

# Daily Digest

## HIGHLIGHTS

House Committees ordered reported 42 sundry measures, including the Foreign Operations, Export Financing and Related Programs Appropriations for fiscal year 2003.

## Senate

### Chamber Action

*Routine Proceedings, pages S8509–S8581*

**Measures Introduced:** Nine bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2925–2933, and S. Res. 325–326. **Page S8565**

#### Measures Reported:

S. 1069, to amend the National Trails System Act to clarify Federal authority relating to land acquisition from willing sellers for the majority of the trails in the System, with amendments. (S. Rept. No. 107–276)

S. 2482, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to grant to Deschutes and Crook Counties in the State of Oregon a right-of-way to West Butte Road, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 107–277)

S. 2712, to authorize economic and democratic development assistance for Afghanistan and to authorize military assistance for Afghanistan and certain other foreign countries, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 107–278)

H.R. 809, to make technical corrections to various antitrust laws and to references to such laws, with an amendment. **Pages S8564–65**

#### Measures Passed:

**DNA Sexual Assault Justice Act:** Senate passed S. 2513, to assess the extent of the backlog in DNA analysis of rape kit samples, and to improve investigation and prosecution of sexual assault cases with DNA evidence, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Pages S8577–80**

**Year of the Blues:** Senate agreed to S. Res. 316, designating the year beginning February 1, 2003, as the “Year of the Blues”. **Page S8580**

**U.S. Congressional Philharmonic Society:** Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further

consideration of H. Con. Res. 183, expressing the sense of Congress regarding the United States Congressional Philharmonic Society and its mission of promoting musical excellence throughout the educational system and encouraging people of all ages to commit to the love and expression of musical performance, and the resolution was then agreed to. **Page S8580**

**National Historically Black Colleges and Universities Week:** Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 305, designating the week beginning September 15, 2002, as “National Historically Black Colleges and Universities Week”, and the resolution was then agreed to. **Page S8580**

**Congratulating National Farmers Union:** Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 324, congratulating the National Farmers Union for 100 years of service to family farmers, ranchers, and rural communities, and the resolution was then agreed to. **Page S8581**

**New York Transportation Conformity Requirements Waiver:** Senate passed H.R. 3880, to provide a temporary waiver from certain transportation conformity requirements and metropolitan transportation planning requirements under the Clean Air Act and under other laws for certain areas in New York where the planning offices and resources have been destroyed by acts of terrorism, clearing the measure for the President. **Page S8581**

**Department of the Interior Appropriations:** Senate resumed consideration of H.R. 5093, making appropriations for the Department of the Interior and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2003, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto: **Pages S8515–21**

## Pending:

Byrd Amendment No. 4472, in the nature of a substitute. **Pages S8515–21**

Byrd Amendment No. 4480 (to Amendment No. 4472), to provide funds to repay accounts from which funds were borrowed for emergency wildfire suppression. **Page S8515**

Craig/Domenici Amendment No. 4518 (to Amendment No. 4480), to reduce hazardous fuels on our national forests. **Page S8515**

Dodd Amendment No. 4522 (to Amendment No. 4472), to prohibit the expenditure of funds to recognize Indian tribes and tribal nations until the date of implementation of certain administrative procedures. **Page S8515**

Byrd/Stevens Amendment No. 4532 (to Amendment No. 4472), to provide for critical emergency supplemental appropriations. **Pages S8520–21**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill on Friday, September 13, 2002, with a vote in relation to Dodd Amendment No. 4522 (to Amendment No. 4472), listed above, to occur at 10:15 a.m. **Page S8581**

**Homeland Security Act:** Senate resumed consideration of H.R. 5005, to establish the Department of Homeland Security, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto:

**Pages S8521–35, S8536–53**

## Rejected:

By 48 yeas to 49 nays (Vote No. 215), Hollings Amendment No. 4533 (to Amendment No. 4471), to modify the membership and advisors of the National Security Council. **Pages S8521–27, S8535**

## Pending:

Lieberman Amendment No. 4471, in the nature of a substitute. **Pages S8521–53**

Thompson/Warner Amendment No. 4513 (to Amendment No. 4471), to strike title II, establishing the National Office for Combating Terrorism, and title III, developing the National Strategy for Combating Terrorism and Homeland Security Response for detection, prevention, protection, response, and recover to counter terrorist threats. (By 41 yeas to 55 nays (Vote No. 214), Senate failed to table the amendment.) **Pages S8527–35**

Lieberman Amendment No. 4534 (to Amendment No. 4513), to provide for a National Office for Combating Terrorism, and a National Strategy for Combating Terrorism and the Homeland Security Response. **Pages S8536–53**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill at 12 noon, on Friday, September 13, 2002. **Page S8552**

**Nomination—Agreement:** A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for the consider-

ation and confirmation of the nomination of Jose E. Martinez, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Florida, at 9:45 a.m., on Friday, September 13, 2002. **Page S8581**

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

Transmitting, pursuant to law, a notice stating that the continuation of the national emergency with respect to the terrorist attacks on the United States of September 11, 2001 is to continue in effect beyond

September 14, 2002; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. (PM–107) **Page S8561**

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

By unanimous vote of 88 yeas (Vote No. EX. 213), Timothy J. Corrigan, of Florida, to be United States District Judge for the Middle District of Florida. **Pages S8510–15, S8581**

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

Maura Ann Harty, of Florida, to be an Assistant Secretary of State (Consular Affairs).

Ralph R. Erickson, of North Dakota, to be United States District Judge for the District of North Dakota.

S. Maurice Hicks, Jr., of Louisiana, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Louisiana.

Thomas L. Ludington, of Michigan, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Michigan.

William D. Quarles, Jr., of Maryland, to be United States District Judge for the District of Maryland.

Victor J. Wolski, of Virginia, to be a Judge of the United States Court of Federal Claims for a term of fifteen years.

Glen L. Bower, of Illinois, to be a Judge of the United States Tax Court for a term of fifteen years after he takes office. **Page S8581**

**Messages From the House:** **Page S8561**

**Measures Placed on Calendar:** **Page S8561**

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**Authority for Committees to Meet:** **Page S8576**

**Privilege of the Floor:** Page S8576

**Record Votes:** Three record votes were taken today. (Total—215) Page S8515, S8535

**Adjournment:** Senate met at 9:45 a.m., and adjourned at 7:53 p.m., until 9:45 a.m., on Friday, September 13, 2002. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S8581).

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

### BUSINESS MEETING

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 1210, to reauthorize the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act of 1996, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 2239, to amend the National Housing Act to simplify the downpayment requirements for FHA mortgage insurance for single family homebuyers, with amendments; and

The nomination of Wayne Abernathy, of Virginia, to be Assistant Secretary of the Treasury for Financial Institutions.

Prior to this action, Committee concluded hearings on the nomination of Wayne Abernathy (listed above), after the nominee testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

### INTERNET AND CHILDREN

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* Subcommittee on Science, Technology, and Space concluded hearings on S. 2537/H.R. 3833, bills to facilitate the creation of a new, second-level Internet domain within the United States country code domain that will be a haven for material that promotes positive experiences for children and families using the Internet, provides a safe online environment for children, and helps to prevent children from being exposed to harmful material on the Internet, after receiving testimony from Representative Shimkus; Ann Brown, Safer America for Everyone, former Chairman, U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission, and James A. Casey, NeuStar, Inc., both of Washington, D.C.; Ruben Rodriguez, National Center For Missing and Exploited Children, Alexandria, Virginia; and Jan P. Whitley, Silver Spring, Maryland.

### BUSINESS MEETING

*Committee on Finance:* Committee ordered favorably reported H.R. 5063, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide a special rule for members of the uniformed services in determining the exclusion of gain from the sale of a principal residence and to restore the tax exempt status of death gra-

uity payments to members of the uniformed service, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

### STRATEGIC OFFENSIVE REDUCTIONS

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* Committee held hearings to examine the Treaty Between the United States of America and the Russian Federation on Strategic Offensive Reductions (Treaty Doc. 107-8), receiving testimony from Rose E. Gottemoeller, Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, former Assistant Secretary of Energy for Non-Proliferation and National Security, Fred C. Ikle, Center for Strategic and International Studies, James E. Goodby, Brookings Institution, and Henry D. Sokolski, Non-proliferation Policy Education Center, all of Washington, D.C.; William J. Perry, Stanford University Institute for International Studies, Stanford, California; and John P. Holdren, Harvard University John F. Kennedy School of Government, Cambridge, Massachusetts.

### MULTILATERAL DEVELOPMENT BANK REFORM

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* Subcommittee on International Economic Policy, Export and Trade Promotion concluded hearings to examine the Administration's Multilateral Development Bank reform agenda, focusing on the authorizations for the replenishment of the World Bank's International Development Association, the African Development Fund, and the Asian Development Fund, after receiving testimony from John B. Taylor, Under Secretary of the Treasury for International Affairs, Caroline Atkinson, Council on Foreign Relations/Stonebridge International, former Senior Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Treasury for International Monetary and Financial Policy, former Senior Adviser to the Secretary of the Treasury, James C. Orr, Bretton Woods Committee, David Beckmann, Bread for the World, and George Ayittey, American University, all of Washington, D.C.; and Allan H. Meltzer, Carnegie Mellon University/American Enterprise Institute, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, recessed subject to the call.

### UNEMPLOYMENT AND THE ECONOMY

*Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:* Committee concluded hearings to examine unemployed Americans in the context of the current economic situation, focusing on Temporary Emergency Unemployment Compensation (TEUC) reform, after receiving testimony from Lawrence Mishel, Economic Policy Institute, and Wendell Primus, Center on Budget and Policy Priorities, both of Washington, D.C.; and Felix Batista, New York, New York, on behalf of New York Unemployment Project.