

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

House Committees ordered reported 18 sundry measures.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S9995–S10194

Measures Introduced: Thirteen bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 2867–2879, and S. Con. Res. 139. **Page S10061**

Measures Reported:

S. Res. 424, designating October 2004 as “Protecting Older Americans From Fraud Month”.

S. 2195, to amend the Controlled Substances Act to clarify the definition of anabolic steroids and to provide for research and education activities relating to steroids and steroid precursors, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

S. 2843, to make technical corrections to laws relating to Native Americans, with amendments. **Page S10059**

Measures Passed:

Welfare Reform Extension Act: Senate passed H.R. 5149, to reauthorize the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families block grant program through March 31, 2005, clearing the measure for the President. **Pages S10180–83**

Highway Trust Fund Extension: Senate passed H.R. 5183, to provide an extension of highway, highway safety, motor carrier safety, transit, and other programs funded out of the Highway Trust Fund pending enactment of a law reauthorizing the Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century, clearing the measure for the President. **Pages S10183–85**

Safe Water Drinking Act Amendment: Senate passed H.R. 2771, to amend the Safe Drinking Water Act to reauthorize the New York City Watershed Protection Program, clearing the measure for the President. **Page S10185**

Coastal Wetland Conservation Projects Extension: Senate passed S. 2495, to strike limitations on

funding and extend the period of authorization for certain coastal wetland conservation projects. **Pages S10185–86**

National Wildlife Refuge Volunteer Act: Senate passed H.R. 2408, to amend the Fish and Wildlife Act of 1956 to reauthorize volunteer programs and community partnerships for national wildlife refuges, clearing the measure for the President. **Page S10186**

Improving Access to Assistive Technology for Individuals with Disabilities Act: Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 4278, to amend the Assistive Technology Act of 1998 to support programs of grants to States to address the assistive technology needs of individuals with disabilities, and the bill was then passed, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto: **Pages S10186–92**

Inhofe (for Gregg) Amendment No. 3943, in the nature of a substitute. **Page S10192**

Honoring Duke Ellington: Senate agreed to H. Con. Res. 501, honoring the life and work of Duke Ellington, recognizing the 30th anniversary of the Duke Ellington School of the Arts, and supporting the annual Duke Ellington Jazz Festival. **Page S10192**

State Justice Institute Reauthorization Act: Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 2714, to reauthorize the State Justice Institute, and the bill was then passed, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto: **Page S10192**

Inhofe (for Leahy/Hatch) Amendment No. 3944, to extend the authorization of the Bulletproof Vest Partnership Grant Program. **Page S10192**

National Intelligence Reform Act: Senate continued consideration of S. 2845, to reform the intelligence community and the intelligence and intelligence-related activities of the United States Government, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto: **Pages S9997, S10000**

Adopted:

Graham (FL) Amendment No. 3797, to improve the authorities with respect to the national intelligence centers. **Pages S10000–04**

McCain Amendment No. 3806, to improve the transition between Presidential administrations. **Pages S10007–09**

Collins (for Voinovich) Amendment No. 3823, to improve the financial disclosure process under the Ethics in Government Act of 1978. **Pages S10025–26**

Rockefeller/Hutchison Amendment No. 3815, to improve and provide for the review of intelligence estimate and products. **Pages S10038–40**

Lieberman (for McCain) Amendment No. 3942, to provide provisions related to the role of diplomacy, foreign aid, and the military in the war on terrorism. **Pages S10040–41**

Warner/Stevens Modified Amendment No. 3781, to modify the requirements and authorities of the Joint Intelligence Community Council. **Pages S10041–44**

Rejected:

Hollings Amendment No. 3795, in the nature of a substitute. (By 82 yeas to 7 nays (Vote No. 193), Senate tabled the amendment.) **Pages S10033–38**

Lautenberg Amendment No. 3802, to stop corporations from financing terrorism, (By 47 yeas to 41 nays (Vote No. 194), Senate tabled the amendment.) **Pages S10016–25, S10026–29, S10038**

Pending:

Collins Amendment No. 3705, to provide for homeland security grant coordination and simplification. **Page S9997**

Lautenberg Amendment No. 3767, to specify that the National Intelligence Director shall serve for one or more terms of up to 5 years each. **Page S9997**

Kyl Amendment No. 3801, to modify the privacy and civil liberties oversight. **Pages S10004–07**

McCain/Lieberman Amendment No. 3807, to develop a strategy for combining terrorist travel intelligence, operations, and law enforcement. **Pages S10009–11**

Feinstein Amendment No. 3718, to improve the intelligence functions of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. **Pages S10011–16**

Stevens Amendment No. 3839, to strike section 201, relating to public disclosure of intelligence funding. **Pages S10029–33**

Ensign Amendment No. 3819, to require the Secretary of State to increase the number of consular officers, clarify the responsibilities and functions of consular officers, and require the Secretary of Homeland Security to increase the number of border patrol agents and customs enforcement investigators. **Page S10038**

Reid (for Schumer) Amendment No. 3887, to amend the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act of 1978 to cover individuals, other than United States persons, who engage in international terrorism without affiliation with an international terrorist group. **Pages S10044–47**

Reid (for Schumer) Amendment No. 3888, to establish the United States Homeland Security Signal Corps to ensure proper communications between law enforcement agencies. **Pages S10044–47**

Reid (for Schumer) Amendment No. 3889, to establish a National Commission on the United States-Saudi Arabia Relationship. **Pages S10045–47**

Reid (for Schumer) Amendment No. 3890, to improve the security of hazardous materials transported by truck. **Pages S10046–47**

Reid (for Schumer) Amendment No. 3891, to improve rail security. **Pages S10046–47**

Reid (for Schumer) Amendment No. 3892, to strengthen border security. **Pages S10046–47**

Reid (for Schumer) Amendment No. 3893, to require inspection of cargo at ports in the United States. **Pages S10046–47**

Reid (for Schumer) Amendment No. 3894, to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to enhance cybersecurity. **Pages S10047**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill at 9:30 a.m., on Friday, October 1, 2004. **Pages S10192–93**

Legislative Information Availability—Agreement:

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the Committee on Rules and Administration be discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 360, expressing the sense of the Senate that legislative information shall be publicly available through the Internet, and the resolution be placed on the Senate calendar. **Page S10193**

Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

8 Air Force nominations in the rank of general.

23 Army nominations in the rank of general.

2 Marine Corps nominations in the rank of general.

33 Navy nominations in the rank of admiral.

Routine lists in the Air Force, Army, Marine Corps, Navy. **Pages S10193–94**

Messages From the House: **Pages S10058–59**

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Amendments Submitted: Pages S10075–S10177
Authority for Committees to Meet: Pages S10177–78
Privilege of the Floor: Page S10178
Record Votes: Two record votes were taken today. (Total—194) Pages S10037–38

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 7:33 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Friday, October 1, 2004. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S10193.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Armed Services: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Peter Cyril Wyche Flory, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Defense for International Security Policy, and 5,851 nominations in the Army, Navy, Air Force, and Marine Corps.

INTERNET GOVERNANCE AND SECURITY

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Communications concluded an oversight hearing to examine the Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers, focusing on security of Internet Root Servers and the Domain Name System (DNS), after receiving testimony from David A. Gross, U.S. Coordinator for International Communications and Information Policy, Bureau of Economic and Business Affairs, Department of State; John M.R. Kneuer, Deputy Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Communications and Information; Pat Morrisse, Security Director, Law Enforcement Intelligence, U.S. Secret Service, Department of Homeland Security; Paul Twomey, Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers, and Bill Manning, University of Southern California Information Service Institute, both of Marina del Rey, California; and Aristotle Balogh, VeriSign, Inc., Washington, D.C.

LOW-LEVEL RADIOACTIVE WASTE

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee concluded an oversight hearing to examine issues related to the disposal availability of low-level radioactive waste, focusing on the requirements of the Low-Level Radioactive Waste Policy Act (P.L. 96–573), and commercial disposal sites, after receiving testimony from Christine Gelles, Director, Office of Commercial Disposition Options, and Edward G.

McGinnis, Director, Office of Global Radiological Threat Reduction, National Nuclear Security Administration, both of the Department of Energy; Robin M. Nazzaro, Director, Natural Resources and Environment, Government Accountability Office; and Alan Pasternak, California Radioactive Materials Management Forum, Lafayette.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Foreign Relations: on September 29, 2004, Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Ryan C. Crocker, of Washington, to be Ambassador to the Islamic Republic of Pakistan, Marcie B. Ries, of the District of Columbia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Albania, Catherine Todd Bailey, of Kentucky, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Latvia, who was introduced by Senators McConnell and Bunning, and Douglas Menarchik, of Texas, to be an Assistant Administrator of the United States Agency for International Development, after each nominee testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

COLLEGE SAVINGS PLANS

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Subcommittee on Financial Management, the Budget, and International Security concluded an oversight hearing to examine Section 529 College Savings Plans, focusing on levels of fees, quality of plan disclosure, state tax treatment and broker sales practices, after receiving testimony from Steven T. Miller, Commissioner, Tax Exempt and Government Entities Division, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury; Ernesto A. Lanza, Senior Associate General Counsel, Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board; Michael A. Ablowich, New Hampshire State Treasurer, Concord, on behalf of the National Association of State Treasurers; Jacqueline T. Williams, Ohio Tuition Trust Authority, Columbus, on behalf of the College Savings Plan Network; Martin M. Noven, Office of the Illinois State Treasurer, Springfield; Richard O. Davis, Utah Higher Education Assistance Authority, Salt Lake City; Mary L. Schapiro, NASD, New York, New York; Daniel McNeela, Morningstar, Inc., Chicago, Illinois; and Mercer E. Bullard, Fund Democracy, Inc., Oxford, Mississippi.

BUSINESS MEETING

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

S. 1635, to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to ensure the integrity of the L–1 visa for intracompany transferees;

S. 2195, to amend the Controlled Substances Act to clarify the definition of anabolic steroids and to provide for research and education activities relating