Record Votes: 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