

Monday, June 28, 1999

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S7681–S7755

Measures Introduced: Nine bills were introduced, as follows: S. 1288–1296. **Page S7717**

Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows: S. 1292, making appropriations for the Department of the Interior and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2000. (S. Rept. No. 106–99) **Page S7716**

Measures Passed:

Lake Oconee Land Exchange Act: Senate passed S. 604, to direct the Secretary of Agriculture to complete a land exchange with Georgia Power Company. **Page S7754**

Agriculture Appropriations, FY2000: Senate resumed consideration of S. 1233, making appropriations for Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2000, taking action on the following amendment proposed thereto: **Pages S7696–S7705**

Pending:

Feinstein Amendment No. 737, to prohibit arbitrary limitation or conditions for the provision of services and to ensure that medical decisions are not made without the best available evidence or information. **Pages S7796–S7705**

Lott Amendment No. 1103 (to Amendment No. 737), to improve the access and choice of patients to quality, affordable health care. **Pages S7796–S7705**

A motion was entered to close further debate on Amendment No. 1103 (listed above) 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 30, 1999. **Page S7697**

During consideration of this measure today, Senate also took the following action:

By 50 yeas to 37 nays (Vote No. 184), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, not having voted in the affirmative, Senate failed to agree to close further debate on the bill. **Page S7705**

Transportation Appropriations Cloture Vote: By 49 yeas to 40 nays (Vote No. 185), three-fifths of

those Senators duly chosen and sworn, not having voted in the affirmative, Senate failed to agree to close further debate on the motion to proceed to the consideration of S. 1143, making appropriations for the Department of Transportation and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2000. **Pages S7705–06**

Commerce/Justice/State Appropriations Cloture Vote: By 49 yeas to 39 nays (Vote No. 186), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, not having voted in the affirmative, Senate failed to agree to close further debate on the motion to proceed to the consideration of 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. **Page S7706**

Foreign Operations Appropriations Cloture Vote: By 49 yeas to 41 nays (Vote No. 187), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, not having voted in the affirmative, Senate failed to agree to close further debate on the motion to proceed to the consideration of S. 1234, making appropriations for foreign operations, export financing, and related programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2000. **Pages S7706–07**

Messages From the President: Senate received the following message from the President of the United States:

Transmitting the report of the executive order of the implementation of the Chemical Weapons Convention and the Chemical Weapons Convention Implementation Act; referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. (PM–42). **Pages S7708–09**

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Record Votes: Four record votes were taken today. (Total—187) Pages S7705–06

Adjournment: Senate convened at 12 noon, and adjourned at 7:25 p.m., until 10:30 a.m. on Tuesday, June 29, 1999. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S7754.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Armed Services: Committee ordered favorably reported 4,657 military nominations in the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, and Air Force.

NOMINATION

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded hearings on the nomination of John David Holum, of Maryland, to be Under Secretary of State for Arms Control and International Security, after the nominee, who was introduced by Senator Johnson, testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session. It will next meet on Tuesday, June 29 at 12:30 p.m. for morning-hour debates.

Committee Meetings

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Military Construction approved for full Committee action the Military Construction appropriations for fiscal year 2000.

WARNER CREEK TIMBER SALE

Committee on Resources: Task Force on Warner Creek Timber Sale and Related Matters met in executive session to continue to discuss the Warner Creek Timber Sale and related matters.

Joint Meetings

TRAFFICKING OF HUMAN BEINGS

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe: Commission concluded hearings on issues relating to the trafficking of women and children in Europe and the United States, focusing on the causes and extent of the problem in OSCE participating states, the situation in Kosovo, and the involvement of international criminal networks and the efforts by the United States, foreign governments and NGO's to address the issue, after receiving testimony from Anita Botti, Deputy Director/Senior Advisor on Trafficking, Of-

fice of the Senior Coordinator for International Women's Issues, Department of State; Steven Galster, Global Survival Network, Louise Shelley, American University School of International Service, Wendy Young, International Rescue Committee, and Laura Lederer, Harvard University John F. Kennedy School of Government, all of Washington, D.C.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D676)

H.R. 435, to make miscellaneous and technical changes to various trade laws. Signed June 25, 1999. (P.L. 106–36)

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY, JUNE 29, 1999

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Science, Technology, and Space, to hold hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, United States Fire Administration, and Earthquake Hazards Reduction programs, 2:30 p.m., SR–253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: to hold hearings on S. 161, to provide for a transition to market-based rates for power sold by the Federal Power Marketing Administrations and the Tennessee Valley Authority; S. 282, to provide that no electric utility shall be required to enter into a new contract or obligation to purchase or to sell electricity or capacity under section 210

of the Public Utility Regulatory Policies Act of 1978; S. 516, to benefit consumers by promoting competition in the electric power industry; and S. 1047, to provide for a more competitive electric power industry, 9:30 a.m., SH-216.

Subcommittee on Forests and Public Land Management, to hold oversight hearings on fire preparedness by the Bureau of Land Management and the Forest Service on Federal lands, 2:30 p.m., SD-366.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: business meeting to consider S. 1100, to amend the Endangered Species Act of 1973 to provide that the designation of critical habitat for endangered and threatened species be required as part of the development of recovery plans for those species; the nomination of Timothy Fields, Jr., of Virginia, to be Assistant Administrator, Office of Solid Waste, Environmental Protection Agency, and other pending calendar business, 10 a.m., SD-406.

Committee on Finance: to hold hearings on the nomination of Stuart E. Eizenstat, of Maryland, to be Deputy Secretary of the Treasury; the nomination of Jeffrey Rush, Jr., of Virginia, to be Inspector General, Department of the Treasury; and the nomination of Lewis Andrew Sachs, of Connecticut, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Treasury for Financial Markets, 10 a.m., SD-215.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: to resume hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for programs of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act, focusing on arts education and magnet schools, 9:30 a.m., SD-430.

House

Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Interior, to mark up appropriations for fiscal year 2000, 10 a.m., B308 Capitol.

Committee on the Budget, Social Security Task Force, hearing on Review of Social Security Reform Plans, 10 a.m., 210 Cannon.

Committee on Commerce, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing on Worker Safety at DOE Nuclear Facilities, 11 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Telecommunications, Trade, and Consumer Protection, hearing on H.R. 1832, Muhammad Ali Boxing Reform Act, 11 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Education and the Workforce, Subcommittee on Employer-Employee Relations, hearing on Enhancing Retirement Security, including discussion of H.R. 1102, Comprehensive Retirement Security and Pension Reform Act, 11 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Government Reform, Subcommittee on Criminal Justice, Drug Policy, and Human Resources, hearing on "Defense Offsets: Are They Taking Away Our Jobs?" 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Government Management, Information, and Technology, hearing on H.R. 1827, Government Waste Corrections Act of 1999, 2 p.m., 2247 Rayburn.

Committee on House Administration, to continue hearings on Campaign Reform, 2 p.m., 1310 Longworth.

Committee on International Relations, Subcommittee on International Economic Policy and Trade, hearing on "Y2K, Customs Flows and Global Trade: Are We Prepared to Meet the Challenges of the New Millennium?" 2 p.m., 2200 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on International Operations and Human Rights, hearing on U.S. Policy Toward Victims of Torture, 1:30 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on Commercial and Administrative Law, hearing on H.R. 881, Regulatory Fair Warning Act of 1999, 10 a.m., 2237 Rayburn.

Committee on Resources, Subcommittee on Fisheries Conservation, and Wildlife and Oceans, oversight hearing on Marine Mammal Protection Act, 2 p.m., 1334 Longworth.

Subcommittee on Forests and Forest Health, oversight hearing on a GAO Report entitled: "A Cohesive Strategy Is Needed to Address Catastrophic Wildlife Threats," 2 p.m., 1324 Longworth.

Subcommittee on National Parks and Public Lands, oversight hearing on Dealing with Occurrence of the Hantavirus Disease and associated health risks to Park Visitors on the Channel Islands National Park in California, 10 a.m., 1334 Longworth.

Committee on Rules, to consider the following: H.R. 1218, Child Custody Protection Act; H.R. 66, to preserve the cultural resources of the Route 66 corridor and to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to provide assistance; H.R. 791, Star-Spangled Banner Historic Trail Study Act of 1999; and H.R. 592, World War II Veterans Park at Great Kills, 1 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

Committee on Science, hearing on the Rudman Report on Security Problems at the Department of Energy, 2 p.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Space and Aeronautics, the Subcommittee on Military Procurement and the Subcommittee on Military Research and Development of the Committee on Armed Services, joint hearing on Range Modernization, Part II, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation, oversight hearing on the requirement for double hulls under the Oil Pollution Act of 1990, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Committee on Ways and Means, Subcommittee on Human Resources, hearing on Reducing Nonmarital Births, 10 a.m., B-318 Rayburn.

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, executive, briefing on Kosova Update, 3 p.m., H-405 Capitol.

Joint Meetings

Conference: meeting of conferees on H.R. 775, to establish certain procedures for civil actions brought for damages relating to the failure of any device or system to process or otherwise deal with the transition from the year 1999 to the year 2000, 9:30 a.m., SC-5, Capitol.

Next Meeting of the SENATE
10:30 a.m., Tuesday, June 29

Senate Chamber

Program for Tuesday: After the recognition of three Senators for speeches, and the transaction of any morning business (not to extend beyond 12:30 p.m.), Senate will recess until 2:15 p.m. for their respective party conferences; following which, Senate will continue the transaction of morning business for an additional two hours.

Also, Senate expects to resume consideration of S. 1233, Agriculture Appropriations.

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
12:30 p.m., Tuesday, June 29

House Chamber

Program for Tuesday: Consideration of 6 Suspensions:

(1) H.R. 2280, Veterans Benefits Improvement Act of 1999;

(2) H.J. Res. 34, Congratulating and Commending the Veterans of Foreign Wars;

(3) H.R. 1568, Veterans Entrepreneurship and Small Business Development Act of 1999;

(4) H. Con. Res. 94—Recognizing the Public Need for Reconciliation and Healing, Urging the United States to Unite in Seeking God, and Recommending that the Nation's Leaders Call for Days of Prayer;

(5) H.R. 2014—To Prohibit a State from Imposing a Discriminatory Commuter Tax on Nonresidents; and

(6) H. Res. _____—Expressing the Sense of the House of Representatives Condemning the Acts of Arson at Three Sacramento, California, Area Synagogues.



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