

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

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Measures Introduced: Eight bills and four resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1087–1094, S.J. Res. 17, S. Res. 114–115, and S. Con. Res. 54.

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Measures Passed:

Use of the Capitol Rotunda/Congressional Gold Medal Ceremony: Senate agreed to S. Con. Res. 54, authorizing the Rotunda of the Capitol to be used on July 26, 2001, for a ceremony to present Congressional Gold Medals to the original 29 Navajo Code Talkers.

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Patients' Bill of Rights: Senate continued consideration of S. 1052, to amend the Public Health Service Act and the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 to protect consumers in managed care plans and other health coverage, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto:

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Adopted:

By 89 yeas to 1 nay (Vote No. 195), McCain Modified Amendment No. 809, to express the sense of the Senate with respect to the opportunity to participate in approved clinical trials and access to specialty care.

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Pending:

Frist (for Grassley) Motion to Commit to the Committee on Finance and the Committee on Health, Education, Labor and Pensions with instructions to report back not later than that date that is 14 days after the date on which this motion is adopted.

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Gramm Amendment No. 810, to exempt employers from certain causes of action.

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A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill at 2 p.m., on Monday, June 25, 2001, and that it be in order on Monday to debate concurrently both the Frist (for Grassley) Motion to Commit and the Gramm Amendment No. 810 (both listed above) and that Senator McCain, or his designee, be recognized to offer an amendment.

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A further unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill at 9:30 a.m., on Tuesday, June 26, 2001, and that there be 2 hours for debate in relation to the Frist (for Grassley) Motion to Commit and the Gramm Amendment No. 810 (both listed above), with a vote to occur on or in relation to the Frist (for Grassley) Motion to Commit at 11:30 a.m., followed by a vote on or in relation to Gramm Amendment No. 810. Further, that upon disposition of the McCain, or his designee, amendment, Senator Gregg be recognized to offer an amendment.

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Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

David Aufhauser, of the District of Columbia, to be General Counsel for the Department of the Treasury.

John B. Taylor, of California, to be an Under Secretary of the Treasury.

Thelma J. Askey, of Tennessee, to be Director of the Trade and Development Agency.

Claude A. Allen, of Virginia, to be Deputy Secretary of Health and Human Services.

Peter F. Allgeier, of Virginia, to be a Deputy United States Trade Representative, with the rank of Ambassador. (Prior to this action, Senate discharged the Committee on Finance from further consideration.)

Linnet F. Deily, of California, to be a Deputy United States Trade Representative, with the rank of Ambassador. (Prior to this action, Senate discharged the Committee on Finance from further consideration.)

Arthur F. Rosenfeld, of Virginia, to be General Counsel of the National Labor Relations Board. (Prior to this action, Senate discharged the Committee on Health, Education, Labor and Pensions from further consideration.)

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Record Votes: One record vote was taken today.
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Adjournment: Senate met at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 3:05 p.m., until 2 p.m., on Monday, June 25, 2001. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S6831.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Armed Services: Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of Alberto Jose Mora, to be General Counsel, and William A. Navas, Jr., to be Assistant Secretary for Manpower and Reserve Affairs, both of Virginia, both of the Department of the Navy, Diane K. Morales, of Texas, to be Deputy Under Secretary for Logistics and Materiel Readiness, and Michael W. Wynne, of Florida, to be Deputy Under Secretary for Acquisition and Technology, both of the Department of Defense, and Steven John Morello, Sr., of Michigan, to be General Counsel of the Department of the Army, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf. Ms. Morales was introduced by Senator Warner.

House of Representatives

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The House was not in session today. It will meet on Monday, June 25 at 12:30 p.m. for morning hour debate.

Committee Meetings

NATIONAL ENERGY POLICY

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Energy and Air Quality held a hearing on "National Energy Policy: Conservation and Energy Efficiency." Testimony was heard from David Garman, Assistant Secretary, Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, Department of Energy; Dean Peterson, Center Leader, Material Science Technology-Superconductivity Technology Center, Los Alamos National Laboratories; and public witnesses.

CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of June 25 through June 30, 2001

Senate Chamber

On *Monday*, At 2 p.m., Senate will resume consideration of S. 1052, Patients' Bill of Rights and debate concurrently both the Frist (for Grassley) Motion to Commit and the Gramm Amendment No. 810. Also, Senator McCain, or his designee, will be recognized to offer an amendment.

On *Tuesday*, At 9:30 a.m., Senate will continue consideration of S. 1052, Patients' Bill of Rights, and that there be 2 hours for debate in relation to the Frist (for Grassley) Motion to Commit and the Gramm Amendment No. 810, with a vote to occur on or in relation to the Frist (for Grassley) Motion to Commit at 11:30 a.m., followed by a vote on or in relation to Gramm Amendment No. 810. Further, that upon disposition of the McCain, or his designee, amendment, Senator Gregg be recognized to offer an amendment.

During the balance of the week, Senate expects to continue and complete consideration of S. 1052, Patients' Bill of Rights, and any other cleared legislative and executive business.

Senate Committees

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Special Committee on Aging: June 28, to hold hearings to examine long term care, focusing on preparation for the aging baby boom generation, 10 a.m., SD-226.

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: June 28, to hold hearings to examine the new Federal Farm Bill, 9 a.m., SD-106.

Committee on Appropriations: June 26, Subcommittee on Legislative Branch, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2002 for the Architect of the Capitol, 11 a.m., SD-124.

June 27, Subcommittee on District of Columbia, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year