

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S13187–S13231

Measures Introduced: One bill and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 1785 and S.J. Res. 21. **Page S13209**

Measures Passed:

National Native American Veterans Day: Senate agreed to S. Res. 239, designating November 7, 2003, as “National Native American Veterans Day” to honor the service of Native Americans in the United States Armed Forces and the contribution of Native Americans to the defense of the United States. **Page S13229**

National American Indian Heritage Month: Senate agreed to S. Res. 240, designating November 2003 as “National American Indian Heritage Month”. **Page S13229**

Foreign Operation Appropriations Act: Senate began consideration of H.R. 2800, making appropriations for foreign operations, export financing, and related programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2004, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto: **Pages S13189–92**

Adopted:

McConnell/Leahy Amendment No. 1965, in the nature of a substitute. (Amendment, as agreed to, will be considered original text for the purpose of further amendment.) **Page S13189**

Pending:

DeWine Amendment No. 1966, to increase assistance to combat HIV/AIDS. **Pages S13190–92**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill, at 12 noon, on Monday, October 27, 2003. **Page S13230**

Bill Referral—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that S. 1781, to authorize the Secretary of Health and Human Services to promulgate regulations for the reimportation of prescription drugs, be referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions. **Page S13229**

Transportation/Treasury Appropriations Act—Amendment Modified: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that, notwithstanding the October 23, 2003 passage of H.R. 2989, making appropriations for the Departments of Transportation and Treasury, and independent agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2004, the following amendment, previously agreed to, was modified: **Page S13230**

Shelby (for Feinstein) Amendment No. 1938, to modify section 130 to extend the prohibition under that section to the use of funds to provide maximum hours of service for certain drivers engaged for motion picture or television production. **Page S13230**

Nomination Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that at 2 p.m., on Monday, October 27, 2003, Senate resume consideration of the nomination of Michael O. Leavitt, of Utah, to be Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, with a vote on the motion to close further debate on the nomination to occur at 5:30 p.m. **Page S13230**

Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

Dale Cabaniss, of Virginia, to be a Member of the Federal Labor Relations Authority for a term of five years expiring July 29, 2007. (Reappointment)

Joseph Michael Francis Ryan III, of the District of Columbia, to be an Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia for the term of fifteen years.

Jerry Stewart Byrd, of the District of Columbia, to be an Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia for the term of fifteen years.

Brian F. Holeman, of the District of Columbia, to be an Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia for the term of fifteen years.

Craig S. Iscoe, of the District of Columbia, to be Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia for the term of fifteen years.

Paul S. Atkins, of Virginia, to be a Member of the Securities and Exchange Commission for a term expiring June 5, 2008. (Reappointment)

Ben S. Bernanke, of New Jersey, to be a Member of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System for a term of fourteen years from February 1, 2004. (Reappointment)

Roger Walton Ferguson, Jr., of Massachusetts, to be Vice Chairman of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System for a term of four years. (Reappointment)

6 Coast Guard nominations in the rank of admiral.

Routine lists in the Coast Guard. **Page S13231**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Floyd Hall, of New Jersey, to be a Member of the Reform Board (Amtrak) for a term of five years.

Edward E. Kaufman, of Delaware, to be a Member of the Broadcasting Board of Governors for a term expiring August 13, 2006. (Reappointment)

Fayza Veronique Boulad Rodman, of the District of Columbia, to be a Member of the Broadcasting Board of Governors for a term expiring August 13, 2006.

Steven J. Simmons, of Connecticut, to be a Member of the Broadcasting Board of Governors for a term expiring August 13, 2006. (Reappointment)

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Measures Referred: **Page S13209**

Measures Placed on Calendar: **Page S13209**

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Statements on Introduced Bills/Resolutions: **Page S13210**

Additional Statements: **Pages S13208–09**

Amendments Submitted: **Page S13210**

Adjournment: Senate met at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 2:14 p.m., until 12 noon, on Monday, October 27, 2003. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S13231.)

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Measures Introduced: 1 public bill, H.R. 3373; and 1 resolution, H. Res. 413, were introduced.

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Additional Cosponsors: **Page H9819**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

Filed on October 21: H.R. 2802, to reauthorize the Small Business Act and the Small Business Investment Act of 1958, amended, (H. Rept. 108–325, pt. 1); and H.R. 1856, to reauthorize the Harmful Algal Bloom and Hypoxia Research and Control Act of 1998, and for other purposes, amended (H. Rept. 108–326 pt. 1). **Pages H9818–19**

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Tom Davis of Virginia to act as Speaker Pro Tempore for today. **Page H9815**

National Commission for the Review of the Research and Development Programs of the Office of Interparliamentary Affairs of the House of Representatives: The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of Ms. Martha C. Morrison as Director of the Office of Interparliamentary Affairs of the United States House of Representatives. **Page H9815**

United States Intelligence Community: The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of Representative Peter Hoekstra of Michigan, Mr. K. Stuart Shea of Chantilly, Virginia, and Mr. Gardner G. Peckham of Chevy Chase, Maryland to the National Commission for the Review of the Research and Development Programs of the United States Intelligence Community. **Page H9816**

Senate Message: Message from the Senate appears today on page S9815.

Senate Referral: S. Con. Res 21 was referred to the Committee on Education and the Workforce and S. 877 was ordered held at the desk. **Page H9816**

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 10:05 a.m.

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of October 27 through November 1, 2003

Senate Chamber

On *Monday*, at 12 noon, Senate will resume consideration of H.R. 2800, Foreign Operations Appropriations Act. At 2 p.m., Senate will resume consideration of the nomination of Michael O. Leavitt, of Utah, to be Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, with a vote on the motion to close further debate on the nomination to occur at 5:30 p.m.

During the balance of the week, Senate may consider any other cleared legislative and executive business, including appropriation bills, conference reports and certain nominations, when available.

Senate Committees

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: October 30, to hold hearings to examine the Treasury Department's report to Congress on international economic and exchange rate policy, 10a.m., SD-538.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: October 28, to hold hearings to examine dietary supplements, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

October 29, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the future of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

October 29, Subcommittee on Science, Technology, and Space, to hold hearings to examine the International Space Station, 2 p.m., SR-253.

October 30, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the universal service, 10 a.m., SR-253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: October 30, Subcommittee on National Parks, to hold hearings to examine S. 1241, to establish the Kate Mullany National Historic Site in the State of New York, S. 1364, to amend the Alaska National Interest Lands Conservation Act to authorize the payment of expenses after the death of certain Federal employees in the State of Alaska, S. 1433, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to provide assistance in implementing cultural heritage, conservation, and recreational activities in the Connecticut River watershed of the States of New Hampshire and Vermont, and S. 1462, to adjust the boundary of the Cumberland Island Wilderness, to authorize tours of the Cumberland Island National Seashore, 10 a.m., SD-366.

October 30, Subcommittee on Water and Power, to hold hearings to examine S. 1097, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to implement the Calfed Bay-Delta Program, 2:30 p.m., SD-366.

Committee on Foreign Relations: October 28, to hold a closed briefing to examine security threats and U.S. policy in relation to Iran, 9 a.m., SH-219.

October 28, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine security threats and U.S. policy in relation to Iran, 10:15 a.m., SH-216.

October 29, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Margaret DeBardeleben Tutwiler, of Alabama, to be Under Secretary of State for Public Diplomacy, Zalmay Khalilzad, of Maryland, to be Ambassador to Afghanistan, and Louise V. Oliver, of the District of Columbia, for the rank of Ambassador during her tenure of service as the United States Permanent Representative to the United Nations Educational, Scientific, Cultural Organization, and to U.S. Representative to the 32nd and General Conference of UNESCO, 9:30 a.m., SD-419.

October 29, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine challenges for U.S. policy toward Colombia, 2:30 p.m., SD-419.

October 30, Full Committee, to hold a closed briefing to examine U.S. policy directions relating to Syria, 9 a.m., SH-219.

October 30, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine U.S. policy directions relating to Syria, 10:15 a.m., SH-216.

October 30, Subcommittee on European Affairs, to hold hearings to examine combating transnational crime and corruption in Europe, 2:30 p.m., SD-419.

October 30, Subcommittee on East Asian and Pacific Affairs, to hold hearings to examine the current situation in North Korea, 2:30 p.m., SD-430.

October 30, Subcommittee on African Affairs, with the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions, Subcommittee on Children and Families, to hold joint hearings to examine a report relative to HIV/AIDS Codel to Africa, 3 p.m., S-211, Capitol.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: October 29, business meeting to consider S. 423, to promote health care coverage parity for individuals participating in legal recreational activities or legal transportation activities, S. 1172, to establish grants to provide health services for improved nutrition, increased physical activity, obesity prevention, proposed Head Start Improvement and School Readiness Act, proposed Human Services Reauthorization Act, proposed Pension Stability Act, proposed Health Care Safety Net Amendments Technical Corrections Act, and the nominations of Robert Lerner, of Maryland, to be Commissioner of Education Statistics, Leslie Silverman, of Virginia, to be a Member of the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, and Stuart Ishimaru, of the District of Columbia, to be a Member of the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, 10 a.m., SD-430.

October 29, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine intellectual diversity on America's college campuses, 2 p.m., SD-430.

October 30, Subcommittee on Aging, to hold hearings to examine financial abuse and exploitation of the elderly, 10 a.m., SD-430.

October 30, Subcommittee on Children and Families, with the Committee on Foreign Relations, Subcommittee on African Affairs, to hold joint hearings to examine a report relative to HIV/AIDS Codel to Africa, 3 p.m., S-211, Capitol.

Committee on Indian Affairs: October 29, business meeting to consider pending calendar business; to be immediately followed by a hearing on S. 1770, to establish a voluntary alternative claims resolution process to reach a settlement of pending class action litigation, 10 a.m., SD-106.

Committee on the Judiciary: October 28, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Claude A. Allen, of Virginia, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Fourth Circuit, and Mark R. Filip, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Illinois, 10 a.m., SD-226.

October 29, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine competitive and economic effects of the Bowl Championship series on and off the field, 10 a.m., SD-266.

October 29, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nomination of James B. Comey, of New York, to be Deputy Attorney General, 2 p.m., SD-226.

October 30, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine monopsony issues in agriculture, focusing on the buying power of processors in the nation's agricultural markets, 2 p.m., SD-226.

Committee on Rules and Administration: October 28, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Paul S. DeGregorio, of Missouri, Gracia M. Hillman, of the District of Columbia, Raymundo Martinez III, of Texas, and Deforest B. Soaries, Jr., of New Jersey, each to be a Member of the Election Assistance Commission, 9:30 a.m., SR-301.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: October 30, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Cynthia R. Church, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Veterans Affairs (Public and Intergovernmental Affairs), and Robert N. McFarland, of Texas, to be an Assistant Secretary of Veterans Affairs (Information and Technology), 2 p.m., SR-418.

Select Committee on Intelligence: October 30, to hold closed hearings to examine certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

House Chamber

Monday, the House is not in session.

Tuesday, the House will meet at 12:30 p.m. for morning hour and at 2 p.m. for legislative business. Any electronic votes will be taken after 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday and the Balance of the Week, to be announced.

House Committees

Committee on Agriculture, October 29, hearing to review the Forest Service 2003 firefighting expenses, 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

Committee on Armed Services, October 29, hearing on Iraq Reconstruction and Stability Operations: The Way Forward, 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

October 30, Subcommittee on Terrorism, Unconventional Threats and Capabilities, hearing on Destruction of the U.S. Chemical Weapons Stockpile—Program Status and Issues, 9 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Committee on Education and the Workforce, October 28, Subcommittee on Education Reform, hearing entitled "Financial Literacy Education: What Do Students Need To Know To Plan For The Future?" 2:30 p.m., 2175 Rayburn.

October 29, full Committee, hearing on "The Pension Underfunding Crisis: How Effective Have Funding Reforms Been?" 10:30 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

October 30, Subcommittee on Workforce Protections, hearing on "Energy Employees Workers' Compensation: Examining the Department of Labor's Role in Helping Workers with Energy-Related Occupational Illnesses and Diseases, 10:30 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, October 30, Subcommittee on Commerce, Trade and Consumer Protection, hearing entitled "E-Commerce: The Case of Online Wine Sales and Direct Shipment," 9:30 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, October 29, Subcommittee on Domestic and International Monetary Policy, Trade, and Technology, hearing on World Bank lending to Iran, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

October 30, Subcommittee on Capital Markets, Insurance, and Government Sponsored Enterprises, hearing entitled "Reviewing U.S. Capital Market Structure: Promoting Competition in a Changing Trading Environment," 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Government Reform, October 29, Subcommittee on Civil Service and Agency Organization, oversight hearing entitled "Decision Time: A New Human Resources Management System at the Department of Homeland Security," 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

October 29, Subcommittee on Government Efficiency and Financial Management, oversight hearing entitled "Agency Compliance with FFMA—Private Sector Views," 2:30 p.m., 2203 Rayburn.

October 29, Subcommittee on Human Rights and Wellness, hearing entitled "The Ongoing Tragedy of International Slavery and Human Trafficking: An Overview," 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

October 30, full Committee, hearing entitled "Serving the Underserved in the 21st Century: The Need for a Stronger, More Responsive Public Health Service Commissioned Corps," 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on International Relations, October 29, Subcommittee on Asia and the Pacific and the Subcommittee on International Terrorism, Nonproliferation and Human Rights, joint hearing on the Challenge of Terrorism in Asia and the Pacific, 1:30 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

October 29, Subcommittee on the Middle East and Central Asia, hearing on Central Asia: Terrorism, Religious Extremism, and Regional Stability, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary, October 30, Subcommittee on Immigration, Border Security, and Claims, oversight hearing on "The Prospects for American Workers: Immigration's Impact," 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Resources, October 29, to mark up the following measures: H. Con. Res. 237, honoring the late Rick Lupe, lead forestry technician for the Bureau of Indian Affairs Fort Apache Agency, for his dedication and

service to the United States and for his essential service in fighting wildfires and protecting the environment and communities of Arizona; H.R. 154, to exclude certain properties from the John H. Chafee Coastal Barrier Resources; H.R. 265, Mount Rainier National Park Boundary Adjustment Act of 2003; H.R. 280, National Aviation Heritage Act; H.R. 421, Environmental Policy and Conflict Resolution Advancement Act of 2003; H.R. 506, Galisteo Basin Archaeological Sites Protection Act; H.R. 958, Hydrographic Services Amendments of 2003; H.R. 1058, to provide for an exchange of certain private property in Colorado and certain Federal property in Utah; H.R. 1594, St. Croix National Heritage Area Study Act; H.R. 1618, Arabia Mountain National Heritage Area Act; H.R. 1629, Upper Missouri River Breaks Boundary Clarification Act; H.R. 1648, Carpinteria and Montecito Water Distribution Systems Conveyance Act of 2003; H.R. 1732, Williamson County Water Recycling Act of 2003; H.R. 1862, Oil Region National Heritage Area Act; H.R. 1964, Highlands Stewardship Act; H.R. 2408, National Wildlife Refuge Volunteer Act of 2003; H.R. 2425, Quinault Permanent Fisheries Fund Act; H.R. 2489, Cowlitz Indian Tribe Distribution of Judgment Funds Act; H.R. 2584, to provide for the conveyance to the Utrok Atoll local government of a decommissioned National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration ship; H.R. 2693, Marine Mammal Protection Act Amendments of 2003; H.R. 2707, Salt Cedar and Russian Olive Control Demonstration Act; H.R. 2715, to provide for necessary improvements to facilities at Yosemite National Park; H.R. 2907, Northern Arizona National Forest Land Exchange Act of 2003; H.R. 3209, to amend the Reclamation Project Authorization Act of 1972 to clarify the acreage for which the North Loup division is authorized to provide irrigation water under the Missouri River Basin project; S. 523, Native American Technical Corrections Act of 2003; S. 625, Tualatin River Basin Water Supply Enhancement Act of 2003; S. 677, Black Canyon of the Gunnison Boundary Revision Act of 2003; S. 924, to authorize the exchange of lands between an Alaska Native Village Corporation and the Department of the Interior; and S. 1233, National Great Black Americans Commemoration Act of 2003, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

October 29, to hold a hearing on H.R. 2010, to protect the voting rights of members of the Armed Services in elections for the Delegate representing American Samoa in the United States House of Representatives, 2 p.m., 1324 Longworth.

October 30, Subcommittee on Fisheries Conservation, Wildlife and Oceans, oversight hearing on the GAO report entitled "Opportunities to Improve the Management and Oversight of Oil and Gas Activities on Federal Lands," 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

October 30, Subcommittee on Fisheries Conservation, Wildlife and Oceans, oversight hearing on the upcoming 18th Regular Meeting of the International Commission for the Conservation of Atlantic Tunas, 2 p.m., 1324 Longworth.

October 30, Subcommittee on Water and Power, hearing and markup of the following: H.R. 142, to amend the Reclamation Wastewater and Groundwater Study and

Facilities Act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to participate in the Inland Empire regional water recycling project, to authorize the Secretary to carry out a program to assist agencies in projects to construct regional brine lines in California, and to authorize the Secretary to participate in the Lower Chino Dairy Area desalination demonstration and reclamation project; H.R. 1156, to amend the Reclamation Wastewater and Groundwater Study and Facilities Act to increase the ceiling on the Federal share of the costs of phase I of the Orange County, California, Regional Water Reclamation Project; H.R. 2960, to amend the Reclamation Wastewater and Groundwater Study and Facilities Act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to participate in the Brownsville Public Utility Board water recycling and desalinization project; H.R. 2991, Inland Empire Regional Water Recycling Initiative; the Provo River Project Transfer Act; the Riverside-Corona Feeder; and S. 212, High Plains Aquifer Hydrogeologic Characterization, Mapping, Modeling and Monitoring Act, 10 a.m., 1334 Longworth.

Committee on Rules, October 28, to consider H.R. 2443, Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation Act of 2003, 5 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

Committee on Science, October 29, hearing on NASA's Organizational and Management Challenges in the Wake of the Columbia Disaster, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

October 30, Subcommittee on Environment, Technology, and Standards, hearing on "What is Space Weather and Who Should Forecast It?" 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

October 30, Subcommittee on Research, hearing on Implementation of the Math Science Partnership Program: Views from the Field, 12 p.m., 2325 Rayburn.

Committee on Small Business, October 30, Subcommittee on Regulatory Reform and Oversight, hearing on the impact of unsolicited commercial email (spam) on small businesses, 10:30 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, October 30, Subcommittee on Aviation, oversight hearing on The Status of the Federal Aviation Administration's Air Traffic Control Modernization Programs, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Committee on Ways and Means, October 28, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 2896, American Jobs Creation Act of 2003; and H.R. 2571, Rail Infrastructure Development and Expansion Act for the 21st Century, 9 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

October 30 and 31, hearings on United States-China Economic Relations and China's Role in the Global Economy, 2 p.m., on October 30 and 9 a.m., on October 31, 1100 Longworth.

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, October 28, executive, hearing on Global War on Terrorism, 2 p.m., H-405 Capitol.

October 30, hearing entitled "Securing Freedom and the Nation: Collecting Intelligence Under the Law, Constitutional and Public Policy Consideration," 8:30 a.m., 1302 Longworth.

Select Committee on Homeland Security, October 30, Subcommittee on Cybersecurity, Science, and Research and Development, hearing entitled "Strength Through

Knowledge: Homeland Security Science and Technology Setting and Steering a Strong Course," 3 p.m., 210 Cannon.

Joint Meetings

Conference: October 27, meeting of conferees on H.R. 2691, making appropriations for the Department of the Interior and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2004, 6:30 p.m., HC-5, Capitol.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

12 noon, Monday, October 27

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

12:30 p.m., Tuesday, October 28

Senate Chamber

Program for Monday: Senate will resume consideration of H.R. 2800, Foreign Operations Appropriations Act. At 2 p.m., Senate will resume consideration of the nomination of Michael O. Leavitt, of Utah, to be Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, with a vote on the motion to close further debate on the nomination to occur at 5:30 p.m.

House Chamber

Program for Tuesday: To be announced.

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