

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

The House passed H.R. 2330, Agriculture, Rural Development Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2002.
House Committee ordered reported the Community Solutions Act.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S7437–S7537

Measures Introduced: Six bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1162–1167, and S. Res. 126–128. **Pages S7494–95**

Measures Passed:

Commending Gary Sisco: Senate agreed to S. Res. 127, commending Gary Sisco for his service as Secretary of the Senate. **Page S7483–84**

Congressional Gold Medal Ceremony: Senate agreed to H. Con. Res. 174, 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. **Page S7534**

Interior Appropriations Act: Senate began consideration of H.R. 2217, making appropriations for the Department of the Interior and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2002, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto: **Pages S7441–83, S7484–90**

Adopted:

Byrd Amendment No. 877, to make a technical correction. **Page S7458**

Durbin Amendment No. 879, to prohibit the use of funds for the conduct of preleasing, leasing, and related activities within national monuments established under the Act of June 8, 1906. (By 42 yeas to 57 nays (Vote No. 229, Senate earlier failed to table the amendment.) **Pages S7459–74**

Pending:

Byrd Amendment No. 880, to make a technical correction. **Page S7459**

Nelson (FL) Amendment No. 893, to prohibit the use of funds to execute a final lease agreement for

oil and gas development in the area of the Gulf of Mexico known as "Lease Sale 181".

Pages S7474–83, S7484–90

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill on Thursday, July 12, 2001, that the vote in relation to Nelson (FL) Amendment No. 893 (listed above) occur immediately following the cloture vote scheduled on the motion to proceed to consideration of H.R. 333, Bankruptcy Reform. **Page S7534**

Bankruptcy Reform/Interior Appropriations' Nelson (FL) Amendment—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the previously ordered debate with respect to the Nelson (FL) Amendment No. 893 to H.R. 2217, Interior Appropriations, occur immediately following the vote on cloture on the motion to proceed to H.R. 333, Bankruptcy Reform; the offering of the substitute amendment; and cloture being filed on that amendment, as under the previous order. Further, that no amendments be in order to the substitute amendment to H.R. 333, prior to the cloture vote on the substitute amendment. **Page S7534**

Nomination—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for consideration of the nomination of John D. Graham, of Massachusetts, to be Administrator of the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, with a vote to occur thereon. **Page S7535**

Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

Kay Coles James, of Virginia, to be Director of the Office of Personnel Management.

Othoneil Armendariz, of Texas, to be a Member of the Federal Labor Relations Authority for a term of five years expiring July 1, 2005.

Pierre-Richard Prosper, of California, to be Ambassador at Large for War Crimes Issues.

Charles J. Swindells, of Oregon, to be Ambassador to New Zealand, and to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador to Samoa.

Margaret DeBardleben Tutwiler, of Alabama, to be Ambassador to the Kingdom of Morocco.

Wendy Jean Chamberlin, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Islamic Republic of Pakistan.

William S. Farish, of Texas, to be Ambassador to the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.

Francis Xavier Taylor, of Maryland, to be Coordinator for Counterterrorism, with the rank and status of Ambassador at Large.

Robert D. Blackwill, of Kansas, to be Ambassador to India.

Anthony Horace Gioia, of New York, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Malta.

Howard H. Leach, of California, to be Ambassador to France.

William A. Eaton, of Virginia, to be Assistant Secretary of State (Administration), vice Patrick Francis Kennedy.

Alexander R. Vershbow, of the District of Columbia, to be Ambassador to the Russian Federation.

Clark T. Randt, Jr., of Connecticut, to be Ambassador to the People's Republic of China.

C. David Welch, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Arab Republic of Egypt.

Douglas Alan Hartwick, of Washington, to be Ambassador to the Lao People's Democratic Republic.

Daniel C. Kurtzer, of Maryland, to be Ambassador to Israel.

A routine list in the Foreign Service.

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Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Received on Tuesday, July 10, 2001:

James E. Gritzner, of Iowa, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Iowa.

Michael J. Melloy, of Iowa, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Eighth Circuit.

Michael P. Mills, of Mississippi, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Mississippi.

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Text of H.R. 2216, as Previously Passed:
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Authority for Committees: **Pages S7526–27**

Record Votes: One record vote was taken today. (Total—229) **Page S7474**

Adjournment: Senate met at 10 a.m., and adjourned at 8:23 p.m., until 9 a.m., on Thursday, July 12, 2001. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S7535.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

APPROPRIATIONS—DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on District of Columbia concluded hearings on proposed legislation making appropriations for the government of the District of Columbia and other activities chargeable in whole or in part against the revenues of said District for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2002, after receiving testimony from Mayor Anthony Williams, Alice M. Rivlin, Chairman, Financial Responsibility and Management Assistance Authority, Linda W. Cropp, Chairman, City Council, and Natwar M. Gandhi, Chief Financial Officer, all of the Government of the District of Columbia.

ANDEAN COUNTERDRUG INITIATIVE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Foreign Operations concluded hearings to examine the Administration's proposed foreign operations budget request for additional funds for the Andean Regional Initiative and implementation of Plan Columbia as part of the United States counter drug strategy, after receiving testimony from Rand Beers, Assistant Secretary of State for International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Affairs; Michael Deal, Deputy Assistant Administrator, Bureau for Latin America and the Caribbean, U.S. Agency for International Development; and Jose Miguel Vivanco, Human Rights Watch, Washington, D.C.

GENOMIC RESEARCH

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education concluded hearings to examine recent scientific advances in genomic research, the development of therapies to treat various illnesses, genetic diseases and birth defects, and finishing the human genome sequence, after receiving testimony from Francis S. Collins, Director, National Human Genome Research Institute,