

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S3559–S3647

Measures Introduced: Nine bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 601–609, S. Res. 81–82, and S. Con. Res. 19. **Page S3620**

Measures Passed:

National Correctional Officers and Employees Week: Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 24, designating the week beginning May 4, 2003, as “National Correctional Officers and Employees Week”, and the resolution was then agreed to. **Page S3642**

National Civilian Conservation Corps Day: Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 46, designating March 31, 2003, as “National Civilian Conservation Corps Day”, and the resolution was then agreed to. **Page S3642**

National Safe Place Week: Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 70, designating the week beginning March 16, 2003, as “National Safe Place Week”, and the resolution was then agreed to. **Pages S3642–43**

Greek Independence Day: Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 78, designating March 25, 2003, as “Greek Independence Day: A National Day of Celebration of Greek and American Democracy”, and the resolution was then agreed to. **Page S3643**

National Girl Scout Week: Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 79, designating the week of March 9 through March 15, 2003, as “National Girl Scout Week”, and the resolution was then agreed to. **Page S3643**

Partial Birth Abortion Ban: Senate continued consideration of S. 3, to prohibit the procedure commonly known as partial-birth abortion, taking action on the following amendments and motion:

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Adopted:

By 52 yeas to 46 nays (Voted No. 48) Harkin Amendment No. 260, to express the sense of the

Senate concerning the decision of the Supreme Court in *Roe v. Wade*. **Pages S3581–S3600**

Rejected:

Durbin Modified Amendment No. 259, in the nature of a substitute. (By 60 yeas to 38 nays (Vote No. 46), Senate tabled the amendment.)

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By 42 yeas to 56 nays (Vote No. 47), Boxer Motion To Commit the bill to the Committee on the Judiciary, with instructions. **Pages S3579–80**

By 35 yeas to 60 nays (Vote No. 49), Feinstein Amendment No. 261, in the nature of a substitute.

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A unanimous-consent-time agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill at 9:30 a.m., on Thursday, March 13, 2003, with a vote on final passage to occur thereon. **Page S3644**

Nomination—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing a vote on the confirmation of the nomination of Thomas A. Varlan, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Tennessee, on Thursday, March 13, 2003, following the vote on final passage of S. 3 (listed above); following which, Senate proceed to a period of morning business until 11:30 a.m. **Page S3644**

Nomination—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the nomination of Miguel A. Estrada, of Virginia, to be United States Circuit Judge for the District of Columbia Circuit, at 11:30 a.m., on Thursday, March 13, 2003, with a vote on the motion to invoke cloture to occur at 12:30 p.m.

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Nominations—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that, following the vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the nomination of Miguel A. Estrada (listed above) on Thursday, March 13, 2003, Senate will consider the nomination of Jay S. Bybee, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit, with 6 hours of debate, followed by a vote on confirmation of the nomination; to be immediately followed by a vote on the confirmation of the nomination of William H. Steele, to be United States District Judge for the

Southern District of Alabama; to be immediately followed by a vote on the confirmation of the nomination of J. Daniel Breen, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Tennessee.

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Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

By unanimous vote of 91 yeas (Vote No. Ex. 50), William D. Quarles, Jr., of Maryland, to be United States District Judge for the District of Maryland.

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

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Record Vote: Five record votes were taken today. (Total—50) Pages S3579, S3580, S3600, S3611, S3614

Adjournment: Senate met at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 8:28 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Thursday, March 13, 2003. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S3644.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

APPROPRIATIONS: INTELLIGENCE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Defense concluded closed hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2004 for intelligence programs, and to discuss worldwide threats, after receiving testimony from George Tenet, Director of Central Intelligence.

APPROPRIATIONS: DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA COURTS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on District of Columbia concluded hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2004 for the District of Columbia Courts, Court Services, and Offender

Supervision Agency focusing on fair, swift, and accessible justice, enhancing public safety, and the justice system, after receiving testimony from Annice M. Wagner, Chief Judge, District of Columbia Court of Appeals, on behalf of the District of Columbia Joint Committee on Judicial Administration; Rufus G. King III, Chief Judge, and Lee Satterfield, Presiding Judge, Family Court, both of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia; Paul A. Quander, Jr., Director, Court Services and Offender Supervision Agency for the District of Columbia; and Ronald S. Sullivan, Jr., Director, Public Defender Service for the District of Columbia.

APPROPRIATIONS: DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development concluded hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2004 for the Department of Energy Office of Energy and Efficiency and Renewable Energy, Office of Science, and the Office of Nuclear Energy, Science and Technology, after receiving testimony from David K. Garman, Assistant Secretary for Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, Raymond L. Orbach, Director of the Office of Science, and William D. Magwood, IV, Director of the Office of Nuclear Energy, Science and Technology, all of the Department of Energy.

DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Strategic Forces concluded hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for the Department of Defense for fiscal year 2004, focusing on national security space programs and management, warfighting, national intelligence and defense priorities including strategic forces, after receiving testimony from Peter B. Teets, Under Secretary of the Air Force, and Director, National Reconnaissance Office; Admiral James O. Ellis, Jr., USN, Commander, United States Strategic Command; General Lance W. Lord, USAF, Commander, Air Force Space Command; Lieutenant General Joseph M. Cosumano, Jr., USA, Commanding General, U.S. Army Space and Missile Defense Command and U.S. Army Space Command; and Vice Admiral Richard W. Mayo, USN, Commander, Naval Network Warfare Command.

DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Airland concluded hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for the Department of Defense for fiscal year 2004 and the Future Years Defense Program, focusing on Army transformation, after receiving testimony from Les Brownlee, Under Secretary of the