

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

House committees ordered reported seven sundry measures.

Senate

Chamber Action

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Measures Introduced: Six bills were introduced, as follows: S. 3001–3006. **Page S9229**

Measures Passed:

Commending Mary Baker Eddy: Senate agreed to H. Con. Res. 458, recognizing and commending Mary Baker Eddy's achievements and the Mary Baker Eddy Library for the Betterment of Humanity. **Page S9350**

Intelligence Authorization: Select Committee on Intelligence was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 4628, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2003 for intelligence and intelligence-related activities of the United States Government, the Community Management Account, and the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement and Disability System, after striking all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the text of S. 2506, Senate companion measure, after withdrawing the committee amendments, and agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto: **Pages S9350–53**

Hollings (for Graham) Amendment No. 4752, in the nature of a substitute. **Pages S9350–53**

Senate insisted on its amendment, requested a conference with the House thereon, and the Chair was authorized to appoint the following conferees on the part of the Senate: Senators Graham, Levin, Rockefeller, Feinstein, Wyden, Durbin, Bayh, Edwards, Mikulski, Shelby, Kyl, Inhofe, Hatch, Roberts, DeWine, Thompson, and Lugar. **Page S9353**

Subsequently, S. 2506 was returned to the Senate calendar. **Page S9351**

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 S9185–86**

Pending:

Byrd Amendment No. 4472, in the nature of a substitute. **Pages S9185–86**

Byrd Amendment No. 4480 (to Amendment No. 4472), to provide funds to repay accounts from which funds were borrowed for emergency wildfire suppression. **Page S9185**

Craig/Domenici Amendment No. 4518 (to Amendment No. 4480), to reduce hazardous fuels on our national forests. **Page S9185**

Byrd/Stevens Amendment No. 4532 (to Amendment No. 4472), to provide for critical emergency supplemental appropriations. **Page S9185**

Daschle motion to reconsider the vote (Vote No. 224) by which cloture was not invoked on Byrd Amendment No. 4480 (to Amendment No. 4472), listed above. **Page S9186**

During consideration of this measure today, Senate also took the following action:

By 51 yeas to 47 nays (Vote No. 224), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, not having voted in the affirmative, Senate failed to approve the motion to close further debate on Byrd Amendment No. 4480 (to Amendment No. 4472), listed above.

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Homeland Security Act: Senate continued consideration of H.R. 5005, to establish the Department of Homeland Security, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto: **Pages S9186–S9216**

Pending:

Lieberman Amendment No. 4471, in the nature of a substitute. **Pages S9186–S9216**

Daschle motion to reconsider the vote (Vote No. 225) by which cloture was not invoked on Lieberman Amendment No. 4471, listed above.

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Gramm/Miller Amendment No. 4738 (to Amendment No. 4471), of a perfecting nature, to prevent terrorist attacks within the United States.

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Nelson (NE.) Amendment No. 4740 (to Amendment No. 4738), to modify certain personnel provisions. **Pages S9200–05**

Daschle motion to commit the bill to the Committee on Governmental Affairs and that it be reported back forthwith with the pending Lieberman Amendment No. 4471, listed above, as amended. **Page S9205**

Daschle Amendment No. 4742 (to the instructions of the motion to commit H.R. 5005 to the Committee on Governmental Affairs), of a perfecting nature, to prevent terrorist attacks within the United States. **Page S9205**

Daschle Amendment No. 4743 (to Amendment No. 4742), to modify certain personnel provisions. **Page S9205**

During consideration of this measure today, Senate also took the following action:

By 49 yeas to 49 nays (Vote No. 225), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, not having voted in the affirmative, Senate failed to approve the motion to close further debate on Lieberman Amendment No. 4471, listed above. **Page S9186**

A motion was entered to close further debate on Gramm/Miller Amendment No. 4738 (to Amendment No. 4471), listed above and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a cloture vote could occur on Thursday, September 26, 2002. **Page S9207**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill at 11:15 a.m., on Thursday, September 26, 2002. **Page S9353**

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Authority for Committees to Meet: **Page S9350**

Record Votes: Two record votes were taken today. (Total—225) **Page S9186**

Adjournment: Senate met at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 6:35 p.m., until 9:15 a.m., on Thursday, September 26, 2002. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S9353).

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

STEM CELL RESEARCH

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education concluded hearings to examine the status of the implementation of the Federal stem cell research policy, and related provisions of S. 2349, to prohibit human cloning while preserving important areas of medical research, including stem cell research, and S. 1899, to amend title 18, United States Code, to prohibit human cloning, after receiving testimony from Elias Zerhouni, Director, National Institutes of Health, Department of Health and Human Services; California State Senator Deborah Ortiz, Sacramento; Curt I. Civin, Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine, Baltimore, Maryland; George Q. Daley, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Whitehead Institute, Cambridge; Roger Pedersen, University of Cambridge Department of Surgery, United Kingdom; and Gerald P. Schatten, Pittsburgh Development Center/Magee-Women's Research Institute, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

U.S.-IRAQ POLICY

Committee on Armed Services: Committee concluded hearings to examine U.S. policy on Iraq, after receiving testimony from James R. Schlesinger, MITRE Corporation, Arlington, Virginia, former Secretary of Defense, former Secretary of Energy, and former Director of Central Intelligence; Samuel R. Berger, Stonebridge International, Washington, D.C., former Assistant to the President for National Security Affairs.

AFFORDABLE HOUSING PRODUCTION

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Subcommittee on Housing and Transportation resumed hearings to examine the challenges of meeting the supply of affordable housing for working families, and related proposals including S. 652, to promote the development of affordable, quality rental housing in rural areas for low-income households, and S. 2967, to promote the production of affordable low-income housing, after receiving testimony from Senators Bond and Edwards; Mayor Thomas M. Menino, of Boston, Massachusetts, on behalf of the U.S. Conference of Mayors; Richard H. Godfrey, Jr., Rhode Island Housing and Mortgage Finance Corporation, Providence, on behalf of National Council of State Housing Agencies; and William Picotte, Oti Kaga, Inc., on behalf of the Housing Assistance Council, Eagle Butte, South Dakota.

TOURISM INDUSTRY

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Consumer Affairs, Foreign Commerce, and Tourism concluded hearings to examine the state of the tourism industry one year after September 11, 2001, after receiving testimony from John K. Durst, South Carolina Department of Parks, Recreation and Tourism, Columbia,; Ann McDowell, Branson/Lakes Area Chamber of Commerce, and Noel I. Hentschel, American Tours International, Inc., both of Branson, Missouri; Hal F. Rosenbluth, Rosenbluth International, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; Jonathan Tisch, Loews Hotels, on behalf of the Travel Business Roundtable, and Fred Lounsberry, Universal Parks and Resorts, on behalf of the Travel Industry Association of America, both of Washington, D.C.

HIGHWAY TRUST FUND

Committee on Finance: Committee concluded joint hearings with the Committee on Environment and Public Works to examine alternatives for financing the U.S. surface transportation system, the next highway bill, the Highway Trust Fund, and reauthorization of TEA-21, after receiving testimony from Phyllis F. Scheinberg, Deputy Assistant Secretary of Transportation for Budget and Programs; JayEtta Z. Hecker, Director, Physical Infrastructure Issues, General Accounting Office; Janice Hahn, Governing Board of the Alameda Corridor Transportation Authority, Los Angeles, California; Pete K. Rahn, New Mexico Department of Transportation, Santa Fe; John C. Horsley, American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials, Washington, D.C.; Jeffrey Carey, Merrill Lynch, New York, New York; and David Seltzer, Mercator Advisors, LLC, University of Southern California National Center for Innovations in Public Finance, Los Angeles.

U.S.-IRAQ POLICY

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee continued hearings to examine U.S. policy on Iraq, receiving testimony from Richard C. Holbrooke, Council on Foreign Relations, New York, New York, former U.S. Ambassador to the United Nations; and Robert C. McFarlane, Energy and Communications Solutions, Washington, D.C., former National Security Advisor.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 2969, to provide for improvement of Federal education research, statistics, evaluation, information,

and dissemination, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 2998, to reauthorize the Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act, the Family Violence Prevention and Services Act, the Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment and Adoption Reform Act of 1978, and the Abandoned Infants Assistance Act of 1988;

S. 2499, to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to establish labeling requirements regarding allergenic substances in food, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 2980, to revise and extend the Birth Defects Prevention Act, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 1806, to amend the Public Health Service Act with respect to health professions programs regarding the practice of pharmacy, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute; and

The nominations of David Wenzel, of Pennsylvania, Marco A. Rodriguez, of California, Milton Aponte, of Florida, Glenn Bernard Anderson, of Arkansas, Barbara Gillcrist, of New Mexico, and Graham Hill, of Virginia, each to be a Member of the National Council on Disability, and Michelle Guillermin, of Maryland, to be Chief Financial Officer, Corporation for National and Community Service.

ASBESTOS LITIGATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded hearings to examine the current state of asbestos litigation, including claims for relief by certain corporations and insurance companies, and a system for compensating asbestos victims, after receiving testimony from Senators Baucus and Ben Nelson; David T. Austern, Claims Resolution Management Corporation, Fairfax, Virginia; Frederick M. Baron, Baron and Budd, Dallas, Texas, on behalf of the Association of Trial Lawyers of America; Walter E. Dellinger, O'Melveny and Myers, and Jonathan P. Hiatt, AFL-CIO, both of Washington, D.C.; and Steven Kazan, Kazan, McClain, Edises, Abrams, Fernandez, Lyons, and Farris, Oakland, California.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Indian Affairs: Committee ordered favorably reported the following bills:

S. 958, to provide for the use and distribution of the funds awarded to the Western Shoshone identifiable group under Indian Claims Commission Docket Numbers 326-A-1, 326-A-3, 326-K, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute; and

H.R. 2880, to amend laws relating to the lands of the enrollees and lineal descendants of enrollees whose names appear on the final Indian rolls of the Muscogee (Creek), Seminole, Cherokee, Chickasaw,

and Choctaw Nations (historically referred to as the Five Civilized Tribes).

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Indian Affairs: Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of Philip N. Hogen, of South Dakota, to be Chairman of the National In-

dian Gaming Commission, and Quannah Crossland Stamps, of Virginia, to be Commissioner of the Administration for Native Americans, Department of Health and Human Services, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf. Mr. Hogen was introduced by Senator Johnson and Representative Thune.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Measures Introduced: 15 public bills, H.R. 5454–5468; and 11 resolutions, H.J. Res. 111, H. Con. Res. 483–487, and H. Res. 554–558, were introduced. **Pages H6692–93**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

Conference report on H.R. 2215, to authorize appropriations for the Department of Justice for fiscal year 2002 (H. Rept. 107–685);

H.R. 3340, to amend title 5, United States Code, to allow certain catch-up contributions to the Thrift Savings Plan to be made by participants age 50 or over (H. Rept. 107–686);

S. 487, to amend chapter 1 of title 17, United States Code, relating to the exemption of certain performances or displays for educational uses from copyright infringement provisions, to provide that the making of a single copy of such performances or displays is not an infringement (H. Rept. 107–687);

H.R. 1811, to provide permanent funding for the payment in lieu of taxes program (H. Rept. 107–688);

H.R. 2408, to provide equitable compensation to the Uncion Sioux Tribe of South Dakota and the Santee Sioux Tribe of Nebraska for the loss of value of certain lands (H. Rept. 107–689);

H.R. 3747, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a study of the site commonly known as Eagledale Ferry Dock at Taylor Avenue in the State of Washington for potential inclusion in the National Park System (H. Rept. 107–690);

H.R. 3896, to repeal the reservation of mineral rights made by the United States when certain lands in Livingston Parish, Louisiana, were conveyed by Public Law 102–562 (H. Rept. 107–691);

H.R. 4853, to provide that land which is owned by the Seminole Tribe of Florida but which is not held in trust by the United States for the Tribe may be mortgaged, leased, or transferred by the Tribe without further approval by the United States, amended (H. Rept. 107–692);

H.R. 4600, to improve patient access to health care services and provide improved medical care by reducing the excessive burden the liability system places on the health care delivery system, amended (H. Rept. 107–693 Pt. 1, Committee on the Judiciary);

H.R. 4600, to improve patient access to health care services and provide improved medical care by reducing the excessive burden the liability system places on the health care delivery system, amended (H. Rept. 107–693 Pt. 2, Committee on Energy and Commerce);

H. Res. 550, providing for consideration of H.J. Res. 111, making continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 2003 (H. Rept. 107–694);

H. Res. 551, waiving a requirement of clause 6(a) of rule XIII with respect to consideration of certain resolutions reported from the Committee on Rules (H. Rept. 107–695);

H. Res. 552, waiving points or order against the conference report to accompany the bill (H.R. 2215) to authorize appropriations for the Department of Justice for fiscal year 2002 (H. Rept. 107–696); and

H. Res. 553, providing for consideration of H.R. 4600, to improve patient access to health care services and provide improved medical care by reducing the excessive burden the liability system places on the health care delivery room (H. Rept. 107–697).

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Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative LaHood to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

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Guest Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the guest Chaplain, Rabbi Melvyn May of West end Temple Sinai Congregation, Neponsit, New York.

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Journal: the House agreed to the Speaker's approval of the Journal of Tuesday, Sept. 24 by a yea-and-nay vote of 366 yeas to 48 nays with 1 voting "present", Roll No. 407.

Pages H6561, H6564–65

Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures that were debated on Tuesday, Sept. 24.

Victims of Terrorist Attacks Memorial in Washington, D.C.: H.R. 2982, to authorize the establishment of a memorial within the area in the District of Columbia referred to in the Commemorative Works Act as “Area I” or “Area II” to the victims of terrorist attacks on the United States, to provide for the design and construction of such a memorial (agreed to by a yea-and-nay vote of 418 yeas with none voting “nay,” Roll No. 408). Agreed to amend the title so as to read: “A bill to authorize the establishment of a memorial to victims who died as a result of terrorist acts against the United States or its people, at home or abroad.”; and **Page H6565**

Historical Significance of 100 Years of Korean Immigration: H. Con. Res. 297, recognizing the historical significance of 100 years of Korean immigration to the United States (agreed to by a yea-and-nay vote of 417 yeas with none voting “nay,” Roll No. 409). **Pages H6565–66**

Abortion Non-Discrimination Act: The House passed H.R. 4691, to prohibit certain abortion-related discrimination in governmental activities, by a recorded vote of 229 yeas to 189 noes with 2 voting “present”, Roll No. 412. **Pages H6574–86**

Rejected the Brown of Ohio motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Energy and Commerce with instructions to report it back with amendments that prohibit institutions from withholding medically appropriate information or services from a patient by a yea-and-nay vote of 191 yeas to 230 nays, Roll No. 411. **Pages H6584–86**

Agreed to H. Res. 546, the rule that provided for consideration of the bill by a yea-and-nay vote of 229 yeas to 194 nays, Roll No. 410. **Pages H6566–74**

Foreign Relations Authorization Conference Report: The House agreed to the conference report on H.R. 1646, to authorize appropriations for the Department of State for fiscal years 2002 and 2003 by voice vote. **Pages H6652–59**

Agreed to H. Res. 545, the rule that provided for consideration of the conference report by voice vote. **Pages H6649–52**

Foreign Relations Authorization Enrollment Correction: The House agreed to H. Con. Res. 483, directing the Clerk of the House of Representatives to make technical corrections in the enrollment of H.R. 1646. **Pages H6659–60**

Consideration of Sense of the House Resolutions: The House agreed to H. Res. 547, the rule that is providing for consideration of H. Res. 540 (expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that

Congress should complete action on H.R. 3762, the Pension Security Act of 2002); H. Res. 544 (expressing the sense of the House of Representatives on permanency of pension reform provisions); and H. Res. 543 (expressing the sense of the House that Congress should complete action on H.R. 4019, making marriage tax relief permanent) by voice vote. Earlier agreed to order the previous question by a yea-and-nay vote of 217 yeas to 200 nays, Roll No. 413. **Pages H6660–69**

Urging Action on the Pension Security Act: The House agreed to H. Res. 540, expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that Congress should complete action on H.R. 3762, the Pension Security Act of 2002 by a yea-and-nay vote of 258 yeas to 152 nays, Roll No. 414. The resolution was considered pursuant to the provisions of H. Res. 547. **Pages H6669–77, H6681**

Permanency of Pension Reform Provisions: The House agreed to H. Res. 544, expressing the sense of the House of Representatives on permanency of pension reform provisions by a yea-and-nay vote of 291 yeas to 118 nays, Roll No. 415. The resolution was considered pursuant to the provisions of H. Res. 547. **Pages H6678–81, H6681–82**

Motion to Instruct Conferees—Help America Vote Act: The House completed debate on the Eddie Bernice Johnson motion to instruct conferees on H.R. 3295, Help America Vote Act to take such actions as may be appropriate to ensure that a conference report is filed on the bill prior to October 1, 2002. Further proceedings on the motion were postponed. **Pages H6682–85**

Quorum Calls—Votes: Eight yea-and-nay votes and one recorded vote developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H6564–65, H6565, H6565–66, H6574, H6585–86, H6586, H6668–69, H6681, and H6681–82. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 9:05 p.m.

Committee Meetings

USDA—CIVIL RIGHTS PROGRAM—FARMER PROGRAM PARTICIPANTS

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on Department Operations, Oversight, Nutrition and Forestry held a hearing on Civil Rights Program of the USDA for Farmer Program Participants. Testimony was heard from Lawrence J. Dyckman, Director, Natural Resources and Environment, GAO; Lou Gallegos, Assistant Secretary, Departmental Administration, USDA; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Ordered reported the following: H.R. 2037, amended, Protection of Lawful Commerce in Arms Act; H.R. 4701, amended, Sports Agent Responsibility and Trust Act; H. Res. 398, Recognizing the devastating impact of fragile X, urging increased funding for research on fragile X, and commending the goals of National Fragile X Research Day; and a measure to be introduced Patient Safety and Quality Improvement Act.

REGARDING THE TRANSITION TO DIGITAL TV

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Telecommunications and the Internet held a hearing on a measure Regarding the Transition to Digital Television. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

CHECK CLEARING FOR THE 21ST CENTURY

Committee on Financial Services: Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Credit held a hearing on H.R. 5414, Check Clearing for the 21st Century Act. Testimony was heard from Roger W. Ferguson, Jr., Vice Chairman, Board of Governors, Federal Reserve System; Robert M. Fenner, General Counsel, National Credit Union Administration; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on Europe approved for full Committee action the following measures: H. Res. 468, amended, Transatlantic Security and NATO Enhancement Resolution of 2002; H. Con. Res. 116, Recommending the integration of Lithuania, Latvia and Estonia into the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO); and H. Res. 253, Recommending the integration of the Republic of Slovakia into the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO).

SATELLITE RADIO FREEDOM ACT; SATELLITE SERVICES ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Commercial and Administrative Law held a hearing on the following bills: H.R. 4869, Satellite Radio Freedom Act; and H.R. 5429, Satellite Services Act of 2002. Testimony was heard from Representative Tom Davis; and public witnesses.

JUSTICE FOR UNITED STATES PRISONERS OF WAR ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Immigration, Border Security, and Claims held a hearing on H.R. 1198, Justice for United States Prisoners of War Act of 2001. Testimony was heard from Representative Rohrabacher; William H. Taft, IV, Legal

Advisor, Department of State; Rob McCallum, Jr., Assistant Attorney General, Civil Division, Department of Justice; and Lester I. Tenney, former Prisoner of War.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Resources: Held a hearing on the following bills: H.R. 992, to provide grants to local governments to assist such local governments in participating in certain decisions related to certain Indian groups and Indian tribes; H.R. 2345, Thomasina E. Jordan Indian Tribes of Virginia Federal Recognition Act of 2001; and H.R. 5155, Native American Sacred Lands Act. Testimony was heard from Representatives Johnson of Connecticut, Simmons, Moran of Virginia, and Mrs. Davis of Virginia; from the following officials of the Department of the Interior: Chris Kearney, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Policy and International Affairs; and Michael Smith, Director, Office of Tribal Services, Bureau of Indian Affairs; and public witnesses.

HELP EFFICIENT, ACCESSIBLE, LOW COST, TIMELY HEALTH CARE (HEALTH) ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by record vote of 9 to 2, a closed rule providing 1 hour of debate in the House on H.R. 4600, Help Efficient, Accessible, Low Cost, Timely Health Care (HEALTH) Act of 2002, with 40 minutes equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on the Judiciary and 20 minutes equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Energy and Commerce. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule provides that the bill shall be considered as read for amendment. The rule provides that in lieu of the amendments recommended by the Committee on the Judiciary and Energy and Commerce now printed in the bill, the amendment in the nature of a substitute printed in the Rules Committee report shall be considered as adopted. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Chairman Sensenbrenner and Representatives Nadler, Scott, Markey, Brown of Ohio, Eshoo, Berkley and Hoeffel.

CONFERENCE REPORT—21ST CENTURY DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE APPROPRIATIONS AUTHORIZATION ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a rule waiving all points of order against the conference report to accompany H.R. 2215, 21st Century Department of Justice Appropriations Authorization Act, and against its consideration. The rule provides that the conference report shall be considered as read. Testimony was heard from Chairman Sensenbrenner.

SAME DAY CONSIDERATION— RESOLUTION REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE ON RULES

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a resolution waiving clause 6(a) of rule XIII (requiring a two-thirds vote to consider a rule on the same day it is reported from the Rules Committee) against certain resolutions reported from the Rules Committee. The resolution applies the waiver to any special rule reported on the legislative day of Thursday, September 26, 2002, providing for consideration or disposition of a joint resolution making continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 2003.

CONTINUING APPROPRIATIONS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2003

Committee on Rules: The Committee granted, by voice vote, a closed rule providing one hour of debate in the House on H.J. Res. 111, making continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 2003, equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropriations. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the joint resolution. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit.

INCREASED STEEL TARIFFS—AMERICAN MANUFACTURERS—UNINTENDED CONSEQUENCES

Committee on Small Business: Continued hearings entitled “Lost Jobs, More Imports: Unintended Consequences of Higher Steel Tariffs (Part II).” Testimony was heard from Grant D. Aldonas, Under Secretary, International Trade, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Ordered reported the following: bills: H.R. 5083, to designate the United States courthouse at South Federal Place in Santa Fe, New Mexico, as the “Santiago E. Campos United States Courthouse;” H.R. 5335, to designate the Federal building and United States courthouse located at 200 West 2nd Street in Dayton, Ohio, as the “Tony Hall Federal Building and United States Courthouse;” and H.R. 5428, amended, Water Resources Development Act of 2002.

The Committee also approved several U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Survey resolutions.

Joint Meetings

SECURING AMERICA’S FUTURE ENERGY ACT

Conferees met to resolve the differences between the Senate and House passed versions of H.R. 4, to en-

hance energy conservation, research and development and to provide for security and diversity in the energy supply for the American people, but did not complete action thereon, and will meet again tomorrow.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST of September 19, 2002, p. D961)

H.R. 3287, to redesignate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 900 Brentwood Road, NE, in Washington, D.C., as the “Joseph Curseen, Jr. and Thomas Morris, Jr. Processing and Distribution Center”. Signed on September 24, 2002. (Public Law 107–225)

H.R. 3917, to authorize a national memorial to commemorate the passengers and crew of Flight 93 who, on September 11, 2001, courageously gave their lives thereby thwarting a planned attack on our Nation’s Capital. Signed on September 24, 2002. (Public Law 107–226)

H.R. 5207, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 6101 West Old Shakopee Road in Bloomington, Minnesota, as the “Thomas E. Burnett, Jr. Post Office Building”. Signed on September 24, 2002. (Public Law 107–227)

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 2002

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Special Committee on Aging: to hold hearings to examine long-term care in the health industry, 10 a.m., SD–628.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: business meeting to consider pending calendar business, 9:30 a.m., SD–406.

Committee on Foreign Relations: to continue hearings to examine Iraq, 10:30 a.m., SD–419.

Full Committee, to continue hearings to examine Iraq, 2:30 p.m., SD–419.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: to hold hearings to examine the benefits and challenges of web-based education, 10 a.m., SD–430.

Committee on Indian Affairs: to hold oversight hearings on intra-tribal leadership disputes and tribal governance, 10 a.m., SR–485.

Select Committee on Intelligence: to resume joint hearings with the House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence to examine events surrounding September 11, 2001, 10 a.m., SH–216.

Committee on the Judiciary: to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Miguel A. Estrada, of Virginia, to be United States Circuit Judge for the District of Columbia Circuit; the nomination of Stanley R. Chesler, to be

United States District Judge for the District of New Jersey; the nomination of Daniel L. Hovland, to be United States District Judge for the District of North Dakota; the nomination of James E. Kinkeade, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Texas; the nomination of Linda R. Reade, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Iowa; and the nomination of Freda L. Wolfson, to be United States District Judge for the District of New Jersey, 10 a.m., SD-106.

House

Committee on Agriculture, Subcommittee on Specialty Crops and Foreign Agriculture, hearing on Review Tobacco Buyout Proposals, 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

Committee on Appropriations, to mark up the following appropriations for fiscal year 2003: Transportation and the District of Columbia, 10 a.m., 2359 Rayburn.

Committee on Armed Services, to continue hearings on U.S. Policy towards Iraq, 9:30 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Committee on Education and the Workforce, Subcommittee on Employer-Employee Relations, hearing on "Emerging Trends in Employment and Labor Law: Examining the Need for Greater Workplace Security and the Control of Workplace Violence," 10:30 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, Subcommittee on Commerce, Trade and Consumer Protection, hearing entitled "State Impediments to E-Commerce: Consumer Protection or Veiled Protectionism?" 10 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, to consider H.R. 5400, to authorize the President of the United States of America to agree to certain amendments to the Agreement between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the United Mexican States concerning the establishment of a Border Environment Cooperation Commission and a North American Development Bank, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Government Reform, hearing on "Attention Deficit/Hyperactivity Disorders—Are Children Being Overmedicated?" 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on Courts, the Internet, and Intellectual Property, oversight hearing on "Piracy of Intellectual Property on Peer-to-Peer Networks," 9 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security, hearing and markup of H.R. 5422, Child Abduction Prevention Act, 12 p.m., 2237 Rayburn.

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