

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S10401–S10481

Measures Introduced: Three bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 3111–3113, S. Res. 340–341, and S. Con. Res. 153. **Pages S10442–43**

Measures Reported:

H.R. 1070, to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to authorize the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency to carry out projects and conduct research for remediation of sediment contamination in areas of concern in the Great Lakes, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 107–312)

S. 3059, to provide for the distribution of judgment funds to the Assiniboine and Sioux Tribes of the Fort Peck Reservation. (S. Rept. No. 107–313)

Report to accompany S. 2556, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain facilities to the Fremont-Madison Irrigation District in the State of Idaho. (S. Rept. No. 107–314)

H.R. 3034, to redesignate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 89 River Street in Hoboken, New Jersey, as the “Frank Sinatra Post Office Building”.

H.R. 3738, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1299 North 7th Street in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, as the “Herbert Arlene Post Office Building”.

H.R. 3739, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 6150 North Broad Street in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, as the “Rev. Leon Sullivan Post Office Building”.

H.R. 3740, To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 925 Dickinson Street in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, as the “William A. Cibotti Post Office Building”.

H.R. 4102, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 120 North Maine Street in Fallon, Nevada, as the “Rollan D. Melton Post Office Building”.

H.R. 4717, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1199 Pasadena Boulevard in Pasadena, Texas, as the “Jim Fonteno Post Office Building”.

H.R. 4755, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 204 South Broad Street in Lancaster, Ohio, as the “Clarence Miller Post Office Building”.

H.R. 4794, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1895 Avenida Del Oro in Oceanside, California, as the “Ronald C. Packard Post Office Building”.

H.R. 4797, to redesignate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 265 South Western Avenue, Los Angeles, California, as the “Nat King Cole Post Office”.

H.R. 4878, to provide for estimates and reports of improper payments by Federal agencies.

H.R. 5308, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 301 South Howes Street in Fort Collins, Colorado, as the “Barney Apodaca Post Office”.

H.R. 5333, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 4 East Central Street in Worcester, Massachusetts, as the “Joseph D. Early Post Office Building”.

H.R. 5336, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 380 Main Street in Farmingdale, New York, as the “Peter J. Ganci, Jr. Post Office Building”.

S. 1651, to establish the United States Consensus Council to provide for a consensus building process in addressing national public policy issues, 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.

S. 2527, to provide for health benefits coverage under chapter 89 of title 5, United States Code, for individuals enrolled in a plan administered by the Overseas Private Investment Corporation.

S. 2828, to redesignate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 6910 South Yorktown Avenue in Tulsa, Oklahoma, as the “Robert Wayne Jenkins Station”.

S. 2840, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 120 North Main Street in Fallon, Nevada, as the “Rollan D. Melton Post Office Building”.

S. 2918, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 380 Main Street in Farmingdale, New York, as the “Peter J. Ganci, Jr. Post Office Building”.

S. 2929, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 265 South Western Avenue, Los Angeles, California, as the “Nat King Cole Post Office”.

S. 2931, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 5805 White Oak Avenue in Encino, California, as the “Francis Dayle ‘Chick’ Hearn Post Office”.

S. 2936, to amend chapter 84 of title 5, United States Code, to provide that certain Federal annuity computations are adjusted by 1 percent relating to periods of receiving disability payments, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

S. 3044, to authorize the Court Services and Offender Supervision Agency of the District of Columbia to provide for the interstate supervision of offenders on parole, probation, and supervised release.

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Measures Passed:

Feed America Thursday: Senate agreed to S. Res. 341, designating Thursday, November 21, 2002, as “Feed America Thursday”.

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Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief Extension: Senate passed S. 1632, to amend the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act to extend the deadline for submission of State recommendations of local governments to receive assistance for predisaster hazard mitigation and to authorize the President to provide additional repair assistance to individuals and households.

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Jobs for Veterans Act: Committee on Veterans’ Affairs was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 4015, to amend title 38, United States Code, to revise and improve employment, training, and placement services furnished to veterans, and the bill was then passed, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto:

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Daschle (for Rockefeller) Amendment No. 4884, in the nature of a substitute.

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National Assessment of Educational Progress Authorization: Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 3801, to provide for improvement of Federal education research, statistics, evaluation, information, and dissemination, and the bill was then passed, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto:

Pages S10480–81

Daschle (for Kennedy) Amendment No. 4885, in the nature of a substitute.

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Election Reform Conference Report: Senate began consideration of the conference report on H.R. 3295, to require States and localities to meet uniform and nondiscriminatory election technology and administration requirements applicable to Federal elections, to establish grant programs to provide assistance to States and localities to meet those requirements and to improve election technology and the administration of Federal elections, to establish the Election Administration Commission.

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A unanimous-consent agreement was reached amending the order of October 11, 2002, with respect to the conference report; that the Senate will continue consideration of the conference report at 11:40 a.m., on Wednesday, October 16, 2002.

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By unanimous consent, Senate recessed from its amendment to the title.

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that at 12 noon, on Wednesday, October 16, 2002, Senate will vote on the adoption of the conference report.

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Reporting of Appropriation Bills—Agreement:

By unanimous consent, Senate vitiated the pending cloture vote on the motion to proceed to consideration of S. Res. 304, encouraging the Senate Committee on Appropriations to report therein, fiscally responsible, bipartisan appropriations bills to the Senate not later than July 31, 2002, which was scheduled to occur at 12 noon, on Wednesday, October 16, 2002; that the Senate proceed to the consideration of the resolution upon the disposition of the conference report to accompany H.R. 5010, Department of Defense Appropriations Act.

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Defense Appropriations Conference Report—

Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached amending the order of October 11, 2002, with respect to the consideration of H.R. 5010, making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2003; that the Senate will begin consideration of the conference report at 2:15 p.m., on Wednesday, October 16, 2002.

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Department of Veterans Affairs Emergency Preparedness Act:

Senate concurred in the amendment of the House to the amendment of the Senate to H.R. 3253, to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for the establishment within the Department of Veterans Affairs of improved emergency medical preparedness, research, and education programs to combat terrorism, with a further amendment as follows:

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Daschle (for Rockefeller) Amendment No. 4883, in the nature of a substitute.

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Messages From the House:

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Measures Placed on Calendar: Page S10441
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 Adjournment: Senate met at 10 a.m., and adjourned at 5:57 p.m., until 10:40 a.m., on Wednesday, October 16, 2002. (For Senate's program, see

the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S10481).

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

NOMINATION

Committee on Armed Services: On Friday, October 12, Committee met in closed session to consider certain pending nominations, but did not take final action thereon, and recessed subject to call.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Measures Introduced: 2 public bills, H.R. 5642–5643; and 3 resolutions, H.J. Res. 123, and H. Res. 587–588, were introduced. Page H7929

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

Filed on Friday, Oct. 11, H.R. 464, to establish the Kate Mullany National Historic Site in the State of New York (H. Rept. 107–743);

Filed on Friday, Oct. 11, H.R. 3148, to amend the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act to provide equitable treatment of Alaska Native Vietnam Veterans, amended (H. Rept. 107–744);

Filed on Friday, Oct. 11, H.R. 4734, to expand Alaska Native contracting of Federal land management functions and activities and to promote hiring of Alaska Natives by the Federal Government within the State of Alaska, amended (H. Rept. 107–745);

Filed on Friday, Oct. 11, H.R. 4749, to reauthorize the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act, amended (H. Rept. 107–746);

Filed on Friday, Oct. 11, H.R. 4844, to enhance ecosystem protection and the range of outdoor opportunities protected by statute in the Skykomish River valley of the State of Washington by designating certain lower-elevation Federal lands as wilderness, amended (H. Rept. 107–747);

H.R. 4757, to improve the national instant criminal background check system, and for other purposes, amended (H. Rept. 107–748);

S. 1339, to amend the Bring Them Home Alive Act of 2000 to provide an asylum program with regard to American Persian Gulf War POW/MIAs (H. Rept. 107–749, Pt. 1);

H.R. 5200, to establish wilderness areas, promote conservation, improve public land, and provide for

high quality development in Clark County, Nevada, amended (H. Rept. 107–750);

H.R. 4840, to amend the Endangered Species Act of 1973 to ensure the use of sound science in the implementation of that Act, amended (H. Rept. 107–751);

H.R. 2386, to establish terms and conditions for use of certain Federal lands by outfitters and to facilitate public opportunities for the recreational use and enjoyment of such lands (H. Rept. 107–752, Pt. 1);

H.R. 4967, to establish new nonimmigrant classes for border commuter students (H. Rept. 107–753);

H.R. 2155, to amend title 18, United States Code, to make it illegal to operate a motor vehicle with a drug or alcohol in the body of the driver at a land border port of entry, amended (H. Rept. 107–754);

H. Res. 585, providing for consideration of H.J. Res. 123, making further continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 2003 (H. Rept. 107–755); and

H. Res. 586, 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. 107–756);

H. Res. 587, waiving a requirement of clause 6(a) of rule XIII with respect to consideration of certain resolutions reported from the Committee on Rules.

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Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Pence to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. Page H7899

Private Calendar: Agreed to dispense with the call of the Private Calendar. Page H7899

Recess: The House recessed at 12:33 p.m. and reconvened at 2 p.m. Page H7899

Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Per-Pupil Expenditure Requirements: H.R. 5599, to apply guidelines for the determination of per-pupil expenditure requirements for heavily impacted local educational agencies; **Pages H7900–01**

Persian Gulf War POW/MIA Accountability Act: S. 1339, to amend the Bring Them Home Alive Act of 2000 to provide an asylum program with regard to American Persian Gulf War POW/MIAs—clearing the measure for the President;

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Border Commuter Student Act: H.R. 4967, to establish new nonimmigrant classes for border commuter students;

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Our Lady of Peace Act: H.R. 4757, amended, to improve the national instant criminal background check system; and

Pages H7910–17

Armed Forces Domestic Security Act: H.R. 5590, to amend title 10, United States Code, to provide for the enforcement and effectiveness of civilian orders of protection on military installations.

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Suspension—Proceedings Postponed on Sober Borders Act: The House completed debate on the motion to suspend the rules and pass H.R. 2155, amended, to amend title 18, United States Code, to make it illegal to operate a motor vehicle with a drug or alcohol in the body of the driver at a land border port of entry. Further proceedings were postponed until Oct. 16.

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Recess: The House recessed at 4:20 p.m. and reconvened at 6:57 p.m.

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Meeting Hour—Wednesday, Oct. 16: Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at noon on Wednesday, Oct. 16.

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Recess: The House recessed at 6:59 p.m. and reconvened at 10:16 a.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 16.

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Order of Business: Agreed that it be in order at any time on the legislative day of Wednesday, October 16, 2002, for the Speaker to entertain a motion that the House suspend the rules relating to S. 1533, to amend the Public Health Service Act to reauthorize and strengthen the health centers program and the National Health Service Corps, and to establish the Healthy Communities Access Program, which will help coordinate services for the uninsured and underinsured.

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Senate Messages: Messages received from the Senate today appear on pages H7899 and H7927.

Quorum Calls—Votes: No quorum calls or recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today.

Adjournment: The House met at 12:30 p.m. and adjourned at 10:19 a.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 16.

Committee Meetings

FURTHER CONTINUING APPROPRIATIONS FISCAL YEAR 2003

Committee on Rules: Committee granted, by voice vote, a closed rule providing 1 hour of debate in the House on H.J. Res. 123, making further continuing appropriations for 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. The rule provides one motion to recommit. Finally, the rule provides that House Resolutions 550, 551, and 577 are laid on the table. Testimony was heard from Representative Obey.

SAME DAY CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION REPORTED BY COMMITTEE ON RULES—FURTHER CONTINUING APPROPRIATIONS FISCAL YEAR 2003

Committee on Rules: Committee 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 Wednesday, October 16, 2002, providing for the consideration or disposition of a joint resolution making further continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 2003.

SAME DAY CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION REPORTED BY COMMITTEE ON RULES—FURTHER CONTINUING APPROPRIATIONS FISCAL YEAR 2003—ARMED FORCES TAX FAIRNESS ACT

Committee on Rules: Committee 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 Wednesday, October 16, 2002, providing for the consideration or disposition of a joint resolution making further continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 2003. The resolution applies the waiver to any special rule reported on the legislative day of

Wednesday, October 16, 2002, providing for consideration or disposition of Senate amendments to the bill (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 gratuity payments to members of the uniformed services.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, October 10, 2002, p. D1078)

S. 238, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to conduct feasibility studies on water optimization in the Burnt River basin, Malheur River basin, Owyhee River basin, and Powder River Basin, Oregon. Signed on October 11, 2002. (Public Law 107-237)

S. 1175, to modify the boundary of Vicksburg National Military Park to include the property known as Pemberton's Headquarters. Signed on October 11, 2002. (Public Law 107-238)

S. 1325, to ratify an agreement between the Aleut Corporation and the United States of America to exchange land rights received under the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act for certain land interests on Adak Island. Signed on October 11, 2002. (Public Law 107-239)

H.J. Res. 122, making further continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 2003. (Public Law 107-240)

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2002

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Treasury and General Government, to hold hearings to examine

the appropriateness of U.S. companies moving their headquarters to offshore tax havens, 10 a.m., SD-192.

Committee on Armed Services: to hold closed hearings to examine the nomination of Maj. Gen. Robert T. Clark, USA, for appointment to the grade of lieutenant general and to be Commanding General, Fifth United States Army, 2 p.m., SR-222.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Subcommittee on International Trade and Finance, to hold hearings to examine U.S. policy and the role of the international community concerning instability in Latin America, 10 a.m., SD-538.

Committee on Foreign Relations: to hold hearings to examine the current situation in Angola, 10 a.m., SD-419.

Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Collister Johnson, Jr., of Virginia, and John L. Morrison, of Minnesota, each to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Overseas Private Investment Corporation, 2:30 p.m., SD-419.

Select Committee on Intelligence: closed business meeting to consider the nomination of Scott W. Muller, of Maryland, to be General Counsel of the Central Intelligence Agency, 12 noon, S-216, Capitol.

House

Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on Immigration, Border Security, and Claims, oversight hearing on "The United States and Canada Safe Third Country Agreement," 2 p.m., 2237 Rayburn.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs, hearing to review the Department of Veterans Affairs report on the National Cemetery system, 1 p.m., 334 Cannon.

Joint Meetings

Conference: meeting of conferees on H.R. 4546, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2003 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe personnel strengths for such fiscal year for the Armed Forces, 5 p.m., S-207, Capitol.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

10:40 a.m., Wednesday, October 16

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

12 noon, Wednesday, October 16

Senate Chamber

Program for Wednesday: After the transaction of any morning business (not to extend beyond 11:40 a.m.), Senate will continue consideration of the conference report on H.R. 3295, Election Reform, with a vote on the adoption of the conference report to occur at 12 noon.

At 2:15 p.m., Senate will consider the conference report on H.R. 5010, Department of Defense Appropriations Act, with a vote to occur on the adoption of the conference report.

(Senate will recess from 12:30 p.m. until 2:15 p.m., for their respective party conferences.)

House Chamber

Program for Wednesday: Consideration of H.J. Res. 123, making further continuing appropriations (closed rule, one hour of debate).



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