

Tuesday, February 21, 1995

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

The Senate was not in session today. It will next meet on Wednesday, February 22, 1995, at 10:30 a.m.

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Sixteen public bills, H.R. 993–1008, and one private bill, H.R. 1009, were introduced. Pages H1967–68

Reports Filed: Reports were filed as follows:

H.R. 421, to amend the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act to provide for the purchase of common stock of Cook Inlet Region, amended (H. Rept. 104–40);

H.R. 622, to implement the Convention on Future Multilateral Cooperation in the Northwest Atlantic Fisheries (H. Rept. 104–41);

H.R. 715, to amend the Central Bering Sea Fisheries Enforcement Act of 1992 to prohibit fishing in the Central Sea of Okhotsk by vessels and nationals of the United States (H. Rept. 104–42);

H. Res. 91, providing for the consideration of H.R. 830, to amend chapter 35 of title 44, United States Code, to further the goals of the Paperwork Reduction Act to have Federal agencies become more responsible and publicly accountable for reducing the burden of Federal paperwork on the public (H. Rept. 104–43); and

H. Res. 92, providing for the consideration of H.R. 889, making emergency supplemental appropriations and rescissions to preserve and enhance the military readiness of the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1995 (H. Rept. 104–44). Page H1967

Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designates Representative Doolittle to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. Page H1909

Recess: House recessed at 12:32 p.m. and reconvened at 2:00 p.m. Page H1909

George Washington's Birthday Observance: The Speaker appointed Representatives Horn and Richardson to represent the House of Representatives at appropriate ceremonies for the observance of George Washington's birthday to be held on Wednesday, February 22, 1995. Page H1912

Recess: House recessed at 2:21 p.m. and reconvened at 5:00 p.m. Page H1912

Committees to Sit: It was made in order that the following committees and subcommittees be permitted to sit today during proceedings of the House under the five-minute rule: Committees on Commerce, Government Reform and Oversight, Science, and Transportation and Infrastructure. Page H1914

Health Insurance: By a recorded vote of 381 ayes to 44 noes, Roll No. 150, the House passed H.R. 831, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to permanently extend the deduction for the health insurance costs of self-employed individuals, to repeal the provision permitting nonrecognition of gain on sales and exchanges effectuating policies of the Federal Communications Commission. Pages H1921–53

Rejected the Stark motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Ways and Means with instructions to report it back forthwith containing an amendment to repeal the maximum time period of mandatory coverage of group health plans (rejected by a recorded vote of 180 ayes to 245 noes, Roll No. 149). Pages H1951–53

Rejected the McDermott amendment in the nature of a substitute that sought to provide a tax deduction for health insurance premiums for employees