

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S4725-S4819

Measures Introduced: Eleven bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 959-969, and S. Res. 96-97. **Page S4792**

Measures Passed:

Commending Reverend Jesse Jackson: By a unanimous vote of 92 yeas, 5 members responding present (Vote No. 99), Senate agreed to S. Res. 94, commending the efforts of the Reverend Jesse Jackson to secure the release of the soldiers held by the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia. **Page S4727**

National Teacher Day: Senate agreed to S. Res. 97, designating the week of May 2 through 8, 1999, as the 14th Annual Teacher Appreciation Week, and designating Tuesday, May 4, 1999, as National Teacher Day. **Page S4817**

Dante B. Fascell North-South Center: Senate passed H.R. 432, to designate the North/South Center as the Dante B. Fascell North-South Center, clearing the measure for the President. **Page S4817**

Sierra Leone Human Rights: Senate agreed to S. Res. 54, condemning the escalating violence, the gross violation of human rights and attacks against civilians, and the attempt to overthrow a democratically elected government in Sierra Leone. **Pages S4817-18**

Afghanistan Women's Treatment: Senate agreed to S. Res. 68, expressing the sense of the Senate regarding the treatment of women and girls by the Taliban in Afghanistan, after agreeing to the following amendments proposed thereto: **Pages S4818-19**

Gramm (for Boxer Amendment No. 305), to improve the resolution. **Page S4818**

Gramm (for Boxer Amendment No. 306), to improve the preamble. **Pages S4818-19**

Financial Services Modernization Act: Senate continued consideration of S. 900, to enhance competition in the financial services industry by providing a prudential framework for the affiliation of banks, securities firms, insurance companies, and other fi-

nancial service providers, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto: **Pages S4735-88**

Rejected:

Sarbanes (for Daschle/Sarbanes) Amendment No. 302, in the nature of a substitute. (By 54 yeas to 43 nays, 1 member responding present (Vote No. 100), Senate tabled the amendment.) **Pages S4735-43**

Bryan Amendment No. 303, to make amendments relating to the Community Reinvestment Act of 1977. (By 52 yeas to 45 nays, 1 member responding present (Vote No. 101), Senate tabled the amendment.) **Pages S4743-88**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill on Thursday, May 6, 1999. **Page S4819**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Edward B. Montgomery, of Maryland, to be an Assistant Secretary of Labor.

David B. Dunn, of California, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Zambia. **Page S4819**

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Measures Referred: **Pages S4790-91**

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Additional Statements: **Pages S4815-17**

Record Votes: Three record votes were taken today. (Total—101) **Pages S4727, S4743, S4788**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 7:45 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Thursday, May 6, 1999. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S4819.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

NOMINATION

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: Committee concluded hearings on the nomination of Thomas J. Erickson, of the District of Columbia, to be a Commissioner of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission after the nominee, who was introduced by Senator Daschle, testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

COMMODITY EXCHANGE ACT

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: Committee concluded hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for programs of the Commodity Exchange Act, focusing on the Commodity Futures Trading Commission's pilot program for agricultural trade options, after receiving testimony from David D. Spears, Commissioner, Commodity Futures Trading Commission; Kenneth Ackerman, Administrator, Risk Management Agency, Department of Agriculture; Jerry Slocum, North Mississippi Grain Company, Cold Water; Dan Dye, Cargill, Inc., Minneapolis Minnesota; Scott W. Stewart, Stewart-Peterson Group, Inc., West Bend, Wisconsin, on behalf of the National Introducing Brokers Association; Steven Manaster, Virginia Tech University Pamplin College of Business, Falls Church; David Rempe, Kansas State University Department of Agricultural Economics, Manhattan.

INTELLIGENCE PROGRAMS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Defense concluded closed hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2000 for defense related intelligence programs, after receiving testimony from George J. Tenet, Director, Central Intelligence Agency.

FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS INSOLVENCY IMPROVEMENT ACT

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Subcommittee on Financial Institutions concluded hearings on S. 958, to amend certain banking and securities laws with respect to financial contract, after receiving testimony from William F. Kroener, III, General Counsel, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation; and Paul G. Scheufele, Credit Suisse First Boston, on behalf of the Bond Market Association, Don Thompson, J.P. Morgan and Company, Inc., on behalf of the American Bankers Association and the ABA Securities Association, and Marjorie E. Gross, Chase Manhattan Bank, on behalf of the Financial Services Roundtable, all of New York, New York.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 376, to amend the Communications Satellite Act of 1962 to promote competition and privatization in satellite communications, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 305, to reform unfair and anticompetitive practices in the professional boxing industry, with amendments;

S. 296, to provide for continuation of the Federal research investment in a fiscally sustainable way, with amendments;

S. 342, to authorize appropriations for the National Aeronautics and Space Administration for fiscal years 2000, 2001, and 2002, with amendments;

S. 795, to amend the Fastener Quality Act to strengthen the protection against the sale of mismarked, misrepresented, and counterfeit fasteners and eliminate unnecessary requirements, with amendments;

S. 920, to authorize appropriations for the Federal Maritime Commission for fiscal years 2000 and 2001, with an amendment;

H.R. 1034, to declare a portion of the James River and Kanawha Canal in Richmond, Virginia, to be nonnavigable waters of the United States for purposes of title 46, United States Code, and the other maritime laws of the United States; and

The nominations of Rear Adm. John E. Shkor of the United States Coast Guard to be Commander, Atlantic Area, with the Grade of Vice Admiral, Capt. Evelyn J. Fields of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration to be Director, Office of NOAA Corp Operations, with the Grade of Rear Admiral; Capt. Nicholas A. Prahl of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration to be Director, Atlantic and Pacific Marine Centers, with the Grade of Rear Admiral, and nominations for promotion in the United States Coast Guard.

CHINESE ESPIONAGE AT DOE LABORATORIES

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee resumed hearings to examine the damage to the national security from alleged Chinese espionage at Department of Energy nuclear weapons laboratories, receiving testimony from John C. Browne, Director, Los Alamos National Laboratory, C. Paul Robinson, Director, Sandia National Laboratories, and C. Bruce Tarter, Director, Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory, all of the Department of Energy.

Hearings recessed subject to call.