

# Daily Digest

## HIGHLIGHTS

Senate confirmed the nomination of John W. Snow, of Virginia, to be Secretary of the Treasury.

## Senate

### Chamber Action

*Routine Proceedings, pages S1759–S1844*

**Measures Introduced:** Twenty-five bills and six resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 248–272, and S. Res. 35–40. **Pages S1812–13**

#### Measures Reported:

S. Res. 35, authorizing expenditures by the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

S. Res. 36, authorizing expenditures by the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

S. Res. 37, authorizing expenditures by the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

S. Res. 38, authorizing expenditures by the Special Committee on Aging.

S. Res. 39, authorizing expenditures by the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

S. 151, to amend title 18, United States Code, with respect to the sexual exploitation of children, with amendments.

S. 153, to amend title 18, United States Code, to establish penalties for aggravated identity theft.

S. 205, to authorize the issuance of immigrant visas to, and the admission to the United States for permanent residence of, certain scientists, engineers, and technicians who have worked in Iraqi weapons of mass destruction programs. **Page S1811**

#### Measures Passed:

**Judicial Salary Adjustments:** Senate passed H.R. 16, to authorize salary adjustments for Justices and judges of the United States for fiscal year 2003, clearing the measure for the President. **Page S1842**

**Judiciary Salary Adjustments:** Committee on Governmental Affairs was discharged from further consideration of S. 101, to authorize salary adjustments for Justices and judges of the United States for fiscal year 2003, and the bill was then passed. **Pages S1842–43**

**Nomination—Agreement:** A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for consideration of the nomination of Miguel A. Estrada, of Virginia, to be United States Circuit Judge for the District of Columbia Circuit, at 10 a.m., on Tuesday, February 4, 2002. **Page S1842**

#### Appointments:

**Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe (Helsinki):** The Chair, on behalf of the Vice President, pursuant to Public Law 94–304, as amended by Public Law 99–7, appointed Senator Campbell as Co-Chairman of the Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe (Helsinki) during the 108th Congress. **Page S1843**

**Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe:** The Chair, on behalf of the Vice President, pursuant to Public Law 94–304, as amended by Public Law 99–7, appointed Senators Dodd, Graham (FL), Feingold, and Clinton to the Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe during the 108th Congress. **Page S1843**

**Benjamin Franklin Tercentenary Commission:** The Chair, on behalf of the Vice President, pursuant to provisions of Public Law 107–202, announced the appointment of the following individuals as members of the Benjamin Franklin Tercentenary Commission: Senator Specter and Dr. Dennis Wint of Pennsylvania. **Page S1843**

**Congressional-Executive Commission on the People's Republic of China:** The Chair, on behalf of the President of the Senate, and after consultation with the Democratic Leader, pursuant to Public Law 106–286, appointed the following Members to serve on the Congressional-Executive Commission on the People's Republic of China: Senators Baucus, Levin, Feinstein, and Dorgan. **Page S1843**

**Reading of Washington's Farewell Address:** A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that, notwithstanding the Resolution of the Senate of

January 24, 1901, that on Monday, February 24, 2003, immediately following the prayer, the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag, and the disposition of the Journal, the traditional reading of Washington's Farewell Address take place. **Page S1843**

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

Transmitting, pursuant to law, a periodic report on the national emergency with respect to Iraq; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. (PM-4) **Page S1808**

Transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on the intent to enter into a Free Trade Agreement (FTA) with the Government of Singapore; to the Committee on Finance. (PM-5) **Pages S1808-09**

Transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on the intent to enter into a Free Trade Agreement (FTA) with the Government of Chile; to the Committee on Finance. (PM-6) **Page S1809**

Transmitting pursuant to law, Presidential Determination No. 2002-30, relative to the Air Force's operating location near Groom Lake, Nevada; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works. (PM-7) **Pages S1809-10**

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

By unanimous vote of 99 yeas (Vote No. EX. 29), Gordon England, of Texas, to be Deputy Secretary of Homeland Security. (Prior to this action, Committee on Governmental Affairs was discharged from further consideration.) **Pages S1785-88, S1812, S1843-44**

John W. Snow, of Virginia, to be Secretary of the Treasury.

2 Air Force nominations in the rank of general.

1 Army nomination in the rank of general.

1 Navy nomination in the rank of admiral.

Routine lists in the Air Force, Army, Marine Corps, Navy. **Pages S1839-S42, S1843-44**

**Measures Placed on Calendar:** **Page S1810**

**Executive Communications:** **Pages S1810-11**

**Executive Reports of Committees:** **Pages S1811-12**

**Additional Cosponsors:** **Pages S1813-14**

**Statements on Introduced Bills/Resolutions:**  
**Pages S1814-39**

**Additional Statements:** **Pages S1806-08**

**Authority for Committees to Meet:** **Page S1839**

**Record Votes:** One record vote was taken today. (Total—29) **Page S1787**

**Adjournment:** Senate met at 11 a.m., and adjourned at 8:47 p.m., until 10 a.m., on Monday, February 3, 2003, for a pro forma session. (For Senate's program,

see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S1843.)

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

### MEDICARE REIMBURSEMENT

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education concluded hearings to examine Medicare reimbursement for physicians and hospitals, after receiving testimony from Thomas A. Scully, Administrator, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services; Loren H. Roth, University of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, on behalf of Medical Services UPMC Health System; Jitendra M. Desai and Denis Olmstead, both of the Pennsylvania Medical Society, Harrisburg; Richard A. Anderson, St. Luke's Hospital and Health Network, Inc., Bethlehem, Pennsylvania; Eric W. Blomain, Northeastern Pennsylvania Plastic Surgical Society, Dunmore; Richard E. D'Alberto, J.C. Blair Memorial Hospital, Huntingdon, Pennsylvania; Jay Kleiman, Northwestern University Medical School, Evanston, Illinois, on behalf of the American College of Cardiology and the Alliance of Specialty Medicine; J. Kirk Norris, Iowa Hospital Association, Des Moines; and Richard F. Pops, Alkermes, Inc., Cambridge, Massachusetts, on behalf of the Biotechnology Industry Organization.

### NOMINATIONS

*Committee on Armed Services:* Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of Paul McHale, of Pennsylvania, to be an Assistant Secretary of Defense for Homeland Security, and Christopher Ryan Henry, of Virginia, to be Deputy Under Secretary of Defense for Policy, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf. Mr. McHale was introduced by Senator Specter, and Mr. Henry was introduced by Senator Reid.

### BUSINESS MEETING

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* Committee met and adopted its rules of procedure for the 108th Congress, and ordered favorably reported an original resolution (S. Res. 35) authorizing expenditures by the Committee.

### ECONOMIC OUTLOOK

*Committee on the Budget:* Committee concluded hearings to examine the budget and current economic outlook for fiscal years 2003 through 2013, after receiving testimony from Barry B. Anderson, Acting Director, Congressional Budget Office.

**BUSINESS MEETING**

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* Committee met and ordered favorably reported an original resolution (S. Res. 37) authorizing expenditures by the Committee.

**MEDIA OWNERSHIP**

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* Committee held hearings to examine media ownership, focusing on the current state of and consolidation in the radio industry, after receiving testimony from Senator Feingold; Representative Berman; L. Lowry Mays, Clear Channel Communications, Inc., San Antonio, Texas; Edward O. Fritts, National Association of Broadcasters, and Jenny Toomey, Future of Music Coalition, both of Washington, D.C.; Don Henley, Santa Monica, California, on behalf of the Recording Artists' Coalition; and Robert Short, Jr., Short Broadcasting Co., Inc., Jamesville, New York.

**BUSINESS MEETING**

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* Committee ordered favorably reported an original resolution (S. Res. 36) authorizing expenditures by the Committee.

**BORDER SECURITY**

*Committee on Finance:* Committee held hearings to examine the status of United States border security focusing on weaknesses in screening entrants into the country, and efforts to combat terrorism, receiving testimony from Robert J. Cramer, Managing Director, Office of Special Investigations, General Accounting Office; Johnny N. Williams, Executive Associate Commissioner for Field Operations, Immigration and Naturalization Service, Department of Justice; Robert W. Jacksta, Executive Director, Border Security and Facilitation, Customs Service, Department of the Treasury; Earl E. Devaney, Inspector General, and Donald W. Murphy, Deputy Director, National Park Service, both of the Department of the Interior; and Daniel Wirth, Federal Law Enforcement Officers Association, Tucson, Arizona.

Hearings recessed subject to the call.

**NOMINATIONS**

*Committee on Finance:* Committee ordered favorably reported the nomination of John W. Snow, of Virginia, to be Secretary of the Treasury.

**UNITED NATIONS INSPECTIONS**

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* Committee concluded hearings to examine the January 27 United Nations Monitoring, Verification and Inspection Commission (UNMOVIC) and the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) Reports to the United Nations Security Council on inspections in Iraq, after receiving testimony Richard L. Armitage, Deputy Secretary of

State; and John D. Negroponte, United States Permanent Representative to the United Nations.

**BUSINESS MEETING**

*Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:* Committee ordered favorably reported an original resolution (S. Res. 39) authorizing expenditures by the Committee.

**SMALLPOX VACCINATION PLAN**

*Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:* Committee held hearings to examine the Federal role and its implementation of a national smallpox vaccination program, focusing on prevention and preparedness strategies, receiving testimony from Julie L. Gerberding, Director, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, and Anthony S. Fauci, Director, National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases, National Institutes of Health, both of the Department of Health and Human Services; William J. Bicknell, Boston University School of Public Health, Boston, Massachusetts; William Schuler, Portsmouth Regional Hospital, Portsmouth, New Hampshire, on behalf of the Federation of American Hospitals; Jon Abramson, Brenner Children's Hospital, Wake Forest University, Winston Salem, North Carolina, on behalf of the American Academy of Pediatrics; Martha Baker, Jackson Memorial Hospital, Miami, Florida, on behalf of the Service Employees International Union, AFL-CIO; and Kim C. Bush, Baxter BioScience Vaccines, Columbia, Maryland, on behalf of the Baxter Healthcare Corporation.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

**BUSINESS MEETING**

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

The nomination of Miguel A. Estrada, to be United States Circuit Judge for the District of Columbia Circuit;

S. 151, to amend title 18, United States Code, with respect to the sexual exploitation of children, with amendments;

S. 153, to amend title 18, United States Code, to establish penalties for aggravated identity theft; and

S. 205, to authorize the issuance of immigrant visas to, and the admission to the United States for permanent residence of, certain scientists, engineers, and technicians who have worked in Iraqi weapons of mass destruction programs.

**BUSINESS MEETING**

*Special Committee on Aging:* Committee adopted its rules of procedure for the 108th Congress, and ordered favorably reported an original resolution (S. Res. 38) authorizing expenditures by the Committee.

# House of Representatives

## Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. It will meet on Friday at 10 a.m. in pro forma session.

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## Committee Meetings

No Committee meetings were held.

## Joint Meetings

### ECONOMIC GROWTH

*Joint Economic Committee:* Committee concluded hearings to examine the Administration's growth and job plans to boost the economy and business investment, after receiving testimony from R. Glenn Hubbard, Chairman, Council of Economic Advisers.

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### COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY, JANUARY 31, 2003

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

#### Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

#### House

No Committee meetings are scheduled.

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### CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of February 3 through February 8, 2003

#### Senate Chamber

On *Monday*, Senate will meet for a pro forma session.

On *Tuesday*, At 10 a.m., Senate will consider the nomination of Miguel A. Estrada, of Virginia, to be United States Circuit Judge for the District of Columbia Circuit.

During the balance of the week, Senate may consider any cleared legislative and executive business.

#### Senate Committees

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

*Committee on Armed Services:* February 6, to hold hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 2004 for the Department of Defense, and the Future Years Defense Program, 9:30 a.m., SH-216.

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* February 5, to hold hearings to examine the nomination of William H. Donaldson, of New York, to be a Member of the Securities and Exchange Commission, 10 a.m., SD-538.

*Committee on the Budget:* February 4, to hold hearings to examine the President's Fiscal Year 2004 Budget, 2:30 p.m., SD-608.

February 5, Full Committee, to continue hearings to examine the President's Fiscal Year 2004 Budget Proposal, 10 a.m., SD-608.

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* February 4, to hold hearings to examine the Federal Communications Commission's Spectrum Policy Task Force Report and major spectrum issues facing policy makers, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* February 5, business meeting to consider pending calendar business, 10 a.m., SD-366.

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* February 4, to hold hearings to examine Weapons of Mass Destruction Developments on the Korean Peninsula, 9:30 a.m., SH-216.

February 5, Full Committee, organizational business meeting to consider and original resolution authorizing certain expenditures for committee operations, to be followed by a business meeting HIV/AIDS and the Moscow Treaty, 9 a.m., SD-419.

February 6, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine certain policy issues, 9:30 a.m., SD-419.

*Committee on the Judiciary:* February 5, to hold hearings to examine judicial nominations, 9:30 a.m., SD-226.

*Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship:* February 5, to hold hearings to examine possible solutions to the small business health care crisis, 10 a.m., SR-428A.

*Special Committee on Aging:* February 4, to hold hearings to examine tax fairness, focusing on double taxations effect on the elderly, 10 a.m., SD-628.

#### House Chamber

To be announced.

#### House Committees

*Committee on Armed Services,* February 5, to meet for organizational purposes, 12:30 p.m., and to hold a hearing on the Fiscal Year 2004 Defense Budget, 2 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

*Committee on the Budget,* February 4, hearing on the President's Budget for Fiscal Year 2004, 10 a.m., 210 Cannon.

February 5, hearing on the Department of the Treasury Budget Priorities Fiscal Year 2004, 10 a.m., 210 Cannon.

*Committee on Education and the Workforce,* February 5, to meet for organizational purposes, 4:30 p.m., 2175 Rayburn.

*Committee on Energy and Commerce,* February 5, Subcommittee on Telecommunications and the Internet, hearing entitled "Health of the Telecommunications Sector: A Perspective from Investors and Economists," 1 p.m., 2123 Rayburn.

*Committee on House Administration,* February 5, to meet for organizational purposes, 4:30 p.m., 1310 Longworth.

*Committee on International Relations,* February 6, to meet for organizational purposes, 11 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

*Committee on the Judiciary*, February 6, to meet for organizational purposes, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs*, February 5, hearing on the State of Veterans' Employment, 2 p.m., 334 Cannon.

*Committee on Ways and Means*, February 4, 5 and 6, hearings on the President's Fiscal Year 2004 budget pro-

posals, 2 p.m., on February 4 and 5 and 10 a.m., on February 6, 1100 Longworth.

*Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence*, February 5, executive, to meet for organizational purposes, 2:30 p.m., H-405 Capitol.

*Next Meeting of the SENATE*

10 a.m., Monday, February 3

*Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES*

10 a.m., Friday, January 31

Senate Chamber

House Chamber

**Program for Monday:** Senate will meet for a pro forma session.

**Program for Friday:** Pro forma session.



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