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**Record Votes:** Four record votes were taken today. (Total—209) Pages S8281, S8306, S8323, S8329

**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 10 a.m., and adjourned at 11:55 p.m., until 9 a.m., on Friday, July 17, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S8423.)

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

### NOMINATION

*Committee on Armed Services:* Committee concluded hearings on the nomination of Daryl L. Jones, of Florida, to be Secretary of the Air Force, after the nominee testified and answered questions in his own behalf. Testimony was also received on the nomination from Col. Thomas A. Dyches, Detachment Commander, Fighter Reserve Associate Test, Shaw Air Force Base, South Carolina, Daniel Moreno, Jr., Chief, Operations Systems Management, 482d Operations Squadron, Homestead Air Force Base, Florida, Brig. Gen. Allan R. Poulin, Lt. Col. William Vrastil, Lt. Col. Jack H. Connelly (Ret.), Lt. Col. David W. Eastis (Ret.), Maj. Allan F. Estis (Ret.), Maj. Thomas C. Massey (Ret.), and Brig. Gen. James L. Turner (Ret.), all of the U.S. Air Force Reserves; Lt. Col. Thomas E. Sawner, Air National Guard; and Rev. Walter Richardson, Miami, Florida.

### SCHOOLS AND LIBRARIES PROGRAM

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* Committee concluded hearings to examine the operating procedures and internal controls of the Schools and Libraries Corporation to implement Federal Communication Commission orders to administer the universal service fund to improve the access of modern telecommunications services to schools and libraries, after receiving testimony from Judy A. England-Joseph, Director, Housing and Community Development Issues, Resources, Community, and Economic Development Division, and John P.

Finedore, Assistant Director, Accounting and Information Management Division, both of the General Accounting Office; and Ira Fishman, Schools and Libraries Corporation, Washington, D.C.

### HISTORIC PRESERVATION

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* Subcommittee on National Parks, Historic Preservation, and Recreation concluded hearings on S. 155, to redesignate General Grant National Memorial as Grant's Tomb National Monument, S. 1408, to establish the Lower East Side Tenement National Historic Site, S. 1718, to amend the Weir Farm National Historic Site Establishment Act of 1990 to authorize the acquisition of additional acreage for the historic site to permit the development of visitor and administrative facilities and to authorize funds for the acquisition of real and personal property, and S. 1990, to authorize expansion of Fort Davis National Historic Site in Fort Davis, Texas, after receiving testimony from Dennis P. Galvin, Deputy Director, National Park Service, Department of the Interior.

Testimony was also received on S. 1408 (listed above) from Ruth J. Abram, Lower East Side Tenement Museum, New York, New York, and on S. 1718 (listed above) from Constance Evans, Weir Farm Trust, Wilton, Connecticut.

### INTERNET TAX REGULATION

*Committee on Finance:* Committee held hearings on proposals to regulate the taxation of the Internet by placing a moratorium on the ability of State and local governments to impose certain taxes on the Internet, including related provisions of S. 442 and H.R. 4105, receiving testimony from Senators Bumpers, Lieberman, and Wyden; Representative Cox; Joseph H. Guttentag, Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Treasury for International Tax Affairs; John E. McPhee, Director, Office of Computers and Business Equipment, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce; and Francis J. Kelly, Charles Schwab & Company, Jill A. Lesser, America Online, Harley T. Duncan, Federation of Tax Administrators, Mark E. Nebergall, Internet Tax Fairness Coalition, Raymond C. Scheppach, National Governors' Association, and Mark A. Micali, Direct Marketing Association, all of Washington, D.C.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

### NOMINATIONS

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of Hugh Q. Parmer, of Texas, to be Assistant Administrator for Humanitarian Response, Agency for International Development, Mary Beth West, of the District of Columbia, for the rank of Ambassador during her tenure of

service as Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for Oceans, Fisheries and Space, John Bruce Craig, of Pennsylvania, to be Ambassador to the Sultanate of Oman, Theodore H. Kattouf, of Maryland, to be Ambassador to the United Arab Emirates, Elizabeth Davenport McKune, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the State of Qatar, David Michael Satterfield, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Lebanon, William B. Milam, of California, to be Ambassador to the Islamic Republic of Pakistan, James Howard Holmes, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Latvia, Steven Robert Mann, of Pennsylvania, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Turkmenistan, Richard Nelson Swett, of New Hampshire, to be Ambassador to Denmark, and Melissa Foelsch Wells, of Connecticut, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Estonia, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf. Mr. Parmer was introduced by Senator Hutchison, Ms. West was introduced by Senator Campbell, Messrs. Craig and Kattouf were introduced by Senator Santorum, Mr. Swett was introduced by Senators Robert Smith and Gregg and Representatives Bass and Shays, and Ms. Wells was introduced by Senator Leahy.

#### BUSINESS MEETING

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

The nominations of Kim McLean Wardlaw, of California, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit, and Jose de Jesus Rivera, to be United States Attorney for the District of Arizona;

S. 1645, to prohibit taking minors across State lines to avoid laws requiring the involvement of parents in abortion decisions, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 2192, to make certain technical corrections to the Trademark Act of 1946;

S. 2193, to implement the provisions of the Trademark Law Treaty;

S.1134, to grant the consent of the Congress to the Northwestern Wildland Fire Protection Agreement to promote effective prevention, presuppres-

sion, and control of forest fires in the Northwestern wildland region of the United States and adjacent areas of Canada;

S.J. Res. 35, granting the consent of Congress to the Pacific Northwest Emergency Management Arrangement;

H.R. 1085, to revise, codify, and enact without substantive change certain general and permanent laws, related to patriotic and national observances, ceremonies, and organizations, as title 36, United States Code, "Patriotic and National Observances, Ceremonies, and Organizations"; and

S. Res. 207, commemorating the 20th anniversary of the founding of the Vietnam Veterans of America.

#### NOMINATIONS

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of Timothy B. Dyk, of the District of Columbia, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Federal Circuit, Carl J. Barbier, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Louisiana, David R. Herndon, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Illinois, Gerald Bruce Lee, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Virginia, Nora M. Manella, to be United States District Judge for the Central District of California, Rebecca R. Pallmeyer, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Illinois, Jeanne E. Scott, to be United States District Judge for the Central District of Illinois, and Patricia A. Seitz, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Florida, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf. Mr. Dyk was introduced by Senator Kerry, Mr. Barbier was introduced by Senators Breaux and Landrieu and Representative Jefferson, Mr. Herndon and Ms. Scott were introduced by Senators Durbin and Moseley-Braun and Representative Shimkus, Ms. Pallmeyer was introduced by Senators Durbin and Moseley-Braun, Mr. Lee was introduced by Senators Warner and Robb, Ms. Manella was introduced by Senator Feinstein, and Ms. Seitz was introduced by Senators Graham and Mack and Representative Ramstad.