

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

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Measures Introduced: Thirteen bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 758–770, S.J. Res. 13, S. Res. 72, and S. Con. Res. 33.

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Measures Reported:

S. 763, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow tax-free expenditures from education individual retirement accounts for elementary and secondary school expenses, to increase the maximum annual amount of contributions to such accounts. (S. Rept. No. 107–12)

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Measures Passed:

Printing Authority: Committee on Rules and Administration was discharged from further consideration of H. Con. Res. 66, authorizing the printing of a revised and updated version of the House document entitled “Women in Congress, 1917–1990”, and the resolution was then agreed to.

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Adjournment: Senate met at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 6:05 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Wednesday, April 25, 2001. (For Senate’s program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today’s Record on page S3866.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

APPROPRIATIONS—BUREAU OF RECLAMATION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development concluded hearings on pro-

posed budget estimates for fiscal year 2002 for the Central Utah Project (CUP) Completion Act and the Bureau of Reclamation of the Department of the Interior, after receiving testimony from J. William McDonald, Regional Director, Pacific Northwest Region, Bureau of Reclamation, and J. Ronald Johnston, Program Director, CUP Completion Act Office, both of the Department of the Interior.

APPROPRIATIONS—INTERIOR

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Interior concluded hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2002 for the Department of the Interior, after receiving testimony from Gale A. Norton, Secretary of the Interior, who was accompanied by several of her associates.

APPROPRIATIONS—ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development concluded hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2002 for the Army Corps of Engineers, after receiving testimony from Claudia L. Tornblom, Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Army for Management and Budget/Office of the Assistant Secretary of the Army for Civil Works; and Lt. Gen. Robert B. Flowers, USA, Commander/Chief of Engineers, Maj. Gen. Hans A. Van Winkle, USA, Deputy Commanding General for Civil Works, and Rob Vining, Chief, Programs Management Division, Directorate of Civil Works, all of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Armed Services: Committee met in closed session to consider certain pending nominations.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Armed Services: Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of Dov S. Zakheim, of Maryland, to be Under Secretary (Comptroller), Charles S. Abell, of Virginia, to be Assistant Secretary for Force Management Policy, and Victoria Clarke, of Maryland, to be Assistant Secretary for Public Affairs, all of the Department of Defense. Mr. Zakheim was introduced by Senator Reed, Mr. Abell

was introduced by Senator Hutchinson, and Ms. Clarke was introduced by Senator McCain.

RECRUITING INITIATIVES

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Personnel concluded hearings on recruiting initiatives of the Department of Defense and the military services and to receive an update on the status of recruiting and retention goals, after receiving testimony from Lt. Gen. Timothy J. Maude, USA, Deputy Chief of Staff for Personnel; Vice Adm. Norbert R. Ryan, Jr., USN, Chief of Naval Personnel; Maj. Gen. Terrance P. Murray, USMC, Acting Deputy Chief of Staff for Manpower and Reserve Affairs; Lt. Gen. Donald L. Peterson, USAF, Deputy Chief of Staff for Personnel; Maj. Gen. Dennis D. Cavin, USA, Commander, United States Army Recruiting Command; Rear Adm. George E. Voelker, USN, Commander, United States Navy Recruiting Command; Maj. Gen. Gary L. Parks, USMC, Commander, United States Marine Corps Recruiting Command; Brig. Gen. Paul Hankins, USAF, Commandant, Air Force Officer Accession and Training Schools, Maxwell AFB; and SFC Lindsey Streeter, USA, YNI (SW/AW) Sherry Strothers, USN, GSgt. Alexander Rodriguez, USMC, and Senior Airman Eric Ramos Rodriguez, all Enlisted Recruiters.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee ordered favorably reported S. 206, to repeal the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935, to enact the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 2001, with amendments.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of Grant D. Aldonas, of Virginia, to be Under Secretary for International Trade, Kenneth I. Juster, of the District of Columbia, to be Under Secretary for Export Administration, Maria Cino, of Virginia, to be Assistant Secretary and Director General of the United States and Foreign Commercial Service, all of the Department of Commerce, and Robert Glenn Hubbard, of New York, to be a Member of the Council of Economic Advisers, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf. Ms. Cino was introduced by Senators Santorum and Schumer, and Mr. Hubbard was introduced by Senator Schumer.

CHILD PASSENGER SAFETY

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Consumer Affairs, Foreign Commerce, and Tourism concluded hearings to examine what measure may be needed to improve child passenger

safety as they graduate from child safety seats to adult seatbelts, focusing on the benefits of the use of booster seats by children between the ages of four and eight years old, after receiving testimony from L. Robert Shelton, Executive Director, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, Department of Transportation; Elaine B. Weinstein, Acting Director, Office of Safety Recommendations and Accomplishments, National Transportation Safety Board; Flaura Koplin Winston, University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine, Philadelphia, on behalf of the Children's Hospital of Philadelphia; Kyran P. Quinlan, University of Chicago Department of Pediatrics, Chicago, Illinois; Judith Lee Stone, Advocates for Highway and Auto Safety, and Heather Paul, national Safe Kids Campaign, both of Washington, D.C.; Adrian K. Lund, Insurance Institute for Highway Safety, Arlington, Virginia; James Vondale, Ford Motor Company, Dearborn, Michigan; Tom Baloga, Britax Child Safety, Inc., Charlotte, North Carolina; and Autumn Alexander Skeen, Walla Walla, Washington.

NASA AERONAUTICAL RESEARCH

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Science, Technology, and Space held hearings to examine the National Aeronautics and Space Administration's aeronautics research program funding requirements, receiving testimony from Senator Warner; Representative Goode; Daniel S. Goldin, Administrator, and Jeremiah F. Creedon, Director, Langley Research Center, both of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration; Edward M. Bolen, General Aviation Manufacturers Association, Washington, D.C.; Dennis Deel, Lockheed Martin Space Systems Company, New Orleans, Louisiana; Roy V. Harris, Jr., NASA Aeronautics Support Team, Hampton, Virginia; and David O. Swain, Boeing Company, Seattle, Washington.

Hearings recessed subject to call.

MEDICARE REFORM AND PRESCRIPTION DRUGS

Committee on Finance: Committee continued hearings to examine prescription drug options currently available to Medicare beneficiaries and necessary reforms to expand prescription drug coverage, receiving testimony from Steven M. Coppock, Hewitt Associates, Rowayton, Connecticut; Karen M. Ignagni, American Association of Health Plans, Deborah J. Chollet, Mathematica Policy Research, Inc., and Raymond C. Scheppach, National Governors Association, all of Washington, D.C.; and Stephen Crystal, Rutgers University Institute for Health, Health Care Policy, and Aging Research, New Brunswick, New Jersey.

Hearings recessed subject to call.

SMALL BUSINESS RIGHTS

Committee on Small Business: Committee held hearings to examine the Small Business Regulatory Enforcement Fairness Act and the protection of small business rights, receiving testimony from Victor Rezendes, Managing Director, Strategic Issues Team, General Accounting Office; Shawne Carter McGibbon, Acting Director, Interagency Affairs, Office of Advocacy, U.S. Small Business Administration; Thomas J. Gibson, Associate Administrator for Policy, Economics and Innovation, Environmental

Protection Agency; Margaret F. Hayes, Assistant General Counsel for Fisheries, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Department of Commerce; Todd McCracken, National Small Business United, Washington, D.C.; Tim Kalinowski, Foam Supplies, Inc., Earth City, Missouri; Paul J. Corey, Paul J. Corey Painting and Decorating, Dedham, Massachusetts, on behalf of the Painting and Decorating Contractors of America; and Hubert Potter, Hobucken, North Carolina.

Hearings recessed subject to call.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 38 public bills, H.R. 1540–1577; 2 private bills, H.R. 1578–1579; and 4 resolutions, H. Con. Res 105 and H. Res. 120–122, were introduced.

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed as follows:

Filed on April 20, H.R. 503, to amend title 18, United States Code, and the Uniform Code of Military Justice to protect unborn children from assault and murder, amended (H. Rept. 107–42, Pt. 1);

Filed on April 20, H.J. Res. 41, proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States with respect to tax limitations, amended (H. Rept. 107–43);

Filed on April 20, H.R. 1209, to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to determine whether an alien is a child, for purposes of classification as an immediate relative, based on the age of the alien on the date the classification petition with respect to the alien is filed, amended (H. Rept. 107–45);

Filed on April 20, H.R. 863, to provide grants to ensure increased accountability for juvenile offenders, amended (H. Rept. 107–46);

Filed on April 20, H.R. 392, for the relief of Nancy B. Wilson, amended (H. Rept. 107–44);

Filed on April 20, H.R. 1209, to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to determine whether an alien is a child, for purposes of classification as an immediate relative, based on the age of the alien on the date the classification petition with respect to the alien is filed (H. Rept. 107–45);

Filed on April 20, H.R. 863, to provide grants to ensure increased accountability for juvenile offenders, amended (H. Rept. 107–46);

H.R. 146, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to study the suitability and feasibility of designating the Great Falls Historic District in Paterson,

New Jersey, as a unit of the National Park System (H. Rept. 107–47);

H.R. 309, to provide for the determination of withholding tax rates under the Guam income tax (H. Rept. 107–48);

H. Res. 118, providing for consideration of H.J. Res. 41, proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States with respect to tax limitations (H. Rept. 107–49); and

H. Res. 119, providing for consideration of H.R. 503, to amend title 18, United States Code, and the Uniform Code of Military Justice to protect unborn children from assault and murder (H. Rept. 107–50).

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Guest Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the Guest Chaplain, Rev. Michael Cronin of Winona, Minnesota.

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United States—China Security Review Commission: The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of Mr. Stephen D. Bryen of Maryland, Ms. June Teufel Dreyer of Florida, and Mr. James R. Lilley of Maryland to the United States—China Security Review Commission.

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

Taiwan Participation in the World Health Organization: H.R. 428, amended, concerning the participation of Taiwan in the World Health Organization (passed by a yea-and-nay vote of 407 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 86); and

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Increase the Peace Day: H. Res. 113, urging the House of Representatives to support events such as the “Increase the Peace Day.”

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Budget Resolution for Fiscal Year 2002: The House disagreed with the Senate amendment to H.

Con. Res. 83, establishing the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2002, revising the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2001, and setting forth appropriate budgetary levels for each of fiscal years 2003 through 2011 and agreed to a conference. **Pages H1507–15**

Subsequently appointed as conferees: Chairman Nussle and Representatives Nussle and Spratt. **Page H1515**

By a yea-and-nay vote of 200 yeas to 207 nays, Roll No. 85, rejected the Spratt motion to instruct conferees to (1) increase the funding for education in the House resolution to provide for the maximum feasible funding; (2) provide that the costs of coverage for prescription drugs under Medicare not be taken from the surplus of the Federal Hospital Insurance Trust Fund; (3) increase the funding provided for Medicare prescription drug coverage to the level set by the Senate amendment; and (4) insist that the on-budget surplus set forth in the resolution for any fiscal year not be less than the surplus of the Federal Hospital Insurance Trust Fund for that fiscal year. **Pages H1507–15**

Recess: The House recessed at 2:40 p.m. and reconvened at 5:07 p.m. **Page H1507**

Senate Messages: Message received from the Senate appears on page H1501.

Quorum Calls Votes: Two yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H1514–15 and H1515–16. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 12:30 p.m. and adjourned at 10:57 p.m.

Committee Meetings

LABOR, HHS AND EDUCATION APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services and Education, held a hearing on Howard University, Gallaudet University, National Technical Institute for the Deaf and American Printing House for the Blind. Testimony was heard from H. Patrick Swygert, President, Howard University; I. King Jordan, President, Gallaudet University; Robert R. Davila, Vice President, National Technical Institute for the Deaf; and Tuck Tinsley, President, American Printing House for the Blind.

PAPERWORK INFLATION—PAST FAILURES AND FUTURE PLANS

Committee on Government Reform: Subcommittee on Energy Policy, Natural Resources and Regulatory

Affairs held a hearing on “Paperwork Inflation—Past Failures and Future Plans.” Testimony was heard from Charles O. Rossotti, Commissioner, IRS, Department of the Treasury; J. Christopher Mihm, Director, Governmentwide Management Issues, GAO; Austin Smythe, Executive Associate Director, OMB; and public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on the Constitution held an oversight hearing on “State and Local Implementation of Existing Charitable Choice Programs.” Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

UNBORN VICTIMS OF VIOLENCE ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a modified closed rule providing two hours of debate on H.R. 503, Unborn Victims of Violence Act of 2001. The rule provides that the amendment printed in the Rules Committee report shall be considered as adopted. The rule makes in order the amendment printed in the Congressional Record and numbered 1, if offered by Representative Lofgren of California or her designee, which shall be considered as read and shall be separately debatable for one hour equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Chairman Sensenbrenner.

TAX LIMITATIONS—CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a modified closed rule providing two hours of debate on H.J. Res. 41, proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States with respect to tax limitations. The rule provides for an amendment in the nature of a substitute printed in the Congressional Record if offered by the Minority Leader or his designee, which shall be considered as read and shall be separately debatable for one hour equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Chairman Sensenbrenner.

OVERSIGHT—COMBATING TERRORISM

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings and Emergency Management and the Subcommittee on National Security, Veteran’s Affairs and International Relations of the Committee on Government Reform held a joint oversight hearing on Combating Terrorism: Options to Improve the Federal Response, focusing on the following bills: H.R. 525, Preparedness Against Domestic Terrorism

Act of 2001; H.R. 1158, National Homeland Security Strategy Act; and H.R. 1292, Homeland Security Strategy Act of 2001. Testimony was heard from Representatives Gilchrest, Thornberry and Skelton; Raymond Decker, Director, Diffuse for Threat Issues, Defense Capabilities and Management Team; GAO; William Ellis, Senior Specialist, American National Government and Public Administration, Congressional Research Service, Library of Congress; Gen. Charles G. Boyd, USAF (Ret.), Executive Director, U.S. Commission on National Security for the 21st Century; and public witnesses.

PATIENT PROTECTIONS IN MANAGED CARE

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Health held a hearing on Patient Protections in Managed Care. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, APRIL 25, 2001

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: to hold hearings on agricultural trade issues, 9:30 a.m., SR-328A.

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2002 for the Department of Health and Human Services, 9 a.m., SD-124.

Subcommittee on VA, HUD, and Independent Agencies, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2002 for the Corporation for National and Community Service and the Neighborhood Reinvestment Corporation, 10 a.m., SD-138.

Subcommittee on Defense, to hold hearings on chemical demilitarization, 10 a.m., SD-192.

Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2002 for the Department of Agriculture, 1:30 p.m., SD-138.

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Strategic, to hold hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 2002 for the Department of Defense and the Future Years Defense Program, focusing on the National Nuclear Security Administration, 2:30 p.m., SR-232A.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Subcommittee on Housing and Transportation, to hold hearings to examine the Department of Housing and Urban Development's program, budget, and management priorities for fiscal year 2002, 10 a.m., SD-538.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: to hold hearings on the nomination of Brenda L. Becker, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Commerce for

Legislative and Intergovernmental Affairs; and the nomination of Michael P. Jackson, of Virginia, to be Deputy Secretary of Transportation; to be followed by hearings to examine labor problems facing the airline industry today, focusing on the balance between labor and management in negotiations as well as the effect of a strike at a major airline on the aviation system and the consumer, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

Subcommittee on Consumer Affairs, Foreign Commerce, and Tourism, to hold hearings to examine west coast gas prices in comparison to other parts of the country, 2:30 p.m., SR-253.

Committee on Finance: to hold hearings to examine Medicare and social security benefits relative to prisoners, fugitives, the deceased and other ineligible, 10 a.m., SD-215.

Committee on Foreign Relations: to hold hearings on the nomination of Andrew S. Natsios, of Massachusetts, to be Administrator of the United States Agency for International Development, 10:30 a.m., SD-419.

Full Committee, to hold hearings on the nomination of Lincoln P. Bloomfield, Jr., of Virginia, to be Assistant Secretary of State (Political-Military Affairs); the nomination of Paula J. Dobriansky, of Virginia, to be Under Secretary of State (Global Affairs); and the nomination of Richard Nathan Haass, of Maryland, for the rank of Ambassador during his tenure of Service as Director, Policy Planning Staff, Department of State, 2 p.m., SD-419.

Committee on the Judiciary: to hold hearings to examine certain issues surrounding the use of polygraphs, 10 a.m., SD-226.

House

Committee on Agriculture, to continue hearings on Federal Farm Commodity Programs, 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

Subcommittee on Conservation, Credit, Rural Development, hearing to review energy supply and demand issues affecting the agricultural sector of the U.S. economy, 2 p.m., 1300 Longworth.

Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration and Related Agencies, on Budget Overview and Foreign Agricultural Service (International Programs), 9:30 a.m., 2362-A Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, State and Judiciary, on Members of Congress, 10 a.m., H-309 Capitol.

Subcommittee on Defense, executive, on NSA, 9:30 a.m., H-405 Capitol.

Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development, on U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, 10 a.m., 2362-B Capitol.

Subcommittee on Interior, on the Secretary of the Interior, 10 a.m., B-308 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services and Education, on the Secretary of Education, 10 a.m., 2358 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Transportation, on the Secretary of Transportation, 10 a.m., 2358 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Treasury, Postal Service and General Government, on U.S. Customs Service, 10 a.m., and on

Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, and Firearms, 2 p.m., H-143 Capitol.

Subcommittee on VA, HUD and Independent Agencies, on the Department of Veterans Affairs, 9:30 a.m., 2359 Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, hearing H.R. 1542, Internet Freedom and Broadband Deployment Act of 2001, 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, Subcommittee on International Monetary Policy and Trade, hearing on U.S. Policy towards the African Development Bank and the African Development Fund, 1:30 p.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Government Reform, hearing on "Autism—Why the Increased Rates?—A One Year Update," 11 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on House Administration, hearing on Election Reform, 10 a.m., 1310 Longworth.

Committee on International Relations, Subcommittee on East Asia and the Pacific, hearing on After Hainan: Next Steps for US-China Relations, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Europe, hearing on The U.S.-European Relationship: Opportunities and Challenges, 1:45 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on Resources, Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources, oversight hearing on "BLM and Forest Service Oil and Gas Permitting," 2 p.m., 1324 Longworth.

Subcommittee on Forests and Forest Health, hearing on the following bills: H.R. 427, to provide further protections for the watershed of the Little Sandy River as

part of the Bull Run Watershed Management Unit, Oregon; H.R. 434, to direct the Secretary of Agriculture to enter into a cooperative agreement to provide for retention, maintenance, and operation, at private expense, of the 18 concrete dams and weirs located within the boundaries of the Emigrant Wilderness in the Stanislaus National Forest, California; and H.R. 451, to make certain adjustments to the boundaries of the Mount Nebo Wilderness Area, 3 p.m., 1334 Longworth.

Committee on Science, hearing on Proposed R&D Budget for 2002, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, Subcommittee on Aviation, oversight hearing on FAA's Capacity Benchmarks, 2 p.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Railroads, oversight hearing on Railroad Infrastructure Policy, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Committee on Ways and Means, to mark up H.R. 10, Comprehensive Retirement Security and Pension Reform Act of 2001, 10 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, executive, briefing on Hot Spots, 2 p.m., H-405 Capitol.

Joint Meetings

Conference: meeting of conferees on H. Con. Res. 83, establishing the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2002, revising the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2001, and setting forth appropriate budgetary levels for each of fiscal years 2003 through 2011, 2:30 p.m., S-301, Capitol.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

9:30 a.m., Wednesday, April 25

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

10 a.m., Wednesday, April 25

Senate Chamber

Program for Wednesday: After the recognition of two Senators for speeches and the transaction of any morning business (not to extend beyond 11 a.m.), Senate may begin consideration of S. 1, to extend programs and activities under the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965.

House Chamber

Program for Wednesday: Consideration of H.J. Res. 41, Tax Limitation Constitutional Amendment (modified closed rule, two hours of debate).

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