

Thursday, November 16, 1995

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate agreed to Defense Appropriations Conference Report.
Senate passed further continuing appropriations.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S17103–S17201

Measures Introduced: One bill and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 1417 and S. Res. 195. **Pages S17183, S17185–86**

Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:
S. 1331, to adjust and make uniform the dollar amounts used in title 18 to distinguish between grades of offenses, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

S. 1332, to clarify the application of certain Federal criminal laws to territories, possessions, and commonwealths, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Page S17183**

Measures Passed:

Further Continuing Appropriations: By 60 yeas to 37 nays (Vote No. 581), Senate passed H.J. Res. 122, making further continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 1996, after taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows:

Page S17103–48, S17170–78

Rejected:

(1) Daschle Amendment No. 3055, in the nature of a substitute. (By 53 yeas to 46 nays (Vote No. 577), Senate tabled the amendment.) **Pages S17117–29**

(2) Hollings Amendment No. 3056, to reaffirm the commitment of the Congress not to use the surpluses in the Social Security Trust Fund to mask the true size of the deficit in any plan for a balanced budget. (By 53 yeas to 46 nays (Vote No. 578), Senate tabled the amendment.) **Pages S17129–47**

Daschle Amendment No. 3057, in the nature of a substitute. (By 52 yeas to 45 (Vote No. 580), Senate tabled the Amendment.) **Pages S17147, S17171–77**

Department of Defense Appropriations—Conference Report: By 59 yeas to 39 nays (Vote No. 579), Senate agreed to the conference report on H.R.

2126, making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1996, clearing the measure for the President.

Pages S17136–37, S17148–70

National Highway System Designation Act Conference Report—Agreement: A unanimous-consent time-agreement was reached providing for the consideration of the conference report on S. 440, to amend title 23, United States Code, to provide for the designation of the National Highway System, on Friday, November 17, 1995. **Pages S17193–94**

Messages from the President: Senate received the following messages from the President of the United States:

Transmitting, a report of proposed legislation making further continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 1996; to the Committee on Appropriations. (PM–96). **Page S17182**

Messages From the President: **Page S17182**

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Amendments Submitted: **Page S17186**

Additional Statements: **Pages S17186–93**

Record Votes: Five record votes were taken today. (Total–581)

Pages S17128–29, S17147, S17170, S17177, S17178

Recess: Senate convened at 9 a.m., and recessed at 10:09 p.m., until 10 a.m., on Friday, November 17, 1995. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's RECORD on pages S17194 and S17201.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

BUSINESS MEETING

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

H.R. 665, to control crime by mandatory victim restitution, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 1331, to adjust and make uniform the dollar amounts used in Title 18 to distinguish between grades of offenses, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 1332, to clarify the application of certain Federal criminal laws to territories, possessions, and commonwealths, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. Res. 146, designating the week beginning November 19, 1995, and the week beginning on November 24, 1996, as "National Family Week"; and

The nominations of D. W. Bransom, Jr., to be United States Marshal for the Northern District of Texas, Frank Policaro, Jr., to be United States Marshal for the Western District of Pennsylvania, and Joseph Francis Baca, of New Mexico, Robert Nelson Baldwin, of Virginia, David Allen Brock, of New Hampshire, and Florence K. Murray, of Rhode Island, each to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the State Justice Institute.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 10 public bills, H.R. 2646–2655; 1 private bill, H.R. 2656 were introduced.

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed as follows:

H. Res. 272, authorizing a specified correction in the form of the conference report on H.R. 2491, to provide for reconciliation pursuant to section 105 of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 1996, and waiving points of order against the corrected conference report (H. Rept. 104–348); and

H. Res. 273, providing for consideration of H.R. 2606, to prohibit the use of funds appropriated to the Department of Defense from being used for the deployment on the ground of United States Armed Forces in the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina as part of any peacekeeping operation, or as part of any implementation force, unless funds for such deployment are specifically appropriated by law (H. Rept. 104–349).

Pages H13141–42

Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designates Representative Inglis of South Carolina to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

Page H13037

Appeal of Ruling of Chair: By a yea-and-nay vote of 231 yeas to 173 nays, Roll No. 803, the House agreed to the Kingston motion to table an appeal of a ruling of the Chair.

Pages H13041–42

Defense Appropriations: By a yea-and-nay vote of 270 yeas to 158 nays, Roll No. 806, the House agreed to the conference report on H.R. 2126, mak-

ing appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1996—clearing the measure for Senate action.

Pages H13051–64

By a yea-and-nay vote of 121 yeas to 307 nays, Roll No. 805, rejected the Obey motion to recommit the conference report to the committee of conference with instructions that the House conferees insist on the inclusion of language prohibiting obligation of funds for payment on new contracts on which allowable costs charged to the Government include payments for individual compensation at a rate in excess of \$200,000 per year.

Page H13063

H. Res. 271, the rule which waived points of order against the conference report, was agreed to earlier by a yea-and-nay vote of 372 yeas to 55 nays, Roll No. 804.

Pages H13043–51

House Gift Reform: By a recorded vote of 422 yeas to 6 noes, the House agreed to H. Res. 250, to amend the Rules of the House of Representatives to provide for gift reform.

Pages H13073–95

Agreed to the Solomon amendment that bans acceptance of all gifts and meals; eliminates the exemption for token donations of home-State products; removes conditions on accepting free attendance for a companion at a public event; restores the 4-day allowance for official travel within the United States; and removes conditions on travel expenses for family members (agreed to by a recorded vote of 422 yeas to 8 noes, Roll No. 808).

Pages H13087–94

Rejected the Burton of Indiana amendment in the nature of a substitute that sought to retain the current cumulative limit of \$250 in gifts from a single source in a year; require disclosure of all gifts or

meals over \$50, and count them toward the \$250 annual cap; permit House personnel to accept free admission or travel expenses to a public event only if the actual sponsor pays and they either participate or attend in some official capacity; and permit free attendance at charity events, along with travel and lodging, if the sponsor was a 501(c)(3) organization and was paying the Members' expenses, more than 50 percent of the proceeds would go to charity and the Member's participation contributed in a tangible way to the success of the event (rejected by a yeand-nay vote of 154 yeas to 276 nays, Roll No. 807).

Pages H13080–86

H. Res. 268, the rule under which the resolution was considered, was agreed to earlier by a voice vote.

Pages H13064–73

Lobbying Disclosure: House completed all general debate and began consideration of amendments on H.R. 2564, to provide for the disclosure of lobbying activities to influence the Federal Government; but came to no resolution thereon. Consideration of amendments will resume at a later date.

Pages H13099–H13138

Pending when the Committee on the Whole rose were the following amendments on which recorded votes were postponed:

The Fox amendment that seeks to prohibit registered lobbyists from giving gifts to Members, officers, and employees of Congress;

Pages H13115–18

The Clinger amendment that seeks to prohibit Federal agencies from using appropriated funds to promote public support or opposition for a legislative proposal;

Pages H13118–23

The English of Pennsylvania amendment that seeks to impose a lifetime ban on lobbying for a foreign interest on the Secretary of Commerce and the Commissioner of the International Trade Commission; and

Pages H13125–28

The Weller amendment that seeks to require registered lobbyists to disclose any honoraria they pay to members of the media.

Pages H13128–38

The Kaptur amendment was offered but subsequently withdrawn that sought to place a 5-year restriction on certain former Government officers and employees from representing or advising, for compensation, certain foreign entities in matters in which the United States is a party or has a direct and substantial interest.

Pages H13123–25

H. Res. 269, the rule under which the bill is being considered, was agreed to earlier by a voice vote.

Pages H13095–98

Meeting Hour: Agreed that the House will meet at 9:30 a.m. on Friday, October 17.

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Presidential Message—Continuing Appropriations: Read a message from the President wherein he

transmits proposed legislation to extend the continuing resolution that expired on November 13, 1995—referred to the Committees on Appropriations and Government Reform and Oversight and ordered printed (H. Doc. 104–135).

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Quorum Calls—Votes: Five yeand-nay votes and two recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H13041–42, H13050–51, H13063, H13063–64, H13085–86, H13094, and H13094–95. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: Met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 11:59 p.m.

Committee Meetings

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Health and Environment approved for full committee action the following bills: H.R. 325, to amend the Clean Air Act to provide for an optional provision for the reduction of work-related vehicle trips and miles traveled in ozone nonattainment areas designated as severe; and H.R. 1787, to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to repeal the saccharin notice requirements.

OLDER AMERICANS AMENDMENTS

Committee on Economic and Educational Opportunities: Subcommittees on Early Childhood, Youth and Families approved for full Committee action amended H.R. 2570, Older Americans Amendments of 1995.

MEDICARE TRANSACTION SYSTEM STATUS

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on Human Resources and Intergovernmental Relations and the Subcommittee on Government Management, Information, and Technology held a joint hearing on the Status of the Medicare Transaction System: The Health Care Financing Administration's Planned Data System to Control Fraud/Abuse. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Health Care Financing Administration, Department of Health and Human Services: Bruce C. Vladek, Administrator; and Carol Walton, Director, Bureau of Program Operations; the following officials of the GAO: Frank Reilly, Director, Information Management and Technology Division; and Christopher Hoenig, Director, Information Management Policy Issues; and public witnesses.

CAMPAIGN FINANCE REFORM

Committee on House Oversight: Continued hearings on Campaign Finance Reform, with emphasis on Political Action Committees. Testimony was heard from

Representatives Gilchrest, Dickey, Maloney, Lewis of Georgia, White, and Gutierrez; and public witnesses.

SNOWBASIN LAND EXCHANGE ACT

Committee on Resources: Ordered reported amended H.R. 2402, Snowbasin Land Exchange Act of 1995.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Water and Power Resources held a hearing on the following: H.R. 1232, Reclamation Facilities Transfer Act; H.R. 2609, Texas Reclamation Projects Indebtedness Purchase Act; and H.R. 2644, Missouri River Basin, Pick-Sloan Projects Facility Transfers Act. Testimony was heard from Representatives Skeen and Laughlin; and public witnesses.

BOSNIA

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a modified closed rule providing for one hour of general debate on H.R. 2606, to prohibit the use of funds appropriated to the Department of Defense from being used for the deployment on the ground of United States Armed Forces in the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina as part of any peacekeeping operation, or as part of any implementation force, unless funds for such deployment are specifically appropriated by law. All points of order are waived against the consideration of the bill. The rule provides one motion to amend by the Minority Leader or his designee, which shall be in order without demand for division of the question, shall be considered as read and shall be debatable for one hour equally divided and controlled between a proponent and an opponent. The rule provides that if the minority amendment is not offered, debate time shall be extended for an additional hour. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit, with instructions only offered by the Minority Leader or his designee. Testimony was heard from Representatives Hefley, Dornan, Buyer, Bartlett, Cox, Rohrabacher, and Metcalf.

CONFERENCE REPORT—SEVEN YEAR BALANCED BUDGET RECONCILIATION ACT

Committee on Rules: Committee granted, by a vote of 9 to 4, a rule to vacate the proceedings by which the conference report on H.R. 2491, Seven-Year Balanced Budget Reconciliation Act was filed and authorizes the managers to immediately refile the report in the form actually signed and ordered reported, with the corrected part printed in section 3 of the rule. The rule provides that the existing signatures of the conferees shall remain valid as authorizing the presentation of the conference report to the House in its corrected form. The rule waives all points of order against the new conference report and

its consideration; and the conference report shall be considered as read. The rule provides two hours of general debate equally divided and controlled between the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on the Budget. The rule provides one motion to recommit which may not contain instructions. Finally, the rule provides that following the disposition of the conference report no further action on the bill is in order except by subsequent order of the House. Testimony was heard from Chairman Kasich and Representatives Sabo and Gibbons.

GLOBAL CLIMATE CHANGE

Committee on Science: Subcommittee on Energy and Environment held a hearing on Climate Models and Projections of Potential Impacts of Global Climate Change. Testimony was heard from Peter F. Guerrero, Director, Environmental Protection Issues, Resources, Community, and Economic Development Division, GAO; Jerry Mahlman, Director, Geophysical Fluid Dynamics Laboratory, NOAA, Department of Commerce; David Gardner, Office of Policy, Planning, and Evaluation, EPA; Robert T. Watson, Associate Director of Environment, Office of Science and Technology Policy; and public witnesses.

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Committee on Standards of Official Conduct: Met in executive session to consider pending business.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES AND RESOLUTIONS

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Ordered reported the following: H.R. 2594, Railroad Unemployment Insurance Amendments Act of 1995; H.R. 308, Hopewell Township Investment Act of 1995; H.R. 255, to designate the Federal Justice Building in Miami, FL, as the "James Lawrence King Federal Justice Building;" H.R. 395, to designate the U.S. courthouse and Federal building to be constructed at the southeastern corner of Liberty and South Virginia Streets in Reno, NV, as the "Bruce R. Thompson United States Courthouse and Federal Building;" H.R. 653, to designate the U.S. courthouse under construction in White Plains, NY, as the "Thurgood Marshall United States Courthouse;" H.R. 840, to designate the Federal building and U.S. courthouse located at 215 South Evans Street in Greenville, NC, as the "Walter B. Jones Federal Building and United States Courthouse;" H.R. 869, as amended, to designate the Federal building and U.S. courthouse located at 125 Market Street in Youngstown, OH, as the "Thomas D. Lambros Federal Building and U.S. Courthouse;" H.R. 965, to designate the Federal building located at 600 Martin Luther King, Jr.

Place in Louisville, KY, as the "Romano L. Mazzoli Federal Building;" H.R. 1804, to designate the U.S. Post Office-Courthouse located at South 6th and Rogers Avenue, Fort Smith, AR as the "Judge Isaac C. Parker Federal Building;" and H.R. 2636, to transfer jurisdiction over certain parcels of Federal real property located in the District of Columbia.

The Committee also approved 52 GSA resolutions.

FUTURE OF TECHNOLOGY—IC21

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Continued hearings on IC21: The Intelligence Community in the 21st Century. Testimony was heard from Lt. Gen. James J. Clapper (Ret.), former Director of the Defense Intelligence Agency, Department of Defense, and the following former Deputy Directors, CIA: Richard J. Kerr and John N. McMahon.

Joint Meetings

ALASKA NATIVES

Joint Hearing: Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources and the Senate Committee on Indian Affairs concluded joint oversight hearings with the House Committee on Resources to examine the Federal-State Alaska Natives Commission report to Congress transmitted in May 1994 on the status of Alaska natives, after receiving testimony from Alaska Governor Tony Knowles, Juneau; Mary Jane Fate and John Schaeffer, both on behalf of the Alaska Natives Commission, Fairbanks; Julie E. Kitka and Harold Napoleon, both of Anchorage, Alaska, Walter Soboleff, Juneau, Alaska, and Rachael Craig, Kotzebue, Alaska, all on behalf of the Alaska Federation of Natives; Melissa Berns, Alaska Federation of Natives Youth Council, Old Harbor, Alaska; Sarah Scanlon, NANA Regional Corporation, Kotzebue, Alaska; and Doug Webb, Alyeska Pipeline Service Company, Anchorage, Alaska.

APPROPRIATIONS—VA/HUD

Conferees agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the Senate- and House-passed ver-

sions of H.R. 2099, making appropriations for the Departments of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development, and for sundry independent agencies, boards, commissions, corporations, and offices for fiscal year ending September 30, 1996.

APPROPRIATIONS—DEFENSE

Conferees on Wednesday, November 15, agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H.R. 2126, making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1996.

BUDGET RECONCILIATION

Conferees on Wednesday, November 15, agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H.R. 2491, to provide for reconciliation pursuant to section 105 of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 1996.

NATIONAL HIGHWAY SYSTEM DESIGNATION ACT

Conferees on Wednesday, November 15, agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of S. 440, to amend title 23, United States Code, to provide for the designation of the National Highway System.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 1995

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on the Judiciary, to hold hearings on H.R. 1833, Partial-birth Abortion Ban Act, 9 a.m., SH-216.

House

Committee on Commerce, Subcommittee on Energy and Power and the Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, joint hearing on the Department of Energy: Misuse of Federal Funds, 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Next Meeting of the SENATE
10 a.m., Friday, November 17

Senate Chamber

Program for Friday: Senate will consider the conference report on S. 440, National Highway System Designation Act, and H.R. 2491, Budget Reconciliation.

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
9:30 a.m., Friday, November 17

House Chamber

Program for Friday: Consideration of the conference report on H.R. 2491, Balanced Budget Act of 1995 (rule waiving points of order); and
H.R. 2606, Prohibition on Funds for Bosnia Deployment (modified closed rule, one hour of general debate).

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