

Grassley/Baucus Amendment No. 1092, to evaluate alternative payment and delivery systems.

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Kyl Amendment No. 1093 (to Amendment No. 1092), in the nature of a substitute. Pages S8542–46

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that at 9:15 a.m., on Thursday, June 26, 2003, Senate proceed to vote on or in relation to Harkin Amendment No. 991 (listed above), to be followed by a vote on or in relation to Edwards Amendment No. 1052 (listed above); and that no second degree amendments be in order to the amendments prior to the votes. Page S8601

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill at 9:15 a.m., on Thursday, June 26, 2003. Page S8601

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

Rixio Enrique Medina, of Oklahoma, to be a Member of the Chemical Safety and Hazard Investigation Board for a term of five years.

Julie L. Myers, of Kansas, to be an Assistant Secretary of Commerce.

Jeffrey A. Marcus, of Texas, to be Ambassador to Belgium.

Deborah Ann Spagnoli, of California, to be a Commissioner of the United States Parole Commission for a term of six years.

1 Air Force nomination in the rank of general.

1 Navy nomination in the rank of admiral.

Routine lists in the Foreign Service, Navy.

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**Record Votes:** Five record votes were taken today. (Total—246) Page S8485, S8486, S8529, S8530

**Adjournment:** Senate met at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 10:50 p.m., until 9:15 a.m., on Thursday, June 26, 2003. (For Senate's program, see the re-

marks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S8601.)

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

### APPROPRIATIONS LABOR—HHS/ EDUCATION

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education approved for full Committee consideration an original bill making appropriations for the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2004.

### NOMINATION

*Committee on Armed Services:* Committee concluded hearings to examine the nomination of Lieutenant General John P. Abizaid, USA, for appointment to the grade of general and to be Commander, United States Central Command, after the nominee testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

### RURAL ECONOMY

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* Subcommittee on Economic Policy concluded oversight hearings to examine the problems and challenges facing rural America, focusing on certain job and economic development measures, including the Land Grant mission, after receiving testimony from Hilda Gay Legg, Administrator, Rural Utilities Service, Rural Development Mission Area, Department of Agriculture; M. Scott Smith, University of Kentucky College of Agriculture, Lexington; and Mark Haney, Kentucky Farm Bureau Federation, Nancy.

### BUSINESS MEETING

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* Committee ordered favorably reported the following bills:

S. 470, to extend the authority for the construction of a memorial to Martin Luther King, Jr., with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 490, to direct the Secretary of Agriculture to convey certain land in the Lake Tahoe Basin Management Unit, Nevada, to the Secretary of the Interior, in trust for the Washoe Indian Tribe of Nevada and California, with an amendment;

S. 499, to authorize the American Battle Monuments Commission to establish in the State of Louisiana a memorial to honor the Buffalo Soldiers, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 546, to provide for the protection of paleontological resources on Federal lands, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 643, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior, in cooperation with the University of New Mexico, to construct and occupy a portion of the Hibben Center for Archaeological Research at the University of New Mexico, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 651, to amend the National Trails System Act to clarify Federal authority relating to land acquisition from willing sellers for the majority of the trails in the System, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 677, to revise the boundary of the Black Canyon of the Gunnison National Park and Gunnison Gorge National Conservation Area in the State of Colorado, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 924, to authorize the exchange of lands between an Alaska Native Village Corporation and the Department of the Interior, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 1076, to authorize construction of an education center at or near the Vietnam Veterans Memorial, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

H.R. 255, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to grant an easement to facilitate access to the Lewis and Clark Interpretative Center in Nebraska City, Nebraska; and

H.R. 1577, to designate the visitor center in Organ Pipe National Monument in Arizona as the "Kris Eggle Visitor Center".

#### GRAZING MANAGEMENT

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* Subcommittee on Public Lands and Forests concluded oversight hearings to examine grazing programs of the Bureau of Land Management and the Forest Service, focusing on grazing permit renewal, BLM's potential changes to grazing regulations, range monitoring, drought, and other grazing issues, after receiving testimony from Mark Rey, Under Secretary of Agriculture for Natural Resources and Environment; and Rebecca Watson, Assistant Secretary of the Interior for Land and Minerals Management.

#### ENDANGERED SPECIES

*Committee on Environment and Public Works:* Subcommittee on Fisheries, Wildlife, and Water concluded hearings to examine the consulting process required by section 7 of the Endangered Species Act, including improvement efforts in the Pacific Northwest, after receiving testimony from Senator Domenici; Barry T. Hill, Director, Natural Resources and Environment, General Accounting Office; Alan Glen, Smith, Robertson, Elliott, and Glen, Austin, Texas; John F. Kostyack, National Wildlife Federation, Reston, Virginia; Patricia D. Horn, Enogex Inc., Oklahoma City, Oklahoma; Jim Chilton,

Arivaca, Arizona, on behalf of the National Cattlemen's Beef Association and the Public Lands Council; and William J. Snape III, Defenders of Wildlife, Washington, D.C.

#### AFRICA

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* Committee concluded hearings to examine the implementation of the African Growth and Opportunity Act (P.L. 106-200), focusing on short-term and long-term measures to integrate Africa into the global community, and issues relative to the free market and fair trade, African civil society, and debt relief, after receiving testimony from Florizelle B. Liser, Assistant United States Trade Representative for Africa; Walter H. Kansteiner III, Assistant Secretary of State for African Affairs; Stephen Hayes, Corporate Council on Africa, and Leon P. Spencer, Washington Office on Africa, both of Washington, D.C.; and James A. Harmon, Commission on Capital Flows to Africa, New York, New York.

#### YUGOSLAVIA SUCCESSOR STATES

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* Subcommittee on European Affairs concluded hearings to examine the progress and challenges relative to the transformations taking place in the successor states to the former Yugoslavia, including Serbia and Montenegro, Kosovo, Croatia, Macedonia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, after receiving testimony from Paul W. Jones, Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for Europe and Eurasia; Mira Ricardel, Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense; Daniel Serwer, Director, U.S. Institute of Peace; and James O'Brien, Albright Group, and Major General William L. Nash USA, (Ret.), Council on Foreign Relations, both of Washington, D.C.

#### NOMINATION

*Committee on Governmental Affairs:* Committee concluded hearings to examine the nomination of Joshua B. Bolten, of the District of Columbia, to be Director of the Office of Management and Budget, after the nominee, who was introduced by Senator Corzine, testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

#### BUSINESS MEETING

*Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:* Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 1248, to reauthorize the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute; and

The nominations of David Hall, of Massachusetts, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the

Legal Services Corporation, Lillian R. BeVier, of Virginia, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Legal Services Corporation, and certain nominations in the Public Health Service Corps.

### 9/11 DETAINEES REPORT

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Committee concluded hearings to examine the treatment of aliens held on immigration charges in connection with the investigation of the September 11, 2001, terrorist attacks, as outlined in the Department of Justice Office of Inspector General's report, after receiving testimony from Glenn A. Fine, Inspector General, Harley G. Lappin, Director, Federal Bureau of Prisons, Michael E. Rolince, Acting Assistant Director in Charge, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Washington Field Office, and David Nahmias, Counsel to the Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division, all of the Department of Justice.

### NOMINATIONS

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of Louise W. Flanagan, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of North Carolina, and Allyson K. Duncan, of North Carolina, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Fourth Circuit, who were both introduced by Senators Dole and Edwards; Samuel Der-Yeghiayan, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Illinois, who was introduced by Senators Fitzgerald and Durbin; Lonny R. Suko, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Washington, who was introduced by Senator Murray, and Representatives Hastings and Nethercutt; Earl Leroy Yeakel III, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Texas, who was

introduced by Senators Hutchison and Cornyn; Karen P. Tandy, of Virginia, to be Administrator of Drug Enforcement, who was introduced by Senator Hutchison, and Christopher A. Wray, of Georgia, to be an Assistant Attorney General, who was introduced by Senators Chambliss and Miller, both of the Department of Justice; and Robert C. Brack, to be United States District Judge for the District of New Mexico, who was introduced by Senators Domenici and Bingaman.

### IRAQ

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on the Constitution concluded joint hearings with the Committee on Foreign Relations' Subcommittee on Near Eastern and South Asian Affairs to examine constitutionalism, human rights, and the Rule of Law in Iraq, focusing on the monopoly of power and influence, public participation and ownership, democratic representation, ratification, and the role of the international community, after receiving testimony from Neil J. Kritz, Director, Rule of Law Program, U.S. Institute of Peace; Sermid Al-Sarraf, Iraqi Jurists Association, and Khaled Abou El Fadl, University of California at Los Angeles School of Law, both of Los Angeles, California; Bernard Haykel, New York University, New York, New York; Donald P. Kommers, University of Notre Dame Law School, Notre Dame, Indiana; Kenneth M. Pollack, Brookings Institution, Zainab Salbi, Women for Women International, and Naoyuki Agawa, Embassy of Japan, all of Washington, D.C. and John Yoo, University of California Boalt School of Law, Berkeley; and A.E. Dick Howard, University of Virginia School of Law, Charlottesville.

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# House of Representatives

## *Chamber Action*

**Measures Introduced:** 13 public bills, H.R. 1, 2595–2606; and 1 resolution, H. Con. Res., 230, were introduced. **Page H5928**

**Additional Cosponsors:** **Page H5929**

**Reports Filed:** Reports were filed today as follows: H.R. 2351, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow a deduction to individuals for amounts contributed to health savings accounts and to provide for the disposition of unused health benefits in cafeteria plans and flexible spending arrangements, amended (H. Rept. 108–177); and

H.R. 2473, to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for a voluntary program for prescription drug coverage under the Medicare Program, to modernize the Medicare Program, amended (H. Rept. 108–178, Pt. 1)

H. Res. 297, providing for motions to suspend the rules (H. Rept. 108–179);

H. Res. 298, providing for consideration of H.R. 2559, making appropriations for military construction, family housing, and base realignment and closure for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2004 (H. Rept. 108–180); and