

a.m. on Thursday, March 15, 2001, with Senator Wellstone being recognized to offer certain amendments to be proposed thereto. Further, at 10:30 a.m., Senator Kohl will be recognized to offer an amendment relating to the Homestead provision, with a vote to occur thereon. **Pages S2299–S2300**

Appointments:

Congressional-Executive Commission on the People's Republic of China: The Chair, on behalf of the President of the Senate, and after consultation with the Democratic Leader, pursuant to Public Law 106–286, appointed Senators Baucus, Levin, Feinstein, and Dorgan to serve on the Congressional-Executive Commission on the People's Republic of China. **Page S2321**

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Record Votes: Four record votes were taken today. (Total—29) **Pages S2276, S2295–97**

Adjournment: Senate met at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 6:07 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Thursday, March 15, 2001. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S2321.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

INTELLIGENCE PROGRAMS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Defense concluded closed hearings to review intelligence programs, after receiving testimony from George J. Tenet, Director, Central Intelligence Agency; Keith Hall, Director, National Reconnaissance Office; and Gen. Michael Hayden, Director, National Security Agency, and Vice Adm. Thomas Wilson, Director, Defense Intelligence Agency, both of the Department of Defense.

PRESIDENT'S BUDGET PROPOSAL

Committee on the Budget: Committee concluded hearings to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2002, after receiving testimony from Colin L. Powell, Secretary of State.

INTERNET TAX MORATORIUM

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee concluded hearings to examine whether to extend the Internet Tax Freedom Act's moratorium on the ability of state or local governments to impose new sales taxes on Internet access services, or to impose new taxes on electronic commerce allowing states to require all remote sellers to collect and remit sales taxes on deliveries into that state, after receiving testimony from Wyoming Governor Jim Geringer, Cheyenne, on behalf of the National Governors Association; Massachusetts Lt. Governor Jane Swift, Boston; Elizabeth Harchenko, Oregon Department of Revenue, Salem, on behalf of the Multistate Tax Commission; Frank G. Julian, Federated Department Stores, Inc., Cincinnati, Ohio, on behalf of the Internet Tax Fairness Coalition; Peter Lowy, Westfield America, Los Angeles, California, on behalf of the e-Fairness Coalition; Robert D. Comfort, Amazon.com, Seattle, Washington; and Jeff Dirksen, National Taxpayers Union, Alexandria, Virginia.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee approved their fiscal year 2002 budgetary views and estimates on programs which fall within the jurisdiction of the committee and agreed on recommendations it will make thereon to the Committee on the Budget.

CHARITABLE GIVING TAX RELIEF

Committee on Finance: Committee resumed hearings on the President's tax proposals to provide tax relief to working families, focusing on proposals to expand federal tax incentives for charitable giving, including S. 35, to provide relief to America's working families and to promote continued economic growth by returning a portion of the tax surplus to those who created it, S. 37, to provide for a charitable deduction for contributions of food inventory, S. 205, to waive the income inclusion on a distribution from an individual retirement account to the extent that the distribution is contributed for charitable purposes, S. 298, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow non-itemizers a deduction for a portion of their charitable contributions, S. 312, to provide tax relief for farmers and fishermen, and S. 393, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to encourage charitable contributions to public charities for use in medical research, receiving testimony from Senator Lugar; Rev. Floyd H. Flake, Allen Episcopal Methodist Church, Jamaica, New York; Douglas O'Brien, America's Second Harvest, Chicago, Illinois; Mary Sue Coleman, University of Iowa, Iowa City; and C. Eugene Steuerle, Urban Institute, John P. Walters, Philanthropy Roundtable, and Donald C.

Alexander, former Internal Revenue Service Commissioner, all of Washington, D.C.

Hearings recessed subject to call.

DRUG TREATMENT, EDUCATION AND PREVENTION

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee held hearings on proposed legislation to reduce illegal drug use and trafficking and to help provide appropriate drug education, prevention, and treatment programs, receiving testimony from Donnie R. Marshall, Administrator, Drug Enforcement Administration, and Paul M. Warner, United States Attorney for the District Court of Utah, Salt Lake City, both of the Department of Justice; Alan I. Leshner, Director, National Institute on Drug Abuse, Department of Health and Human Services; Robert DuPont, Institute for Behavior and Health, Inc., Washington, D.C., former White House Drug Czar; A. James Walton, Jr., Vermont State Department of Public Safety, Waterbury; Edyie Hewitt, East Wallingford, Vermont, on behalf of the Vermont Federation of Families for Children's Mental Health; Carroll O'Connor, Los Angeles, California; and Debra Walcott, Lake Ronkonkoma, New York.

Hearings recessed subject to call.

ELECTION REFORM

Committee on Rules and Administration: Committee held hearings on election reform issues, including voter registration, ballot casting, voting equipment, election administration, and issues related to the 2000 election, receiving testimony from James Gashel, National Federation for the Blind, Baltimore, Maryland; R. Doug Lewis, The Election Center, Houston, Texas; Todd F. Gaziano, Heritage Foundation, Hillary O. Shelton, National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, John Samples, Cato Institute, Robert R. Williams, United

Cerebral Palsy Associations, Inc., and Richard Trumka, AFL-CIO, all of Washington, D.C.; Juan A. Figueroa, Puerto Rican Legal Defense and Education Fund, Inc., New York, New York; Deborah M. Phillips, Voting Integrity Project, Arlington, Virginia; and Stephen Knack, Bethesda, Maryland.

Hearings recessed subject to call.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Indian Affairs: Committee approved their fiscal year 2002 budgetary views and estimates on programs which fall within the jurisdiction of the committee and agreed on recommendations it will make thereon to the Committee on the Budget.

NATIVE AMERICAN EDUCATION IMPROVEMENT

Committee on Indian Affairs: Committee concluded hearings on S. 211, to amend the Education Amendments of 1978 and the Tribally Controlled Schools Act of 1988 to improve education for Indians, Native Hawaiians, and Alaskan Natives, after receiving testimony from William Mehojah, Director, Office of Indian Education Programs, Department of the Interior; Roger Bordeaux, Tiospa Zina Tribal School, Agency Village, South Dakota, on behalf of the Association of Community Tribal Schools; Angela Barney Nez, Navajo Area School Board Association, and Lorena Zah Bahe, Association of Navajo Community Controlled School Boards, both of Window Rock, Arizona; and John W. Cheek, National Indian Education Association, Alexandria, Virginia.

INTELLIGENCE

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee held closed hearings on intelligence matters, receiving testimony from officials of the intelligence community.

Committee will meet again Wednesday, March 21.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 26 public bills, H.R. 8, 10, 1013–1036; and 5 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 62–63, and H. Res. 88–90, were introduced. **Pages H926–29**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows: H. Res. 89, providing for consideration of H.R. 327, to amend chapter 35 of title 44, United States Code, for the purpose of facilitating compliance by small businesses with certain Federal paperwork re-

quirements and to establish a task force to examine the feasibility of streamlining paperwork requirements applicable to small businesses (H. Rept. 107–22). **Page H926**

Guest Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the guest Chaplain, Dr. Calvin C. Turpin of Hollister, California, National Chaplain of the American Legion. **Page H881**