

# Daily Digest

## Senate

### Chamber Action

*Routine Proceedings, pages S4103–S4169*

**Measures Introduced:** Five bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2320–2324, and S. Res. 341–342. **Page S4158**

**Measures Passed:**

**Cowlitz Indian Tribe Distribution of Judgment Fund Act:** Senate passed H.R. 2489, to provide for the distribution of judgment funds to the Cowlitz Indian Tribe, clearing the measure for the President. **Page S4162**

**Building Designation:** Committee on Environment and Public Works was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 3118, to designate the Orville Wright Federal Building and the Wilbur Wright Federal Building in Washington, District of Columbia, and the bill was then passed, clearing the measure for the President. **Pages S4162–64**

**Federal Lands Transfer:** Committee on Environment and Public Works was discharged from further consideration of S. 1814, to transfer Federal lands between the Secretary of Agriculture and the Secretary of the Interior, and the bill was then passed. **Pages S4162–64**

**Conveyance:** Senate passed H.R. 1274, to direct the Administrator of General Services to convey to Fresno County, California, the existing Federal courthouse in that county, clearing the measure for the President. **Page S4164**

**Asbestos Litigation:** Senate began consideration of the motion to proceed to the consideration of S. 2290, to create a fair and efficient system to resolve claims of victims for bodily injury caused by asbestos exposure. **Pages S4123–4150**

A motion was entered to close further debate on the motion to proceed to the consideration of the bill and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on cloture will occur on Thursday, April 22, 2004. **Pages S4144–50**

**Crime Victims' Rights Constitutional:** Senate began consideration of the motion to proceed to con-

sideration of S.J. Res. 1, proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States to protect the rights of crime victims. **Page S4150**

A motion was entered to close further debate on the motion to proceed to the consideration of the joint resolution and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on cloture will occur on Thursday, April 22, 2004. **Page S4150**

Subsequently, the motion to proceed was withdrawn. **Page S4150**

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

Virginia Maria Hernandez Covington, of Florida, to be United States District Judge for the Middle District of Florida. **Page S4169**

**Enrolled Bills Presented:** **Page S4157**

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**Authority for Committees to Meet:** **Page S4162**

**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 9:45 a.m., and adjourned at 7:25 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Wednesday, April 21, 2004. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S4169).

### Committee Meetings

*(Committees not listed did not meet)*

#### APPROPRIATIONS: DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Transportation, Treasury and General Government concluded a hearing to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2005 for the Department of the