

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed H.R. 2, Jobs and Growth Reconciliation Tax Act.

Senate passed H.R. 1298, United States Leadership Against HIV/AIDS, Tuberculosis, and Malaria Act.

The House passed H.R. 1527, National Transportation Safety Board Re-authorization.

House committees ordered recorded nine sundry measures.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S6407–S6569

Measures Introduced: Seven bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 1068–1074, and S. Res. 144. **Pages S6506–07**

Measures Reported:

S. 521, to amend the Act of August 9, 1955, to extend the terms of leases of certain restricted Indian land, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. no. 108–48) **Page S6506**

S. 523, to make technical corrections to law relating to Native Americans, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 108–49) **Page S6506**

Measures Passed:

Jobs and Growth Reconciliation Tax Act: By 51 yeas to 49 nays (Vote No. 179), Senate passed H.R. 2, to provide for reconciliation pursuant to section 201 of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2004, after striking all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof, the text of S. 1054, as amended, after taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto:

Pages S6407–15, S6421–28, S6429–45, S6451–75

Adopted:

By 98 yeas to 2 nays (Vote No. 148), Bunning/McConnell Amendment No. 589, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to repeal the 1993 income tax increase on Social Security benefits. **Page S6408**

Baucus Amendment No. 624 (to Amendment No. 555), to increase the criminal penalties for fraud and false statements. **Page S6409**

Grassley Amendment No. 555, to increase the criminal monetary penalty the underpayment or overpayment of tax due to fraud. **Page S6409**

By 70 yeas to 30 nays (Vote No. 150), Specter Amendment No. 569, to urge the Senate Finance Committee and the Joint Economic Committee to hold hearings and consider legislation providing for a flat tax. **Pages S6409–10**

By 86 yeas to 12 nays, (Vote No. 156) Grassley Amendment No. 594, to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to enhance beneficiary access to quality health care services in rural areas under the Medicare program. **Pages S6413–14**

By 95 yeas to 3 nays, (Vote No. 157) Collins Amendment No. 596, to provide temporary State and local fiscal relief. **Page S6414**

Voinovich Modified Amendment No. 592, to establish a blue ribbon commission on comprehensive tax reform. **Page S4622**

Ensign Modified Amendment No. 622, to encourage the investment of foreign earnings within the United States for productive business investments and job creation. **Pages S6426–28**

By 50 yeas to 50 nays, Vice President voting yea (Vote No. 171), Nickles Amendment No. 664, to modify the dividend exclusion provision. **Pages S6532–35**

Boxer Amendment No. 667, to require a parent who is chronically delinquent in child support to include the amount of the unpaid obligation in gross income. **Pages S6435–37**

Reed Amendment No. 672, to preserve the value of the low-income housing tax credit. **Page S6438**

Grassley (for Burns/Rockefeller) Amendment No. 593, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986

to allow the expensing of broadband Internet access expenditures. **Page S6451**

Baucus (for Bunning) Amendment No. 646, to allow a credit for distilled spirits wholesalers and for distilled spirits in control State bailment warehouses against income tax for the cost of carrying Federal excise taxes prior to the sale of the product bearing the tax. **Pages S6454–55**

Grassley (for Santorum) Amendment No. 613, to clarify that water and sewerage service laterals qualify as contribution in aid of construction. **Page S6452**

Baucus/Grassley Modified Amendment No. 644, to extend certain expiring provisions. **Page S6454**

Baucus (for Reid /Graham (SC)) Amendment No. 665, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to restore the deduction for the travel expenses of a taxpayer's spouse who accompanies the taxpayer on business travel. **Page S6456**

Baucus (for Inouye) Amendment No. 657, to exempt certain sightseeing flights from taxes on air transportation. **Page S6456**

Baucus (for Biden) Amendment No. 567, to require group health plans to provide coverage for reconstructive surgery following mastectomy, consistent with the Women's Health and Cancer Rights Act of 1998. **Page S6451**

Baucus (for Schumer) Amendment No. 651, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow for the expansion of areas designated as renewal communities based on 2000 census data. **Page S6455**

Baucus (for Landrieu) Amendment No. 580, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow employers in renewal communities to qualify for the renewal community employment credit by employing residents of certain other renewal communities. **Page S6451**

Grassley (for Allen) Amendment No. 571, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to expand the combat zone income tax exclusion to include income for the period of transit to the combat zone and to remove the limitation on such exclusion for commissioned officers. **Page S6451**

Grassley (for McCain/Baucus) Amendment No. 661, to add provisions of the Armed Forces Tax Fairness Act of 2003. **Pages S6549–51**

Baucus (for Graham (FL)) Amendment No. 649, to provide tax relief to growers affected by citrus canker. **Page S6455**

Baucus (for Bingaman) Amendment No. 654, to amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to temporarily increase the floor for treatment as an extremely low DSH State and to provide for an allotment adjustment for certain States. **Pages S6462–63**

Grassley (for Hatch) Amendment No. 626, to amend the Internal Revenue Code to simplify certain provisions applicable to real estate investment trusts. **Page S6454**

Grassley (for Hatch) Amendment No. 625, to provide for S corporation reform and simplification. **Page S6452**

Grassley (for Hatch) Amendment No. 627, to exclude certain punitive damages received by the taxpayer from gross income. **Page S6454**

Grassley (for DeWine) Amendment No. 673, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for the treatment of certain imported recycled halons. **Page S6456**

Baucus (for Schumer) Modified Amendment No. 659, to modify the involuntary conversion rules for businesses affected by the September 11, 2001, terrorist attacks. **Page S6456**

Grassley/Baucus Amendment No. 680, to provide an amendment. **Page S6456**

Rejected:

By 49 yeas to 51 nays (Vote No. 172), Breaux Amendment No. 663, to strike section 350 relative to the repeal of the earned income exclusion of citizens or residents living abroad. **Pages S6434–35**

By 48 yeas to 52 nays (Vote No. 173), Kennedy Amendment No. 545, to eliminate the dividend and upper bracket tax cuts, which primarily benefit the wealthy, to provide the additional funds necessary for an adequate Medicare prescription drug benefit, including assuring that the benefit is comprehensive, with no gaps or excessive cost-sharing, covers all Medicare beneficiaries, provides special help for beneficiaries with low income, and does not undermine employer retirement coverage. **Pages S6437–38**

By 49 yeas to 50 nays (Vote No. 174), Dodd Amendment No. 572, to improve access to higher education for middle-income families by making resources available to expand the Hope and Lifetime Learning Scholarship Credits and for lower-income families by making resources available to increase the maximum Pell Grant to \$4500 and to provide an equal amount for deficit reduction by eliminating the 10 percent dividend tax exclusion for amounts above \$500 and eliminating acceleration of the 38.6 percent income tax rate reduction. **Page S6438**

Hollings/Chafee Amendment No. 607, to promote fiscal responsibility. **Pages S6438–39**

Reid (for Dorgan) Amendment No. 668, to provide for deficit reduction. **Page S6439**

Durbin Amendment No. 669, to provide health care coverage for qualified caregivers. **Page S6439**

Rockefeller Modified Amendment No. 618, to expand the incentives for the construction and renovation of public schools. **Pages S6439–40**

Dayton Amendment No. 616, to amend the Congressional Budget and Impoundment Control Act of 1974 to limit the phase-in of revenue-reducing measures to 1 year. **Page S6440**

Dorgan Amendment No. 666, to strike the section relating to qualified tax collection contracts. **Pages S6463–75**

Withdrawn:

Harkin Amendment No. 595, to help rural health care providers and hospitals receive a fair reimbursement for services under Medicare by reducing tax cuts regarding dividends. **Page S6414**

Warner Modified Amendment No. 550, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to increase the above-the-line deduction for teacher classroom supplies and to expand such deduction to include qualified professional development expenses. **Pages S6423–24**

Landrieu Amendment No. 621, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow employers in renewal communities to qualify for the renewal community employment credit by employing residents of certain other renewal communities. **Page S6426**

Baucus (for McCain) Amendment No. 612, to add the provisions of the Armed Forces Tax Fairness Act of 2003. **Page S6429**

Burns Amendment No. 593, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow the expensing of broadband Internet access expenditures. **Page S6429**

Santorum Amendment No. 670, to provide a dividend exclusion which eliminates the double taxation of corporate dividends. **Page S6440**

Santorum Amendment No. 648, to clarify the treatment of net operating loss in calculating tax attributes under section 108 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986. **Pages S6442–43**

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

By 49 yeas to 51 nays (Vote No. 149), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, not having voted in the affirmative, Senate rejected the motion to waive section 305(b)(2) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, with respect to Dorgan/Baucus Amendment No. 556, to repeal the 1993 income tax increase on Social Security benefits and to offset the revenue loss. Subsequently, the point of order that the amendment was in violation of section 305(b)(2) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, relative to germaneness, was sustained, and the amendment thus falls. **Pages S6408–09**

By 47 yeas to 53 nays (Vote No. 151), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, not having voted in the affirmative, Senate rejected the motion to waive section 302(f) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, with respect to Baucus Amendment No. 570, to ensure that the limit on refundability

shall not apply to the additional \$400 child credit for 2003, to make the dividend exclusion effective for taxable years beginning in 2003, and to eliminate the increase in the dividend exclusion from 10 percent to 20 percent of dividends over \$500. Subsequently, the point of order that the amendment was in violation of section 302(f) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, since it would increase mandatory spending and cause the bill to exceed the committee's section 302(a) allocation, was sustained, and the amendment thus falls. **Page S6410**

By 50 yeas to 49 nays (Vote No. 152), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, not having voted in the affirmative, Senate rejected the motion to waive section 305(b)(2) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, with respect to Kennedy Amendment No. 544, to provide for additional weeks of temporary extended unemployment compensation and to provide for a program of temporary enhanced regular unemployment compensation. Subsequently, the point of order that the amendment was in violation of section 305(b)(2) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, relative to germaneness, was sustained, and the amendment thus falls. **Page S6411**

By 49 yeas to 51 nays (Vote No. 153), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, not having voted in the affirmative, Senate rejected the motion to waive section 302(f) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, with respect to Lincoln Amendment No. 578, to expand the refundability of the child tax credit. Subsequently, the point of order that the amendment was in violation of section 302(f) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, since it would increase mandatory spending and cause the bill to exceed the committee's section 302(a) allocation, was sustained, and the amendment thus falls. **Pages S6411–12**

By 49 yeas to 50 nays (Vote No. 154), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, not having voted in the affirmative, Senate rejected the motion to waive section 305(b)(2) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, with respect to Cantwell Amendment No. 577, to permanently extend and modify the research and experimentation tax credit and strike the partial exclusion of dividends provision. Subsequently, the point of order that the amendment was in violation of section 305(b)(2) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, relative to germaneness, was sustained, and the amendment thus falls. **Page S6412**

By 49 yeas to 51 nays (Vote No. 155), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, not having voted in the affirmative, Senate rejected the motion to waive section 302(f) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, with respect to Jeffords Amendment

No. 587, to accelerate the elimination of the marriage penalty in the earned income credit. Subsequently, the point of order that the amendment was in violation of section 302(f) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, since it would increase mandatory spending and cause the bill to exceed the committee's section 302(a) allocation, was sustained, and the amendment thus falls.

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By 47 yeas to 52 nays (Vote No. 158), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, not having voted in the affirmative, Senate rejected the motion to waive section 302(f) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, with respect to Murray Amendment No. 564, to provide temporary State fiscal relief. Subsequently, the point of order that the amendment was in violation of section 302(f) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, since it would increase mandatory spending and cause the bill to exceed the committee's section 302(a) allocation, was sustained, and the amendment thus falls.

Pages S6414-15

By 44 yeas to 56 nays (Vote No. 159), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, not having voted in the affirmative, Senate rejected the motion to waive section 305(b)(2) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, with respect to Stabenow Amendment No. 614, to ensure the enactment of a Medicare prescription drug benefit. Subsequently, the point of order that the amendment was in violation of section 305(b)(2) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, relative to germaneness, was sustained, and the amendment thus falls.

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By 35 yeas to 65 nays (Vote No. 160), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, not having voted in the affirmative, Senate rejected the motion to waive section 305(b)(2) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, with respect to Graham (FL) Amendment No. 617, in the nature of a substitute. Subsequently, the point of order that the amendment was in violation of section 305(b)(2) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, relative to germaneness, was sustained, and the amendment thus falls.

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By 37 yeas to 61 nays, 1 responding present (Vote No. 161), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, not having voted in the affirmative, Senate rejected the motion to waive section 305(b)(2) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, with respect to Kyl Amendment No. 575, to further enhance the denial of deduction for certain fines, penalties, and other amounts. Subsequently, the point of order that the amendment was in violation of section 305(b)(2) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, relative to germaneness, was sustained, and the amendment thus falls.

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By 46 yeas to 54 nays (Vote No. 162), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, not having

voted in the affirmative, Senate rejected the motion to waive section 305(b)(2) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, with respect to Landrieu Amendment No. 619, in the nature of a substitute. Subsequently, the point of order that the amendment was in violation of section 305(b)(2) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, relative to germaneness, was sustained, and the amendment thus falls.

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By 46 yeas to 54 nays (Vote No. 163), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, not having voted in the affirmative, Senate rejected the motion to waive section 305(b)(2) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, with respect to Landrieu Amendment No. 620, to provide pay protection for members of the Reserve and the National Guard. Subsequently, the point of order that the amendment was in violation of section 305(b)(2) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, relative to germaneness, was sustained, and the amendment thus falls.

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By 49 yeas to 51 nays (Vote No. 164), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, not having voted in the affirmative, Senate rejected the motion to waive section 305(b)(2) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, with respect to Schumer Amendment No. 557, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to make higher education more affordable. Subsequently, the point of order that the amendment was in violation of section 305(b)(2) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, relative to germaneness, was sustained, and the amendment thus falls.

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By 75 yeas to 25 nays (Vote No. 165), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, having voted in the affirmative, Senate agreed to the motion to waive section 305(b)(2) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, with respect to Ensign Modified Amendment No. 622, to encourage the investment of foreign earnings within the United States for productive business investments and job creation. Subsequently, the point of order that the amendment was in violation of section 305(b)(2) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, relative to germaneness, was not sustained.

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By 49 yeas to 51 nays (Vote No. 166), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, not having voted in the affirmative, Senate rejected the motion to waive section 302(f) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, with respect to Conrad Amendment No. 611, to make the child tax credit acceleration applicable to 2002. Subsequently, the point of order that the amendment was in violation of section 302(f) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, since it would increase mandatory spending and cause the bill to exceed the committee's section

302(a) allocation, was sustained, and the amendment thus falls. **Pages S6428, S6429**

By 46 yeas to 54 nays (Vote No. 167), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, not having voted in the affirmative, Senate rejected the motion to waive section 302(f) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, with respect to Daschle Amendment No. 656, to create jobs, provide opportunity, and restore prosperity. Subsequently, the point of order that the amendment was in violation of section 302(f) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, since it would increase mandatory spending and cause the bill to exceed the committee's section 302(a) allocation, was sustained, and the amendment thus falls. **Pages S6429–30**

By 44 yeas to 56 nays (Vote No. 168), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, not having voted in the affirmative, Senate rejected the motion to waive section 305(b)(2) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, with respect to Dayton Amendment No. 615, in the nature of a substitute. Subsequently, the point of order that the amendment was in violation of section 305(b)(2) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, relative to germaneness, was sustained, and the amendment thus falls. **Pages S6430–31**

By 48 yeas to 51 nays (Vote No. 169), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, not having voted in the affirmative, Senate rejected the motion to waive section 305(b)(2) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, with respect to Mikulski Amendment No. 605, to provide a partially refundable tax credit for caregiving related expenses. Subsequently, the point of order that the amendment was in violation of section 305(b)(2) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, relative to germaneness, was sustained, and the amendment thus falls. **Page S6431**

By 51 yeas to 49 nays (Vote No. 170), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, not having voted in the affirmative, Senate rejected the motion to waive the Congressional Budget Act, with respect to Sessions Amendment No. 639, to apply the sunset provision to the revenue increase provisions. Subsequently, the point of order that the amendment was in violation of section 313(b)(1)(E) (Byrd Rule) of the Congressional Budget Act, was sustained, and the amendment thus falls. **Pages S6431–32**

By 37 yeas to 63 nays (Vote No. 175), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, not having voted in the affirmative, Senate rejected the motion to waive section 305(b)(2) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, with respect to Edwards Amendment No. 662, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to close the "janitors insurance" tax loophole. Subsequently, the point of order that the amendment was in violation of section 305(b)(2)

of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, relative to germaneness, was sustained, and the amendment thus falls. **Page S6441**

By 43 yeas to 57 nays (Vote No. 176), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, not having voted in the affirmative, Senate rejected the motion to waive section 202 of H.Con.Res. 95, Fiscal Year 2004 Concurrent Resolution on the Budget, with respect to Dorgan Amendment No. 666, to strike the section relating to qualified tax collection contracts. Subsequently, the point of order raised against the amendment was not sustained, and the amendment was then rejected by a voice vote (listed above). **Pages S6443–45**

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 Grassley, Hatch, Nickles, Lott, Baucus, Rockefeller, and Breaux.

Subsequently, S. 1054 was returned to the Senate Calendar. **Page S6500**

Global HIV/AIDS Act: Senate passed H.R. 1298, to provide assistance to foreign countries to combat HIV/AIDS, tuberculosis, and malaria, after taking action on the following amendments proposed there-to: **Pages S6415–21, S6445–S6500**

Adopted:

Biden/Leahy Amendment No. 686, to amend the International Financial Institutions Act to provide for modification of the Enhanced Heavily Indebted Poor Countries (HIPC) Initiative. **Pages S6485–88**

Rejected:

By 48 yeas to 52 nays (Vote No. 177), Durbin Amendment No. 676, to provide alternate terms for the United States participation in the Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria. **Pages S6445–48**

By 48 yeas to 52 nays (Vote No. 178), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, not having voted in the affirmative, Senate rejected the motion to waive section 302(f) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, with respect to Dorgan Amendment No. 678, to provide emergency funding for food aid to HIV/AIDS affected populations in sub-Saharan Africa. Subsequently, the point of order that the amendment was in violation of section 302(f) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, was sustained, and the amendment thus falls. **Pages S6449–50**

By 45 yeas to 52 nays (Vote No. 180), Feinstein Amendment No. 682, to modify provisions relating to the distribution of funding. **Pages S6475–78**

By 42 yeas to 54 nays (Vote No. 181), Kennedy Amendment No. 681, to provide for the procurement of certain pharmaceuticals at the lowest possible price for products of assured quality. **Pages S6478–81**

By 45 yeas to 50 nays (Vote No. 182), Boxer Amendment No. 684, to require a specific plan to help AIDS orphans. **Page S6481**

By 44 yeas to 51 nays (Vote No. 183), Dodd Amendment No. 685, to add CARICOM Countries and the Dominican Republic to Priority List of HIV/AIDS Coordinator. **Pages S6481-84**

Clinton Amendment No. 652, to improve women's health and empowerment and reduce women's vulnerability to HIV/AIDS. **Pages S6484-85**

Hometown Heroes Survivors Benefits Act: Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of S. 459, to ensure that a public safety officer who suffers a fatal heart attack or stroke while on duty shall be presumed to have died in the line of duty for purposes of public safety officer survivor benefits, and the bill was then passed. **Pages S6567-68**

Fallen Law Enforcement Officers and Firefighters Flag Memorial Act: Committee on Rules and Administration was discharged from further consideration of S. 535, to provide Capitol-flown flags to the families of law enforcement officers and firefighters killed in the line of duty, and the bill was then passed, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto: **Page S6568**

Frist (for Dodd) Amendment No. 683, to provide for the delivery of flags through Congress. **Page S6568**

Honoring the City of Fayetteville: Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of H. Con. Res. 58, honoring the City of Fayetteville, North Carolina, and its many partners for the Festival of Flight, a celebration of the centennial of Wilbur and Orville Wright's first flight, the first controlled, powered flight in history, and the concurrent resolution was then agreed to. **Page S6568**

Authorizing the Use of the Capitol Grounds: Senate agreed to H. Con. Res. 128, authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds for the D.C. Special Olympics Law Enforcement Torch Run. **Pages S6568-69**

Department of Defense Authorization—Agreement: A unanimous consent agreement was reached providing for consideration of S. 1050, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2004 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, at 2:30 p.m., on Monday, May 19, 2003; provided that all first-degree amendments be relevant and that any second-degree amendments be relevant to the first-degree

amendment to which it was offered; further that, the time until 5:30 p.m. be for debate only. **Page S6569**

Removal of Injunction of Secrecy: The injunction of secrecy was removed from the following treaty:

Protocol of 1997 Amending MARPOL Convention (Treaty Doc. No. 108-7)

The treaty was transmitted to the Senate today, considered as having been read for the first time, and referred, with accompanying papers, to the Committee on Foreign Relations and ordered to be printed. **Page S6569**

Nomination—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for consideration of the nomination of S. Maurice Hicks, Jr., of Louisiana, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Louisiana, at 5:30 p.m., on Monday, May 19, 2003, with a vote to immediately occur on confirmation of the nomination. **Page S6500**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following Nominations:

William Gerry Myers III, of Idaho, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit.

Henry F. Floyd, of South Carolina, to be United States District Judge for the District of South Carolina.

Ronald A. White, of Oklahoma, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Oklahoma. **Page S6569**

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Authority for Committees to Meet: **Page S6567**

Record Votes: Thirty-six record votes were taken today. (Total—183)

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Adjournment: Senate met at 9:15 a.m., and adjourned at 2:19 a.m., on Friday, May 16, 2003, until 2 p.m., on Monday, May 19, 2003. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S6569.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

APPROPRIATIONS: DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Defense concluded hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2004 for the Department of Defense, after receiving testimony from numerous public witnesses.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 1039, to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to enhance the security of wastewater treatment works, with an amendment; and

S. 1043, to provide for the security of commercial nuclear power plants and facilities designated by the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

HOMELAND SECURITY

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Committee concluded hearings to examine homeland security issues facing state and local governments, focusing on the role and direction of U.S. homeland security efforts, including preparedness planning, investing resources based on comprehensive and integrated statewide plans, maximizing the investment in intelligence gathering and analysis, and providing a multi-year framework for homeland security planning, after receiving testimony from Massachusetts Governor Mitt Romney, Boston, on behalf of the National Governors' Association; Mayor Kwame M. Kilpatrick, Detroit, Michigan, on behalf of the U.S. Conference of Mayors; Art Cleaves, Maine Emergency Management Agency, Augusta; and Mark Stenglein, Hennepin County Board of Commissioners, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Committee concluded hearings to examine the nominations of Terrence A. Duffy, of Illinois, to be a Member of the Federal Retirement Thrift Investment Board, who was introduced by Senator Durbin and Allen, and Susanne T. Marshall, of Virginia, to be Chairman of

the Merit Systems Protection Board, and Neil McPhie, of Virginia, to be a Member of the Merit Systems Protection Board, both of whom were introduced by Senator Allen, after each nominee testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

NATIVE AMERICAN LANGUAGE ACT

Committee on Indian Affairs: Committee concluded hearings to examine S. 575, to amend the Native American Languages Act to provide for the support of Native American language survival schools, after receiving testimony from Leanne Hinton, University of California at Berkeley; Christine P. Sims, Pueblo of Acoma, New Mexico, on behalf of the Linguistic Institute for Native Americans; Mary Eunice Romero, University of Arizona, Tucson, on behalf of the Cochiti Pueblo of New Mexico; Rosalyn R. LaPier and Joycelyn DesRosier, both of the Piegan Institute Nizipuhwahsin School, Browning, Montana; Geneva Woomavoyah Navarro and Rita Coosewon, both of the Comanche Nation College, Lawton, Oklahoma; Lawrence D. Kaplan, University of Alaska, Fairbanks; Rosita Worl, University of Alaska Southeast, Juneau, on behalf of the Sealaska Heritage Institute; Kalena Silva, Keiki Kawaiaea, William H. Wilson, and Holo Hoopai, all of the Ka Haka 'Ula O Ke'elikolani College, University of Hawaii at Hilo; Namaka Rawlins, Aha Punana Leo, Inc., Hilo, Hawaii; Mary Hermes, University of Minnesota, Duluth, on behalf of the Waadookodaading Ojibwe Language Immersion School, and Lisa LaRonge, Ojibwe Language Immersion School, Hayward, Wisconsin; William Y. Brown and Jennifer Chock, both of the Bishop Museum, Honolulu, Hawaii; David Dinwoodie, University of New Mexico, Albuquerque; and John W. Cheek, National Indian Education Association, Alexandria, Virginia.

BUSINESS MEETING

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

S. 878, to authorize an additional permanent judgeship in the District of Idaho, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute; and

The nominations of L. Scott Coogler, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Alabama, and Mark Moki Hanohano, to be United States Marshal for the District of Hawaii.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Measures Introduced: 31 public bills, H.R. 2112–2142; 5 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 183–184, and H. Res. 236–238 were introduced.

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Additional Cosponsors:

Pages H4204–06

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H. Res. 180, supporting the goals and ideals of “National Correctional Officers and Employees Week” and honoring the service of correctional officers and employees (H. Rept. 108–101);

H.R. 982, to clarify the tax treatment of bonds and other obligations issued by the Government of American Samoa (H. Rept. 108–102, Pt. 1);

H.R. 1437, to improve the United States Code (H. Rept. 108–103); and

H.R. 1416, to make technical corrections to the Homeland Security Act of 2002, amended (H. Rept. 108–104).

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Guest Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the guest Chaplain, Rev. Joseph A. Darby, Pastor, Morris Brown African Methodist Episcopal Church of Charleston, South Carolina.

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Reception in the House Chamber to Receive Former Members of Congress: The House recessed to receive the United States Association of Former Members of Congress in the House Chamber. Later, agreed to the Lincoln Diaz-Balart of Florida motion that the proceedings had during the recess be printed in the Record.

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Recess: The House recessed at 9:08 a.m. and reconvened at 11:07 a.m.

National Transportation Safety Board Reauthorization: The House passed H.R. 1527, to amend title 49, United States Code, to authorize appropriations for the National Transportation Safety Board for fiscal years 2003 through 2006 by voice vote.

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Agreed To:

Green of Texas amendment that defines recommendations concerning 15 passenger van safety, railroad grade crossing safety, and medical certifications for a commercial driver’s license as “significant safety recommendations;”

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Point of order sustained against:

Cardin amendment that sought to include provisions to extend unemployment compensation in the bill (agreed to sustain the ruling of the chair by recorded vote of 225 yeas to 200 noes, Roll No. 191).

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Withdrawn:

Udall of Colorado amendment no. 3 printed in the Congressional Record of May 13 was offered, but subsequently withdrawn, that sought to establish a dynamic rollover testing program; prohibit the purchase of used 15 passenger vans that will be used as school buses unless the vehicle complies with the motor vehicle standards prescribed for schoolbuses; and

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Jackson-Lee of Texas amendment was offered, but subsequently withdrawn, that requires studies on the impact of age on the competence and qualifications of airline pilots and the impact of the use of rail systems in high population density cities, including any city population of more than 1 million persons.

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H. Res. 229, the rule that provided for consideration of the bill was agreed to by voice vote. Earlier agreed to order the previous question by yeas-and-nays vote of 220 yeas to 205 nays, Roll No. 190.

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Legislative Program: The Majority Leader announced the legislative program for the week of May 19.

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Meeting Hour Monday, May 19: Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 12:30 p.m. on Monday, May 19 for morning hour debate.

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Calendar Wednesday: Agreed to dispense with the Calendar Wednesday business of Wednesday, May 21.

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Late Report—Committee on International Relations: The Committee on International Relations received permission to have until midnight on Friday, May 16 to file a report on H.R. 1950, Foreign Relations Authorization Act for Fiscal Years 2004 and 2005.

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Canada—United States Interparliamentary Group: The Chair announced the Speaker’s appointment of the following members of the House to the Canada—United States Interparliamentary Group, in addition to Representative Houghton, appointed Chairman on March 13, 2002: Representatives Oberstar, Dreier, Shaw, Slaughter, Stearns, Peterson of Minnesota, Manzullo, Smith of Michigan, English, and Souder.

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Senate Messages: Messages received from the Senate today appear on page H4172.

Referral: S. 195 was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce and S. 709 was referred to the Committee on Financial Services.

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Quorum Calls—Votes: One yea-and-nay vote and one recorded vote developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H4156–57, and H4165–66. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 9 a.m. and adjourned at 6:58 p.m.

Committee Meetings

RUNAWAY, HOMELESS AND MISSING CHILDREN PROTECTION ACT; CHILD MEDICATION SAFETY ACT

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Ordered reported, as amended, the following bills: H.R. 1925, Runaway, Homeless and Missing Children Protection Act; and H.R. 1179, Child Medication Safety Act of 2003.

PROJECT BIOSHIELD ACT

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Ordered reported H.R. 2122, Project Bioshield Act of 2003.

RETIREMENT SECURITY

Committee on Financial Services: Subcommittee on Capital Markets, Insurance and Government Sponsored Enterprises held a hearing entitled “Retirement Security: What Seniors Need to Know about Protecting Their Futures.” Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

OVEREXPOSED: THE THREATS TO PRIVACY AND SECURITY ON FILE SHARING NETWORKS

Committee on Government Reform: Held a hearing entitled “Overexposed: The Threats to Privacy and Security on File Sharing Networks” Testimony was heard from James E. Farnan, Deputy Assistant Director, Cyber Division, FBI, Department of Justice; and public witnesses.

OFFICE OF NATIONAL DRUG CONTROL POLICY REAUTHORIZATION ACT

Committee on Government Reform: Subcommittee on Criminal Justice, Drug Policy and Human Resources approved for full Committee action, as amended, H.R. 2086, Office of National Drug Control Policy Reauthorization Act of 2003.

U.S. POLICY TOWARD IRAQ

Committee on International Relations: Held a hearing on U.S. Policy Toward Iraq. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of State: Alan P. Larson, Under Secretary, Bureau of Economic, Business, and Agricultural Affairs; and Wendy J. Chamberlin, Assistant Administrator, Bureau for Asia and the Near East, AID; and the following officials of the Department of Defense: Doug-

las J. Feith, Under Secretary, Policy; and Lt. Gen. Norton A. Schwartz, USAF, Director, Operations, The Joint Chiefs of Staff.

CLASS ACTION FAIRNESS ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Held a hearing on H.R. 1115, Class Action Fairness Act of 2003. Testimony was heard from Viet Dinh, Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legal Policy, Department of Justice; Lawrence H. Mirel, Commissioner, Department of Insurance and Securities Regulation, District of Columbia; and public witnesses.

SPORTS AGENT RESPONSIBILITY AND TRUST ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Commercial and Administrative Law approved for full Committee action, as amended, H.R. 361, Sports Agent Responsibility and Trust Act.

Prior to this action, the Subcommittee held a hearing on H.R. 361. Testimony was heard from Representatives Gordon and Osborne; and public witnesses.

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE CIVIL RIGHTS DIVISION REAUTHORIZATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on the Constitution held an oversight hearing on the “Reauthorization of the U.S. Department of Justice Civil Rights Division.” Testimony was heard from Ralph F. Boyd Jr., Assistant Attorney General, Civil Rights Division, Department of Justice.

OVERSIGHT—CALFED’S CROSS-CUT BUDGET

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee Water and Power held an oversight hearing on CALFED’s Cross-Cut Budget. Testimony was heard from Jason Peltier, Special Assistant, Assistant Secretary, Water and Sciences, Department of the Interior; and Patrick Wright, Director, California Bay-Delta Authority.

HEALTHY FORESTS RESTORATION ACT

Committee on Rules: Testimony was heard from Chairmen Goodlatte and Pombo; Representatives Walden of Oregon, Inslee, Udall of Colorado, George Miller of California and Matheson, but action was deferred on H.R. 1904, Healthy Forests Restoration Act of 2003.

SMALL BUSINESS COMMUNITY—COST OF REGULATIONS

Committee on Small Business: Subcommittee on Regulatory Reform and Oversight held a hearing on Federal Agency Treatment of Small Business. Testimony

was heard from Michael Barrera, National Ombudsman, SBA; and Nina Olson, National Taxpayer Advocate, IRS, Department of the Treasury; and public witnesses.

SMALL BUSINESSES—IMPACT OF HIGHWAY BEAUTIFICATION ACT

Committee on Small Business: Subcommittee on Rural Enterprise, Agriculture and Technology held a hearing on the Impact of the Highway Beautification Act on small businesses across America. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT—ADMINISTRATION'S PROPOSED REAUTHORIZATION (SAFETEA)

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Highways, Transit and Pipelines held an oversight hearing on overview of Administration's Proposed Reauthorization bill (SAFETEA). Testimony was heard from Norman Mineta, Secretary of Transportation.

VETERANS LEGISLATION

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Ordered reported the following bills: H.R. 1460, amended, Veterans Entrepreneurship Act of 2003; H.R. 1562, amended, Veterans Health Care Cost Recovery Act of 2003; H.R. 1683, Veterans' Compensation Cost-of-Living Adjustment Act of 2003; H.R. 1257, Selected Reserve Home Loan Equity Act; H.R. 1911, to amend title 38, United States Code, to enhance cooperation and the sharing of resources between the Department of Veterans Affairs and the Department of Defense; and H.R. 1715, to amend title 38, United States Code, to enhance the authority of the Department of Veterans Affairs to recover from third parties costs of medical care furnished to veterans and other persons by the Department.

SENSITIVE PROGRAMS BUDGET

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Subcommittee on Intelligence Policy and National Security met in executive session to hold a hearing on Sensitive Programs Budget. Testimony was heard from departmental witnesses.

BIOSHIELD: COUNTERING THE BIOSHIELD THREAT

Select Committee on Homeland Security: Held a hearing entitled "Bioshield: Countering the Bioterrorist Threat." Testimony was heard from Anthony S. Fauci, M.D., Director, National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases, NIH, Department of Health and Human Services; and public witnesses.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST p. D439)

S. 162, to provide for the use of distribution of certain funds awarded to the Gila River Pima-Mari-copa Indian Community. Signed on May 14, 2003. (Public Law 108-22)

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY, MAY 16, 2003

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2004 for programs of the Department of Agriculture, 9:30 a.m., SD-124.

Committee on Foreign Relations: to hold hearings to examine the Department of State's Office of Children's Issues, focusing on international parental abduction, 9 a.m., SD-419.

House

Committee on Government Reform, hearing on "Protecting Our Most Vulnerable Residents: A Review of Reform Efforts at the District of Columbia Child and Family Services Agency," 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD Week of May 19 through May 24, 2003 Senate Chamber

On Monday, at 2:30 p.m., Senate will consider S. 1050, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2004 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.

During the balance of the week, Senate will continue consideration of S. 1050, Department of Defense Authorization, and may also consider S. 14, Energy Policy Act, H.J. Res. 51, Increased Public Debt, and any other cleared legislative and executive business.

Senate Committees

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Committee on Appropriations: May 20, Subcommittee on Transportation, Treasury and General Government, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2004 for the Department of the Treasury, 10 a.m., SD-138.

May 22, Subcommittee on Transportation, Treasury and General Government, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2004 for high-way safety initiatives, 10:30 a.m., SD-138.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: May 20, to hold oversight hearings to examine the Fair Credit Reporting Act and issues presented by the Re-authorization of the Expiring Preemption Provisions, to be immediately followed by a business meeting to consider the nominations of Nicholas Gregory Mankiw, of Massachusetts, to be a Member of the Council of Economic Advisers, Steven B. Nesmith, of Pennsylvania, to be an Assistant Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, and Jose Teran, of Florida, James Broaddus, of Texas, Lane Carson, of Louisiana, and Morgan Edwards, of North Carolina, each to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the National Institute of Building Sciences, 2 p.m., SD-538.

May 21, Full Committee, to hold oversight hearings to examine the national export strategy, 10 a.m., SD-538.

May 22, Full Committee, to hold oversight hearings to examine the economy, focusing on increasing investment in the equity markets, 10 a.m., SD-538.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: May 20, to hold hearings to examine CEO compensation in the post-Enron Era, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

May 20, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine issues related to the North Pacific Crab, 2:30 p.m., SR-253.

May 21, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine issues related to computer spam, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

May 21, Full Committee, to hold oversight hearings to examine recommendations to tighten oversight of the Title XI Shipbuilding Loan Guarantee Program, 2:30 p.m., SR-253.

May 22, Full Committee, to continue hearings to examine media ownership, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

May 22, Full Committee, to hold closed hearings to examine NHTSA reauthorization, 2:30 p.m., SR-253.

May 22, Subcommittee on Communications, to hold hearings to examine wireless broadband in rural areas, 2:30 p.m., SD-562.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: May 21, business meeting to consider, 10 a.m., SD-366.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: May 20, Subcommittee on Transportation and Infrastructure, to hold hearings to examine proposed legislation authorizing funds for programs of the Transportation Equity Act (TEA-21), 2 p.m., SD-406.

Committee on Foreign Relations: May 19, Subcommittee on Near Eastern and South Asian Affairs, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Harry K. Thomas, Jr., of New York, to be Ambassador to the People's Republic of Bangladesh, and Jeffrey Lunstead, of the District of Columbia, to be Ambassador to the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka, and to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador to the Republic of Maldives, 10 a.m., SD-419.

May 19, Subcommittee on African Affairs, to hold hearings to examine fighting AIDS in Uganda, 2:30 p.m., SD-419.

May 20, Full Committee, to hold a closed briefing to examine North Korea and Indonesia, 11 a.m., S-407, Capitol.

May 20, Subcommittee on Western Hemisphere, Peace Corps and Narcotics Affairs, to hold hearings to examine the nomination of John F. Maisto, of Pennsylvania, to be Permanent Representative of the United States of America to the Organization of American States, with the rank of Ambassador, 2 p.m., SD-419.

May 20, Subcommittee on Western Hemisphere, Peace Corps and Narcotics Affairs, to hold hearings to examine the future of U.S. economic relations in the Western Hemisphere, 2:30 p.m., SD-419.

May 21, Full Committee, business meeting to consider an original bill to authorize foreign assistance for fiscal year 2004, to make technical and administrative changes to the Foreign Assistance and Arms Export Control Acts and to authorize a Millennium Challenge Account, 9:30 a.m., SD-419.

May 22, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine Iraq stabilization and reconstruction, focusing on U.S. policy and plans, 2:30 p.m., SD-419.

Committee on Governmental Affairs: May 21, Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations, to hold hearings to examine SARS, focusing on state and local response, 9 a.m., SD-342.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: May 21, to hold hearings to examine proposed legislation entitled "Genetics Non-Discrimination Act", 10 a.m., SD-430.

Committee on Indian Affairs: May 21, to hold oversight hearings to examine the proposed reorganization of the Bureau of Indian Affairs, 10 a.m., SR-485.

May 22, Full Committee, to hold oversight hearings to examine the status of telecommunications in Indian Country, 10 a.m., SR-485.

Committee on the Judiciary: May 20, to hold hearings to examine international drug trafficking and terrorism, 10 a.m., SD-226.

May 21, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nomination of R. Hewitt Pate, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Attorney General, 10 a.m., SD-226.

May 22, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Richard C. Wesley, of New York, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Second Circuit, J. Ronnie Greer, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Tennessee, Thomas M. Hardiman, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Pennsylvania, Mark R. Kravitz, to be United States District Judge for the District of Connecticut, and John A. Woodcock, Jr., to be United States District Judge for the District of Maine, 2 p.m., SD-226.

Committee on Rules and Administration: May 20, to hold oversight hearings to examine operations of the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts and the Smithsonian Institution, 9:30 a.m., SR-301.

Special Committee on Aging: May 19, to hold hearings to examine ageism in the health care system, focusing on short shifting seniors, 2 p.m., SD-628.

May 20, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine baby boomers, focusing on enhancing independence through innovation and technology, 10 a.m., SD-628.

House Chamber

To be announced.

House Committees

Committee on Agriculture, May 20, Subcommittee on Department Operations, Oversight, Nutrition, and Forestry, hearing to review the current state of the Dairy industry, 10:30 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

May 21, full Committee, hearing to review the status of the World Trade Organization Negotiations on Agriculture, 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

May 22, Subcommittee on General Farm Commodities and Risk Management, hearing to review the financial status of the Crop Insurance industry, 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

Committee on Appropriations, May 20, Subcommittee on Legislative, on GPO, 10:30 a.m., and on Capitol Police, 11:30 a.m., H-140 Capitol.

May 21, Subcommittee on Foreign Operations, Export Financing and Related Programs, on Millennium Challenge Corporation, 2 p.m., 2359 Rayburn.

May 21, Subcommittee on Legislative, on Members of Congress, 10:30 a.m., and on Architect of the Capitol (Not Capitol Visitor's Center), 11:30 a.m., H-140 Capitol.

May 21, Subcommittee on Transportation, Treasury and Independent Agencies, on Benefits and Costs of Transportation Options, 10 a.m., 2358 Rayburn.

May 22, Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, State, Judiciary and Related Agencies, on Impact of Chinese Imports on U.S. Companies, 10 a.m., 2359 Rayburn.

Committee on Education and the Workforce, May 20, Subcommittee on 21st Century Competitiveness, hearing on "America's Teacher Colleges: Are They Making the Grade?" 2 p.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, May 20, Subcommittee on Energy and Air Quality, hearing entitled "The Hydrogen Energy Economy," 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, May 22, Subcommittee on Capital Markets, Insurance, and Government Sponsored Enterprises, hearing entitled "The Long and Short of Hedge Funds: Effects of Strategies for Managing Market Risk," 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

May 22, Subcommittee on Housing and Community Opportunity, hearing entitled "The Section 8 Housing Assistance Program: Promoting Decent Affordable Housing for Families and Individuals who Rent," 2 p.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Government Reform, May 19, Subcommittee on National Security, Emerging Threats and International Relations, hearing on Stamping Out Anthrax in USPS Facilities: Technologies and Protocols for Bioagent Detection, 1 p.m., 2247 Rayburn.

May 20, Subcommittee on Technology, Information Policy, Intergovernmental Relations and the Census, oversight hearing entitled "Can the Use of Factual Data Analysis Strengthen National Security?—Part Two," 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

May 22, full Committee, hearing and markup of H.R. 2086, Office of National Drug Control Policy Reauthorization Act of 2003, 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on International Relations, May 21, hearing on the Future of Kosovo, 10:30 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary, May 20, Subcommittee on the Constitution, oversight hearing on "Anti-Terrorism Investigations and the Fourth Amendment After September 11: Where and When Can the Government Go to Prevent Terrorist Attacks?" 2 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Resources, May 22, Subcommittee on Fisheries Conservation, Wildlife and Oceans, hearing on the following bills: H.R. 2048, International Fisheries Reauthorization Act of 2003; and H. Res. 30, concerning the San Diego long-range sportfishing fleet and rights to fish the waters near the Revillagigedo Islands of Mexico, 10 a.m., 1334 Longworth.

May 22, Subcommittee on Water and Power, hearing on the following bills: H.R. 1598, Irvine Basin Surface and Groundwater Improvement Act of 2003; and H.R. 1732, Williamson County Water Recycling Act of 2003, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, May 20, Subcommittee on Railroads, oversight hearing on Surface Transportation Board: Agency Resources and Requirements, 2:30 p.m., 2167 Rayburn.

May 22, Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation, hearing on the Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation Act of 2003, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

May 22, Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment, hearing on Water: Is it the "Oil" of the 21st Century? 2 p.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs, May 22, Subcommittee on Health, hearing on long-term care programs in the Department of Veterans Affairs, 1:30 p.m., 334 Cannon.

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, May 20, executive, hearing on Budgets for intelligence-related activities within the Departments of State, Energy, and Treasury; and for the Department of Defense Foreign Counterintelligence Programs, 3 p.m., H-405, Capitol.

May 22, executive, hearing on the FBI National Security Programs Budget, 1 p.m., H-405, Capitol.

May 22, Subcommittee on Intelligence Policy and National Security, executive, briefing on Global Intelligence Update, 9 a.m., H-405 Capitol.

Select Committee on Homeland Security, May 19, Subcommittee on Rules, hearing entitled "Perspectives on House Reform: Lessons from the Past," 5:30 p.m., 340 Cannon.

May 20, Full Committee, hearing entitled "How is America Safer? A Progress Report on the Department of Homeland Security," 9 a.m., 210 Cannon.

May 21, Subcommittee on Cybersecurity, Science, and Research and Development, oversight hearing on "Homeland Security Science and Technology: Preparing for the Future," 2 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Joint Meetings

Joint Economic Committee: May 21, to hold hearings to examine the economy, 9:30 a.m., SH-216.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

2 p.m., Monday, May 19

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

12:30 p.m., Monday, May 19

Senate Chamber

Program for Monday: After the transaction of any morning business (not to extend beyond 2:30 p.m.), Senate will consider S. 1050, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2004 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.

At 5:30 p.m., Senate will consider and vote on the nomination of S. Maurice Hicks, Jr., to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Louisiana.

House Chamber

Program for Monday: To be announced.



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