

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

The House passed 36 measures under suspension of the rules and by unanimous consent.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S7493–S7585

Measures Introduced: Eleven bills and one resolution, were introduced, as follows: S. 2911–2921, and S. Res. 342. **Page S7542**

Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 2107, to amend the Securities Act of 1933 and the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 to reduce securities fees in excess of those required to fund the operations of the Securities and Exchange Commission, to adjust compensation provisions for employees of the Commission, with amendments. (S. Rept. No. 106–360) **Page S7542**

Measures Passed:

Long-Term Care Security Act: Committee on Governmental Affairs was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 4040, to amend title 5, United States Code, to provide for the establishment of a program under which long-term care insurance is made available to Federal employees, members of the uniformed services, and civilian and military retirees, provide for the correction of retirement coverage errors under chapters 83 and 84 of such title, and the bill was then passed, after striking all after the enacting clause, and inserting in lieu thereof, the text of S. 2420, Senate companion measure, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Pages S7575–82**

Subsequently, S. 2420 was placed back on the Senate calendar. **Page S7582**

Energy/Water Development Appropriations: Senate began consideration of the motion to proceed to the consideration of H.R. 4733, making appropriations for energy and water development for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2001. **Page S5722**

A motion was entered to close further debate on the motion to proceed to the consideration of 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 Thursday, July 27, 2000. **Pages S7522–23**

Subsequently, the motion to proceed was withdrawn. **Page S7523**

Certified Development Company Program Improvements Act: Senate disagreed to the amendment of the House to the Senate amendment to H.R. 2614, to amend the Small Business Investment Act to make improvements to the certified development company program, requested a conference with the House thereon, and the Chair was authorized to appoint the following conferees on the part of the Senate: Senators Bond, Burns, and Kerry. **Pages S7574–75**

Removal of Injunction of Secrecy: The injunction of secrecy was removed from the following treaty:

Protocols to the Convention on the Rights of the Child (Treaty Doc. No. 106–37).

The treaty was transmitted to the Senate today, considered as having been read for the first time, and referred, with accompanying papers, to the Committee on Foreign Relations and were ordered to be printed. **Pages S7573–74**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Jonathan Talisman, of Maryland, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Treasury.

Margrethe Lundsager, of Virginia, to be United States Alternate Executive Director of the International Monetary fund for a term of two years.

3 Army nominations in the rank of general.

1 Navy nomination in the rank of admiral.

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 6:36 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Wednesday, July 26, 2000. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S7583.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

AVIATION DELAYS AND CUSTOMER SERVICE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Transportation concluded oversight hearings on the growth and causes of airline flight delays and cancellations, and airline efforts to improve customer service, after receiving testimony from Kenneth M. Mead, Inspector General, and Jane F. Garvey, Administrator, Federal Aviation Administration, both of the Department of Transportation; and Edward Kragh, Newark, New Jersey, on behalf of the National Air Traffic Controllers Association.

NATIONAL MISSILE DEFENSE

Committee on Armed Services: Committee concluded hearings to examine the status of the United States National Missile Defense (NMD) program, focusing on the threat posed by long-range ballistic missile deployment, NMD development and deployment effort, cost of the system, and its impact on international security, including arms control, after receiving testimony from William S. Cohen, Secretary of Defense.

FIREFIGHTER INVESTMENT AND RESPONSE ENHANCEMENT ACT

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee concluded hearings on S. 1941, to amend the Federal Fire Prevention and Control Act of 1974 to authorize the Director of the Federal Emergency Management Agency to provide assistance to fire departments and fire prevention organizations for the purpose of protecting the public and firefighting personnel against fire and fire-related hazards, after receiving testimony from Senators Dodd and DeWine; Representatives Pascrell and Curt Weldon; Luther L. Fincher, Jr., Charlotte, North Carolina, on behalf of the International Association of Fire Chiefs; E. James Monihan, Lewes, Delaware, on behalf of the National Volunteer Fire Council; Billy Shields, Professional Fire Fighters of Arizona, Phoenix, on behalf of the International Association of Fire Fighters; and James H. Whitworth, Miami Township Fire and Emergency Medical Service, Milford, Ohio.

PILOT SHORTAGES

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Aviation concluded hearings on the impact of pilot shortages on air service to smaller and rural markets, and certain related provisions of

S. 1855, to establish age limitations for airmen, after receiving testimony from Senators Murkowski and Inhofe; L. Nicholas Lacey, Director, Flight Standards Service, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation; Duane E. Woerth, Air Line Pilots Association, International, Herndon, Virginia; Paul Emens, Pilots Against Age Discrimination, Annapolis, Maryland; Deborah C. McElroy, Regional Airline Association, Washington, D.C.; and Linda Barker, Business Aviation Services, Sioux Falls, South Dakota, on behalf of National Air Transportation Association.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee ordered favorably reported H.R. 701, to provide Outer Continental Shelf Impact Assistance to State and local governments, to amend the Land and Water Conservation Fund Act of 1965, the Urban Park and Recreation Recovery Act of 1978, and the Federal Aid in Wildlife Restoration Act (commonly referred to as the Pittman-Robertson Act) to establish a fund to meet the outdoor conservation and recreation needs of the American people, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

WATER PROJECTS

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Water and Power concluded hearings on S. 2877, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a feasibility study on water optimization in the Burnt River basin, Malheur River basin, Owyhee River basin, and Powder River basin, Oregon, S. 2881, to update an existing Bureau of Reclamation program by amending the Small Reclamation Projects Act of 1956, to establish a partnership program in the Bureau of Reclamation for small reclamation projects, and S. 2882, to authorize the Bureau of Reclamation to conduct certain feasibility studies to augment water supplies for the Klamath Project, Oregon and California, after receiving testimony from Larry Todd, Acting Director of Operations, and Robert T. Anderson, Counselor to the Secretary of the Interior, both of the Bureau of Reclamation, Department of the Interior; Peter Carlson, Will and Carlson, Inc., on behalf of the Oregon Water Resources Congress, and James R. Waltman, Wilderness Society, both of Washington, D.C.; and Roger Nicholson, Resource Conservancy, Inc., Fort Klamath, Oregon.

LOW ACTIVITY RADIOACTIVE WASTE

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Committee concluded hearings on issues relating to the disposal of low activity radioactive waste, focusing on the respective roles that state and federal agencies have played in regulating low activity waste and whether the standards used present an acceptable