

# Daily Digest

## Senate

### Chamber Action

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**Measures Introduced:** Eight bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 1437–1444, and S. Res. 198. **Page S9708**

#### Measures Reported:

Reported on Monday, July 21, during the adjournment:

S. 481, to amend chapter 84 of title 5, United States Code, to provide that certain Federal annuity computations are adjusted by 1 percentage point relating to periods of receiving disability payments. (S. Rept. No. 108–108)

S. 926, to amend section 5379 of title 5, United States Code, to increase the annual and aggregate limits on student loan repayments by Federal agencies. (S. Rept. No. 108–109)

Reported on Today:

S. 908, to establish the United States Consensus Council to provide for a consensus building process in addressing national public policy issues, with amendments. (S. Rept. No. 108–110)

S. 1416, to implement the United States-Chile Free Trade Agreement.

S. 1417, to implement the United States-Singapore Free Trade Agreement. **Page S9708**

#### Measures Indefinitely Postponed:

**Floyd Spence Post Office Building:** Senate indefinitely postponed S. 508, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1830 South Lake Drive in Lexington, South Carolina, as the “Floyd Spence Post Office Building”. **Page S9740**

**Michael J. Healy Post Office Building:** Senate indefinitely postponed S. 708, to redesignate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 7401 West 100th Place in Bridgeview, Illinois, as the “Michael J. Healy Post Office Building”. **Page S9740**

**Patsy Takemoto Mink Post Office Building:** Senate indefinitely postponed S. 1145, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at

120 Baldwin Avenue in Paia, Maui, Hawaii, as the “Patsy Takemoto Mink Post Office Building”.

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**Homeland Security Appropriations:** Senate continued consideration of H.R. 2555, making appropriations for the Department of Homeland Security for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2004, agreeing to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute (which will be considered as original text for further amendments), taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto:

**Pages S9672–97**

Pending:

Reid Amendment No. 1318, to appropriate \$20,000,000 to the Office for Domestic Preparedness to be used for grants to urban areas with large tourist populations. **Pages S9681–84**

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

By 43 yeas to 50 nays (Vote No. 291), 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 of 1974, with respect to the Byrd Modified Amendment No. 1317, to fulfill Homeland Security promises. 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 S9680–97**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill at 10 a.m., on Wednesday, July 23, 2003. **Page S9740**

#### Appointments:

**British-American Interparliamentary Group:** The Chair, on behalf of the President pro tempore, and upon the recommendation of the Minority Leader, pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2761, as amended, appointed Senator Sarbanes, of Maryland, as a delegate of the Senate Delegation to the British-American Interparliamentary Group conference during the 108th Congress. **Pages S9739–40**

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

Transmitting a report detailing the progress of spending by the executive branch during the first two quarters of Fiscal Year 2003 in support of Plan Colombia; to the Committee on Appropriations. (PM-46) **Page S9707**

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

Peter Lichtenbaum, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Commerce.

Kerry N. Weems, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Health and Human Services.

4 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. **Page S9740**

**Messages From the House:** **Page S9707**

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**Authority for Committees to Meet:** **Page S9739**

**Record Votes:** One record vote was taken today. (Total—291) **Page S9697**

**Recess:** Senate met at 9:46 a.m., and recessed at 7:23 p.m., until 9 a.m., on Wednesday, July 23, 2003. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S9740.)

## House of Representatives

### *Chamber Action*

**Measures Introduced:** 10 public bills, H.R. 2713-2822; and 2 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 248-249, were introduced. **Pages H7328-29**

**Additional Cosponsors:** **Pages H7329-30**

**Reports Filed:** Reports were filed as follows:

H.R. 2738, to implement the United States-Chile Free Trade Agreement (H. Rept. 108-224, Pt. 2);

H.R. 2739, to implement the United States-Singapore Free Trade Agreement (H. Rept. 108-225, Pt. 2);

Report on the Revised Suballocation of Budget Allocations for Fiscal Year 2004 (H. Rept. 108-228); and

H. Res. 329, providing for consideration of H.R. 2738, to implement the United States-Chile Free Trade Agreement, and for consideration of H.R. 2739, to implement the United States-Singapore Free Trade Agreement (H. Rept. 108-229). **Page H7328**

**Speaker Pro Tempore:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Burgess to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H7229**

**Recess:** The House recessed at 9:51 a.m. and reconvened at 10 a.m. **Pages H7234-35**

**Foreign Operations, Export Financing, and Related Programs Appropriations:** The House agreed

to H. Res. 327, the rule that is providing for consideration of H.R. 2800, making appropriations for foreign operations, export financing, and related programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2004, by voice vote. **Pages H7237-41**

**Commerce, Justice, and State, Judiciary, and Related Agencies Appropriations:** The House completed general debate and began considering amendments to H.R. 2799, making appropriations for the Departments of Commerce, Justice, and State, the Judiciary, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2004. Consideration will resume on Wednesday, July 23. **Pages H7248-H7319**

**Agreed To:**

Weldon of Florida amendment that prohibits funding for patent applications for human organisms; **Page H7274**

Hostettler amendment that prohibits any funds to be used to enforce the judgment in *Newdow v. U.S. Congress*, dealing with the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance (agreed to by recorded vote of 307 ayes to 119 noes, Roll No. 406); **Pages H7277-78, H7298**

Rohrabacher amendment that prohibits any funds to be used by the Department of Justice or the Department of State to file a motion in any court opposing civil actions in which a plaintiff alleges that as an American prisoner or war during World War II, he or she was used as slave or forced labor by a Japanese person or corporation; **Page H7289**