

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

- Senate agreed to S. Res. 445, Intelligence Committee Reorganization Resolution.
- Senate and House agreed to the conference report to accompany H.R. 4200, National Defense Authorization Act.
- The House agreed to the conference report to accompany H.R. 4837, Military Construction Appropriations Act for Fiscal Year 2005.
- The House agreed to the conference report to accompany H.R. 4567, Department of Homeland Security Appropriations Act for Fiscal Year 2005.
- The House agreed to H. Con. Res. 518, providing for conditional adjournment or recess of the House and Senate.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S10899–S11009

Measures Introduced: Five bills and ten resolutions, were introduced as follows: S. 2969–2973, and S. Res. 454–463. **Page S10986**

Measures Passed:

Justice for All Act: Senate passed H.R. 5107, to protect crime victims' rights, to eliminate the substantial backlog of DNA samples collected from crime scenes and convicted offenders, to improve and expand the DNA testing capacity of Federal, State, and local crime laboratories, to increase research and development of new DNA testing technologies, to develop new training programs regarding the collection and use of DNA evidence, to provide post-conviction testing of DNA evidence to exonerate the innocent, to improve the performance of counsel in State capital cases. **Pages S10910–17**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that when the Senate receives from the House a correcting enrollment resolution relating to H.R. 5107 (listed above); provided that the Senate proceed to its consideration and the resolution be agreed to and the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table; provided further, that if the House does not adopt the correcting enrollment resolution by the end of this Congress then the Senate action on H.R. 5107 be vitiated. **Page S10910**

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Taxpayer-Teacher Protection Act: Senate passed H.R. 5186, to reduce certain special allowance payments and provide additional teacher loan forgiveness on Federal student loans, clearing the measure for the President. **Pages S10918–21**

Higher Education Act Extension: Senate passed H.R. 5185, to temporarily extend the programs under the Higher Education Act of 1965, clearing the measure for the President. **Page S10921**

Mammography Quality Standards Reauthorization Act: Senate passed H.R. 4555, to amend the Public Health Service Act to revise and extend provisions relating to mammography quality standards, clearing the measure for the President. **Pages S10921–22**

Intelligence Committee Reorganization: By 79 yeas to 6 nays (Vote No. 208), Senate agreed to S. Res. 445, to eliminate certain restrictions on service of a Senator on the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence, after taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto: **Pages S10900–10, S10917–18, S10922–25**

Adopted:

Frist Modified Amendment No. 4035 (to Amendment No. 3981), to modify certain security procedures of the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence regarding public disclosure of classified information. **Page S10900**

Hutchison Amendment No. 4042 (to Amendment No. 4015), to implement responsible subcommittee reorganization in the Committee on Appropriations.

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By 50 yeas to 35 nays (Vote No. 206), McConnell (for Nickles/Conrad) Amendment No. 4041 (to Amendment No. 4027), to vest sole jurisdiction over the Federal budget process in the Committee on the Budget, and to give the Committee on the Budget joint jurisdiction with the Governmental Affairs Committee over the process of reviewing, holding hearings, and voting on persons nominated by the President to fill the positions of Director and Deputy Director for Budget within the Office of Management and Budget.

Pages S10900–01, S10909

McConnell (for Nickles/Conrad) Amendment No. 4027 (to Amendment No. 3981), to vest sole jurisdiction over the Federal budget process in the Committee on the Budget.

Pages S10900–01, S10906–08, S10909, S10917

By 44 yeas to 41 nays (Vote No. 207), Hutchison Amendment No. 4015 (to Amendment No. 3981), to implement responsible subcommittee reorganization in the Committee on Appropriations.

Pages S10908, S10917–18

McConnell/Reid Amendment No. 4045 (to Amendment No. 3981), to make certain conforming and technical amendments.

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McConnell/Reid/Frist/Daschle Amendment No. 3981, in the nature of a substitute.

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Withdrawn:

Bingaman (for Domenici) Amendment No. 4040 (to Amendment No. 3981), to transfer jurisdiction over organization and management of United States nuclear export policy to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

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A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the resolution was vitiated.

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A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that amendments numbered 3989, 3994, and 4037, all previously agreed to, were modified.

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Agriculture Disaster Assistance: By 71 yeas to 14 nays (Vote No. 209), Senate agreed to S. Res. 454, expressing the sense of the Senate that the 108th Congress should provide the necessary funds to make disaster assistance available for all customarily eligible agricultural producers as emergency spending and not funded by cuts to the farm bill.

Pages S10926–27

Enrollment Correction: Senate agreed to H. Con. Res. 514, directing the Clerk of the House of Rep-

resentatives to make a technical correction in the enrollment of the bill H.R. 4200.

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Veterans Health Programs Improvement Act: Committee on Veterans' Affairs was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 3936, to amend title 38, United States Code, to increase the authorization of appropriations for grants to benefit homeless veterans, to improve programs for management and administration of veterans' facilities and health care programs, and the bill was then passed, after striking all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof, the text of S. 2485, Senate companion measure, after agreeing to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, and the following amendment proposed thereto:

Pages S10997–S11007

Frist (for Specter) Amendment No. 4048, in the nature of a substitute.

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Frist (for Specter) Amendment No. 4049, to amend the title.

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Subsequently, S. 2485 was returned to the Senate calendar.

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Indian Veterans' Charter: Senate passed S. 2938, to grant a Federal charter to the National American Indian Veterans, Incorporated.

Pages S11007–08

Enrollment Correction: Senate agreed to H. Con. Res. 519, correcting the enrollment of H.R. 5107.

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National Defense Authorization Act—Conference Report: By unanimous consent, Senate agreed to the conference report to accompany H.R. 4200, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2005 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe personnel strengths for such fiscal year for the Armed Forces, clearing the measure for the President.

Pages S10945–54

American Jobs Creation Act: Senate continued consideration of the conference report to accompany H.R. 4520, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to remove impediments in such Code and make our manufacturing, service, and high-technology businesses and workers more competitive and productive both at home and abroad.

Pages S10928–45

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the conference report at 10:30 a.m., on Sunday, October 10, 2004, with a vote on the motion to invoke cloture to occur at 1 p.m.; provided further, that if cloture is invoked Senator Landrieu be recognized, following the vote, to speak for up to 1 hour.

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Appropriations: Military Construction—Conference Report: Senate began consideration of the conference report to accompany H.R. 4837, making

appropriations for military construction, family housing, and base realignment and closure for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2005. **Pages S10978–79**

A motion was entered to close further debate on the conference report and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a cloture vote will occur on Monday, October 11, 2004. **Pages S10978–79**

Appropriations: Homeland Security—Conference Report: Senate began consideration of the conference report to accompany H.R. 4567, making appropriations for the Department of Homeland Security for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2005. **Page S10979**

A motion was entered to close further debate on the conference report and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a cloture vote will occur on Monday, October 11, 2004. **Page S10979**

Messages From the House: **Pages S10985–86**

Measures Placed on Calendar: **Page S10986**

Additional Cosponsors: **Page S10986**

Statements on Introduced Bills/Resolutions:
Pages S10986–90

Amendments Submitted: **Pages S10990–97**

Record Votes: Four record votes were taken today. (Total—209) **Pages S10909, S10918, S10925, S10927**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m., and adjourned at 8:43 p.m., until 10:30 a.m., on Sunday, October 10, 2004. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on pages S11008–09.)

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Measures Introduced: 7 public bills, H.R. 5353–5359; and 4 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 518–520 and H. Res. 852, were introduced. **Page H9184**

Additional Cosponsors: **Page H9184**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows: Conference report on H.R. 4837, making appropriations for military construction, family housing, and base realignment and closure for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2005 (H. Rept. 108–773); and

Conference report on H.R. 4567, making appropriations for the Department of Homeland Security for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2005 (H. Rept. 108–774). **Pages H9054–H9113, H9125–62, H9184**

Chaplain: The prayer was offered by Rev. Stephen J. Rossetti, President, St. Luke Institute of Silver Spring, Maryland. **Page H9053**

Military Construction Appropriations Act, 2005—Conference Report: The House agreed to the conference report to accompany H.R. 4837, making appropriations for military construction, family housing, and base realignment and closure for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending

September 30, 2005, by a yea-and-nay vote of 374 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 529. **Pages H9113–25, H9175–76**

The conference report was considered under a unanimous consent agreement. **Page H9113**

Department of Homeland Security Appropriations Act for Fiscal Year 2005: The House agreed to the conference report to accompany H.R. 4567, making appropriations for the Department of Homeland Security for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2005, by a yea-and-nay vote of 368 yeas to with none voting nay, Roll No. 530. **Pages H9162–74, H9176–77**

The conference report was considered under a unanimous consent agreement. **Page H9162**

National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2005—Conference Report: The House passed the conference report to accompany H.R. 4200, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2005 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe personnel strengths for such fiscal year for the Armed Forces, by a yea-and-nay vote of 359 yeas to 14 nays, Roll No. 528. **Page H9175**

H. Res. 843, providing for consideration of the conference report, was agreed yesterday, October 8.