

Monday, June 14, 1999

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S6921–S6973

Measures Introduced: Four bills and six resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1217–1220, S. Res. 118–122, and S. Con. Res. 39. **Pages S6944–45**

Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows: S. 1217, making appropriations for the Departments of Commerce, Justice, and State, the Judiciary, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2000. (S. Rept. No. 106–76)

Measures Passed:

Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday: Senate passed S. 322, to amend title 4, United States Code, to add the Martin Luther King Jr. holiday to the list of days on which the flag should especially be displayed. **Pages S6971–72**

Agricultural Biotechnology: Senate agreed to S. Res. 120, requesting that the President raise the issue of agricultural biotechnology at the June G–8 Summit meeting. **Page S6972**

Legal Representation: Senate agreed to S. Res. 121, to authorize testimony and legal representation in *C. William Kaiser v. Department of Veterans Affairs*. **Page S6972**

Committee Funding Resolutions: Senate agreed to S. Res. 122, authorizing the reporting of committee funding resolutions for the period October 1, 1999 through February 28, 2001. **Pages S6972–73**

Energy and Water Development Appropriations, FY 2000: Senate began consideration of S. 1186, making appropriations for energy and water development for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2000, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto: **Pages S6923–29, S6939–40, S6942**

Adopted:

Domenici Amendment No. 625, of a technical nature. **Page S6924**

Domenici (for Schumer) Amendment No. 651, to provide that \$100,000 of the funding appropriated herein for section 107 navigation projects may be used by the Corps of Engineers to produce a decision document, and, if favorable, signing a project cost sharing agreement with a non-Federal project spon-

sor for the Rochester Harbor, New York (CSX Swing Bridge), project. **Page S6940**

Domenici (for Reid) Amendment No. 652, to provide that \$500,000 of the funding appropriated herein is provided for the Walker River Basin, Nevada project, including not to exceed \$200,000 for the Federal assessment team for the purpose of conducting a comprehensive study of Walker River Basin issues. **Page S6940**

Domenici (for Sarbanes/Mikulski) Amendment No. 653, to provide that the Secretary of the Army, acting through the Chief of Engineers, may use \$1,500,000 of funding appropriated herein to initiate construction of shoreline protection measures at Assateague Island, Maryland. **Page S6940**

Domenici (for Inouye) Amendment No. 654, to provide \$2,000,000 for the Natural Energy Laboratory of Hawaii, for the purpose of monitoring ocean climate change indicators. **Page S6940**

Domenici Amendment No. 655, to provide that \$15,000,000, of which \$10,000,000 shall be derived from reductions in contractor travel balances, shall be available for civilian research and development. **Page S6940**

Domenici Amendment No. 656, to provide that \$10,000,000 of the amount provided for stockpile stewardship shall be available to provide laboratory and facility capabilities in partnership with small businesses for either direct benefit to Weapons Activities or regional economic development. **Page S6940**

Domenici (for Hutchison) Amendment No. 657, to provide that the Secretary of the Army, acting through the Chief of Engineers, shall use \$100,000 of available funds to study the economic justification and environmental acceptability, in accordance with section 509(a) of Public Law 104–303, of maintaining the Matagorda Ship Channel, Point Comfort Turning Basin, Texas, project, and to use available funds to perform any required maintenance in fiscal year 2000 once the Secretary determines such maintenance is justified and acceptable as required by Public Law 104–303. **Page S6940**

Domenici (for Mack/Graham) Amendment No. 658, to reallocate funding of certain water resource projects in the State of Florida. **Page S6940**

Domenici (for McConnell) Amendment No. 659, to modify provisions relating to funds of the United States Enrichment Corporation. **Page S6940**

Domenici (for Conrad/Dorgan) Amendment No. 660, to require the Corps of Engineers to conduct a general reevaluation report on the project for flood control, Park River, Grafton, North Dakota. **Page S6940**

Pending:

Domenici Amendment No. 628, of a technical nature. **Page S6928**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that when the Senate receives the House companion measure, the Senate strike all after the enacting clause and insert in lieu thereof the text of S. 1186, as passed, and the House bill, as amended, be read for a third time and passed, that the Senate insist on its amendment, request a conference with the House thereon, and the Chair be authorized to appoint conferees on the part of the Senate. Further, that upon passage of the House bill, passage of S. 1186 be vitiated and then be indefinitely postponed. **Page S6928**

Social Security and Medicare Safe Deposit Box Act: Senate began consideration of H.R. 1259, to amend the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 to protect Social Security surpluses through strengthened budgetary enforcement mechanisms. **Page S6971**

A motion was entered to close further debate on the bill 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 Wednesday, June 16, 1999. **Page S6971**

Work Incentives Improvement Act—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for the consideration of S. 331, to amend the

Social Security Act to expand the availability of health care coverage for working individuals with disabilities, to establish a Ticket to Work and Self-Sufficiency Program in the Social Security Administration to provide such individuals with meaningful opportunities to work, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute to be proposed thereto and agreed to, and the Senate proceed to a vote on final passage at a time to be determined, on Tuesday, June 15, 1999. Further, that it not be in order for the Senate to consider any conference report or House amendment to S. 331, or its House companion if it contains a net increase in direct spending in fiscal year 2000, the period fiscal years 2000 through 2004, or the period fiscal years 2005 through 2009, as estimated by the Congressional Budget Office. **Page S6971**

Messages From the House: **Page S6945**

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 12 noon, and adjourned at 6:48 p.m., until 11:00 a.m. on Tuesday, June 15, 1999. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S6973.)

Committee Meetings

No Committee hearings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 19 public bills, H.R. 2183–2201; and 1 resolution, H. Con. Res. 132, were introduced. **Page H4222**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed as follows:

Filed on June 10, H.R. 1802, to amend part E of title IV of the Social Security Act to provide States with more funding and greater flexibility in carrying out programs designed to help children make the transition from foster care to self-sufficiency, amended (H. Rept. 106–182 Part 1);

H.R. 17, to amend the Agricultural Trade Act of 1978 to require the President to report to Congress on any selective embargo on agricultural commodities, to provide a termination date for the embargo, and to provide greater assurances for contract sanctity (H. Rept. 106–154 Part 2);

H.R. 629, to amend the Community Development Banking and Financial Institutions Act of 1994 to reauthorize the Community Development Financial Institutions Fund and to more efficiently and effectively promote economic revitalization community development, and community development financial institutions (H. Rept. 106–183);

H.R. 413, to authorize qualified organizations to provide technical assistance and capacity building services to microenterprise development organizations and programs and to disadvantaged entrepreneurs using funds from the Community Development Financial Institutions Fund (H. Rept. 106–184 Part 1); and

H. Res. 206, providing for consideration of H.R. 1000, to amend title 49, United States Code, to reauthorize programs of the Federal Aviation Administration (H. Rept. 106–185). Pages H4221–22

Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Stearns to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. Page H4131

Recess: The House recessed at 12:37 p.m. and reconvened at 2:00 p.m. Page H4131

Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

U.S. Luge Association Clinic: H. Con. Res. 91, amended, authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds for a clinic to be conducted by the United States Luge Association; Pages H4137–38

Law Enforcement Torch Run for the 1999 Special Olympics: H. Con. Res. 105, amended, authorizing the Law Enforcement Torch Run for the 1999 Special Olympics World Games to be run through the Capitol Grounds; and Pages H4138–39

Bond Price Competition Improvement Act: H.R. 1400, amended, to amend the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 to improve collection and dissemination of information concerning bond prices and to improve price competition in bond markets (agreed to by a ye and nay vote of 332 yeas to 1 nay, Roll No. 204). Pages H4132–37, H4139–40

Recess: The House recessed at 2:37 p.m. and reconvened at 6:00 p.m. Page H4139

Defense Authorization Act: The House passed S. 1059 after striking all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the provisions of H.R. 1401, to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 2000 and 2001 for military activities of the Department of Defense and to prescribe military personnel strengths for fiscal years 2000 to 2001, as passed the House. H.R. 1401 was then laid on the table. H. Res. 200, the rule that provided for consideration of the Senate and House bills was agreed to on June 9. Pages H4140–H4211

Recess: The House recessed at 7:43 p.m. and reconvened at 9:03 p.m. Page H4218

Senate Messages: Message received from the Senate on June 11 appears on page H4132.

Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on pages H4223–24.

Quorum Calls—Votes: One ye and nay vote developed during the proceedings of the House today and appears on pages H4139–40. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 12:30 p.m. and adjourned at 9:11 p.m.

Committee Meetings

HEALTH CARE COSTS AND AMERICA'S UNINSURED

Committee on Education and the Workforce: On June 11, the Subcommittee on Employer-Employee Relations held a hearing on the Relationship Between Health Care Costs and America's Uninsured. Testimony was heard from Dan Crippen, Director, CBO; William J. Scanlon, Director, Health Financing and Public Health Issues, GAO; and public witnesses.

INDEPENDENT COUNSEL STATUTE REAUTHORIZATION

Committee on the Judiciary: On June 11, the Subcommittee on Commercial and Administrative Law held a hearing on the reauthorization of the Independent Counsel Statute. Testimony was heard from former Senators George J. Mitchell of Maine and Robert Dole of Kansas; and public witnesses.

CONSEQUENCES FOR JUVENILE OFFENDERS ACT

Committee on Rules: Heard testimony from Members of Congress, but no action was taken on H.R. 1501, Consequences for Juvenile Offenders Act of 1999.

AVIATION INVESTMENT AND REFORM ACT FOR THE 21ST CENTURY

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote a structured rule providing one hour of general debate on H.R. 1000, Aviation Investment and Reform Act for the 21st Century, to be equally divided between the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule makes in order the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure amendment in the nature of a substitute as an original bill for the purpose of amendment, modified by the amendment printed in part A of the report of the Committee on Rules accompanying this resolution. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the amendment in the nature of a substitute. The rule makes in order only those amendments printed in part B of the Rules Committee report accompanying this resolution. The rule provides that amendments

made in order may be offered only in the order printed in the report, may be offered only by a Member designated in the report, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, shall not be subject to amendment, and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question in the House or in the Committee of the Whole. The rule waives all points of order against the amendments printed in the report. The rule allows for the Chairman of the Committee of the Whole to postpone votes during consideration of the bill, and to reduce voting time to five minutes on a postponed question if the vote follows a fifteen minute vote. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Chairman Shuster and Representatives Sweeney, Hyde, Traficant, Obey, Dingell, Jackson of Illinois, and Weiner.

Joint Meetings

HIGH-TECHNOLOGY NATIONAL SUMMIT

Joint Economic Committee: Committee held hearings to highlight issues relating to the High-Technology National Summit, focusing on the impact of recent breakthroughs in computers, software and information networks on the U.S. economy and society, receiving testimony from Alan Greenspan, Chairman, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System; Louis V. Gerstner, Jr., IBM Corporation, Armonk, New York; Robert Katz, Technology Network, Palo Alto, California; Craig R. Barrett, Intel Corporation, Santa Clara, California; Edward J. Nicoll, Datek Online Holdings Corporation, Iselin, New Jersey; Judy G. Carter, Softworks, Inc., Alexandria, Virginia; James L. Barksdale, Barksdale Group, Mountain View, California; and Sara Horowitz, Working Today, New York, New York.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY, JUNE 15, 1999

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, and Related Agencies, business meeting to mark up H.R. 1906, making appropriations for Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2000, 11 a.m., SD-124.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Forests and Public Land Management, to hold oversight hearings on issues related to vacating the record of decision and denial of a plan of operations for the Crown Jewel Mine in Okanogan County, Washington, 2:30 p.m., SD-366.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: business meeting to consider pending calendar business, 9:30 a.m., SD-628.

Committee on the Judiciary: to hold hearings on S. 952, to expand an antitrust exemption applicable to professional sports leagues and to require, as a condition of such an exemption, participation by professional football and major league baseball sports leagues in the financing of certain stadium construction activities, 12 p.m., SD-226.

House

Committee on Banking and Financial Services, hearing on Debt Relief, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on the Budget, Social Security Task Force, hearing on Secure Investment Strategies for Personal Retirement Accounts and Annuities, 12 p.m., 210 Cannon.

Committee on Commerce, Subcommittee on Telecommunications, Trade, and Consumer Protection, hearing on H.R. 1858, Consumer and Investor Access to Information Act of 1999, 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Government Reform, Subcommittee on Government Management, Information, and Technology, hearing on "What is the Federal Government Doing to Collect the Billions of Dollars in Delinquent Debts it is Owed?" 10 a.m., 2247 Rayburn.

Committee on International Relations, hearing on the Future of Our Economic Partnership with Europe, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 1658, Civil Asset Forfeiture Reform Act; H.R. 1691, Religious Liberty Protection Act of 1999; and H.R. 1218, Child Custody Protection Act, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Rules, to consider H.R. 659, Protect America's Treasures of the Revolution for Independence for Our Tomorrow Act, 7 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

Committee on Ways and Means, Subcommittee on Health, hearing on Uninsured Americans, 11 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, executive, hearing on Encryption legislation, 2 p.m., H-405 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Technical and Tactical Intelligence, hearing on Launch Failures and Launch Issues, 10 a.m., 2212 Rayburn.

Joint Meetings

Joint Economic Committee: to continue hearings on issues relating to the High-Technology National Summit, 9:30 a.m., SH-216.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

11 a.m., Tuesday, June 15

Senate Chamber

Program for Tuesday: Senate will resume consideration of S. 96, Y2K Act; following which, Senate will recess for their respective party conferences until 2:15 p.m., at which time the Senate will vote on final passage of H.R. 775, House companion measure to S. 96, Y2K Act, following which, Senate will vote on the motion to close further debate on Amendment No. 297 to S. 557, Budget Process Reform. If cloture is not invoked on Amendment No. 297, Senate will vote on the motion to close further debate on the motion to proceed to H.R. 1664, Steel, Oil and Gas Loan Guarantee Program. If cloture is not invoked on the motion to proceed to H.R. 1664, Senate will resume consideration of S. 1186, Energy and Water Development Appropriations.

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

9 a.m., Tuesday, June 15

House Chamber

Program for Tuesday: Consideration of 4 Suspensions:

1. H.R. 17, Selective Agricultural Embargoes Act;
2. H. Res. 62, expressing concern over the attempts to overthrow the government in Sierra Leone;
3. H. Con. Res. 75, condemning the National Islamic Front government for its genocidal war in southern Sudan; and
4. H.R. 973, Security Assistance Act; and Consideration of H.R. 1000, Aviation Investment and Reform Act for the 21st Century Act (structured rule, one hour of debate).

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