

Tuesday, March 26, 1996

# Daily Digest

## Senate

### Chamber Action

*Routine Proceedings, pages S2841–S2906*

**Measures Introduced:** Four bills were introduced, as follows: S. 1642–1645. **Pages S2859–60**

#### Measures Reported:

Reported on Monday, March 25, 1996:

Special Report entitled "Revised Allocation to Subcommittees of Budget Totals from the Concurrent Resolution for fiscal year 1996" (S. Rept. No. 104–243) **Page S2801**

**Administration of Presidio Properties:** Senate continued consideration of H.R. 1296, to provide for the administration of certain Presidio properties at minimal cost to the Federal taxpayer, agreeing to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, and taking action on the following amendments thereto: **Pages S2893–99**

Pending:

Murkowski Modified Amendment No. 3564, in the nature of a substitute. **Pages S2893–99**

Dole Amendment No. 3571 (to Amendment No. 3564), to provide for the exchange of certain land and interests in land located in the Lost Creek area and other areas of the Deerlodge National Forest, Montana. **Pages S2894–95**

Dole Amendment No. 3572 (to Amendment No. 3571), in the nature of a substitute. **Pages S2894–95**

Kennedy Amendment No. 3573 (to Amendment No. 3564), to provide for an increase in the minimum wage rate. **Pages S2895–98**

Kerry Amendment No. 3574 (to Amendment No. 3573), in the nature of a substitute. (By a unanimous vote of 97 nays (Vote No. 52), Senate failed to table the amendment.) **Pages S2895–98**

Dole motion to commit the bill to the Committee on Finance with instructions. **Page S2898**

Dole Amendment No. 3653 (to the instructions of the motion to commit), to strike the instructions and insert in lieu thereof "to report back by April 21, 1996 amendments to reform welfare and Medicaid effective one day after the effective date of the bill. **Page S2898**

Dole Amendment No. 3654 (to Amendment No. 3653), in the nature of a substitute. **Pages S2898–99**

Also, during consideration of this measure today, the following occurred:

A motion was entered to close further debate on Kennedy Amendment No. 3573, listed above and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on the cloture motion will occur on Thursday, March 28, 1996. **Page S2898**

Senate will continue consideration of the bill on Wednesday, March 27, 1996, with a vote on a motion to close further debate on the pending amendment to occur thereon.

#### Messages From the President:

Received on Monday, March 25, 1996:

Report on the National Emergency with Respect to Angola, to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. (PM–134) **Page S2800–01**

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

1 Marine Corps nomination in the rank of general.

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#### Messages From the House:

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#### Communications:

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#### Petitions:

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#### Statements on Introduced Bills:

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#### Authority for Committees:

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#### Additional Statements:

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#### Text of S. 1459 as Previously Passed:

**Pages S2887–93**

**Record Votes:** Two record votes were taken today. (Total—53) **Pages S2898, S2899**

**Recess:** Senate convened at 10 a.m. and, by 50 yeas to 43 nays (Vote No. 53), agreed to recess at 6:31 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Wednesday, March 27, 1996.

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

### APPROPRIATIONS—AGRICULTURE

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, and Related Agencies held hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1997 for the Department of Agriculture, receiving testimony from Daniel R. Glickman, Secretary, Richard E. Rominger, Deputy Secretary, Keith Collins, Chief Economist, and Stephen B. Dewhurst, Director, Office of Budget and Program Analysis, all of the Department of Agriculture.

Subcommittee will meet again on Thursday, March 28.

### APPROPRIATIONS—ENERGY AND WATER DEVELOPMENT

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development held hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1997 for energy and water development programs, receiving testimony on behalf of funds for their respective activities from Patricia Beneke, Assistant Secretary for Land and Water, and Eluid Martinez, Commissioner, Bureau of Reclamation, both of the Department of the Interior; H. Martin Lancaster, Assistant Secretary of the Army for Civil Works; and Lt. Gen. Arthur Williams, Chief, and Maj. Gen. Stanley G. Genega, Director of Civil Works, both of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

Subcommittee recessed subject to call.

### ATOMIC ENERGY DEFENSE

*Committee on Armed Services:* Committee concluded hearings to examine Department of Energy atomic energy defense activities, after receiving testimony from Thomas P. Grumbly, Assistant Secretary of Energy for Environmental Management.

### AUTHORIZATION—DEFENSE

*Committee on Armed Services:* Subcommittee on Seapower resumed hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 1997 for the Department of Defense and the future years defense program, focusing on the Department of the Navy Marine Corps programs, receiving testimony from John W. Douglass, Assistant Secretary of the Navy for Research, Development and Acquisition; and Gen. Charles C. Krulak, USMC, Commandant of the Marine Corps.

Subcommittee will meet again tomorrow.

### NOMINATIONS

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* Committee concluded hearings on the nominations

of Alan Greenspan, of New York, to be Chairman, and Alice M. Rivlin, of Pennsylvania, and Laurence H. Meyer, of Missouri, both to be Members, all of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf. Testimony was also received from Ralph Nader, Washington, D.C.

### NASA BUDGET

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* Subcommittee on Science, Technology, and Space concluded hearings on the National Aeronautics and Space Administration budget request for fiscal year 1997 and on recent developments in the space station program, after receiving testimony from Daniel S. Goldin, Administrator, Malcolm Peterson, Comptroller, Franze Cordova, Chief Scientist, and Charles Kennell, Associate Administration, all of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration; Marcia Smith, Specialist in Aerospace and Telecommunications Policy, Congressional Research Service, Library of Congress; Lori Garver, National Space Society, Washington, D.C.; Nicholas L. Johnson, Kaman Sciences Corporation, Colorado Springs, Colorado; and Louis Friedman, Planetary Society, Pasadena, California.

### CHEMICAL WEAPONS TREATY VERIFIABILITY

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* Committee met in closed session to receive a briefing on the verifiability of the Convention on Chemical Weapons (Treaty Doc. 103-21) from John Lauder, Chief, Arms Control Intelligence Staff for the Director of Central Intelligence; and Maj. Gen. John Landry, National Intelligence Officer for General Purpose Forces, National Intelligence Council.

Committee recessed subject to call.

### NOMINATIONS

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of Henry McKoy, of North Carolina, and Ernest G. Green, of the District of Columbia, each to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the African Development Foundation, Lawrence Neal Benedict, of California, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Cape Verde, Harold Walter Geisel, of Illinois, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Mauritius and to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador to the Federal and Islamic Republic of The Comoros, Aubrey Hooks, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of the Congo, Robert Krueger, of Texas, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Botswana, and David

H. Shinn, of Washington, to be Ambassador to Ethiopia, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf. Mr. McKoy was introduced by Senator Helms.

### IRS MODERNIZATION

*Committee on Governmental Affairs:* Committee held hearings to examine the status of the modernization of the Internal Revenue Service tax information system, receiving testimony from Gene L. Dodaro, Assistant Comptroller General, Accounting and Information Management Division, General Accounting Office; Margaret Milner Richardson, Commissioner of Internal Revenue, Department of the Treasury; Robert P. Clagett, Chairman, and Al Irvine, Member, both of the Committee on Continued Review of the Tax Systems Modernization of the Internal Revenue Service, National Research Council; and Stephen

S. Street, Alaska Business Development Center, and Susan D. Anderson, Lower Yukon Economic Development Council, both of Anchorage, Alaska.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

### FUNDING OF SOCIAL PROGRAMS

*Committee on Labor and Human Resources:* Subcommittee on Children and Families concluded hearings to examine the capacity of American charitable organizations to fill the gap in the funding of certain social programs, after receiving testimony from Rev. Fred Kammer, Catholic Charities USA, Alexandria, Virginia; John C. Goodman, National Center for Policy Analysis, Dallas, Texas; Rev. Lee Earl, National Center for Neighborhood Enterprise, and Sara E. Melendez, Independent Sector, both of Washington, D.C.; and David Tuerck, Beacon Hill Institute/Suffolk University, Boston, Massachusetts.

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# House of Representatives

## *Chamber Action*

**Bills Introduced:** 7 public bills, H.R. 3159–3165; and 2 resolutions, H.J. Res. 168 and H. Con. Res. 154 were introduced. **Pages H2866–67**

**Speaker Pro Tempore:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designates Representative Upton to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H2843**

**Recess:** House recessed at 12:53 p.m. and reconvened at 2 p.m. **Page H2845**

**Suspensions:** House voted to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

*Special Olympics Torch Relay:* H. Con. Res. 146, authorizing the 1996 Special Olympics Torch Relay to be run through the Capitol Grounds; **Pages H2847–48**

*Peace officers' memorial:* H. Con. Res. 147, authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds for the 15th Annual National Peace Officers' Memorial Service; **Pages H2848–49**

*35th anniversary of Peace Corps:* H.J. Res. 158, to recognize the Peace Corps on the occasion of its 35th anniversary and the Americans who have served as Peace Corps volunteers; and **Pages H2849–51**

*Human rights in Cambodia:* H. Res. 345, amended, expressing concern about the deterioration of human rights in Cambodia. **Pages H2851–53**

**Enrollment Requirement Waivers:** House passed H.J. Res. 168, waiving certain enrollment requirements with respect to two bills of the One Hundred Fourth Congress. **Page H2857**

**Senate Messages:** Message received from the Senate today appears on page H2843.

**Amendments:** Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on pages H2867–74.

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** No quorum calls or votes developed during the proceedings of the House today.

**Adjournment:** Met at 12:30 p.m. and adjourned at 4:43 p.m.

## *Committee Meetings*

### AGRICULTURE, RURAL DEVELOPMENT, FDA, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies held a hearing on Food, Nutrition and Consumer Services. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the USDA: Ellen Haas, Under Secretary, Food, Nutrition Policy and Consumer Services; Eileen Kennedy, Director, Center for Nutrition Policy and Promotion; and William Ludwig, Administrator, Food and Consumer Service.

### ENERGY AND WATER DEVELOPMENT APPROPRIATIONS

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Energy and Water held a hearing on Department of Energy and Environmental Management and Nuclear Waste

Issues. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Energy: Adm. Richard Guimond, USN, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary, Environmental Management; and Daniel A. Dreyfuss, Director, Office of Civilian Radioactive Waste Management.

### INTERIOR APPROPRIATIONS

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Interior held a hearing on the Bureau of Indian Affairs and on the Indian Health Service. Testimony was heard from Ada E. Deer, Assistant Secretary, Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior; and Michael H. Trujillo, M.D., Assistant Surgeon General, Director, Indian Health Service, Department of Health and Human Services.

### TRANSPORTATION APPROPRIATIONS

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Transportation held a hearing on Research and Special Programs Administration. Testimony was heard from Dharmendia K. Sharma, Administrator, Research and Special Programs Administration, Department of Transportation.

### HUMAN RIGHTS PRACTICES—COUNTRY REPORTS

*Committee on International Relations:* Subcommittee on International Operations and Human Rights held a hearing on Country Reports on Human Rights Practices for 1995. Testimony was heard from John Shattuck, Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Democracy, Human Rights and Labor, Department of State; and public witnesses.

### OVERSIGHT

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Lands held an oversight hearing on Forest Service's decisionmaking process. Testimony was heard from Barry Hill, Director, Energy Resources and Science Issues, GAO; Jack Ward, Chief, Forest Service, USDA; and public witnesses.

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## COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, MARCH 27, 1996 Senate

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

*Committee on Appropriations,* Subcommittee on Defense, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1997 for the Department of Defense, focusing on Navy and Marine Corps programs, 10 a.m., SD-192.

*Committee on Armed Services,* Subcommittee on Acquisition and Technology, to resume hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 1997 for the Department of Defense and the future years defense program, focusing on proliferation of weapons of mass de-

struction and the impact of export controls on national security, 10 a.m., SR-222.

*Subcommittee on Seapower,* to continue hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 1997 for the Department of Defense and the future years defense program, focusing on the Department of the Navy's Submarine Development and Procurement programs, 1:30 p.m., SR-232A.

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs,* business meeting, to consider pending nominations, 10 a.m., SD-538.

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation,* to hold hearings to examine Spectrum's use and management, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources,* to hold hearings on S. 1605, to amend the Energy Policy and Conservation Act to manage the Strategic Petroleum Reserve more effectively, and S. 186, to amend the Energy Policy Act with respect to purchases from the Strategic Petroleum Reserve by entities in the insular areas of the United States, 9:30 a.m., SD-366.

*Committee on Environment and Public Works,* to hold hearings on proposals to improve prevention of, and response to, oil spills in light of the recent North Cape spill, 9 a.m., SD-406.

*Committee on Foreign Relations,* business meeting, to consider pending treaties and nominations, 10 a.m., SD-419.

*Committee on Governmental Affairs,* Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations, to resume hearings to examine global proliferation of weapons of mass destruction, 9:30 a.m., SD-342.

*Committee on the Judiciary,* to hold hearings on pending nominations, 2 p.m., SD-226.

*Committee on Labor and Human Resources,* business meeting, to mark up S. 1477, to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act and the Public Health Service Act to improve the regulation of food, drugs, devices, and biological products, S. 969, to require that health plans provide coverage for a minimum hospital stay for a mother and child following the birth of the child, and proposed legislation authorizing funds for the Older Americans Act, 9 a.m., SD-106.

*Committee on Rules and Administration,* to resume hearings on proposals to amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to provide for a voluntary system of spending limits and partial public financing of Senate primary and general election campaigns, to limit contributions by multicandidate political committees, and to reform the financing of Federal elections and Senate campaigns, 9:30 a.m., SR-301.

*Committee on Veterans Affairs,* to hold joint hearings with the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs to review the legislative recommendations of the Veterans of World War I, AMVETS, the American Ex-Prisoners of War, the Vietnam Veterans of America, and the Military Order of the Purple Heart, 9:30 a.m., 345 Cannon Building.

*Select Committee on Intelligence,* to resume hearings on the future of United States intelligence, 9:30 a.m., SH-216.

*Full Committee,* to hold a closed briefing on intelligence matters, 2 p.m., SH-219.

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*Committee on Agriculture*, Subcommittee on Resource Conservation, Research, and Forestry, hearing to review the goals and priority setting mechanisms of federally supported agricultural research, education, and extension, 9 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

*Committee on Appropriations*, Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies, on Natural Resources and Environment, 10 a.m., and on Farm and Foreign Agricultural Service, 1 p.m., 2362A Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, State, and Judiciary, on Attorney General, 2 p.m., 2237 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development, on Secretary of the Interior and Commissioner of Reclamation, 10 a.m.; on NRC, 2 p.m.; and on Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 3 p.m., 2362B Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Foreign Operations, on Secretary of State, 1:30 p.m., 2360 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on National Security, on fiscal year 1997 Air Force Posture, 10 a.m., 2212 Rayburn and on Air Force Acquisition Programs, 1:30 p.m., H-140 Capitol.

Subcommittee on Transportation, on Federal Transit Administration and on the Washington Metropolitan Transit Authority, 2 p.m., 2358 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Treasury, Postal Service, and General Government, on White House Operations, 1 p.m., and on U.S. Postal Service, 2 p.m., H-144 Capitol.

Subcommittee on Veterans' Affairs, HUD and Independent Agencies, on Department of Housing and Urban Development, 9 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

*Committee on Banking and Financial Services*, hearing on Issues Related to Recent Developments in Electronic Benefits Transfer, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

*Committee on the Budget*, hearing on Prospects for Economic Growth, 10 a.m., 210 Cannon.

*Committee on Commerce*, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing on the Department of Energy: Furloughs and Financial Management, 10 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Telecommunications and Finance, hearing on FCC Reform, 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

*Committee on Government Reform and Oversight*, Subcommittee on Government Management, Information, and Technology, hearing on Federal Budget Process Reform, 9:30 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

*Committee on National Security*, to continue hearings on the fiscal year 1997 national defense authorization, with emphasis on the Department of Defense Joint Requirements Oversight Council, 1 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Special Oversight Panel on Morale, Welfare, and Recreation, hearing on the fiscal year 1997 national defense authorization, with emphasis on morale, welfare and recreation, 10 a.m., 2216 Rayburn.

*Committee on Resources*, Subcommittee on Fisheries, Wildlife and Oceans, oversight hearing on fiscal year 1997 budget requests from Fish and Wildlife Service, National Marine Fisheries Service, and NOAA; and hearing on the following bills: H.R. 2909, Silvio O. Conte National Fish and Wildlife Refuge Eminent Domain Prevention Act, and H.R. 2982, Carbon Hill National Fish Hatchery Conveyance Act, 1 p.m., 1334 Longworth.

*Committee on Rules*, to consider the following: H.R. 3130, Health Coverage Availability and Affordability Act; H.R. 3070, Health Coverage Availability and Affordability Act; H.R. 995, ERISA Targeted Health Insurance Reform Act; H.R. 3136, Contract With America Advancement Act; the Conference Report to accompany H.R. 2854, Federal Agriculture Improvement and Reform Act of 1996; and the Conference Report to accompany H.R. 956, Product Liability Reform, 1 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

*Committee on Small Business*, Subcommittee on Government Programs, hearing on H.R. 2715, Paperwork Elimination Act of 1995, 2 p.m., 2359 Rayburn.

*Committee on Standards of Official Conduct*, executive, to consider pending business, 2 p.m., HT-2M Capitol.

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure*, Subcommittee on Aviation, to hold a hearing on problems in the United States Aviation Relationship with the United Kingdom and Japan, 2 p.m., and to mark up a measure to reauthorize the National Transportation Safety Board, 5 p.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Railroads and the Subcommittee on Technology of the Committee on Science, joint hearing on Rail Safety Oversight: High Technology Train Control Devices, 2 p.m. 2318 Rayburn.

*Committee on Ways and Means*, to continue hearings on Replacing the Federal Income Tax, 10 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

*Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence*, executive, hearing on Analysis/Exploitation, 2 p.m., H-405 Capitol.

## Joint Meetings

*Conferees*, on H.R. 3019, making appropriations for fiscal year 1996 to make a further downpayment toward a balanced budget, 3 p.m., S-5, Capitol.

*Conferees*, on S. 641, to reauthorize the Ryan White CARE Act of 1990, 4 p.m., S-207, Capitol.

*Conferees*, on S. 735, to prevent and punish acts of terrorism, 5 p.m., S-10, Capitol.

*Joint Hearing*: Senate Committee on Veterans Affairs, to hold joint hearings with the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs to review the legislative recommendations of the Veterans of World War I, AMVETS, the American Ex-Prisoners of War, the Vietnam Veterans of America, and the Military Order of the Purple Heart, 9:30 a.m., 345 Cannon Building.

*Next Meeting of the SENATE*

9:30 a.m., Wednesday, March 27

*Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES*

2 p.m., Wednesday, March 27

#### Senate Chamber

**Program for Wednesday:** Senate will continue consideration of H.R. 1296, relating to the administration of certain Presidio properties, with a vote on a motion to close further debate on Murkowski Modified Amendment No. 3564, in the nature of a substitute, to occur thereon.

Senate may also consider the conference report on H.R. 2854, Farm Bill, and the conference report on S. 4, Line-Item Veto.

#### House Chamber

**Program for Wednesday:** Votes postponed on the following Suspensions which were debated on Tuesday:

H. Res. 379, expressing the sense of the House concerning the anniversary of the massacre of Kurds by the Iraqi government; and

H. Con. Res. 102, concerning the emancipation of the Iranian Baha'i community; and

Consideration of Senate amendments to H.R. 1833, Partial Abortion Ban Act (rule providing for concurrence in Senate amendments).

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