

# Daily Digest

## HIGHLIGHTS

- Senate agreed to the conference report on H.R. 3295, Help America Vote Act.
- Senate agreed to the conference report on H.R. 5010, Department of Defense Appropriations Act.
- The House and Senate passed H.J. Res. 123, making further continuing appropriations for FY 2003.

## Senate

### Chamber Action

*Routine Proceedings, pages S10483–S10601*

**Measures Introduced:** Thirteen bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 3114–3126, and S. Res. 342–344. **Pages S10571–72**

#### Measures Reported:

S. 486, to reduce the risk that innocent persons may be executed, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 107–315)

S. 1850, to amend the Solid Waste Disposal Act to bring underground storage tanks into compliance with subtitle I of that Act, to promote cleanup of leaking underground storage tanks, to provide sufficient resources for such compliance and cleanup, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 107–316)

S. 2817, to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006, and 2007 for the National Science Foundation, with an amendment. (S. Rept. No. 107–317)

S. 630, to prohibit senders of unsolicited commercial electronic mail from disguising the source of their messages, to give consumers the choice to cease receiving a sender's unsolicited commercial electronic mail messages, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 107–318)

H.R. 2733, to authorize the National Institute of Standards and Technology to work with major manufacturing industries on an initiative of standards development and implementation for electronic enterprise integration. (S. Rept. No. 107–319)

S. 2644, to amend chapter 35 of title 31, United States Code, to expand the types of Federal agencies that are required to prepare audited financial state-

ments, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Page S10570**

#### Measures Passed:

**Commemorating Stephen E. Ambrose:** Senate agreed to S. Res. 342, commemorating the life and work of Stephen E. Ambrose. **Pages S10549–53**

**Reporting of Appropriation Bills:** Senate agreed to S. Res. 304, encouraging the Senate Committee on Appropriations to report thirteen, fiscally responsible, bipartisan appropriations bills to the Senate not later than July 31, 2002, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto:

**Pages S10527–31, S10553**

Conrad Modified Amendment No. 4886, in the nature of a substitute. **Pages S10528–31, S10553**

**Continuing Appropriations:** Senate passed H.J. Res. 123, making further continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 2003, clearing the measure for the President. **Pages S10557–59, S10593**

**Consumer Product Protection Act:** Senate passed H.R. 2621, to amend title 18, United States Code, with respect to consumer product protection, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto:

**Pages S10593–94**

Reid (for Kohl) Amendment No. 4888, in the nature of a substitute. **Page S10594**

**Product Packaging Protection Act:** Senate passed S. 1233, to provide penalties for certain unauthorized writing with respect to consumer products, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, and the following amendment proposed thereto: **Page S10594**

Reid (for Kohl) Amendment No. 4889, in the nature of a substitute. **Page S10594**

**Peace Corps for the 21st Century Act:** Senate passed S. 2667, to amend the Peace Corps Act to promote global acceptance of the principles of international peace and nonviolent coexistence among peoples of diverse cultures and systems of government, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Pages S10594–98**

**Border Commuter Student Act:** Senate passed H.R. 4967, to establish new nonimmigrant classes for border commuter students, clearing the measure for the President. **Page S10598**

**Senate Legal Representation:** Senate agreed to S. Res. 343, to authorize representation by the Senate Legal Counsel in *Newdow v. Eagen, et al.*

**Pages S10598–99**

**Senate Legal Representation:** Senate agreed to S. Res. 344, to authorize representation by the Senate Legal Counsel in *Manshardt v. Federal Judicial Qualifications Committee, et al.* **Pages S10599**

**Cyber Security Research and Development Act:** Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 3394, to authorize funding for computer and network security research and development and research fellowship programs, and the bill was then passed, after striking all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the text of S. 2182, Senate companion measure, after withdrawing the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, and agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto: **Pages S10599–S10601**

Reid (for Wyden/Allen) Amendment No. 4890, in the nature of a substitute. **Page S10601**

Subsequently, S. 2182 was returned to the Senate calendar. **Page S10601**

**Inland Flood Forecasting and Warning System Act:** Senate passed H.R. 2486, to authorize the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, through the United States Weather Research Program, to conduct research and development, training, and outreach activities relating to inland flood forecasting improvement, clearing the measure for the President. **Page S10601**

**Black Lung Consolidation of Administrative Responsibility Act:** Senate passed H.R. 5542, to consolidate all black lung benefit responsibility under a single official, clearing the measure for the President. **Page S10601**

**Help America Vote Act—Conference Report:** By 92 yeas to 2 nays (Vote No. 238), Senate agreed to the conference report on H.R. 3295, to require States and localities to meet uniform and non-discriminatory 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, clearing the measure for the President. **Pages S10488–S10516**

**Defense Appropriations—Conference Report:** By 93 yeas to 1 nay (Vote No. 239), Senate agreed to the conference report on H.R. 5010, making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2003, clearing the measure for the President. **Pages S10516–24**

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

Transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the continuation of the national emergency with the respect to the significant narcotics traffickers centered in Columbia; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. (PM–116) **Page S10568**

Transmitting, pursuant to law, the periodic report on the national emergency with respect to significant narcotics traffickers centered in Columbia that was declared in Executive Order 12978 of October 21, 1995; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. (PM–117) **Page S10568**

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

Blanquita Walsh Cullum, of Virginia, to be a Member of the Broadcasting Board of Governors for a term expiring August 13, 2005.

Feliciano Foyo, of Florida, to be a Member of the Advisory Board for Cuba Broadcasting for a term expiring August 12, 2004.

Mary Carlin Yates, of Oregon, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Ghana.

19 Air Force nominations in the rank of general.

30 Army nominations in the rank of general.

Routine lists in the Air Force, Navy. **Page S10601**

**Messages From the House:** **Pages S10568–69**

**Petitions and Memorials:** **Pages S10569–70**

**Executive Reports of Committees:** **Pages S10570–71**

**Additional Cosponsors:** **Pages S10572–73**

**Statements on Introduced Bills/Resolutions:** **Pages S10573–88**

**Additional Statements:** **Pages S10566–68**

**Amendments Submitted:** **Pages S10588–93**

**Authority for Committees to Meet:** **Page S10593**

**Record Votes:** Two record votes were taken today. (Total—239) **Pages S10515, S10523–24**

**Adjournment:** Senate met at 10:40 a.m., and adjourned at 9:04 p.m., until 11 a.m., on Thursday,

October 17, 2002. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S10601).

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

### CORPORATE INVERSION

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Treasury and General Government concluded hearings to examine the appropriateness of U.S. companies re-incorporating into offshore tax havens (corporate inversion), and the implications of these transactions on U.S. tax policy and the U.S. economy, after receiving testimony from Pamela Olson, Assistant Secretary of the Treasury for Tax Policy; Connecticut Attorney General Richard Blumenthal, Hartford; Martin A. Regalia, U.S. Chamber of Commerce, Robert S. McIntyre, Citizens for Tax Justice, and William G. Gale, Brookings Institution, all of Washington, D.C.; and Reuven S. Avi-Yonah, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor.

### NOMINATIONS

*Committee on Armed Services:* Committee ordered favorably reported the nomination of Otis Webb Brawley, Jr., of Georgia, to be a Member of the Board of Regents of the Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences, Department of Defense, and 331 military nominations in the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, and Air Force.

### NOMINATION

*Committee on Armed Services:* Committee concluded 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, after the nominee testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

### LATIN AMERICA

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* Subcommittee on International Trade and Finance concluded hearings to examine U.S. policy and the role of the international financial community concerning economic instability in Latin America, prospects for economic and productivity growth, and the International Monetary Fund, after receiving testimony from John B. Taylor, Under Secretary of the Treasury for International Affairs; Daniel K. Tarullo, Georgetown University Law Center, Michael Mussa, Institute for International Economics, Scott A. Otteman, National Association of Manufacturers, all of Washington, D.C.

### ANGOLA

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* Committee held hearings to examine U.S. policy options in Angola, focusing on humanitarian needs and improving governance, receiving testimony from Walter H. Kansteiner III, Assistant Secretary of State for African Affairs; Morten Rostrup, Medecins Sans Frontieres, Brussels, Belgium; and David J. Kramer, Baird Holm, Omaha, Nebraska.

Hearings recessed subject to call.

### NOMINATIONS

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* Committee concluded hearings on 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, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

### NOMINATION

*Select Committee on Intelligence:* Committee ordered favorably reported the nomination of Scott W. Muller, of Maryland, to be General Counsel of the Central Intelligence Agency.