

Friday, August 2, 1996

# Daily Digest

## HIGHLIGHTS

Senate agreed to Safe Drinking Water, Health Insurance Reform, and Small Business Job Protection/Minimum Wage Conference Reports.

House agreed to Small Business Job Protection and Minimum Wage Conference Report.

House agreed to Safe Drinking Water Act Conference Report.

House passed the Aviation Security and Antiterrorism Act of 1996.

## Senate

### Chamber Action

*Routine Proceedings, pages S9455–S9680*

**Measures Introduced:** Thirty-two bills and five resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2017–2048, S.J. Res. 59, S. Res. 287, and S. Con. Res. 68–70.

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**Measures Reported:** Reports were made as follows:  
S. 1970, to amend the National Museum of the American Indian Act to make improvements in the Act. (S. Rept. No. 104–350)

H.R. 1271, to provide protection for family privacy. (S. Rept. No. 104–351)

S. 982, to protect the national information infrastructure, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

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### Measures Passed:

*Enrollment Correction:* Senate agreed to S. Con. Res. 68, to correct the enrollment of H.R. 3103.

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*Enrollment Correction:* Senate agreed to H. Con. Res. 208, to correct the enrollment of H.R. 3103.

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*Bill Emerson Good Samaritan Food Donation Act:* Senate passed H.R. 2428, to encourage the donation of food and grocery products to nonprofit organizations for distribution to needy individuals by giving the Model Good Samaritan Food Donation Act the full force and effect of law, after agreeing to the following amendments proposed thereto:

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Santorum (for Leahy) Amendment No. 5148, of a technical nature.

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Santorum (for Kennedy) Amendment No. 5149, to establish that nothing in this Act supersedes State or local health regulations.

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*War Crimes Act:* Senate passed H.R. 3680, to amend title 18, United States Code, to carry out the international obligations of the United States under the Geneva Conventions to provide criminal penalties for certain war crimes, clearing the measure for the President.

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*Oregon Resource Conservation Act:* Senate passed S. 1662, to establish areas of wilderness and recreation in the State of Oregon, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, and the following amendment proposed thereto:

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Hatfield Amendment No. 5150, in the nature of a substitute.

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*Impact Aid Technical Amendments:* Senate passed H.R. 3269, to amend the Impact Aid program to provide for a hold-harmless with respect to amounts for payments relating to the Federal acquisition of real property, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto:

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Stevens (for Kassebaum) Amendment No. 5155, in the nature of a substitute.

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*Technical Corrections:* Senate passed S. 1559, to make technical corrections to title II, United States Code, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, and the following amendments proposed thereto:

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Stevens (for Heflin) Amendment No. 5151, to make technical changes.

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Stevens (for Coverdell) Amendment No. 5152, to bolster criminal law enforcement of child support orders in cases involving bankruptcy proceedings.

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Stevens (for Kohl) Amendment No. 5153, to limit the value of certain real and personal property that the debtor may elect to exempt under State or local law.

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Stevens (for Grassley/Lott) Amendment No. 5154, relating to trustee authorities.

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*Indian Environmental General Assistance Program Authorization:* Senate passed S. 1834, to reauthorize the Indian Environmental General Assistance Program Act of 1992.

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*Accounting Standardization Act:* Senate passed S. 1130, to provide for the establishment of uniform accounting systems, standards, and reporting systems in the Federal Government, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute.

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*National Environmental Education Amendments Act:* Senate passed S. 1873, to amend the National Environmental Education Act to extend the programs under the Act, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute.

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*PSI Records:* Senate agreed to S. Res. 287, to authorize the production of records by the Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations.

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*Day of National Concern About Young People and Gun Violence:* Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 282, to designate October 10, 1996, as the "Day of National Concern About Young People and Gun Violence", and the resolution was then agreed to.

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*National Silver Haired Congress:* Senate agreed to S. Con. Res. 52, to recognize and encourage the convening of a National Silver Haired Congress.

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*AID Incentive Payments:* Senate passed H.R. 3870, to authorize the Agency for International Development to offer voluntary separation incentive payments to employees of that agency, clearing the measure for the President.

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*U.S. Tourism Organization Act:* Senate passed S. 1735, to establish the United States Tourism Organization as a nongovernmental entity for the purpose of promoting tourism in the United States, after agreeing to committee amendments, and the following amendment proposed thereto:

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Stevens (for Pressler) Amendment No. 5156, to make certain technical corrections.

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*L. Clure Morton Post Office and Courthouse:* Senate passed S. 1931, to provide that the United States Post Office and Courthouse building located at 9 East Broad Street, Cookeville, Tennessee, shall be known and designated as the "L. Clure Morton United States Post Office and Courthouse".

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*Rose Y. Caracappa U.S. Post Office:* Senate passed H.R. 3139, to redesignate the United States Post Office building located at 245 Centereach Mall on Middle Country Road in Centereach, New York, as the "Rose Y. Caracappa United States Post Office Building", clearing the measure for the President.

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*Roger P. McAuliffe Post Office:* Senate passed H.R. 3834, to redesignate the Dunning Post Office in Chicago, Illinois, as the "Roger P. McAuliffe Post Office", clearing the measure for the President.

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*Federal Oil and Gas Lease Royalties:* Senate passed H.R. 1975, to improve the management of royalties from Federal and Outer Continental Shelf oil and gas leases, clearing the measure for the President.

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*Enrollment Correction:* Senate agreed to S. Con. Res. 70, directing the Clerk of the House of Representatives to make technical corrections in the enrollment of H.R. 1975.

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**Safe Drinking Water—Conference Report:** By a unanimous vote of 98 yeas (Vote No. 263), Senate agreed to the conference report on S. 1316, to authorize and amend title XIV of the Public Health Service Act (commonly known as the Safe Drinking Water Act), clearing the measure for the President.

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**Health Insurance Reform—Conference Report:** By a unanimous vote of 98 yeas (Vote No. 264), Senate agreed to the conference report on H.R. 3103, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to improve portability and continuity of health insurance coverage in the group and individual markets, to combat waste, fraud, and abuse in health insurance and health care delivery, to promote the use of medical savings accounts, to improve access to long-term care services and coverage, and to simplify the administration of health insurance, clearing the measure for the President.

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**Small Business Job Protection/Minimum Wage—Conference Report:** By 76 yeas to 22 nays (Vote No. 265), Senate agreed to the conference report on H.R. 3448, to provide tax relief for small businesses, to protect jobs, to create opportunities, and to increase the take home pay of workers, clearing the measure for the President.

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**Agriculture Appropriations—Conference Report:** Pursuant to the agreement of Wednesday, July 31, 1996, on Thursday, August 1, 1996, Senate agreed to the conference report on H.R. 3603, making appropriations for Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1997, clearing the measure for the President. **Page S9334**

**Defense of Marriage Act—Agreement:** A unanimous-consent time-agreement was reached providing for the consideration of H.R. 3396, to define and protect the institution of marriage, and certain amendments to be proposed thereto, on Thursday, September 5, 1996. **Page S9663**

**Sustainable Fisheries/Fisheries Financing Act—Agreement:** A unanimous-consent time-agreement was reached providing for the consideration of S. 39, to amend the Magnuson Fishery Conservation and Management Act to authorize appropriations, and to provide for sustainable fisheries, and certain amendments to be proposed thereto, on Wednesday, September 4, 1996. **Page S9663**

**Authority for Committees:** All committees were authorized to file executive and legislative reports during the adjournment of the Senate on Tuesday, August 27, 1996, from 11 a.m. until 2 p.m. **Page S9663**

#### Appointments:

*Commission on the Advancement of Federal Law Enforcement:* The Chair, on behalf of the President pro tempore, pursuant to Public Law 104-132, appointed Robert M. Steward, of South Carolina, and on behalf of the Minority Leader, appointed Donald C. Dahlin, of South Dakota, each as a member of the Commission on the Advancement of Federal Law Enforcement. **Page S9678**

**Removal of Injunction of Secrecy:** The injunction of secrecy was removed from the following treaties:

Protocol Amending the 1916 Convention for the Protection of Migratory Birds (Treaty Doc. No. 104-28); and

United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in Countries Experiencing Drought, Particularly in Africa, with Annexes (Treaty Doc. No. 104-29).

The treaties were transmitted to the Senate today, considered as having been read for the first time, and referred, with accompanying papers, to the Committee on Foreign Relations and ordered to be printed. **Pages S9661-62**

**Treaty Approved:** The following treaties having passed through their various parliamentary stages, up to and including the presentation of the resolution of ratification, upon division, two-thirds of the Sen-

ators present and having voted in the affirmative, the resolutions of ratification were agreed to:

Treaty with the Republic of Korea on Mutual Legal Assistance in Criminal Matters (Treaty Doc. 104-1) (Exec. Rept. No. 104-22);

Treaty with the United Kingdom on Mutual Legal Assistance on Criminal Matters (Treaty Doc. 104-2) (Exec. Rept. No. 104-23);

Treaty with Austria on Legal Assistance in Criminal Matters (Treaty Doc. 104-21) (Exec. Rept. No. 104-24);

Treaty with Hungary on Legal Assistance in Criminal Matters (Treaty Doc. 104-20) (Exec. Rept. No. 104-25);

Treaty with the Philippines on Mutual Legal Assistance in Criminal Matters (Treaty Doc. 104-18) (Exec. Rept. No. 104-26);

Extradition Treaty with Hungary (Treaty Doc. 104-5) (Exec. Rept. No. 104-27);

Extradition Treaty with Belgium (Treaty Doc. 104-7) and the Supplementary Extradition Treaty with Belgium (Treaty Doc. 104-8) (Exec. Rept. No. 104-28);

Extradition Treaty with the Philippines (Treaty Doc. 104-16) (Exec. Rept. No. 104-29);

Extradition Treaty with Malaysia (Treaty Doc. 104-26) (Exec. Rept. No. 104-30);

Extradition Treaty with Bolivia (Treaty Doc. 104-22) (Exec. Rept. No. 104-31); and

Extradition Treaty with Switzerland (Treaty Doc. 104-9) (Exec. Rept. No. 104-32) **Pages S9661-62**

**Nominations Confirmed:** Senate confirmed the following nominations:

Charles A. Hunnicutt, of Georgia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Transportation.

Ann D. Montgomery, of Minnesota, to be United States District Judge for the District of Minnesota.

Charles William Burton, of Texas, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the United States Enrichment Corporation for a term expiring February 24, 2001.

Christopher M. Coburn, of Ohio, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the United States Enrichment Corporation for a term expiring February 24, 2000.

Brooksley Elizabeth Born, of the District of Columbia, to be a Commissioner of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission for the remainder of the term expiring April 13, 1999.

Brooksley Elizabeth Born, of the District of Columbia, to be Chairman of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission.

David D. Spears, of Kansas, to be a Commissioner of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission for the term expiring April 13, 2000.

Alberto Aleman Zubieta, a citizen of the Republic of Panama, to be Administrator of the Panama Canal Commission.

Everett Alvarez, Jr., of Maryland, to be a Member of the Board of Regents of the Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences for a term expiring May 1, 1999.

Thomas Hill Moore, of Florida, to be a Commissioner of the Consumer Product Safety Commission for a term of seven years from October 26, 1996.

Edward McGaffigan, Jr., of Virginia, to be a Member of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission for the term of five years expiring June 30, 2000.

Nils J. Diaz, of Florida, to be a Member of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission for the term of five years expiring June 30, 2001.

33 Air Force nominations in the rank of general.

37 Army nominations in the rank of general.

12 Marine Corps nominations in the rank of general.

7 Navy nominations in the rank of admiral.

Routine lists in the Air Force, Army, Marine Corps, Navy.

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

Madeleine Korbel Albright, of the District of Columbia, to be Representative of the United States of America to the Fifty-first Session of the General Assembly of the United Nations.

Edward William Gnehm, Jr., of Georgia, to be Representative of the United States of America to the Fifty-first Session of the General Assembly of the United Nations.

Karl Frederick Inderfurth, of North Carolina, to be Alternate Representative of the United States of America to the Fifty-first Session of the General Assembly of the United Nations.

Victor Marrero, of New York, to be Alternate Representative of the United States of America to the Fifty-first Session of the General Assembly of the United Nations.

Susan G. Esserman, of Maryland, to be General Counsel of the Department of Commerce.

Mary K. Gaillard, of California, to be a Member of the National Science Board, National Science Foundation, for a term expiring May 10, 2002.

Eamon M. Kelly, of Louisiana, to be a Member of the National Science Board, National Science Foundation, for a term expiring May 10, 2002.

Richard A. Tapia, of Texas, to be a Member of the National Science Board, National Science Foundation, for a term expiring May 10, 2002.

Ernestine P. Watlington, of Pennsylvania, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Legal Services Corporation for a term expiring July 13, 1999.

Niranjan S. Shah, of Illinois, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the National Institute of Building Sciences for a term expiring September 7, 1998.

Robert W. Pratt, of Iowa, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Iowa.

**Messages From the House:** Pages S9552–53

**Measures Referred:** Pages S9553–54

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**Additional Statements:** Pages S9620–47

**Record Votes:** Three record votes were taken today. (Total—265) Pages S9497–98, S9526, S9527

**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 10:30 a.m. and, in accordance with H. Con. Res. 203, adjourned at 9:16 p.m., until 11 a.m., on Tuesday, September 3, 1996. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S9678.)

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

### SOCIAL SECURITY TRUST FUNDS

*Committee on Finance:* Subcommittee on Social Security and Family Policy held hearings to examine the current and future state of the Social Security Old Age and Survivors Insurance and Disability Insurance Trust Funds, receiving testimony from Shirley S. Chater, Commissioner of Social Security, Steven Goss, Deputy Chief Actuary, and Stephen G. Kellison and Marilyn Moon, both Members of the Board of Trustees of the Federal Old-Age and Survivors Insurance and Disability Insurance Trust Funds, all of Social Security Administration.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.