

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate confirmed the nominations of Gale Ann Norton, to be Secretary of the Interior, and Christine Todd Whitman, to be Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency.

See Final Résumé of the 106th Congress and History of Bills of the Second Session of the 106th Congress.

Senate

Chamber Action

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Measures Introduced: Nineteen bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 203–221, S. Res. 15, and S. Con. Res. 5–6. **Pages S706–07**

Measures Passed:

Congratulating Baltimore Ravens: Senate agreed to S. Res. 15, congratulating the Baltimore Ravens for winning Super Bowl XXXV. **Pages S833–34**

Washington's Farewell Address Agreement: Notwithstanding the Resolution of the Senate of January 24, 1901, a unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the Senate convene at 12:00 noon on Monday, February 26, 2001; that immediately following the prayer, the disposition of the Journal and the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag, the traditional reading of the Washington's Farewell Address take place; and that the Chair be authorized to appoint a Senator to perform this task. **Page S833**

Nomination Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for the consideration of the nomination of John Ashcroft, of Missouri, to be Attorney General of the United States, on Wednesday, January 31, 2001. **Page S834**

Appointments:

Washington's Farewell Address: The Chair, on behalf of the Vice President, pursuant to the order of the Senate of January 24, 1901, as modified by the order of January 30, 2001, appointed Senator Allen to read Washington's Farewell Address on February 26, 2001. **Page S833**

Canada-U.S. Interparliamentary Group: The Chair, on behalf of the Vice President, pursuant to

22 U.S.C. 276d–276g, as amended, appointed Senator Murray as Co-Chair of the Senate Delegation to the Canada-U.S. Interparliamentary Group conference during the 107th Congress. **Page S833**

Mexico-U.S. Parliamentary Group: The Chair, on behalf of the Vice President, pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 276h–276k, as amended, appointed Senator Dodd as Co-Chairman of the Senate Delegation to the Mexico-U.S. Interparliamentary Group conference during the 107th Congress. **Page S833**

North Atlantic Assembly: The Chair, on behalf of the Vice President, in accordance with 22 U.S.C. 1928a–1928d, as amended, appointed Senator Biden as Co-Chairman of the Senate Delegation to the North Atlantic Assembly during the 107th Congress. **Page S833**

Messages From the President: Senate received the following message from the President of the United States:

Transmitting, the report of the program entitled “Rally the Armies of Compassion”; to the Committee on Finance. (PM–2) **Page S705**

Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

By 75 yeas 24 nays (Vote No. EX. 6), Gale Ann Norton, of Colorado, to be Secretary of the Interior. **Pages S660–86, S834**

By unanimous vote of 99 yeas (Vote No. EX. 7), Christine Todd Whitman, of New Jersey, to be Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency. (Prior to this action, Senate discharged the Committee on Environment and Public Works.) **Pages S655–60, S686, S834**

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Record Votes: Two record votes were taken today. (Total—7)	Page S686

Adjournment: Senate met at 10:03 a.m., and adjourned at 7:14 p.m., until 10 a.m., on Wednesday, January 31, 2001. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on Page S834.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

COMMISSION ON 21ST CENTURY PRODUCTION AGRICULTURE REPORT

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: Committee concluded hearings on the Report from the Commission on 21st Century Production Agriculture, outlining the recommendations of the Commission with regard to the role of the Federal Government in support of production agriculture in the future, recent key developments in farm policy, and the current state of the farm economy, after receiving

testimony from Keith Collins, Chief Economist, Department of Agriculture; and Barry L. Flinchbaugh, Kansas State University, Manhattan, on behalf of the Commission on 21st Century Production Agriculture, who was accompanied by several of his associates.

U.S. ECONOMY SECTOR ANALYSIS

Committee on the Budget: Committee concluded hearings to examine how ongoing developments in the financial, agricultural, and energy sectors will impact the domestic economic outlook, after receiving testimony from James E. Glassman, JP Morgan Chase and Company, New York, New York; Robert E. Young II, Food and Agricultural Policy Research Institute, Columbia, Missouri; Matthew R. Simmons, Simmons and Company International, Houston, Texas; and Peter S. Fox-Penner, The Brattle Group, Inc., Washington, D.C.

NOMINATION

Committee on Finance: Committee concluded hearings on the nomination of Robert B. Zoellick, of Virginia, to be United States Trade Representative, after the nominee, who was introduced by Senators Warner and Allen and Congressman James Moran, testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

NOMINATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee ordered favorably reported the nomination of John Ashcroft, of Missouri, to be Attorney General of the United States.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 69 public bills, H.R. 244–312; 3 private bills, H.R. 313–315; and 8 resolutions, H.J. Res. 5–6; H. Con. Res. 13–17, and H. Res. 23, were introduced. **Pages H108–11**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed as follows:

Report on the Activities of the Committee on the Budget during the 106th Congress (H. Rept. 106–1055) and

Report on the Activities of the Committee on House Administration during the 106th Congress (H. Rept. 106–1056). **Page H108**

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: The Speaker announced the appointment of Representatives Bereuter, Castle, Boehlert, Bass, Gib-

bons, LaHood, Cunningham, Hoekstra, Burr, and Hutchinson to the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence. **Page H77**

North Atlantic Assembly: The Speaker announced the appointment of Representative Bereuter, Chairman, and Representatives Regula, Roukema, Hefley, Gillmor, Goss, Ehlers, and McInnis to the United States Group of the North Atlantic Assembly. **Page H77**

Committee Resignation: Read a letter from Representative Hutchinson wherein he submitted his resignation from the Committee on Government Reform. **Pages H77–78**

Recess: The House recessed at 2:17 p.m. and reconvened at 5:30 p.m. **Page H79**