

# Daily Digest

## Senate

### Chamber Action

*Routine Proceedings, pages S1553–S1620*

**Measures Introduced:** Six bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 1990–1995, and S. Res. 217. **Page S1599**

**Measures Passed:**

*Gold Medal Ceremony in Rotunda:* Senate agreed to H. Con. Res. 305, permitting the use of the Rotunda of the Capitol for a ceremony to present a gold medal on behalf of Congress to former President Ronald Reagan and his wife Nancy Reagan.

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*Relative to the Death of Senator Cannon:* Senate agreed to S. Res. 217, relative to the death of the Honorable Howard W. Cannon, formerly a Senator from the State of Nevada.

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**Energy Policy Act:** Senate continued consideration of S. 517, to authorize funding the Department of Energy to enhance its mission areas through technology transfer and partnerships for fiscal years 2002 through 2006, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto:

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**Adopted:**

Murkowski/Stevens Amendment No. 2982 (to Amendment No. 2980), to protect the jurisdiction of the State of Alaska and provide for workforce training.

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By 93 yeas to 5 nays (Vote No. 41), Daschle Modified Amendment No. 2980 (to Amendment No. 2917), to prohibit the issuance of any permit which would authorize the transport of Alaska North Slope natural gas via a pipeline running offshore in the Beaufort Sea between Alaska and Canada.

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**Pending:**

Daschle/Bingaman Further Modified Amendment No. 2917, in the nature of a substitute.

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A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill at 10 a.m., on Thursday, March 7, 2002.

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**Appointment:**

*Library of Congress Trust Fund Board:* The Chair, on behalf of the Majority Leader, in consultation with the Republican Leader, pursuant to Public Law 68–541, as amended by Public Law 102–246, reappointed Bernard Rapoport of Texas as a member of the Library of Congress Trust Fund Board for a term of five years, upon the expiration of his current term on March 10, 2002.

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

A message from the President of the United States, received during adjournment, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report to facilitate positive adjustment to competition from imports of certain steel products; to the Committee on Finance. (PM–72)

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**Nominations Confirmed:** Senate confirmed the following nomination:

Margaret S.Y. Chu, of New Mexico, to be Director of the Office of Civilian Radioactive Waste Management, Department of Energy.

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**Nominations Received:** Senate received the following nominations:

Jeffrey D. Wallin, of California, to be a Member of the National Council on the Humanities for a term expiring January 26, 2006.

Peter A. Lawrence, of New York, to be United States Marshal for the Western District of New York for the term of four years.

6 Navy nominations in the rank of admiral.

Routine lists in the Air Force, Army, Marine Corps, Navy.

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**Nominations Withdrawn:** Senate received notification of withdrawal of the following nomination:

Frederick R. Heebe, of Louisiana, to be United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Louisiana for the term of four years, which was sent to the Senate on November 1, 2001.

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**Messages From the House:**

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**Measures Referred:**

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**Additional Cosponsors:**

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**Statements on Introduced Bills/Resolutions:****Pages S1600–14****Additional Statements:****Pages S1596–98****Amendments Submitted:****Pages S1614–15****Authority for Committees to Meet:****Pages S1615–16****Privilege of the Floor:****Page S1616**

**Record Votes:** One record vote was taken today. (Total—41)

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**Adjournment:** Senate met at 10 a.m. and, in accordance with the provisions of S. Res. 217, as a further mark of respect relative to the death of Senator Howard Cannon, adjourned at 6:42 p.m., until 10 a.m., on Thursday, March 7, 2002.

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

### NOMINATIONS

*Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry:* Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of Thomas C. Dorr, of Iowa, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Commodity Credit Corporation, and to be Under Secretary for Rural Development, and Nancy Southard Bryson, of the District of Columbia, to be General Counsel, both of the Department of Agriculture; and Grace Trujillo Daniel, of California, and Fred L. Dailey, of Ohio, each to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Federal Agricultural Mortgage Corporation, Farm Credit Administration, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf. Testimony was also received on the nomination of Mr. Dorr from Representative Clayton; Ron Langston, National Director, Minority Business Development Agency, Department of Commerce; Dennis Keeney, Ames, Iowa; George Naylor, Iowa Citizens for Community Improvement, Des Moines; Leon Crump, Federation of Southern Cooperatives, East Point, Georgia; Nancy Hier, Marcus, Iowa; Varel Bailey, Anita, Iowa; Thomas A. Fretz, University of Maryland Agricultural Experiment Station, College Park; and Constantine Curris, American Association of State Colleges and Universities, Chevy Chase, Maryland.

### APPROPRIATIONS—ARMY

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Defense concluded hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2003 for the Department of Army, after receiving testimony from Thomas E. White, Secretary, and Gen. Eric K. Shinseki, USA, Chief of Staff, both of the Department of the Army.

### APPROPRIATIONS—STATE/AID

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Foreign Operations concluded hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2003 for democracy and human rights programs of the Department of State and the U.S. Agency for International Development, after receiving testimony from Lorne W. Craner, Assistant Secretary of State for Democracy, Human Rights and Labor; and Roger P. Winter, Assistant Administrator for Democracy, Conflict and Humanitarian Assistance, U.S. Agency for International Development.

### APPROPRIATIONS—VETERANS AFFAIRS

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on VA, HUD, and Independent Agencies concluded hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2003 for the Department of Veterans Affairs, after receiving testimony from Anthony J. Principi, Secretary of Veterans Affairs.

### DOD FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

*Committee on Armed Services:* Subcommittee on Readiness and Management Support concluded hearings to examine financial management reform issues of the Department of Defense, focusing on financial management systems, operations, and controls, after receiving testimony from Dov S. Zakheim, Under Secretary of Defense (Comptroller); and David M. Walker, Comptroller General of the United States, General Accounting Office.

### DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION

*Committee on Armed Services:* Subcommittee on Emerging Threats and Capabilities concluded hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 2003 for the Department of Defense, focusing on nonproliferation programs of the Department of Energy and the Cooperative Threat Reduction program of the Department of Defense, after receiving testimony from J.D. Crouch II, Assistant Secretary of Defense for International Security Policy; and Linton F. Brooks, Deputy Administrator for Defense Nuclear Nonproliferation, National Nuclear Security Administration, Department of Energy.

### ACCOUNTING AND INVESTOR PROTECTION

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* Committee resumed oversight hearings to examine accounting and investor protection issues raised by Enron and other public companies, including oversight of the accounting profession, audit quality and independence, and formulation of accounting principles, after receiving testimony from Bevis Longstreth, former Commissioner of the Securities and Exchange Commission, Lee J. Seidler, Bear