

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate confirmed the nomination of Robert B. Zoellick, of Virginia, to be United States Trade Representative.

The House passed measures recognizing the 90th birthday of Ronald Reagan and designating the "Ronald W. Reagan Post Office of West Melbourne, Florida".

The House passed a resolution honoring the contributions of Catholic Schools.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S1027–S1095

Measures Introduced: Twenty-four bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 245–268, and S. Res. 17–18. Pages S1062–63

Campaign-Finance Reform—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that at a time to be determined by the Republican Leader, after consultation with the Democratic Leader, either on March 19, 2001 or March 26, 2001, the Rules Committee be immediately discharged from consideration of S. 27, as introduced, and the Senate shall turn to its immediate consideration. Further, that following the reporting of the bill, the bill become the pending business, to the exclusion of all other business, except for a motion to temporarily postpone consideration of the pending legislation, made by the Republican Leader, following approval of the Democratic Leader, and that no call for the regular order serve to displace this item, except one made by the Republican Leader, also after the approval of the Democratic Leader. Further, that when a first degree amendment is offered, there be up to 3 hours evenly divided in the usual form for debate only, after which a motion to table may be made. If a motion to table fails, the amendment then be fully debatable and amendable. Further, that if the motion to table is not made at the expiration of the 3 hours a vote occur on the amendment, without any intervening action, motion or debate, provided that no points of order be considered as having been waived by this agreement. Page S1092

Hollings-Specter Constitutional Amendment—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that during or immediately following disposition of the McCain-Feingold legislation, S. 27, the Hollings-Specter Constitutional Amendment legislation then become the pending business and that it be considered under certain limitations. Page S1094

United Nations Dues—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for consideration of S. 248, to amend the Admiral James W. Nance and Meg Donovan Foreign Relations Authorization Act, Fiscal Years 2000 and 2001, to adjust a condition on the payment of arrearage to the United Nations that sets the maximum share of any United Nations peacekeeping operation's budget that may be assessed of any country, if reported by the Committee on Foreign Relations, on Wednesday, February 7, 2001. Further, that if the committee has not reported the bill by 1 p.m., it be immediately discharged and the Senate proceed to its immediate consideration. Page S1094

Recognizing Former President Ronald Reagan's 90th Birthday: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that when the Senate receives from the House H.J. Res. 7, recognizing the 90th birthday of Ronald Reagan, the resolution be considered read a third time and passed. Page S1094

Appointments:

National Council on the Arts: The Chair, on behalf of the Democratic Leader, pursuant to Public

Law 105–83, announced the reappointment of Senator Durbin as a member of the National Council on the Arts. **Page S1094**

British-American Interparliamentary Group: The Chair, on behalf of the President pro tempore, and upon the recommendation of the Democratic Leader, pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2761, as amended, appointed Senator Byrd as Co-Chairman of the Senate Delegation to the British-American Interparliamentary Group during the 107th Congress. **Page S1094**

James Madison Commemoration Commission: The Chair, on behalf of the Majority Leader, pursuant to Public Law 106–550, announced the appointments of Senators Warner and Sessions to serve as members of the James Madison Commemoration Commission. **Page S1094**

United States Aerospace Industry Commission: The Chair, on behalf of the Majority Leader, pursuant to Public Law 106–398, announced the appointments of William Schneider, Jr., of New York, and Robert J. Stevens, of Maryland, to serve as members of the Commission on the Future of the United States Aerospace Industry. **Page S1094**

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

Transmitting, pursuant to law, the report on the operation of the Andean Trade Preference Act; to the Committee on Finance. (PM–3) **Page S1062**

Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nomination:

By unanimous vote of 98 yeas (Vote No. EX. 9), Robert B. Zoellick, of Virginia, to be United States Trade Representative, with the rank of Ambassador.

(Prior to this action, Committee on Finance was discharged from further consideration.)

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Nominations Received: Senate received the following nomination:

Joe M. Allbaugh, of Texas, to be Director of the Federal Emergency Management Agency. **Page S1095**

Messages From the President: **Page S1062**

Measures Placed on Calendar: **Page S1062**

Statements on Introduced Bills: **Pages S1063–88**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages S1088–89**

Additional Statements: **Pages S1061–62**

Privileges of the Floor: **Page S1091**

Record Votes: One record vote was taken today. (Total—9) **Page S1054**

Adjournment: Senate met at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 5:32 p.m., until 10 a.m., on Wednesday, February 7, 2001. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S1095.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

LONG-TERM BUDGET ISSUES

Committee on the Budget: Committee concluded hearings to examine the General Accounting Office perspective on the long-range fiscal policy challenges facing this Congress and the nation, and the impact the surplus projections have on budgetary decision making, after receiving testimony from David M. Walker, Comptroller General of the United States, General Accounting Office.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 2 public bills, H.R. 303 and H.R. 316, were introduced. **Page H202**

Reports Filed: No reports were filed today.

Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Shimkus to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H169**

Presidential Message: Read a message from President Bush wherein he transmitted the third report

to the Congress on the Operation of the Andean Trade Preference Act—referred to the Committee on Ways and Means. **Page H171**

Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

90th Birthday of Ronald Reagan: H.J. Res. 7, recognizing the 90th birthday of Ronald Reagan (agreed to suspend the rules and pass by a yeas and nays vote of 410 yeas with none voting "nay" and 7 voting "present," Roll No. 9); **Pages H171–78, H185–86**