

Monday, April 14, 1997

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S3067-S3133

Measures Introduced: Nine bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 563-571 and S. Res. 71. Page S3117

Nuclear Waste Policy Act: Senate continued consideration of S. 104, to amend the Nuclear Waste Policy Act of 1982, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto: Pages S3077-S3113

Adopted:

Reid (for Wellstone) Amendment No. 29 (to Amendment No. 26), to ensure that emergency response personnel in all jurisdictions on primary and alternative shipping routes have received training and have been determined to meet standards set by the Secretary before shipments of spent nuclear fuel and high-level nuclear waste. Pages S3077-82

Reid (for Wellstone) Amendment No. 30 (to Amendment No. 26), to express the sense of the Senate regarding Federal assistance for elderly and disabled legal immigrants. Pages S3077, S3082-84

Murkowski (for Lott) Amendment No. 44 (to Amendment No. 30), regarding assistance for elderly and disabled legal immigrants. Page S3084

Pending:

Murkowski Amendment No. 26, in the nature of a substitute. Pages S3077-S3113

Lott (for Domenici) Amendment No. 42, (to Amendment No. 26), to provide that no points of order, which require 60 votes in order to adopt a motion to waive such point of order, shall be considered to be waived during the consideration of a joint resolution under section 401 of this Act.

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Lott (for Murkowski) Amendment No. 43 (to Amendment No. 42), to establish the level of annual fee for each civilian nuclear power reactor.

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Bingaman Amendment No. 31 (to Amendment No. 26), to provide for the case in which the Yucca Mountain site proves to be unsuitable or cannot be licensed and to strike the automatic default to a site in Nevada.

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Senate will continue consideration of the bill on Tuesday, April 15, 1997, with a vote on final passage to occur thereon.

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Eric H. Holder, Jr., of the District of Columbia, to be Deputy Attorney General.

3 Air Force nominations in the rank of general.

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m., and adjourned at 6:11 p.m., until 9 a.m., on Tuesday, April 15, 1997. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S3133.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

TAX FREEDOM

Committee on Finance: Committee held hearings to review the Tax Foundation's report entitled "Tax Freedom Day 1997", detailing the computation of the number of days Americans must work before they have paid their tax bill, receiving testimony from J.D. Foster and Patrick Fleenor, both of the Tax Foundation, Washington, D.C.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

CONSUMER CREDIT

Committee on the Judiciary: On Friday, April 11, Subcommittee on Administrative Oversight and the Courts concluded hearings to examine the increase of personal bankruptcies and the crisis in consumer credit, after receiving testimony from Kim